

The *Shorewood News*

July - 2011



President's Letter

Well, is it officially summer now? How often have we waited through the work week this past month or two praying for a sunny weekend? How often have we been stymied, disappointed, scorned? Yesterday, Saturday, July 2nd, Patty (my wife) and I actually got to do some long postponed yard work. We're exhausted, but it's that good kind of exhaustion that you don't mind a bit. We even did little bit more today.

A couple of newsletters ago, I asked for singers and other musicians from the neighborhood to step forward and join me on center stage at our Summer Festival taking place this month on Saturday, July 23rd. Can you believe that, in this large a community of over 400 homes, only one person stepped forward? His name is Barry Rodda who lives up on Goat Hill with his lovely wife Jan. Barry plays the standup bass and we've had lots of fun the past few months learning a bunch of songs together. Since then, I've met a few other neighborhood musicians, too.

So, we the members of your Shorewood on the Sound Community Club Board of Directors, have begged and pleaded for people to come to our monthly meetings and get involved in your community. We meet on the third Thursday of most months. This month it's Thursday, July 21st at 7 PM on our beach. You should join us. It's been a mellow year and we're having as much fun being Directors as we've ever had. It's a great group of people. Just ask Eric LeBerg who sat in on our May meeting and enjoyed it so much that he came back in June.

At the May meeting, Eric sat next to me and, since we both have a well developed gift of gab, we discovered that we're both musicians. Eric plays a wonderful guitar, flute and other wind instruments and sings. We've been playing and singing together ever since, along with Barry Rodda and our singer/keyboardist/bongo player, Rachel LaFond. Although Barry and Eric can't join Rachel and me for the Summer Festival music, they'll likely join us in August at the Salmon Festival.

Isn't this community great...festivals, festivals and more festivals...Easter Egg Hunts, Garage Sales, Christmas Tree Lighting contests!!!v Do join us for the Summer Festival, noon to 4 PM on Saturday, July 23rd at 12155 Marine View Drive SW. We'll have face painting and jumping toys for the kids and food and music for everybody. People bring their picnic tables and chairs and family and friends and stay all afternoon. Y'all come!

Barrett W. Knudsen, President

Streets of Garage Sales – 2011

The SOTS June garage sale was a great success - we had sunny skies and lots of shoppers. Thanks to all participants and helpers. Lynne Crocket did our blog and webpage ads, Heather Ingersol did our ads for Craigslist and blog ads also. Thank you Kevin DeLashmutt and Barrett Knudsen for your help and time. Thanks again to all SOTS members. You make our community work.

Patty Knudsen, SOTS Garage Sale Chair

Storm Drain Identification.

Over the last few weeks Eagle Scout candidate Scott Weidenkopf and members of local Scout troop 284 have worked their way around the area, stenciling "no dumping" reminders on all of our neighborhood storm drains. Scott says the primary goal of this leadership project has been to help remind people that trash and other waste entering the drains ultimately ends up in Puget Sound. Another goal though was more personal: Completion of this task helps him to qualify for the rank of Eagle Scout.

Getting advance approval for this endeavor from the Chief Seattle Council of Scouting's Aquila district was needed to qualify this as Scott's Eagle Scout project. He also had to get approval from the city of Burien and pitched it to the SOTS Board and got their approval (and a \$130 donation for materials) before he began as well. Somewhere along the line I suspect he needed a nod from Larry Malchodi too. Not much goes on in Scouting around here without Larry being involved.

I have a lot of respect for Scouts and Scouting. The organization has faced challenges over the years, but even so Scouting changes kids. Grows them. Makes them more responsible and civic minded. Trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly – you get the idea. My boys were involved in scouting and definitely benefited from the experience. Both Larry and Scott's mom, Lisa, who was once a den mother, played no small part in my son's Scouting adventures.

Shorewood on the Sound has a long history of supporting Scouting, and we are lucky to have young men like Scott in our community, working behind the scenes to make Shorewood a better place to live and grow. Thanks Scott Weidenkopf, for choosing our neighborhood for your project, and for allowing us all to participate with you in carrying on this tradition.

Kevin DeLashmutt, Secretary

August 20, 2011 Salmon Bake

The Shorewood on the Sound Community Club Salmon Bake has been a neighborhood tradition for many years. Joe Cail has been one of the major organizers and cooks at the Salmon Bake for at least 20 of those years. This year Joe will not be cooking or organizing the Salmon Bake because he will be fishing up in Alaska. However, Joe will be with us in spirit because he has sent us 125 pounds of salmon for this event. Many thanks to Joe and his family for the getting the salmon down to Burien and for keeping it frozen until the event. It is all wild caught salmon. The Salmon Bake will be on August 20, 2011 from noon to 4pm down on our community beach. If you are interested in helping to set up, clean up or cook for this event, please let Barrett Knudsen know. The cost is free for paid members of the community club and \$50/household for non-members. This is a great place to meet and visit with your neighbors and to

enjoy the wonderful beach that we own as members of the Shorewood community. You all come down and dip your toes in the Sound.

Chestine Edgar, Shorewood News Editor

Community Events Worthy of Note:

July 23, 2011-Shorewood on Sound Summer Fest
noon to 4 PM near 12155 Marine View Drive SW

July 27, 2011-Public planning workshop for Parks and Recreation(PROS)

July 30, 2011-Garage Sale to benefit the Ruth Dykeman Childrens Center-a program of NAVOS-in the RDCC gym

August 16, 2011-Primary Election-mail in ballot

August 20, 2011-Shorewood on the Sound
Community Club SalmonBake

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