



CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB - PORT TOWNSEND, WA

# Newsletter

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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

I have contacted East Jefferson Fire Rescue regarding an update on when we might expect to see the rescue boat Volunteer on station at Cape George and haven't received a reply yet.

The process continues on obtaining a permit for the installation of a protective berm. At this time, we are waiting on the following:

- Our archaeologist to complete a 12 probe sample of the berm site and completion of reports for submittal to WA State Dept. of Archaeology and Historic Preservation.
- Our septic engineer to complete the design and associated permit to satisfy Jefferson County Health's requirements.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone involved in sand-bagging the shoreline on Thanksgiving weekend when we had a high tide and storm driven wave event. It was a miserable day to be doing that kind of work, but about 50 of you answered the "Call for Assistance". We are thankful for a caring community.

Work has been completed on burying the overhead power line at the entrance to the south Marina parking area. In addition to burying the cable, the arms to the lights along the driveway leading back to the south Marina parking area have been positioned parallel to the road further clearing this area of overhead obstructions.

The Tank Farm generator received its annual oil change and inspection.

I attended the public hearing regarding the draft noise ordinance being reviewed by the Jefferson County Commissioners.

Preliminary work is already underway in preparing for the 2014 audit by Cagianut & Co.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Replacement of a multiport valve at the pool.
  - Roadside drainage issues throughout the community.
  - Repair of a chlorine feed line at the Tank Farm.
- Winterization of water lines.

Projects being worked on by office staff includes:

Work has been completed on updating the electronic lock system. Older cards and fobs should once again be working normally and we are going to be deactivating the four digit code in about one week.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Hedge complaint in the Colony and Village.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**First Quarter Assessments are due January 1**

**DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER -- January 20**

## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

Just a short letter to start 2015.

All four measures on the recent ballot passed. I want to thank the members of the Election Committee for promptly counting the votes and reporting the results.

By a vote of 200 to 95, Cape George members approved the proposed \$180 per lot reserve assessment to begin in 2015. The margin of approval suggests our members recognized the prudence of responsibly funding future repairs and replacements. Our more robust reserve accounts will aid the management and the trustees in planning for these inevitable projects and reduce the likelihood of special assessments.

Winter brings the time of year when high tides and strong winds can combine to flood our shoreline. In light of Cape George's recent experience with such flooding, our members have already organized themselves. The dates and times of the high tides have been noted. The sandbags are ready. Volunteers are prepared to respond if needed.

Soon, Cape George should have a better solution to this flood risk. A special assessment to build a shoreline berm was approved in 2013 and the funds substantially collected. All that remains to be done is obtaining the required permits. That process has been slower and more costly than anticipated. But we are coming to the end of the process. This time next year, our shore will be protected by a berm and our volunteers can sleep in on windy mornings in late December and early January.

## **Now You DON'T See 'Em.....**

Electrical wires at the south end of the marina are now underground, thanks to generous donations from Cape George members and an under-budget effort from the Jefferson Public Utility District.

For some time, boat owners had asked to have those wires buried to prevent accidents involving trailered sailboats and overhead wires. Just one miscalculation could lead to a tragedy.

But the \$5000 estimated cost was discouraging. Marina Committee members voted to recommend the project, and ponied up a combination of marina funds and individual donations to pay part of the cost. The trustees approved, and last month the PUD came in and did the job – for less than half the original estimate.

The final cost was \$1680 in PUD labor and equipment, \$770 in parts.

Volunteer donations covered \$1600 of that expense. The balance will come from proceeds from Granny's Attic and Marina Committee funds.



COMING SOON TO CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2015, 6:30 PM

## **LOBO DEL MAR**

A LARGE FAMILY MUSIC AND DANCE COMPANY  
PERFORM A VARIETY OF MUSIC AND DANCE  
CELTIC MUSIC, BAGPIPES, FLAMENCO & BLUEGRASS FUSION,  
MEXICAN MUSIC, BELLY DANCING, POLYNESIAN DANCING  
AND IRISH STEP DANCING  
YOU WILL BE TAKEN "AROUND THE WORLD" IN ONE CONCERT

Please mark your calendar, as we are sure the tickets will sell out quickly  
More detailed information will appear in the February Newsletter  
and other posted publicity around Cape George



## BUNCO



We will be playing Bunco on Wednesday, January 21st, at 2 pm. at the Clubhouse

\$5 buy-in (\$1 bills appreciated)

Bring your own beverage and a snack, if you wish.

Come on down and roll the dice -- you may go home with winnings!!

Please call us! Norma Lupkes 302-5202 or Mary Hilfer 379-0492



### **The Fire Boat has Arrived!**

Well, she's finally here! The Jefferson County Fireboat arrived at our Marina December 16th. It was a blustery and chilly day, but she made it. We are so grateful that we now have a fire and rescue boat in our Marina which will serve Discovery Bay, and surrounding waters. Come have a look some Tuesday morning when Marina volunteers can take you down on the North docks to have a look.

***YUMMY, YUMMY!!!  
I WANT SOME SOUP IN MY  
TUMMY!!!***



## **JANUARY SOUP SUPPER**

**WHEN: Wednesday, January 7, 2015**

**5:30 – Get Together**

**6:00 – Dinner**

**WHERE: Clubhouse**

5:30 pm for BYOB happy hour, 6 pm for dinner. Please bring a soup of your choice or a dessert to share and your beverage of choice. Salad and bread will be provided. Please bring your own soup bowl, wine or beer glasses and tableware.

If you have any questions about this dinner, please feel free to call Brian and Kathy Ritchie at 379-6544 or Chuck and Joan Hommel at 344-2611.

## **Nature film Night: Land of the Lost Wolves**

The Environmental Committee will host the first of a series of environmental and wildlife oriented films beginning in January.

Mark your calendar for this free event: **January 14, 2015 at 7 pm in the Cape George Colony Clubhouse.** The first film to be featured will be “**Land of the Lost Wolves**”; a BBC Film Production of outstanding quality that tells the exciting story of Washington’s newly recovering gray wolf population. Absent from the State for over 70 years, the wolves were first discovered again in Washington in 2008. Wolves dispersed naturally into Washington from packs in nearby British Columbia and Idaho, and have since established a small population in the State. Since that time, they have been staging a comeback in the face of difficult odds. Following the film, local large carnivore biologists and Cape George residents, Darrell and Lorna Smith, from Western Wildlife Outreach, will be on hand to answer questions or lead a discussion about the film. Free popcorn will be served, and any donations will go towards funding projects of the Environmental Committee.

Watch for details of the March film offering in the March newsletter. If there is sufficient community interest, the films will be shown every other month.

## **WELCOME NEWCOMERS!**

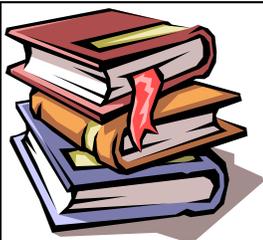
Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
[rocketmama@wavecable.com](mailto:rocketmama@wavecable.com)

*Sponsored by the Cape George Social Club*

Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.



## “HONOLULU” BY ALAN BRENNERT IS JANUARY BOOK

“Honolulu” is Alan Brennert’s historical fiction novel about Korean ‘picture brides’ who leave their home country in the early twentieth century to become the brides of Korean men they have never met. The Book group will meet on Tuesday, January 20 at 1 pm to discuss the book.

“Honolulu” is both a wonderful history of Hawaii from 1912 until about 1940, as well as being an engaging story about the girls who believe they are leaving a life of oppression in Korea to marry and experience the wonders of a tropical paradise. We follow a girl named Regret and her friends as they enter a new, but not often better world than what they left behind. Disappointment is a more common emotion than joy for most of the girls who find that what has been portrayed as an ideal situation is often harsher than what they left behind.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Book Group. For more information, please call Jeannie Ramsey, 385-1263.

## *Cape George University*

### ***“What Ice Sheets Hate and Why You Should Care”***

How often do you get to hear a NASA Emeritus Scientist talk about glaciers and ice sheets and the “new normal” for the colder parts of our planet? Well, now you have that opportunity at the Cape George University Tuesday, January 20th event at 7pm in the Clubhouse.

DR. ROBERT BINDSCHADLER has been an active Antarctic field researcher for the past 25 years and has led many other expeditions to glaciers and ice caps around the world. Bob will be sharing his knowledge of thawing permafrost, thinning sea ice and retreating glaciers. These changes continue to affect the daily lives of arctic residents but now, as the large ice sheets have also begun to lose ice rapidly, billions more people are being impacted through the acceleration of rising seas. These rapid changes have posed puzzles that scientists only recently solved. The answers to these puzzles will be described by Dr. Bindschadler and demonstrated by the audience.

Be sure to join us at the Clubhouse on **Tuesday, January 20th at 7pm** for this fascinating evening of scientific discovery.

### ***“The Lure of Southwest Archaeology”***

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, February 17th at 7pm in the Clubhouse** to hear Cape George’s own, JOEL JANETSKI, PhD, present his research on archaeology in the Southwestern United States. You may have attended Joel’s lecture last year on his research in the Petra Basin of Jordan. Well, he is *back by popular demand* to share the stories behind his spectacular finds in the Southwest, illuminating the people who lived in the area ten thousand years before the Cliff Dwellers!

# ***New Year's Eve Party***

**at the  
Cape George Clubhouse  
8pm to 2am**



**Watch "The Ball" drop on live TV!  
Enjoy recorded music, karaoke, dancing and even a Bonfire!**

**Wine, Beer and a Midnight Champagne toast provided.....  
(Donations will gladly be accepted to cover party costs)**

**Sponsored by the Cape George Workshop Committee Members  
For additional information, contact:**

**Ken Owen, Workshop Committee  
Laurie Owen, Social Club  
360-385-9458**



- Bank of America took title to 230 S Rhododendron from the Estate of Arthur Luck
- Jeff Behrens was deeded Lot 32-3 Spruce Drive by David Clark (Transfer in 2013, Cape George wasn't notified)

**Treasurer's Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of November 30, 2014**

**2014 Balance Sheet:**

Cash accounts are detailed on the following page. All bank account statements have been reviewed and all accounts reconciled as of November 30, 2014 and no cash accounts were opened or closed during the month.

In October, a \$16,000 deposit was made to the wrong bank account. The error was discovered during reconciliation of the bank account and was corrected on 11/05/14.

It is expected that an additional \$6,700 will be recognized as uncollectible for 2014 with that amount split between general assessments, fines and fees, water fees, South seawall special and Berm assessment. More aggressive collection practices are being implemented and will be operationalized during January and February 2015.

**2014 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page. Operations in November produced no atypical or unexpected results.

Bad debt expense will be recognized in December as will adjustments for unused vacation. Both will decrease bottom line performance but both were anticipated during budgeting. Given recent cold weather, higher than anticipated utility bills are also likely to have a negative impact year end results as will any unplanned expenses associated with December's storms.

**General Operations:**

Through November performance is slightly better than budget but year end adjustments will likely see that favorable performance turn slightly unfavorable.

**Water Operations:**

As with general operations, year-to-date performance is slightly better than budget but it is anticipated this will not hold through December adjustments.

**Marina Operations:**

Marina operations are performing significantly more favorable than budgeted through the end of November and it is expected that event with year end adjustments performance will be more favorable than originally anticipated.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
**Balance Sheet as of November 30, 2014 and 2013**

Assets	2014	2013	Liabilities and Fund Balances	2014	2013
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 64,707	\$ 92,382	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 8,740	\$ 11,583
Operating Investment-Savings	70,038	70,017	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	902	660
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	-	-
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	325,680	398,740	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	700	800
Special Reserves - S. Seawall & Berm	57,752	-	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	54,067	-
North Seawall Special Reserve	23,598	278,594	Total Current Liabilities	64,409	13,043
Total Cash & Equivalents	542,375	840,333			
Net Accounts Receivable	11,445	9,225	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	54,067	-	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	-
SpclAssmnts Rcvbl(Berm, N&S Seawall)	48,842	3,053			
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,857,208	1,493,176	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	27,115	26,719	Fund Balances (Combined)	1,926,417	1,931,394
			Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	550,226	134,141
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,541,052</b>	<b>\$2,372,506</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,541,052</b>	<b>\$ 2,372,506</b>

\* All North, Sewall, South Seawall and Berm special assessment income recognized in 2014; total \$422,685. Comparative income would = \$127,541.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended November 30 (Modified Cash Basis)**

2014 Year to Date					COMPARATIVE				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2014 YTD	2013 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 275,392	\$ 275,392	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 275,392	\$ 264,852	\$ 10,540	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	22,553	20,922	1,631	8%	Revenue - All Other Sources	22,553	39,835	(17,282)	-43%
Total General Revenue	297,945	296,314	1,631		Total General Revenue	297,945	304,687	(6,742)	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	117,268	126,113	8,845	7%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	117,268	115,064	(2,204)	-2%
Repairs & Maintenance	18,238	16,762	(1,476)	-9%	Repairs & Maintenance	18,238	29,201	10,963	38%
Contracted Services	41,694	48,151	6,457	13%	Contracted Services	41,694	40,490	(1,204)	-3%
Insurance	23,561	23,466	(95)	0%	Insurance	23,561	21,384	(2,177)	-10%
Pool expenses	23,463	23,213	(250)	-1%	Pool expenses	23,463	15,463	(8,000)	-52%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	30,695	18,825	(11,870)	-63%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	30,695	28,892	(1,803)	-6%
Total General Expenses	254,919	256,530	1,611		Total General Expenses	254,919	250,494	(4,425)	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 43,026</b>	<b>\$ 39,784</b>	<b>\$ 3,242</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 43,026</b>	<b>\$ 54,193</b>	<b>\$ (11,167)</b>	<b>-21%</b>
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 182,610	\$ 182,880	\$ (270)	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 182,610	\$ 182,190	\$ 420	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,643	2,000	1,643	82%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,643	5,789	(2,146)	-37%
Total Water Revenue	186,253	184,880	1,373		Total Water Revenue	186,253	187,979	(1,726)	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	52,867	56,969	4,102	7%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	52,867	52,457	(410)	-1%
Repairs & Maintenance	11,870	5,307	(6,563)	-124%	Repairs & Maintenance	11,870	3,542	(8,328)	-235%
Contracted Services	14,067	12,306	(1,761)	-14%	Contracted Services	14,067	33,806	19,739	58%
Insurance	12,586	13,099	513	4%	Insurance	12,586	13,302	716	5%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	28,212	32,683	4,471	14%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	28,212	26,111	(2,101)	-8%
Total Water Expenses	119,602	120,364	762		Total Water Expenses	119,602	129,218	9,616	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 66,651</b>	<b>\$ 64,516</b>	<b>\$ 2,135</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 66,651</b>	<b>\$ 58,761</b>	<b>\$ 7,890</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Marina Moorage	\$ 45,278	\$ 44,662	\$ 616	0%	Revenue - Marina Moorage	\$ 45,278	\$ 43,387	\$ 1,891	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	18,911	14,291	\$ 4,620	32%	Revenue - All Other Sources	18,911	14,561	4,350	30%
Total Marina Revenue	64,189	58,953	5,236		Total Marina Revenue	64,189	57,948	6,241	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	11,685	13,013	1,328	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	11,685	8,786	(2,899)	-33%
Repairs & Maintenance	14,947	13,423	(1,524)	-11%	Repairs & Maintenance	14,947	13,261	1,786	-13%
Contracted Services	3,935	3,651	(284)	-8%	Contracted Services	3,935	4,093	158	4%
Insurance	6,399	6,675	276	4%	Insurance	6,399	5,322	(1,077)	-20%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,028	8,662	(1,366)	-16%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	10,028	6,511	(3,517)	-54%
Total Marina Expenses	46,994	45,424	(1,570)		Total Marina Expenses	46,994	37,973	(5,511)	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,195</b>	<b>\$ 13,529</b>	<b>\$ 3,666</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,195</b>	<b>\$ 19,975</b>	<b>\$ (2,780)</b>	<b>-14%</b>
Reserve Interest	725	-	725		Regular Reserve Interest	725	1,213	(488)	
N&S Seawall Specials	369,725	-	369,725		N&S Seawall Specials	369,725	-	369,725	
Berm Special	52,960	-	52,960		Berm Special	52,960	-	52,960	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 550,281</b>	<b>\$ 117,828</b>	<b>\$ 62,728</b>	<b>367%</b>	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 550,281</b>	<b>\$ 134,141</b>	<b>\$ 46,415</b>	<b>310%</b>

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* All North, Sewall, South Seawall and Berm special assessment income recognized in 2014; total \$422,685. Comparative income would = \$127,541.

## **Committee Reports**

The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Marina, Pool and Water. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

## **Information Items**

The Trustees received an update from Marina Committee Chair Penny Jensen concerning the steps being taken to replace the Harbormaster. Until filled, Thad Bickling and Ross Anderson will be working with the Chair on covering responsibilities in the Marina. The Trustees requested that an update be provided at the January Study Session.

The Trustees received an update from the Manager concerning hedge violations. Of the current 8 complaints, 3 have been issued violations and were in the process of being resolved. The remaining 5 were being further evaluated for action. The Trustees requested a progress report be provided at the January Study Session.

## **Member Participation**

Braden Coupe requested permission use the pool to test ROV's as a part of his high school class' project. They used the pool last year for the project. Cape George Members will be present. The Board President instructed the staff to complete the pool and clubhouse reservation process including obtaining a certificate of insurance from the school.

## **New Business Action Items**

**Motion 1:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to recognize the donation of four chairs from the Social Club for use in the Clubhouse with a value of \$414.16. Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that, based on the Treasurer's memo of December 4, 2014 and discussions at the December 9, 2014 study session the board approve the following initial minimum transfer to the respective reserves: General - \$10,350; Water - \$49,285; Marina \$15,575, Passed 5.0

**Motion 3:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded that based on discussions at the December 9, 2014 study session, that \$23,598, plus any accrued minor interest in December 2014, be transferred from the North Seawall special reserve account to general checking as reimbursement for the North Seawall Member refund and associated refund costs. Passed 5/0

**Motion 4:** Karen Krug moved and Katie Habegger seconded that based on discussions at the December 9, 2014 study session, a loan payment of \$4,064, split appropriately between principal and interest, be made from the South Seawall special reserve account to the General Reserve account. Passed 5/0

**Motion 5:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded that to satisfy the requirements of FIN08 and based on the Treasurer's memo of December 4, 2014 and discussions at the December 9, 2014 study session, the board approve the 2014 asset additions and deletions. Passed 5/0

**Motion 6:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to satisfy the requirements of FIN08 and based on the Treasurer's memo of December 4, 2014 and discussions at the December 9, 2014 study session the board approve the 2014 adjustments to the bad debt allowance. Passed 5/0

**Motion 7:** Karen Krug moved and Katie Habegger seconded that to satisfy the requirements of FIN08 and based on the Treasurer’s memo of December 4, 2014 and discussions at the December 9, 2014 study session the board approve the 2014 expenditures from the respective reserve and special assessment accounts. Passed 5/0

**Motion 8:** Michael Hinojos moved and Ray Pierson seconded that the following year end net bonuses be granted to employees. Part-time employees who are not eligible for any benefits to receive net of \$150.00 each and full-time employees who are eligible for benefits will receive a net of \$100.00 each. Passed 5/0

**Motion 9:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve one member request for due date adjustment. Passed 5/0

**Motion 10:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to transfer \$2987 from the Berm Special Assessment fund to operations checking to reimburse checking for the cost of obtaining the Jefferson County Berm Permit. Passed 5/0

**Open Board Discussion**

The Board thanked the 8 volunteers and Mercy Del Valle for processing the election ballot results.

**Announcements:**

- Study Session – January 13, 3:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting – January 15, 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Wood, Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Richard Hilfer, President

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**BUILDING COMMITTEE  
December 5, 2014**

Building Permits Issued:

Marc Horton, 212 S Rhododendron Dr, Colony - build a shed

**MARINA COMMITTEE**

**December 2, 2014**

Attendees: Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Committee Chair Penny Jensen, Marina Committee: John Hanks, Paul Happel, Jack Scherting, Thad Bickling, Marta Favati, Bob Schlentner, Scott James, Ray Pierson, Craig Muma, Ross Anderson, Ken Owen, Brian Ritchie, and Richard Woodcock.

**THANK YOU CAPE GEORGE VOLUNTEERS FOR FILLING AND PLACING SAND BAGS DURING A HIGH TIDE EVENT, TO PROTECT THE CLUB HOUSE AND THE MARINA SHOP.**

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 by Penny Jensen, Marina Chair.

Funding to bury the overhead Electric Power Cable at the south end of the marina will come primarily from pledges from sailboat owners. Burying the overhead power cable will allow sailboats to transit to the parking area without having to lower their masts. John Hanks has offered to provide help and tips on tying up boats to marina slips. Hardware has been ordered and cleats are available to change out the old wooden cleats in the marina, contact Paul Happel for assistance. The water has been turned off at the marina due to winter weather. Some new metal structural parts will be purchased to strengthen the docks. Penny Jensen is working on a contact list so marina users can be contacted if there is a problem with moorage at the marina. Craig Muma will assist Penny in putting together a drawing for slip users in the Marina. Lee Jensen is doing a weekly check in the marina for items that need attention. Marina volunteers will be working to salvage and take apart the Weir boat as a public service for one of our boaters who is in ill health. A public notice has been placed in the marina area for the proposed 5 year Jefferson County permit to maintain the marina. A Jefferson County employee may be in the area reviewing needed actions for the permit. Art Burke noted some residents suggested the need for a night watchman at the marina and clubhouse area. No action was taken on the suggestion and the marina committee will review this again at the January meeting. Cards and Fobs were discussed. Marina pilings will be inspected in February. Penny Jensen, Ross Anderson and Thad Bickling will act as a committee to manage the Marina until a new harbor master is appointed by the Board. The Cape George Office Manager will send out the annual moorage letter, an appeal for volunteers and harbor manager next week. Security cameras motion sensors and key pads were discussed. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 am.

**POOL COMMITTEE**

**November 5, 2014**

**ATTENDEES:**

Art Burke, Bruce Candioto, Rocky D'Acquisto, Leslie Fellner, Norma Lupkes, Robin Scherting

**NOTES:**

Rocky will order a 2'x2' hours and activities sign for inside the pool with the location yet to be determined.

The hot water recirculation system for the men's shower running flex piping with a timer to the main water heater has been put on the maintenance winter schedule.

The current situation with the pool HVAC/humidity project was discussed and Art reported that the project did not make it through the Board of Trustees budget process and as directed by the board will be tabled until 2016.

Bruce presented an idea for consideration of an on-site (clubhouse/ marina area) caretaker in an RV for security reasons. He will again pursue the concept with the Marina, Fitness, Social and Pool Committees before presenting to the Board.

The Pool Committee will again host/sponsor the St Pat's event in March. The suggestion has been made to hold a "Baked Potato Bar" with salad and dessert and a silent auction with details to be worked out in the next few meetings.

There will not be a scheduled meeting in Dec. with the next being in Jan. 2015. Art will make contact with Committee members if there is an emergent need for a meeting.

#### **WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**December 2, 2014**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; members Scott James and Thad Bickling.

We have the sign for the Ed Skowrya Memorial Water Facilities; it looks great. We discussed getting it mounted on the wall of the building facing the street. Art will have Donnie install it soon and then call Helen Ann to see if she has any preference regarding a dedication ceremony and reception. We could do it soon or postpone it until after the holidays. We would invite Richard to conduct the dedication and allow for others to speak, then adjourn to the Clubhouse for a reception, coordinated with the Hospitality/Memorial Committee. The whole community will be invited. Thanks to Scott for coordinating the design, fabrication and picking up the sign.

Backflow / Cross Connection Control Program – Greg is scheduling inspections this week and Larry will make calls to schedule for Saturday, Dec 13. Then we'll hold off until after the holidays. We'll send out notices for the required inspections by outside testers when we have all of the initial inspections completed and a full list of the homes requiring testing.

Water rights – Nothing new. Art checks in with Bill Clarke on a monthly basis and he, in turn, contacts DOE to check on our status. We're in their processing queue.

Galvanized pipe – Donnie has located a place for cutting out a piece of 2" galvanized pipe near the corner of Sunset and Cape George Drive where the pipe goes down to the Marina. Greg has some fittings to repair the cut out section. His concern, from experience at Port Ludlow, is that the outside of the pipe may be

corroded which presents a problem for getting a tight seal of the repair fittings on the pipe. Greg will schedule the cut out with Donnie.

Highland Booster Pump House – nothing new on the PLC because Stew wasn't present but bench testing needs to be coordinated with Greg. Art reported that the auto-dialer at the facilities was fixed and the call list reprogrammed so it's working properly. While working on it, they found a problem with the main power circuit breaker box. It's old and corroded from being in the chlorine environment there. They had DD Electric repair the circuit breaker but the entire cabinet and panel will need to be replaced. Art is getting a price quote and will take it to the Board for approval from the reserve account.

## **Marina Sale**

**Think Marina Sale... Think Marina Sale!**

**Say this out loud 20 times!!!**

**We know you surely must make room for all those new Holiday presents.**

**Remember you do have a place to donate those tools, boating items, or “whatever” ... your May Marina sale!**

**Call Penny at 385-0242 to schedule a pick up of your items. We will store them for you!**

**Thank you!**

## **New Lock System**

The 4 digit code which temporarily gave you access to the pool, workshop, fitness room and clubhouse has now been inactivated.

Your card key or fob should work. If it doesn't, please bring it to the office.

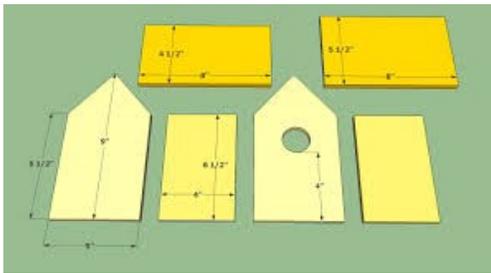
If you previously left a card key/fob in the office for scanning, please come by to pick it up between 9 and 2.



# Let's Build a Bird House

On Sat. Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 2:00 the Cape George Community Workshop is going to sponsor a bird house building event. We will have some precut kits and also raw materials available for the more adventuresome, no painting required.

Direction and help will be available and everyone is welcome so come on down to the Cape George community workshop and build a bird house for your yard.



Donations of 1x6" x 6' or longer rough cedar fence board will be much appreciated.

In order to insure we have enough building materials please rsvp Ken Owen @ 385-9458

The bird house plans are available on line at

[http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/projects/basic\\_songbird.html](http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/projects/basic_songbird.html)

## Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.

# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

The new year is upon us and as we look back and then forward we find some interesting bits of history about Pickleball right here in Cape George !

Dink has always been a history buff and he recently came upon the remains of the First Pickleball court in the Colony. The lines are still visible, though faint and it looks very much like the original court on Bainbridge Island. It is in front of the home at 120 Colman Dr. and was put in by the then owners, Dick and Carol Easter. Our very own Don Rogers played on the court with his children in the mid-70's. Don was so taken with the game that he took the game back to Indiana with him where he was teaching. The school liked the game and included 8 courts in their new facilities. So Don can claim to be a part of the first court here as well as the current one. Who Knew we had Two??



Now, looking forward to 2015, we would like to hear from the current as well as wanna-be picklers what you would like in the coming new year. Classes for learning the basic game will resume in the spring as the weather levels out so if you have requested lessons, you have not been forgotten!

Your Steering committee would like to hear from you about what you would like in terms of: Review; Skill drills; Mixers; Tournaments; Clinics with guest instructors; Mixers with other clubs , as well as other ideas. Please e-mail your thoughts and ideas to: [pi-bird130@gmail.com](mailto:pi-bird130@gmail.com). All input is welcome.

## Lob has some suggestions for New Years Resolutions:

- Join the USAPA this year.
- Resist smashing the ball when standing near the Kitchen Line.
- Try to Dink at least 2x per game
- Play with some new people
- Enjoy every stroke and make the next one even more fun!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM DINK AND LOB ! KEEP ON PICKLING !!**



**Sandbagging to Protect Our Clubhouse from Winter Storms**

**Event Recap**

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

Upcoming Events

New Year's Eve Party	Dec. 31, 8p
Soup Supper	Jan. 7, 5:30p
Environmental Movie	Jan. 14, 7p
Build a Birdhouse	Jan. 17, 10 a
CGU—Ice Sheets	Jan. 20, 7p
Book Group	Jan. 20, 1p
BUNCO	Jan. 21, 2p

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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

The East Jefferson Fire Rescue boat Volunteer has been placed on station at the Cape George marina.

The process continues on obtaining a permit for the installation of a protective berm. The updates are as follows:

- Our archaeologist has conducted his berm site survey, completed the written report and sent it off to WA State Dept. of Archaeology and Historic Preservation for review.
- Our septic engineer has completed a design and permit request package. The documents have been submitted to Jefferson County Health and we are waiting for their response.

A member was recently going through their closet and encountered a pristine set of 1982 Tank, Well and Piping Plans for the community's water system. No one is quite sure how they got there, but we were glad to receive them in the office for our records.

Work continues on preparing documents for the 2014 audit by Cagianut & Co. Treasurer Karen Krug, Senior Bookkeeper Sally Lovell, and Office Administrator Sharon Mitchel have been working diligently on reviewing and preparing documents for the auditor's onsite visit in February.

We have received notification from Jefferson County Department of Community Development that our Shoreline Substantial Development Permit was approved by the Jefferson County Hearing Examiner. The application will now be reviewed/approved by

Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) at which time the final permit will be issued. This permit will run from 1/12/15 through 1/12/20 and encompasses Marina projects including annual channel dredging, dock repairs and float replacement, dredging of shoaled area in basin, raising rock jetty to full height, repair of selected pilings, and creation of a sediment bypass basin. DOE will issue their decision in 30 days.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Drainage issues throughout the community.
- Roof moss proofing of community buildings.
- A chlorine pump was rebuilt at the Tank Farm.

Projects being worked on by the Office Administrator includes:

- Work has been completed on updating the electronic lock system. We have deactivated the four digit code and are once again relying on cards and fobs to provide recorded access to facilities.
- The Marina renewal mailing has been sent out and returning registrations are already being received and processed.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Hedge complaint in the Colony and Village.
- Light complaint in the Village.
- Hazardous debris in the Village
- Two incidents of vehicles running off the road in the Village.
- Report of a wind damaged shed creating a safety hazard in the Village.

**President's Day is Monday, February 16th**  
**The Cape George Office will be Closed**

**DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER -- February 20**

## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

The Cape George board has approved the appointment of Penny Jensen as our new Harbormaster. Penny is a former board member and the current chair of the Marina Committee. I want to thank Penny for taking on this additional responsibility.

Pickleball played on our outdoor sports court has proven so popular that some members have expressed interest in establishing an indoor court. This would allow our members to play even during rain or darkness. The board has appointed Gail Krentzman, Jeanie Ramsey and Dennis Fellner as an ad hoc committee to investigate the feasibility of an indoor court. They will be looking into all aspects of this project, including cost, location and funding. This committee will be providing monthly reports to the board.

In January, Cape George was advised Verizon is seeking to improve its wireless network and coverage in our area. This would involve constructing a new wireless facility in our vicinity. This site would include a new cell tower as well as some equipment on nearby ground. Cape George was identified as a viable candidate for this tower and equipment. If Cape George was selected as the site, we would lease a small portion of association property for placement of the tower and equipment in exchange for a monthly rental over the life of a 25-year lease.

The board decided the association should explore this opportunity and authorized further investigation into whether our property is acceptable for the Verizon project.

Finally, Cape George's founding governing documents are our covenants (also known as dedications, restrictions and reservations). These covenants date from the 1960's. They are very sparsely written and do not contain much detail in many areas. More importantly, these covenants contain no mechanism by which they may be altered or amended to address the issues Cape George faces 50 years after they were written. It has been argued that this means our covenants cannot be changed without the consent of 100% of our members.

Since these covenants place restrictions on an owner's use of private property and Cape George often has rules and regulations which do not explicitly flow from the covenants, the association's powers are often questioned. This creates uncertainty and at times governance problems. Many times, an issue discussed at a board meeting ends with a member arguing "you can't do that because of the covenants" or the board concluding "we can't do that because of the covenants." And so nothing gets done.

However, the Washington Legislature is considering legislation which may allow Cape George to address our problematic covenants. In January, SB 5263 was introduced. This bill would establish the Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act.

A draft of this bill suggests it would allow Cape George to amend its covenants "regardless of what applicable law provided before" and further provides that "If the governing documents do not contain provisions authorizing amendments, the procedures of this chapter apply."

If passed, this legislation could provide Cape George with a means to address some of the problems posed by our fifty year old covenants. As currently written, the proposed legislation provides the covenants may be amended only by a vote or agreement of 67% of the association's members.

The board will be following the progress of SB 5263 with interest.

## *February Fitness News*

We are so happy to let you know that our Abduction/Adduction (inner-outer thigh) machine has arrived. We have moved a few things around to make it fit in our space. I know it's difficult when things are moved but please if you must move something out of the way for an exercise you are doing, replace it to where you moved it from. One warning on our new machine is; start light and work up to avoid getting sore, especially on the groin muscles. If you make yourself sore then it's hard to get back to it.

There are a few problem area's to touch on this month, before I do though I want you to know what a wonderful job the majority of members do in the gym keeping it clean and in order. It is something we all can take great pride in.

1. Please do not open the door to anyone you do not know. There are some that were given the temporary number code by others so they could get in and now that the code is gone they are knocking on the door to gain access, because they do not have a fob. Members have contributed a great deal to the purchase of the equipment for our gym and it is not meant to be used as a public outside gym. The equipment will wear out very quickly and again it is membership dues that will pay to replace it as it's in the reserve to partially help us do so. When entering, even with a Cape George friend, please swipe your own card to enter after them, as we are also trying to get a count of how many use the facility.
2. Please replace all weights after using them, I know it's an over sight, however the weight plates have been left on the Smith Machine quite a bit lately. It's easy to do when you are doing circuit training, but please check before you leave.
3. Lastly again we are asking all members to change into clean gym shoes upon entering the facility. Even if you only walk from your car, just by virtue of where the gym is you track in small gravel and/or sand. Again this really causes wear and tear on the tracks and belts of the machines. I always find sand in the footpads of the nu-steps and the tracks of the elliptical machines. I know a second pair of shoes can be costly but many people have gotten a pair at Goodwill for a nominal price.

Lastly, nearly all of the T shirts have been sold. We have a couple of size large and a couple x-large and then they are sold out. You receive one free with a \$50.00 donation. If you have not made a donation in quite some time you might consider it while there are some shirts left. Remember what gyms in town cost to belong to for a year. Our fees are certainly less.

Again a huge thank you to all the people that help keep our facility running smoothly and we hope to see you at the gym in the near future. If you or anyone you know needs help with learning how any of our machines work a member of the committee or me, will be glad to meet with you to go over the machines.

Sincerely, Fitness Chair  
Phyllis Ballough

Hi Cape George Members,

It's that time of year when we change the locks on the Marina Gates...the same key that gets you down to the South Parking lot, and down the ramp to launch your boat. Come to Office after February 2, 2015, and we'll provide you with an up-to-date key. If you don't currently have one and would like one, they are available for a \$10 deposit fee. If you've lost yours and need a replacement it will cost \$20. Here comes spring, and time to enjoy being down at our beautiful Marina.

Penny Jensen, Harbormaster

**YUMMY, YUMMY!!!**  
**I WANT SOME SOUP IN MY**  
**TUMMY!!!**



## **Soup Supper**

When: Wednesday February 4th

Time: 5:30 pm social time 6.00pm soup time

Where: Club house

Bring a soup to share or a dessert. Also bring a beverage of your choice and please bring your own bowls table ware beer or wine glasses. This is a time to get together over a bowl of warm soup, and get to know one another.

Salad and Bread will be provided by your hosts.

Call Helen and Mel Williams at 379-5651 or Sue and Ed Gee at 344-3797. for more information.

## **BIRD HOUSES!!!**

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Children and Adults built 11 bird houses Saturday at the Cape George Community Workshop. Thanks; Shop Committee Chairman Ken Owen, Paul Happel, Marta Favati, Scott James and our knowledgeable bird specialist Varn Brooks to make this event happen.



## **WELCOME NEWCOMERS!**

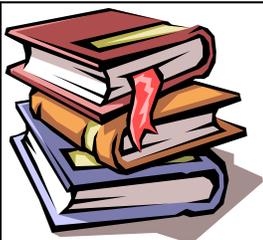
Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
[rocketmama@wavecable.com](mailto:rocketmama@wavecable.com)

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.



## PORT TOWNSEND IS SUBJECT OF FEBRUARY DISCUSSION

The Cape George Book Group will discuss “Frontier Boosters: Port Townsend and the Culture of Development in the American West, 1850-1895” at their February meeting. The group meets at 1 pm on Tuesday, February 17 in the Clubhouse.

Elaine Naylor has written a social history of urban development in the nineteenth-century American West. With a focus on Port Townsend and the surrounding Puget sound region, Naylor examines economic development, “boosterism” and the dynamics of class and race in frontier settlement. Seattle had not yet become developed and as the little town on the entrance to Puget Sound, Port Townsend settlers had every reason to believe that it’s community would be the foremost city in Washington.

Everyone is welcome to attend the discussion. Please call Jeannie Ramsey at 385-1263 for more information.

*Cape George University* 

### CAPE GEORGE UNIVERSITY PRESENTS:

#### ***"The Lure of Southwest Archaeology", Tuesday, February 17th***

Chaco Canyon, Mesa Verde, Anasazi, the mystery of long abandoned cliff-dwellings -- these are what come to mind when one thinks of Southwest Archaeology. Ten thousand years before the Cliff Dwellers, however, hunting and gathering people roamed the southern deserts and the Colorado Plateau of the Four Corners. The stories behind the spectacular finds in the Southwest are as fascinating as the archaeology itself.

Cape George's own Joel Janetski, PhD will discuss that history as well as his personal research in this always intriguing region done while he was on the faculty at Brigham Young University. **Come to the Clubhouse on Tuesday, February 17th at 7pm and hear Joel illuminate the lure of the American Southwest for us all.**



#### ***Coming Soon:***

Lynn Terwoerds will present this interactive session designed to spark thought and discussion about big data and how individuals, companies and even governments are attempting to command and control the data tidal wave.

Data has evolved into an international currency capable of fueling multi-billion dollar (Euro, £, ¥, etc.) interconnected global industries. And wherever there is power and money, so too follow others - organized crime, nation states, global politics and fringe groups to name only a few. Spend an hour taking a tour of the current digital landscape and come prepared to think about how this could have any impact on you and our cozy Cape George community.

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**Doors open at 6:30 – Show starts promptly at 7:00**

**Tickets - \$10 each (try to bring exact cash or check)  
Sold at the Cape George Office – 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Firm Deadline, Wed. Feb. 25**

**Tickets will be sold at the door on space availability  
No reserved seating**

**Bring your friends, neighbors, all are welcome  
Wine, beer and snacks will be available with a donation**

**Before performance and during intermission**

**Wine \$2.00 donation - glass**

**Beer \$2.00 donation - bottle**

**Snacks – Free with drink donation**



**Questions call Robin 379-1344 or Leanne 385-4576**

**Sponsored by the Social Club**



**BUNCO**



**We will be playing Bunco on Friday, February 20th, at 2 pm. at the Clubhouse**

**\$5 buy-in (\$1 bills appreciated)**

**Bring your own beverage and a snack, if you wish.**

**Come on down and roll the dice -- you may go home with winnings!!**

**Please call us! Norma Lupkes 302-5202 or Mary Hilfer 379-0492**

**Mark your Calendar  
and  
Plan to Donate to  
GRANNY'S ATTIC – APRIL 24 & 25, 2015  
WELL KNOWN FOR ITS QUALITY ITEMS, NEW AND USED**

Sponsored by the Social Club  
Proceeds will be used to help with on-going community projects.

We would like household items, collectibles, small appliances, as well as toys and clothes. Check your closets, drawers and garages for things you just could not live without but now you can! We would love to have them for our Granny's Attic sale.

Granny's Attic will be held on Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, in the Cape George Club House. The doors will open for shopping at 9:00 AM and will close at 3:00 PM on Friday, and 12:00 Noon on Saturday. No advance sales.

If you have questions or need to donate prior to April 24 and 25, please call one of the following: Leanne Ryan 385-4575. Robin Scherting 379-1344. More information in upcoming newsletters.

## Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 17, 2014  
9:00 AM**

President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

- A. Welcome
- B. This meeting is being held to consider a member's appeal of a complaint resolution

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Karen Krug, Ray Pierson, Michael Hinojos and Katie Habegger

**Motion 1:** Richard Hilfer moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve the Manager's resolution of a hedge complaint. Passed 4/0

**Adjournment:** Michael Hinojos moved and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn the Emergency Board Meeting at 9:20. Passed 4/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Ray Pierson, Vice President

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Richard Hilfer, President

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 15, 2015  
7:00 PM  
DRAFT**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

- A. Welcome
- B. Thank you to all the Flood Watch Volunteers during the last series of king tides

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Carol Wood, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger, and Michael Hinojos. Ray Pierson joined the meeting following the Membership Report.

**Action on Minutes** – Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from December 11, 2014. Passed 4/0

Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the Emergency Board Meeting Minutes from December 17, 2014. Passed 4/0

**Treasurers Report:** The December and year end Treasurer's Reports are in process.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Pool, and Water. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- A. Marina Committee Chair, Penny Jensen, provided an update concerning the donation of a boat to the Marina Committee.

**Member participation:**

A member asked about the complaint process. Manager, Art Burke, explained the request for information and complaint process and forms.

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Michael Hinojos moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to appoint Penny Jensen as Harbormaster for the Cape George

Marina. Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Leslie Fellner moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve a 3 month extension to the completion of the building project at 130 Johnson Avenue as requested by member, Wei Zhou, in her letter of 1/6/2015. Passed 3/2

**Information Item:** The Board reviewed proposed changes to Cape George rule EMP01, Employee policies concerning employee marina benefits as presented in writing by Treasurer Karen Krug. After discussion, it was decided to publish the changes in the newsletter. No motion.

**Motion 3:** Katie Habegger moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve expenditure not to exceed \$9000 for the replacement of the septic system at the southwest corner of the pool building with funding to come from General Reserves. Passed 5/0

**Motion 4:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the 2015 Clubhouse blackout dates as presented by the Manager. Passed 5/0

**Motion 5:** Carol Wood moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve 6 member requests for due date adjustments. Passed 5/0

**Motion 6:** Richard Hilfer moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve a previous member's request for a refund of \$242.75 for an assessment that was paid twice as a result of escrow closing. Passed 5/0

**Motion 7:** Richard Hilfer moved and Carol Wood seconded to refund \$119 to a previous member who paid his 2014 assessments prior to deeding the property to the new owner. Passed 5/0

**Motion 8:** Richard Hilfer moved and Ray Pierson seconded to appoint Gail Krentzman, Jeannie Ramsey and Dennis Fellner as Co-Chairs of an Ad Hoc Committee to gather information concerning the possible development of an indoor sports court area in the community. Monthly reports shall be provided to the Board of trustees at their regular meetings. Passed 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

The Board discussed a Home Owners Association Bill being presented to the WA State Legislature this month. While much of it applies to Condo Associations and not common interest associations such as Cape George, if passed, it would provide a way to amend our covenants.

A representative from Cascadia Property Management is looking for locations within Cape George for a Verizon cell tower. A cell tower would bring in about \$700 per month income and provide better cell service in our area. The Manager was directed to continue discussions with them.

It is anticipated that an engineering study of marina pilings will be completed in February or March.

**Announcements:**

Study Session – February 10, 2015, 3:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – February 12, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

**Adjourn to Executive Session:** Ray Pierson moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to adjourn to executive session at 7:50 for the purpose of discussing an issue involving member violations of the governing documents. Passed 5/0

**Resume Regular Board Meeting:** Richard Hilfer moved and Carol Wood seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to regular session at 8:15 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Adjournment:** Richard Hilfer moved and Carol Wood seconded to adjourn the regular session at 8:16 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building Committee  
January 6, 2015**

Building Permits Issued:

Philip Spooner – 561 Saddle Drive, Highlands, build a shop

Earthworks Permits Issued:

Eileen Branscome – 38 Fir Place, Village, Install a water retention system according to county requirements.

**Pool Committee  
January 23, 2015**

**ATTENDEES:** Art Burke, Bruce Candioto, Leslie Fellner, Norma Lupkes, Leanne Ryan, Robin Scherting

**NOTES:**

The 2'x2' hours and activities sign for inside the pool with the location yet to be determined is still in draft form to be reviewed.

More research has been done on the hot water recirculation system for the Men's Shower room running flex piping with a timer to the main water heater and the project has been put on the winter maintenance schedule.

The current situation with the pool HVAC/humidity project was discussed and Art reported that the information from the 2 vendors who submitted bids in currently being refined.

A previous item that Bruce presented for consideration of an on-site (clubhouse/ marina area) caretaker in an RV for security reasons was shared with the Marina, Fitness, Social and Pool Committees and due to a lack of feedback it will not be pursued at this time.

The Pool Committee will again host/sponsor the St Patrick's event in March. The suggestion has been made to hold a "Baked Potato Bar" with salad and dessert and a silent auction with details to be worked out in the next few meetings.

A motion was made by Leanne and seconded by Robin to purchase more effective and water-saving shower heads for the Women's and Men's dressing rooms using funds raised at last year's March event. Motion carried. Respectfully submitted, Norma J. Lupkes

**Water Committee  
January 6, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; members Scott James and Thad Bickling.

1. Ed Skowrya Memorial – Art tried to contact Helen Ann before the holidays; he'll follow up now and also coordinate with the Clubhouse calendar and the Memorial Committee. As soon as he's confirmed, we'll call a special meeting to discuss the details.
2. Backflow / Cross Connection Control Program – Greg will be unavailable for a couple weeks for inspections. Larry will schedule inspections for Jan 24 and Greg will schedule for Jan 31. We'll push to get the initial contacts and inspections done.
3. Water rights – Nothing new. Art checks in with Bill Clarke on a monthly basis and he, in turn, contacts DOE to check on our status. We're in their processing queue.
4. Galvanized pipe – Donnie cut out a piece of 2" galvanized pipe for inspection and Larry wrote a report. The pipe is in excellent condition and no noticeable corrosion.
5. Highland Booster Pump House – nothing new on the PLC because Stew wasn't present but bench testing needs to be coordinated with Greg.
6. Arsenic tests – we had a contact after the annual water quality report as to arsenic levels both before and after treatment. Greg said that was done in 2011 and we could repeat it when we do the tests this year as directed by DOH.
7. Greg reported that we received a letter from DOH regarding the use of our wells. He'll work with Art to get the information and reply.

The next meeting will be on **February 3, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**

It's that time again

# SUPER BOWL 2015

3:30, Sunday Feb. 1, Cape George Clubhouse

*B.Y.O.B. & a snack to share with our community friends*



## Proposed Rule Change

At the January 13, 2015 Study Session, the Board of Trustees reviewed a proposed change to Cape George rule EMP01 Employee Policies and requested the proposed change be posted in the February newsletter for member comment. The proposed change is limited to the addition of the text below at the end of SECTION IV. BENEFITS. A copy of the complete rule is available for review in the Cape George office. If you would like to provide comment to the proposed change please submit them in writing to the Cape George office by 12 noon on February 6th. Comments can also be provided at the February 10th Study Session or February 12th Board Meeting.

**7. Other Fringe Benefits.** Full-time employees who have completed their probationary period may be eligible at the annual discretion of the Board, for certain other fringe benefits like use of marina rampage and parking (if excess space is available), fitness room and/or pool; note that use of the clubhouse, workshop and sports court are not included. Such benefits will be provided at no charge to the employee but will be to the extent specified by the IRS, subject to taxation where a monetary value is determined to be more than de minimis. Employees will annually be required to sign a waiver of liability to utilize this option.

# Emergency Preparedness Committee

During the past few months, the EPC committee sponsored information sessions for the *October Shake Out Day* and cohosted with CGU November's evening with author Sandi Doughton to discuss her book, *Full-Rip 9.0*. Although both opportunities were well attended, there is still more to do! The EPC committee met in December to discuss our direction for 2015---possible trainings and events, EP organization and subcommittees, and local updates and meetings. If you have concerns or ideas for the EPC, please feel free to contact let us know.

One topic that was brought to our attention by several residents of Cape George is wanting to know what to do in the face of an emergency for household pets. Are there specific steps to take prior to the event to keep our Fido or Fluffy safe? During a disaster, how should we handle our animals to keep them calm and safe? Are there resources we can access regarding pet safety in disasters to help us feel prepared? In a word. . . YES! To fully cover the topic, it will take a couple of writings but. . . let's begin!

## HAVE A DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN FOR YOUR ANIMALS:

**Step 1: Get a Rescue Alert Sticker & Post in a Visible Location from the Street** ---This allows rescue workers to know : 1) the types and number of pets you have; 2) The name of your vet. 3) The vet.'s phone number. IF you must evacuate with your pet, write EVACUATED across the sticker. Rescue Alert stickers may be ordered free, on-line through [www.aspc.org/ print/pet-care/disaster-preparedness](http://www.aspc.org/print/pet-care/disaster-preparedness) . Local pet stores sell similar stickers. The EPC is looking into working with the local Fire and Rescue unit to acquire and distribute these to each household, as well.

**Step 2: Arrange a Safe Haven in the event of Evacuation**---**Since not all Red Cross Shelters accept pets**, determine ahead of time where you will bring your pets. **DO NOT LEAVE THEM BEHIND**---If the property is unsafe for you, your pet may become trapped, escape, or be exposed to numerous life-threatening hazards. **Suggested safe havens:** Secure a list of boarding kennels nearby, ask the animal shelter if they provide emergency shelter or foster care pets, ID hotels/motels outside the immediate area which accept pets, ask friends/relatives outside the area if they would willingly take your pets.

**Step 3: In addition to a Family/Human Emergency Kit, Prepare an Evac-Pack for your Pets**---Make sure everyone in the family knows where this is located in the house. Clearly label an easy-to-carry pack. Items to consider keeping in or near your Pet Pack: \* Pet first-aid kit & guidebook (ask your vet or [www.aspc.org](http://www.aspc.org)) \* Flashlight \* Pet feeding dishes \* 3-7 days of canned (pop-top) or dry food (rotate every 2 months) \* Disposable litter trays (aluminum roasting pans work well) \* Litter or paper toweling \* Liquid dish soap and disinfectant \* Disposable garbage bags for clean-up \* Extra collar, harness and leash \* Photocopies of med. records & a waterproof container with 2-wks of any meds. your pet requires (NOTE: rotate food & meds put every 2-months so still usable) \* 7 days of bottled water per person and pet (store in cool, dry place & replace every 2 months) \* Traveling bag, crate or carrier, 1/pet \* Blanket for scooping up fearful pet \* Recent photos of your pets (in case you are separated & need to make "Lost" flyers) \* **CATS:** Pillowcase or EvackSack, toys, scoopable litter \* **DOGS:** Extra leash, toys & chew toys, 7 days of cage liner \* Have a Human Emergency Kit (this has been covered in the past and will be again later)

**Step 4: Choose "Designated Caregivers"**---*To decide on a temporary caregiver*, choose someone who lives near your residence, someone who is generally home during the day if you work or has easy access to your home. Give this trusted friend a set of keys. *To decide on a permanent caregiver*, consider this "foster parent" if they have met and successfully cared for your animals in the past. Discuss your selection with the person and your expectations so the responsibility is understood.

**Step 5: Evacuation Preparation**---Plan for the worst case scenario & plan for an extended time (i.e. told 1 day, plan for 2 weeks). Follow local and state instructions. Minimize evacuation time with these steps: 1) Store Emergency Kits & leashes close to exit. 2) Make sure your pet wears collars & tags with up-to-date ID, including his name, telephone #, & urgent medical needs. Put pet's name, your name & contact information on your pet's carrier. 3) ASPCA recommends having your pet microchipped. Most shelters can scan these to reunite families. 4) Always bring pets inside at the first sign of a storm/disaster to avoid disorienting and wandering during crisis. 5) Consider evacuation routes and call ahead to make arrangements for boarding your pet outside the danger zone at the first sign of a disaster.



**Step 6: Geographic & Climatic Considerations---**

1. Consider well in advance which rooms offer safe havens. These are rooms free of windows, possible flying debris, etc.
2. Choose easy to clean areas like utility rooms, bathrooms, or basements.
3. Access to a supply of fresh water is important. If electricity is lost, fill bathtubs and sinks ahead of time to ensure access to water during a power outage or crisis.
4. In the event of flooding, go to the highest location in the home or a room with access to counters or high shelves where your animals can take shelter.

*If emergency officials recommend you stay in your home, it is crucial you keep your pets with you. Keep your Evac-Pack and supplies close at hand. Your pets may become stressed during in-home confinement so crate them for safety and comfort, if needed.*

**What to Do for Other Pet Types: Birds, Reptiles, Small Animals**

**Birds---**1) Transport in a secure cage/carrier. 2) Reduce the stress of traveling in cold weather by covering the cage with a blanket. 3) In warm weather, carry a spray bottle to periodically moisten the bird's feathers 4) Have recent photos & keep bird's leg bands on for ID 5) If the carrier doesn't have a perch, line with paper towels which can be replaced frequently 6) Keep carrier in as quiet an area as possible 7) It is important to feed your bird regularly so purchase a timed feeder, in case you have to leave unexpectedly. The feeder will ensure daily feeding. 8) Items to keep on hand for your bird--catch net, heavy towel, blanket or sheet to cover the cage, cage liners

**Reptiles---**1) A snake may be transported in a pillowcase but have a permanent, secure housing place available for when you reach a safe place. 2) Take a sturdy bowl, large enough for your pet to soak in. Also, a heating pad or heating device, like a hot water bottle, is needed. 3) Transport lizards like birds (see above)

**Small Animals---** 1) Hamsters, gerbils, mice and guinea pigs should all be transported in secure carriers with bedding materials, food and food bowls. 2) Items to keep on hand for small animals--- salt lick, extra water bottle, small hide-box or tube, a week's worth of bedding and food.

*Next Month. . . Information on how to handle difficult pets during a crisis and more resources.*

**Submitted by the EPCCG: Thad Bickling and Karla Kauzlarich**





## Cape George Red Robins Red Hat Group

### Annual Valentines Party



11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bring a dish to share, something savory or sweet!

All Cape George Members are Invited!

Optional valentine gift exchange – bring a \$10 - \$15 gift

Call Maryl Weir to confirm – 379-0902

## MARINA NEWS!

Here we go...another busy year. Applications for moorage are still coming into the Office. We will assign moorage slips the FIRST WEEK IN FEBRUARY!!! We will do all we can to take care of our Members.

In the meantime...all Marina tenants need to check their boats at least weekly to make sure all their lines are secure. Also, if logs have moved into the Marina near your boats, do what you can to move them out of the Marina. They hurt boats and docks. We've had some hum dinger surges come in this year and our docks are rolling all over the place. Finally, our docks are pretty slippery and need to be cleaned. Shortly we'll have water available and we can tidy them up. We have a pressure washer in the Workshop and a pressure washer with 2+ foot round head on it (much like a floor polisher), that makes the job faster and easier. Please help keep the docks clean. Our Marina volunteers have a huge list of projects to complete this year and your help with this would be so appreciated.

Jim Bodkin and Bob Tilley have been diving in the basin January, surveying what debris we may or may not have to remove. So far, some old crab pots, 2 beer bottles (not bad), old lines, etc., have been removed. We'll let you know the results after the survey is complete.

We are in the process of removing all the old wood cleats. Unfortunately they have rotted out over the years, and we are replacing them with metal cleats. If you need more cleats, please come to the Marina and we'll show you where they are. Paul Happel is our main go-to person for cleats and would be happy to answer questions you might have regarding their installation.

In addition to other community volunteers, your Marina volunteers filled and placed sand bags near our precious Workshop, Fitness Room, and Clubhouse. Winter storms aren't over yet, and we want to be prepared as we can in the event of a flood.

We have so many Marina tenants volunteer to give us a hand this year with our projects. We are very thankful for their help. We have a wonderful Marina and asset for our community.

Penny Jensen  
Harbormaster



## Marina Sale

Did Santa bring too much? Let the Marina Committee unburden you. Please donate your unwanted items to the 2015 Marina Sale.

Call Tom Ramsey at 385-1263 or Penny Jensen at 385-0242 for someone to pick up your donated items or if you prefer, drop them off at the Community Workshop on Tuesdays, between 9:00 a.m. and Noon.

# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

In the November Newsletter, Dink did some Cat-on-the – Street interviews with some colorful characters around the Cape. This month he has interviewed some “real” players and asked them to share their thoughts about the game of Pickleball. (The names have been changed to protect the innocent!)

C.M. says “Before Pickleball I would just walk around the neighborhood by myself – in the first 2 weeks of playing Pickleball I met many friendly residents who were playing and suddenly found a real social life”

G.A. says “Pickleball is simply wonderful, everything about it. Winning or losing, I usually don’t even remember, but I do remember the joy of good playing, a lot of laughing and being with nice people out in the fresh air”.

L.D. says “The Sports court is another asset to our community along with the fitness room, the pool, the club house and the marina. A great place for those looking for an active life style.”



J.D. says “Fun, comradery, working towards a goal, physical expertise—P-ball is a game that can be played on all levels- practicing skills with friends and getting better and better.”

D.J. says “Even a non-athletic person like me can get better at the game with practice, and it is just so much fun. Great exercise as well as a great social experience. “

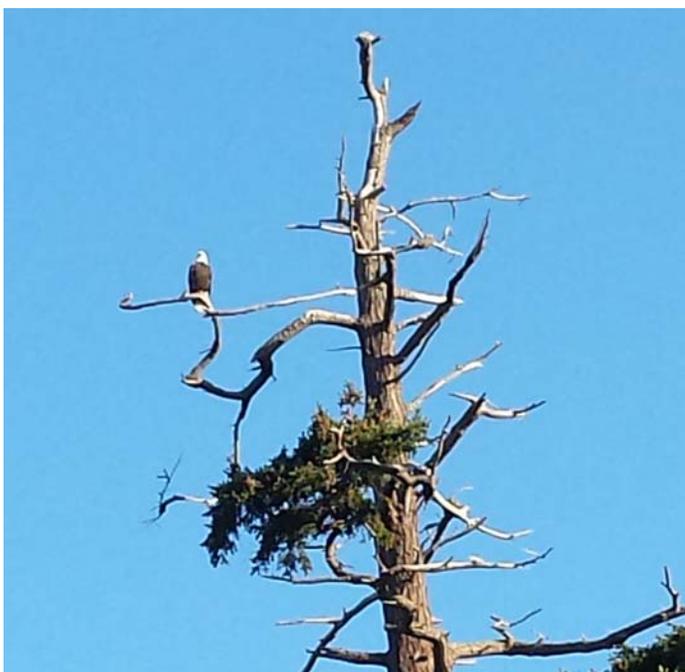
N.K. says “A special perk for all of us Cape George! It flutes through my daily activities and begs for its fair share of my time. “

A. M. says “Pickleball has been a great way to meet new neighbors, get some exercise and develop skill in moving and connecting. Truly, it has been a wonderful addition to an already wonderful community.”

Lobs suggestions for this month:

1. When playing with new partners, take a moment to communicate - i.e. Forehand takes the ball coming down the center.
2. Switch sides when going for a deep lob so you don’t leave the court uncovered – Call Switch!
3. Give positive feedback – reinforce each other’s play! - “Good job!”

Don’t forget that the Steering Committee would like to hear from you with your ideas for this coming season! E-mail [pibird130@gmail.com](mailto:pibird130@gmail.com) with your suggestions!! Pickle On !!



## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Super Bowl 2015	Feb. 1, 3:30p
Soup Supper	Feb. 4, 5:30p
CGU—Southwest Archaeology	Feb. 17, 7p
Book Group	Feb. 17, 1p
BUNCO	Feb. 20, 2p
Lobo Del Mar Concert	Feb. 28, 6:30p

### Board of Trustees

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Maintenance Manager - Donnie Weathersby - 385-1177

Senior Bookkeeper - Sally Lovell - 385-1177

Water System Manager - Greg Rae - 301-5826

### Cape George Office Hours M-F, 9am-2pm

Building.....	Ann Simpson.....	379-9105	Marina .....	Penny Jensen .....	385-0242
Clubhouse Rental .....	Sharon Mitchel.....	385-1177	Memorial .....	Jeannie Ramsey .....	385-1263
Elections .....	Marcedita Del Valle ...	379-9025	Newsletter .....	Office.....	385-1177
	Joyce Skoien .....	379-9749	Nominating.....	Kitty Rucker.....	385-4927
Emergency Prep.....	Thad Bickling.....	379-1781	Roads.....	Larry Southwick .....	379-2878
Environmental.....	Kitty Rucker .....	385-4927	Social Club.....	Norma Lupkes.....	302-5202
Finance.....	Unassigned.....			Mary Hilfer.....	379-0492
Fitness Center .....	Phyllis Ballough.....	344-3706	Swimming Pool.....	Neil D'Acquisto.....	385-7625
Harbormaster.....	Penny Jensen.....	385-0242	Water Advisory .....	Larry Southwick....	379-2878
Librarians: .....	Mary Maltby .....	385-3110	Welcome .....	Jo Nieuwsma.....	424-333-5413
	Jeannie Ramsey.....	385-1263	Workshop.....	Ken Owen .....	385-9458
	Betty Hanks.....	379-6572			
Clubhouse Phone .....		385-3670	Fitness Center Phone ...		385-3619

# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b> <b>Super Bowl</b> <b>2015 3:30p</b>  <b>GO</b> <b>HAWKS!!!</b> 	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Duplicate Bridge 12:15p Open Swimming 1p  <b>Bldg. Comm —9:15a</b> <b>(Office)</b>	<b>3</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p  <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> <b>Marina Comm. 11a</b> <b>Water Comm. 5p—Office</b>	<b>4</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p  <b>Pool Comm. 3p</b> <b>Soup Supper 5:30p</b>	<b>5</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p  Creative Arts 9a-3p	<b>6</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>7</b>
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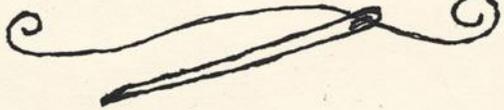
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

The process continues on obtaining a permit for the installation of a protective berm. The updates are as follows:

- We have received notification from WA State Dept. of Archaeology and Historic Preservation that our project is approved to proceed.
- Jefferson County Health has begun the review of our application to replace the existing septic system at the southwest corner of the pool building. Our engineer has responded to one request for additional information and a modification to the plan is being made. We are anticipating signoff in the next week.

Treasurer Karen Krug, Senior Bookkeeper Sally Lovell, Office Administrator Sharon Mitchel and I met with Susan Stenberg and Lisa Landry from the auditing firm of Cagianut & Co. on February 5<sup>th</sup> to conduct the site visit portion of the annual audit.

The Senior Bookkeeper reports that all W-2's and 1099's have been prepared and mailed according to IRS requirements.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Modifications to one of the backhoe buckets to allow for easier ditch maintenance.
- A hot water recirculation pump has been installed

at the pool changing room to decrease the time it takes for hot water to reach the showers. This will have an added benefit of reducing wasted water.

Projects being worked on by the Office Administrator includes:

- Marina registration is well underway. Everyone is reminded that you must include your insurance forms and vessel/vehicle registration when registering. Failure to do so means that your registration is not complete.
- The 2014 excess water bills have been mailed. A total of 27 addresses used more than the 250 gallons per day over the course of the year resulting in \$3,200 in excess fees.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Hedge complaint in the Colony and Village.
- Report of a vehicle running through the landscape at the corner of Cape George Drive and North Palmer Drive.
- Light complaint in the Village.
- Complaint of a barking dog in the Colony.
- Report of dog droppings in a bag being left on private property.
- Complaint of vehicles speeding in the Village and Colony.



**DEADLINE FOR APRIL NEWSLETTER -- March 20**

## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

Cape George members previously approved a special assessment to fund a berm to protect our clubhouse, workshop and beach area from floods caused by high tides and strong winds. While it was hoped the berm would be in place to protect against this winter's storms, the permitting process has taken much longer than anticipated.

It now appears the association is coming to the end of that process. There were two remaining hurdles. Cape George has recently passed the required archaeology review and it is anticipated the county will soon approve our septic improvement plan. Once the permit is obtained, the berm project will move forward.

At its February meeting, the board heard a presentation regarding the potential placement of a Verizon cell tower on Cape George property. Verizon's process is to identify three feasible sites in the area to improve its network coverage. One of those three identified sites is the association property at the end of Saddle Drive in the Highlands.

If this site was chosen, Verizon would lease a 50 foot by 50 foot area for placement of a monopole and equipment shelter. The tower itself would be 100 to 150 feet tall. The tower could be camouflaged to look like a tree. The lease would last 25 years. The initial monthly rent would be \$700 with increases over the life of the lease. Verizon would have to make the tower available for sublease by other cell service providers which could yield additional rental income.

If our property was approved by Verizon's engineers and the project moved forward, it would have to go through the zoning process. This process includes the opportunity for a hearing and comment by the public. As a practical matter, we were advised Verizon would probably not sign the lease until after zoning was approved.

After listening to the presentation and asking questions of the Verizon representative, the board decided to enter further discussions with Verizon regarding the cell tower on Saddle Drive.

At this point, Cape George has not committed itself to any proposal. Indeed, Verizon could prefer one of the other two sites. So this is all tentative.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, members are advised of their opportunity to submit comments on this potential cell tower arrangement. As always, the board is interested in member opinion.



## **WELCOME NEWCOMERS!**

**Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.**

**Please call or email me and we can make a date.**

**Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or**

**rocketmama@wavecable.com**

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**Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.**

## BOARD ANNOUNCES TRUSTEE ELECTION PROCEDURES & DATES FOR 2015

Below you will find the schedule for the 2015 Trustee elections. Members will be voting on two Trustee positions this year, all of whom will serve for a three year term. If you are interested in running for the Board, you can pick up a Nomination Form in the Cape George office. Please keep your eyes open for members who you believe would be an asset to the Board. Kitty Rucker is serving as chair of the Nominating Committee so give her a call with the names of those you would recommend. Kitty will then contact these individuals and encourage them to run for a vacant Board position. Kitty's phone number is 385-4927.

### Board of Trustees Election Dates for 2015

May 14	Close of nominations and announce candidates at May Board meeting
20	Board Candidate's Statements due to CG Office for inclusion in June Newsletter
June 5	Election ballots mailed to members
9	Meet the Candidates, 2pm, before Board Study Session
11	Meet the Candidates, 6pm, before Board Meeting
July 16	Ballots due in the Cape George office in person or by mail no later than 2:00 pm
17	Election Committee counts ballots
18	Annual Membership Meeting 2:00 pm – announce election results
18	Special Board Meeting, 3:00 pm – Election of Board Officers

## Did you know that the Cape George website has the following information available?

- All of the governing documents for the community including, covenants, bylaws, building and property regulations, and rules—We're serious, they're all there!
- Study Session and Board Meeting agendas and information packets
- Board meeting minutes dating back to 1999
- Old and current newsletters—I know, it's crazy!
- Building and earthworks permits
- Staff and Board contact information
- Forms, forms and more forms!
- The 2015 fee schedule
- And much, much more!

The next time you are looking for some information about the community,  
you need look no further than:

**[www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)**



**When: Wednesday March 4th!**  
**5:30pm Social Time & 6pm Soup Time**

Hello neighbors!  
It's soup supper time again!

Bring a soup or dessert to share. Bring a beverage of your choice, your own bowls, tableware, and glasses. Salad & Bread will be provided!

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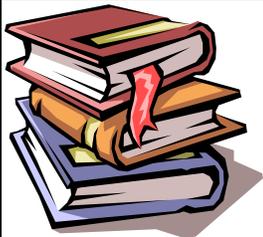
Telescope is coming too if weather permits.

# Slow Down!



We've had an abundance of complaints recently concerning vehicles speeding on community streets. This has included reports of specific members, delivery people and various contractors, all going much too fast.

Please be reminded that the maximum speed throughout the community is 20 mph. Many members walk their dogs, exercise, visit neighbors, walk to the pool, etc. by way of the community roads. Speeding puts everyone who walks the roads at risk. If you have a delivery person or contractor doing work for you, it would be a good idea to please remind them of the speed limit.



## THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS IS MARCH BOOK

"The language of Flowers" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh will be discussed by the Cape George Book Group on Tuesday, March 17 at 1 pm. This novel follows Victoria through the stages of her life from being a foster child through adulthood. Through all of her relationships, her passion for flowers and her use of flowers helps her to communicate with others. Elizabeth, Victoria's one constant in her life is her imperfect foster mother who instills in her the love of flowers and their meanings.

The knowledge of flowers nets Victoria a career at Bloom's, a flower shop where she continues to try to figure out her life. This New York Times Bestseller is a fascinating study of complex characters.

Everyone is welcome to join the book group which meets in the Cape George Clubhouse. For further information, please call Jeannie Ramsey at 385-1263.



## **Crack'd Rearview Mirror**

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

7:00 p.m.

Lynn Terwoerds will present this interactive session designed to spark thought and discussion about big data and how individuals, companies and even governments are attempting to command and control the data tidal wave.

Data has evolved into an international currency capable of fueling multi-billion dollar (Euro, £, ¥, etc.) interconnected global industries. And wherever there is power and money, so too follow others - organized crime, nation states, global politics and fringe groups to name only a few. Spend an hour taking a tour of the current digital landscape and come prepared to think about how this could have any impact on you and our cozy Cape George community.

*Spring is Just Around the Corner*

## **Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE PRESENTS

# SEPTIC MAINTENANCE CARE INFORMATION DAY



Please join us on Saturday, March 14, from 10am-12pm in the Clubhouse. We will be joined by Doug Nebel and Orv Wise, licensed Septic Pumpers for Jefferson County and Co-Owners of Good Man, Inc., who will discuss general care of your septic system and cleaning of baffle screens. Septic information handouts will be available and questions will be taken. We will have coffee, tea and treats!

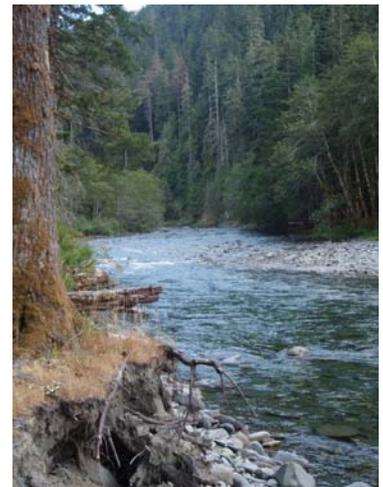
Any questions call Kitty Rucker at 385-4927 or Gretchen Cooper at 774-6015.  
Hope to see you there!

## RETURN OF THE RIVER

If you were unable to go to the Rose Theater to see this wonderful film about the removal of the Elwha dams this is your opportunity to see it at Cape George. Please join us on Wednesday, March 18 at 7pm in the Clubhouse and see what an amazing project has been accomplished right here on our Peninsula. Lorna and Darrell Smith, our very own naturalists, will be there to answer questions and to explain how the removal of the dams will affect animals in the wild. Maybe later in the spring we can arrange a walking tour of the area for members who are interested.

Of course, pop corn will be served!!!

Call Kitty Rucker at 385-4927 if you have questions



## Free March 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Shorelines, Bluffs and Erosion

Want to learn more about feeder bluffs and how you can protect your shoreline property from erosion? Come to a FREE workshop on March 7th at the Jefferson County Library in Port Hadlock. This program, hosted by the Northwest Straits Foundation and the Jefferson County Marine Resources Committee, features a presentation by Jim Johannessen, coastal geologist and an afternoon field trip to the bluffs near Kala Point. Workshop topics include erosion management, alternatives to hard shoreline armoring, enhancing beach access and native vegetation for slope stability and habitat.

Reserve your spot today for this workshop, which runs from 10 am to 3 pm. For more info, go to <http://www.jeffersonmrc.org> .

Online registration at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JeffersonFB> or phone 360-733-1725 or email [lehman@nwstraits.org](mailto:lehman@nwstraits.org) .

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Granny's Attic will be held on Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, in the Cape George Club House. The doors will open for shopping at 9:00 AM and will close at 3:00 PM on Friday, and 12:00 Noon on Saturday. No advance sales.

If you have questions or need to donate prior to April 24 and 25, please call one of the following: Leanne Ryan 385-4576. More information in upcoming newsletters.

**MARINA SALE**

The Marina Committee needs your help through your contributions to the annual Marina Sale to be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tools, fishing tackle, camping equipment, anything marine related, sporting equipment or apparel, and household items would be greatly appreciated. Contact Tom Ramsey at 385-1263 or Penny Jensen at 385-0242 for pick up. Items can also be dropped off at the Community Workshop on Tuesdays between 9 a.m. and Noon.



**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 12, 2014  
7:00 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.**

- A. Welcome
- B. An Executive Session is planned immediately following the Board Meeting to discuss a legal issue and a violation of the governing documents.

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Carol Wood, Karen Krug, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger and Michael Hinojos

**Action on Minutes: Carol Wood**

Carol Wood moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the January 15, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes. Passed 6/0

**Membership Report: Carol Wood**

- Kenneth Larsen & Susan Rhea purchased 34 Ridge Drive from Diane Henderson
- Carla Vanderven purchased 170 Alder Drive from the Estate of William Thomas
- Roger & Barbara Maynard purchased 61 Alder Drive from James & Paula Otey

**Treasurer's Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of January 31, 2015**

**COMMENTS ON PRE-AUDIT 2014 ACTIVITIES:**

The results of operations and related reserve activities were submitted to C&C for audit on February 5, 2015. The submitted values presented here may change as a result of audit adjustments.

Cost Center	2014 Budget	2014 Pre-audit Income
General <sup>(1)</sup>	\$14,358	\$20,739
Water <sup>(2)</sup>	\$52,385	\$55,027
Marina <sup>(3)</sup>	\$10,616	\$14,559

(1) General operations ended the year better than budget despite having used \$9,400 for the new capital lock system. Improved results can be traced to a higher than needed payroll tax budget, lower than budgeted costs for the tri-annual reserve study update and lower than budgeted labor hours for several part-time employees.

(2) Water operations fared better in 2014 than the budget due largely to the higher than needed payroll tax budget.

(3) Marina operations performed better than budget to primarily to higher than budgeted revenues for boat trailer parking, ramp fees and sub-leases.

A partial transfer of excess cash was made to the each of the respective cost center reserves in December 2014. Additional transfers will not be made until the audit has been completed, currently expected to be in March.

**2015 Balance Sheet Comments:**

The 2015 Balance Sheet contains an item for the new Reserve Assessment. As of the end of January, about \$41,000 had been received which represents just slightly less than half the full year's assessment of \$119,000.

Accounts receivable at \$22,000 are a bit higher than this time last year with the differences equitably spread across all major cost centers - General, Water and Marina. An update in mid-February will likely show significant reductions.

As usual, cash accounts are included on the following page and all accounts have been reconciled. A CD at Peninsula Credit Union matured on 1/24/15 and has not been reinvested pending the March completion of an updated cash plan. That \$50,000 maturity is in a general savings account at PCU.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page.

Except for Excess Water Fees, January operations produced no unusual or atypical results.

Billing for excess water is completed in January of each year for the prior twelve months. This year that billing was about \$3,300, nearly double of the prior year. While a complete explanation is not yet available, it is expected that the major cause was the especially dry spring and summer. Many of the excess bills were less than \$50 with only a half a dozen that were several hundred dollars. The largest was \$721 and the smallest was \$7.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**

*Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2015 and 2014*

Assets	2015	2014	Liabilities and Fund Balances	2015	2014
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 178,386	\$ 182,752	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 11,040	\$ 12,252
Operating Investment-Savings	70,041	70,020	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	66,938	67,744
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	670	-
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	405,044	464,559	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,000	1,000
Special Reserves - N/S Seawall & Berm	68,002	314,514	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	50,085	-
Routine Reserve Assessment**	40,593	-	Total Current Liabilities	129,733	80,996
Total Cash & Equivalents	762,666	1,032,445			
			North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Net Accounts Receivable	21,676	12,627	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	50,085	-			
SpclAssmnts Rcvbl(N/S Seawall,Berm)	30,981	81,845	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,775,913	1,400,157	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,496	1,926,050
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	20,349	20,253	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	179,442	147,053
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,661,670</b>	<b>\$2,547,327</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,661,671</b>	<b>\$ 2,547,327</b>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended January 31 (Modified Cash Basis)**

2015 Year to Date					COMPARATIVE				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 71,602	\$ 71,602	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 71,602	\$ 68,848	\$ 2,754	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	880	921	(41)	-4%	Revenue - All Other Sources	880	1,137	(257)	-23%
Total General Revenue	72,482	72,523	(41)		Total General Revenue	72,482	69,985	2,497	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,131	11,194	2,063	18%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,131	8,802	(329)	-4%
Repairs & Maintenance	233	1,673	1,440	86%	Repairs & Maintenance	233	3,373	3,140	93%
Contracted Services	2,158	3,282	1,124	34%	Contracted Services	2,158	2,729	571	21%
Insurance	1,861	2,068	207	10%	Insurance	1,861	1,840	(21)	-1%
Pool expenses	1,075	2,250	1,175	52%	Pool expenses	1,075	2,128	1,053	49%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,543	1,935	392	20%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	1,543	4,854	3,311	68%
Total General Expenses	16,001	22,402	6,401		Total General Expenses	16,001	23,726	7,725	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 56,481</b>	<b>\$ 50,121</b>	<b>\$ 6,360</b>	13%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 56,481</b>	<b>\$ 46,259</b>	<b>\$ 10,222</b>	22%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 45,990	\$ 45,990	\$ -	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 45,990	\$ 45,810	\$ 180	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
Total Water Revenue	49,244	47,990	1,254		Total Water Revenue	49,244	47,513	1,731	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	4,243	5,122	879	17%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	4,243	4,610	367	8%
Repairs & Maintenance	(77)	648	725	112%	Repairs & Maintenance	(77)	315	392	124%
Contracted Services	1,045	1,362	317	23%	Contracted Services	1,045	1,051	6	1%
Insurance	991	1,104	113	10%	Insurance	991	1,354	363	27%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,907	5,250	1,343	26%	Other Expenses(incl taxes)	3,907	3,097	(810)	-26%
Total Water Expenses	10,109	13,486	3,377		Total Water Expenses	10,109	10,427	318	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,135</b>	<b>\$ 34,504</b>	<b>\$ 4,631</b>	13%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 39,135</b>	<b>\$ 37,086</b>	<b>\$ 2,049</b>	6%

<u>Marina</u>					<u>Marina</u>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 49,578	\$ 53,905	\$ (4,327)	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 49,578	\$ 46,763	\$ 2,815	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	7,265	8,140	\$ (875)	-11%	Revenue - All Other Sources	7,265	6,505	760	12%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>56,843</b>	<b>62,045</b>	<b>(5,202)</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>56,843</b>	<b>53,268</b>	<b>3,575</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	948	1,122	174	16%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	948	822	(126)	-15%
Repairs & Maintenance	513	316	(197)	-62%	Repairs & Maintenance	513	0	(513)	-
Contracted Services	126	319	193	61%	Contracted Services	126	102	(24)	-24%
Insurance	519	578	59	10%	Insurance	519	436	(83)	-19%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	746	926	180	19%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	746	1,524	778	51%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>2,852</b>	<b>3,261</b>	<b>409</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>2,852</b>	<b>2,884</b>	<b>32</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 53,991</b>	<b>\$ 58,784</b>	<b>\$ (4,793)</b>	<b>-8%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 53,991</b>	<b>\$ 50,384</b>	<b>\$ 3,607</b>	<b>7%</b>
Reserve Interest	46	-	46		Reserve Interest	46	65	(19)	
N&S Seawall, Berm Specials	-	-	-		N&S Seawall, Berm Specials	-	13,260	(13,260)	
Routine Reserve*	29,790	-	29,790		Routine Reserve*	29,790	-	29,790	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 179,442</b>	<b>\$ 143,409</b>	<b>\$ 36,034</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 179,442</b>	<b>\$ 147,053</b>	<b>\$ 45,649</b>	<b>22%</b>

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

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\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Marina (2 months), Indoor Sports Court and Water. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- A. Marina Committee Chair, Penny Jensen, provided an update concerning the donation of a boat to the Marina Committee.
- B. The Trustees received an update from the Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee. A committee report is attached for the record.
- C. An update of the 2014 pre-audit financial statements was provided by Treasurer Karen Krug.
- D. The Manager provided an update on 41 Dennis. A new owner is working toward resolving the issues
- E. The Trustees briefly discussed possible amendments to the governing documents that could be considered for approval by the membership.

**Member participation:**

There was no member participation at this time.

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** After listening to a presentation by Tami Drew from Cascadia Property Management, Richard Hilfer moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to enter into discussions with Cascadia Property Management and Verizon regarding the potential placement of a cell tower on Cape George property located at the end of Saddle Drive. Passed 6/0

**Motion 2:** Ray Pierson moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve changes to Cape George rule EMP01, Personnel, Section IV, Benefits as new category #7 to read as follows:

7. Other Fringe Benefits. Full-time employees who have completed their probationary period may be eligible at the annual discretion of the Board, for certain other fringe benefits like the use of marina rampage and parking (if excess space is available), fitness room and/or pool; not that the use of the clubhouse, workshop and sports court are not included. Such benefits will be provided at no charge to the employee but will be to the extent specified by the IRS, subject to taxation where a monetary value is determined to be more than de Minimis. Employees will annually be required to sign a waiver of liability to utilize this option **and are expected to follow all applicable rules associated with the use of each facility.**

Passed 6/0

**Motion 3:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve Resolution 1-01-15 to transfer \$1360.00 from General Reserves to General Checking Account for the design and engineering of septic tank replacement, Streamline Environmental - \$1360.00. Passed 6/0

**Motion 4:** Leslie Fellner moved and Carol Wood seconded to transfer \$700 from the Berm Special Assessment account to the General Checking account to pay Sylvester L. Lahren, Jr. Ph.D., for the archaeological survey of the berm site. Passed 6/0

**Motion 5:** Katie Habegger moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve 2 member requests for due date adjustments. Passed 6/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

Depositions on a pending court case will begin soon.

**Announcements:**

Study Session – March 10 2015, 3:00 p.m.

Board Meeting –March 12, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

**Motion 6:** Ray Pierson moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a legal issue and a violation of governing documents at 7:50 p.m. Passed 6/0.

**Motion 7:** Carol Wood moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 8:40 p.m. Passed 5/0 (Note: During the Executive Session, Michael Hinojos left the meeting after recusing himself from one matter discussed.) Passed 5/0

**Adjournment:** Leslie Fellner moved and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn the Regular Session at 8:45 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building Committee  
February 1, 2015**

*Building Permits Issued:*

Philip Spooner: 561 Saddle Drive, Highlands, to build a shop.

Stanley & Marlene Kropf: 171 Hemlock Dr, Village, to build a carport with storage.

**Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee  
February 11, 2015**

The ad hoc committee to investigate the feasibility of a covered Pickleball court visited all of the common areas within the Colony, Village and Highlands. We ruled out such sites at Coleman Park and the property near the Tank Farm as unsuitable for our purposes. One other piece of common property in the Highlands is so heavily forested and uneven under foot that it was deemed unsuitable.

We measured those common areas behind the mailboxes in the Colony as well as across Cape George Drive from the office. Both are large enough (60' x 36' by 18') to accommodate the building of an indoor Pickleball Court.

We received one tentative bid from Sound Building Systems, and Dennis Fellner is investigating other building options. A contractor in our community has also given us a tentative bid.

We understand that the next step is to garner other tentative bids and then to present the entire proposal to the community for input as to whether the court is an amenity that would be supported by the majority of our membership.

Jeannie Ramsey, Gail Krentzman & Dennis Fellner

**Marina Committee  
January 6, 2015**

**Attendees:** Cape George Manager Art Burke, Newly Elected Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen, Thad Bickling and Ross An-

erson Harbormaster/Marina Chair Assistants. Marina Committee: Craig Muma, Chuck Hommel, Gary Nelson, Ken Owen, Bob Tilley, Sam Melton, Brian Ritche, Mike Smith, Jim Bodkin, Paul Happel, Marta Favati, Ray Pierson, Bob Schlentner, Mac McDonald, and Scott James.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Marina Chair Penny Jensen.

**Old Business:** The Marina Memorial Fund has \$2,860.00. \$440.13 was spent on burying the power line at the south end of the marina along with donations from boaters. Moorage fees will be found delinquent after 1/31/2015 and slips will be reassigned to members who are on the waiting list for marina slips. Work continues on contact information for current marina users. If you are around the marina at dusk please close and lock the swinging gates.

**New Business:** A call was made for a Harbormaster, Mac McDonald nominated Penny Jensen as Harbormaster, seconded by Ross Anderson. No other recommendations came forward. A discussion was held and the vote was unanimous in favor of Penny Jensen. Her name will be forwarded to the Cape George Board for approval. Penny suggested that jobs be delegated out to volunteers who could spear head things that needed to be accomplished in the marina. Mooring Snubbers are recommended on larger and heavier boats to take up the shock on mooring lines to ease the pressure on docks and pilings. Further discussion and research is needed on the size and weight of boats requiring snubbers. A marina biological survey will be conducted by Jim Bodkin and Bob Tilley on the critters living in the marina and to clean up any trash on the bottom of the marina. Substandard electrical cords were discussed and will be reviewed and researched. The sump discharge line was discussed. A replacement flag was installed at the north jetty. A new lighting system will be developed for the Cape George Marina Sign. The new road lighting provided by the PUD was discussed. King Tides are upon us this month with possibility of flooding.

Volunteers needed, Come on down to the marina on Tuesday's from 9:00 - 12:00

**Volunteer Projects listed for year 2015 are:** Placing piling caps on all pilings, Buoy inspections, Biological survey, schematic dock layout for marina office, white board installation for office, repair dock connections, pressure wash docks, repair doggie poop bag stations, repair light house, repair wooden electrical box at the south end of the marina, repair boat launch walk way, install dock floats, repair Harbor dingy, retiler crab shack counter, weld cap on south seawall, replace toe rails/fascia boards on docks, Marina Sale, Waterfront festival, metal cleat installation, plumbing and demolish and recycle the Weir Boat and many other projects.

**Professional Contracts:** Engineering Reports on boat tonnage issues and pilings and dredge marina entrance.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

#### **Marina Committee February 3, 2015**

#### **THE LOCKS ON THE MARINA GATE AND LAUNCH RAMP HAVE BEEN CHANGED. NEW KEYS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CG OFFICE.**

Attendees: Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen, Marina Committee: Thad Bickling, Craig Muma, Ken Owen, Brian Ritchie, Paul Happel, Mac McDonald, Scott James, Bill Deckman, Jack Scherter and Steve Blair. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Marina Chairperson, Penny Jensen.

**Old Business:** The Marina Memorial Fund has \$2,860.00. A 5 year permit has been issued to dredge the marina. The Weir boat is currently being worked on by marina volunteers to ready it for sale. CG volunteer divers removed junk and trash from the waters of the marina. Line Snubbers should be purchased for the larger boats in the marina. If enough boaters order snubbers as a group we should be able to get a discount. If you are interested please leave your name on the list in the marina office. Slip assignments will be made this week. After slip assignments Craig Muma will produce a flow chart of the assigned slips with names, and emergency telephone numbers for each marina tenant. Plastic piling caps will be purchased for pilings in the marina.

#### **DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE ANNUAL MARINA SALE. DROP ITEMS OFF AT THE MARINA OFFICE ON TUESDAY MORNINGS**

**New Business:** Penny suggested that at this time she would like to be both the Harbor Master/Marina Chairperson. No objection to this action was made at the meeting. Only OSHA approved marine standard electrical cords are allowed in the CG marina. Existing nonstandard electrical cords will be removed. Nonoperational boats on the hard should be removed by April 30, 2015. Boats either in the water or on the hard must be operational to reside in the marina or on the hard in the storage area. The small

marina work boat has been refurbished by volunteers and is ready for use. The marina is looking for a small work boat with a working engine to use in the marina. The water system in the marina is turned off from November to March to prevent the pipes and equipment from freezing. When the system is turned on during the winter it cost the marina approximately \$800.00 each year to replace specific parts that break. A system has been devised to lock the system at during the winter. A large White dry erase board has been purchased for the marina office to keep track of projects and needed actions.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

**Water Committee  
February 3, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Karen Krug, Board Liaison; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; member Scott James.

Ed Skowrya Memorial – Art contacted Helen Ann and it is her wish that we wait until spring to conduct the dedication. Art will work on setting a date once she has had an opportunity to consult with some of her family that may wish to attend.

Backflow / Cross Connection Control Program –Larry will schedule inspections for this week and Greg will schedule for next week. We'll push to get the initial contacts and inspections done.

Water rights – Nothing new.

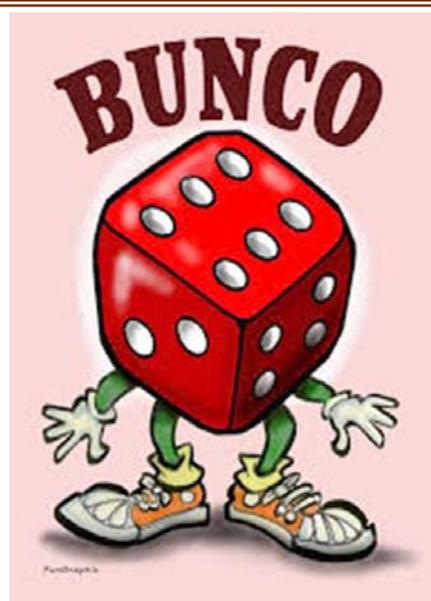
Highland Booster Pump House – nothing new on the PLC because Stew wasn't present but bench testing needs to be coordinated with Greg.

Greg followed up on a letter from DOH regarding the addition of Well 8 to the well field instead of treating it like a 'new' independent well for testing. He has talked with the staff person who wants to expand the well head protection plan which would take some additional documentation by a consulting engineer. Greg will contact her again to see if we can resolve the issue without having to hire an engineer.

Art reported working with the Marina Committee to protect the backflow prevention valves from freezing and breaking when they energize the water lines on the docks in the cold weather.

Karen asked Art to verify the number of water connections in the budget and figures subject to the audit to avoid a conflict in the numbers.

The next Water Committee meeting will be on March 3, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.



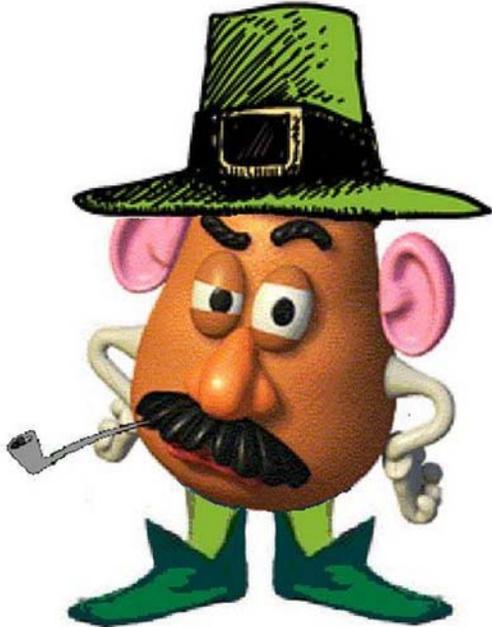
**FRIDAY, MARCH**

**13**

**2:00 PM**

**\$5 buy-in (\$1 bills ap-**

# St. Patrick's Dinner



Saturday

March 14

Happy Hour 6 pm

Dinner 6:30

\$10 per person

The Pool Committee & Users are hosting a

## St. Patrick's Dinner

Menu: Large Baked Potato w/all the toppings,  
Salad, Dessert, & Beer\*

Irish Music provided by  
Cliff Self and the Unknown Fiddlers

## Silent Auction

All proceeds go to pool dehumidification project.

Reservation Deadline is Tues., March 10, 2 pm

Get your tickets at the Cape George Office

Exact Change or Check required

\*Each ticket includes 2 beers - Additional beer/\$3 donation



**Emergency Prepared Committee Report: First Aid for Pets-Top 10 Things to Know for Cats (or any pet!)**

**The 3 keys to managing any emergency with a cat are:**

1. Don't panic
2. Protect yourself from injury
3. Prepare in advance for emergencies.

**During the first few minutes, assess the situation:** Does the cat need to be moved immediately? Is there added danger of injury to the cat or adults if the cat is moved? Do you know your location to direct emergency personnel to your location? Then. . .

**1. Behavior Knowledge:** *Never assume that **your** injured pet won't bite or scratch you.* Injured, frightened pets may lash out in pain. Prevent this by covering the pet's head with towels to help "blind them" and make them feel safer while trying to transport them. **(Next month we will discuss how to capture, restrain and assist an injured cat in detail.)**

**2. Veterinary Telephone No. & Address:** If you keep the vet's phone number & address handy, this may save your pet's life in an emergency. Learn their hours and their procedure for emergencies or the closest emergency facility. Call first because often a trip can be prevented and first aid advice can be offered over the phone.

**3. Name & Phone No. of a Friend:** If possible, have a friend assist, especially if the pet must be hospitalized. It is best to have one person drive and one person keep the pet calm and settled for the car ride.

**4. CPR:** Learn animal CPR. In Jefferson County, classes are regularly scheduled in Port Townsend at Jefferson Healthcare through The Cascade Training Center (Cascade Healthcare Services).

**5. Heimlich Maneuver:** Although not a frequently used skill, if you are certain your pet is choking on a solid object (like a toy), you can use this to remove the object. However, if you have not been properly trained, this could cause injury and should not be used.

**6. Bandaging:** A bandage helps cover or apply pressure to protect a wound or control bleeding. Bandages can be fabricated from clean towels, washcloths, paper towels, pieces of fabric or sanitary napkins. If you go to [www.petplace.com/bandaging](http://www.petplace.com/bandaging) you will find a wealth of information on how to wrap different injuries for various pet types.

**7. Stopping Bleeding:** Pressure applied directly to a wound with a clean cloth or towel is your best defense against hemorrhage.

**8. Towels & Blankets:** Each can be used to assist in picking up an injured animal or in controlling bleeding. Cats are particularly calmed by covering them and frightened pets are often relieved by the dark and the calm. Try covering your pet when you are just playing but not in an emergency and see if this is a good option for your pet. You might even get him/her accustomed to this for transporting purposes.

**9. Board, Stretcher, Strong Blanket:** A small board, sturdy blanket, piece of canvas or hammock can be used to transport an injured pet unable to walk. Gently roll or lift the pet onto the device. This typically takes the assistance of two people. Be careful as this may create more pain and the pet may lash out at helpers.

**10. Finances:** Be prepared to leave a deposit when the pet is admitted to the hospital and to pay for services rendered. If you have vet. insurance, be prepared to pay the vet. bill and then be reimbursed from the insurance company. Most accept major credit cards, as well. **Submitted by CGEPC: Karla Kauzlarich, Thad Bickling**



# Your Comment is Requested

The Board of Trustees has been contacted by Cascadia Property Management which works for the telecommunications company Verizon. Verizon is seeking to improve its wireless network and coverage in our area. As part of that effort, Verizon will be constructing a new wireless facility in the vicinity. The proposed site will consist of a new cell tower and equipment placed nearby on the ground. A Cape George property was identified as one that appears to have viable ground space for placement of the tower and Verizon's equipment. During the February Board Meeting, a representative from Cascadia Property Management spoke to the Trustees about the review process that is underway and benefits to the community should a cell tower be installed. One of the benefits discussed was better wireless reception. Another benefit would be a monthly fee of \$700 with an annual increase paid to the community with a 25 year lease. The property being considered is located at the end of Saddle Drive in the Highlands. Because of its location and surrounding tree canopy, it is unlikely to be visible to most people in the community. The Trustees have not made any commitment at this time and are asking for your input on the matter. Please forward your comment in writing to the Cape George office.

## Reminder——Reminder——-Reminder——Reminder

The magazine exchange area at the mailbox is there for the benefit of members to trade recent issues of magazines with each other. Old magazines, catalogs and junk mail should be recycled appropriately.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### Paid Advertising -

## Community Chorus Spring Concert

The theme of the concert commemorates the anniversaries of the first and second world wars. The chorus will have on display names of choir members' relatives who served our country during these wars. It promises to be as moving as our Civil War commemoration performed two years ago. We expect to have a good turnout.

Performances will be Friday April 17 at 7 p.m. and Saturday April 18 at 7 p.m., both at First Presbyterian Church in Port Townsend, and a Sunday matinee, April 19 at 3:30 p.m. at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Port Hadlock.

Tickets will be available March 16-April 6 from Brown Paper Tickets at the presale cost of \$12. From April 7<sup>th</sup> until the concert date, tickets will be \$15 from [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com). Space permitting, there will be ticket sales at the door for the suggested donation of \$15.

Cape George members singing with the chorus include Janet Isherwood, Mary Munford, Jan Tobin, and Pat Hartman. We hope to see you there.

# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

Dink has noticed recently that there is some confusion about line calls – was it in or out ??? To help clear up any confusion in this area he is going to the Official Tournament Rule Book, revised in Oct. 2013. Section 6- Line Call Rules explains it well.

First there are several things to remember: Calls are made by the receiving team or player; they should be made quickly using either a hand signal (see pics) or a verbal call made loudly enough for all to hear; the player closest to the ball should make the call; there is no “do over” or “let” on a line call. The only “let” call is on a serve that touches the net and lands in the service court. If the receiving player closest to the ball can’t make the call it is presumed “In”. The opponent gets the benefit of the doubt.

If your partner calls the ball out and you have called it in – then it is “In”. Spectators should never be asked to make the call. Making calls looking across the court and therefore across the line are usually inaccurate. You may miss a call from time to time but remember when playing recreationally things will probably even out – it is only a game! When playing in a tournament with referees and line judges, you are “off the hook” and they will make the calls.

Now, what lines are in? After the serve and during regular play all lines are in! If the ball clearly hits on the line, it is in. A ball contacting the playing surface outside of the baseline or sideline, even though the edge of the ball overlaps the line, is considered out of bounds. (Section 6; 6.C.)

On the serve, if the ball hits the “kitchen” line it is Out, however if it hits the center line or the sideline or the baseline, it is In. There, now that should clear things up! Right? (If you join the USAPA, you not only get a T-Shirt but a Rule Book too! )

Lobs thoughts this month are:

1. Practice cross court Dinks
2. Change the pace of the game with lobs and gentle drop shots
3. Don’t get stuck in the middle of the service court ( no-persons land)

Question: Does anyone read this???



In



Out



**The Cape George Marina “Pretty as a Picture”**  
 Photo by Paul Happel

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Soup Supper	Mar. 4, 5:30p
Septic Maintenance Care Day	Mar. 14, 10a
St. Patrick’s Dinner	Mar. 14, 6p
Book Group	Mar. 17, 1p
Return of the River Movie	Mar. 18, 7p
BUNCO	Mar. 13, 2p
CGU-Crack’d Rearview Mirror	Mar. 25, 7p

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### **Cape George Office Hours M-F, 9am-2pm**

Building.....	Ann Simpson.....	379-9105	Marina .....	Penny Jensen .....	385-0242
Clubhouse Rental .....	Sharon Mitchel.....	385-1177	Memorial .....	Jeannie Ramsey .....	385-1263
Elections .....	Marcedita Del Valle ...	379-9025	Newsletter .....	Office.....	385-1177
	Joyce Skoien .....	379-9749	Nominating.....	Kitty Rucker.....	385-4927
Emergency Prep.....	Thad Bickling.....	379-1781	Roads.....	Larry Southwick .....	379-2878
Environmental.....	Kitty Rucker .....	385-4927	Social Club.....	Norma Lupkes.....	302-5202
Finance.....	Unassigned.....			Mary Hilfer.....	379-0492
Fitness Center .....	Phyllis Ballough .....	344-3706	Swimming Pool.....	Neil D’Acquisto.....	385-7625
Harbormaster.....	Penny Jensen.....	385-0242	Water Advisory .....	Larry Southwick....	379-2878
Librarians: .....	Mary Maltby .....	385-3110	Welcome .....	Jo Nieuwsma.....	424-333-5413
	Jeannie Ramsey.....	385-1263	Workshop.....	Ken Owen .....	385-9458
	Betty Hanks.....	379-6572			
Clubhouse Phone .....		385-3670	Fitness Center Phone ...		385-3619

# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

As a result of a review by the Emergency Preparedness Committee it was recommended that an AED be installed in the vicinity of the office/sports court/maintenance building. Funds from a previous Granny's Attic have been offered to cover the expense of the device and cabinet.

We have not received any member comment as a result of the article that was published in the March newsletter concerning the proposed cell tower.

I have received the final on-site sewage disposal permit from Jefferson County Public Health for the revisions needed to the system southwest of the pool. I will be contacting 2-3 of our local earthworks vendors to obtain bids on the project. I will also be speaking with them concerning the berm project and whether we could package the projects together and save some mobilization charges.

During an earlier discussion having to do with hedge complaints I referenced a group of members in the Village who were asking for a review of a group of trees on common property. The trees are located at the top of a drainage swale that starts off on Cedar Drive and continues westward between Dennis Blvd. and Fir Place. After meeting with the members onsite it was determined that although the trees are not a hedge, they were overgrowing the area and should be thinned. Approximately 7 medium sized alders will be removed. The neighbors have offered to assist with parts of the project.

I attended the annual CAI Law Day in Tacoma.

We have completed a reformatting of the community directory. The new version will be easier to update and uses less paper.

The new owner of 41 Dennis is continuing to work with Jefferson County Public Health and the office of Community Development on resolving the issues associated with this property.

The marina piling inspection scheduled for last week has been postponed to later in the month.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Work is underway to do annual maintenance on various pieces of equipment including front end loader, back hoe, and riding mowers.

Projects being worked on by the Office Administrator includes:

- Refinements are continuing on the electronic lock system including a review of "stray" access cards and fobs. If you find your card or fob is not working, please visit the office and discuss with Sharon.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Report of theft/vandalism of a fence in the Highlands
- Report of an ATV operating on private property in the Village.
- Report of speeding vehicles in the Village and Colony.

"Spring makes its own statement,  
so loud and clear that the gardener seems to be only one of the instruments,  
not the composer."  
~Geoffrey B. Charlesworth



**DEADLINE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER -- April 20**

## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

The Cape George board has been reviewing the association's rules and bylaws to identify any candidates for revision or amendment.

Where a rule is involved, the board itself can make the change. For example, it is clear FIN 04, our rule on reserve funds, requires a major modification. The revision should be made in light of recent changes to state law and our new reserve assessment. The board can and likely will make this change.

Where governing documents such as the bylaws or articles of incorporation are involved, any alteration requires membership approval in accordance with our current voting procedures and/or state law.

For example, the board has been discussing how membership votes are allocated by our current bylaws. To summarize, it is now possible for a member to own multiple lots, and therefore pay multiple assessments, and yet have only one vote in an election. There is some obvious unfairness in this situation. The association is essentially a corporation and a member becomes a "shareholder" of that corporation by owning one or more lots. Yet our bylaws give a member owning one lot the same voice as a member owning three.

The board has been considering recommending a bylaw amendment which would change this by allocating one vote to each lot regardless of the number of lots owned by a member. Any such amendment would be submitted to the membership for approval.

While on the subject of Cape George's rules and regulations, I want to mention our hedge rule. The hedge rule is in our Building Regulations. It has been approved by the membership. Over the last several months, the board and the manager have devoted time and effort to develop a coherent interpretation of the hedge rule and a consistent application of it to member hedge complaints.

Not unexpectedly, this has provoked a response from some members. The board has received a suggestion that members who are not involved in the hedge complaint but who own lots neighboring the alleged hedge receive notice of the complaint and have a voice in its resolution. The board has received another request to essentially "grandfather" older existing trees and exempt them from the hedge rule. As pointed out above, this would require a vote of the membership.

I expect our hedge rule and its enforcement will be a continuing source of discussion and controversy. However, the rule is now in force in its present form and the board is committed to enforcing it.

In my February letter, I made mention of a bill pending in the state legislature. The Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act (SB 5263) would have made significant changes to the laws governing associations such as Cape George. Among other things, it would have provided an explicit statutory procedure for Cape George to amend its covenants.

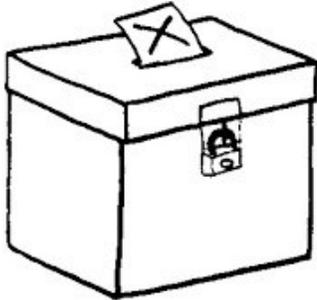
This legislation died in committee. It will not become law this year. Whether it will come back in future legislative sessions is unknown.

## **BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED**

The Cape George Building Committee is in need of new members. Our responsibilities include advising club members of our regulations, inspecting building plans for conformance with our regulations, and performing on site inspections. We commonly meet once a month when there are topics to discuss. You must have an interest and some knowledge of construction and be able to interpret the Building and Property Regulations.

If you are interested or want to learn more, call or email Ann Simpson at 379-9105 or [Lhann173@aol.com](mailto:Lhann173@aol.com).

## NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR CAPE GEORGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



The Nominating Committee held their first meeting last week to prepare for the Board of Trustees' Election, which will occur on July 16, 2015. The Nominating Committee is composed of Ross Anderson, Art Burke, Jeannie Ramsey, Kitty Rucker, and Jan Stone.

We are asking you, our members, to recommend to the committee anyone whom you think would make a good board member. We will then contact those people who are recommended to ask them if they wish to run for office, to explain the process and expectations, and to notify them of the deadlines. This year, we have two board positions open. Nominations must be in to the Office by May 14.

There are so many qualified and talented people in Cape George that we should have several candidates running for the open positions. It is helpful if candidates have experience in the community as volunteers or have held positions in other clubs or organizations. They should also have good communications skills and the ability to work with others in a collaborative way.

The job entails attending two meetings a month, acting as a liaison to one or two community committees, and assuming other responsibilities as needed. The Board of Trustee position lasts for 3 years, and a board member can remain in office for two full terms.

Please contact any of the of the Nominating Committee members listed above with your nomination or call **Kitty Rucker at 385-4927** if you have any questions or suggestions.



Bunco has been cancelled for April, but we will be playing in May. Watch the newsletter for the May date!  
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## Cape George Drill Team

The Cape George Drill Team will be marching in the Rhody Parade Saturday, May 16th. If you would like to join in the fun, please contact Gail Hotohkee at [g6hotohkee@ymail.com](mailto:g6hotohkee@ymail.com) by May 1.



## Soup Supper

**Wed, April 1--No fooling!  
5:30 PM--Social & 6:00 PM--Soup**

**Join us for the last Soup Supper of the season. Bring a soup or dessert to share and your own dishes and beverage.**

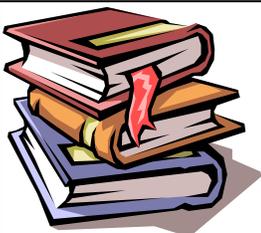
**Contact Dan and Shelley Fye, 344-2064, for additional information.**

## SOCIAL CLUB MEETING

THE APRIL SOCIAL CLUB MEETING IS GOING TO BE HELD IN MAY.

PLEASE WATCH YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR THE MAY DATE.

SEE YOU THERE!



## THE ALL-GIRL FILLING STATION'S LAST REUNION

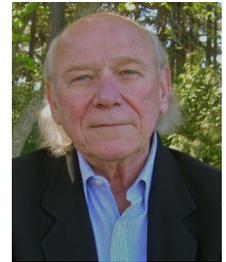
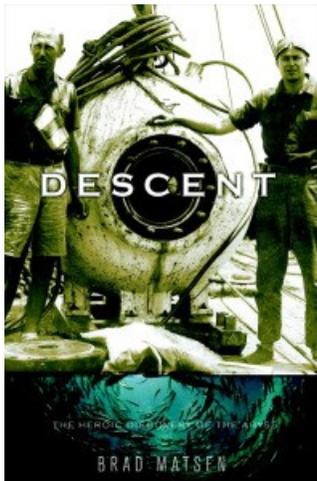
The ever-humorous and warm Fanny Flagg has followed up "Fried Green Tomatoes" and other novels with "The All Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion." Sookie has just married off the last of her three daughters and is looking forward to some time with husband Earle when she discovers that her seemingly "aristocratic" mother has a secret past. Traveling from Alabama all the way to California and beyond, Sookie discovers that her mother is not who she seems. This glimpse into 1940's Southern culture is just what one would expect from Fanny Flagg and her endearing stories.

The Book Group will meet at 1 pm on Tuesday April, 21 in the Cape George Office. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, please call Jeannie Ramsey, 385-1263.

# Cape George University

## ***EXPLORING THE ABYSS***

Brad Matsen, Port Townsend Author will present the story of William Beebe and Otis Barton, the first humans to descend beyond the sunlight when they were sealed into a four-and-a-half foot steel ball and lowered into the Atlantic Ocean off Bermuda. The Cape George University presentation takes place at 7 pm on Thursday, April 2 in the Cape George Clubhouse.



Brad Matsen

Matsen, longtime friend of Cape George Pulitzer Prize recipient, Ross Anderson will tell how the three Bathysphere expeditions in the early 1930's took Beebe and Barton to a record-setting depth of a half mile and shattered prevailing theories that the deep ocean was a lifeless void. He will relate how the two men became unlikely celebrities when they were thrown together in an unlikely and fragile collaboration. Matsen chronicled their exploits in *Descent: The Heroic Discovery of the Abyss* which became a finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, one of his many books on the sea and its inhabitants.

### **COMING IN MAY TO CGU**

Mark your calendars for Monday, May 18 when Jim Hayward will share the history of Protection Island along with its geology and fauna.

## **Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE FILM NIGHT

### Wednesday, April 15, 7 p.m.

### At the Clubhouse

Cape George Environmental committee is proud to offer the film, **“The Unknown Sea: A Voyage on the Salish.** The film explores the natural and cultural history of the area through interviews with people deeply connected to the Salish Sea, as the Orion and her crew sail the waters and visit ports on the Salish Sea. Hidden amongst the ever-greens and madronas, and the timber towns turned tech-centers that make up the northwest coast, there is an inland sea that escaped people’s eyes until recent times.

Now, while this dynamic place is in the spotlight, it is time to show the Salish Sea, which contains the new San Juan Islands National Monument, proposed coal and tar sands export terminals, and the endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales, to the world.

Lorna and Darrell Smith, local Cape George biologists, and crew from the Orion will be on hand to answer questions and engage a community conversation on the environmental issues facing the Salish Sea today.



## ELWHA VIEW POINTS

Many people at the Environmental Committee Film Night on March 18th asked that we provide them with directions to places where they could see the Elwha River as it is now. Karen Lull and Varn Brooks have provided us with directions to these four observation areas. If you would like to have a map of these, call Kitty Rucker at 385-4927.

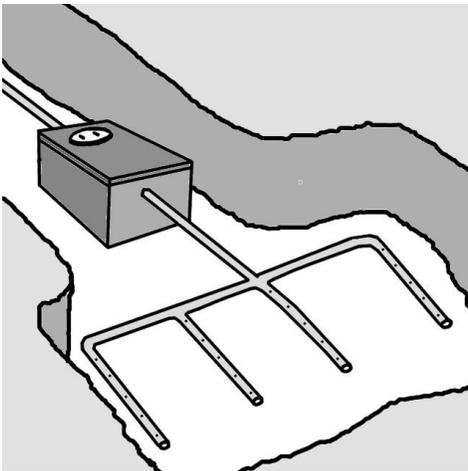
- Elwha Estuary - From Port Angeles take Hwy 101 West to where it meets Hwy 112. Take Hwy 112 (toward Joyce) to Place Road (about two miles), turn right (north) on Place road. The parking area for the trail to the estuary is at the end of Place Road (about two miles from Hwy 112).
- The Elwha Dam Removal Site Overlook - If you go to the estuary first you will pass this site about 1/2 mile after turning onto Hwy 112 (see above). As you are coming back from the estuary take the right turn at the Elwha RV Park, which will be immediately after crossing the Elwha River Bridge. There is parking and an informational kiosk at the turnoff. Take the ¼ mile hike to the overlook, and you can also walk the “Old Dam Road” along the river. If you do not go to the estuary first just look for the left turn into the RV Park about 1/2 mile after the junction between Hwy 101 and Hwy 112.
- Glines Canyon Dam Removal and Lake Mills Overlook (National Park Pass or fee Required) - Take the Olympic Hot Springs Road (Elwha Valley) to Whiskey Bend Road (just past the Ranger Station). Turn left onto Whiskey Bend Road and the parking area and kiosk are about 1/2 mile from the ranger station. The observation platform built on part of the dam that was not removed gives a dramatic view of the river below, and there is a trail into the old lake bed. (If you only do one stop, this is the one.)
- Old Aldwell Reservoir - Return to Hwy 101 and turn left (west) toward Forks. Travel a short distance to the Elwha River Bridge, and look for the first right turn after the bridge. There is a short drive to an old lake access site. Parking area is at an old boat launch. Trails give access to the old lake inlet delta which was some of the first area to begin re-vegetation even before dam removal began. The lake bed has some pretty impressive old stumps and massive amounts of gravel and cobbles. A Discover Pass may be required here.

Also, the Park Service often conducts Ranger-led tours of these areas. Inquire at the Park Headquarters in PA or at the Ranger Station.

# Septic System Seminar

We know the subject of Septic tanks is not the most pleasant to discuss, but we all live with them. One of our local service companies, hosted by the Environmental Committee, came by for a visit to clue us in on the care and feeding of these living systems. A summary of a few of their practical and unexpected insights are contained here.

- ✓ It is good to find the plans/permits for your site (should have been provided by the Realtor). There are several different types of septic systems with different requirements. Some permits are online.
- ✓ Pumping is recommended every 3 to 5 years for a family of 4 (based on a typical 1000 gal tank).
- ✓ Pumped systems need more maintenance (cleaning filters, etc.) and have limited (24-48 hour) batteries in the event of a power outage.
- ✓ Keep excess water, plantings, tree roots, buildings, and vehicles off your drain field. Some plants are worse than others.



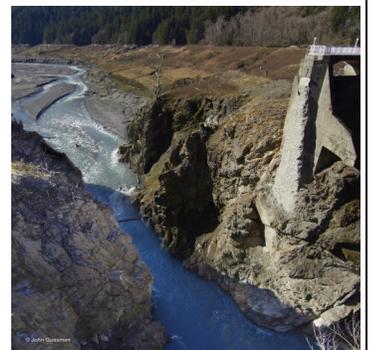
- ✓ Don't pour grease, fabric softener, caustic/flammable chemicals, dog feces, cat litter, sanitary napkins, wipes, coffee grounds, cigarette butts, disposable diapers, or facial tissues down the drain or toilet.
  - ✓ Don't use your garbage disposal excessively.
  - ✓ Use wet, not dry, laundry/dishwasher detergent. Most small amounts of personal lotions, soaps, cleansers are OK but anything with microbeads can clog system.
  - ✓ Limit use of strong cleaners to small amounts (use 1/2 what the package says of laundry bleach, oxygen cleansers, etc.).
  - ✓ Chemotherapy or heavy Antibiotic users should pump and restart their tank after treatment. The medicines kill the good bacteria in the tank.
  - ✓ Limit hair; human or pet.
- ✓ Most septic additives just push solids into your drain field and cause problems. After a pump out add 1 package of bread yeast 1x a month for the 1st 3 months to establish a healthy environment, but then leave it alone.
  - ✓ Watch for soggy drain fields or bad smells (some are normal, especially for pumped systems).

We use approximately 120 gallons of water per person per day so it's good to conserve water as much as you can, but a steady supply to the tank is good for the system.

Our friendly neighborhood septic company offers free checkups and estimates (see the Newsletter Classifieds). Just call them to make an appointment.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

The Environmental Committee would like to thank everyone who donated money for the payment of the fee for showing the film *Return of the River*. We made enough to pay the fee and have a little left over for future projects.



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Granny's Attic will be held on Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, in the Cape George Club House. The doors will open for shopping at 9:00 AM and will close at 3:00 PM on Friday, and 12:00 Noon on Saturday. No advance sales.

If you have questions or need to donate prior to April 20th, please call Leanne Ryan at 385-4576. Deadline for donations is April 23rd at 2pm.

**MARINA SALE**

The Marina Committee needs your help through your contributions to the annual Marina Sale to be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tools, fishing tackle, camping equipment, anything marine related, sporting equipment or apparel, and household items would be greatly appreciated. Contact Tom Ramsey at 385-1263

or Penny Jensen at 385-0242 for pick up. Items can also be dropped off at the Community Workshop on Tuesdays between 9 a.m. and Noon.



**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 12, 2015  
7:00 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.**

A. Welcome

B. An Executive Session is planned immediately following the Board Meeting to discuss an action against a member and a violation of the governing documents

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Carol Wood, Karen Krug, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger and Michael Hinojos

**Action on Minutes:** Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the February 12, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Passed 6/0

**Membership Report: Carol Wood**

- Mary Lovezzola and Susan Parish have assumed ownership of Lot 17-2 Sunset Blvd from the Estate of Michael Lovezzola
- Theodore Lundquist purchased 41 Dennis from the Williamson Family Trust.

**Treasurer's Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of February 28, 2015**

**2014 Audit**

The 2014 audit is nearly complete and waiting only on final document review. As of mid-March, there have been no material, unexpected adjustments. It is expected that the formal audit will be submitted for Board approval and publishing in April.

**2015 Balance Sheet Comments:**

Cash balances in Kitsap Bank significantly exceed the FDIC limit as of 2/28/15 as a result of strong first quarter collections and limited term expenditures (pending permits). On March 9, \$143,000 was moved from Kitsap to Chase leaving all financial institutions under the FDIC limit. Changes in processes that will reduce and/or eliminate future occurrences are underway and include review of all banking relationships, updated cash forecasting and mid-month review of key balances.

Since this is the second year of a quarterly cycle, comparisons of balances - year to year - are useful in judging financial positions. Such a comparison shows that General net receivables - general assessment, water and routine reserve - are nearly triple of the same time last year. Some of the increase is related to the 4% general assessment increase and some to the new routine reserve assessment. Only six or seven accounts are seriously delinquent with the remainder simply slow to pay. Efforts to find more effective collection methods are temporarily on hold as year-end activities, tax season and volunteer vacations consume most of first quarter's available time.

As usual, information on cash balances is included on the balance sheet section on the following page and all bank accounts have been reconciled.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page.

For the first two months of the fiscal year, all operations are performing fairly close to budgeted expectations.

An exception to the above statement are utility costs which are running noticeably lower than anticipated. An usually mild January and February and resultant lower than expected propane costs are responsible of the majority of the variance.

Also notable is the unbudgeted status of the new Routine Reserve assessment of \$29,790 per quarter. Since it had not been approved by the Members at the time of budget preparation it will show a favorable variance throughout 2015.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
**Balance Sheet as of February 28, 2015 and 2014**

Assets	2015	2014	Liabilities and Fund Balances	2015	2014
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 176,975	\$ 159,177	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 13,900	\$ 17,966
Operating Investment-Savings	70,043	70,020	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	71,803	70,020
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	384	-
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	403,726	290,114	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	900	600
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	68,274	70,864	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	50,085	92,650
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>42,731</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>137,072</b>	<b>181,236</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Equivalents</b>	<b>762,349</b>	<b>590,775</b>			
Net Accounts Receivable	6,627	2,124	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	50,085	92,650	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Net SpclAssmnts Receivable	29,840	80,351			
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,776,039	1,823,447	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	16,978	17,149	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,496	1,926,417
			Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	152,350	105,616
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,641,918</b>	<b>\$2,606,496</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$2,641,918</b>	<b>\$2,606,497</b>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended January 31 (Modified Cash Basis)**

2015 Year to Date					COMPARATIVE				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 71,602	\$ 71,602	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 71,602	\$ 68,848	\$ 2,754	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	1,756	1,842	(86)	-5%	Revenue - All Other Sources	1,756	1,068	688	64%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>73,358</b>	<b>73,444</b>	<b>(86)</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>73,358</b>	<b>69,916</b>	<b>3,442</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	19,960	22,388	2,428	11%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	19,960	19,909	(51)	0%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,105	3,346	2,241	67%	Repairs & Maintenance	1,105	5,371	4,266	79%
Contracted Services	6,832	6,564	(268)	-4%	Contracted Services	6,832	8,539	1,707	20%
Insurance	3,722	4,137	415	10%	Insurance	3,722	3,757	35	1%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>31,619</b>	<b>36,435</b>	<b>4,816</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>31,619</b>	<b>37,576</b>	<b>5,957</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 41,739</b>	<b>\$ 37,009</b>	<b>\$ 4,730</b>	13%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 41,739</b>	<b>\$ 32,340</b>	<b>\$ 9,399</b>	29%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 45,990	\$ 45,990	\$ -	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 45,990	\$ 45,810	\$ 180	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>49,244</b>	<b>47,990</b>	<b>1,254</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>49,244</b>	<b>47,513</b>	<b>1,731</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,264	10,244	980	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,264	9,093	(171)	-2%
Repairs & Maintenance	210	1,296	1,086	84%	Repairs & Maintenance	210	1,526	1,316	86%
Contracted Services	3,325	2,724	(601)	-22%	Contracted Services	3,325	3,389	64	2%
Insurance	1,982	2,208	226	10%	Insurance	1,982	2,340	358	15%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,143	7,775	2,632	34%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,143	6,420	1,277	20%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>19,924</b>	<b>24,247</b>	<b>4,323</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>19,924</b>	<b>22,768</b>	<b>2,844</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 29,320</b>	<b>\$ 23,743</b>	<b>\$ 5,577</b>	23%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 29,320</b>	<b>\$ 24,745</b>	<b>\$ 4,575</b>	18%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 53,776	\$ 53,905	\$ (129)	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 53,776	\$ 46,763	\$ 7,013	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	7,905	8,440	(535)	-6%	Revenue - All Other Sources	7,905	6,874	1,031	15%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>61,681</b>	<b>62,345</b>	<b>(664)</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>61,681</b>	<b>53,637</b>	<b>8,044</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	2,051	2,244	193	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	2,051	1,817	(234)	-13%
Repairs & Maintenance	698	633	(65)	-10%	Repairs & Maintenance	698	291	(407)	-58%
Contracted Services	581	637	56	9%	Contracted Services	581	552	(29)	-5%
Insurance	1,038	1,155	117	10%	Insurance	1,038	746	(292)	-28%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,360	1,664	304	18%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	1,360	3,012	1,652	55%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>5,728</b>	<b>6,333</b>	<b>605</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>5,728</b>	<b>6,418</b>	<b>690</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,953</b>	<b>\$ 56,012</b>	<b>\$ (59)</b>	0%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,953</b>	<b>\$ 47,219</b>	<b>\$ 8,734</b>	18%
<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	<b>29,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,790</b>		<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	<b>29,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,790</b>	
Spcl Assmnt Income	1	-	1		Spcl Assmnt Ir Reserve Intere	1	13,260	(13,259)	
Reserve Interest - all	90	-	90		Reserve Intere: Spcl Assmnt I	90	116	(26)	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 156,892</b>	<b>\$ 116,764</b>	<b>\$ 40,128</b>	34%	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 156,892</b>	<b>\$ 117,679</b>	<b>\$ 39,213</b>	33%

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

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**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Environmental (2),

Marina, Pool (3), Water, and Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- A. The Trustees received an update from the Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee. A committee report is attached for the record.
- B. The Trustees discussed possible amendments to the governing documents that could be considered for approval by the membership.
- C. The Trustees discussed bringing the Sheriff's Department speed trailer into the community and requested the Manager proceed with scheduling fit for a time in the Village, Colony and Highlands.

**Member participation:**

There was none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Michael Hinojos moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to accept the letter of resignation from Building Committee member Steve Mitchel. Passed 6/0

**Motion 2:** Leslie Fellner moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the request from Office Administrator, Sharon Mitchel, to grant refund requests to three members for the purpose of refunding overpayments. Passed 6/0

**Motion 3:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that since all Trustees have received copies of the pertinent draft version of the 2014 audit documents, including the general Representation Letter, the Board approve the 2014 general Representations Letter as presented. Passed 6/0

**Motion 4:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that since all Trustees have received copies of pertinent draft version of the 2014 audit documents including the Legal Representation Letter, the Board approve the 2014 Legal Representation Letter as presented. Passed 6/0

**Motion 5:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that since all Trustees have received copies of the pertinent draft version of the 2014 audit documents including the 2014 Federal 1120-H tax return, the Board approve the 2014 Federal 1120-H tax return. Passed 6/0

**Motion 6:** Karen Krug moved and Leslie Fellner seconded that \$17,500 in collected South Seawall Special Assessment funds be applied against the outstanding loan from the General Reserve, the amount to be divided between interest and principal as calculated on the day of the transfer. Passed 6/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

There was none.

**Announcements:**

- A. Study Session – April 14, 2015, 3:00 p.m.
- B. Board Meeting – April 16, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

**Motion 7:** Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. Passed 6/0

**Motion 8:** Karen Krug moved and Richard Hilfer seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 8:20 p.m. Passed 6/0

**Motion 9:** Richard Hilfer moved and Carol Wood seconded to accept restricted donations on behalf of a member to pay water fees and to allocate the donations to water charges only. Passed 6/0.

**Motion 10:** Richard Hilfer moved and Karen Krug seconded to authorize the manager to enter into a written Forbearance Agreement/Payment Plan with a member as provided for in paragraph 1.8 of FIN03. Passed 6/0.

**Adjournment:** Michael Hinojos moved and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn the regular session at 8:25 p.m. Passed 6/0.

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Building Committee March 1, 2015**

#### Building Permits Issued:

Eileen Branscome: 38 Fir Place, Village, build a new home  
Robert Altman: 151 N Palmer, Colony, build an extension onto existing shed  
James & Donna Bodkin: 92 W Vancouver, Colony, build an addition over their garage

#### Earthworks Permits Issued:

Mardella & Brian Rowland: 100 Dennis Blvd, Village, replacing old septic system  
Ted Lundquist: 41 Dennis Blvd, Village, excavating for perc test

### **Environmental Committee December 8, 2014**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Art Burke, Gretchen Cooper, Betty Hanks, Katie Habegger, Joan Hommel, Norma Lupkes, Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting and newcomer Jean Akin

Meeting was called to order by Kitty with Nov. minutes were approved as read.  
Fiscal report: Total- \$3165.71 after various expenses.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that we do not as yet have a permit to begin the project. Two issues are yet to be resolved: first a report from a local archeologist which has now been compiled and filed with the state. Second Jefferson Cty. Health Dept. has determined that an old septic tank near the pool area has to be replaced to bring it up to current standards. Cost will be reserve expensed.

**B. Septic Tank Usage Presentation** – Gretchen announced that a septic tank usage presentation will be held on Sat. Mar. 14, 2015 in the clubhouse. More info to follow.

**C. Nature Movies** – Lorna and Darrell Smith will show the first nature movie on Jan 14, 2015 in the clubhouse. Robin will introduce them for the EC. Another interesting video called “Return of the River” will be shown in the clubhouse at a date in April TBD.

**CG University** is presenting “Antarctica’s Shrinking Glacier Sheet” on Jan. 20, 2015.

**D. North Jetty Park** – A plan will be presented to the board for their approval before any activity will take place on the new north jetty park.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Thank You’s Received** – Penny Jensen sent a letter to the committee expressing her enjoyment of her tenure as board liaison. A card was also received from the Boiler Room for the generous donation of items on their wish list.

**Proposed Watchman** – Bruce Candioto contacted committee chairs concerning a watchman presence in the marina/pool/clubhouse area. It was determined to be a complex issue and has been tabled.

**Recent Flooding at Beach** – A king tide and wind caused another close call on Nov. 29. Calls were made to a core list of responders and sand were placed around the clubhouse, exercise room and work shop preventing water from entering any buildings. More king tides are possible and magnify the urgency of the beach berm.

**EA-18G Growlers** – A CG resident is seeking support for opposition to the Whidbey Island Naval Air Station adding 36 Growler jets to the 82 currently based there because of the noise element and the possible forest damage. Linda Sutton will be contacted to keep the EC informed and attend the March meeting for an update.

**Weeding Help** – Betty Hanks requested a weeding work party for the area around the clubhouse. It will be scheduled for a Monday afternoon in December or tabled until January when the budgeted hours for weeding help go into effect.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:20.

Respectfully Submitted: Norma J. Lupkes, Sec.

**Environmental Committee**  
**March 9, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Kyanne Andersen, Art Burke, Dennis Fellner, Katie Habegger, Betty Hanks, Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting, Steve Shapiro, Linda Sutton

Meeting was called to order by Kitty. Minutes of last meeting (in December) were approved as read.  
Fiscal report: No major changes. Total \$3,957.35 on hand.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that we are making some progress. The required archeological survey of the berm area has been completed. The County Health Authority has approved the engineering plan to bring our septic system into compliance with current standards and work will be commenced soon. However, delays caused by these two issues have caused our berm permit application to lose its place in line, so final approval could take a while longer. Once the permit is obtained, we will put the project out for bid. Since we will have missed the prime planting season, planting of the berm will be postponed until fall. Kitty thanked Art and the Board for all the time and effort put into this project.

**B. Septic Tank Lecture** – The presentation will be held on Sat. Mar. 14, 2015 at 10 am in the clubhouse. Coffee, tea and treats will be served. Sharon has been requested to send out an e-mail reminder for this event.

**C. North Seawall Park** – Betty reported that, due to a family bereavement, she has not been able to make much progress on this issue. The subject will be tabled to next month.

**D. Nature Movies** – Kitty reported that the committee had responded 11-2 in favor of paying \$100 copyright fee to show the “Return of the River” movie. At Robin’s suggestion, a donation jar will be set out at the event March 18<sup>th</sup> to help cover this cost. Lorna and Darrell Smith may not be able to attend to introduce the movie, but if they can’t make it, producer Jessica Plumb would be willing to fill in. Air-popped popcorn will be provided.

**E. Weeding** – Betty reported that staff member Chris has been scheduled for two clean-up sessions around the clubhouse this month. She will supervise. It was noted that Steve has quietly done some recent clean-up of that area also, and has been doing trash pick-up along Cape George Road with Bernie Del Valle, all of which is much appreciated.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Next Nature Film:** Kitty reported that On April 15<sup>th</sup>, Lorna and Darrell will show a movie on the Salish Sea produced by their son.

**B. Poison Hemlock:** Art will be using the same contractor as before to deal with recurring poison hemlock in Cape George common property. The plant will be physically removed where possible, and treated with glyphosate in less accessible areas.

**C. Memorial Park:** Kyanne has been working with Pat Hartman on weeding Memorial Park. A bare, shady area had been covered with rocks a while back, but this had turned out to make weeding very difficult. Kyanne requested that Art schedule Donny to remove the rocks with the front loader and haul down some bark mulch. The area could then be planted with shade-tolerant ground cover such as rubus or oxalis. The committee approved an expenditure of \$50 for the plant material, and expressed thanks to Kyanne and Pat for maintaining this area.

**D. Electromagnetic Warfare Training in Olympic Peninsula:** Linda gave a brief overview of the Navy’s plans for electromagnetic warfare training in the Olympic Peninsula, expansion of the high-decibel Growler fleet and the proposed huge increase in the number of coastal sonar buoys. She pointed out that Cape George is on the direct flight path between Whidbey and the proposed training area adjacent to the Olympic National Park. Training would be scheduled at least 260 days per year. A final decision on these plans is expected by summer, and so far our political representatives have not indicated their opposition to the proposals. In an effort to increase public awareness of the Navy’s plans and their potential impact on the local environment, a Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/protectolyphen](http://www.facebook.com/protectolyphen)) has been created. Letters to the editors of local newspapers – the Leader, PDN and even the Seattle Times – are encouraged, together with making our opposition to the proposals known to our political representatives. The committee agreed that this is an issue our community should be more aware of, and it was agreed that Linda would put together a panel discussion May 20<sup>th</sup> as our May environmental event. The Navy will be invited to send a representative to participate.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully Submitted: Katie Habegger

## **Marina Committee**

**March 3, 2015**

**Attendees:** Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Harbormaster Penelope Jensen, Marina Committee: Brian Ritche, Paul Happel, Mac McDonald, Scott James, Bill Deckman, Jack Scherting, Tom Ramsey, Tom Cawrse, John Hanks, Bill Deckman, Travis Rowland, Ray Pierson and Sam Melton.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Marina Chairperson Penelope Jensen.

**Old Business:** The slip assignments are mostly completed. Thanks to CG Office Administrator Sharon Mitchel for the updated marina schematic. The Weir boat is currently being worked on by marina volunteers to ready it for sale. A study of the marina pilings should be completed shortly. Plastic piling caps will cost approximately \$113.00 for 14 pilings. The remaining larger diameter piles will need a different piling cap. Tom Ramsey is heading up the Annual Marina Sale and is asking for donations of suitable stuff for the sale. A dinghy has been placed on permanent loan to the CG marina by Mac McDonald for the marina to use. A motion was made by Paul Happel and seconded by Bill Deckman to accept the boat for use in the marina. A second motion was made by Tom Ramsey and seconded by Bill Deckman to not charge Mac a moorage/storage fee for the dingy. Both motions were approved by the marina Committee. The Crab Shack Committee recommended that concrete counter tops be constructed for the Crab Shack. Tom Ramsey and Mac McDonald will work on the project with volunteers. The Workshop door locking system, fitness room, pool and clubhouse locking systems are operated remotely from the CG Office. The hardware for the system is housed in the Workshop. Art asked that the system not be unplugged as it negates Sharon's ability to operate the system from the office. 2 electric dock pedestals will be worked on by Double D Electric to bring them back to working order. Some marina tenants have offered to buy electric pedestals, this was tabled until the electric system is updated at a future date. Some of the PUD overhead flood lights are not functioning, Art will contact the PUD. A discussion ensued about the general lighting direction on new overhead flood lights along the access road. Art is working with the PUD on this issue. Jack Scherting will work on one of the decorative marina lights to allow it to use a nighttime sensor. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

## **Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee**

**March 10, 2015**

We are exploring a protective covering for our present sports court.

One option that has been presented by Steve Mitchel is a canvas top to our sports court supported by poles with canvas sides. The initial plans will be modified as we explore and finalize details. The maximum estimated cost according to Steve would be under \$15,000.

We are going to have a potluck for present active court players to obtain ideas and listen to their concerns.

Indoor Ad Hoc Committee. Respectively submitted Gail Krentzman, Jeannie Ramsey, Dennis Fellner

## **Pool Committee**

**January 7, 2015**

### **ATTENDEES:**

Art Burke, Robin Scherting, Mary Hilfer, Leanne Ryan, Penny Jensen, Rocky D'Acquisto - Chair, Norma Lupkes

### **NOTES:**

Members of the committee expressed appreciation for the work that was done on the dressing rooms with the painting, repairing and updating that was done by Donnie and several volunteers. The trim and benches will be painted at a later date. The corner cabinet for the cleaning supplies has been ordered – a squeegee for the floors will also be ordered.

In Jim's absence there was no update on the current situation with the pool HVAC/humidity issue. Rocky will contact him in the near future on how to proceed with the project.

The chair reported that 3 different individuals with long-term leases at Cape George have inquired about usage of the pool. The Board has considered some rule changes around pool usage however, covenants have to be examined around this issue. Penny will do some investigation and communicate with Rocky immediately so that a possibility of being on the agenda for the next Study Session can be determined.

The issue of expanded uses for the pool was also discussed after a recent event involved a PT high school science class of 15 individuals using ROVs in the pool for a science project. The Board issued permission for this activity but has requested that the existing pool rules be reviewed. All committee members should come to the next meeting having reviewed these rules.

Holiday open swim hours were discussed as the Christmas and New Year federal holidays were in the middle of the week in 2013 and caused confusion on the part of families as to when they were allowed in for open swim. Rocky volunteered to have a larger sign of the hours made to be posted on the far outside door.

The Swimming Pool Committee will host an event as a fund raiser on March 15. It will be the annual St Patrick's Day event with dinner and a silent auction of donated items. Pool users will be contacted to support the event with assistance from the Social Club.

**Pool Committee  
February 4, 2015**

**ATTENDEES:**

Art Burke, Bruce Candioto, Rocky D'Acquisto – Chair, Leslie Fellner – Board Liason, Loiuise Kavruck, Norma Lupkes – Rec. Sec.

**NOTES:**

The current Pool Committee Treasury amount is \$1210.19.

The 2'x2' hours and activities sign for inside the pool are now in place in two locations in the pool area. Concern has been raised about "lap swimmers" not staying their own lanes during this activity. Bruce has designed lane marking options in the past and will revisit the possibilities and report at the next meeting.

The hot water recirculation system for the shower rooms has been completed. The cost for the project was \$244 – a motion was made, seconded and carried to pay this amount with Pool Committee monies from the previous fundraiser event.

The current situation with the pool Dehumidification Project was discussed and Art reported that the information from the two vendors who submitted bids in currently being refined.

It was noted that the new shower heads in the shower rooms were definitely an improvement over the old ones. The control handles/valves might be an improvement opportunity to pursue in the future.

Concerns were raised about the hygiene and cleanliness of the shower rooms. The cleaning service comes in once a week and volunteer pool users use the cleaning supplies in the locked cabinet to keep the floors and shower stalls cleaned, as well as swapping out the shower curtains and taking them home as needed. Pool users are encouraged to help in this effort – the combination for the lock is available in the office.

The Pool Committee will again host/sponsor the St Patrick's event to be held on March 14. The event will be a "Baked Potato Bar with all the Toppings" with salad and dessert and beer. A silent auction will again be held with proceeds going towards the pool Dehumidification Project. E-mails will be sent out to solicit help from pool users for the event.

Next meeting: **March 4 - 3:00** at the Clubhouse

Respectfully submitted, Norma J. Lupkes

**Pool Committee  
March 4, 2015**

**ATTENDEES:**

Art Burke, Rocky D'Acquisto – Chair, Leslie Fellner – Board Liaison,  
Norma Lupkes – Rec. Secretary, Mary Hilfer

**NOTES:**

The current Pool Committee Treasury amount is \$1,244.83

There was a donation of \$100 made by Mike Heckinger toward the Pool projects. Mary Hilfer will send him a thank you.

The hot water recirculation system for the shower rooms is complete and only cost \$189.54 the money for which came from the Pool Committee.

The 2' x 2' signs for the pool regarding hours and activities are up and look good. Rocky will relocate one of the signs to a more visible place.

The upcoming St. Patrick's Dinner was discussed. Mary Hilfer and Rocky will work together to buy everything needed and Leslie Fellner volunteered to help. Setup will take place on Saturday, March 14 at 1:30 and then at 4 – 4:30 the potatoes will be put in to bake. Cliff Self and the Unknown Fiddlers will set up and play from 6:00 to about 7:15.

In an effort to keep the floors of the shower rooms clean, Art is going to purchase a mat for the vestibule so that everyone can wipe their feet before entering. There was discussion about removing shoes, but that has been tabled due to logistics. We'll see how this works first.

Donnie has painted the interior of one of the windows with a new material that is supposed to weatherproof and seal it. He will let it cure for about a month to see if it works.

Next meeting: **April 1 – 3:00** at the Clubhouse

Respectfully submitted, Mary Hilfer for Norma Lupkes

### **Water Committee March 3, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Karen Krug, Board Liaison; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; member Scott James.

1. Ed Skowrya Memorial – Nothing new since last meeting.
2. Water rights – Nothing new since last meeting.
3. Backflow / Cross Connection Control Program – Larry and Greg continue to make phone calls and schedule inspections by Greg on Saturdays.
4. Highland Booster Pump Controller – Greg went to Stew's place and reviewed the programmable controller (PC) project and provided some additional input on the pump operations. There are three pumps and the controllers have to turn each one on and off as needed to meet the flow demand in the Highlands at an adequate pressure level. It's intended to have it installed before summer when the water demand is high. Once the PC is complete, we still need to purchase additional components and hire an electrical contractor to install it. That includes removal of the existing flow control system, some re-plumbing and installation of the new control systems. The cost may be a couple thousand dollars. If Stew's system isn't used, we would need to purchase a new PC and program it along with the other work just described plus the additional cost of several thousand for the new PC.

Greg also worked on the existing flow control system on one of the pumps because it won't increase the pressure above 55psi and it should go up to 80psi. It seems to be a small pilot valve that controls the pressure in the larger flow control valve. We might need to replace that pilot valve at the cost of around \$300.

5. DOH and Well 8 – Greg re-ran all of the calculations in the WSP regarding the radius of the well head protection plan that the DOH staff member was questioning. His result actually decreased the radius instead of increasing it. He submitted his new calcs that seem to be acceptable to DOH so we expect approval soon. That will allow the new Well 8 to be included in the current well field protection plan instead of treating it separately and expanding the area.
6. Art reported resolving issues with the Marina Committee regarding the backflow prevention valves to keep them from freezing and breaking when they energize the water lines on the docks in the cold weather.
7. Karen and Art verified the number of water connections in the budget and figures subject to the audit to avoid a conflict in the numbers.

The next meeting will be on **April 7, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**

# Cape George Fitness Room Notes for April 2015

I recently made a trip and had a house sitter. Her first comment was how amazing it was to be surrounded by so much beauty. We are also so lucky to have so many activities to choose from.

I hope you all have had an opportunity to explore the fitness room. While its primary purpose is to help our residents to maintain a healthy, active life style, it also has served often to continue being able to rehab after leaving Physical Therapy. I have invited a therapist from Uptown PT to come and look at our gym and to suggest what small things we might add to be more beneficial.

We are having a Fitness Committee meeting Friday, April 10th, 12:30 pm at the clubhouse to talk about our plans for the next year. Anyone interested is invited to attend. We welcome positive and constructive suggestions and ideas. If for some reason you cannot attend you are welcome to contact me with your input.

A reminder: With better weather coming it usually means more visitors. A Cape George Member must accompany guests other than immediate family members. Guest cards and parking passes are available in the office for family members who will be using our facilities.

We require gym users to change into clean gym shoes upon entering the fitness room.

Please, when you are first starting out on a machine start with low weights, on the stretching machines start by warming your muscles for at least 5 minutes, stretch carefully and remember to keep your back flat especially on the machine stretching the front of your thigh and groin muscles. People often don't realize they are arching their back.

If you require any help learning how to use the machines we have members of the committee willing to meet with you.

Please come and use our room with a view!

Phyllis Ballough

## Identify Your Kayaks and Dinghies

Marina volunteers are updating the records of kayaks and other small boats stored on the racks north and south of the marina. Most of the small boats are marked with names and phone numbers, as required. However, some boats are still unidentified, which creates a problem. If you are storing a small boat at the marina, please double-check to make sure it is visibly marked with a name and phone number. As of **May 1**, any small boats that remain unidentified will be moved to the barn for storage.

Questions? Call Ross Anderson at 379 4976 or Craig Muma at 344-2858



# Your Comment is Requested

The Board of Trustees has been contacted by Cascadia Property Management which works for the telecommunications company Verizon. Verizon is seeking to improve its wireless network and coverage in our area. As part of that effort, Verizon will be constructing a new wireless facility in the vicinity. The proposed site will consist of a new cell tower and equipment placed nearby on the ground. A Cape George property was identified as one that appears to have viable ground space for placement of the tower and Verizon’s equipment. During the February Board Meeting, a representative from Cascadia Property Management spoke to the Trustees about the review process that is underway and benefits to the community should a cell tower be installed. One of the benefits discussed was better wireless reception. Another benefit would be a monthly fee of \$700 with an annual increase paid to the community with a 25 year lease. The property being considered is located at the end of Saddle Drive in the Highlands. Because of its location and surrounding tree canopy, it is unlikely to be visible to most people in the community. The Trustees have not made any commitment at this time and are asking for your input on the matter. Please forward your comment in writing to the Cape George office.

## *We’re Looking for You!*

Are you still in contact with the following previous Cape George Members? We have not located them and would like to send their North Seawall Assessment refunds. If you know them, please have them contact the office.

Gerald Anderson	Barbara Donovan
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CAREGIVER WANTED for an elderly gentleman in Cape George Village. Job duties would consist of giving eye medication twice daily, Saturday and Sunday. Susan Wilkins 509-684-6315.

# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

Well Dink is pretty excited about April! When he looked at the calendar the other day he noted four special days. Passover, Easter, Earth Day and Arbor Day. He would like to wish everyone a Happy all of these important days. However, the event that most excited him was: This year is the 50th Birthday of Pickleball.

Yes, the fastest growing sport in the country was created in 1965 on Bainbridge Island just up the road from us here in Port Townsend. While it is similar in many ways to other racquet or paddle sports it is also unique. The two rules that separate it from other games are the 2 bounce rule and the non-volley zone rules. These 2 rules help to explain where the players stand on the court depending on whether they are serving or receiving.



There is nothing in the official rule book about where to stand on the court!

It is dictated by common sense and what might happen if you are not in the best position. Only the server must stand behind the baseline when serving - his/her partner could stand anywhere on the court, however if the receiving team returns the ball deep to the partners side of the court and the ball doesn't bounce before its hit - its a fault . So standing at the back of the court is a smart position! On the receiving side, there is nothing that says that the player not receiving the serve needs to stand up near the kitchen! It has become so customary that players will remind the player or wait for the player to come up. That player can stand back if they wish but it is to their advantage to be up near the kitchen line and ready for the play that should occur at the net following the return of serve. The pattern of play unique to Pickleball is : Serve, return of serve and all come to the net for dinks, volleys and deep volleys or down the middle passing shots.



An Interested Audience

One needs only to get caught too close in on the return of serve a few times to become a believer and likewise have to run up to get a short drop shot on the receiving team.

Lobs thoughts this month:

1. Watch the bulletin board at the court for info on upcoming events!
2. Hold down the Power and go for the Placement
3. Be welcoming and encouraging to new players
4. Report equipment or court problems to Pi or the Office

## Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder

The magazine exchange area at the mailboxes is there for the benefit of members to trade recent issues of magazines with each other. Old magazines, catalogs and junk mail should be recycled appropriately.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

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Please call or email me and we can make a date.

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rocketmama@wavecable.com

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Soup Supper	Apr. 1, 5:30p
CGU-Exploring the Abyss	Apr. 2, 7p
"The Unknown Sea" Movie	Apr. 15, 7p
Book Group	Apr. 21, 1p
Granny's Attic	Apr. 24, 9a-3p
	Apr. 25, 9a-12p

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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# APRIL

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			<b>1</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p  <b>Pool Comm. 3p</b> <b>Soup Supper 5:30p</b>	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p  Creative Arts 9a-3p <b>CGU—Exploring the Abyss 7p</b>	<b>3</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>4</b>
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

I am sad to report that Office Administrator Sharon Mitchel has resigned. An employment opportunity became available with Jefferson County Sheriff's office that is a perfect match for her skills. We have begun the process of searching for a new Office Administrator.

The 2015 marina channel dredging is scheduled to take place on July 1-3. This activity is scheduled each year to take advantage of the summer low tides.

The Sheriff's Department speed trailer has been placed at two locations in the community – 1 week in the Village and one week in the Colony. It will be placed in the Highlands in the near future.

A bid package has been developed and distributed to three car dealerships on the Peninsula as a first step toward replacing the 1-ton truck.

A big Thank You to Ray and Eileen Pierson for once again undertaking the job of repainting all of the community entrance signs. We've had a number of great comments come in regarding the new colors and how quickly the job was accomplished.

We have received our Final Determination of Non-Significance from Jefferson County Department of Community Development for the berm project. As much as this sounds like the last step in what has been a very long process, we still have to conduct a final 30 day public notice period which will be getting underway next week. We are anticipating having a permit in hand sometime in late May.

Recent media coverage has speculated that this summer may have increased risk for wildfires as a result of record low mountain snow packs. To address these concerns I met with East Jefferson Fire Rescue (EJFR) personnel to conduct site inspections of some of our larger, forested common property sites. It was a great learning experience and provided us with some direction on how to minimize risks. It was also determined that individual property owners should become

actively involved in assessing their own property. An informational article will be placed in the May newsletter and a program will be conducted by EJFR personnel.

I have had discussions recently with Mobilisa and their internet partner NoaNet. It is apparent from these discussions that they have not been able sell as much of their services as they had hoped with the equipment installed at the Clubhouse. As a result NoaNet is interested in renegotiating the contract with Cape George for maintaining the equipment in place.

The new owner of 41 Dennis is continuing to work with Jefferson County Public Health and the office of Community Development on resolving the issues associated with this property.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Following a significant rainfall, the upper ravine drainage system became clogged and resulted in a serious erosion event on the ravine trail and Memorial park entrance trail. Repairs have been completed on the driveway and are nearing completion on the ravine trail. I will be working with the Roads Committee Chair this summer on a possible redesign of the catch basin to minimize the chance for reoccurring.
- The mowing season is underway. Please watch carefully as you approach anyone operating equipment along the side of the road or anywhere else.

Projects being worked on by the Office Administrator includes:

- Work is underway to prepare for a new Office Administrator.
- Lot mows are scheduled to get underway on April 22nd.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Report of speeding vehicles in the Village and Colony.
- Outdoor light complaint in the Village.
- Hedge complaint in the Colony.

**DEADLINE FOR JUNE NEWSLETTER -- May 20**

## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

Cape George's Office Administrator Sharon Mitchel has decided to take a job with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. Sharon has done good work for our association. On behalf of the the trustees, I thank her for her efforts and her dedication. We will still see Sharon as she remains a Cape George member.

The board has received a number of comments regarding the potential placement of a cell tower in Cape George. These comments range from strongly in favor to strongly opposed. Some said service was already adequate while others gave examples of unreliable cell service. Some were concerned about the risks posed by cell towers while others pointed out how better cell service would make Cape George a safer place. Given this range of comments, I need to recap how this came about and what we know now, and to again emphasize the tentative nature of the entire proposal.

In February, the board heard a proposal from a Verizon contractor. Verizon was looking to upgrade its service in our area by constructing a cell tower. Verizon's process is to identify three potentially feasible sites in the area, and then have its engineers assess those sites to determine actual technological feasibility.

The contractor advised us that one of the three sites identified was Cape George property at the end of Saddle Drive in the Highlands. If our property was approved by the Verizon engineers and Cape George agreed to cell tower placement, the project would still have to go through the county's zoning process. This would include a hearing and public comment. Verizon would not finalize the agreement until and unless zoning was approved.

At this point, Cape George has agreed to nothing except to have its property assessed for technological feasibility. So this is all tentative. Verizon could select one of the other sites. The Highlands site may prove unsuitable. Once Cape George is presented with a detailed proposal, the association may decide the tower is not in its best interest.

In any event, the member comments submitted provided the board with the range of questions and concerns to be addressed if and when Verizon determines it wants to lease a 50 foot by 50 foot area in Cape George for its cell tower.

In my April letter, I mentioned how recent enforcement efforts have provoked discussion and controversy regarding Cape George's hedge rule. So it is not surprising the board has since received a petition signed by a number of members protesting the application of the hedge rule to older, taller trees.

This is the hedge rule as currently set forth in the Building and Property Regulations:

**2.7 HEDGE:** A row of vegetation, commonly having commingled foliage, which has been planted or permitted to flourish so that it has the effect of demarking part or all of a boundary or creating a visual screen.

**7.1 FENCES, HEDGES, RETAINING WALLS:** A permit is not required to plant a hedge or to build a fence, including an electrical fence, or a retaining wall unless such wall requires excavation on or adjacent to the Club's right of way. The maximum permissible height for fences and hedges is 8 feet.

A number of points need to be made about this rule: (1) It was approved by a vote of the association's members. (2) It does not exempt older, taller or more mature trees from its application. (3) The "permitted to flourish" language recognizes that vegetation changes over time and what was once not an impermissible hedge may later become one. (4) The rule does not prescribe any specific remedy for a hedge over 8 feet. For example, it does not require a row of tall, mature trees forming a hedge to be reduced to 8 foot stumps. Hedge complaints can and have been resolved by alternative measures.

The petition mentioned above was prompted by a hedge complaint jointly made by several Cape George members. The complaint involved six tall trees which have been "topped" twice in the past. A similar complaint was made against the same lot in 2003. In October 2003, the board determined that, while the trees probably constituted an impermissible hedge, the board was for various reasons not going to enforce the hedge rule in this case.

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In response to the recent complaint, the manager determined this was a hedge and issued a Notice of Violation. The lot owner appealed to the board on two grounds (1) the manager and/or the board were not aware of the 2003 decision, and (2) the current board was bound by the 2003 decision. The board denied the appeal.

To specifically address the petition the board has received, nothing in the board's application of the hedge rule prevents members from informally resolving these complaints themselves. Indeed, in the case discussed above, the complaining members have made serious efforts to settle the complaint and have offered to pay the entire cost of hedge resolution. And nothing requires a row of tall trees to be slashed down to 8 feet. The methods and means of complaint resolution are left to the hedge owner and depend upon the nature of the hedge. Finally, vegetation grows and alters over the years, especially when trees have already been "topped" twice. The "permitted to flourish" phrase in our hedge rule acknowledges this fact. To suggest a board in 2015 should be bound by another board's decision in 2003 ignores this reality.

It may well be that some members are dissatisfied with our hedge rule as written. However, the rule has been approved by Cape George members and the board is obligated to enforce it.



## Cape George Drill Team

The Cape George Drill Team will be marching in the Rhody Parade Saturday, May 16th. If you would like to join in the fun, please contact Gail Hotohkee at [g6hotohkee@ymail.com](mailto:g6hotohkee@ymail.com) by May 1.

## PICKLEBALL PLAYERS PLAN POTLUCK DINNER

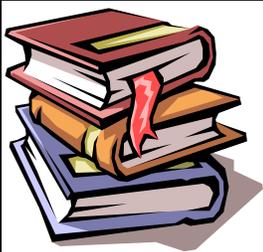
The Pickleball ad hoc committee, in its effort to seek more community input on a future sports court improvement project, is sponsoring a potluck dinner on Wednesday, May 13 at 5:30 pm in the Cape George clubhouse. Pickleball players and friends are invited to attend the dinner to both socialize and to add their input in regard to covering the existing court in the most cost-effective manner or even possibly building a new court. The committee will consider all ideas before presenting a plan to the Board of Trustees. If you would like your voice heard, please attend the dinner. Please bring a dish to share and BYOB.



Contact ad hoc committee members Gail Krentzman, Dennis Fellner or Jeannie Ramsey for more information regarding the dinner or the sports court.

# MARINA SALE

The Marina Committee needs your help through your contributions to the annual Marina Sale to be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tools, fishing tackle, camping equipment, anything marine related, sporting equipment or apparel, and household items would be greatly appreciated. Contact Tom Ramsey at 385-1263 or Penny Jensen at 385-0242 for pick up. Items can also be dropped off at the Clubhouse beginning on Monday, April 27, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.



## **THE ROOTS OF THE OLIVE TREE IS MAY BOOK GROUP SELECTION**

With her debut novel, author, Courtney Miller Santos has written a stunning story taking place in the olive orchards of Northern California. “The Roots of the Olive Tree” is a story about five generations of the Keller family all living under the same roof. The Cape George Book Group will discuss the book at their Tuesday, May 19 meeting.

The matriarch of the family is 112 and hopes to live long enough to become the oldest women in the world and have it recorded in the “Guinness Book of World Records.” Her daughter, granddaughter and great-granddaughter, who is pregnant when the story begins are all extraordinary women with even more extraordinary secrets that unfurl as the beautifully-written story unfolds. The family attracts the attention of a genetic researcher who is trying to find the aging gene. Through his connection with the Keller women and their bloodline, he stumbles on many of the family secrets, bringing to mind what this family is, and what it is not.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend. For further information, please call Jeannie Ramsey at 385-1263

# Cape George University

## **Geology and History of Protection Island**

**With Professor Jim Hayward**

Since the early 1970s, Prof. Jim Hayward has traveled to Washington state to study seabirds, bald eagles and harbor seals, primarily at the Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge. Hayward has twice discussed his gull research with Cape George Colony Club audiences, and returns again at 7 p.m. Monday, May 18 to our clubhouse, this time for a Cape George University lecture and slide show on the geology and history of the island that has been his summer home for decades.

Jim is a biology professor at Andrews University in Michigan and co-director of the Seabird Ecology Team, which has created mathematical models to predict habitat occupancy and the behavioral dynamics of seabirds and harbor seals, and the feeding ecology of bald eagles. For this latest Cape George University presentation, he'll share photos and stories about the island's bluffs, beaches and spits, and the island's colorful history.



## **Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.



**MONDAY, MAY 25**

**Meet and Greet 5:30\***

**Grills Ready 6:00**

Come and enjoy the first barbeque of the season with your neighbors!

BYOB and your own meat to grill and a side dish, salad or dessert to share.

**SEE YOU THERE!**



## CGEP: Capturing & Restraining Your Cat

Pet owners know that our pups, cats, etc. are our children so in the case of an emergency, we need to be prepared to parent them with our best skills. Here are some helpful points to remember when dealing with injured or roaming cats.

**Helping an Injured Cat:** Capturing an injured cat may be difficult because they may still be capable of running quite fast. In fact, some cats may run away and not be found. If, however, you find a collar with a tag, always keep this with the animal, even if it is transported to another location.

**For those cats trying to get away but remain close:**

- If you have leash, make a loop by putting the end with the collar fastener through the hand-held end.
- Stand alongside or just behind the animal.
- Loop the converted lash over the head of the animal and gently tighten.
- Know that most cats are not accustomed to a leash so may struggle.

**If the leash doesn't work or if you have a towel or blanket for capturing the cat:**

- Drop a towel or blanket over the pet
- Be aware of the animal's position to avoid going near the head and mouth.
- Wrap the blanket around the pet and scoop it into your arms. Very determined or frightened animals may bite or scratch through even a thick blanket so treat with caution and avoid contact with the mouth.

**FYI:** Some cats are difficult to restrain and may try to bite or scratch. The two popular methods of restraints are : **Scruffing** and **Lying Down methods**. Both are intended for two people to use so **if you are alone**, you may just want to capture and transport the animal to a shelter or vet. Since some cats do best with minimal or no restraint, using a box with breathing holes may be best. Most cats are acquainted with pet carriers or boxes for transporting. To calm the pet, talk soothingly to the cat and use only as much restraint as you and the animal are comfortable with at the time.

**Scruffing Restraint:** The skin at the back of the neck is called the "scruff" and as kittens, mother cats hold their kitten by the scruff to comfort and discipline; cats seem to remember this.

- Grasp the skin behind the neck. Hold firmly. Use your dominant hand.
- With the other hand, hold the cat in a sitting position, being wary of front claws. If trouble ensues, grab the front arms with the other hand instead of holding in a sitting position.
- Cradle the cat in this hold. **DO NOT LET GO OF THE SCRUFF.**

**Lying on Side Restraint:** This method places the animal on its side using the scruff and rear legs in hold.

- Grasp the skin behind the neck with your dominant hand. Hold firmly.
- Grab the rear legs and tail with the other hand.
- Gently lay the cat on its side. It may take another person to help get the front legs out of the way to accomplish this. Most cats try to use their free front legs to right themselves.
- **DO NOT LET GO OF THE SCRUFF OR THE REAR LEGS!** The cat will right itself & fight.

**Submitted by the CGEPC: Karla Kauzlarich, Thad Bickling**

## **SOCIAL CLUB MEETING!**

**FRIDAY, MAY 22**

**\*Potluck Luncheon 12:30 p.m.**

**Our bi-annual Social Club Meeting will be on Friday May 22 at 12:30 pm (after Yoga—don't arrive before 12:20) Please come—we need your input!**

**Bring a salad or lunch item to share.  
We will provide drinks.**

**Questions/Comments?  
Call Norma Lupkes 302-5202 or  
Mary Hilfer 379-0492**

## **Staff Changes**

For the last 2 1/2 years we have been fortunate to have Sharon Mitchel as our Office Administrator. Everyone will agree that she was the “heart and soul” of the Cape George office and there wasn't anything she couldn't master. Well, someone else recognized those abilities and an exciting opportunity with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department was offered to her. Sharon's last day will be May 1st. Although we will be sad to see her leave, the one good thing is that Sharon is still in the community and we will continue to see her smiling face at Cape George functions. Good Luck at your new job, Sharon!

We are pleased to announce that we have found what we feel will be a great new addition to the Cape George staff. Please join me in welcoming Sara McIlroy in her new role as Office Administrator. Sara will be training with Sharon until May 1st, has a wealth of talents and a can-do attitude about everything. We are all looking forward to her being the next “heart and soul” of the Cape George office.

## ***We're Looking for You!***

Are you still in contact with the following previous Cape George Members? We have not located them and would like to send their North Seawall Assessment refunds. If you know them, please have them contact the office.

Gerald Anderson	Barbara Donovan
Robert Earl	Teresa Giacomini
Lawrence McLawhorn	Estate of William Gruber
Robert Starkey	

## **BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED**

The Cape George Building Committee is in need of new members. Our responsibilities include advising club members of our regulations, inspecting building plans for conformance with our regulations, and performing on site inspections. We commonly meet once a month when there are topics to discuss. You must have an interest and some knowledge of construction and be able to interpret the Building and Property Regulations.

If you are interested or want to learn more, call or email Ann Simpson at 379-9105 or Lhann173@aol.com.

# *Ed Skowyra Memorial and Water Facility Dedication*

Join family and friends on Saturday, May 30, at 1pm in the Cape George Clubhouse for a memorial to long-time member Ed Skowyra. Ed served on the Cape George Board and was a 20+ year member of the Water Committee. During his time on the Water Committee he took a lead role in the development of the community water system and in recent years played a key role in challenging the state to protect our water rights. As a part of this event, the dedication of the Ed Skowyra Memorial Water Facility will also be conducted. Please join us.



## Fitness News May 2015

Recently, we held a meeting of the Fitness Committee. We were delighted to have Alan Zee, Judith Chambliss, Bob Carter, Jan Carter and Kate Habegger join our committee. They join, Bill Sery, Robin and Jack Scherting, Don Rogers, Jack Salmon and Rock D'Aquisto, and Phyllis Ballough.

We had Ric Perez visit the gym, he was pleased and surprised at what he saw, the only recommendation he had was, that we add an upright bike. He also added that a great many people would benefit from using the pool in addition to the gym. We discussed the subject of the bike at the Fitness committee meeting and decided to investigate a reconditioned Life cycle upright bike.

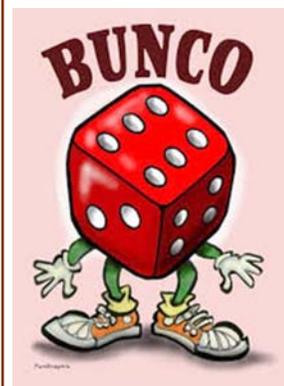
We will be conducting a survey in May, on the usage of equipment. I will put it on a clip board and each day you use the gym if you would check off what you use, it would be so helpful. This will help us ascertain what is being used.

Bob Carter is investigating bringing in a fresh water station. We realize that not having drinking water available is an issue. It is easy to forget to bring a water bottle and people need to keep hydrated when exercising.

We also discussed having a professional trainer come in one afternoon to meet with residents, to learn how to best use the machines and how we can have help in developing a personal exercise routine best suited to each of us. I will post dates when more information is available.

Lastly, we on the committee would like to "Thank" and wish Sharon Mitchel well in her new job. We will miss her! She was always so helpful and did many things for us above what was required.

Phyllis Ballough  
Committee Chair



## WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

### 2:00 PM

\$5 buy-in (\$1 bills appreciated)

**Bring your own drink  
and a light snack**

**FUN, FOOD  
AND  
LAUGHTER!**

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
April 16, 2015  
7:00 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

- A. Welcome
- B. An Executive Session is planned immediately following the Board Meeting to discuss a personnel issue and a rule violation by a member.

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Carol Wood, Karen Krug, Michael Hinojos, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger

**Action on Minutes: Carol Wood**

Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the March 12, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Passed 6/0

**Membership report: Carol Wood**

- Charles Arthur purchased lot 38-3 Hemlock Drive from Habitat for Humanity
- Warren & Linda Boxleitner purchased 191 Colman Drive from William Pfefferkuch and Rebecca Folz
- Scott & Donna Munson purchased 121 Maple Drive from the Sallie Luers Trust
- Cassandra Reeves purchased 41 Sequim Place from Charles Buchko Jr.
- David & Philomena Stipp purchased 230 S. Rhododendron from Bank of America

**Treasurers Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of March 31, 2015**

**2014 Audit**

The 2014 has been completed with only two small adjustments recommended, one of which is the 2014 Federal tax liability at \$145. The final excess cash transfer will take place after the April Board meeting. The staff update on the two minor internal control issues will also be presented at the April meeting.

**2015 Balance Sheet Comments:**

All bank accounts have been reconciled and actual bank statements reviewed with no material exceptions. Keeping all cash balances within the FDIC limits continues to be a challenge in part as it was never anticipated that Berm funds would remain unspent into 2015. Staff has been asked for an updated cash flow forecast to enable more permanent recommendations as to cash placement can be made. Given the current extremely low interest rates, moderate levels of idle cash do not present a major concern.

While net receivables (total receivable less an estimation of uncollectible accounts) are consistent with the same period last year, there are seven accounts that continue to be seriously delinquent. At the April meeting the Board will consider placing several of the most delinquent accounts with an external collection agency that has experience with homeowner's associations.

As usual, information on cash balances is included on the balance sheet section on the following page.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page.

Through the first quarter of the fiscal year, revenues in all categories are on track with budget and are also comparable to the prior year when rate increases are factored into the comparison.

Operating expenses in all three cost centers are lower than both budget and the prior year. Lower than anticipated utility costs, especially propane is a major contributor to the lower expenditures. Also contributing to lower actual costs are lower labor expenses which are evenly spread for budget purposes but behave for actual expenditures in a very seasonal pattern (summer and year end). The first quarter has also seen lower repair and maintenance costs. It is too early to determine if this is simply a demining issue or overly conservative budget assumptions.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
**Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2015 and 2014**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 179,821	\$ 159,746	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 13,429	\$ 13,559
Operating Investment-Savings	70,045	70,024	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	108,076	102,627
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	123	1,455
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	421,255	289,380	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,050	550
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	53,836	74,796	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	32,585	92,650
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>50,696</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>155,263</b>	<b>210,841</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Equivalents</b>	<b>776,253</b>	<b>594,546</b>			
Net Accounts Receivable	3,915	3,300	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	32,585	92,650	South Sewall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Net SpclAssmnts Receivable	26,552	76,889	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,776,884	1,826,537	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	13,461	13,728	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	122,036	77,164
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,629,650</b>	<b>\$2,607,650</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,629,650</b>	<b>\$ 2,607,650</b>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended March 31 (Modified Cash Basis)**

2015 Year to Date					COMPARATIVE				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 71,602	\$ 71,602	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 71,602	\$ 68,848	\$ 2,754	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	2,826	2,764	62	2%	Revenue - All Other Sources	2,826	2,380	446	19%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>74,428</b>	<b>74,366</b>	<b>62</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>74,428</b>	<b>71,228</b>	<b>3,200</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	29,924	33,582	3,658	11%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	29,924	30,075	151	1%
Repairs & Maintenance	2,608	5,019	2,411	48%	Repairs & Maintenance	2,608	5,589	2,981	53%
Contracted Services	10,148	9,846	(302)	-3%	Contracted Services	10,148	11,145	997	9%
Insurance	5,583	6,205	622	10%	Insurance	5,583	5,636	53	1%
Pool Expense	3,579	6,750	3,171	47%	Pool Expense	3,579	9,936	6,357	64%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,999	5,930	931	16%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,999	8,557	3,558	42%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>56,841</b>	<b>67,332</b>	<b>6,389</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>51,842</b>	<b>70,938</b>	<b>4,182</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,587</b>	<b>\$ 7,034</b>	<b>\$ 10,553</b>	150%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 22,586</b>	<b>\$ 290</b>	<b>\$ 22,296</b>	7688%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 45,990	\$ 45,990	-	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 45,990	\$ 45,810	\$ 180	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>49,244</b>	<b>47,990</b>	<b>1,254</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>49,244</b>	<b>47,513</b>	<b>1,731</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	13,857	15,365	1,508	10%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	13,857	13,319	(538)	-4%
Repairs & Maintenance	313	1,944	1,631	84%	Repairs & Maintenance	313	1,526	1,213	79%
Contracted Services	4,334	4,086	(248)	-6%	Contracted Services	4,334	4,463	129	3%
Insurance	2,974	3,313	339	10%	Insurance	2,974	3,511	537	15%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	7,471	9,975	2,504	25%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	7,471	7,513	42	1%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>28,949</b>	<b>34,683</b>	<b>5,734</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>28,949</b>	<b>30,332</b>	<b>1,383</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 20,295</b>	<b>\$ 13,307</b>	<b>\$ 6,988</b>	53%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 20,295</b>	<b>\$ 17,181</b>	<b>\$ 3,114</b>	18%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,510	\$ 53,905	\$ 605	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,510	\$ 47,793	\$ 6,717	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	8,215	8,740	(525)	-6%	Revenue - All Other Sources	8,215	6,989	1,226	18%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>62,725</b>	<b>62,645</b>	<b>80</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>62,725</b>	<b>54,782</b>	<b>7,943</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	3,070	3,366	296	9%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	3,070	2,677	(393)	-15%
Repairs & Maintenance	850	949	99	10%	Repairs & Maintenance	850	537	(313)	-37%
Contracted Services	791	956	165	17%	Contracted Services	791	687	(104)	-13%
Insurance	1,558	1,733	175	10%	Insurance	1,558	1,119	(439)	-28%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,268	2,525	257	10%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,268	3,509	1,241	55%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>8,537</b>	<b>9,529</b>	<b>992</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>8,537</b>	<b>8,529</b>	<b>(8)</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 54,188</b>	<b>\$ 53,116</b>	<b>\$ 1,072</b>	2%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 54,188</b>	<b>\$ 46,253</b>	<b>\$ 7,935</b>	17%
<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	<b>29,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,790</b>		<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	<b>29,790</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,790</b>	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(81)	-	(81)		Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(81)	13,260	(13,341)	
Reserve Interest - all	258	-	258		Reserve Interest - all	258	181	77	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 122,036</b>	<b>\$ 73,457</b>	<b>\$ 48,661</b>	66%	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 127,035</b>	<b>\$ 77,165</b>	<b>\$ 63,212</b>	65%

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Environmental, Marina, Nominating, Pickleball Ad Hoc Committee and Water. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- A. The Trustees reviewed a number of letters concerning the cell tower proposal.
- B. The Trustees received an update from the Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee.
- C. Marina Committee Chair Penny Jensen provided information concerning a 16-foot aluminum boat with electric start 25hp engine that is being offered as a donation from member Tom Cawrse for use in marina operations. Additional information is being gathered on insurance prior to accepting the donation.
- D. The Trustees discussed possible amendments to the governing documents that could be considered for approval by the membership.

**Member participation:**

There was none

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Carol Wood moved and Katie Habegger seconded to authorize the Marina Committee to proceed with the proposal presented to establish a park on the North Seawall, with the understanding that expenditures of Cape George funding will not exceed \$1000 and contingent on other funding being guaranteed before the project begins. Passed 6/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that the Cape George Colony Inc. audit report for the year ended December 31, 2014 prepared by Cagianut and Company and dated February 25, 2015 be accepted as presented. Passed 6/0

**Motion 3:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that as the final 2014 transfer, \$3,481 excess cash be transferred to reserves so that the initial total transfer stated in the 2014 budget is met and no future year's cash be expended and so that the total 2014 transfer will be \$78,691 split between reserves as General - \$11,820; Water - \$52,385 and Marina - \$14,486. Passed 6/0

**Motion 4:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded that the accounts of three Members – BEC001; KEN001 and SLA005-1/SLA005-2 be placed with Saba and Associates, Poulsbo, WA for collection at the amounts owed as of April 17, 2015. Passed 6/0

**Motion 5:** Michael Hinojos moved and Katie Habegger seconded to approve expenditure of not to exceed \$10,833.77 for the purchase of materials and supplies for dock float replacement with funding to come from Marina Reserves. Passed 6/0

**Motion 6:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the Manager's request to issue a refund of \$900 to Mobilisa for overpayment on addendum contract. Passed 6/0

**Motion 7:** Michael Hinojos moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve Resolution 4/01/15 to transfer \$845 from General Reserves to General Checking Account for septic system design development at the pool building. Passed 6/0

**Motion 8:** Katie Habegger moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve 6 Member requests for due date adjustments. Passed 6/0

**Motion 9:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to accept the corrective action report as noted in the 2014 audit and submitted by the Manager. Passed 6/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

It was noted that the donated boat stored in the south parking lot has been sold.

**Announcements:**

- A. Study Session – May 12, 2015, 3:00 p.m.
- B. Board Meeting – May 14, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

**Motion 10:** Karen Krug moved and Mike Hinojos seconded to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. Passed 6/0

**Motion 11:** Carol Wood moved and Karen Krug seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to regular session at 8:00 p.m. Passed 6/0

**Motion 12:** Richard Hilfer moved and Ray Pierson seconded that with respect to the appeal of the hedge complaint at 411 Sunset, that the board decline to grant the owner's appeal on the grounds stated in the appeal and further decline to rescind the manager's Notice of Violation. Passed 6/0

**Adjournment:** Mike Hinojos moved and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn the regular session at 8:05 p.m. Passed 6/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Wood, Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Richard Hilfer, President

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Building Committee April 3, 2015**

#### Building Permits Issued:

Larry & Patricia Davis: 60 Maple, Village, build a carport. We later had to put a Stop Work order on this project for nonconformance with our regulations. Construction will resume as soon as we get the members revised plans.

Joyce Cardinal: 11 N Palmer, Colony, build a shed

#### Excavation Permits Issued:

Dimne Cote: 330 N Palmer, Colony, level dirt and prepare bank for retaining wall in back yard

### **Environmental Committee April 13, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Art Burke, Gretchen Cooper, Sue Dunning, Katie Habegger, Betty Hanks, Marta Krissovich, Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting, Steve Shapiro, Linda Sutton

Meeting was called to order by Kitty. Minutes of last meeting were approved as read.

Fiscal report: Total \$4081.29 on hand. Income from the month was received from the sale of two Olympic mountain pictures, a donation from Ruth Poole's estate and donations from the Elwa movie screening. Kitty will request that the office consolidate the Berm and Environmental accounts into a single Environmental account for reporting going forward.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Septic/Berm Report** – Art reported that he anticipates a permit for the berm will be issued in late May, after the 30 day public comment period and hearing are completed. Three contractors have been invited to submit bids, and there will likely be some savings in using the same contractor for both the berm and the septic upgrade. Since the planned earthworks will cause significant disruption for a period of up to ten days, work on both these projects may be delayed until fall to avoid impacting the busy summer season of social events in the beach area.

**B. Movie night: *Return of the River*** - Kitty reported that the movie night had achieved an excellent turnout of 50-60 people, and the licensing fee of \$100 for showing the movie had been more than covered by the \$148.71 received in donations.

**C. Septic Tank Lecture** – Goodman gave an interesting presentation to about 20 people, with lots of good questions from the audience. Thanks to Gretchen Cooper for putting this together.

**D. Electronic Warfare Panel** – Linda Sutton is coordinating this informational event May 20<sup>th</sup>, and has a couple of knowledgeable panelists in opposition to the project lined up. To ensure a balanced view, she will work on getting a panelist supportive of

the project. The environmental committee will help with this event as required.

**E. Articles in Newsletter** – It was noted that several items in the recent newsletter had been provided by the environmental committee. Particular thanks to Varn and Karen Brooks for providing the directions to the Elwa view points.

**F. Marina Park** – Betty reported that she and John had come up with a suggested planting plan and hardscape treatment for the proposed park. This subject is on the agenda for the upcoming board meeting, so the matter was tabled for discussion at the next meeting of the environmental committee.

**G. Nature Movies** – Kitty reported that series of nature movies has been very popular so far. The April movie is “The Unknown Sea: A Voyage on the Salish”, produced by the son of Lorna and Darrell Smith. Air-popped popcorn will be provided. Katie, Betty, Lorna, Kitty and Sue will help. After a summer break, the movie series will resume in October.

**H. Memorial Park Planting** – Due to Kyanne Andersen’s absence, this item was tabled for the next meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Thanks:** The committee thanked Robin for handling the movie while Kitty was away, Gretchen for her work in putting together the Septic presentation, Steve Shapiro for his ongoing work controlling weeds and poison hemlock, and Bernie del Vale and Steve for picking up trash on Cape George Road.

**B. Fire Damage Concerns:** A resident had brought to the committee’s attention some dry brush piles around Cape George, which are a potential fire hazard. Art will be working with Bill Beasley of Jefferson Fire Rescue to assess problem sites in common areas. JFR will provide an article for the newsletter alerting homeowners to the issue and offering walk-throughs of private property to address any areas of concern.

**C. Ravine and Memorial Park Damage:** Art reported that the ravine trail was now almost completely repaired, but the damaged swales were still under repair. The apparent cause of the flooding during heavy rain was the supposedly “self-cleaning” drain screen at the top of the ravine, which became clogged with debris. It is planned to re-design this drain over the summer. The committee voted to submit a request to the board to solicit the advice of a consultant to provide recommendations for an overall drainage plan for the ravine area, including reviewing the original plans for the top drain re-design to ensure that it meets current safety standards to avoid future flooding. The committee would also like the board to explain why the original stream was culverted & whether it would be possible to restore it to the original stream status.

**D. Thanks to Sharon Mitchell:** Kitty expressed regret at Sharon’s decision to leave the Cape George office. As a token of appreciation, the committee will present Sharon with a \$100 gift certificate to Secret Gardens.

**E. Rain Gardens:** New resident Marta Krissovich has arranged for a rain garden expert from WSU to visit her home and discuss installing a rain garden. Kitty and Sue will also attend. Varn commented that water run-off is a major problem in the community. Based on what is learned from the WSU consultant we may want to encourage more homeowners to install rain gardens.

**F. Wild flowers:** Varn informed the committee that on the bluff there is a small area of native prairie where fawn lilies and fritillaria are currently blooming. Cape George has been requested to avoid mowing this narrow strip.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:35.

Respectfully Submitted: Katie Habegger

**Marina Committee**  
**April 7, 2015**

Attendees: Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen, Marina Committee: Brian Ritchie, Paul Happel, Scott James, Jack Scherting, Tom Ramsey, Tom Cawrse, John Hanks, Travis Rowland, Ray Pierson, Chuck Hommel, Thad Bickling, Craig Muma, Roger Maynard, Ben Fellows and Stanley Kropf.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Marina Chair Penny Jensen.

## Old Business:

Harbor Master Penny Jensen thanked all the people who worked this winter on the marina, welcomed back snowbirds, and all of the people who assisted with the many aspects of the Cape George Marina. The marina memorial fund stands at \$2,800. Please check with the Harbormaster prior to buying anything for the marina. Volunteers are organizing the kayak and dinghy racks and checking on paid and unpaid users of the racks. Marina volunteers organized the reserved boat parking lot with numbers at the front of the trailers and survey markers between the boats. The Weir boat will be listed by a boat broker who lives in Cape George at no cost to the marina. The marina sale organization will start April 27 and continue until the sale. As always we need volunteers to help set up the clubhouse for the sale. All donations will be accepted. The Coast Guard Auxiliary will do boat inspections at the marina, signup in the marina office. Granny's Attic needs volunteers. A plan has been drawn up for the north seawall park and will be presented to the CG Board. The plan includes benches, hearty landscape plants and a gazebo. The harbormaster is looking for a small motor boat with engine for the marina. The boat will be used to maintain the marina, haul logs, scrape buoys and other associated work. Piling work continues at the marina. The berm contract is almost ready and a legal posting will be placed to comply with local and state regulations. Red flags have been posted in the grassy areas adjacent to the marina to show where native plants have been planted in accordance with the Fish and Wildlife Service vegetation plan for the seawall. A dock study will be completed by volunteers to determine repairs that are needed. The company that supplies the dock floats has changed its shipping methods. Art Burke will look into what method will work for the marina. CG Board elections are coming up and we are looking for boating applicants for the board. Remember to use only marine approved power cords when hooking up to electricity on the docks. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

## **Nominating Committee**

**March 13, 2015**

**Members present:** Ross Anderson, Art Burke, Jeannie Ramsey, Kitty Rucker, and Jan Stone.

### **I. Review of:**

- A. Annual Report for 2014
- B. Calendar of events for this year
- C. Who will do what this year
- D. What we are looking for in a candidate
- E. Possible nominees for 2015 from last year
- F. Plans for how to contact potential nominees
- G. What the biographical sketch should include
- H. Procedures for candidates' meetings

### **II. Things to do for next meeting.**

- A. Art will ask Richard Hilfer & Ray Pierson if they plan to run.
- B. Art will send Kitty a list of Board members and committee chairs so that she can email them for names of potential nominees.
- C. Jan will make up fliers to be posted within the next two weeks. She will send a copy to each of us to check before posting them.
- D. Kitty will write another article for the newsletter asking members for names of potential nominees.
- E. Kitty will email each committee chair, each board member, and Sharon and Art to ask for names of potential nominees.
- F. We will begin calling the potential nominees that we have now when we hear from Art whether Richard and Ray are going to run again.

**III. Our Liaison.** When I got the list of committee chairs and liaisons, I found that Woody is our liaison. I have sent her a copy of our agenda, our handouts, and have invited her to our next meeting.

**IV. Next Meeting.** Our next meeting will be on April 21, 2015. At 2:30, in the clubhouse.

**V. Adjournment.** We adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

## **Pickleball Ad Hoc Committee**

**April 15, 2015**

The Pickleball ad hoc committee decided to have a potluck dinner to get input from Pickleball players and friends before going

ahead with making plans for covering the current court or looking into building a new, indoor court. It was felt that there are about 70 or more current players and that we have not asked for or received input from many of the newer players. The potluck will be held on Wednesday, May 13 at 5:30 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse.

Jeannie Ramsey, Gail Krentzman and Dennis Fellner

**Water Committee  
April 7, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Karen Krug, Board Liaison; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; members Scott James, Stewart Pugh and Thad Bickling.

1. Ed Skowrya Memorial – Anticipate Helen Ann selecting a date for the memorial service in the near future.
2. Water rights – Dept. of Ecology Marie Peters and a colleague made a visit to the well and tank site a couple weeks ago. No new issues were raised. We anticipate this coming to a final conclusion soon.
3. Backflow / Cross Connection Control Program –Greg continues to make inspections on Saturdays. We still have a few to complete. The significant issue for us is Sharon’s leaving. She has agreed to continue to work with us (since she’s still a Cape George member) to complete the database and transition to a new person in that position. We still have the two people that provided the database design and programming to work with us but Sharon has been instrumental in it all. We need some additional reports out of the system that we’re anticipating this month.
4. Highland Booster Pump Controller – Stew brought the test model of the programmable controller to ‘show and tell.’ It can be adjusted or reprogrammed by attaching a laptop with the appropriate software. It will take around \$1,000 to purchase all new components (the model unit was built with Stew’s own components) and software. Stew and Greg will get together with DD Electric in the next week or so to go over the project on site to get an estimate from DD for the removal of the current control system and installation of the new one. Stew will provide documentation for the programmable controller and schematics for the wiring.

Greg also reported that he’s ordered a new pilot valve and repair kit for a malfunctioning pump controller he reported on last month.

5. Greg handed out a copy of the 2014 water accountability report which shows the total water pumped, the backwash water for the filter which is wasted, the total water delivered to the distribution system and the total water ‘sold’ through the customer meters. That’s the data required by the Dept. of Health to assure that our water distribution loss is less than 10%. The report shows 95% water sold or 5% lost in the system for the year, well within the 10% allowance. The water accountability has been greatly improved as we’ve continued to work out the bugs in the meter reading data management.

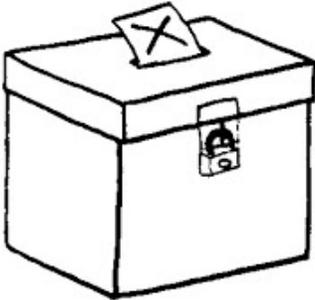
Stew continues to follow up each meter reading cycle on customer leaks reported. That figure doesn’t affect the above lost water because it passes thru the customer meter but we still must maintain a customer leak prevention effort to assure we are not unnecessarily wasting water. Stew reported we have a customer that refuses to take action on a continuous leak but that the total use by the customer is still well below the allowable daily use of 250 gallons. Art will assist with this one.

Art reported that another customer’s meter was not reading and Donnie found that the wire from the meter head to the transducer that provides the data to the remote meter reading equipment had been cut and can’t be repaired so we’ll have to replace those units. Further investigation will determine who has to pay for it.

6. Thad showed us what looked to be a small black gasket that was passed thru the water system and ended up in his water filter. We couldn’t recognize the black piece but it was not harmful; no explanation for how it got into the water distribution system.
7. Karen and Art verified the number of current water connections at 511.

The next meeting will be on **May 5, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**

## NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR CAPE GEORGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



The Nominating Committee held their first meeting last week to prepare for the Board of Trustees' Election, which will occur on July 16, 2015. The Nominating Committee is composed of Ross Anderson, Art Burke, Jeannie Ramsey, Kitty Rucker, and Jan Stone.

We are asking you, our members, to recommend to the committee anyone whom you think would make a good board member. We will then contact those people who are recommended to ask them if they wish to run for office, to explain the process and expectations, and to notify them of the deadlines. This year, we have two board positions open. Nominations must be in to the Office by May 14.

There are so many qualified and talented people in Cape George that we should have several candidates running for the open positions. It is helpful if candidates have experience in the community as volunteers or have held positions in other clubs or organizations. They should also have good communications skills and the ability to work with others in a collaborative way.

The job entails attending two meetings a month, acting as a liaison to one or two community committees, and assuming other responsibilities as needed. The Board of Trustee position lasts for 3 years, and a board member can remain in office for two full terms.

Please contact any of the of the Nominating Committee members listed above with your nomination or call **Kitty Rucker at 385-4927** if you have any questions or suggestions.



## Soup Supper

Wednesday, May 6  
5:30 PM--Social & 6:00 PM--Soup

Join us for the last Soup Supper of the season (we really mean it this time). Bring a soup or dessert to share and your own dishes and beverage.

Contact Kitty Rucker, 385-4927 and Joan Hommel, 344-2611, for additional information.



# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

Dink has suggested that we talk about "Unforced Errors" this month! That is, those shots that you hit that are "losers". Be clear, tho' - it's the shot not you that is a loser! Correcting those errors is a matter of figuring out what happened and trying not to repeat the same error. One way to do that is have a friendly observer watch your play and keep a tally sheet for you. Remember, one of the key mantras of the game is "Keep the ball in play and let the other team make the mistakes".



First, let's identify the 3 most common unforced errors: 1)

Hitting the ball into the net; 2) Hitting the ball out of bounds & 3) Not getting the serve in. It may be helpful to know whether the ball was hit into the net from a forehand, a backhand or volley to close to the net. Hitting the ball out of bounds can happen from anywhere on the court and again noting whether it happened from a forehand or backhand or lob is helpful in correcting the error. Not getting your serve in is something that takes away your one free shot to start the game or the point and can usually be "fixed" with a little practice and helpful suggestions from experienced player.

Hitting the ball into the net usually happens when the player doesn't get down under a low ball by bending their knees or if the paddle face is flat or tipped downward. This can occur on either a backhand or forehand and can be

corrected by being aware of your position in relation to the ball. The other most common shot that ends up in the net is a volley or "smash" hit when you are standing just behind the kitchen line and come down from above on the ball with the paddle face sharply downward.



Hitting the ball out of bounds can happen for a number of reasons. One most obvious is hitting the ball too hard and too high into the backcourt. Another is not approaching the ball and directing it - if the ball gets behind you before you hit it you have poor control of its direction. This can occur with either the forehand or backhand but most often with the backhand.

All the basics apply with every shot: Keep your eye on the ball - watch it come off your paddle; anticipate and approach the ball; follow thru on the ground strokes and be aware of your paddle

position and paddle face. Shorten your back swing with volleys and control your urge to smash - think placement.

It may be helpful to have a friend with a simple tally sheet observe you and record your unforced errors and how they occurred. A little friendly feedback is always good for the soul and your game!

Lobs comments this month:

1. Thanks to whoever brought an official garbage can to the court!!
2. Thanks to Dimne for keeping us supplied with Cold Packs for the locker
3. When at the net as a team be as a moving wall - keep your side covered
4. Call the score so opponents can hear - hesitate before your serve so any corrections can be made

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5418 or  
rocketmama@wavecable.com

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Marina Sale	May 1, 9a-1p
	May 2, 9a-?
Soup Supper	May 6, 5:30p
Pickleball Potluck	May 13, 5:30p
CGU—Protection Island	May 18, 7p
Book Group	May 19, 1p
BUNCO	May 20, 2p
Social Club Potluck and Mtg.	May 22, 12:30p
Memorial Day BBQ	May 25, 5:30p

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	Betty Hanks.....	379-6572			
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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

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<b>3</b> Clubhouse closed for cleaning	<b>4</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Duplicate Bridge 12:15p Open Swimming 1p Bldg. Comm —9:15a (Office)	<b>5</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> Marina Comm. 11a Water Comm. 5p—Office	<b>6</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p Pool Comm. 3p Soup Supper 5:30p	<b>7</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p	<b>8</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>9</b>
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

I provided testimony at the final hearing for the berm permit at Jefferson County court house. At the conclusion, the hearing examiner indicated that the permit would be channeled through the State Department of Ecology's office and then approved. This appears to be the final step in an 18 month process.

East Jefferson Fire Rescue discovered a sewer line problem at the Cape George Road fire station. Apparently a concrete slab at the rear of the building settled on the pipe and caused it to become restricted. They have undertaken repairs to correct the problem.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Final work is underway to complete repairs to the ravine trail.
- When time permits road edge maintenance continues to be worked on.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Report of speeding vehicles in the Village and Colony.
- Report of scotch broom growing on a vacant lot in the Colony.

## Slow Down!



We've had an abundance of complaints recently concerning vehicles speeding on community roads. This has included reports of specific members, delivery people and various contractors, all going much too fast.

Please be reminded that the maximum speed throughout the community is 20 mph. Many members walk their dogs, exercise, visit neighbors, walk to the pool, etc. by way of the community roads. Speeding puts everyone who walks the roads at risk. If you have a delivery person or contractor doing work for you, it would be a good idea to please remind them of the speed limit.

## Meet the Candidates

**This is your opportunity to meet the Trustees running for office  
Tuesday, June 9th, at 2 pm and Thursday, June 11th, at 6 pm  
In the Clubhouse**

**DEADLINE FOR JULY NEWSLETTER -- June 20**

## **NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

Very short letter this month.

The Cape George manager, Senior Bookkeeper Sally Lovell and I have been interviewing candidates for the Office Administrator position. I anticipate this position will be filled shortly.

Due to heavy rain, the ravine area recently sustained some damage to the trail and Memorial Park. This is not the first time something like this has happened. The Environmental Committee asked the Cape George board to consider conducting a study to prevent future flooding and erosion. The manager advised the board that he has been working with Roads Committee Chair Larry Southwick to resolve the problem by replacing the drain screen at the top of the ravine with a much larger device.

Finally, Cape George's application for a shoreline berm permit had its final hearing at the Jefferson County Courthouse. Our manager was the only witness to appear and testify. The hearing examiner advised that the permit would be submitted to the state's Department of Ecology and then approved. We believe this is the final step in the longer than anticipated permit process.

Our plan is to begin berm construction in the fall. The berm should be completed in time to protect our beach area from the king tides and high winds of the winter months.



## **LISTEN! THE WIND** **CHOSEN AS JUNE BOOK**

Ann Morrow Lindbergh, wife of Charles and a famous pilot in her own right, chronicles the end of 6-month trip they took in 1933. In “Listen! The Wind” she writes about their 1933 trip when they established the flight route from Europe to Africa and South America for future commercial airlines. The Cape George Book Group will discuss this account at their June 16 meeting.

The Lindbergs flew a Lockheed Sirius with added pontoons for water landings as most of their stops were on islands where they spent the nights as guests of colonial governors or their representatives. They spent much of their time waiting for favorable weather conditions and at one point shed most of their personal items and a considerable amount of fuel before they were able to take off.

Ann wrote with joy and awe from her co-pilot seat behind Charles. Her main job was the radio where she would send a signal to someplace on land and wait for a response.

Coming just about a year after the kidnapping and death of their baby, this flight and the precise notes and log in which the Lindberghs chronicled their adventure possibly served as a catharsis for their loss. They were also true pioneers and explorers of their day.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please call Jeanie Ramsey, 385-1263.

## *Ed Skowyra Water Facility Dedication and Memorial*

Join family and friends on Saturday, May 30, at 1pm at the ED SKOWYRA MEMORIAL WATER FACILITIES in the Highlands, corner of Saddle Drive and Johnson Avenue for a dedication of the facilities to long-time member Ed Skowyra. Ed served on the Cape George Board and was a 20+ year member of the Water Committee. During his time on the Water Committee he took a lead role in the development of the community water system and in recent years played a key role in challenging the state to protect our water rights. The water facilities will be open for viewing with staff available to answer questions. That will be followed by a social (cake and soft drinks) at the Clubhouse at 1:30. Please join us.



### ANNUAL CAPE GEORGE BEACH WALK

Be sure to mark your calendar for the **Annual Cape George Beach Walk** on July 1<sup>st</sup>, at 9 a.m. It is one of the lowest tides of the year. Once again we will have Chrissy McLean and Jamie Larding of the Marine Science Center with a crew of their staff coming to show us the amazing sea life that exists right on our beach. Coffee and sweet rolls will be provided before the walk. Bring your kids, your grandkids, and your friends. This wonderful event is sponsored by the Cape George Environmental Committee.

### THE NOXIOUS SCOTCH BROOM

This familiar plant, also known as Scot's Broom, is an invasive flowering shrub that grows commonly throughout the Puget Sound region. Originally introduced from Europe as an ornamental and for erosion control, it is highly aggressive and forms dense stands which crowd out native vegetation and reduce wildlife habitat value.

In Jefferson County it is listed as a plant of high concern for control.

In the coming weeks the office will be sending out notices to members who have it growing on their property asking them to remove it before it takes hold. We ask that everyone be on the lookout for this plant on their own property.

To that end, two Scotch Broom pullers are available to loan for our members use. One is a six foot tool for the larger plants and we also have a smaller tool that is easier to use on smaller plants. These tools are available through the office for your use.





## **“The Long, Strange Road to Women’s Suffrage in Washington State”**

What did rhododendrons, a cookbook and the Mercer Girls have to do with voting rights for women in Washington state? And what did a local newspaper editor write about the renowned suffragist Susan B. Anthony -- as well about the women of Port Townsend – following Anthony’s visit here in 1871?

Find out at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 16, in a Cape George University presentation by Mary Logan Rothschild, Ph.D.

Dr. Rothschild, professor emerita, Women and Gender Studies, School of Social Transformation at Arizona State University, will tell the story, full of twists and turns, of how women in Washington tried for more than 50 years to gain the right to vote. Their efforts also helped revitalize the national suffrage movement, which eventually secured passage of the Nineteenth Amendment.

Mary is the former director of the Women’s Studies program at ASU and was at the University of Washington during the development of the women’s studies program there. She spends summers at her Cape George Colony cabin and has a little sailboat in the marina, the “Susan B,” named for – of course -- Susan B. Anthony.

It was Anthony who once predicted future generation would find it difficult to believe that women in this country were long denied the freedom and privileges of citizenship. Join us at the clubhouse on June 16<sup>th</sup> to recall that time, and to learn the details of the crusade that made Washington one of the first states in the nation where women had the right to vote.

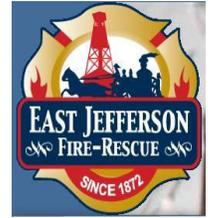
## **Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author’s name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

## Wildfire Season Preparation: Critical Information for Cape George Residents to Prepare Homes and Reduce Risks

East Jefferson Fire Rescue (EJFR) and wildfire safety experts from the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) Firewise® Communities Program are encouraging residents to prepare their homes for the impending wildfire season and the expected increased risk of wildfire activity on the Olympic Peninsula.



National trends show that wildfire risk and the size of many wildfires are growing. Due to increasing wildland fire activity over the past decade, NFPA experts and EJFR leaders continue to educate residents and communities about what they can do to prepare before a wildfire strikes their area. Wildfires DO NOT have to burn everything in their paths.

### Tips for Cape George Residents:

- Obey outdoor burning bans. The burn ban for our area is expected to begin on July 1. However, EJFR Fire Chief Gordon Pomeroy has the option to institute the ban prior to that date if unusually dry conditions occur. The burn ban typically expires on Sept. 30.
- Don't burn trash or debris when conditions are dry or windy. Unsafe burning of leaves, brush, household trash and other debris is a major cause of wildfires.
- If camping, check local restrictions on campfires. Use an approved gas stove as an alternative for heating and cooking. If charcoal grills are permitted, use them only over fire proof surfaces such as asphalt or bare mineral soil.
- Dispose of smoking materials properly. Extinguish them in an ashtray. Don't throw them out your window.
- Avoid parking and idling in dry grass. Catalytic converters can get hot enough to ignite the grass.
- Keep water available when using welding equipment or cutting torches around grass and brush. A five-gallon bucket of water with a tote sack in it could prove valuable if sparks or hot pieces of metal catch nearby grass on fire.
- Avoid setting hot chainsaws or other gas-powered equipment in dry grass, which could ignite after coming into contact with hot mufflers.

### How Everyone Can Prepare for Wildfire:

- Clear leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. This prevents embers from igniting your home.
- Keep your lawn hydrated and maintained. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire. If it is brown cut it down to reduce fire intensity.
- Remove fuel within 3-5 feet of your home's foundation and out buildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- Remove dead vegetation within the 30'-100' area surrounding your home.
- Wildfire can spread to tree tops. If you have large trees on your property, prune so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet high.
- Don't let debris and lawn cuttings linger. Dispose of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- When planting, choose slow-growing, carefully placed shrubs and trees so the area can be more easily maintained.
- Landscape with native and less-flammable plants. Your state forestry agency or county extension office can provide plant information.

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## About Firewise

EJFR follows guidelines from the Firewise Communities Program. This program encourages local solutions for safety by involving homeowners in taking individual responsibility for preparing their homes from the risk of wildfire. Firewise is one element of the Fire Adapted Communities initiative – a national effort that engages homeowners, firefighters, civic leaders and land managers to reduce wildfire risk in communities throughout the United States. The Firewise Communities Program and the Fire Adapted Communities initiative are sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association and USDA Forest Service.



## For More Information

Plan to attend a Firewise presentation at the Cape George clubhouse on June 8 at 7:00 p.m. to learn more about how to protect your home.

# Meet the Candidates

This July two Trustee terms of office will be expiring. Below you will find the names and informational bios for the community members who have asked to be considered for these positions. **A Meet the Candidates Forum will be held on Tuesday, June 9th at 2pm and Thursday, June 11th at 6pm in the Cape George Clubhouse.**

## Richard Hilfer

I first ran for the Board of Trustees in 2009. I was not selected.

In April 2010, I was appointed by the Board to complete the term of a Trustee who resigned. Later that year, I served as the Secretary.

I was elected President in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

During my time on the Board, Cape George members have approved a number of recommended proposals to improve our community and place the association in a more prudent financial position:

1. A special assessment to replace the north marina seawall. This project was completed under budget and money was returned to members.
2. A special assessment to replace the south seawall. This assessment was proposed in order to avoid duplicating approximately \$100,000 in costs and to reduce the overall cost of replacing both seawalls.
3. A bylaw amendment to provide for an additional annual assessment dedicated to Cape George reserve funds for future repairs to and replacement of our common property.
4. A bylaw amendment setting that initial reserve assessment at \$180 per year.
5. A special assessment to construct a shoreline berm to protect our beach and clubhouse from flooding during high tides and strong winds.

During my time as President, I believe meetings and association business have been conducted in a fair, open and transparent fashion.

Cape George still faces some issues with association governance and enforcement of its rules. The Board is now in the process of formulating a coherent, real-

istic approach to these issues. I believe that work is necessary and should continue.

## Ray Pierson

My wife Eileen and I searched for two (2) years for a place to retire. When we found Cape George we both fell in love and purchased in the Village. Since then our daughter and granddaughters also have moved to Cape George. We enjoy the beautiful views, natural settings, and the amenities, all of which we have used over the last seventeen (17) years.

I believe strongly in volunteerism. I served on the building committee and have consistently helped maintain our common areas most recently repainting all of our community entry signage.

From the start I attended the majority of study sessions and board meetings so I could have a good understanding of our covenants, by-laws, rules and regulations and the impact they have on our members. Over the last 2 ½ years as a trustee I have spent endless hours expanding my knowledge of both current hot topic items and long term goals and needs. I feel my job is not done and ask for your vote in the upcoming election.

If elected I promise to use common sense and reasoning on all issues. I have no personal agenda and vow to work towards transparency and keep the concerns of the entire membership in mind at all times. I will come prepared to meetings, listen to the members with respect and work towards resolution rather than conflict.

Here is a little of my background for those of you I have not had an opportunity to meet. I am a native of the Seattle area, married for forty seven (47) years with a son, daughter and two wonderful granddaughters. I served eleven (11) years in naval aviation. I have a degree in law enforcement, served twenty (20) years on the Bellevue police force and served as treasurer of the police officers guild. In 1987 I retired from the police force, and went to work for Boeing security and material handling from which I retired in 1999.

Thanking you in advance

Ray Pierson

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
May 14, 2015  
7:00 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

- A. Welcome
- B. An Executive Session is planned immediately following the Board Meeting to discuss a member violation of the governing documents and consider communication with legal counsel.
- C. The following candidates have submitted the required information to be included in the 2015 Trustee elections:
  - a. Richard Hilfer
  - b. Joel C. Janetski
  - c. Ray Pierson

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Carol Wood, Karen Krug, Michael Hinojos, Leslie Fellner

**Action on Minutes: Carol Wood**

Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the April 16, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Passed 4/0

**Membership Report: Carol Wood**

- Paul & Cathy Tibert purchased 175 Bridle Way from Bill & Jean Castello
- Cary Marin purchased 52 W Vancouver Dr from Sharon Borgstrom

**Treasurers Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of April 30, 2015**

**2015 Balance Sheet Comments:**

All bank accounts have been reconciled and actual bank statements reviewed with no material exceptions. Keeping all cash balances within the FDIC limits continues to be a challenge and some operating funds were temporarily moved to the operations savings account to help with managing the FDIC limitations. Staff is still working on an cash flow forecast to enable more permanent recommendations as to cash placement can be made. With the very low interest rates, moderate levels of idle cash are not a major concern.

Several exceptionally delinquent receivable accounts were placed with a collection agency in April. Cape George will receive funds only if and when the agency has been successful in collecting. Since some portion of the delinquent accounts go back as far as 2012, it is anticipated that recoveries will be minimal at best. The potential of uncollectibility of these accounts has been recognized throughout the years so there is no current impact on bottom line.

As usual, information on cash balances is included on the balance sheet section on the following page.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page.

Through the first four months of the fiscal year, net operations in all cost centers are performing slightly better than budget projections. The favorable performance is being driven largely by lower than anticipated costs in repairs and labor. In both categories, we typically see expenses trend upward during the summer months so it is likely that the favorable variances will decrease as the months go by.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
**Balance Sheet as of April 30, 2015 and 2014**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 166,733	\$ 163,250	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 11,483	\$ 8,813
Operating Investment-Savings	105,046	70,025	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	47,820	49,416
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	-	1,194
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	423,933	299,592	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,150	550
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	59,584	85,624	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	32,585	92,650
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<u>65,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<u>93,038</u>	<u>152,623</u>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Equivalents</b>	<u>821,636</u>	<u>619,091</u>	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Net Accounts Receivable	18,385	18,496	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	32,585	92,650	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Net SpclAssmnts Receivable	20,730	72,434	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,778,485	1,830,558	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	<u>236,364</u>	<u>171,267</u>
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	9,932	10,306	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$ 2,681,753</u>	<u>\$ 2,643,535</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$2,681,753</u>	<u>\$2,643,535</u>			

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended April 30 (Modified Cash Basis)**

<b>2015 Year to Date</b>					<b>COMPARATIVE</b>				
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>		<b>2015 YTD</b>	<b>2014 YTD</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>
General Assessment	\$ 143,204	\$ 143,204	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 143,204	\$ 137,696	\$ 5,508	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	5,562	6,684	(1,122)	-17%	Revenue - All Other Sources	5,562	6,364	(802)	-13%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<u>148,766</u>	<u>149,888</u>	<u>(1,122)</u>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<u>148,766</u>	<u>144,060</u>	<u>4,706</u>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	41,528	44,776	3,248	7%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	41,528	40,912	(616)	-2%
Repairs & Maintenance	3,707	6,692	2,985	45%	Repairs & Maintenance	3,707	6,834	3,127	46%
Contracted Services	14,405	15,828	1,423	9%	Contracted Services	14,405	17,179	2,774	16%
Insurance	7,444	8,273	829	10%	Insurance	7,444	7,514	70	1%
Pool Expense	4,233	9,000	4,767	53%	Pool Expense	4,233	12,438	8,205	66%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	8,767	8,214	(553)	-7%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	8,767	11,391	2,624	23%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<u>80,084</u>	<u>92,783</u>	<u>8,485</u>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<u>71,317</u>	<u>96,268</u>	<u>5,355</u>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 68,682</u>	<u>\$ 57,105</u>	<u>\$ 11,577</u>	20%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 77,449</u>	<u>\$ 47,792</u>	<u>\$ 29,657</u>	62%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 91,980	\$ 91,980	-	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 91,980	\$ 91,620	\$ 360	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<u>95,234</u>	<u>93,980</u>	<u>1,254</u>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<u>95,234</u>	<u>93,323</u>	<u>1,911</u>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	19,109	20,487	1,378	7%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	19,109	18,856	(253)	-1%
Repairs & Maintenance	534	2,592	2,058	79%	Repairs & Maintenance	534	1,596	1,062	67%
Contracted Services	5,345	5,448	103	2%	Contracted Services	5,345	5,436	91	2%
Insurance	3,965	4,417	452	10%	Insurance	3,965	4,282	317	7%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,967	14,424	3,457	24%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,967	11,658	691	6%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<u>39,920</u>	<u>47,368</u>	<u>7,448</u>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<u>39,920</u>	<u>41,828</u>	<u>1,908</u>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 55,314</u>	<u>\$ 46,612</u>	<u>\$ 8,702</u>	19%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 55,314</u>	<u>\$ 51,495</u>	<u>\$ 3,819</u>	7%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,710	\$ 53,905	\$ 805	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,710	\$ 48,156	\$ 6,554	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	8,757	9,040	(283)	-3%	Revenue - All Other Sources	8,757	7,234	1,523	21%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<u>63,467</u>	<u>62,945</u>	<u>522</u>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<u>63,467</u>	<u>55,390</u>	<u>8,077</u>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	4,188	4,488	300	7%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	4,188	3,508	(680)	-19%
Repairs & Maintenance	972	1,266	294	23%	Repairs & Maintenance	972	537	(435)	-32%
Contracted Services	808	1,274	466	37%	Contracted Services	808	788	(20)	-3%
Insurance	2,077	2,310	233	10%	Insurance	2,077	1,492	(585)	-39%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,857	3,262	405	12%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	2,857	4,208	1,351	32%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<u>10,902</u>	<u>12,600</u>	<u>1,698</u>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<u>10,902</u>	<u>10,533</u>	<u>(369)</u>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 52,565</u>	<u>\$ 50,345</u>	<u>\$ 2,220</u>	4%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<u>\$ 52,565</u>	<u>\$ 44,857</u>	<u>\$ 7,708</u>	17%
<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	59,580	-	59,580		<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	59,580	-	59,580	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	9	-	9		Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	9	26,480	(26,471)	
Reserve Interest - all	215	-	215		Reserve Interest - all	215	243	(28)	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<u>\$ 236,364</u>	<u>\$ 154,061</u>	<u>\$ 82,294</u>	53%	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<u>\$ 245,131</u>	<u>\$ 170,867</u>	<u>\$ 100,736</u>	43%

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of newsletter

**Member participation:**

A member representing Anna Pilushuk conveyed a message concerning the hedge violation at 411 Sunset Blvd. The message was that legal counsel had been retained and papers would be served to the Board in challenge of the violation.

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Michael Hinojos moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve the expenditure of not to exceed \$2,180 for the removal of 6 hazardous trees on common property. Passed 4/0

**Motion 2:** Richard Hilfer moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to accept the donation of a boat, trailer, and motor valued at \$2,000 from member Tom Cawrse for use in marina operation and to insure the boat through Homer Smith Insurance. Passed 4/0

**Motion 3:** Leslie Fellner moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve the request of Varn Brooks to give permission to the members and guests of the Jefferson Land Trust Geology Group to park at Cape George during their field trip on 6/27/15. Passed 4/0

**Motion 4:** Leslie Fellner moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve the transfer of \$1,601.12 from Marina Reserves to the Cape George General Checking Account to pay Arrow Lumber and Hardware for the marina dock float replacement project. Passed 4/0

**Motion 5:** Michael Hinojos moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve 3 member requests for due date adjustments. Passed 4/0

**Open Board Discussion:** There was no discussion.

**Announcements:**

- A. Trustee Meet the Candidate – June 9, 2015 2:00 P.M.
- B. Study Session – June 9, 2015 3:00 P.M.
- C. Trustee Meet the Candidate – June 11, 2015 6:00 P.M.
- D. Board Meeting – June 11, 2015 7:00 P.M.

**Motion 6:** Carol Wood moved and Mike Hinojos seconded to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a member violation of the governing documents and consider communication with legal counsel at 7:25 p.m. Passed 4/0

**Motion 7:** Carol Wood moved and Mike Hinojos seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to regular session at 7:50 p.m. Passed 4/0

**Adjournment:** Mike Hinojos moved and Karen Krug seconded to adjourn the regular session at 7:51 p.m. Passed 4/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building Committee  
April Report**

*Building Permits Issued:*

Mike Heckinger/Kris Easterday: 170 Sunset Blvd, Colony, build a deck onto their house.  
Hirsch (Andrew Anderson): 200 N Rhododendron Dr, Colony, build a 10x20 shed

**Environmental Committee**  
**May 11, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Art Burke, Dennis Fellner, Katie Habegger, Joan Hommel, Norma Lupkes, Kitty Rucker, Steve Shapiro, Linda Sutton

Meeting was called to order by Kitty with April minutes approved as read. Thanks to Katie for recording the minutes. Fiscal report: Total - \$3995.51.71 after expenses.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that 30-day public comment period has now passed and the final hearing for wrap-up of the process is scheduled for May 12 with a report to be given at the next study session. Once the permit is issued the same contractor will be used for both the berm and the septic up-grade which will cause significant disruption for a period of up to 10 days so the work will be delayed until fall.
- B. Electronic Warfare Panel** – Linda Sutton announced that none of the invited panel participants are available for the informational event planned for May 20. She has however attended a recent outreach meeting by the Forest Service in Olympia and any decision will not be reached until September.
- C. North Jetty Park at Marina** – The planting and hardscape treatment plan submitted by John and Betty Hanks to the Board of Trustees was approved, with \$1000 from given to the \$3000 budget for the project. The Marina Committee has matched that amount and collected \$300 in donations, leaving an additional \$750.. A motion was made to contact Penny Jensen to tell her that we (and hopefully (the Social Club) will cover the amount that is left to raise. Kitty and Norma will ask the Social Club if they want to help. Motion carried.
- D. Film for April** – The April movie “The Unknown Sea: A Voyage on the Salish” was attended by 50-60 and was extremely interesting and informative. The next film will be after the summer break in October.
- E. Ravine Damage Progress** – Art reported that the damage repair continues with the conclusion that the drain screen at the top of the ravine needs be replaced with a much larger trash rack and the overall drainage plan to be addressed. Such a significant rain event allows rapid decent of water as well as trash and material from property not owned by CG bordering the ravine. Work will continue throughout the summer months.
- F. Community Fire Inspection** – Art accompanied two representatives of Jefferson County Fire and Rescue on a walk of CG common property and found some areas of concern such as brush piles as well as trees overhanging on structures. In June JFR will provide educational sessions and articles of best fire management practices.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Beach Walk** – Kitty will contact the Marine Science Center to set up a date for the annual beach walk to be held during the low tide in early July.
- B. Office Flower Boxes** – Steve Shapiro volunteered to water the flower boxes.
- C. NY Times Article** – Linda asked that an article on “Round-up” be e-mailed to committee members and that the email address be posted in the newsletter.

Respectfully Submitted: Norma J. Lupkes, Sec.

**Marina Committee**  
**May 5, 2015**

Attendees: Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen, Marina Committee: Paul Happel, Tom Ramsey, Tom Cawrse, John Hanks, Travis Rowland, Ray Pierson, Sam Melton, Bob Frenette, Scott Munson and Chuck Hommel.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Marina Chairperson Penny Jensen.

Financial Report: Penny thanked all the members of the marina committee for their wonderful assistance in making the Marina Sale a success. The Marina Sale brought in \$4,556.00.

The total in the marina memorial fund now stands at \$7,400.00

Old Business: A committee for coordination and planning is being formed for the August 17, 2015 Water Front Festival. If you would like to help contact Penny Jensen. The Weir boat was sold for \$200.00. A motion was made by John Hanks and second-

ed by Travis Roland with a unanimous vote that the proceeds go to the Weir family. The boat trailer went to the recycle center. Penny is working on getting insurance for the newly donated marina boat. The Coast Guard Auxiliary will do boat inspections on May 19 starting at 9:00, am please sign up at the Workshop. Bob Tilley and Jim Bodkin will inspect the mooring buoy's in June. The five year permits have been approved for the entrance dredging, marina dredging and jetty extension. The sediment bypass is still on hold pending approval. Entrance dredging is planned for July 1-2. Plans are still underway to trim off the wood pilings and cap them with plastic caps. Doug Lind and Louise Kravuck will be closing the gate to the marina parking lot in the month of May. Anyone interested in crewing a 70' vessel from Hawaii to Port Townsend please call Bob Skoien for details. Penny asked that people do not move boats to slips they are not assigned to and to contact her for availability of slips.

New Business: A rowing shell feasibility study is taking shape to determine the possibility of placing a small dock for rowing shells to put in and take out. A motion was made by Ross Anderson and seconded by Craig Muma and approved by the committee to create the study. Volunteers for the committee are Tom Cawrse, Penny Jensen and Lizzy Hewitt. The North Seawall proposed park was discussed. The park would be comprised of a gazebo, additional benches, hearty plant plantings. Barrier cloth with a graveled surface would cover the area. The construction cost is expected to be \$2,900 with all volunteer community labor doing the work. The Cape George Board obligated \$1,000, A motion was made by John Hanks and seconded by Travis Rowland and approved by the committee to donate \$1,000 from the Marina memorial fund towards the project. Donations of the remaining funds will be accepted for the project. Seawall Zincs will/may have to be replaced this year. The Zincs are used to slow down the metal deterioration through electrolysis of the seawall.  
Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am

### **Pickle Ball Ad Hoc Committee**

Ad hoc committee hosted a pot luck dinner on 5/13/15 for pickle ball players and friends.

Ad hoc committee presented several ideas to potluck attendees

Decision was made to send out a survey to the pickle ball players list with 3 options:

- Build a 2<sup>nd</sup> court with a pole building
- Cover the current court with sailcloth tenting
- Do nothing

We expect to have the results of this survey for next month's board meeting

### **Pool Committee April 1, 2015**

#### **ATTENDEES:**

Art Burke  
Rocky D'Acquisto – Chair  
Mary Hilfer  
Robin Scherting  
Bruce Candioto

#### **NOTES:**

The current Pool Committee Treasury amount is \$1,781.94

The St. Patrick's Dinner made \$543.65 for the Pool Committee, with \$226 of that amount coming from the auction.

Art will buy both a boot scraper for outside and a mat for the vestibule of the pool in an effort to keep the shower room floors clean.

Donnie has painted the interior of one of the windows with a new material that is supposed to weatherproof and seal it. He will try a couple more coats to see if it works better.

Mike Heckinger supplied and made two stainless steel covers for the drains in the shower rooms. They have been grouted down and are in use.

The alarm on the emergency door of the pool has been “tested” twice and it worked both times, resetting itself.

Bruce delivered a plan for lanes in the pool. There was a discussion about what they’ve used at the Mountain View pool, which appears to be some sort of sticker. Rocky will check with them to get an idea of what was used.

The septic system affecting the pool and the clubhouse will be modified and fixed next month. It involves a brand new two-chamber tank in conjunction with the existing chamber tank. That will bring the septic up to code and should free the way to getting the necessary permits for the berm.

Next meeting: May 6 – 3:00 at the Clubhouse

Respectfully submitted, Mary Hilfer for Norma Lupkes

**Water Committee  
May 4, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager and Larry Southwick, Committee Chair.

1. Ed Skowyra Memorial – Helen Ann Skowyra and the Memorial Committee have agreed that the dedication of the water facilities in Ed’s name will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Please put that on your calendar and plan to attend. Larry and Art will develop the program, probably just a couple speakers for the dedication and then an open house for the water facilities. We’ll open all the doors and have Greg and Donnie available to answer questions (or something along those lines). That will be followed by a social function at the Clubhouse prepared by the Memorial Committee. A notice for the dedication was included in the May Newsletter.
2. Water rights – Nothing new since the last report. We anticipate this coming to a final conclusion soon.
3. Highland Booster Pump Controller – Greg, Stew and Donnie met with an electrician from DD Electric at the site and reviewed the plans for the new control system. We are now waiting for a cost estimate from DD to install the system and related wiring.
4. Backflow / Cross Connection (by phone with Greg later) – There are just a few residences that Greg still needs to schedule inspections for backflow prevention assemblies. Larry still has a number of calls to make regarding water softeners or where people marked ‘unknown’ but few of those would require an inspection and typically not require backflow assemblies. Greg met with Sharon and Bob to review the database so we can use it for follow up reminders and letters. Once we complete this initial inspection and identify where all of the backflow prevention assemblies are located, we’ll send out the first letters notifying owners of the required testing and certification. That will be the beginning of the annual process for inspections.

The next meeting will be on **June 2, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**

## **Please Come and Celebrate Our Graduating Seniors!**

Congratulations to Kaliska, Anna, Braeden, Avery, Cassie and François



Saturday, June 6th, 2:00 pm to whenever at the Clubhouse



Burgers and hotdogs served at 5:00 pm  
Iced tea and lemonade provided  
Feel free to BYOB and bring a side dish to share.



# PREPAREDNESS



**The month of May was "Volcano Preparedness Month" and also the 35th anniversary of the Mount St. Helen's eruption on May 18th, 1980. Remember?**

With the bulging of the north flank of Mt. St. Helens sliding away in a massive landslide early that Sunday morning, the uncorked volcano exploded and blasted rocks laterally, destroying centuries of forest growth within just a few minutes. Explosive volcanic activity ensued for over 9 hours, altering the landscape, and what we knew about volcanoes, forever.

The Mt. St. Helens eruption claimed the lives of 57 people immediately. Winds transported 520 million tons of ash across the United States, creating darkness across the state. Water from melting snow and ice mixing with loose rock debris formed "lahars" – volcanic mudflows – that poured down river valleys, ripped trees from their roots and engulfed roads, bridges and homes in its path.

Thirty-five years later, excess sediment still moves down those river drainages most affected by erupted debris, creating flooding issues and impressing upon us that hazards can persist long after an eruption is over. The eruption left an indelible effect on the regional economy and lives of citizens in the Pacific Northwest and even beyond. A diary of daily happenings during 1980 is posted on the USGS Volcanoes Facebook site, along with other information, if you would like to read further.



## **How Shall We Prepare for Future Eruptions? And Other Threats and Hazards?**

Recent eruptive events at volcanoes in Chile and Japan are reminders that volcanoes can reawaken very quickly and that preparations must be accomplished in times when the volcano is quiet. During September 2014, Ontake Volcano in Japan erupted with only a few hours of precursory earthquakes, and claimed the lives of 63 people. In April 2015, Calbuco volcano in Chile provided similar short notice and displaced more than 6,500 people.

Washington State's Emergency Management Division website (<http://mil.wa.gov/emergency-management-division>) has a section about the state's volcanoes as well as volcano preparedness measures. There's also educational material for kids on its publication section. You may also want to follow the agency's Twitter feed for breaking news and information.

## **What Exactly ARE the Threats and Hazards We Face Here in Washington State?**

Natural and technological hazards threaten our residents and community. An analysis of potential hazards plus planning for such events will allow you to mitigate the risks, enhance safety and reduce recovery time. Some of these topics have been addressed here in the past and we will continue to bring you on-board with recent and common concerns and assistance in coming weeks. **Hopefully, this will assist in piquing your interest in prevention and preparedness!**

**Avalanches** - Avalanches have killed more than 190 people in the past century, exceeding deaths from any other natural cause.

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Drought - In the past century, Washington State has experienced a number of drought episodes, including several that lasted for more than a single season. We are currently experiencing one, as identified by our governor this past month.

Earthquake - More than 1,000 earthquakes occur in Washington each year. A dozen or more are felt; occasionally, they cause damage.

Flood - Damage from flooding exceeds damage by all other natural hazards in Washington State.

Landslide - Landslide is the movement of rock, soil and debris down a hillside or slope. Landslides take lives, destroy homes, businesses, and public buildings, interrupt transportation, undermine bridges, derail train cars, cover clam and oyster beds, and damage utilities. Those affected by the OSO slide in March of 2014 continue to move toward recovery from devastation, damage and loss.

Severe Storm - All areas of Washington State are vulnerable to severe weather. A severe storm is an atmospheric disturbance that results in one or more of the following phenomena: strong winds, large hail, thunderstorm, tornado, rain, snow, or freezing rain.

Tsunami - The Pacific Coast, Strait of Juan de Fuca, Puget Sound, and large lakes are at risk from tsunamis, trains of powerful waves that threaten people and property along shorelines.

Volcano - Washington has five major volcanoes – Mount Baker, Glacier Peak, Mount Rainier, Mount St. Helens and Mount Adams. The risk posed by volcanic activity is not always apparent, as volcanoes can lie dormant for centuries between eruptions.

Wildfire - Short-term loss caused by wildland fire can include the destruction of timber, wildlife habitat, scenic vistas, and watersheds, and increase vulnerability to flooding. Long-term effects include smaller timber harvests, reduced access to affected recreational areas, and destruction of cultural and economic resources and community infrastructure.

Hazardous Material - Hazardous material incidents are intentional and/or unintentional releases of a material, that because of their chemical, physical, or biological nature, pose a potential risk to life, health, environment, or property.

Radiological - A radiological hazard is the uncontrolled release of radioactive material that can harm people or damage the environment.

**Keep Watching for Information, Events, and Assistance toward  
Emergency Preparedness here in the Cape George Community**

**Thad Bickling/ Karla Kauzlarich**

## **BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED**

The Cape George Building Committee is in need of new members. Our responsibilities include advising club members of our regulations, inspecting building plans for conformance with our regulations, and performing on site inspections. We commonly meet once a month when there are topics to discuss. You must have an interest and some knowledge of construction and be able to interpret the Building and Property Regulations.

If you are interested or want to learn more, call or email Ann Simpson at 379-9105 or Lhann173@aol.com.

# Jefferson County Library is More Than Just Books!

In a recent article in *Rotarian* magazine, the writer claimed small towns can do without movie theaters, fancy restaurants and stores that sell fifty kinds of vinegar. But, they cannot do without a public library. Jefferson County Library understands this need. In addition to the full services offered at our main facility at 620 Cedar Avenue in Port Hadlock, we also bring the library to you.

Every Wednesday from 10:00 - 11:00 am our bookmobile brings selections from our collections to Cape George Firehall. All the products offered at our main library are available by placing holds on materials via our website for pick-up on the bookmobile. We're also excited to announce that in late 2015 our new mobile library – currently under construction – will replace our 12-year-old vehicle.

At both our bookmobile and our main library you will find much more than books – inside our doors you will find movies, CDs, audio books, and yes, books – including almost 30,000 e-books. We have over 102,000 items that you can borrow, all with a library card that will cost you nothing. In the main library, we provide access to the internet, printers, copiers and scanners.

We offer a variety of programs. Kids and teens come to our after-school programs to learn, create art, and meet new friends. The young and their parents come to the library for story times and early literacy skill development. In addition to regular lectures on broad topics, our adult programming includes weekly technology classes and drop-in help with technology questions. We've recently implemented staff training initiatives to better meet the demand for assistance with technology. You can bring your device to our librarians for assistance with its use.



Both our bookmobile and our main library are safe and inviting places for neighbors to catch up with each other, learn about new technologies or simply pass the time in the company of others. For more information about library services and programs call 360 385-6544 or visit us at [www.jclibrary.info](http://www.jclibrary.info).

## Granny's Attic 2015

Granny's Attic 2015 has come and gone. We netted \$2,232.15. This amount will be combined with the proceeds from last year to redo items on the north side of the Clubhouse that need to be moved due to the future installation of the shoreline berm.

A huge thank you goes to all who donated items for sale.

Also a big thanks goes to Terri Brown, Katie Habegger, Marilyn Melton, Jeannie Ramsey, Cassie Reeves, Donnie and Ken and Laurie Owen.

Leanne Ryan, Granny's Attic Chair

# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

Dink has had a request this month to talk about Strategy. Many of you may remember C.A.P.P.S. from classes you took here. "C" for concentration; "A" for anticipation; "P" for patience; "P" for placement and finally "S" for strategy. If you apply the CAPP, you're already using the basic strategies .



Beginning with your serve going beyond getting it in consistently you can change your serve intermittently. If the opponents get used to you serving deep, change that to short occasionally. If you usually serve low and fast over the net, try a deep lobbing serve. If serving to a left hander, try placing the ball down the side line to their backhand.

On return of serve, try to get on offense right away with a short drop shot or a deep down the line to a backhand. This gives you time to get to the net more quickly and be ready to place the next shot.

Changing the pace of the game with cross-court dinks or volleys also allows you to pull the opponent out of position and take advantage of the open court. When responding to a shot that you could volley, let it bounce and place it to a deep backhand.

If the opportunity presents itself and with good communication one player can fake the return and let the other one take the shot - This confuses the other team and gets them off balance for the return.

As always, keep the ball in play and let the other team make the mistake and be aware of your unforced errors and try not to repeat them. Be open to positive suggestions from you partner - If you call the shot - take it and make it - No Sorrys.

Make a plan of action with your partner including a change of pace or serve and share what you are seeing as areas of opportunity in the opponents game. On serve, if they are standing into the court - serve deep and if they are behind the baseline, serve short.

Lobs thoughts this month include:

1. Watch the bulletin board and the schedule for special clinics
2. Play by the rules and call each others Kitchen faults
3. Don't forget to breath - take your time especially on the serve - just get it in
4. As it gets warmer, don't forget to drink . (before 5p.m. make it water!)

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## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
rocketmama@wavecable.com

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Senior Graduation	June 6, 2p
Firewise Communities	June 8, 7p
Meet the Candidates	June 9, 2p
	June 11, 6p
Book Group	June 16, 1p
CGU—Women's Suffrage	June 16, 7p

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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# JUNE

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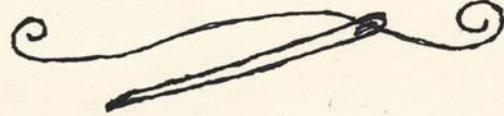

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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

After conducting a tour of common property areas with representatives from East Jefferson Fire Rescue, work has begun on reducing fire risk on some of these areas. Over the next few months, work will continue as time allows.

Please welcome our new Office Administrator Terri Brown. The job of Office Administrator requires someone with a very diverse background of experiences and skills. It has only been a couple of weeks since Terri assumed her responsibilities and she is already doing a great job.

I have completed filing the nonprofit corporation annual report with the Secretary of State's office.

We have received the final berm permit from Jefferson County

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Work continues on reducing fire risk on larger tracts of common property.
- The mowing season is well underway and a large part of time and energy is going toward road corridors and turf grass areas.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Report of fireworks being set off from a vacant lot in the Village.
- Complaint of speeding vehicle in the Village.
- Property maintenance complaint in the Village and Colony.
- Barking dog complaint in the Village

## Independence Day is Saturday, July 4th

The Cape George Office will be Closed on Friday, July 3rd



## Annual Membership Meeting

Saturday, July 18, 2:00 P.M.

at the Cape George Clubhouse

**DEADLINE FOR AUGUST NEWSLETTER -- July 20**

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

In July, Cape George Colony Club elects two trustees to new terms and holds its Annual Meeting at 2:00 P.M. on July 18. After the meeting, the Board of Trustees will meet to select its officers for the following year.

It is now clear the new Board of Trustees will have the same seven members as the present board. Given our prior board discussions, I can anticipate some of the issues the trustees will be discussing next year. The board will likely ask Cape George members to amend our Bylaws to provide for one vote per lot regardless of the number of lots a member owns. Under our current Bylaws, a member can own multiple lots (and pay multiple assessments) yet still only have one vote in association elections.

I also believe the board will be considering an upgrade to the swimming pool dehumidification system. The current system is not adequate and needs to be replaced. This would involve a substantial expenditure of reserve funds.

There may be other issues of importance to Cape George members which the board has not yet appreciated. Often good ideas are brought to the board by members. For example, a group of interested members suggested an outdoor sport court. This resulted in the appointment of an ad hoc committee of members whose efforts resulted in the addition of our popular court. Currently, an ad hoc committee of three members is investigating the feasibility of establishing a Cape George conflict management/resolution process which could assist when disputes arise between members or between a member and the Cape George association.

If any Cape George member has a similar beneficial idea or a concern regarding our association, the Annual Meeting on July 18 would be an appropriate time to present it.

As I discussed in the April and May newsletters, recent enforcement of the Cape George hedge rule has caused some controversy. This is the hedge rule approved by a vote of the Cape George membership:

**2.7 HEDGE: A row of vegetation, commonly having commingled foliage, which has been planted or permitted to flourish so that it has the effect of demarking part or all of a boundary or creating a visual screen.**

**7.1 FENCES, HEDGES, RETAINING WALLS: A permit is not required to plant a hedge or to build a fence, including an electrical fence, or a retaining wall unless such wall requires excavation on or adjacent to the Club's right of way. The maximum permissible height for fences and hedges is 8 feet.**

The rule was recently invoked by several Cape George members against a row of six trees planted in the early 1980's which had grown over the years and commingled. The Cape George manager determined this was an impermissible hedge and the board sustained his determination.

While the tree-owning member and her supporters suggested the board was requiring the member to either cut all the trees down to eight feet or remove them entirely, the board did not dictate any solution to the member, leaving the method of hedge resolution up to the member's own preference.

Ultimately, the owner chose to remove four trees and leave two standing. Since the two trees no longer had "commingled foliage," the Cape George manager determined the trees no longer constituted an impermissible hedge. The complaint was resolved even though two of the trees remained.

**Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder**

**Third Quarter Assessments are due July 1st**

## ANNUAL BEACH WALK

The Environmental Committee is once again sponsoring the Annual Beach Walk on the Cape George Beach. We have asked the Marine Science Center to come out and walk with us along the beach. They will identify sea life and show us marine creatures that people never may have seen or recognized. Last year we found an octopus cave on our north beach.

The walk begins on the north side of the Clubhouse at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Environmental Committee will provide buns to get you started on the walk. Bring your own coffee or tea. It is a good idea to also wear boots for wading and to bring a walking stick for maneuvering on the rocky beach if your balance is not good. This is one of the highlights of the year for members. Please come and join us in exploring the beach. Members also have brought their grandkids and friends to enjoy the walk. It is a very special event.

Call Kitty Rucker at 385-4927 if you have questions.

## PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT

We are fortunate to have the Salish Sea at our doorstep and to live in an area where nature is so vital to our life style. It is important to try to prevent it from being damaged by chemicals and waste. The Environmental Committee would like to offer you some suggestions that can help keep our area safe and healthy. Over the next few months, we will provide some hints to protect our beaches, water, and homes.

Cape George tries to use as few chemicals as possible to maintain our planted areas and the beach. This is why we have volunteers to hand weed and keep our common areas attractive. There are a few areas that are inaccessible or have special problems that do require spraying, but as a rule we do not like to use chemicals that can flow into the sea.

If you can, please hand weed or use a propane weed burner to get rid of small weeds in the garden or on your pathways. The burner is a very effective way of getting rid of weeds, and it lasts for a long time because the heat kills the roots and seeds.

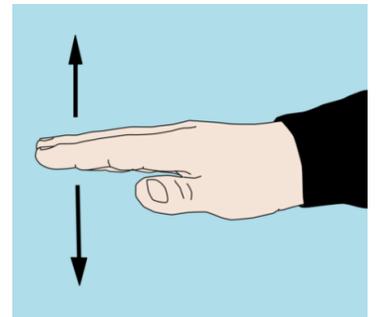
A member shared a less toxic way to spray for weeds than the professional chemical weed killers. It is also not wonderful for the environment if used in excess, but it is better than some chemicals. Mix 1 cup of vinegar with ½ cup of Epsom salts and 1/3 Dawn dish soap and apply sparingly to weeds.

Once again, use all chemicals sparingly. The less that we put on our gardens, the less that can reach the sea and affect the health of our pets and wildlife.

## *Take It Easy*

A suggestion for reminding one another, and visitors, that 20 MPH is the speed limit here at Cape George: let's use the gesture to the right, hopefully delivered with a smile. We have deer, dogs, cats and coyotes, not to mention blind, deaf, demented and lame residents to consider, plus children of all ages and the merely distracted. Help me remember and I'll help you.

Ann Candioto



# Cape George University

## **PENINSULA COLLEGE PROFESSOR IS AUGUST CGU PRESENTER**



Entitled "On Thinking: What it is we do when we think we are thinking?" Wes Cecil, a Humanities professor at Peninsula College will explore the biological, psychological and cultural influences that structure our attempts to think in his Tuesday, August 4th presentation.

Wes receives a B.A. in English from California State University, and an M.A. and Ph.D from Indiana University. He has been teaching at Peninsula College for 16 years.

The presentation will be at 7 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Please join us for what promises to be a fascinating presentation.

## **Cape George Member Letter Section**

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

## **CAPE GEORGE CLASSIFIEDS**

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## **ANNUAL SALMON BARBECUE**

**Sunday, July 19**

**Served 1-2:30 pm**

**PROVIDED:** Cape George's legendary wild Alaskan Sockeye Salmon, lemon, tartar sauce, light beverage

**BRING:** BYOB and a side dish, salad, or dessert to **FEED 8 or more.**

**NOTE:** If your party consists of 8 or more, please bring 2 potluck items!

**COST:** \$10 each / \$6 child under 10

**RESERVATION DEADLINE:** Tuesday, July 14

For the low sum of \$10 you will receive a DELICIOUS SALMON FILET grilled with a butter/garlic/lemon sauce, LEMON, TARTAR SAUCE, and a NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE. The rest of the dinner will be a **POTLUCK** with attendees bringing a side dish, salad, or dessert **TO FEED 8 OR MORE.**

**NOTE:** As usual, it will be BYOB if you prefer something other than iced tea or lemonade.

Reservations are still required and made at the Cape George Office with a **firm deadline of Tuesday, July 14.** Guests are welcome, but sign up early – we may have to cut off reservations if the response is overwhelming!

Questions?/Help: Mary Hilfer 379-0492 Norma Lupkes 302-5202

Please make your check payable to Cape George Social Club marked  
"Salmon Barbecue"

## MARINA NEWS

Cape George is thrilled that our very own Member Tom Cawrse's son-in-law sailed on the winning team aboard the vessel Elsie Piddock in the recent Race to Alaska (The Race2AK). The R2AK is a 750 mile, non-motorized boat race from Port Townsend to Ketchikan, AK. The race is still underway (as of this Newsletter submission). We are also very proud that four chase/safety boats from Cape George are following the racers. Harbormaster Penny Jensen along with Stu Pugh, Marty Bluewater and Lee Jensen participated in a search for a missing rower the first day of the race. Protection Island was circumnavigated using Marty Bluewater's boat and no rower was sighted. Fortunately later that evening an electronic signal was received from the Dungeness Spit and all was well with the rower.

Paddle sports are popular at Cape George. A number of members have inquired about the installation of a low profile dock for safer, efficient launching of kayaks, rowing shells and other human powered vessels. We are pursuing the feasibility of such a dock in our Marina basin. Members interested in using or helping with the dock, please call Travis Rowland [360 480 8651](tel:3604808651).

All rowers and paddlers please join us at the Waterfront Festival Aug 22, 2015 for the first ever Memorial Rowing and Paddling event! Honor those whom we have cherished by laying a wreath or flowers. I will be remembering my neighbor Alice. Thank you, Travis.

## IT'S COMING!!!! IT'S COMING!!!!

Mark your calendars now!!!

August 22, 2015 is the date!!!

## The CAPE GEORGE WATERFRONT FESTIVAL!!

Get on some boats, the dedication of our new North Seawall park, our fantastic Pet Beauty Pageant (with a new twist), kids games, the Sailboat Regatta, a Memorial Row and Paddle, free hot dogs, hamburgers, etc.



## Marina Entrance Channel Work

On July 1 - 3, from midmorning to early afternoon, work will be taking place in the vicinity of the entrance channel to the marina. Work will involve channel dredging and rock placement on the north jetty. While equipment is in the area, all boaters should exercise caution.

# VOLUNTEERS PLEASE HELP

The Environmental Committee is charged with two tasks, The first is to protect the Cape George environment, and the second is to maintain the common areas of our community. We have many common areas that make our community as open and enjoyable as it is.

For several years we have had a list of volunteers who help by maintaining small areas of the community, mainly by weeding and watering in dry weather. This saves the community a large amount of money by not having to hire gardeners to do the work. None of the areas are very large ,and the amount of work required is usually an hour or two every few weeks.

We just reviewed our list and find that several common areas need new volunteers. If you have the time and would like to help, we would be very grateful for your assistance. Here are the areas that are currently open.

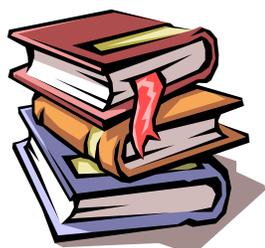
**The Office Area.** This is a small area around the Office. It would require a little weeding and watering of the plants and rhodies around the office.

**Huckleberry Mailbox Area and the entrance to the trail down the Ravine.** The mailbox area is to just check it out and make sure that all is well. The Ravine area would require you to check out the entrance to the Ravine and the trail to make sure that it is clear.

**The Common Area at the entrance to Ridge.** This includes the planted area on the street side of the Fire Station. It needs weeding and watering in dry weather.

**Filling the Doggie boxes around the community.** This requires someone to drive around once or twice a month to make sure that there are plastic bags in the boxes. If we want to have people pick up their dogs waste, this is certainly necessary.

Please contact Kitty Rucker at 385-4927 if you have questions or would like to help.



## The House Girl

### is July Book Pick

Tara Conklin's debut historical fiction novel, "the House Girl" will be discussed at the July 21 meeting of the Cape George Book Group.

Conklin weaves together the story of an escaped slave in the pre-Civil War South and a determined junior lawyer. The story follows Lina Sparrow as she looks for a lead plaintiff in a lawsuit seeking compensation for families of slaves.

In her search, the young lawyer learns about Lu Anne Bell, a renowned prewar artist whose works may actually have been painted by her slave, Josephine.

Taking place in both New York and Virginia, the author weaves a fascinating tale in a search for justice.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, please call Jeannie Ramsey at 385-1263.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
June 9, 2015  
2:15 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the special meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.**

- A. Welcome
- B. Purpose of the meeting is to conduct an Executive Session to discuss a legal matter.

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Karen Krug, Michael Hinojos, Katie Habegger, Leslie Fellner

**Motion 1:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a legal matter at 2:16 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn the Executive Session and return to regular session at 2:30 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Adjournment:** Richard Hilfer moved and Karen Krug seconded to adjourn the special meeting at 2:31 p.m. Passed 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
June 9, 2015  
3:38 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the special meeting to order at 3:38 p.m.**

- A. Welcome

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Karen Krug, Michael Hinojos, Katie Habegger, Leslie Fellner

**Motion 1:** Karen Krug moved and Katie Habegger seconded to approve the renewal of Cape George's insurance as quoted by Community Association Underwriters with the annual premiums as listed below:

- General Liability and Property, QBE - \$19,926
- Umbrella Liability, Greenwich - \$3,615
- Directors & Officers Liability, Travelers - \$5,703
- Automobile, PMA - \$1,370

Passed 4/0

**Adjournment:** Michael Hinojos moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to adjourn the special meeting at 3:40 p.m. Passed 4/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
June 11, 2015  
7:00 PM**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Karen Krug, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger and Michael Hinojos

**Action on Minutes:** Katie Habegger moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting May 14, 2015 : Passed 5/0

**Membership Report: Katie Habegger**

- Joseph Finnerty purchased 97 Pine Drive from estate of Christopher Adams
- Che & Vicki Jewart purchased 390 Dennis Blvd from The Maki's
- Ginny & Ed Kraft purchased 232 S Palmer from Martha Mead

**Treasurer's Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of May 31, 2015**

**2015 Balance Sheet Comments:**

All bank accounts have been reconciled and actual bank statements reviewed with no material exceptions.

**There are 22 Members who have not yet cashed the North Seawall refund checks that were mailed in October 2014. Outstanding checks require continual reconciliation and adjustment in the books and records and as a result substantially increase administrative costs. Members are asked to cash or deposit those refund checks if they have not already done so.**

Several delinquent receivable accounts were placed with a collection agency in April. On June 1, Cape George recovered about 60% of the outstanding amount on one (1) of those accounts. The collection agency does report delinquent accounts to the major credit reporting agencies and through their legal department are able to obtain out-of-state judgements and garnishments. While it is not expected that the other accounts will be collected at similar percentages, this initial collection is very positive. Future discussion will consider turning accounts over to the collection agency at a much earlier stage.

The four major insurance policies - basic hazard and liability, directors and officers, excess liability and auto - are up for renewal with expiration dates of June 18, 2015. Our coverage will again be provided through the underwriter CAU. The two major differences in the renewal coverage are a change from a three year guaranteed premium to a single year premium on the basic policy and the discontinuation of earthquake coverage on the basic policy. Our underwriter has not been able to find any insurer willing to offer earthquake coverage. The earthquake discontinuation will reduce the annual premium on the basic policy by about \$7,000. In addition we determined that a misunderstanding had led to purchasing coverage that only applied to an external management company. This correction change will further reduce the basic policy premium by another \$1,000. Coverage and premiums for the three other policies are the same as the prior year.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page.

All three cost centers are performing at better than budgeted levels through the first five months of this year. Most of the favorable variances are attributable to lower than budgeted expenses in Repairs and Maintenance and Contract Services, both categories where expenditures are generally heavier during the summer months so the favorable results may be only temporary. Utilities are another category that are exhibiting better than budgeted performance due to the mild weather this past winter and spring. The utility variance should continue at some level.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
**Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2015 and 2014**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 149,742	\$ 119,677	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 8,658	\$ 13,328
Operating Investment-Savings	105,049	70,027	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	50,231	51,494
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	-	933
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	422,372	321,491	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,150	450
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	61,167	65,077	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	32,585	70,612
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>68,359</b>	<b>-</b>	Total Current Liabilities	92,624	136,817
Total Cash & Equivalents	807,289	576,872			
Net Accounts Receivable	7,210	6,794	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	32,585	70,612	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Net SpclAssmnts Receivalbe	20,987	69,801	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,778,485	1,833,640	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	6,174	35,545	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	207,755	136,802
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,652,730</b>	<b>\$2,593,264</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,652,730</b>	<b>\$ 2,593,264</b>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended May 31 (Modified Cash Basis)**

<b>2015 Year to Date</b>					<b>COMPARATIVE</b>				
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>		<b>2015 YTD</b>	<b>2014 YTD</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>
General Assessment	\$ 143,204	\$ 143,204	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 143,204	\$ 137,696	\$ 5,508	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	6,810	7,606	(796)	-10%	Revenue - All Other Sources	6,810	33,861	(27,051)	-80%
Total General Revenue	150,014	150,810	(796)		Total General Revenue	150,014	171,557	(21,543)	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	52,711	55,970	3,259	6%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	52,711	51,974	(737)	-1%
Repairs & Maintenance	4,247	8,365	4,118	49%	Repairs & Maintenance	4,247	6,855	2,608	38%
Contracted Services	16,676	19,110	2,434	13%	Contracted Services	16,676	23,159	6,483	28%
Insurance	9,305	10,341	1,036	10%	Insurance	9,305	9,955	650	7%
Pool Expense	5,107	11,250	6,143	55%	Pool Expense	5,107	15,916	10,809	68%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,156	10,150	(6)	0%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	10,156	12,587	2,431	19%
Total General Expenses	98,202	115,186	10,847		Total General Expenses	88,046	120,446	9,004	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 51,812</b>	<b>\$ 35,624</b>	<b>\$ 16,188</b>	45%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 61,968</b>	<b>\$ 51,111</b>	<b>\$ 10,857</b>	21%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 91,980	\$ 91,980	\$ -	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 91,980	\$ 91,620	\$ 360	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
Total Water Revenue	95,234	93,980	1,254		Total Water Revenue	95,234	93,323	1,911	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	23,881	25,609	1,728	7%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	23,881	23,274	(607)	-3%
Repairs & Maintenance	670	3,240	2,570	79%	Repairs & Maintenance	670	4,563	3,893	85%
Contracted Services	6,399	6,810	411	6%	Contracted Services	6,399	6,460	61	1%
Insurance	4,956	5,521	565	10%	Insurance	4,956	6,117	1,161	19%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	13,288	16,500	3,212	19%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	13,288	12,238	(1,050)	-9%
Total Water Expenses	49,194	57,680	8,486		Total Water Expenses	49,194	52,652	3,458	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 46,040</b>	<b>\$ 36,300</b>	<b>\$ 9,740</b>	27%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 46,040</b>	<b>\$ 40,671</b>	<b>\$ 5,369</b>	13%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,830	\$ 53,905	\$ 925	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,830	\$ 49,481	\$ 5,349	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	9,228	9,340	(112)	-1%	Revenue - All Other Sources	9,228	8,027	1,201	15%
Total Marina Revenue	64,058	63,245	813		Total Marina Revenue	64,058	57,508	6,550	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	5,269	5,610	341	6%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	5,269	4,458	(811)	-18%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,698	1,582	(116)	-7%	Repairs & Maintenance	1,698	537	(1,161)	-33%
Contracted Services	1,019	1,592	573	36%	Contracted Services	1,019	898	(121)	-13%
Insurance	2,596	2,888	292	10%	Insurance	2,596	2,015	(581)	-29%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,381	3,999	618	15%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	3,381	5,017	1,636	33%
Total Marina Expenses	13,963	15,671	1,708		Total Marina Expenses	13,963	12,925	(1,038)	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 50,095</b>	<b>\$ 47,574</b>	<b>\$ 2,521</b>	5%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 50,095</b>	<b>\$ 44,583</b>	<b>\$ 5,512</b>	12%
<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	59,580	-	59,580		<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	59,580	-	59,580	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	15	-	15		Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	15	26,480	(26,465)	
Reserve Interest - all	256	-	256		Reserve Interest - all	256	243	13	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 207,797</b>	<b>\$ 119,497</b>	<b>\$ 88,285</b>	74%	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 217,953</b>	<b>\$ 163,088</b>	<b>\$ 81,331</b>	34%

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report: Art Burke – see page 1 of Newsletter**

**Committee Reports: Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Environmental, Marina, Pickleball Ad Hoc Committee and Water. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- A. The Trustees requested the Manager place an article in the July newsletter reminding members to not dump unauthorized materials at the fire ring area.
- B. The Indoor Sports Court Ad Hoc Committee provided a summary of the survey that was conducted (attached) and disbanded as no further work was immediately needed. The Board wishes to thank Committee Co-chairs Gail Krentzman, Dennis Fellner and Jeannie Ramsey for all of their work.
- C. Harbormaster Penny Jensen informed the Trustees that due to the milder than normal winter storms, a minimal amount of dredging of the entrance channel would be required this year. The bulk of the budgeted entrance channel account will be going toward rock work on the north jetty per our permit.
- D. Board President Richard Hilfer appointed Judith Chambliss, Lynn Pierle and Jan Stone as Co-chairs of an Ad Hoc Committee to research the feasibility of establishing a conflict management/resolution process. They are requested to provide monthly updates at Study Session and in writing.

**Member participation:**

None

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Rich Hilfer motioned and Karen Krug and Katie Habegger both seconded to consider appointing Mac McDonald to the Cape George Building Committee – Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug motioned and Michael Hinojos seconded motion to approve the refund of \$18.75 to the estate of former member Sallie Luers and \$8.09 to former member William Pfefferkuch for overpaid special assessments – Passed 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

Concerns discussed on how to handle a letter from a member that was addressed to Cape George Residents. No action to be taken, the letter implies the sender is mailing the letter direct to residents .

**Announcements:**

- Study Session – July 14, 2015 3:00 P.M.
- Board Meeting – July 16, 2015 7:00 P.M.
- Annual Meeting – July 18, 2015 2:00 P.M.

**Adjournment:** Leslie Fellner motioned and Ray Pierson seconded to adjourn the regular session at 7:10 pm Passed: 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Building Committee  
June 1, 2015**

Building Permits Issued:

Warren Boxleitner: 191 Colman Drive, Colony. To raise the roof of his carport to a maximum of 15'4".

**Marina Committee**  
**June 2, 2015**

Attendees: Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen, Marina Committee: Paul Happel, Tom Ramsey, Travis Rowland, Sam Melton, Bob Frenette, Scott Munson, Bob Skoien, Mac McDonald, Gary Rossow, Jack Scherting, Bob Schlentner, Scott James, Stanley Kropf, Scott Vanes, Carl Schwersinske, Bill Deckman, Joe Platt, Thad Bickling, Ken Owen, Dick Pool Ben Fellows and Ross Anderson.

VOLUNTEER WORK DAYS DURING THE SUMMER WILL BE ON TUESDAY AND THURSDAY FROM 9:00 AM TO 12:00 . COME ON OUT AND VOLUNTEER FOR YOUR MARINA.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Marina Chairperson Penny Jensen.

The total in the marina memorial fund now stands at \$7,100.00

Old Business: The Marina Committee received a thank you note from Maryl Weir for selling Dick's Boat and transferring the proceeds to her. Another Thank you note was received from a group of kayakers who swamped and floundered in Discovery Bay. Marina volunteers were able to contact a sailboat on the bay. The sailboat brought the kayakers to the Marina and they received dry cloths and assistance from Marina Volunteers. The kayakers started their journey from Becket Point. Bob Tilley and Jim Bodkin plan to inspect the mooring buoys in June.

Funding for the North Seawall Park has been acquired. The Cape George Board authorized \$1,000 and the Marina Committee Donated \$1,000 from their memorial fund. The remaining donations are from the Environmental Committee, and Social Club, and private donors.

Sign up for Coast Guard Auxiliary boat inspections at the Marina Office. Discussion on a small kayak, canoe and shell dock was held. Volunteers will do a feasibility and cost study and bring it to the next Marina Meeting. Craig Muma and Ross Anderson are traveling along with the Race to Alaska in their boats.

Piling caps have been ordered and the old caps refurbished to place on top of the pilings. Larger seawall zincs will be ordered to protect the steel sheet pilings. The zincs will be welded on the seawall by marina volunteers. Volunteers were sought to close the marina gate to the boat parking lot during the month of June. Electrolyses problems are still occurring in the marina. An expert in the field checked out one of the boats in the marina at the request of the owner. To protect your boat only plug in your boat to charge the battery's. Extended electrical plug in's could lessen the life of the zincs on your boat. The expert stated some probable causes to the electrolysis in the marina. The marina is old over 50 years, shallow, is a small basin, and may have undersized electrical wiring that may be causing the problem. A group of marina volunteers will look over previous reports and studies to glean some information on possible solutions and report back to the marina committee. Because of the light winter storms and new seawall the marina entrance has not silted in as bad as other years. A motion was made by Gary Rossow and seconded by Mac McDonald to " To do minor dredging this year and add rock (boulders) to extend the jetty" All permits have been approved for this action. Discussion was held and the motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Tom Ramsey and seconded by Bob Skoien to buy a new stainless steel sink for the crab shack. Discussion was held and the motion passed unanimously.

Cape George burgees will be available for sale this summer. The marina committee through their memorial fund will purchase 25 burgees for sale.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am

**Environmental Committee**  
**June 8, 2015**

IN ATTENDANCE: Art Burke, Dennis Fellner, Katie Habegger, Kitty Rucker, Steve Shapiro, Robin Scherting

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order with May minutes approved as read.

FISCAL REPORT: Total - \$3,645.51, after expenses.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Beach/Berm Report – Art reported that we are still waiting for the final confirmation from the state of the approval granted by the county. Until we receive the final notification from the state he will not put it out for bid. He expects that we will begin work in October or November.
- B. North Jetty Park at Marina – The Environmental Committee contributed \$350 to the project and the Social Club donated \$350. There is now enough money to complete the project. We also offered to help with the work and planting. Donny will be grading the area on June 15. Carl Schwerzinske is coordinating the work.
- C. Ravine Study - Kitty went to the Board and asked them to have a knowledgeable person study the geology and the recent flooding and to make adjustments to prevent further flooding. The Board said that it would be too expensive to reinstate the stream. Instead they have authorized the purchase of a new and stronger grate at the top and will have Donny clear the debris from the upper area to the end of our property.
- D. Fire Inspection Presentation. Art says that the Fire Marshal will be coming to give a presentation in late June.
- E. Round Up Article in Newsletter – The committee voted to have articles in the newsletter that will stress environmentally ways to kill weeds and to prevent chemicals from entering the sea from the house and yard.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Beach Walk – Kitty contacted the Marine Science Center. They will be coming on Wednesday, July 1, at 9 a.m. to lead the Beach Walk. We will provide sweet rolls, and people will be asked to bring their own coffee or tea. Kitty will bring the books on Protection Island and the pictures of the Olympic Mountains. She will also have 20 more pictures produced. Kitty, Robin and Steve will help.
- B. Fund-Raising Dinner - The fund raising dinner will be held on October 24, with the Social Hour at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00. The cost will be \$5.00. People will be asked to bring a dish for 6 in the western theme (BBQ, CHIX, potato salad, etc.). The Theme will be Western, and we will have a Square Dance after dinner. Kitty will call to see if we can obtain a professional caller.
- C. Treated Wood – People have been piling treated wood near the fire pit to be burned. Varn spoke to the marina people about this, and Donny removed the wood.
- D. Trip to Elwha – Kitty asked if the Committee would like to sponsor a trip to the Elwha for members. The committee felt that it was better as an individual trip.
- E. Volunteer List – Kitty asked if members would help to call people on the old list to see if they are still willing to work in those areas.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10:18

#### **Water Advisory Committee June 2, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; members Scott James and Thad Bickling.

1. Ed Skowrya Memorial Dedication – the dedication and reception last Saturday was well attended and went very well. We've had a lot of very nice comments and appreciation. Helen Ann and family were very pleased and appreciative of the memorial. Thanks to Helen Ann and the Memorial Committee for the lovely reception at the Clubhouse. And thanks to Donnie for having everything at the site looking so nice and clean. That was great for the attendees and open house. We discussed having periodic open houses in the future.
2. Water rights – Nothing new since the last report. Art left a phone message for Bill Clarke, attorney but no response by meeting time.
3. Highland Booster Pump Controller –We are still waiting for a cost estimate from DD to install the system and related wiring. Art will contact them to get an estimate so we can move forward before the summer water use increases. Art said that DD does almost all of our electrical work and that we've been satisfied with their work, particularly because they'll work with us instead of just for us.
4. Backflow / Cross Connection – Larry and Greg just need to finish with the phone calls and inspections so we can finalize our listing of backflow devices that need to be placed on the annual testing cycle. Then we can send out the first letter for certified testing and reporting.

5. Art said that the auto-dialer at the Ed Skowrya Memorial Water Facilities failed to make calls when we had a power outage but Donnie's got it working again. It's in an environment that needs periodic maintenance to assure that it works all the time.
6. We discussed putting additional information on the Club website regarding the Water Committee and agreed that the CCR's should be but not the WSP. That's public information and we get some phone calls regarding what's in our water.

The next meeting will be on **July 7, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**

### **Ad Hoc Committee -Indoor Sports Court 3/10/2015**

We are exploring a protective covering for our present sports court.

One option that has been presented by Steve Mitchel is a canvas top to our sports court supported by poles with canvas sides. The initial plans will be modified as we explore and finalize details. The maximum estimated cost according to Steve would be under \$15,000.

We are going to have a pot luck for present active court players to obtain ideas and listen to their concerns. Indoor AdHoc Committee Respectively submitted Gail Kretzman, Jeannie Ramsey, Dennis Fellner

### **RESULTS OF THE SPORTS COURT SURVEY**

At the request of several C.G. members, we were asked to evaluate whether there is need for a second Pickle Ball Court for our Cape George community, and to consider options for facilitating play during the cold and wet months. To accomplish that task, a survey of 3 questions was Emailed to the individuals who are most frequently seen playing Pickle Ball asking them to vote on various options or suggest additional ones.

There were 36 responses received to the 64 Emails sent, 32 of those stating a clear choice. Five wanted to cover the existing court, ten wanted to build a second court, and eleven voted to "do nothing" at this time. Six other ideas were expressed.

In view of these results, the ad hoc committee believes that the best choice at this time is to do nothing. We recognize that the Court continues to grow in popularity. It is possible that in the future we will ask the Board for authority to conduct another survey or take other appropriate action.

We thank the Board for allowing us to explore this topic.

## **Did you know that the Cape George website has the following information available?**

- All of the governing documents including, covenants, bylaws, building and property regulations, and rules.
- Study Session and Board Meeting agendas and information packets.
- Old and current newsletters.
- Staff and Board contact information.
- And much, much more!

The next time you are looking for some information about the community,  
you need look no further than:

**[www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)**



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**SATURDAY, JULY 4**

**Meet and Greet 5:30\***

**Grills Ready 6:00**

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BYOB and your own meat to grill and a side dish, salad, or dessert to share.

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**On the Lawn North of the Clubhouse**

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**Wednesday, July 29, 5:00-8:00 PM**

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**Picnic Tables and Benches will be set up**

### **NO CHARGE**

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**Arrangements made by Carl Schwersinske**

**Questions call Robin 379-1344, Leanne 385-4576**



**! Save the Date ! Save the Date ! Save the Date !**

## **Workshop Labor Day Fundraiser**

**Monday, September 7th, 2015**

### **When Using the Fire Ring Please Remember....**

- \* Only natural firewood or commercial logs may be burned.
- \* Do not use any driftwood from the beach.
- \* Do not use flammable liquids of any kind when starting a fire.
- \* Adult supervision is required at all times.
- \* Never leave fire unattended - completely extinguish before leaving.



## **Emergency Preparedness Committee**

### **Did You Know?**

#### **9-Volt Batteries Can Start Fires**



*A fire destroys a home. The owner barely gets out alive. The fire department investigation determines that the fire's place of origin is a kitchen "junk" drawer. The cause? Nine-volt batteries loose in the drawer. A metal object touched the posts of the batteries, causing a short circuit, which created enough heat to start a fire.*

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) warns that it is unsafe to store 9-volt batteries in a drawer near paper clips, pens, coins or other batteries. On the next page you will find the [NFPA's 9-volt Battery Safety Tip Sheet](#) for your information. Stay Safe!

**Cape George Emergency Preparedness Committee**  
Thad Bickling / Karla Kauzlarich

# 9-volt Battery Safety

9-volt batteries power our smoke alarms, household items and toys. They can be found in most homes. But these batteries can be a fire hazard if not stored safely or disposed of with care.



## The problem

- » 9-volt batteries can be dangerous. The positive and negative posts are close together. If a metal object touches the two posts of a 9-volt battery, it can cause a short circuit. This can make enough heat to start a fire.
- » It is unsafe to store 9-volt batteries in a drawer near paper clips, coins, pens, or other batteries. Do not store common household items such as steel wool, aluminum foil, and keys near 9-volt batteries. If these items touch the two posts, there is a greater risk of a fire starting.
- » Weak batteries may have enough charge to cause a fire. Some fires have started in trash when 9-volt batteries were thrown away with other metal items.

## Storing 9-volt batteries

- » Keep batteries in original packaging until you are ready to use them. If loose, keep the posts covered with masking, duct, or electrical tape. Prevent the posts from coming in contact with metal objects.
- » Keep them someplace safe where they won't be tossed around.
- » Store batteries standing up.
- » 9-volt batteries should not be stored loose in a drawer. Do not store them in containers with other batteries.

## Disposal

- » 9-volt batteries should not be thrown away with trash. They can come in contact with other batteries or pieces of metal.
- » 9-volt batteries can be taken to a collection site for household hazardous waste.
- » To be safe, cover the positive and negative posts with masking, duct, or electrical tape before getting rid of batteries.
- » Some states do not allow any type of battery to be disposed of with trash. Check with your city or town for the best way to get rid of batteries.

## 9-VOLT BATTERY STORAGE

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# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob

Dink had such a good time watching the Dinking Tournament that he has asked to attend all future events! He especially enjoyed having his picture taken and giving tips to the players.

The Steering committee had its first meeting of the year recently and has outlined some events and clinics for the summer. Coming up on the 27th of this month is our annual Fun Mixer (formerly named the Pro-Am) . This will be a double elimination with games played 7. We invite all to come and watch if you are not playing - it is a great spectator sport.

Our July event is tentatively scheduled for July 25th, also a Saturday, and will be two skill-based tourneys. The morning will be for the newer and intermediate playing levels ( 2.5 - 3.0) and the afternoon will be for the higher skill levels (3.5- 4.5) .

Steve Shapiro has become the tourney director and is also working on finding other Pickleball groups or clubs that we might play with. Two possibilities are Kala Point and Sequim .

In an effort to offer on-going skill building, clinics are being offered. These are open to all players. The first one was held recently and led by Lynn Pierle. Players worked on serving with emphasis on legal serves and consistency. The next clinic was led by Steve and the skills were Lobs and Placement of the ball . The next clinic will emphasize the backhand stroke and will be led by Pi.

Additionally, we are offering an open time on Tuesday mornings to new players who wish to come out for some practice with a coach present to help. These are 9-10:30am and are directed by the players needs and requests. Various coaches will be there to assist .

Steve has volunteered to observe playing groups and give them feedback as they play. If you want his help, please contact him by e-mail at [SShapiro57@gmail.com](mailto:SShapiro57@gmail.com).

Pi will be happy to give anyone wishing feedback on unforced errors as they play with suggestions on decreasing those frustrating Boo-Boos! [PiBird130@gmail.com](mailto:PiBird130@gmail.com). Those wishing the basic lessons for learning the game should also contact Pi. Lessons include 3 1/2 hr. sessions and are free to Cape George residents.

Lob suggests :

1. Keep an eye on the bulletin board at the court for upcoming events & info.
2. Watch your e-mail for Tournament info and other important Pickleball news.
3. Take the Power Smash out and replace it with Placement & Strategy.
4. Be a mentor to the newer players - encourage and reinforce good play!



The Cone and Hula Hoop Group

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
rocketmama@wavecable.com

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Annual Beach Walk	July 1, 9a
4th of July Potluck BBQ	July 4, 5:30p
Annual Membership Meeting	July 18, 2p
Annual Salmon BBQ	July 19, 1p
Book Group	July 21, 1p
Band on the Beach	July 29, 5p

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	Betty Hanks.....	379-6572			
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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			<b>1</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p  <b>Annual Beach Walk 9a</b> <b>Pool Comm. 3p</b>	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p  Creative Arts 9a-3p  <b>Bldg. Comm. 10a</b> <b>(Office)</b>	<b>3</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p  <b>Cape George Office</b> <b>Closed</b>	<b>4</b> <b>4th of July</b> <b>Potluck BBQ</b> <b>5:30p</b>  
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

On July 1 and 2 I assisted with the mobilization and start-up of the marina channel dredging and jetty rock work. At the conclusion of the project the contractor had removed approximately 150 cubic yards of material from the channel and placed approximately 85 tons of 3-4 man rock at the east end of the north jetty.

I attended the Jefferson County Drought Forum that was organized by the North Olympic Peninsula Resource Conservation & Development Council and Washington State University Extension. Speakers provided information related to drought declaration, where our local water comes from and how it is impacted in a drought, and strategies for now and the future.

Six trees identified in an arborists report as being hazardous were removed from common property in the vicinity of Cape George Drive and S. Palmer Drive.

I accompanied a group of officials who are conducting a survey to gather information about how near-shore permitted projects are conducted in relation to the

permit guidelines. The survey is funded through a federal grant and included representatives from Jefferson County Department of Community Development and others with an expertise in shoreline management projects.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- A chlorine injector pump was rebuilt at the Skowrya Water Facility.
- Preparations are being made to close the pool in early August to allow the pool deck and coping to be cleaned and painted. During this closure we will also be conducting some water management practices to assist with balancing the chemistry of the pool.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Report of a window at a residence in the Colony possibly broken by a BB or pellet gun.
- Complaint of un-mowed property posing a fire hazard.
- Report of rowdy group at pool not following pool rules.

## Pool Closing for Maintenance

The pool will be closed for maintenance

**Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> through Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**

Every effort will be made to reopen earlier than scheduled if possible.

**DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER -- August 20**

## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER

There has been some recent controversy regarding the hedge and fence regulation approved by Cape George members in 2001 as well as the long-standing, clearly documented enforcement policy of this regulation. This is an important topic and one that could benefit from open discussion and debate at one of the Board of Trustee's monthly study sessions or meetings where any members who wish to do so can participate, hear the facts, be exposed to all sides of the issue and share their opinions.

Here is the text of the hedge rule approved by a vote of the Cape George membership:

**2.7 HEDGE: A row of vegetation, commonly having commingled foliage, which has been planted or permitted to flourish so that it has the effect of demarking part or all of a boundary or creating a visual screen.**

**7.1 FENCES, HEDGES, RETAINING WALLS: A permit is not required to plant a hedge or to build a fence, including an electrical fence, or a retaining wall unless such wall requires excavation on or adjacent to the Club's right of way. The maximum permissible height for fences and hedges is 8 feet.**

Recently, a group of several Cape George members invoked this rule by making a complaint against six trees which had grown and commingled. The Cape George manager determined this was an impermissible hedge and the board sustained this determination. The complaint was resolved when the hedge owner removed four of the six trees.

After the hedge complaint was resolved, some Cape George members who had no ownership interest in the trees reacted. One member delivered a letter to a large number of other Cape George members. Among other things, that letter accused the board of "targeting trees." The board also received letters complaining about how the hedge rule was applied to the six trees with commingled foliage.

The board is concerned that these letters are filled with misstatements of fact, and some of these misrepresentations are apparently being circulated to the wider Cape George community. While the Cape George members who are making these misrepresentations are entitled to their own opinions, they are not entitled to their own facts.

Cape George members dissatisfied with our current hedge rule always have the option of proposing an amendment to our current building regulations for discussion at one of our public meetings. If there is enough support for the proposed amendment, it can be presented to the membership for a vote. Remember, this is not a rule which can be changed by the board. It is a building regulation which can only be altered by a vote of the membership.

If presented at one of our public meetings, I would imagine any proposal to change our current hedge rule would provoke extensive comment on both sides of the debate.

Until the membership elects to alter or amend the current Cape George hedge rule, the board is obligated to enforce it.

## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BEACH WALK



The Cape George Environmental Committee sponsored the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Walk on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. It was a beautiful day, the Marine Science Center shared great information about our beach, and we had about 75 members walking with us. Thank you all for coming. It was so much fun!!!





## COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY CAPE GEORGE YARD SALE

If you've been mulling over having a yard sale this summer but don't want the hassle of advertising and putting up signs, the Pool Committee is sponsoring a fund-raiser and an opportunity for you to peddle your unwanted treasures!

A Community-wide Yard Sale operated by residents from their homes is going to be held on August 29 – hours: 9a-3p. All advertising, signage and preparations will be provided by the Pool Committee for a 10% (or more if you are feeling generous!) donation of your sales total.

In order to participate you must pick up a yard sale sign at the office and register your address for the map by August 24! Treasure hunters love to have one location for bargains and we expect a significant number to show up for this event. Join in the fun!!

Questions? Norma Lupkes 302-5202      Mary Hilfer 379-0492



## Workshop Labor Day Fundraiser

Monday, September 7th, 2015

This will be the first of several workshop fundraisers. The goal is to raise between two and three thousand dollars to purchase a generator. This will benefit the community by:

1. During high tides and power outages, a generator will allow us to pump out water to keep the clubhouse, pool, workout room and workshop from flooding.
2. A generator will allow the heat pumps to continue operating without disruption.
3. A generator will allow the electricity to continue to these facilities.
4. A generator will provide power to the welder for maintenance on the seawall.



This investment will provide our community with the peace of mind that our facilities will run without disruption during those times when Mother Nature tests us most.

Help us reach our goal! Please join us at 12 noon for the Labor Day celebration with "Coney Island" as our theme. We will be serving Coney Island style polish and beef hot dogs and all the fixings, along with baked beans and coleslaw. A \$10.00 suggested donation will be appreciated. BYOB if so desired. Soda and water will be available for a dollar.



A Silent Auction will be held in the Clubhouse at 4 pm as part of the fundraiser. Items will include metal lawn art, framed paintings and framed photography.

We will need a headcount no later than August 30th, so please call the following workshop members if you plan to attend:

Ken and Lauri Owen 360-385-9458

Marta Favati 563-940-1457

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE RAIN OR SHINE!

## "THINKING ABOUT THINKING"



What is it we do when we are thinking? Join Professor Wes Cecil for the August 4 Cape George University presentation to find out. The lecture will explore how the evolution of the brain, the socialization of the individual and the development of the human body all combine to shape the way we perceive the world when we try to think about it.

In a short evolutionary leap - about two million years - our brains tripled in volume. This astonishing growth in the physical structure of the brain in a very short time frame is joined by the significant cultural changes in the last 50,000 years to comprehensively change the nature of our thinking. Add to these elements the basics of human development and the results are such a mess it is a wonder that we can think at all.

Join Wes through a tour of two million years to learn why we struggle to think and to be amazed that we are not extinct (yet).

Wes has been a Humanities professor at Peninsula College for 16 years. He received his BA degree in English from California State University and his MA and PhD from Indiana University.

The presentation is at 7 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse.

### Coming Soon:

#### Sea Otters in Discovery Bay?

James Bodkin, Cape George resident and a recently retired scientist with the US Geological Survey, spent years studying sea otters in Alaska and recently coedited a book on these charismatic marine mammals. In September, he'll brief Cape George residents on the historical decline and recovery of sea otter populations up and down the coast. Will they eventually return to local waters?



Thursday, Sept. 24, 7pm at the Clubhouse.



### Total Burn Ban Continues

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### CAPE GEORGE CLASSIFIEDS

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# ARE YOU READY FOR THE 2015 CAPE GEORGE WATERFRONT FESTIVAL?????

## YES!



August 22 is the day!

Here is the schedule of fabulous events!

- \* 10 - 11 am - Crawl on some boats at the Marina!
- \* 11:30 am - Dedication of the new North Seawall Park-Come by for the Ribbon Cutting - and treats - and a surprise TOAST!
- \* 12 pm - Skippers Meeting for the Fabulous Regatta - Wanna Race??? Call Gary Rossow NOW!!!! 531-2737 or 643-3624
- \* 12:30 pm - Memorial Row/Paddle/Dinghy Parade - Call Travis Rowland 360-480-8651
- \* 1 pm - The Start of the Fantastic Sailboat REGATTA
- \* 3 pm - The Wondrous PET BEAUTY CONTEST - 1 trick required (or not) - Pets costumes with matching owner outfits!???
- \* 3 - 4 pm...KIDS GAMES AND FUN
- \* 4:30 pm - Regatta Awards Presentation with Gary Rossow
- \* 5 pm - THE BIG PICNIC—BURGERS, HOT DOGS, BEER, WINE, SODA...FREE!!!! (Contact the Office now to make your order of burgs or brats)



THANK YOU MARINA COMMITTEE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

## Marina Projects

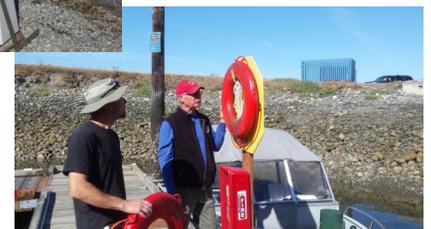
It's not hard to find volunteers hard at work in the Marina. Below are just some of the projects underway. Thanks for all you do!



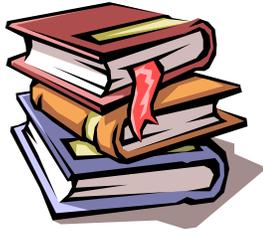
South Seawall Cap Installation



Lighthouse being repaired



New life rings being installed



## BOOK GROUP TO DISCUSS

### "THE RENT COLLECTOR"

"The Rent Collector" by Camron Wright will be discussed at the Tuesday, August 18 Book Group. The book follows a Cambodian family that lives in the slum that encompasses the largest municipal waste dump in all of Cambodia. The fictional story is based on actual accounts. The men of the slum scavenge the dump for things to sell so that their families can eat. One woman, Sang Ly spends much of her time caring for and trying to find a cure for her ailing son. When she discovers that the drunken, bad-tempered rent collector can read, Sang Ly begs the woman to teach her. The unlikely relationship is the start of a life-changing journey. It is the story of hope and strength of family as well as one woman's chance to save her son and another woman's chance at redemption. Even in a garbage dump in Cambodia, there are second chances.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please call Jeannie Ramsey, 385-1263.

## Rule Reminder

The daisy-like, yellow flowers of tansy ragwort (*Senecio jacobaeae*) give it a friendly appearance; but make no mistake, this invasive plant is highly poisonous to animals. Tansy ragwort can be seen growing along our roadways, in landscape beds and in vacant lots. One plant can produce over 150,000 seeds, allowing it to spread swiftly to new areas. Seeds can lie dormant for four to five years, or even up to 20 years if buried. It's rapid growth and spread is a concern.

According to Cape George rule PP02 Maintenance of Property "Property owners shall be responsible for removing and controlling Poison Hemlock (*Conium maculatum*), Giant Hogweed (*Heracleum mantegazzianum*), Scotch Broom (*Cytisus scoparius*), Tansy Ragwort (*Senecio jacobaeae*)". You may have seen Cape George staff and volunteers pulling tansy ragwort from common areas. Please review your own property for this plant.

The best method of control is pulling before the plant has gone to seed. Avoid direct contact with the plant by wearing gloves. Remove as much of the root as possible or the plant will re-sprout. All plant parts should be bagged and disposed of in the trash—**do not compost**. If flowering plants are pulled and left on the ground, the flowers WILL make seed!

If you see Tansy Ragwort or have any questions regarding it or any other noxious weeds, please contact Joost Besijn, the newly appointed Jefferson County Noxious Weed Board Coordinator.

Joost Besijn, Coordinator, Jefferson County Noxious Weed Control Board

Phone: (360) 379-5610 Ext 205

Email: [noxiousweeds@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:noxiousweeds@co.jefferson.wa.us)



Tansy Ragwort in Bloom



First Year Tansy Ragwort Leaves

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
July 16, 2015  
7:00 PM  
DRAFT**

**Vice-President - Ray Pierson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.**

- A. Welcome
- B. The collection of Trustee election ballots has closed. The Election Committee will be counting ballots on Friday and announcing the results at the Annual Membership meeting.
- C. The Annual Membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 18, at 2pm in the Clubhouse.
- D. A Special Board meeting is also scheduled for Saturday, July 18, immediately following Annual Membership meeting.

**In Attendance:** Katie Habegger, Leslie Fellner, Carol Wood, Ray Pierson, Michael Hinojos, and Karen Krug

**Action on Minutes: Carol Wood**

Carol Wood moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting June 9, 2015 –Passed 5/0

Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting June 9, 2015- Passed 5/0

Carol Wood moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting June 11, 2015 - Passed 5/0

**Membership Report : Carol Wood**

Stephen Gimber & Pamela Bouchard purchased 110 Sunset from Wesley & Evelyn Dickson

Dennis Colopy purchased 182 Victoria Loop from the Estate of Patricia Hudson

Dwight & Ming Benson 411 Sunset Blvd from Anna Polishuk & Edmond Blau

**Treasurer's Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of June 30, 2015**

**2015 Balance Sheet comments:**

All bank accounts have been reconciled and actual bank statements reviewed with no material exceptions.

Cash balances remain strong assisted by the collection so far of \$76,000 from the new routine reserve assessment. This assessment, \$180 per assessable Member property, or \$119,160 total, will be allocated to each individual reserve at yearend. Per the bylaws, the assessment will be allocated based on the most recent professional(external) reserve study. That study indicates that the allocation will be 46.9% to General reserves, 38.6% to Water reserves and 14.5% to Marina reserves. The actual amount allocated will include the actual collection, any assessment receivable at year end and an allowance for bad debts.

The operations savings account which per Member vote is to carry a minimum balance of \$70,000 stands currently at \$105,000. The account is being used to manage banking balances to maintain no more than maximum FDIC balances at any one institution. In this regard it is also serving as a true working capital management account.

All four insurance policies were renewed in June with the master policy showing a marked premium decrease. The majority of the decrease relates to the discontinuation of minimal earthquake coverage and another portion of the decrease relates to coverage - for an external management company - that was never needed. The total decrease in the master policy is about \$,7000.

No further collections have been received on those accounts placed with the external collection agency. It is anticipated that additional accounts will be placed before the end of the third quarter.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

Highly condensed operating summaries are included on the following page.

All three cost centers are performing at better than budgeted levels through the first five months of this year. Most of the favorable variances are attributable to lower than budgeted expenses in Repairs and Maintenance and Contract Services, both categories where expenditures are generally heavier during the summer months so the favorable results may be only temporary. Utilities are another category that are exhibiting better than budgeted performance due to the mild weather this past winter and spring. The utility variance should continue at some level.

Marina dredging was originally budgeted to occur in June but took place in July. For comparative purposes, the budgeted dredging expense of \$12,500 as been eliminated from the accompanying summarized financial statement

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
**Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2015 and 2014**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 119,731	\$ 86,942	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 12,709	\$ 13,543
Operating Investment-Savings	105,049	70,029	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	89,142	81,050
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	610	Unearned Income Other	-	675
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	422,418	321,483	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,200	500
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	64,748	71,068	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	32,585	70,612
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>76,830</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>135,636</b>	<b>166,380</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Equivalents</b>	<b>789,376</b>	<b>550,132</b>			
Net Accounts Receivable	6,425	8,649	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	32,585	70,612	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Net SpclAssmnts Receivable	16,074	66,249			
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,787,260	1,843,574	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	33,375	40,935	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
			Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	177,141	94,126
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,665,095</b>	<b>\$2,580,151</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,665,128</b>	<b>\$ 2,580,151</b>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended June 30 (Modified Cash Basis)**

<b>2015 Year to Date</b>					<b>COMPARATIVE</b>				
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>		<b>2015 YTD</b>	<b>2014 YTD</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>%</b>
General Assessment	\$ 143,204	\$ 143,204	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 143,204	\$ 137,696	\$ 5,508	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	13,693	11,527	2,166	19%	Revenue - All Other Sources	13,693	11,573	2,120	18%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>156,897</b>	<b>154,731</b>	<b>2,166</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>156,897</b>	<b>149,269</b>	<b>7,628</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	64,446	67,164	2,718	4%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	64,446	63,792	(654)	-1%
Repairs & Maintenance	4,822	10,039	5,217	52%	Repairs & Maintenance	4,822	9,819	4,997	51%
Contracted Services	21,690	25,092	3,402	14%	Contracted Services	21,690	27,853	6,163	22%
Insurance	11,166	12,410	1,244	10%	Insurance	11,166	11,272	106	1%
Pool Expense	7,229	13,500	6,271	46%	Pool Expense	7,229	16,814	9,585	57%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	13,016	12,209	(807)	-7%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	13,016	14,127	1,111	8%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>122,369</b>	<b>140,414</b>	<b>12,581</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>122,369</b>	<b>143,677</b>	<b>10,612</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,528</b>	<b>\$ 14,317</b>	<b>\$ 20,211</b>	141%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,528</b>	<b>\$ 5,592</b>	<b>\$ 28,936</b>	517%
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 91,980	\$ 91,980	-	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 91,980	\$ 91,620	\$ 360	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>95,234</b>	<b>93,980</b>	<b>1,254</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>95,234</b>	<b>93,323</b>	<b>1,911</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	29,023	30,731	1,708	6%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	29,023	27,595	(1,428)	-5%
Repairs & Maintenance	680	3,888	3,208	83%	Repairs & Maintenance	680	4,754	4,074	86%
Contracted Services	7,409	8,171	762	9%	Contracted Services	7,409	7,085	(324)	-5%
Insurance	5,947	6,625	678	10%	Insurance	5,947	7,022	1,075	15%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,385	18,700	3,315	18%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	15,385	15,075	(310)	-2%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>58,444</b>	<b>68,115</b>	<b>9,671</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>58,444</b>	<b>61,531</b>	<b>3,087</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 36,790</b>	<b>\$ 25,865</b>	<b>\$ 10,925</b>	42%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 36,790</b>	<b>\$ 31,792</b>	<b>\$ 4,998</b>	16%
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,830	\$ 53,905	\$ 925	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 54,830	\$ 49,580	\$ 5,250	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	9,368	9,390	(22)	0%	Revenue - All Other Sources	9,368	8,223	1,145	14%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>64,198</b>	<b>63,295</b>	<b>903</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>64,198</b>	<b>57,803</b>	<b>6,395</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	6,392	6,732	340	5%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	6,392	5,615	(777)	-14%
Repairs & Maintenance	3,492	1,898	(1,594)	-84%	Repairs & Maintenance	3,492	14,047	10,555	-12%
Contracted Services	1,133	4,911	3,778	77%	Contracted Services	1,133	1,008	(125)	-43%
Insurance	3,199	3,465	266	8%	Insurance	3,199	2,238	(961)	20%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,063	4,859	796	16%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	4,063	5,076	1,013	88%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>18,279</b>	<b>21,865</b>	<b>3,586</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>18,279</b>	<b>27,984</b>	<b>9,705</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 45,919</b>	<b>\$ 41,430</b>	<b>\$ 4,489</b>	11%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 45,919</b>	<b>\$ 29,819</b>	<b>\$ 16,100</b>	54%
<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	<b>59,580</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,580</b>		<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	<b>59,580</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,580</b>	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(80)	-	(80)		Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(80)	26,480	(26,560)	
Reserve Interest - all	405	-	405		Reserve Interest - all	405	437	(32)	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 177,141</b>	<b>\$ 81,611</b>	<b>\$ 95,610</b>	117%	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 177,141</b>	<b>\$ 94,120</b>	<b>\$ 109,582</b>	88%

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building, Marina, Water, Environmental and Ad Hoc – Conflict Resolution. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- A. The Trustees directed the Manager to contact the member parking a motorhome in the Clubhouse parking lot and advise him of the rules pertaining to storage of vehicles on common property.

**Member Participation:** None

**New Business Agenda Items:**

**Motion 1:** Leslie Fellner moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve refund of a \$10 late fee to account KOC001. Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve the three refunds, all of which resulted from clerical errors or oversights, be provided to account HUD002 - \$206.08; ROW003-\$10.00 and DIC001-\$18.75 as detailed in the memo to the Board from Senior Bookkeeper dated June30, 2015. Passed 5/0

**Motion 3:** Katie Habegger moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve Resolution 7/01/15 to transfer \$8,774.63 from Marina Reserves to General Checking Account for the Marina dock replacement program. Passed 5/0

**Motion 4:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the transfer of \$13,100 from the South Seawall assessment account to the General Reserve account for the partial re-payment of the outstanding loan balance with the amount to be appropriated divided between principal and interest. Passed 5/0

**Motion 5:** Michael Hinojos moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve 5 members due date adjustments on 6 accounts. Passed 5/0

**Motion 6:** Katie Habegger moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve a payment plan for one member. Passed 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

The Board discussed two issues:

- a. The need for committee meeting minutes to be clear in their wording regarding committee finances or funding since Committee Fund Raising Accounts do not belong to Cape George Inc.
- b. The need to formally acknowledge members who take time to write the board. In that regard, the board will develop both a general and a specific form letter that can be used in preparing such responses.

**Announcements:**

- A. Annual Meeting – July 18, 2015 2:00 P.M.
- B. Special Board Meeting – July 18, 2015 Immediately following Annual Meeting
- C. Study Session – August 11, 2015 3:00 P.M.
- D. Board Meeting – August 13, 2015 7:00 P.M.

**Adjournment:** Michael Hinojos moved and Karen Krug seconded to adjourn the Regular Session at 7:35  
Passed 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Wood, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Building Committee**

**June 30, 2015**

#### *Building Permit Issued:*

Gene & Christine Buzzard, 173 N Rhododendron Dr, Colony, build an extension onto their deck

### **Marina Committee**

**July 7, 2015**

Meeting called to order by Penny Jensen, Harbormaster/Chair. Those present: Mac MacDonald, Marty Bluewater, Betty Hanks, John Hanks, Bob Skoien, Chuck Hommel, Tom Ramsey, Scott James, Bill Deckman, Gary Rossow, Scot Munson, Ken Owen, Marta Favati, Jack Scherting, Sam Melton, Ben Fellows, Bill Dunning, Bob Schlentner, Ross Anderson, Carl Schwersinkse, Art Burke.

Brief meeting. Tuesday, July 21, 2015, our welders will work capping the South seawall. Gary Rossow will order burgees. They should be here by the Waterfront Festival. Gary discussed extended jetty. Pics have been taken and we hope to see reduced sand in our channel next year. Carl Schwersinkse moved and Gary Rossow seconded that we explore options to move the proposed Gazebo away from the North Seawall to another location. The Marina Committee convened at the North Seawall and a vote taken. The Gazebo will be built next to the North Seawall per John and Betty Hank's original proposal. Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

### **Water Committee**

**JULY 7, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Karen Krug, Board Liaison; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; members Scott James and Stewart Pugh.

1. Water rights – Emails from Bill Clarke, our attorney and Marie Peter, Dept. of Ecology state that the water drought emergency is taking all DOE resources and they will get to our matter sometime this fall. The previous reply from Marie was dated August 7, 2014 so it's taken 11 months and now delayed until this fall. Bill said that "this is getting ridiculous" and that he will push it this fall.
2. Highland Booster Pump Controller – Stew has the final drawings and some of the components to meet with DD Electric tomorrow. They need that information to give us a bid. We asked that we also get an estimated time of completion. We want this completed ASAP to be operational for the summer water demands. This does not include a soft start for these motors but Greg feels that won't be a problem.
3. Backflow / Cross Connection – Greg wants to meet with Sharon and Bob on getting a report out of the database that shows which homes were instructed to install backflow assembly valves so he can follow up to see if they have been completed. We still have some phone calls and inspections to make to get the list finalized.

We discussed several related items. Karen suggested we need to add information about the backflow prevention program to the 'new member' packets. Art said we've had 50 to 60 turnovers this year. All of the new members wouldn't have been involved in the initial survey of water devices. Greg suggested that he would like to inspect all turnovers to follow up with the new members regarding any future changes that could be affected by the program. Karen suggested that we consider future surveys to be for portions of Cape George on a five or six year cycle so we don't have to do the entire community in one big survey like we did to get this started. Greg agreed that would be a good idea. This program will be an on-going annual work event because the information can be changed between

cycles by the members.

We also discussed another newsletter article to reinforce and educate regarding the program as well as information on the website. We'll also include more information at the Annual Membership Meeting.

We discussed talking to the Cape George University folks regarding a presentation on the backflow prevention program.

4. At the Marina meeting, Scott said they discussed a leaking valve at the docks. Art said that was one of the backflow valves and that Greg will need to look at it. Greg also reported a leaking valve at the filter equipment and that he replaced the leaking diaphragm.

5. Greg looked at the flow meters and reported that we have been using around 155,000 gallons per day with a peak around 188,000 but he had expected more. It appears that people are watering less. We'll get better numbers with the next meter reading cycle.

6. The Annual Membership Meeting will be on July 18th and we'll need to have our report included.

The next meeting will be on August 4, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.

#### **Environmental Committee June 8, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Art Burke, Dennis Fellner, Katie Habegger, Kitty Rucker, Steve Shapiro, Robin Scherting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order with May minutes approved as read.

**FISCAL REPORT:** Total - \$3,645.51, after expenses.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that we are still waiting for the final confirmation from the state of the approval granted by the county. Until we receive the final notification from the state he will not put it out for bid. He expects that we will begin work in October or November.

**C. North Jetty Park at Marina** – The Environmental Committee contributed \$350 to the project and the Social Club donated \$350. There is now enough money to complete the project. We also offered to help with the work and planting. Donny will be grading the area on June 15. Carl Schwerzinske is coordinating the work.

**D. Ravine Study** - Kitty went to the Board and asked them to have a knowledgeable person study the geology and the recent flooding and to make adjustments to prevent further flooding. The Board said that it would be too expensive to reinstate the stream. Instead they have authorized the purchase of a new and stronger grate at the top and will have Donny clear the debris from the upper area to the end of our property.

**E. Fire Inspection Presentation.** Art says that the Fire Marshal will be coming to give a presentation in late June.

**F. Round Up Article in Newsletter** – The committee voted to have articles in the newsletter that will stress environmentally ways to kill weeds and to prevent chemicals from entering the sea from the house and yard.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Beach Walk** – Kitty contacted the Marine Science Center. They will be coming on Wednesday, July 1, at 9 a.m.. to lead the Beach Walk. We will provide sweet rolls, and people will be asked to bring their own coffee or tea. Kitty will bring the books on Protection Island and the pictures of the Olympic Mountains. She will also have 20 more pictures produced. Kitty, Robin and Steve will help.
- B. **Fund-Raising Dinner** - The fund raising dinner will be held on October 24, with the Social Hour at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00. The cost will be \$5.00. People will be asked to bring a dish for 6 in the western theme (BBQ, CHIX, potato salad, etc.). The Theme will be Western, and we will have a Square Dance after dinner. Kitty will call to see if we can obtain a professional caller.
- C. **Treated Wood** – People have been piling treated wood near the fire pit to be burned. Varn spoke to the marina people about this, and Donny removed the wood.

- D. **Trip to Elwha** – Kitty asked if the Committee would like to sponsor a trip to the Elwha for members. The committee felt that it was better as an individual trip.
- E. **Volunteer List** – Kitty asked if members would help to call people on the old list to see if they are still willing to work in those areas.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 10:18

**Ad Hoc Conflict Resolution Committee  
July 14, 2015**

Members: Judith Chambliss, Lynn Pierle, Jan Stone  
The Committee met on 7/8/15.

Committee activities in the past month have included research involving 1) review of a collection of CAI (Community Association Institute) articles relevant to the use of conflict resolution/ mediation by Community Associations (HOAs) around the country, and 2) contact with two HOAs regarding their approach to conflict resolution. The purpose of those activities was to search for/identify any existing models developed by other HOAs to manage conflict. Such a model did not clearly emerge through either the reading or the conversations.

We discussed and will further explore a variety of possible scenarios, as we continue to look for already existing models that might provide information that would be adaptable to Cape George. We recognize that this is a process that will require deliberate and careful exploration of possible frameworks.

In addition to continuing the above research, our next step will be to interview Art regarding the history and current management of complaints in Cape George, providing us with background information about the frequency and types of complaints, the process, the outcomes, etc.. This will assist us in becoming better "educated" about the process in its current form as we consider various possibilities for establishing conflict resolution alternatives.

Judith Chambliss will attend the Study Session on 7/14/15.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
July 18, 2015  
3:48 PM  
DRAFT**

President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 3:48pm.

**In Attendance:** Richard Hilfer (by phone), Ray Pierson, Carol Wood, Karen Krug, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger,

**Election of Officers:**

**Motion 1:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded to elect Richard Hilfer as President. Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Carol Wood moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to elect Ray Pierson as Vice President. Passed 5/0

**Motion 3:** Carol Wood moved and Ray Pierson seconded to elect Katie Habegger as Secretary. Passed 5/0

**Motion 4:** Carol Wood moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to elect Karen Krug as Treasurer. Passed 5/0

**Motion 5:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to accept the 2015/2016 calendar as presented to the Board. Passed 5/0

The dates for the August meetings were set:

- Study Session – August 11, 3:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting –August 13, 7:00 p.m.

New Board liaisons were chosen for the following committees:

- Building and Workshop – Michael Hinojos
- Emergency Preparedness – Leslie Fellner
- Election – Katie Habegger
- Environmental – Katie Habegger
- Finance & Water – Karen Krug
- Fitness – Carol Wood
- Marina – Ray Pierson
- Swimming Pool – Leslie Fellner
- Roads – Ray Pierson
- Water – Karen Krug
- Workshop – Michael Hinojos

The Trustees present signed the Conflict of Interest Signature form which will be maintained for our records.

The Board listed the following topics as 2015/2016 Board Goals:

- Bylaw review
- Hedge discussion
- Mediation/conflict resolution discussion

#### **Adjournment**

Ray Pierson moved and Carol Wood seconded to adjourn the meeting. Passed 5/0  
The meeting was adjourned at 4:05pm.

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Carol Wood, Secretary**

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**Richard Hilfer, President**

## **Did you know that the Cape George website has the following information available?**

- All of the governing documents for the community including, covenants, bylaws, and rules.
- Study Session and Board Meeting agendas and information packets.
- Current building and earthworks permits.
- Staff and Board contact information.
- Board meeting minutes dating back to 1999.
- Forms, forms and more forms!
- And much, much more!

The next time you are looking for some information about the community, got to:

**[www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)**



# Emergency Preparedness Committee



## Did You Know?

The ability to deal with a crisis is largely dependent on the structures and relationships that have been developed *before* the emergency occurs.

**KEEP GOOD RECORDS!!** *Documentation* is an important part of damage reporting. Take videos or still photos, maintain a diary of emergency repairs, keep receipts, etc. before an event ever happens. Then. . . repeat the process after the event for comparison and evidence. **DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO RIGHT AWAY TO MAKE YOUR HOME SAFE AND HABITABLE**, but be sure to document every step before and after the crisis to receive the best results.

Notify your insurance carrier right away. Don't wait for "permission" from anyone to make temporary repairs that keep you safe and reduce further damage to your home.

**DAMAGE REPORTING!** Report damage to your primary residence only (FEMA will not assist with out-buildings, driveways, vacation homes, etc.).

1. Report any damage to your primary residence within seven days of the event.

2. Submit all required information on the "Damage Reporting Form" (found on the Jefferson County, WA, Department of Emergency Management site: <http://www.jeffcoec.org>). At this time, raw estimates of damage are acceptable. If you cannot access the "Damage Reporting Form" on-line, here is

### WHAT TO REPORT:

- The name of the person reporting (homeowner or authorized agent)
- Day phone number and alternate phone number
- Type of property where damage occurred (primary residence, rental, apartment, etc.)
- Number of regular occupants
- Is the home habitable (is it safe and sanitary or can be made safe with minor repairs)
- Is the home accessible (access roads, driveways, etc.)
- The physical address where the damage occurred (actual street address)
- Mailing address if different than street address
- Pre-damage fair market value (FMV) of the damaged property (estimated)
- Loss to the structure in dollars or percentage of the estimated FMV (estimated)
- Amount of loss of personal property, contents (estimated)
- Insurance type (homeowners, flood, earthquake, no insurance)
- Amount of insurance deductible
- Detailed description of the damage

3. Damage must be a direct result of a disaster that is serious and wide spread in nature.

4. This preliminary report is not a CLAIM. The figures you submit are used to determine if there is a sufficient uninsured damage county wide to warrant a request for Federal disaster assistance from FEMA.

5. Print the report. Use one of these methods: **A. CALL** in your report between 8 AM -5 PM weekdays to 360-385-9368 OR leave a message after hours, asking for a return call. Be sure to leave your contact information. **B. FAX** report to 360-385-9376. **C. MAIL** the completed form to 81 Elkins Road, Port Hadlock, WA. 98339. **D. EMAIL** your report: Fill out on the computer, save to a unique file name and email your damage report in as pdf. to : [jcdem@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:jcdem@co.jefferson.wa.us)

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**CAPE GEORGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CALENDAR OF BOARD MEETINGS AND DEADLINES  
2015-2016**

**August, 2015**

- 11 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 13 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

**September, 2015**

- 7 - Budget estimates due from Committee Chairs
- 8 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 10 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

**October, 2015**

- 1 - Member quarterly assessment due
- 13 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 15 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline
- 22 - Special Board Meeting on the Budget, 3 pm (Consider approving budget.) - Executive Session following Special Board Meeting (Personnel)
- 30 - Mail out ballots to Membership (Budget)

**November, 2015**

- 10 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 12 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

**December, 2015**

- 8 - Special Election Membership Meeting, 2:45 pm
- 8 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 10 - Count ballots starting at 9 am
- 10 - Board Meeting, 7 pm (Announce results of vote)
- 11 - Prepare and Mail Coupons to Members
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

**January, 2016**

- 1 - Member quarterly assessment due
- 12 - Study Session meeting, 3 pm
- 14 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

## **February, 2016**

- 9 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 11 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

## **March, 2016**

- 8 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 10 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline
- 21 - Nominating Committee initiates recruitment of Board candidates for two positions

## **April, 2016**

- 1 - Member quarterly assessment due
- 12 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 14 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

## **May, 2016**

- 10 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 12 - Board Meeting, 7 pm (Close of nominations and announce candidates.)
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

## **June, 2016**

- 7 - Mail out ballots for election of Board Members (Includes announcement of Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for July 18th.)
- 14 - Meet the Candidates Session, 2 pm
- 14 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 16 - Meet the Candidates Session, 6 pm
- 16 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

## **July, 2016**

- 1 - Member quarterly assessment due
- 12 - Study Session Meeting, 3 pm
- 14 - Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 15 - Count ballots for Board election
- 16 - Annual Membership Meeting, 2 pm (Announce election results.)
- 16 - Special Board Meeting to select Board Officers. This brief meeting will follow immediately after Annual Meeting.
- 20 - Newsletter deadline

\*Dates listed are tentative and may be changed at discretion of Board with appropriate notice given to membership.

# Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob



Dink was very sorry to have missed being at the last tournament! He had a previous commitment as the keynote speaker at the All Dinkers Convention. He did, however, catch the highlights on his secret web cam at the court. He was very impressed with the level of play and the good sportsmanship of all the players. The new T-Shirts added a level of high fashion.

Prizes were awarded to the top three teams. Each team was made up of an experienced player and a new-to-the-game player. By the end it was hard to tell who was who! The official photographer was Dennis Fellner, who is currently on

injured reserve after a bike accident. The clever one-of-a-kind prizes were made by Dell Jacoby with design help from Kris Shapiro.

Clinics and coaching have continued with Steve Shapiro being in demand for small group playing tips. The most recent clinic was slightly damp but attended by the die-hards. We worked on the all-important "3rd shot". Watch the bulletin board for information on the next event. The next tourney is scheduled for July 25th and will be a skill based event.

It seems that the Skill Level Ratings may have caused some concerns or hesitations among some of our group. The descriptions and ratings have come from the International Pickleball Federation and are used in tournaments to make the competition more even. If one uses these descriptions as a self-teaching or coaching tool, you can work on those parts of your game that will take you to the next skill level. More and more outside tournaments are becoming skill based rather than age grouped.



A reminder to all as we entertain family and friends thru the summer to follow the rules regarding playing hours and the use of appropriate "quiet" paddles and balls. The "quiet" paddle list is on the bulletin board and the guest paddles are in the locker.

As always the Steering Committee would like to hear from you with your ideas, suggestions or comments to make Cape George Pickleball and Sports court even better. The committee includes: Jeannie, Georgette, Jo, Steve, Gail and Pi.

- Lob suggests:
1. Communicate with your partner - before and during the game
  2. Maximize your strengths - i.e. handedness
  3. Practice your weak shots and turn them into strengths

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

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Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

CGU-Thinking About Thinking	Aug. 4, 7p
Book Group	Aug. 18, 1p
Waterfront Festival	Aug. 22, 10a-?
Community Yard Sale	Aug. 29, 9a-3p



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Environmental.....	Kitty Rucker .....	385-4927	Social Club.....	Norma Lupkes.....	302-5202
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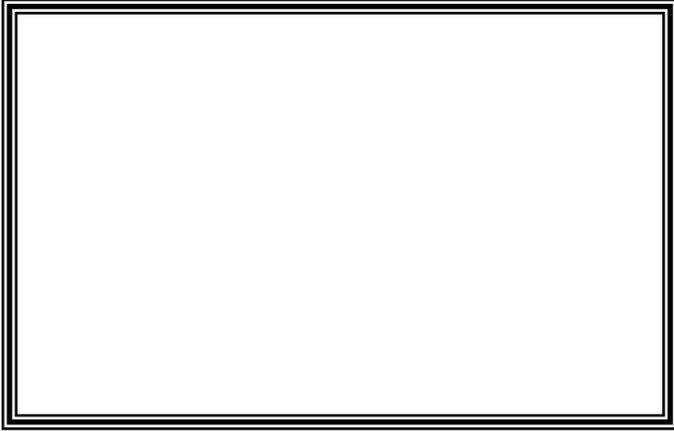
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CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB - PORT TOWNSEND, WA

# Newsletter

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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

Late in July we were visited by a Safety and Health Compliance Officer from Labor and Industry (L&I). His area of concern was specific to the maritime work environment for our employees. He conducted an interview with me, followed by a tour of the marina and then an interview of Caretaker Donnie Weathersby. In the end there were two areas of concern for which we will be receiving citations. One was for having 24" life rings on the docks instead of 30". Two years ago the requirement was changed from 24" to 30". The second citation will be for not having a formal safety training program. We are required to conduct monthly safety training for all employees and maintain documentation of topics covered and attendance. We have corrected the life ring violation and also established a safety training program that will begin later this month.

I met with Northwest Chain Link Fence estimator to review options for the replacement of the north and south marina dock, chain link gates. Both gates have become damaged as the result of normal use and are in need of replacement. New doors will be fabricated by Northwest and volunteers will assist with mounting locks and hanging the doors.

I met with Steve Mutzel from Triton Risk Management and provided a tour of Cape George facilities. Steve is contracted by our insurer, Community Association

Underwriters (CAU), to conduct independent risk assessments of CAU clients. Facilities visited include: office, maintenance garage, pool, clubhouse, fitness, workshop, marina and tank farm. His visit lasted approximately 30 minutes.

Over the past month the pool lane marker has been broken a number of times. Pool users are reminded to not hang on, stand on, or pull on the lane marker. A few hours of labor has been expended to repair this one item in the pool.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker:

- Pool deck and coping cleaning and painting.
- Tansy ragwort removal on common property.
- Repair of the pool exhaust fan.
- Repair of a leaking copper connection to the mainline water supply on Sunset Blvd.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Report of a pit bull off leash and behaving aggressively in the Village.
- Report of speeding vehicles in the Village.
- Hedge complaint in the Colony
- Hedge complaint on Huckleberry.
- Report of vandalism in the Highlands.
- Report of unauthorized vehicles parked in the south marina parking lot and north clubhouse parking lot.

## Lost & Found

If you've lost something at one of the community facilities it is possible that it has been turned in at the Cape George office. Please visit the office Mon. through Fri., from 9am to 2pm to check on your lost item.

**DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER -- September 20**

## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER

In September, Cape George's management, committees and Board of Trustees will be working on the budget for 2016. In October, the Board will adopt a budget to be submitted to the membership for ratification.

For the first time, Cape George members will be entitled to a separate vote on the list of projected reserve expenditures for the budget year. This is due to the following Bylaw amendment approved by the membership last year:

**The budget summary mailed to the Members shall include a list of the projected reserve account expenses for the budget year. The Members shall have the opportunity to vote on the list of projected reserve account expenses separately from the rest of the budget.**

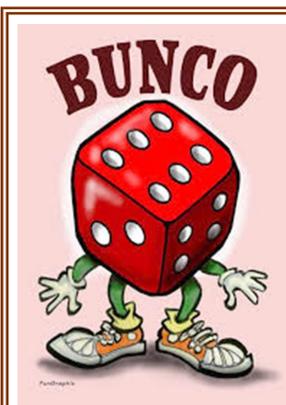
- a) **If the list of projected reserve account expenses is approved by a majority of the Members who voted at the meeting, the Board need not seek any further Member approval of those projected reserve account expenses.**
- b) **If a proposed reserve account expense was not approved as part of this process and is over \$50,000 (as indexed for inflation from the date of adoption of this amendment), then the Board shall submit it to the Members for approval by a majority vote as outlined in Article VI(A)(3) of these Bylaws.**
- c) **If a reserve account expense was approved as part of this process but later exceeds the budgeted amount by twenty-five percent (25%), then the Board shall submit it to the members for approval by a majority vote as outlined in Article VI(A)(3) of these Bylaws.**
- d) **In the event of a bona fide emergency, the Board may be required to authorize the expenditure of reserve account funds. In such an emergency, the Board need not seek Member ratification as required in (b) and (c) above.**

This list of projected reserve expenses is likely to contain one substantial item. The dehumidification system in the swimming pool needs to be replaced and upgraded in order to protect our investment in the building which contains our pool, fitness room and clubhouse. The estimates received to date for this system range from \$135,000 to \$162,000.

In my August letter, I discussed the controversy provoked by the Board's enforcement of the membership-approved 8 foot hedge and fence regulation.

The Board has received a number of letters critical of its application of this regulation to six mature trees. However, the Board also received several letters supporting its enforcement action, one of which even enclosed a photo of three workman on a precarious ladder cutting a hedge 36 feet high.

All of these letters are available for inspection at the Cape George office.



**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

**2:00 PM**

\$5 buy-in (\$1 bills appreciated)

Bring your own drink  
and a light snack

**FUN, FOOD  
AND  
LAUGHTER!**



## Workshop Labor Day Fundraiser

Monday, September 7th, 2015

This will be the first of several workshop fundraisers. The goal is to raise between two and three thousand dollars to purchase a generator. This will benefit the community by:

1. During high tides and power outages, a generator will allow us to pump out water to keep the clubhouse, pool, workout room and workshop from flooding.
2. A generator will allow the heat pumps to continue operating without disruption.
3. A generator will allow the electricity to continue to these facilities.
4. A generator will provide power to the welder for maintenance on the seawall.



This investment will provide our community with the peace of mind that our facilities will run without disruption during those times when Mother Nature tests us most.

Help us reach our goal! Please join us at 12 noon for the Labor Day celebration with “Coney Island” as our theme. We will be serving Coney Island style polish and beef hot dogs and all the fixings, along with baked beans and coleslaw. A \$10.00 suggested donation will be appreciated. BYOB if so desired. Soda and water will be available for a dollar.



A Silent Auction will be held in the Clubhouse at 4 pm as part of the fundraiser. Items will include metal lawn art, framed paintings and framed photography.

We will need a headcount no later than August 30th, so please call the following workshop members if you plan to attend:

Ken and Lauri Owen 360-385-9458

Marta Favati 563-940-1457

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE RAIN OR SHINE!

## SOCIAL CLUB MEETING!

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 22**  
**Potluck Luncheon 11:30 a.m.**

Our bi-annual Social Club  
Meeting will be on Tuesday  
SEPTEMBER 22 at 11:30 a.m.

**Please come - we need your input!**

**\*Bring a salad or lunch item to share.**  
**We will provide drinks.**

Questions/Comments?

Call Norma Lupkes 302-5202 or Mary Hilfer 379-0492

# Cape George University

## SEA OTTERS IN DISCOVERY BAY

Please mark your calendars for September 24 at 7 pm for the Cape George University presentation on sea otters. James Bodkin, Cape George resident and a recently retired scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey, spent years studying sea otters in Alaska and recently coedited a book on these charismatic marine mammals. Bodkin will brief Cape George residents on the historical decline and recovery of sea otter populations up and down the coast. Will they eventually return to local waters? Are they already here?



**COMING SOON:** Marine Mammals of Washington presented on Thursday, October 29 by David Rugh. Born and raised in the Himalayas of India, and with a BSc in Biology from Marysville College in Tennessee and a MS in Zoology from Ohio State University, Dave spent 34 years at NOAA's National Marine Mammal Lab in Seattle. Dave is currently involved in a monitoring project to document the return of fishers to the Olympic Peninsula.

**ADDITIONAL NOTE:** For those of you who requested more information about the lecture series at Peninsula College offered during the academic year by our August presenter, Wes Cecil, please contact Judith Chambliss at [zebecs@spiritone.com](mailto:zebecs@spiritone.com) or 360-379-1255.



Safeway Pharmacy will be offering flu shots at Cape George Clubhouse on Tuesday, September 15th from 10 am to noon. This will be offered to any resident above age 7. We will offer the regular flu vaccine and High Dose (for people over 65). We will also offer Pneumonia vaccines.

We will be able to bill Medicare B (no charge), Tricare (no charge), and most other insurance plans (co-payments apply). You will be able to pay by check (no cash or credit cards) for co-payments, or if you don't have any insurance the fee is \$29.99 for the basic flu shot and \$59.99 for HD. Everyone receiving a vaccination will receive a 10% grocery coupon. If you have any questions, please call 385-2860.

## CAPE GEORGE CLASSIFIEDS

Messiah – Community Chorus performs Handel's Messiah on Nov 29 and Dec 6 at Chimacum High School Auditorium. Singers Welcome! Rehearsals start on Sept 13<sup>th</sup>. For information visit [ptchorus.org](http://ptchorus.org) or call 385-1402.

## Notice of Hearing on Request for Variance

**Date:** September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Time:** 2:45 pm

**Place:** CAPE GEORGE CLUBHOUSE

**Lot Location:** 15

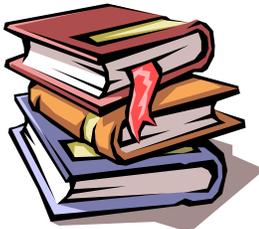
**Address (if assigned):** 141 Huckleberry Place

**Lot Owner:** Patrick & Delrene Buckley

**Variance Requested:** Requesting 3 foot into 25 foot setback for roof

**REASON:** Revise roof over front porch

The variance file is maintained in the office for community review. Written responses to the variance request are included in the Study Session Information packet which is available in the office and on [www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org) the Friday preceding the Variance Hearing.



### HISTORICAL FICTION GIVES GLIMPSE INTO “MRS. LINCOLN’S DRESSMAKER”

Jennifer Chiaverini’s historical novel, **Mrs. Lincoln’s Dressmaker**, will be the topic of discussion at the Tuesday, September 15 Book Group. This novel gives the reader insight into the history of the United States before, during and after the Civil War as a freed slave becomes not only Mrs. Lincoln’s dressmaker, but also a trusted friend during the turmoil that was the U.S. as well as that in the Lincoln family. Elizabeth Keckley bought her freedom from slavery through money she earned as a seamstress and is assimilated into the Lincoln family during a time when few white women would have befriended a black slave.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George clubhouse. Everyone is welcome to attend. For further information, call Jeannie Ramsey, 385-1263.



### Total Burn Ban Continues

No Open Fires of Any Kind are Permitted  
For updates or more information visit the  
East Jefferson Fire Rescue website at [ejfr.org](http://ejfr.org)



# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE NEWS

## Fund Raising Dinner

The Environmental Committee is sponsoring a fund-raising dinner on November 7th. So mark your calendar and be ready to come to *The Outlaw's Last Meal*. The cost will be \$5.00 per person, and we will have sarsaparilla for all. If you want something more saloon-ish, bring your own beverage. Also bring a western style (or not) dish to share with 6 people. It will be a **Buckwagon Buffet**. After dinner, we will be having a line dance person to teach us some dances.

We are asking for help in decorating. If you have cowboy boots, cowboy hats, or a saddle around your house, may we borrow it for one day? We promise to take care of any items that are loaned and to return them the day after the dinner. Please call Kitty Rucker at 385-4927 if you can loan us any of these items.



## Safe Burning Materials

We are so fortunate to have a wonderful picnic area right above the beautiful Cape George Beach. Although we are currently in a total burn ban, as the summer comes to an end and the weather turns wet once again, it is a lot of fun to take your food down to the grill area and cook it over a fire.



The Environmental Committee is concerned because some people are bringing used wood down to the barbecue area and contributing it to the community. This is wonderful if it is untreated wood, cut to firewood length and if there is space for the wood. Any wood that has been painted or treated with preservatives is not safe to burn near people or food. I am sure that whoever is doing this is doing it in good will and to make a contribution to other members, but this is not safe to use in this area.

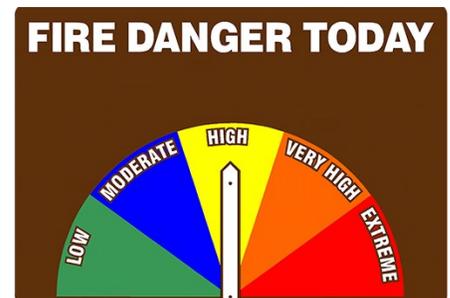
If you would like to donate untreated wood to the grill area, please contact the manager prior to doing so. Do not put any treated wood near the fire. We just have to haul it away to the dump, and that makes extra work for our employees.

## Fire Danger Work Crew

As you know it has been mighty dry in our area. This is one of the worst droughts that we have seen in a long while. The Environmental Committee is concerned about the fire danger that exists right here in our community.

There is a group of our members who have been working to remove downed tinder material from the community woods behind the pickleball court. The fire marshal has warned us that if a fire should start in this area, it could spread quickly and cause a lot of damage. If you remember a few years ago there was a fire at Beckett Point that was pretty bad and took a few days to put out.

If you would like to contribute a few hours of your time to help remove downed brush from the woods behind the pickleball court please call Steve Shapiro at 385-5744. He will arrange a time for everyone to meet and work to clear the woods of fire kindling.



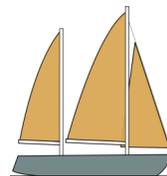
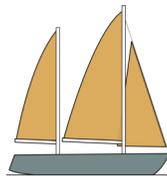
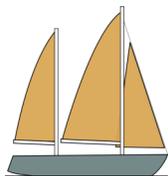
# Cape George 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Regatta Results

Beautiful weather, moderate winds and 9 sailboats competing on Discovery Bay made for one of the best and quickest regattas in the 9 year history of this event.

Thanks go to the Committee Boat with Dick and Sue Poole onboard and John Ryan as starter and timekeeper; to Bob and Sharon Schlentner for setting the rounding mark south of Becket Point; to Kriss Edwards for donating the printing of the new burgees used as prizes; and especially to Penny Jensen as leader of the Marina Committee who organized the entire festival and provided the refreshments, funds and talent to make it all happen.

Regatta Chair, Gary Rossow

<u>Skipper's Name</u>	<u>Boat Name</u>	<u>Boat Make &amp; Length</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Carl Schwersinske	Missy	Victoria 18	7
Scott Munson	Rayo De Sol	Skipper 20	9
Ben Fellows/ Jack Salmon	Nellie	Nonsuch 22	5
Joe Platt	Tryst	Benford 22	6
John Hanks	Peregrine	Islander 30	8
Mike Smith	Spiritus	Pearson 303	4
Jim Bodkin	Kellee	Cape Dory 36	2
Bob Frenette	Zoom	Santana 23d	3
Gary Rossow	Total Eclipse	Kalik 40	1



## Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
August 13, 2015  
7:00 PM  
DRAFT**

President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

- A. Welcome
- B. The 2016 budget process will be getting underway over the next few weeks.

In Attendance: Rich Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Karen Krug, Leslie Fellner, Katie Habegger, and Michael Hinojos.

**Action on Minutes:** Katie Habegger

Katie Habegger moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting July 16, 2015 and the Special Board Meeting July 18, 2015 – passed 5/0

**Membership Report:** Katie Habegger

Stephen Gimber & Pamela Bouchard purchased 110 Sunset from Wesley & Evelyn Dickson (July 1st)  
Dennis Colopy purchased 182 Victoria Loop from the Estate of Patricia Hudson (July 8th)  
Dwight & Ming Benson purchased 411 Sunset Blvd from Anna Polishuk & Edmond Blau (July 10th)  
Curtis Kilgore purchased 151 San Juan from Vivian LaBonte (July 13th)  
Takeo Kawaguchi inherited 410 S Palmer from Keiko Kawaguchi Cason (July 15th)  
Greg & Nina Dortch purchased 111 E Rhododendron from Molly Hong (July 15th)  
James & Cynthia Eshleman purchased 35-5 E Rhododendron from Steve & Janet Goff (July 15th)  
Michael & Mamta Kenna purchased 151 S Rhododendron Dr from Bonnie Collins (July 21)  
Richard Root & Betsy Coddington purchased 240 S Palmer from Joseph & Ellen Dial (July 30th)  
Richard & Susan Keller purchased 4-2 Sunset from Jean Bracken (June 24th)

**Treasurers Report:** Karen Krug  
July 31, 2015

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of July 31, 2015**

Both a summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed revenue and expense statement are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website and are also available for review in the office.

**2015 Balance Sheet comments:**

Cash balances are noticeably higher than the same time last year due to the \$92,000 collected to date in the new reserve assessment. Also contributing to the increase in cash is the absence of significant expenditures, either for new capital or reserve items. Two major reserve expenditures - the shoreline berm and the replacement of the one ton truck have not yet occurred. Since all permits for the berm project have been received significant project expenditures will occur shortly. A new timetable for replacement of the truck is unknown.

Member receivables have seen a slight uptick over the past month, not unusual during the month an assessment payment is due. Members have thirty days from the due date to pay and after that late charges are added to the account balance. There has been no additional collection activity on four of the accounts turned over to an external collection agency; one account had been previously collected.

The amended 2012 IRS refund, filed in March of 2014, still has not been received. The refund requested is for \$842 and was the result of a provision in the ACA insurance law. Staff did follow up in May of this year and the next steps will be to contact IRS Problems Resolution.

All bank accounts have been reconciled and July statements reviewed with no exceptions. No financial institution holds funds in excess of the FDIC limits.

Two CDs held at Peninsula Credit Union (PCU), both of which matured in late July were automatically rolled over, one for 12 months and the other for 18 months. Rolling these CDs had not been the original plan. Having around \$120,000 locked for the next year or so should not present a liquidity problem however given the current plan for reserve expenditures over the next 12 to 18 months. In addition, since it is likely that interest rates will rise slower than originally predicted the PCU rates should remain reasonably competitive until at or near the new maturity dates.

There are still nineteen (19) Members who have not yet cashed their North Seawall refund checks. This is unfortunate as every outstanding item increases the administrative burden on staff when completing the bank reconciliation. The check stock in use at the time of the refund did not carry a notice of 'stale date' so Cape George does not have the right to invalidate outstanding items. Communication will be sent to each of the Members asking that they cash their refunds. This step represents additional administrative burden but should help clear these outstanding checks.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

All three cost centers are performing at better than their budgeted values. In all cases, slightly lower labor costs, lower contracted services expenditures and lower insurance costs are the largest contributing factors. Since labor costs generally run higher during the summer months the favorable labor variance will decline. Insurance expenditures however will continue to show favorable variances throughout the remainder of the year due to the recent reduction in premiums, a result of the insurer's discontinuation of earthquake coverage.

On a year-to-date (YTD) basis, General operations has a net favorable variance of slightly over \$23,000. Nearly one-third of this variance can be traced to lower than budgeted pool utility costs, a line item that could increase significantly if the cost of propane rises or there is unusually cold weather during the fourth quarter.

Water operations YTD has a \$13,000 favorable variance with favorable variances in all line items. The largest favorable variance is in repairs and maintenance, due mostly to the unpredictability of expenditures in that category and not due to any effort to defer maintenance.

Year-to-date Marina operations have produced a \$6,000 favorable variance with the largest favorable line item variance occurring in contract services. Dredging and additional rock work have been completed with actual costs nearly identical to the original \$12,500 budget.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
*Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2015 and 2014*

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 147,249	\$ 109,329	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 8,675	\$ 9,443
Operating Investment-Savings	105,054	70,031	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	29,289	28,464
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	610	Unearned Income Other	-	411
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	426,784	320,776	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,300	500
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	57,641	87,697	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	19,485	70,612
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<u>92,366</u>	<u>-</u>	Total Current Liabilities	<u>58,749</u>	<u>109,430</u>
Total Cash & Equivalents	829,694	588,443			
			North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Net Accounts Receivable	16,561	12,240	South Sewall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	19,485	70,612			
Net SpclAssmnts Receivalbe	10,102	60,376	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,787,260	1,846,053	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	30,534	37,564	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	<u>282,536</u>	<u>186,213</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$2,693,636</u>	<u>\$2,615,288</u>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$ 2,693,636</u>	<u>\$ 2,615,288</u>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended July 31 (Modified Cash Basis)**

2015 Year to Date					COMPARATIVE				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 214,806	\$ 214,806	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 214,806	\$ 206,544	\$ 8,262	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	14,827	12,449	2,378	19%	Revenue - All Other Sources	14,827	12,778	2,049	16%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>229,633</b>	<b>227,255</b>	<b>2,378</b>		<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>229,633</b>	<b>219,322</b>	<b>10,311</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	74,957	78,357	3,400	4%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	74,957	75,442	485	1%
Repairs & Maintenance	6,894	11,712	4,818	41%	Repairs & Maintenance	6,894	14,524	7,630	53%
Contracted Services	23,938	28,375	4,437	16%	Contracted Services	23,938	29,718	5,780	19%
Insurance	12,712	14,478	1,766	12%	Insurance	12,712	13,123	411	3%
Pool Expense	8,530	15,750	7,220	46%	Pool Expense	8,530	17,822	9,292	52%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	14,742	14,145	(597)	-4%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	14,742	16,279	1,537	9%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>141,773</b>	<b>162,817</b>	<b>14,421</b>		<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>141,773</b>	<b>166,908</b>	<b>14,306</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 87,860</b>	<b>\$ 64,438</b>	<b>\$ 23,422</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 87,860</b>	<b>\$ 52,414</b>	<b>\$ 35,446</b>	<b>68%</b>
<b>Water</b>					<b>Water</b>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 137,970	\$ 137,970	\$ -	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 137,970	\$ 137,520	\$ 450	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	1,703	1,551	91%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>141,224</b>	<b>139,970</b>	<b>1,254</b>		<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>141,224</b>	<b>139,223</b>	<b>2,001</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	33,697	35,852	2,155	6%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	33,697	31,981	(1,716)	-5%
Repairs & Maintenance	930	4,536	3,606	79%	Repairs & Maintenance	930	5,016	4,086	81%
Contracted Services	7,501	9,533	2,032	21%	Contracted Services	7,501	9,169	1,668	18%
Insurance	6,770	7,729	959	12%	Insurance	6,770	8,175	1,405	17%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	19,696	23,151	3,455	15%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	19,696	19,069	(627)	-3%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>68,594</b>	<b>80,801</b>	<b>12,207</b>		<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>68,594</b>	<b>73,410</b>	<b>4,816</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 72,630</b>	<b>\$ 59,169</b>	<b>\$ 13,461</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 72,630</b>	<b>\$ 65,813</b>	<b>\$ 6,817</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Marina</b>					<b>Marina</b>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 55,713	\$ 53,905	\$ 1,808	0%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 55,713	\$ 49,706	\$ 6,007	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	9,875	9,440	435	5%	Revenue - All Other Sources	9,875	8,512	1,363	16%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>65,588</b>	<b>63,345</b>	<b>2,243</b>		<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>65,588</b>	<b>58,218</b>	<b>7,370</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	7,434	7,855	421	5%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	7,434	6,643	(791)	-12%
Repairs & Maintenance	15,672	14,715	(957)	-7%	Repairs & Maintenance	15,672	14,360	(1,312)	-3%
Contracted Services	1,247	5,230	3,983	76%	Contracted Services	1,247	1,214	(33)	-3%
Insurance	3,671	4,043	372	9%	Insurance	3,671	2,605	(1,066)	-41%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,349	5,596	247	4%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,349	5,489	140	3%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>33,373</b>	<b>37,439</b>	<b>4,066</b>		<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>33,373</b>	<b>30,311</b>	<b>(3,062)</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 32,215</b>	<b>\$ 25,906</b>	<b>\$ 6,309</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 32,215</b>	<b>\$ 27,907</b>	<b>\$ 4,308</b>	<b>15%</b>
Routine Reserve*	89,370	-	89,370		Routine Reserve*	89,370	-	89,370	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(41)	-	(41)		Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(41)	39,590	(39,631)	
Reserve Interest - all	502	-	502		Reserve Interest - all	502	489	13	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 282,535</b>	<b>\$ 149,512</b>	<b>\$ 133,064</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 282,535</b>	<b>\$ 186,213</b>	<b>\$ 135,954</b>	<b>52%</b>

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Environmental, Building, Marina, Water, Pool and Ad Hoc – Conflict Resolution  
The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

The Trustees received an update from the Ad Hoc Conflict Resolution Committee co-chair Judith Chambliss – attached for the record.

**Member participation:** None

**New Business Action Items:**

**Motion 1:** Michael Hinojos moved and Katie Habegger seconded to approve appointment of Committee Chairs and members where required as submitted and attached for the record. Passed 5/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve corporate financial account signatories as submitted and attached for the record. Passed 5/0

**Motion 3:** Leslie Fellner moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve 3 member request for due date adjustment on 4 accounts. Passed 5/0

**Motion 4:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the request allowing Safeway Pharmacy staff to offer flu and pneumonia vaccinations on a to be determined date in September in the Cape George Clubhouse. Passed 5/0

**Motion 5:** Michael Hinojos moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve reversing hedge violation fine of \$500 as requested by Manager. Passed 5/0

**Motion 6:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the reversal of a \$10 late fee on accounts ADA001-3 and KEL001 as requested by Office Administrator. Passed 5/0

**Motion 7:** Motion G from the agenda was withdrawn.

**Open Board Discussion:**

**Announcements:**

A. Study Session – September 8, 2015 3:00 p.m.

Board Meeting –September 10, 2015 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Rich Hilfer moved and Michael Hinojos and Leslie Fellner seconded to adjourn the regular session at 7:30 - Passed 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Katie Habegger, Secretary**

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**Richard Hilfer, President**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE  
July 13, 2015**

In Attendance: Kyanne Anderson, Varn Brooks, Art Burke, Chris Buzzard, Sue Dunning, Dennis Fellner, Katie Habegger, Joan Hommel, Norma Lupkes, Kitty Rucker, Robin Scherting

Meeting Was Called To Order With June Minutes Approved As Read.

Fiscal Report: Total - **\$3,724.78.51** after expenses.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that the final permit has been issued by the county and approval granted by the state. He expects that berm work will begin in October or November in conjunction with **D. Ravine Study** septic system activities. Contact has been made with a knowledgeable person study the geology and the recent flooding and to make adjustments to prevent further flooding. Art has contacted a nursery for the 700-800 beach grass plants for the berm. A suggestion was made that seed collection of some existing beach plants in the fall would be a viable possibility for other plants.
- B. **Annual October Dinner/Fundraiser** will be held on October 24 with a limit of 80 in attendance. The theme will be **Western** and attendees will be asked to bring a BBQ-type dish for six and BYOB – tickets will be \$5.00 and will include a sarsaparilla. Dennis will prepare another fun knowledge quiz with a western theme. The suggestion has been made to push the tables back after dinner and try some “line-dancing” – this will be pursued and discussed at the next meeting.
- C. **CG Common Area Volunteer Caretaker** list has been reviewed and Kitty posted an article in the newsletter which caught some interest from some new people in the community.

- D. **Olympic Mountains Prints** - Kitty has had some additional prints of the made and now has about 15 in stock for future sales.
- E. **North Jetty Park Project** - underway with the area graded on June 15. Several meetings have been held by the Marina Committee to develop a plan with a choice of designs for the gazebo to present to Carl Schwerzinske, a local contractor who is coordinating the work.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Hedge Rule** – Tree and hedge issues in the community continue to come up routinely. A recent violation and a letter regarding it have created concern among some residents. Art explained that the current hedge rule is 2 mingled trees/ shrubs over 8’ tall can create a violation. Our committee strongly recommended “conflict resolution” before submitting a formal complaint.
- B. **Memorial Park Update** – Kyanne reported that the rocks have been removed and mulch is now in place. Major planting has been postponed until the fall. She also requested that a drip irrigation system with low pressure delivery be installed to replace the large sprinkler system for more efficient water usage. Art will work with the Anderson’s to see if this is feasible.
- C. **Annual Report** – Robin will deliver the EC annual report at the Annual Meeting on Sat. July 18 in Kitty’s absence.  
**Respectfully submitted:** Norma Lupkes, Sec.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE**

**August 3, 2015**

Building Permits Issued:

Laurie Owen: 210 N Palmer Dr, Colony, add a landing and stairs on back of house.

Variance Request:

Patrick & Delrene Buckley: 141 Huckleberry Pl, Village, requesting 3 foot into the 25 foot setback to revise existing roof over front porch.

**Marina Committee**

**Aug 4, 2015**

Harbormaster, Penny Jensen convened the Marina Committee at 11 am August 4. About 20 members were present.

Financial Report: We have approx. \$7500 in our fundraising account. (These funds do not belong to the Cape George Colony Club, Inc.)

Penny called for nominations for marina chair, responsible for dealing with the marina budget and rules. Marty Bluewater was nominated by Craig Muma, seconded by Mac McDonald. Marty was elected unanimously.

Discussion items:

1. There is interest in providing a dock for launching rowing sculls. Options are being explored.
2. There is continuing interest in upgrading the wiring on the docks.
3. Gary Rossow has arranged for new marina burgees, which will soon be available for sale.
4. Art Burke has ordered two new gates for the docks. The existing gates are in poor shape.
5. Penny is seeking volunteers to help with the annual waterfront festival, scheduled for August 22.
6. There are plans to build a second crab-cooking shack at the south end of the marina.

It will be paid for largely with donations.

7. Penny brought up the possibility of paying future harbormasters. She and others feel the workload is far greater than other committee chairs, justifying some degree of payment. Others feel it should remain a volunteer position.

8. There is continuing concern about leaks in the fresh water pipes along the docks. Boat owners need to be on the lookout for leaks, and know how to shut off the water main if a leak is detected.

9. Art Burke reported that new, larger life rings have been installed on the docks.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am-Ross Anderson

## **WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**August 4, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; members Scott James, Stewart Pugh and Thad Bickling.

Highland Booster Pump Controller – Stew provided the drawings and some of the components to DD Electric and is still waiting for a cost estimate and timeline. Stew will contact them again and then update Art who can get the bid and timeline tied down.

We want to get this done now and have been delayed by slow response from DD. Art will work on that aspect.

Backflow / Cross Connection – Bob Frenette has stepped in to update the data entry of pending questionnaires and develop reports. Greg met with Bob and Terri and will meet again to generate a listing of the backflow assemblies that need to be tested. He wants to get the initial testing going with the current listing even though we still have more phone calls and inspections to do. We'll get a letter ready to send for Art and Greg's signatures and put a list of the certified testers on the back. Owners would have 60 days to have their devices tested (at their expense). Larry needs to update the certified inspector listing. All acceptable backflow assembly testers must provide current certification for themselves and their test equipment.

Art and Thad attended the recent drought forum and said it was mostly focused on surface water status, particularly for the City and the paper mill, not ground water. There was a lot of misinformation that they cleared up. DOE touched on pending water rights (thousands) but all their resources are now working on the drought issues. No real action was proposed at the forum but there were a lot of good resource people and information.

Some Jefferson County Health people have been in Cape George doing some field inspections relative to septic problems, not enforcement but looking for potential failed system sites that lead to contamination on the beach.

The next meeting will be on **September 1, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**

## **POOL COMMITTEE**

**August 5, 2015**

**ATTENDEES:** Art Burke, Rocky D'Acquisto – Chair, Mary Hilfer

**NOTES:**

The current Pool Committee Treasury amount is \$1,821.66

A new clock was purchased for the Pool. It is made to be used in humid areas and hopefully will last a long time.

The deck and coping painting is done and is drying. Marta Favati was a great help to Donnie and Chris in getting this accomplished. In addition to the painting, the pool was drawn down and new water was added to top it off. It will take a few days to clarify.

New signs for Pool Rules, No Lifeguard on Duty, and No Diving are being laminated and will be put up when the pool opens.

The community yard/garage sale is on course to take place on August 29. Norma and Mary will prepare advertisements to put into the Leader and Cape George email blasts. They will prepare the signs and make sure everyone has one and a map will be available for attendees.

There have been several nuisance incidents in the pool and changing rooms this past month. The lane marker was broken and some of the hardware was stolen. Paper towels were stuffed into the men's room sink. Art and Rocky discussed crimping the lane marker so that if it is broken again, it will stay intact. We discussed putting the pool hours in the newsletter and making sure that everyone knows that consequences for vandalism in the pool are loss of pool privileges.

The extra lane markers and the container that were in the corner of the pool area have been moved to the barn since they are

rarely used.

Art indicated that he is still working with 2 companies to get quotes for the dehumidification project and plans to present it to the Board for the 2016 budget. It will most likely be a combination of reserves and special assessment.

Next meeting: September 2 – 3:00 at the Clubhouse  
Respectfully submitted, Mary Hilfer for Norma Lupkes

#### **AD HOC CONFLICT RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**

Report to Board of Trustees  
Study Session, 8/11/15

Members: Judith Chambliss, Lynn Pierle, Jan Stone

Due to summer travel, visitors and other scheduling constraints, the Committee has not been able to meet since last report. However, we will be meeting on Monday, 8/10/15, so will have a verbal report to make at the Study Session on 8/11/15.

Since the following had not occurred before the July written report was submitted, but did occur before the Study Session on July 14 (and was delivered verbally), the following provides a written summary of that verbal report:

- 1) On July 10, 2015, the Committee had a very helpful meeting with Art Burke, who provided us with useful background information regarding the Cape George complaint process, along with his perspective as to how a conflict resolution process might be beneficial in Cape George.
- 2) On July 10, 2015, Judith spoke by phone with the Manager at Kala Point and on July 13, spoke with the Manager at Port Ludlow South Bay Community Association (Bay Club). The purpose of those conversations was to ascertain what, if any, formal process they have for resolving conflicts that arise within their communities. By their report, neither has such a process. In Port Ludlow, the Manager tends to deal with conflict situations and he does occasionally make use of some experienced mediators who live in the community to help if necessary. He indicated that if some formal mediation process could be put in place, he would find it useful.

Judith Chambliss will attend the Study Session on 8/11/15.

At the August 13, 2015 regularly scheduled and noticed meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cape George Colony Club, Inc., it was moved and seconded and passed 5/0, that in response to the requirements of Finance Rule as-critical Accounting Policies, the following signatories be authorized on the specified bank accounts and financial instruments and all other previous signatory authorizations be rescinded:

#### **Kitsap Bank**

XXXXXX9111 Checking Account Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

XXXXXX9112 Checking Account Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

XXXXXX9120 Savings Account Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

#### **Peninsula Credit Union**

XXXXXX8414 Master Account Richard Hilfer, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

Certificate(s) of Deposit: Richard Hilfer, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

*{Currently one 12 CD month maturing July 2016 and one 18 month CD maturing January 2017}*

**Chase Bank**

XXXXXX9928      Checking Account      Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

XXXXXX5161      Savings Account      Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

**Wells Fargo Bank**

XXXXXX5374      Savings Account      Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke

XXXXXX4708      Savings Account      Richard Hilfer, Ray Pierson, Kathleen Habegger, Karen Krug, Art Burke



## September Fitness News

Hard to believe summer is nearly over.

We know the activity in the Fitness room will increase as the clouds roll in.

Just a few reminders as you use the gym. We ask that you change into clean shoes before using equipment. Living on a beach is a blessing, however the sand that gets trapped in the bottom of gym shoes as you walk in ruins the belts and workings of many of our machines.

Upon entering the gym, please do not hold the door open for others to enter. Each member should use their key card. If there is damage to equipment, Terri or Art can read the key lock from the office and you will be contacted as one of the people in the room in that time frame. If something does break or you see something that needs to have attention, please contact Art or me. We have recently had some things missing from the room and breakage not reported. We all have built something quite amazing there, that not many communities have. We take great pride in our gym and it belongs to all of us in this community. We ask that everyone help maintain it.

There will be a short closure of the gym sometime in October and we will keep you posted as to when. This will be due to the new septic system pipes that will run along the back of the building. For everyone's safety they will close off the area for a short time.

We will schedule a meeting of the Fitness committee for October and post the date in the room and next month's calendar. This is open to all members of the community as well as the committee. Among things to be discussed any events we want to put on, ways to improve upon what we have. If you have any ideas but can't make the meeting make sure you let us know.

We have found that the window tinting along with the shades and fan have done a good job in this heat. It is wonderful to have the cold water available in the room as well.

Have a wonderful rest of your summer.

Phyllis Ballough  
Committee Chairman



# Emergency Preparedness Committee



**What the All-County Picnic is and why it occurs in Jefferson County annually?**

These annual community events are a partnership between Local 20/20 ([l2020.org](http://l2020.org)) and Jefferson County's Department of Emergency Management (JCDEM – [jeffcoec.org](http://jeffcoec.org)). The celebrations are designed to inspire and strengthen neighborhoods throughout Jefferson County while heightening awareness of local emergency resources. The JCDEM presents the event as a model for other EM organizations across the state.

This **FREE** event aims to motivate our community to develop a goal of resiliency and a culture of caring through neighbors working together on emergency preparedness. Over the past 7 years, 125-150 neighborhoods have organized in order to better prepare for the unexpected and, in the process, have become friendlier places to live.

The All-County Picnic affords a place for established neighborhoods to share "best practices" while motivating new neighborhoods (and individuals) to get organized. The booths and displays are deliberately laid out on the field to offer multiple opportunities for attendees to visit at length with agencies, vendors, organizations and other presenters. There is also an opportunity to see and purchase basic disaster preparedness supplies available in the marketplace.

**Local 20/20** is a citizen-based, all-volunteer organization dedicated to exploring opportunities in our local community (East Jefferson County, Washington). The group intentionally promotes economic self-reliance, environmental stewardship, and community well-being. The name refers to having 20/20 vision... focused on present planning that is directed toward enhancing our community's quality of life and security by 20/20 and beyond. **Local 20/20's mission statement** is *"Working together toward local sustainability—integrating economy, ecology and community through action and education."*

**JCDEM's vision and mission** are **an inclusive agenda of preparedness and collaboration among government and non-government entities, the private sector, and our citizens to restore critical services plus re-establish public health and order following a disaster.** It is through this process of joint endeavor that we can reduce the impact of the emergency and make the best use of our strengths, resources, and will.

The "Good News" is that our Cape George Community is a designated neighborhood which has assigned leads, co-leads and an Emergency Preparedness Committee to provide action and support for our community in the case of an emergency. **In next month's newsletter, we will give you more information regarding what we have organized for you, who to rely on or contact, what to do and where to go if a disaster occurs.** Having a local team of fellow residents will afford assistance and comfort when it is most needed!

**Cape George Emergency Preparedness Committee: Thad Bickling/Karla Kauzlarich**



Join us For  
**a POT LUCK  
DINNER**



**COME ONE COME ALL**  
**Third Annual Pickleball Pot Luck Dinner**  
**Oct 1st 5-8pm**  
**in the Clubhouse**  
**BYOB Bring a dish to share**  
**Bring your friends and fans**  
**Plates and utensils provided**  
**Pickles are Free**

## Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob



Dink just checked his Anniversary Calendar (he keeps track of many important events) and reminded me that in mid August we celebrated the 3rd anniversary of the opening of our Sports Court! Wow! how time flies when we are all having so much fun. He suggested that it might be interesting to look back and remember the highlights of the "Birth" of our court.

There were a small group of early "Picklers" who got permission from Parks and Recreation to line the tennis court across from the County Court House for Pickleball and they made the trip to town several times a week to play. Most had

learned to play in Arizona and they passed the game on to others who converted from racquetball and paddle tennis.

Cape George was exposed to the game with several demonstrations and temporary court set up in the Marina parking lot on several occasions. That sparked interest and brought us to receiving approval from the Board to form an Ad Hoc Committee to explore a court on our own grounds. Dec. 15, 2011 CONCEPTION!

The next steps was finding a suitable location and raising the money to construct the court. The location was selected after appropriate study of all options. The money was raised with the help of many individual donations, 50/50 raffles, gifts from Granny's Attic in 2012. Bids were taken for the excavation and concrete laying part of the court from local contractors.

Excavation took place in mid June of 2012 followed closely by the laying of re-bar and rock and then the concrete. The slab required a curing time with twice daily watering to temper the process. By the end of July we were ready to "finish" the surface with the 2 color acrylic surface and apply the lines and install the net. The poles were installed during the concrete laying and would allow for Pickleball, badminton and volley ball to be played.

As a money saver we decided to finish the court ourselves. This was a 5 step process which required the right temperatures and drying time between each step. A great crew of men and women helped with this and the end result was pleasing and professional looking. The final steps were painting the lines and installing the net.

And the Sports Court was "BORN". Not quite Full Term - 8 months from Ok Go FOR IT to OK PLAY ON IT.

On Dec 13, 2012, the Board accepted our donation of \$11,600 - the value of the Sports Court.

The value of the court is more appropriately expressed in terms of the fun, exercise, social connections, friendships and joy it has brought to so many in the community. To all of you who made this happen thru your donations, support, sweat equity and positive thinking. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY AND MANY MORE!



Opening Day August 12, 2012

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
rocketmama@wavecable.com

*Sponsored by the Cape George Social Club*

Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Workshop Fundraiser	Sep. 7, 12p
Flu Vaccination	Sep. 15, 10a
Book Group	Sep. 15, 1p
Bunco	Sep. 18, 2p
Social Club Potluck & Mtg.	Sep. 22, 11:30a
CGU-Sea Otters	Sep. 24, 7p
Pickleball Potluck	Oct. 1, 5p

### Board of Trustees

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Maintenance Manager - Donnie Weathersby - 385-1177

Senior Bookkeeper - Sally Lovell - 385-1177

Water System Manager - Greg Rae - 301-5826

### Cape George Office Hours M-F, 9am-2pm

Building.....	Ann Simpson.....	379-9105	Memorial .....	Jeannie Ramsey .....	385-1263
Clubhouse Rental .....	Terri Brown .....	385-1177	Newsletter .....	Office.....	385-1177
Elections .....	Marcedita Del Valle ...	379-9025	Nominating.....	Kitty Rucker.....	385-4927
	Joyce Skoien .....	379-9749	Roads.....	Larry Southwick .....	379-2878
Emergency Prep.....	Thad Bickling.....	379-1781	Social Club.....	Norma Lupkes.....	302-5202
Environmental.....	Kitty Rucker .....	385-4927		Mary Hilfer.....	379-0492
Finance .....	Unassigned.....		Swimming Pool .....	Neil D'Acquisto.....	385-7625
Fitness Center .....	Phyllis Ballough .....	344-3706	Water Advisory .....	Larry Southwick....	379-2878
	Robin Scherting .....	379-1344	Welcome .....	Jo Nieuwsma.....	424-333-5413
Harbormaster.....	Penny Jensen.....	385-0242	Workshop.....	Ken Owen .....	385-9458
Librarians: .....	Mary Maltby .....	385-3110			
	Jeannie Ramsey.....	385-1263	Clubhouse Phone .....		385-3670
	Betty Hanks.....	379-6572			
Marina .....	Marty Bluewater... 206-790-5705		Fitness Center Phone ...		385-3619

# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# SEPTEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		<b>1</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> <b>Marina Comm. 11a</b> <b>Water Comm. 5p—Office</b>	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p <b>Pool Comm. 3p</b>	<b>3</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p <b>Bldg. Comm. 10a (Office)</b>	<b>4</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>5</b>
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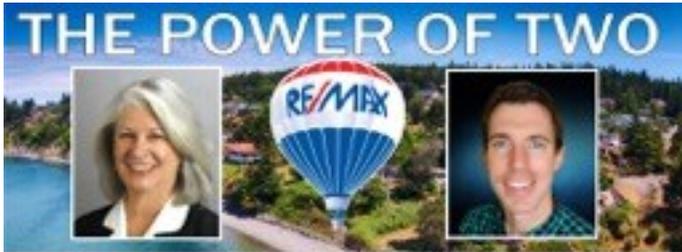
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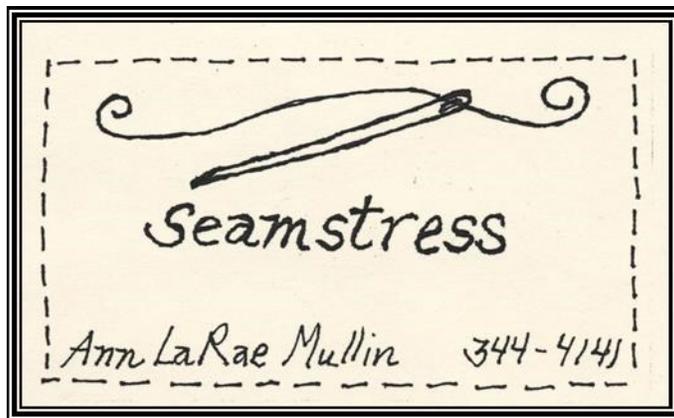
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

The third and final cycle of lot mows has been completed. Due to the very dry summer this final mow was delayed from its normal schedule.

Work is nearing completion on an Accident Prevention Program and Chemical Hazard Communication Program. The next step will be to review these documents with the Department of Labor and Industry and begin implementation.

Initial planning is underway to address the drainage issues at the Workshop. Our drainage designer has had a preliminary meeting with the Jefferson County Department of Community Development to determine what permits, if any, will be required to rehab the existing dry well system. As additional requested information is prepared we will find out the scope of the project and approximate costs.

As a result of a conversation at last month's Study Session I have collected some information on the possibility of installing hand dryers in the pool changing rooms. This information will be presented to the Pool Committee for their input and recommendation.

The Office Administrator has been working with the Water Manager and Water Committee on backflow test notification letters. This "next step" in the process will require homeowners with backflow assemblies to have them tested by a certified inspector.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker and Assistant Caretaker:

- Exterior and interior prep work is beginning in anticipation of the Office and Clubhouse being painted.
- Roadside drainage maintenance will continue to be a focus as time permits.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Complaint of dogs not being pick up after in the off leash area north of the Clubhouse and on Cape George trails.
- Two separate reports of a drone hovering outside of a home in the Colony.
- Multiple reports of gasoline being stolen from vehicles in the Village.
- Light complaint in the Village.



## Total Burn Ban Lifted

Regular Burn Ban still in place

For updates or more information visit the East Jefferson Fire Rescue website at [ejfr.org](http://ejfr.org)



**DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER -- October 20**

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

In addition to its October regular meeting, the Board of Trustees will conduct a special board meeting at 3PM on October 22. The purpose of this meeting is to review the 2016 budget. The Board must adopt a budget and then send it to Cape George members for a ratification vote.

The Board will also be considering several proposed amendments to the Bylaws of the Cape George Colony Club. Any amendments recommended by the Board will then be submitted for a vote of the membership.

Because the discussion on the 2016 budget and the amendment proposals can be detailed and complex, the Board anticipates the monthly study session at 3PM on October 13 will last longer than usual.

In preparation of the list of reserve expense projects for the 2016 budget, the Board will be discussing the necessity of replacing the swimming pool dehumidification system. There is evidence this system should be upgraded to prevent damage to the building containing not only the pool but also the fitness room and clubhouse. Estimates received to date put the cost in the \$135,00 to \$162,000 range. The cost of this replacement would be paid from reserve funds.

It is interesting to note the Board recommended replacing the existing dehumidification system in 2008. At that time, one estimate placed the cost at \$56,000. So it is time to protect our investment in this building and get this project done.

The Board will also be considering the following proposals to amend the Bylaws:

1. Giving a member one vote for each lot owned, instead of the current article which provides the owner of multiple lots is entitled to only one vote.
2. Adding provisions relating to reserves, reserve studies and reserve disclosures.
3. Changing the article relating to rental of a member's property to a non-member.
4. Technical amendments relating to voting, voting percentages and quorums to bring Cape George into alignment with state law.
5. Various housekeeping changes and technical corrections.

Members interested in the background of the issues which find their way to the year end association ballot will want to attend this extended study session.

**Special Board Meeting**

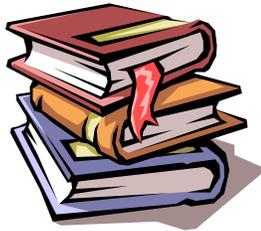
October 22, 2015, 3 P.M.

In the Clubhouse

Review of the proposed 2016 budget

**Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder—Reminder**

**Fourth Quarter Assessments are due October 1st**



# BIRDS, BEASTS AND RELATIVES

is October Selection

The autobiographical “Birds, Beasts and Relatives” will be discussed at the Tuesday, October 20 Book Group. Written by Gerald Durrell, the book is the second in a trilogy that describes his childhood spent on the Greek island of Corfu between 1935 and 1939.

The book offers a series of anecdotes from the family’s five-year sojourn that began when Durrell was 10 years old. The stories are sometimes fictionalized and do not occur in chronological order. He intersperse humorous family anecdotes with rich descriptions of the flora and fauna of Corfu and of his own education in natural history.

This book, published in 1969 follows his popular, “My Family and Other Animals” and was written in part to raise money for his animal collecting expeditions.

The book group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome to attend.



**Wednesday, October 7**

**Social Period 5:30 pm in the Clubhouse**

**Soups on 6:00 pm**

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## Marine Mammals of Washington Next CGU Lecture

Cape George University is fortunate to have David Rugh discuss Marine Mammals of Washington on Thursday, October 29 at 7 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse.

Born and raised in the Himalayas, David began his passion for nature studies very early in his life avoiding cobras and leopards in the mountainous jungles of his homeland.

His knowledge of whales and harbor porpoise comes from his 34-year involvement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). He focused on the distribution and abundance of whales, specifically bowhead whales on the west and north coast of Alaska, belugas in the Cook inlet and gray whales from Alaska to their breeding grounds in California. He has also been a part of a study on harbor porpoise in the San Juan Islands and sea otters off the Washington Coast.



Dave graduated with a BSc degree in Biology from Maryville College in Tennessee. Following that, he spent two years in Niger as part of the Peace Corps. Upon his return, he headed to Ohio State University where he received his MS in Zoology. Dave's research has been published in many scientific journals and presented at over 60 conferences worldwide.

With his vast knowledge of marine mammals, Dave is sure to provide an entertaining and informative lecture.

## Why Scoop the Poop?

Besides being a nuisance, uncollected dog waste is a serious problem for our association. Next time you're tempted to leave your dog's droppings anywhere in the community, please remember these facts:

1. Disease Control - There are several very common diseases that can be transmitted to dogs, cats and people through feces. These include Giardia, roundworms, hookworms, Salmonella, and E.coli.
2. Make your Yard more Useable - Nobody likes to walk through a yard that is hiding "doggie land mines." If you and your children are afraid to use your yard because of the dog, then you are wasting one of your biggest time and financial investments.
3. Fly Control - Flies will consume and lay eggs in feces. These same flies will then come into your house and then spread disease as they pause on your counter and food.
4. Responsible Pet Ownership - Your responsibility to clean up after your pet doesn't end when your dog leaves your yard. There are probably fewer things that aggravate neighbors more than a dog that 'goes' in their yard. Pet owners need to clean up after their pet every time they go to the bathroom. Period. No exceptions.
5. Preventing Stool Eating - While most dog owners think this doesn't apply to them or their dog, the shocking truth is that most dogs will engage in this unsavory practice at some point in their life. Dogs evolved as carnivore/scavengers and feces were considered fair game in lean times. Need I say more?

## October Fitness News

If you're a lean man, your body is about 45% muscle, 15% bone, and 15% fat. If you're a woman, you have around 30% muscle, 12% bone, and 30% fat. The other 25% of your weight comes from your organs.

Let's talk about the Muscle that works the hardest in your body.

It may not do any heavy lifting, but your heart is a muscle your body uses constantly. From the minute it forms while you're in the womb until you die, it beats without stopping, helping move blood through your body.

How many Muscles do you have in your body?

Amazingly 600!

You need muscles for everything you do, from running and lifting to digesting, breathing, and even getting goosebumps! It's no wonder you have more than 600 of them to keep your body in working order.

Looks like Popeye was really on to something. Spinach is a rich source of iron, which your body needs to carry oxygen through your blood. Without enough of it, your muscles would be too tired to work. Spinach alone won't make you a champion bodybuilder, but the iron in it is a key player in muscle health.

Scientists found that when you build muscle, it forms new structures, called nuclei, which can make more muscle later on. Even when you stop using these muscles, the nuclei stick around. That gives you a head start when you start training again

A workout will set the tone for strong muscles, but sleep is when you really get pumped up. Your body strengthens and repairs tissues during your deepest sleep cycles. So get your ZZZs -- you need a full night's rest for optimal muscle mending and growth.

The Winter months are coming quickly, it gets dark earlier and light later. We have less time on the Pickle Ball Court. It's important during this time that you develop a plan to keep fit, so when the sun reappears, we aren't sidelined with injuries.

With the Gym and the pool we have here at Cape George to take advantage of, all healthy people should continue their exercise habits during the winter and the holidays especially. It certainly works best if you can have a workout buddy. It motivates you more to get going.

We invite you to come down to our wonderful Clubhouse building and take advantage of what has to be one of the most complete exercise centers on the Peninsula, and it belongs to all of Us.

We will be having a Meeting of the Fitness Committee on Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. All Cape George Members are invited to attend.

Phyllis Ballough  
Fitness Chair

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MOVIE NIGHT

## OUR NEIGHBORS – THE BEARS

Everyone is invited for Cape George Environmental Movie Night, October 22, at 7 pm. It's free, but donations are always welcome to defray the cost of refreshments.

This month, our feature film will be **Bears of the Last Frontier**, Episode one. Western Wildlife Outreach Founder and bear ecologist, Chris Morgan, explores the world of black bears caught in the cross-roads of urban development in Anchorage and the wilderness. This is a new normal for bears and for their human neighbors. Some bears are so comfortable living in urban surroundings that their primary habitat is a golf course. In residential areas, bears frequently raid garbage bins and birdfeeders for easy snacks, but these behaviors are less than ideal for bears and residents alike.

Morgan heads north out of Anchorage to Denali National Park, where the mountains loom over treeless plains and bears get by on a diet of thousands of berries a day. The grizzlies share the enormous park with foxes, wolves and moose — and with one intrepid bear biologist and his team. Morgan continues his journey north on a bone-shaking, 610-mile motorcycle journey from Denali to Prudhoe Bay along the only Alaskan highway to reach the Arctic.

Prudhoe Bay, a once pristine area at the edge of the Arctic Ocean, has been changed forever by the oil industry. Darrell and Lorna Smith from the nonprofit Western Wildlife Outreach and Cape George residents will lead a discussion following the film.



## Cape George Member Letter Section

Cape George Colony Club encourages its members to become involved in providing opinions on topics of current interest. Each monthly newsletter will include space to permit these opinions to be published. The following guidelines should be adhered to by anyone interested in submitting text for print.

1. Write on topics of current interest related to the Cape George community.
2. Make one main point.
3. Length of letters - 300 word maximum. (This is approximately a half page in our newsletter)
4. Letters that are factually inaccurate will not be printed.
5. The Cape George newsletter is not interested in furthering a personal dispute. No personal attacks will be printed.
6. Include your full name, address and phone number. All published letters will include the author's name. We will not print anonymous letters.
7. Opinion letters are to be submitted in a digital format – MS Word, Notepad, Email, etc.
8. Re-read your letter. Check for grammar and spelling mistakes. If possible, ask another person to read your letter for accuracy and clarity.
9. We reserve the right to accept, reject or edit any letter based on an editorial review by the Cape George Manager and one Trustee.
10. No writer will be published more than once every 90 days.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
September 10, 2015  
7:00 PM  
DRAFT**

President, Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

A. Welcome

B. There will be an Executive Session to discuss a legal matter immediately following the Board Meeting.

In Attendance: Richard Hilfer, Katie Habegger, Karen Krug, Michael Hinojos, Ray Pierson, Leslie Fellner and Carol Wood

**Action on Minutes:** Katie Habegger

Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting August 13, 2015.  
– passed 6/0

**Membership Report:** Katie Habegger

Richard Reeves – Trust purchased 410 Saddle Dr from Rosalyn Fettig (Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
Eugene & Tricia Africa purchased 491 Sunset from Bank of New York (Aug 24<sup>th</sup>)

**Treasurer's Report:** Karen Krug

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of August 31, 2015**

*Both a summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed revenue and expense statement are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website and are also available for review in the office.*

**2015 Balance Sheet comments:**

All current bank statements have been reviewed and related accounts reconciled without exception. The operations savings account continues to carry a balance above the \$70,000 member approved minimum and no financial institution holds funds in excess of the FDIC limits.

Cash positions remain strong relative to both the same time last year and to the 2014 audited balances. The new routine reserve assessment coupled with lower than anticipated expenditures, both operational and reserve, are the primary reasons for the improvement in cash position.

The five or six chronic delinquent accounts continue to pose challenges so clearly more assertive collection efforts need to be considered. Turning delinquent accounts over to a collection agency at a much earlier state and using the covenant provision that allows for revision of private property to the corporation are two of the methods that need to be considered.

The \$824 receivable from the IRS has finally been received. That receivable related to an amended 2012 federal tax filing for an ACA health care credit that was available to small employers who provided health insurance for employees and meet other stringent conditions. Cape George qualified for that credit for only one year. Interestingly our current employee health plan, will likely trigger a penalty in 2018 (not a typo) as it would be considered a "Cadillac" plan under the ACA and in addition, our recently approved premium-only cafeteria plan will become prohibited.

The balance due from the South Seawall special assessment to the General Reserve has been reduced to slightly over \$19,000. The final installment of the South Seawall assessment is due on October 1 and will enable all but a very small piece of the loan to be repaid prior to the end of the current fiscal year.

The Marina Wait list indicates eighteen (18) individuals are waiting for marina slips of various sizes, equally divided between boats larger than 30 feet and those smaller than 30 feet. Six individuals have been on the list for two or more years.

As mentioned earlier, budgeted expenditures for reserve projects have not yet reached the anticipated level, most of which are simply timing differences. The marina has acquired most of the items for float replacement, the painting of the clubhouse and office are expected to start in August and the berm project is should start within the next month or two. The other major budgeted reserve item, replacement of the one-ton work truck, is still under investigation as finding a high quality replacement truck for the desired price is proving a bit more challenging than expected.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

All three cost centers, General, Water and Marina, are operating better than their budgets had predicted. As with the past several months, lower than budgeted expenditures for repairs and maintenance coupled with lower than budgeted labor expenses are the reasons for the better than budgeted performance.

**General operations:**

The two other significant favorable variances in general operations occur in repairs and maintenance and pool expenses. Repair expenditures for the first eight months are only about half of what was budgeted. With the correction of the drainage problem on Coleman this variance will largely be eliminated. Pool expenses are also running at about one-half the original budget and weather during the final quarter of the year will determine whether or not this variance remains.

**Water operations:**

As with general operations, lower than budgeted expenditures for repairs and maintenance comprise the largest favorable water operations variance. There are expenses outstanding related to modifying the pressure pumps that service the Highlands and this could noticeably change this line item by year end.

**Marina operations:**

Unlike the other two cost centers, marina repairs and maintenance expenditures are just slightly over the original budget amount. To mitigate this very slight overage, the line item category for contracted services is significantly lower than what was budgeted. The original budget anticipated several consulting efforts, including a comprehensive survey of the pilings which either has not yet occurred or was of a smaller scope than expected

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
*Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2015 and 2014*

Assets	2015	2014	Liabilities and Fund Balances	2015	2014
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 130,343	\$ 86,739	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 10,182	\$ 14,126
Operating Investment-Savings	105,057	70,032	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	32,723	29,548
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	-	150
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	426,825	337,341	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,200	500
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	58,266	70,279	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	19,485	54,067
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>94,676</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>63,590</b>	<b>98,391</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Equivalents</b>	<b>815,767</b>	<b>564,991</b>	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Net Accounts Receivable	7,745	11,339	South Sewall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	19,485	54,067	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Net SpclAssmnts Receivable	9,271	58,970	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,787,260	1,846,212	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	251,279	151,735
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	27,692	34,192	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,667,220</b>	<b>\$ 2,569,771</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,667,220</b>	<b>\$2,569,771</b>			

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended August 31 (Modified Cash Basis)**

	2015 Year to Date				COMPARATIVE			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%	2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 214,806	\$ 214,806	-	0%	\$ 214,806	\$ 206,544	\$ 8,262	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	16,249	16,368	(119)	-1%	16,249	19,343	(3,094)	-16%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>231,055</b>	<b>231,174</b>	<b>(119)</b>		<b>231,055</b>	<b>225,887</b>	<b>5,168</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:			
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	85,560	89,552	3,992	4%	85,560	97,881	12,321	13%
Repairs & Maintenance	7,075	13,384	6,309	47%	7,075	15,763	8,688	55%
Contracted Services	26,156	34,356	8,200	24%	26,156	37,053	10,897	29%
Insurance	15,733	17,576	1,843	10%	15,733	18,722	2,989	16%
Pool Expense	9,749	18,000	8,251	46%	9,749	20,456	10,707	52%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	16,788	15,048	(1,740)	-12%	16,788	28,021	11,233	40%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>161,061</b>	<b>187,916</b>	<b>20,344</b>		<b>161,061</b>	<b>217,896</b>	<b>34,895</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 69,994</b>	<b>\$ 43,258</b>	<b>\$ 26,736</b>	62%	<b>\$ 69,994</b>	<b>\$ 7,991</b>	<b>\$ 62,003</b>	776%

<u>Water</u>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 137,970	\$ 137,970	\$ -	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>141,224</b>	<b>139,970</b>	<b>1,254</b>	
Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	38,467	40,976	2,509	6%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,421	5,184	3,763	73%
Contracted Services	10,038	10,896	858	8%
Insurance	8,243	9,500	1,257	13%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	21,257	24,554	3,297	13%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>79,426</b>	<b>91,110</b>	<b>11,684</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 61,798</b>	<b>\$ 48,860</b>	<b>\$ 12,938</b>	<b>26%</b>

<u>Water</u>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 137,970	\$ 136,620	\$ 1,350	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	3,643	(389)	-11%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>141,224</b>	<b>140,263</b>	<b>961</b>	
Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	38,467	42,172	3,705	9%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,421	8,155	6,734	83%
Contracted Services	10,038	11,833	1,795	15%
Insurance	8,243	10,032	1,789	18%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	21,257	22,240	983	4%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>79,426</b>	<b>94,432</b>	<b>15,006</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 61,798</b>	<b>\$ 45,831</b>	<b>\$ 15,967</b>	<b>35%</b>

<u>Marina</u>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 55,713	\$ 54,205	\$ 1,508	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	9,975	9,190	785	9%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>65,688</b>	<b>63,395</b>	<b>2,293</b>	
Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	8,465	8,976	511	6%
Repairs & Maintenance	16,370	15,033	(1,337)	-9%
Contracted Services	1,483	5,545	4,062	73%
Insurance	4,368	5,219	851	16%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,394	5,737	343	6%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>36,080</b>	<b>40,510</b>	<b>4,430</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 29,608</b>	<b>\$ 22,885</b>	<b>\$ 6,723</b>	<b>29%</b>

<u>Marina</u>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 55,713	\$ 50,281	\$ 5,432	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	9,975	9,810	165	2%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>65,688</b>	<b>60,091</b>	<b>5,597</b>	
Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	8,465	8,474	9	0%
Repairs & Maintenance	16,370	14,714	(1,656)	-
Contracted Services	1,483	1,847	364	20%
Insurance	4,368	4,990	622	12%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,394	6,037	643	11%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>36,080</b>	<b>36,062</b>	<b>(18)</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 29,608</b>	<b>\$ 24,029</b>	<b>\$ 5,579</b>	<b>23%</b>

<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	89,370	-	89,370	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(41)	-	(41)	
Reserve Interest - all	552	-	552	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 251,280</b>	<b>\$ 115,002</b>	<b>\$ 136,319</b>	<b>119%</b>

<b>Routine Reserve*</b>	89,370	-	89,370	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(41)	39,720	(39,761)	
Reserve Interest - all	552	631	(79)	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 251,280</b>	<b>\$ 118,202</b>	<b>\$ 172,840</b>	<b>113%</b>

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

KCK 06/10/15

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Environmental, Water, and Marina. The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

The Trustees received an update from the Ad Hoc Conflict Resolution Committee co-chair Jan Stone – attached for the record. Discussion on the naming of the north seawall park area has been deferred to October.

**Member Participation:** A member made a suggestion regarding the variance request on the agenda.

**New Business Agenda Items:**

**Motion 1:** Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve Variance Request from members Patrick and Delrene Buckley to allow a roof to be constructed over their front porch extending into the 25 foot setback – Failed 3/4

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to accept the proposal from Cagianut & Company for the 2015 financial audit and federal tax preparation services as outlined in their engagement letter dated August 28, 2015 at their quoted base price of \$4,600. – Passed 6/0

**Motion 3:** Richard Hilfer moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve Phillips Painting \$11,000 bid to paint the Clubhouse exterior and office interior and exterior. – Passed 6/0

**Motion 4:** Michael Hinojos moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve quote received from Bernt Ericson Excavating for drainage improvement project on Colman Place – Passed 6/0

**Open Board Discussion**

**Announcements:**

Study Session – October 13, 2015 3:00 P.M.  
Board Meeting – October 15, 2015 7:00 P.M.  
Special Board Meeting to Review 2016 Budget – October 22, 2015 3:00 P.M.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Ray Pierson and seconded by Michael Hinojos to adjourn to Executive Session. 7:40 p.m. Passed 6-0

A motion was made by Carol Wood and seconded by Leslie Fellner to adjourn the Executive Session and return to regular session. 8:20 p.m. Passed 6-0

A motion was made by Ray Pierson and seconded by Karen Krug to adjourn the regular session at 8:25 p.m. Passed 6-0

### Committee Reports

#### AD HOC CONFLICT RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Report to Board of Trustees, submitted 9/4/15  
Study Session, 9/8/15

Members: Judith Chambliss, Lynn Pierle, Jan Stone

Committee last met 9/2/15.

The Committee is working on developing a 2-hour presentation/workshop for Cape George Community members, addressing the topic and process of “having difficult conversations”. The event will both 1) introduce the spectrum of dispute resolution interventions and resources, and 2) provide “how to” experiential activities using tools and skills for communicating peacefully and productively. We will be exploring with the Cape George University Committee the possibility of offering this event, under their auspices, on a Saturday morning sometime in late January or early February 2016. Between now and then, we will be developing the workshop contents.

In addition, it is our understanding that Art is able to successfully address most complaints or “pre-complaints” when they are brought to his attention. Using a soft-start “pilot project” approach, we hope to develop a process Art could offer CG members when complaints arise that are not resolved through his intervention. When Art feels it would be appropriate and potentially helpful, the parties to the complaint could be offered the option of discussing the situation with a neutral third party. By starting informally, we can assess how frequently the need arises and how useful it proves to be. More details about this process will be provided after we have further discussion with Art.

Committee member Jan Stone will attend the 9/8/15 session.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

**Monday Aug 10, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Art Burke, Chris Buzzard, Katie Habegger, Joan Hommel, Norma Lupkes, Kitty Rucker, Steve Shapiro, Robin Scherting, Bonnie Whyte

Meeting was called to order by Kitty with July minutes approved as read. Fiscal report: Total - \$3512.32 after expenses (*These are not funds that belong to Cape George Colony Club, Inc.*)

#### OLD BUSINESS:

**A. Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that the permit has been issued and bids will soon be going out for a contractor that will be used for both the berm and the septic upgrade to begin sometime in October.

**B. October Fund-Raising Dinner** – The event will be held on October 24 with a Western theme. The pursuit of sarsaparilla to

be served has proved to be quite a spendy-beverage – Bonnie Whyte offered to try and round up a recipe to make it. Dennis Feller as the chair offered 3 suggestions for a catchy name for the event and “OUTLAWS LAST DINNER” was chosen. Chris Buzzard will again work on decorations with EC volunteers using bandanas, balloons, decorated beer bottles, wanted posters and possibly hats & boots to create the ambiance. Line Dancing will be pursued as an activity if it can be arranged.

**C. North Jetty Park at Marina** – The gazebo floor has been laid and the rest of the structure will soon be completed. Whether or not it is completed a dedication ceremony will be held at the Water Front Festival on Aug 22. The project will be over budget so work on the landscaping will be done in stages.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Committee Chairperson** - Kitty has agreed to stay in this role for another year and continue the stellar job she does if Norma will stay on as secretary – so agreed!

**Community Fire Concerns** – Art accompanied representatives of Jefferson County Fire and Rescue on a walk of CG common property finding some areas of concern. JFR provided educational sessions and articles of best fire management practices to Cape George. The maintenance crew has been working on fire danger clean-up and several members led by Bonnie Whyte have cleared a large area of fallen tinder in the wooded area behind the pickle-ball court and up the hill. Art thanked them for their efforts and the suggestion was made to hold a Community-wide Fire Danger Clean-up Day. An article will be placed in the newsletter to gather a list of volunteers to assist in this effort.

**Tansy Ragwort Problem** – The county Noxious Plant Group has notified Cape George of several areas of this plant growing in our community. The office staff has toured the property and has sent notices to those property owners with the plant growing on it along with instructions on how to eradicate it.

Respectfully Submitted: Norma J. Lupkes, Sec.

#### **MARINA COMMITTEE**

September 1, 2015

Attendees: Cape George Manager Art Burke, Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen, Marina Chair Marty Bluewater. Marina Committee: Paul Happel, Scott James, Sandra Gulin, Jack Scherting, Tom Ramsey, Tom Cawres,, Travis Rowland, Dick Poole, Mike Smith, Chuck Hommel, Ken Owen, Carl Schwersinske, Bob Schlentner, Richard Woodcock, Bob Skoien, Mac McDonald, Ray Pierson, Ross Anderson, Thad Bickling and Gary Rossow.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am by Marina Harbormaster Penny Jensen.

Congratulations to Marty Bluewater to the position of Marina Chairperson.

The Water Front Festival was a wonderful success with loads of community members, regatta participants and volunteers. The net cost after selling \$208 for t-shirts so kindly donated by Kris Edwards, was \$930 dollars. This was paid for from the Marina Fund Raising Account. The piling caps have been replaced to lessen the deterioration of the marina pilings. There are some problems with the mooring buoys the south buoy needs to be replaced. We hope to replace both the North and the South buoys with some that are easier to grab on to. The north rock jetty had three man sized rock placement this year and was expended out further with the hopes that less sand will not enter into the channel. We'd like to diminish the dollars spent on dredging every year. A survey will be accomplished to determine the rock needed to bring the jetty up to full height. Gary Rossow is looking into a new zinc system for the seawall which may be easier to replace the zincs. We will continue to explore how we can dredge within the Marina basin itself. We have a permit to do so. A hydraulic dredge system may be possible to accomplish this. Facts and cost will be reviewed for this process. The marina has 97 dock floats on hand and will need 160 more floats to finish the project of replacing the old Styrofoam floats. Travis Rowland reviewed the dock shore power electrical information and prior electrical surveys for the marina. Because of years of use the electrical system has degraded and is undersized for the marina. The electric pedestals were second hand when purchased and have worn out over the years and are in need of replacement. Replacement is slated for 2019 and replacement was estimated to be \$84,000. A committee was formed headed by Marty Bluewater, on how we might replace the electrical system before 2019. A low profile kayak dock is being looked at for the marina, cost estimates should be available at the October meeting. The marina boat is being bottom painted to protect it while it is in the water. A new crab shack for the south part of the marina was proposed at the last meeting. Cost estimates will follow at the next meeting. An alternative is to place an additional set of burners and cooking pot in the existing crab shack. Sandra Gulin offered to lock the marina gate during the month of September. The Gazebo is 70% finished thanks to all the marina volunteer help. Non Cape George members have been using the crab shack, boat launch ramp and launching kayaks. If you see this kind of use please call the CG office during office hours, There have been cases of unfriendly nonmember folks using our facilities. Use caution when dealing with these people. If you have a camera cell phone or a camera document the

action so follow-up can be taken by the CG Office. The winter storms are just starting, please check your boat lines and boat placement if you think bad weather will occur.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

## **WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

September 1, 2015

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Karen Krug, Board Liaison; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; and member Scott James,.

The weekend power outage caused the generator to run for around 7 hours. Cape George had a few trees downed but no apparent additional damage.

Highland Booster Pump Controller – we're waiting for Stew to complete the arrangements for DD Electric to install the system. We are reliant on Stew so we discussed how we might move it ahead as well as maintain it in the future if Stew is not available. The plan is to have DD Electric be the go to but they need to have all of the elements including documentation in order to do that. We've missed the peak water use period as planned but now must complete the project within this year's budget so we need to press Stew to get it done.

Backflow / Cross Connection – Terri is not yet familiar with the database program and tried to offload a listing of the current backflow assemblies that need to be tested. She only has a listing of 15 devices and there must be more than that. We need to get Terri together with Sharon and Bob to get the full report out of the database so we can send out the testing letters. We also need documentation and training so that we don't have to call Sharon and Bob in to run a report and keep the database up to date.

We again discussed how we might coordinate the testing with the homeowners and certified Backflow Assembly Testers (BAT). An idea is to have a signup sheet in the office that people could list their names in batches so we could get a better pricing for the testing because all of the testers are from Sequim or Kitsap Co.

We had a water leak on Sunset that had a trickle of water coming out of the pavement. It was a leak at the copper to brass fitting at the saddle on the main line. We questioned whether that's an indicator of other potential leaks with those types of connections, particularly of the same age. It's possible that those fittings were installed with the original water line or perhaps before the paving was done. No conclusion but something to monitor.

Greg reported that the auto-dialer didn't work during the power outage. Donnie got called out by his mother who lives in the Highlands. We probably should replace the auto-dialer because it's old and in a corrosive environment. We need to get a price then decide if we need to do it in this year's budget or put it in next year's budget.

The next meeting will be on **October 6, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.**



Rainbow over Protection Island - Photo by Christine Buzzard



# Emergency Preparedness Committee



## Do You Know...

Cape George has an Emergency Prepared System and Team in place for local emergencies?

Cape George Community has a 10 member **Emergency Preparedness Committee (CGEPC)** which meets throughout the year to update standards, prepare for incidents, educate and review practices. Within the community, we have established several sub-committees: one Education Committee member, an Incident Management Team composed of 13 residents, Neighborhood Responders composed of 21 individual or pairs of residents, a Priority Assistance Team of 5, and a Disaster First Aid Committee of 14 members. Each committee has specific duties in the case of an emergency and many members work across several committees to provide continuity and increased depth.

The **Incident Management Team (IMT)** is in charge of getting the word out about the disaster to the manager, Neighborhood Responders and residents plus inform Jeffco EMD. The **Neighborhood Responders (NR)** are in charge of checking on their assigned neighborhood residents to determine any urgent concerns, to report resident and property conditions, and to provide support and information from the Neighborhood Incident Command Center. The **Disaster First Aid Committee (DFAC)** will have first aid supplies available, and offer education training for basic assistance and may provide medical assistance as they are willing and able. The **Priority Assistance Team** will assist on a case-by-case basis with individuals requiring immediate assistance due to specific health or mobility needs (i.e. infants or children, physically limited individuals, surgical recovery patients, etc.).

Our Cape George Neighborhood Incident Command Center (NICC) and Equipment are located in the storage garage directly next to the pickle ball courts. From this location, the emergencies can and will be managed. The EPC can begin communication through an established telephone tree, NIXLE (go to [www.jeffcoeoc.org](http://www.jeffcoeoc.org) to register for emails), cell phones, bull horns, runners and HAM radio broadcasts from the Command Center. Outside support organizations which CGEPC works closely with Jeffco EMD and J-Prep, Neighborhood Representatives Organization (which includes communication with Kala Point, Port Ludlow and surrounding areas), and East Jefferson Fire and Rescue.

**So... what does all of this mean to YOU?** As a community we are organized and continuing to improve our commitments to being disaster resilient. Each committee has a roster of members with contact information, lists of procedures regarding initial and long-term responses, and the availability to contact and work with other response teams to provide maximum assistance. **You should feel empowered to have an organized support team working for you and offering assistance.** In the coming months, we will be offering classes to educate you more thoroughly, providing specific steps YOU can take in the case of an emergency, and reminding you what YOU can have prepared in advance for yourself (a Grab and Go Bag, etc.).

IF there are classes you would like to see offered, resources you think we might need, or questions you want answered, please let us know so we can assist!

Submitted by the CGEPC: Thad Bickling and Karla Kauzlarich



Join us For  
**a POT LUCK  
DINNER**



**COME ONE COME ALL**  
**Third Annual Pickleball Pot Luck Dinner**  
**Oct 1st 5-8pm**  
**in the Clubhouse**  
**BYOB Bring a dish to share**  
**Bring your friends and fans**  
**Plates and utensils provided**  
**Pickles are Free**

## Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob



Dink has overheard some interesting remarks and questions from the court that he thought might be a good idea to explore and expand on. I don't know what I would do without his ideas?

One player wondered if there were special Cape George Rules for the game and a often heard comment having to do with that "silly" kitchen rule and then there is the very odd scoring that somehow got attached to the game. Where did all this come from?? Well, the short, smart-mouth answer is : Bainbridge Island, circa 1965. Joel Pritchard's family and friends created our most loved game on a Badminton court out their back door. Named for their dog Pickles, it has remained "rule wise" essentially the same to this day.

To make up our own rules would be to limit ourselves to playing in Cape George only and only with others who knew "our" rules. Not a very well thought out idea. Many of us travel to other parts of the country for part of the year or vacation out of the country and look forward to finding Pickleball wherever we roam. Imagine having to learn a new set of rules! It is comforting to know that we can pick up our paddles and jump on the court most any where we go. Some rules have be modified over time, but mostly they have just been tightened up and clarified. One example is the position of your feet when serving. On the original court there was a big tree at the back of one corner so the server was allowed to have one foot in the court so that on the back swing they wouldn't hit the tree with their paddle. The server now must have both feet behind the line as there are no trees to avoid.

The non-volley zone (affectionately know as the "Kitchen") has been there since "birth" and was created to avoid having a player volleying the ball at close range into the opposite player - it puts a 7 ft. distance between the net and the players. Entering the non-volley zone requires that the ball bounce first before it can be hit. Good thinking! This rule has been tightened up somewhat over time but the essence remains.

Oh my, then there is that many numbers scoring thing! The weirdest part of that is the first serve of the game! Why should the first team only get one chance at the serve??? Beats me! Calling out the score does give all players and spectators needed information. One common problem with the score is that after a long rally and a "switch" or two, no one can remember what the score is! A helpful thing to remember is that if the first server is in the right hand court, his/her score will be an even number. ( 0,2,4,etc). Calling the score clearly and loudly before serving the ball saves questions and confusion. If your score is 0 and the opposing teams is 9 - it's ok to whisper! (Ha!)

There are what we call Cape George customs - not true rules. If all agree, "first serve in" can be used for everyone's first serve of the game. Also starting the game on the north side of the court is just "our" thing. Prior to starting a game - the warm up time and practice can be what everyone agrees on.



Lob has several thoughts this month: (thank goodness for her sensible ideas)

1. Consider wearing protective eye wear - A ball hitting your eye could be dangerous
2. Try to incorporate what you have learned in the clinics
3. If you are not playing your best don't bad talk yourself - stay positive one shot at a time
4. It is not the end of game score that really counts - it is your enjoyment of the game and those you play with.
5. Lessons for new Players will begin again in the Spring!

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship.

Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
rocketmama@wavecable.com

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Pickleball Pot Luck	Oct. 1, 5p
Soup Supper	Oct. 7, 5:30p
Bunco	Oct. 16, 2p
Book Group	Oct. 20, 1p
Our Neighbors-The Bears, Movie	Oct. 22, 7p
CGU-Marine Mammals	Oct. 29, 7p

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Water System Manager - Greg Rae - 301-5826

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**Cape George Office Hours M-F, 9am-2pm**

Building.....	Ann Simpson.....	379-9105	Memorial .....	Jeannie Ramsey .....	385-1263
Clubhouse Rental .....	Terri Brown .....	385-1177	Newsletter .....	Office.....	385-1177
Elections .....	Marcedita Del Valle ...	379-9025	Nominating.....	Kitty Rucker.....	385-4927
	Joyce Skoien .....	379-9749	Roads.....	Larry Southwick .....	379-2878
Emergency Prep.....	Thad Bickling.....	379-1781	Social Club.....	Norma Lupkes.....	302-5202
Environmental.....	Kitty Rucker .....	385-4927		Mary Hilfer.....	379-0492
Finance .....	Unassigned.....		Swimming Pool .....	Neil D'Acquisto.....	385-7625
Fitness Center .....	Phyllis Ballough .....	344-3706	Water Advisory .....	Larry Southwick....	379-2878
	Robin Scherting .....	379-1344	Welcome .....	Jo Nieuwsma.....	424-333-5413
Harbormaster.....	Penny Jensen.....	385-0242	Workshop.....	Ken Owen .....	385-9458
Librarians: .....	Mary Maltby .....	385-3110			
	Jeannie Ramsey.....	385-1263	Clubhouse Phone .....		385-3670
	Betty Hanks.....	379-6572			
Marina .....	Marty Bluewater... 206-790-5705		Fitness Center Phone ...		385-3619

# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p <b>Bldg. Comm. 10a (Office)</b> <b>Pickle Ball Potluck 5p</b>	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>3</b>
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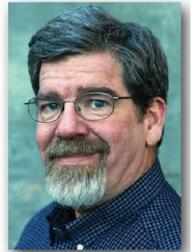
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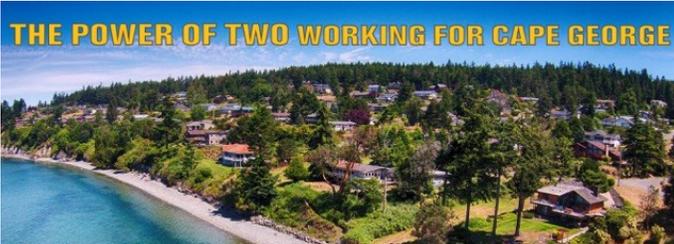


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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

Planning and preparation of the 2016 budget has been underway for approximately 4 weeks. A draft will be presented to the Trustees on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

After a one year period of service we have completed our involvement of providing statistical information to the Department of Labor. These once a month surveys involved a phone call where information concerning number of employees, wages, supervisory versus non-supervisory, etc. were reported.

A meeting between Double D Electric, a WA State electrical inspector and Stewart Pugh took earlier this month to review plans for the installation of a new control system for the Highlands pump station. This system was developed by Stewart and will allow for better control of the pumps that create pressure in the water lines serving the Highlands area. The inspector was impressed with the design and assured us that he would have no problem signing off on the project once completed according to plans.

After further review it was determined that hand dryers in the pool changing rooms will be significantly more expensive than anticipated.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker and Assistant Caretaker:

- Exterior and interior prep work continues in anticipation of the Office building being painted later this month.
- The surface of the Fred Evans Trail was worked on to remove numerous tripping hazards. The concrete stairs at the rear of the office building were replaced.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Complaint of Clubhouse event being advertised in a manner against Cape George rules.
- Numerous reports of coyotes in the Colony. Hedge complaint in the Colony.



## Wednesday, November 4th, 5:30 Social - 6:00 Soup At the Clubhouse

Bring a soup to share  
Along with a soup bowl and utensils

A tasty dessert is always welcomed

Salad, bread and coffee will be provided.

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**DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER -- November 20**

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

At its October meeting, the Board of Trustees discussed whether to raise the general and reserve assessments for the 2016 budget year. The Cape George Bylaws give the board the discretion to increase the general assessment by 4% per year and the reserve assessment by 2.5% per year. The board also reviewed whether the annual water fee should be increased.

During this discussion, it was pointed out that Cape George members have experienced a significant rise in the cost of living in our association over the last few years. The members have approved special assessments to replace both the north and south sea walls as well as to fund a berm to protect our shoreline. In addition, 2015 marked the first year members paid the annual reserve assessment of \$180.

After reviewing the current status of our operating and reserve accounts, the board acknowledged this increased financial contribution to Cape George by the members and decided there would be no 2016 increase in the two assessments or the water fee.

In October, the board also approved a 2016 budget and will present it to the members for ratification. In addition to voting on the budget, the members will be presented with several proposed amendments to the Cape George Bylaws. The proposals relating to quorums, voting percentages and reserves are necessary to conform to state law. The provision on rental of a member's property is proposed to conform the rule to present Cape George practice. There will be a more detailed explanation of these matters in your voting package.

The trustees discussed a proposal to change our current bylaw on voting to allow one vote per lot regardless of the number of lots owned. It is now possible for a member to own multiple lots yet only get one vote in association matters. The trustees decided not to present this amendment now but may do so in the future.

For the first time, Cape George members will have a separate vote on the list of reserve projects proposed for the budget year. There will be one major item on the 2016 list. The swimming pool requires an upgraded dehumidification system to prevent damage to the building housing our pool, fitness room and clubhouse. This item is listed at \$154,000 on our reserve schedule.

Finally, the board has authorized the construction of the berm to protect our beach and shoreline buildings. This project should be completed in time to protect our property from the king tides and high winds of winter. The funds collected through the special assessment should cover the entire cost.



**In observance of the  
Thanksgiving Holiday  
The Cape George Office  
Will be closed on  
November 26th and 27th.**



## Coyotes in the Cape George Community

This year the community has been experiencing a significant increase in coyote activity. Although coyotes have been around for decades, this year many members are observing numbers of coyote that are not showing an appropriate level of fear toward humans. As a result we have consulted with wildlife specialists who are familiar with coyote behavior. They have provided us with a number of suggestions that will help us to coexist with them.

Here are just a few items to consider:

**Never feed coyotes!** Remove all food and water sources from your yard. This may include pet bowls, birdfeeders, fallen fruit, barbecue grills, and trash. All trash should be contained in trash containers and stored indoors with secure lids. Trash should not be placed on the curb until the morning of pickup. Avoid feeding birds. Coyotes will eat the birdseed as well as the birds and rodents attracted by the feeder. Completely enclose gardens and compost piles with fencing.

**Pet Safety** Keep cats and small dogs indoors when not attended. Pets should be supervised when outside and should only be left unattended when they are secured in a kennel with a covered top.

**Reduce Desired Cover** Trim vegetation and mow tall grass; remove or thin brush so as to eliminate cover for coyotes and their prey.

**Hazing Techniques** Because of their bold behavior we have reached a point where everyone needs to be involved in hazing coyotes out of your yard or away from you if they approach too closely. Hazing efforts will be less effective on coyotes if attractants are not removed or excluded. Share this information with neighbors and friends since hazing efforts are most effective when the entire neighborhood is working together. If you are removing attractants and hazing coyotes from your property, but your neighbor is attracting coyotes, your efforts will be futile. The items below are most effective if multiple and various techniques are employed:

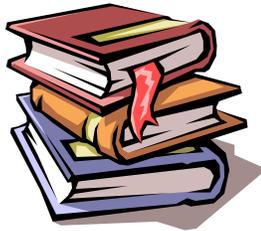
- If you are approached by a coyote, do not run or turn your back on it. Be as big and loud as possible. Utilize a walking stick when walking.
- Wave your arms and yell in an authoritative voice.
- Turn on sprinklers or spray coyotes with a garden hose.
- Throw rocks, sticks, tennis balls or anything else you can find.
- Bang pots and pans together.
- Sling a rock using a slingshot.
- Turn on flood lights.
- Shake or throw a Coyote Shaker, which is a soda can filled with pennies or pebbles and sealed with duct tape.
- Make noise with an air horn, whistle, starter pistol or other noise maker.
- Spray coyote with pepper spray. Read all warning labels before use.
- Spray coyote with citronella spray such as the Sprayshield™ product.
- Utilize a paintball gun to scare them off. The intent is to scare, not injure them. An injured coyote can cause more conflicts in your neighborhood.

**Reporting** We have been asked by the Department of Agriculture, Wildlife Specialist to provide reports on out of the ordinary coyote behaviors observed in the community. Out of the ordinary includes:

- Encounters where hazing has no effect;
- Coyote(s) that follows a person out walking;
- A coyote that appears injured.

If you observe any of these behaviors please report them to the Cape George office. We will need the date, time, location and behavior observed to be able to effectively forward this information along to the Wildlife Specialist. You may provide this information by phone – 385-1177, email – [office@capegeorge.org](mailto:office@capegeorge.org) or in person.

If you should wish to learn more about coyotes please visit the following Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife website: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/coyotes.html>.



## BOOK GROUP TO READ "THE SNOW CHILD"

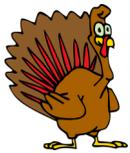
The Cape George Book Group will meet on Tuesday, November 17 at 1 pm to discuss "The Snow child" by Eowyn Ivey.

This unexpected and original story takes place in 1920's Alaska, a brutal place to homestead.

Recent arrivals, Jack and Mabel are childless and drifting apart. He is overwhelmed by the work on their farm, and she is filled with loneliness and despair. In the season's first snowfall, the couple builds a child out of snow and the next morning that snow child has disappeared, but they see a young girl running through the trees.

The little girl, who calls herself Faina appears to live by herself in the woods. She hunts with a red fox by her side, skips lightly over the snow and survives alone in the Alaskan wilderness. As Jack and Mabel struggle to understand the child who could have stepped through the pages of a fairy tale, they come to love her as their own. But in this beautiful, violent place, things are rarely as they appear and what they learn about Faina will transform them all.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Book Group. Please call Jeannie Ramsey for more information at 385-1263.



### Cape George Election



Voter packages will go in the mail on October 30th.



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December 8th

either by mail or in person. Please follow the voting instructions on the ballot carefully.



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## NATIVE PEOPLES OF THE NORTHWEST

Cape George University is fortunate to feature Jan Halliday at it's Monday, November 9th presentation. The author of "Native Peoples of the Northwest: A Traveler's Guide to Land, Art and Culture and Native Peoples of Alaska," Jan will give her insight into what really happened between when immigrants started arriving in Alaska and today. She will give an overview of where tribes are located and tell some stories about her personal experiences in visiting with tribes.

In the mid 90's, Jan worked with the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, a consortium of 57 tribes in five states, First Nations in British Columbia and all of the 13 Native Corporations in Alaska. From these experiences, Jan has written two comprehensive guidebooks to contemporary reservations and villages.

Jan is a Port Townsend resident and is the Development, Marketing and Communications Director of the Port Townsend Film Festival.

Cape George University presentations begin at 7 pm in the Clubhouse.

## Fitness Room News

### 10 Habits to Keep Healthy

1. Reduce your stress; say No to things that make you worry, relax.
2. Get a pet; lowers blood press and can lower cholesterol.
3. Network; take a class, join a group, volunteer.
4. Kick the Nicotine habit; leads to strokes, heart attack and cancer.
5. Have a good laugh; see a funny movie, enjoy humorous friends.
6. Eat Antioxidants; Leafy greens, eat a rainbow color of foods.
7. Sleep; adults need 7 to 9 hours per night.
8. Take your vitamins; they are the building blocks to help immunity.
9. Keep your body moving; swim, walk yoga, work out.
10. Wash your Hands; research shows washing your hands throughout the day reduces your chances of picking up viruses & bacteria.

In hoping to aid the Fitness Room users we have installed two donated Purell hand sanitizers in the Gym. One near the entry door and one on the west wall by the bulletin board. We encourage you to use them when you enter and exit the Gym to help yourself and others to stay healthy.

**Please watch for reminders** of a trainer we have invited to come demonstrate proper technique of exercise, answer questions and if you desire she is willing to set up a time to work with you on a individualized plan. She will be here on November 13<sup>th</sup>. At 1:30 pm.

**More details will become available.**

## *AND THEN I SHOULD HAVE SAID. . .*

Maggie had spent nearly four hours weeding and pruning the bushes and plants in her back yard. She had gathered her yard waste into a pile up against the cyclone fence. The pile had grown considerably over the summer, but she had no way to haul it to the dump, nor the resources to hire someone to take it for her. She was waiting for her son to visit from Seattle to take care of it.

She was exhausted but pleased with herself for having accomplished such a difficult task, and her yard looked great. Just as she was about to go indoors, her neighbor Bertie, whose yard abutted hers along the fence, came bursting across her lawn in a fury. Maggie barely knew her neighbor – she had just moved in a few weeks ago, and they had met only in passing. Bertie was visibly upset and began barking comments at Maggie (not favorable ones, either, some having to do with her age and intelligence). She was angry that Maggie was piling up her yard waste against the back fence, creating an eyesore for Bertie. Maggie was so taken aback and upset she couldn't speak. She merely threw her hands up and ran into her house.

Hopefully, situations like this are not a frequent occurrence in your life, but probably most of us have encountered a situation in which voices rise, emotions percolate to the top, and things are said which escalate into a conflict. When it happens with a neighbor with whom we may not have a strong relationship, or any relationship at all, the conflict can get out of control.

What would you have done if you were Maggie? What if you were Bertie and that pile of debris was really getting to you? Do you see ways that Bertie might have behaved differently? How might Maggie have responded more effectively? Have you ever found yourself reacting to a situation in ways you later wished you had handled in a more constructive way?

The good news is there are learnable skills that can help diffuse highly emotional situations, communicate more effectively by rephrasing negative language, enhance relationships through active listening and empathy, and negotiate conflicts successfully with some preparation and creative thinking.

Perhaps you would be interested in exploring these ideas of dispute resolution strategies for conflicts that you encounter. If so, under the auspices of Cape George University, three members of the Cape George community are considering offering a workshop to explore such strategies. The presenters are Judith Chambliss, Jan Stone, and Lynn Pierle. Now retired, Judith and Jan both had careers as professional mediators, and Lynn is currently a certified mediator volunteering with Peninsula Dispute Resolution Center in Port Angeles. The 2-hour workshop would take place on a Saturday morning between (and including) January 16 to February 13, 2016. The workshop will offer participatory activities, giving those in attendance the opportunity to practice some of the above skills rather than just being passive receivers of information.

We would like to get an idea of how many people might be interested in such a workshop before developing the presentation. So, if you think you might be interested, please take a minute to send an e-mail to Judith at [zeebliss@spiritone.com](mailto:zeebliss@spiritone.com). Indicating an interest is not making a commitment, but it would be very helpful if you could let us know whether you might be inclined to attend, and if so, which Saturday(s) you could be available during the above dates.

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MOVIE NIGHT

## OUR NEIGHBORS – THE BEARS

Everyone is invited for Cape George Environmental Movie Night, November 17, at 7 pm. It's free, but donations are always welcome to defray the cost of refreshments.

This month, our feature film will be Episode Two of the **Bears of the Last Frontier**. Western Wildlife Outreach Founder and bear ecologist, Chris Morgan, explores the world of black bears caught in the crossroads of urban development in Anchorage and the wilderness. This is a new normal for bears and for their human neighbors. Some bears are so comfortable living in urban surroundings that their primary habitat is a golf course. In residential areas, bears frequently raid garbage bins and birdfeeders for easy snacks, but these behaviors are less than ideal for bears and residents alike.

Morgan heads north out of Anchorage to Denali National Park, where the mountains loom over treeless plains and bears get by on a diet of thousands of berries a day. The grizzlies share the enormous park with foxes, wolves and moose — and with one intrepid bear biologist and his team. Morgan continues his journey north on a bone-shaking, 610-mile motorcycle journey from Denali to Prudhoe Bay along the only Alaskan highway to reach the Arctic.

Prudhoe Bay, a once pristine area at the edge of the Arctic Ocean, has been changed forever by the oil industry. Darrell and Lorna Smith from the nonprofit Western Wildlife Outreach and Cape George residents will lead a discussion following the film.



## MARINA NEWS

Introducing Eugene Africa our newest Marina tenant and a man who loves to fish. Last day of Halibut fishing season this year Eugene caught a 65 lb halibut off McCurdy Point! Here's a picture of Eugene and the lure he used to catch the big guy. Welcome to Eugene!

It's that time of year to check your lines, scuppers, and whatever else you need to do to prepare for possible Fall/Winter storms. Crab season is still on until December 31st. We're still getting 'em. Your Marina Committee volunteers have had a very busy season. Come down and enjoy your new Gazebo at Kingfisher Cove Park. It's a lovely place to watch the sunset.

Happy fall to all.

Penny Jensen, Harbormaster



**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
October 15, 2015  
7:00 PM  
DRAFT**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**A. Welcome**

**In Attendance:** Karen Krug, Carol Wood, Richard Hilfer, Katie Habegger, Leslie Fellner and Ray Pierson

**Action on Minutes:** Katie Habegger moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting September 10, 2015. – passed 5/0

**Membership Report:** Katie Habegger

Ruth Asare purchased 340 Ridge Dr from Ken Larsen & Susan Rhea (9/3/15)

Darryl & Robin Fling purchased 31 Marine View Pl from Jana Finlay (9/8/15)

Stephen McDevitt & Joan Dalton purchased 234 Colman Dr from John & Betty Boren (9/9/15)

Noah & Hannah Middleton purchased 41 Dennis Blvd from Ted Lundquist (9/11/15)

Archie & Sandra Bickling purchased 261 N Rhododendron Dr from Kevin McArthur Trust (9/29/15)

**Treasurers Report: Karen Krug**

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of September 30, 2015**

*Both a summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed revenue and expense statement are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website and are also available for review in the office.*

**2015 Balance Sheet comments:**

Bank statements from all financial institutions have been received and reviewed and all accounts have been reconciled with no exceptions. No institution currently holds more than the FDIC limit but when fourth quarter payments are collected in October and November exceeding the FDIC limit could become a temporary issue.

Cash positions are healthy and barring unforeseen events, there should be no difficulty in depositing the full \$201,000 into the various reserves by year end. The amount is comprised of about \$83,000 in 2015 budgeted cash excess and \$118,000 in standing reserve contributions, both amounts are inclusive of anticipated bad debts. The amounts will of course be appropriately credited to the three individual reserve accounts with a total of about \$79,600 to general reserves, \$93,600 to water reserves, and \$27,600 to marina reserves. These are the minimum expected 2015 reserve deposits and amounts could vary depending on better than budgeted final year end operating performance and/or unforeseen adverse events.

Collecting amounts owed to Cape George continues to be difficult. Alternatives for dealing with chronic delinquencies will be discussed during the November study session.

All permits for the shoreline berm have been received. The original member approved Berm Special Assessment was for \$52,960 with unspent funds to be refunded. To date about \$4,100 has been expended on permits and archeological studies. Two initial bids for the major portion of the work have been received, both bids at approximately \$43,000. Other minor costs necessary to complete the project are estimated at roughly \$5,000. Uncollectable assessments are expected to be \$560. Given current project estimates it is unlikely there will be an unspent funds.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

All three cost centers, General, Water and Marina, are operating better than their budgets had predicted. As with the past several months, lower than budgeted expenditures for repairs and maintenance coupled with lower than budgeted labor expenses and lower than expected utility costs are the reasons for the better than budgeted performance.

**General operations:**

General operations continues to perform at levels above those originally budgeted. Lower than projected employee benefit expenses (inaccurate budgeting), insurance premiums (lack of earthquake coverage) and other contract services (review of WA tax practices not yet completed) are the primary contributors to the favorable performance. Favorable utility costs are especially noticeable in general operations with pool utilities only about a third of the amount originally budgeted.

Supply and tool expenses are \$3,700 or 60% over budget year-to-date. As part of the current budget process, those costs will be analyzed to ensure there are no miscoding, all offsetting donations have been recorded and that all expenses can be explained prior to year end close as will be required by the external auditors.

**Water operations:**

A planned repair/conversion to the Highland pump controllers expected during the fourth quarter will bring the repair and maintenance expenditures closer to budget estimates. Similarly paying the fourth quarter water excise tax will eliminate most of the current favorable variance in that line item.

**Marina operations:**

Marina operations should continue to perform better than budget for the remainder of the year. As expected, there will be little to no additional revenue during the fourth quarter. Marina operating expenses average about \$2,800 per month, exclusive of dredging, so the marina should stay on target to finish the year at better than anticipated levels, barring unforeseen adverse events.

**NOTE:** Generally accepted accounting principals do not recognize painting as a capital expenditure and in addition the IRS does not allow reserves to be used for painting. As a result, painting the clubhouse and the office are being shown as an expense of the reserve funds rather than just a transfer and this transaction will be properly noted during audit.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
*Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2015 and 2014*

Assets	2015	2014	Liabilities and Fund Balances	2015	2014
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 126,893	\$ 75,070	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 8,882	\$ 15,466
Operating Investment-Savings	105,060	70,034	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	70,799	58,018
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	-	-
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	426,864	336,985	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,150	650
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	61,359	77,336	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	19,485	54,067
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>103,015</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>100,316</b>	<b>128,201</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Equivalents</b>	<b>823,791</b>	<b>560,025</b>	North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	293,928
Net Accounts Receivable	6,966	8,062	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	99,300
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	19,485	54,067	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Net SpclAssmnts Receivable	6,102	55,811	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,352,351	1,926,417
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,787,260	1,857,208	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	215,788	118,202
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	24,851	30,875	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,668,455</b>	<b>\$ 2,566,048</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,668,455</b>	<b>\$2,566,048</b>			

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

**Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended September 30 (Modified Cash Basis)**

	2015 Year to Date				COMPARATIVE			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%	2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 214,806	\$ 214,806	-	0%	\$ 214,806	\$ 206,544	\$ 8,262	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	19,805	17,291	2,514	15%	19,805	19,343	462	2%
<b>Total General Revenue</b>	<b>234,611</b>	<b>232,097</b>	<b>2,514</b>		<b>234,611</b>	<b>225,887</b>	<b>8,724</b>	
Expenses:					Expenses:			
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	96,734	100,746	4,012	4%	96,734	97,881	1,147	1%
Repairs & Maintenance	8,731	15,057	6,326	42%	8,731	15,763	7,032	45%
Contracted Services	30,816	37,638	6,822	18%	30,816	37,053	6,237	17%
Insurance	17,596	19,773	2,177	11%	17,596	18,722	1,126	6%
Pool Expense	10,969	20,250	9,281	46%	10,969	20,456	9,487	46%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	18,364	16,982	(1,382)	-8%	18,364	28,021	9,657	34%
<b>Total General Expenses</b>	<b>183,210</b>	<b>210,446</b>	<b>19,337</b>		<b>183,210</b>	<b>217,896</b>	<b>15,542</b>	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 51,401</b>	<b>\$ 21,651</b>	<b>\$ 29,750</b>	137%	<b>\$ 51,401</b>	<b>\$ 7,991</b>	<b>\$ 43,410</b>	543%

**Water**

Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 137,970	\$ 137,970	\$ -	0%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>141,224</b>	<b>139,970</b>	<b>1,254</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	43,472	46,098	2,626	6%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,574	5,832	4,258	73%
Contracted Services	11,048	12,258	1,210	10%
Insurance	9,217	10,687	1,470	14%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	23,234	26,672	3,438	13%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>88,545</b>	<b>101,547</b>	<b>13,002</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 52,679</b>	<b>\$ 38,423</b>	<b>\$ 14,256</b>	<b>37%</b>

**Marina**

Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 56,064	\$ 54,205	\$ 1,859	3%
Revenue - All Other Sources	10,065	9,240	825	9%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>66,129</b>	<b>63,445</b>	<b>2,684</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,527	10,098	571	6%
Repairs & Maintenance	17,046	15,349	(1,697)	-11%
Contracted Services	1,790	5,863	4,073	69%
Insurance	4,893	5,872	979	17%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,498	6,524	1,026	16%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>38,754</b>	<b>43,706</b>	<b>4,952</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 27,375</b>	<b>\$ 19,739</b>	<b>\$ 7,636</b>	<b>39%</b>

Routine Reserve*	89,370	-	89,370	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(5,636)	-	(5,636)	
Reserve Interest - all	599	-	599	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 215,788</b>	<b>\$ 79,812</b>	<b>\$ 141,611</b>	<b>170%</b>

**Water**

Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 137,970	\$ 136,620	\$ 1,350	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	3,643	(389)	-11%
<b>Total Water Revenue</b>	<b>141,224</b>	<b>140,263</b>	<b>961</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	43,472	42,172	(1,300)	-3%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,574	8,155	6,581	81%
Contracted Services	11,048	11,833	785	7%
Insurance	9,217	10,032	815	8%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	23,234	22,240	(994)	-4%
<b>Total Water Expenses</b>	<b>88,545</b>	<b>94,432</b>	<b>5,887</b>	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 52,679</b>	<b>\$ 45,831</b>	<b>\$ 6,848</b>	<b>15%</b>

**Marina**

Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 56,064	\$ 50,281	\$ 5,783	12%
Revenue - All Other Sources	10,065	9,810	255	3%
<b>Total Marina Revenue</b>	<b>66,129</b>	<b>60,091</b>	<b>6,038</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	9,527	8,474	(1,053)	-12%
Repairs & Maintenance	17,046	14,714	(2,332)	-16%
Contracted Services	1,790	1,847	57	3%
Insurance	4,893	4,990	97	2%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	5,498	6,037	539	9%
<b>Total Marina Expenses</b>	<b>38,754</b>	<b>36,062</b>	<b>(2,692)</b>	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 27,375</b>	<b>\$ 24,029</b>	<b>\$ 3,346</b>	<b>14%</b>

Routine Reserve*	89,370	-	89,370	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(5,636)	39,720	(45,356)	
Reserve Interest - all	599	631	(32)	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 215,787</b>	<b>\$ 78,482</b>	<b>\$ 142,942</b>	<b>175%</b>

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

KCR 09/10/15

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

**Manager's Report:** see page 1 of Newsletter**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Environmental, Pool and Building Committee.

The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

**Information Items:**

- The Trustees received a presentation from USDA Wildlife Specialist, Andy Cleland concerning coyote behavior and biology as it relates to our community. Information from this presentation and other sources will be presented to the community in newsletter articles, email blasts and programs.
- The Trustees received an update from the Ad Hoc Conflict Resolution Committee co-chair Judith Chambliss – attached for the record.

**Member participation:** A member read a letter to the board prepared by several members concerned about the coyotes in the neighborhood. It was decided Art should contact the USDA Wildlife Specialist again to define usual behavior and what exactly to report.**New Business Action Items:****Motion 1:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve awarding a contract to Seton Construction for completion of the Berm project, with the cost of the award to be \$33,694 as stated in their basic berm bid proposal, dated October 5, 2015 with funds used coming from the Berm Special Assessment. Passed – 5/0**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve awarding a contract to Coast Geologic Services for berm related services as outlined in their September 10, 2015 proposal with the cost of the award to be \$7,050 with funds used coming from the Berm Special Assessment. Passed – 5/0**Motion 3:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve awarding a contract to Shold Excavating Inc for completion of the common property septic systems located in the Clubhouse area, with the cost of the award to be \$8,592 as stated in their bid proposal #1096 dated October 5, 2015 with funds coming from the General Reserve account. Passed - 5/0

**Motion 4:** Karen Krug moved and Leslie Fellner seconded there be no increase in the annual General Assessment fee for 2016 leaving the annual assessment at the 2015 level of \$432.64 per single lot. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 5:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded there be no increase in the base annual Water Use fee for 2016 leaving the annual base fee at the 2015 level of \$360 per metered lot. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 6:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded that since the reserves will be funded through a combination of both a routine reserve specific assessment and some level of year end excess operating cash that there be no increase in the 2016 annual Reserve Assessment leaving the annual Reserve Assessment at the 2015 level of \$180 per single lot. Passed – 4/1

**Motion 7:** Richard Hilfer moved and Katie Habegger seconded to include proposed Bylaw revisions to the membership for voter approval. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 8:** Carol Wood moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the Resolution to 10/01/15 to transfer \$5,595 from General Reserves to General Checking Account for painting of Clubhouse exterior, Phillips Painting \$5,595. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 9:** Katie Habegger moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve member refunds of overpayment of dues and special assessments. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 10:** Katie Habegger moved and Carol Wood seconded to approve naming park area at north seawall as “Kingfisher Cove”. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 11:** Ray Pierson moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve 7 member requests for due date adjustment. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 12:** Karen Krug moved and Katie Habegger seconded Cape George renew the flood insurance policies for the Clubhouse and Workshop offered through Selective in their October 2, 2015 notice with both coverages at current levels with annual costs of \$2,457 and \$1,147. Passed - 5/0

**Motion 13:** Karen Krug moved and Leslie Fellner seconded to approve the transfer of \$400 from the Berm Special Assessment account to general operating checking as reimbursement for a portion of the archaeological survey original billed in 2014, as outlined in Resolution 10/02/15. Passed -5/0

**Motion 14:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve the transfer of \$6,505 from the Berm Special Assessment account to general operating checking as reimbursement for the initial Coast Geologic Services feasibility work that occurred in 2013 and resulted in the current Berm project, as outlined in as outlined in Resolution 10/03/15. Passed -5/0

**Open Board Discussion:**

**Announcements:**

- A. Special Board Meeting to Review 2016 Budget – October 22, 2015 3:00 P.M.
- B. Study Session – November 10, 2015 3:00 P.M.
- C. Board Meeting – November 12, 2015 7:00 P.M.

**Adjournment:** Ray Pierson moved and Carol Wood seconded to adjourn the regular session at 8:07 pm. Passed – 5/0

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

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Katie Habegger, Secretary

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Richard Hilfer, President

**Committee Reports:**

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES – September 14, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chris Buzzard, Sue Dunning, Norma Lupkes, Kitty Rucker, Steve Shapiro, Robin Scherting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order with Aug minutes approved as corrected with the addition of Steve Shapiro as

attending.

**FISCAL REPORT:** Total - \$3,512.32, after expenses.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **Beach/Berm Report** – Art was unable to attend, however he expects that we will begin work in October.
- B. **Fund-Raising Dinner** – The date for the dinner has been changed to Nov 7- Social Hour at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 to accommodate the instructor, Barb Buys of Seattle for the line dancing activity. The cost will be \$5.00 and attendees are asked to RSVP at the office by Nov 1. Attendees will be asked to bring a side dish or dessert for 6 to go with Western BBQ chicken provided by the Environmental Committee. It will also be BYOB with sarsaparilla (fancy root-beer) provided. Chris and Sue have been working diligently on decorations and it should be real hoot! Hopefully it will be another successful fundraiser.
- C. **North Jetty Park at Marina** – The name of the new park was announced at the dedication of the gazebo on Aug 22. A motion was made and carried for the EC to support the new name “**Kingfisher Cove**”.
- D. **Fire Danger Cleanup Day** – Steve reported that there was no response to this activity and will be tabled for now.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Tansey Ragwort** – The Noxious Weed Board contacted the office after residents complained of the noxious weed, Tansey Ragwort, still present in our community. There was a letter posted in the August newsletter addressing this issue, and the NWB is offering to do a free presentation on noxious weeds and native plant restoration – Kitty will contact them and see if a March date would be available.
- B. **Drones in the Community** – A complaint has been made of a drone flying around the beach area and close to windows and the eagle tree, raising a wildlife and privacy issue. Kitty will send a note to the CG Board expressing concern.
- C. **Environmental Movies** – Lorna and Daryl will be showing another movie on Oct 22 at the clubhouse. It will be on “Bears” and is a 2-hr showing, so the second hour will be shown in November – date to be determined.
- D. **Round Up Article** – The article identifying environmentally ways to kill weeds and to prevent chemicals from entering the sea from the house and yard was in the Aug newsletter and will be repeated in the newsletter in the Spring when advertising the native plant and noxious weed event.

ADJOURNMENT: At 10:18

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MINUTES – Monday Oct 12, 2015**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Varn Brooks, Art Burke, Dennis Fellner, Norma Lupkes, Kitty Rucker, Steve Shapiro, Robin Scherting. Meeting was called to order by Kitty AT 9:18 A.M. with Sept minutes approved as read.

**FISCAL REPORT:** Total - \$3512.32 after expenses (*These are not funds that belong to Cape George Colony Club, Inc.*)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **Beach/Berm Report** – Art reported that two bids are being considered for a contractor that will be used for both the berm and the septic upgrade – the bids appear to be well within in budgeted amount. It will be done in the last two weeks of October or in November. The engineered plans include the gazebo/storage area to remain in the current location.
- B. **October Fund-Raising Dinner** – The event will be held on November 7 with a Western theme called “OUTLAW’S LAST DINNER”. Committee volunteers will decorate the room and prepare the BBQ’d chicken beginning at 1:00 on Sat. The drink to be provided will be apple cider – it is also a BYOB for those who wish to drink something else. Chris Buzzard chaired “decorations” using bandanas, balloons, decorated beer bottles, wanted posters and other Western items. Line Dancing will be an activity after the dinner for those interested in participating.
- C. **Movie on Bears** – On October 22, at 7:00 in the clubhouse the Smiths will be showing a movie on bears. In addition a motion was made and approved to have them lead a discussion after the movie about how to live with coyotes in our area. It is a 2-hour film and the second half will be shown on November 17 at 7:00.
- D. **Native Plants/Noxious Weeds presentation** – Representatives from the WSU Extension office will present a session on poisonous hemlock, tansy ragwort and scotch broom on March 17, 2016 time TBD.
- E. **Drone Activity** – Art reported that Cape George has very limited authority on drone activity and hopes that members will use them sparingly and in a responsible manner in our community.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Path to mailboxes in Colony** – Kyanne Anderson has contacted the committee about the condition of the trail to the mailboxes along the north side of Cape George Road. She was concerned that older people might need to be off of the road when walking. The committee was in agreement that effort on maintaining the trails is currently sufficient.

**ADJOURNMENT:** W adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Norma J. Lupkes, Sec.

**POOL COMMITTEE NOTES - October 7,2015**

**ATTENDEES:** Art Burke, Rocky D'Acquisto – Chair, Mary Hilfer, Norma Lupkes

**NOTES:** The current Pool Committee Treasury amount is \$2,300.58

The proposal to replace paper towels with electric hand dryers in the dressing rooms has been researched and the decision has been made that it is cost-prohibitive as they would have to be wired on separate circuits. This was considered because of incidents when paper towels have been stuffed into the men's room sink.

Members of the Pool Committee strongly encourage the Board of Trustees to include the long-awaited dehumidification system for the pool and ultimately the building in the 2016 budgeting on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Art continues to work with vendors for the dehumidification project and has two contractor quotes from last year to do the work.

There was considerable discussion about the St Patrick's Day fund-raiser in March and whether or not there is enough volunteer help to take on this event. The possibility of moving it to Feb or combining with another group that is looking for a fund-raising opportunity will be explored.

Next meeting: December 16, 2015 3:00 in the Clubhouse

Respectfully submitted, Norma Lupkes

**BUILDING COMMITTEE - August 31, 2015**

*Building Permits Issued:*

Ted Lundquist: 41 Dennis Blvd, -Village. Has now obtained a county permit to cover and continue work that was not permitted by the previous owner.

Richard Ferrero: 21 Colman Pl, -Colony. Build a 10'x15'x11' shed.

**AD HOC RESOLUTION COMMITTEE 10/6/15**

Members: Judith Chambliss, Lynn Pierle, Jan Stone

Committee last met 10/6/15.

The Committee has begun the process of developing a 2-hour seminar for Cape George Community members, to offer the following:

1) tools and use of skills for communicating peacefully and constructively, especially when encountering issues related to existing or potential differences of opinion; and 2) an introduction to the use of facilitated dispute resolution interventions and resources. We will be discussing with the Cape George University Committee at their 10/12/15 planning meeting, the possibility of offering this event under their auspices, on a Saturday morning sometime in January or early February, 2016.

We are also preparing a brief article for the October issue of the C.G. Newsletter which will introduce this event and ask for response from the members as to their possible interest in attending such a seminar.

Committee member Judith Chambliss will attend the 10/13/15 Study Session.



# Emergency Preparedness Committee



## Do You Know...

### What to do before, during & after a power outage?

If there is a severe power outage, it could take hours, days or weeks to restore power. And... keep in mind that restoration may be focused on service to the largest populations, agencies for emergency services, hospitals, nursing & assisted living facilities, community wells, and other essential services in the area. So being prepared *before* disaster occurs is crucial!

#### ALTERNATE POWER SOURCES TO OBTAIN:

- **Disposable Alkaline Batteries**~ Unopened, AAA, AA, C, or D batteries have about a 7-year shelf-life. Specialized batteries will be difficult to acquire during an emergency so consider AA battery "power pack" for cell phones and electronics. Store specialized, unopened batteries for hearing aids for emergencies, as well.
- **Generators**~ Portable generators which can be moved easily, 5000 watts or less.

**NEVER use a portable generator indoors, in a garage, carport, crawl space or other enclosed or partially enclosed area, or near a window. . . including the neighbors!**

- **Power Inverters**~ An inverter converts direct current (DC) like a car battery or solar panel into alternate current (AC)voltage suited for household appliances. An **Automobile Inverter** allows phones and other electronics to recharge in your car.
- **Solar**~ Solar charged landscape lights can be brought inside for lighting, and solar/AC "power packs" are also available for cell phones and other electronics.

#### CONSERVE YOUR ALTERNATE EMERGENCY POWER:

- **BATTERIES**~ Remove when not in use. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in original cases or with batteries next to each other, NOT end to end.
- **KNOW WHAT YOU MUST OPERATE IN AN EMERGENCY TO PRESERVE LIFE OR FOOD**~ Oxygen concentrator, refrigerator, freezer, medical equipment, for example.
- **GENERATOR**~ Run it only as necessary, cycling it on and off, to conserve fuel.
- **PRECHARGE CRITICAL BATTERIES**~ Batteries for phones, back-up storage cells and inverters. Check these regularly.
- **CELL PHONES**~ Turn off when not in use. Limit texting & calling to emergency needs. Set a pre-arranged time, once a day, to text or call family or out-of-state contact.

#### BEFORE AN OUTAGE:

- **DO** consider buying a generator and buy one which meets your needs (more on that another time!).
- **DO** install a generator per electrical code 702.6.
- **DO** register ANY life-sustaining or medical equipment with your utility company & the Cape George Disaster First Aid Committee.
- **DO** make sure you have an alternative heat source and supply of fuel.
- **DO** have light sticks, flashlights, battery-powered radio with extra batteries.
- **DO** learn how to open your electric garage door without power.

## **DURING AN OUTAGE:**

- **DO** stay away from downed power lines and sagging or broken trees.
- **DO** check the fuse box or circuit panel, if you seem to be the only house without power.
- **DO** turn-off or unplug heat producing appliances to reduce initial demand, if your entire neighborhood is affected.
- **DO** notify the local utility of a power outage.
- **DO** unplug computers and sensitive equipment to protect them from power outages. Only operate your computer if your generator is computer-rated for "power quality".
- **DO** turn off lights except for one, to alert you when the power comes back on.
- **DO** keep your refrigerator and freezer doors closed.
- **NEVER, EVER use gas ovens, ranges, BBQ's, or portable propane heaters indoors for heating. . .** These use oxygen and create carbon monoxide that can cause suffocation if used indoors as a heating source.
- **NEVER, EVER use candles, oil lamps, or other flammable light sources UNLESS there is not any other source.** They are not considered an appropriate substitute for a flashlight or battery/solar powered lamp.

## **AFTER AN OUTAGE:**

- **DO** wait at least 15 minutes after the power comes back on before turning on other appliances. Turn on one appliance at a time.

## **MEDICALLY FRAGILE ~ FAMILY, NEIGHBORS, & ANYONE YOU CARE FOR** who requires electricity for life-sustaining equipment. . .

- **Register** needs with your electricity provider & the Cape George Disaster First Aid Committee, to speed their response time.
- Be prepared to **call your medical equipment provider.** Most provide 24-hour service.
- **Have an emergency generator** at your home.
- **Have sufficient fresh fuel & oil** to operate the generator.
- **Have a plan for who will start & maintain the generator** in the case of an emergency.
- Be prepared to **call 9-1-1.**
- **Have non-electrical back-up oxygen canisters available & know your oxygen flow rate** (liters/minutes).
- **If oxygen dependent, conserve oxygen** by limiting activities or having a caregiver perform tasks for you.
- **Have cold storage back-up** for medications that must remain cold.

**Next month** we will give you information on generators ~ how to calculate your needs according to your household power usage and how to use generators safely.

Thank you to all of you who attended the 2015 SHAKEOUT EXERCISE on October 15, 2015, at 10:15 AM, at the Clubhouse. We had a great turn-out, met some new neighbors, answered a few questions, and all heard the siren from across the bay! Since this is an annual exercise, we will meet again next October. . . but we have many other things to accomplish between now and then so stay tuned in.

Submitted by the CGEPC: Thad Bickling and Karla Kauzlarich

**The next time you are looking for some information about the community,  
you need look no further than:**

**[www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)**

# WANTED

## OUTLAW'S LAST MEAL

DATE : NOVEMBER 7TH

SOCIAL: 5:30, DINNER: 6:00 PM

BBQ CHICKEN PROVIDED BY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

\$5 CHARGE PLUS BRING A SIDE DISH, BREAD OR DESSERT

TO SHARE IN HIS LAST MEAL

LET'S MAKE HIS LAST MEAL A PARTY  
WITH LINE DANCING, WESTERN DRINK  
AND A QUIZ

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT OFFICE  
DEADLINE NOVEMBER 2ND

BYOB

## Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob



Dink has asked to have a couple of months leave of absence from the Newsletter to re-group his creative juices! He has asked that his sister Lob fill in for him and she has agreed. (we all know that she has a more serious approach to Pickleball so bear with her!)

Our 3rd annual Pickleball Pot Luck dinner was again a great success on Oct. 1. Highlights included some great One-Liners by our Pickleball comic, Woody, great food and amazing table decorations by Dell Jacoby. She created dioramas depicting Pickleball thru the ages and the attendees had to guess what each represented. Great fun and great guessing and many decorations carried home for posterity!

For the next several months we are going to test your Pickleball knowledge with some Q and A. There will be a prize for the winner with the most correct answers at the end of January. You are to send your answers to Steve Shapiro: [sshapiro57@gmail.com](mailto:sshapiro57@gmail.com). Please include your name and the question #. Ready, set, Go!

1. Name 3 pieces of equipment associated with Pickleball
2. The serving side has to let the return of serve bounce \_\_\_\_\_ times before returning the shot?
3. When serving the ball the server must have which of the following?
  - a. One foot on the back line.
  - b. One foot behind the back line.
  - c. Two feet behind the back line.
4. Lynn is serving the ball to Jeannie. Jeannie returns the ball and Lynn can't return it. What happens :
  - a. Lynn serves again.
  - b. It is side out and Jeannie serves.
5. It is the first serve of the game - Jay wins the point - what is the score on the 2nd serve?
  - a. 1-0-1
  - b. 1-0-0
  - c. 1-0-2
6. All serves must be hit below what \_\_\_\_\_?
7. Unless otherwise agreed on by the players a regular game score goes to:
  - a. 15 - win by 1
  - b. 7 win by 2
  - c. 21
  - d. 11 win by 2
8. T or F You can volley a serve as long as both feet are behind the non-volley zone.

A few Fall/Winter safety reminders:

1. Be sure the court is swept clear of water and pine needles before you play.
2. Take a look at the soles of your court shoes and be sure they aren't worn smooth.
3. Take a little extra time to warm up and stretch when it is cold as well as hydrate.
4. Keep the area and the equipment in good order and the lock covered.
5. Watch real game videos on the USAPA web site to up your game!!



Neanderthal vs. Homo sapiens

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

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Please call or email me and we can make a date.

Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or  
rocketmama@wavecable.com

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Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## Event Recap

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Soup Supper	Nov. 4, 5:30p
Outlaw's Last Meal	Nov. 7, 5:30p
CGU-Native Peoples of the NW	Nov. 9, 7p
Fitness Demo	Nov. 13, 1:30p
Book Group	Nov. 17, 1p
Our Neighbors-The Bears, Movie	Nov. 17, 7p
Bunco	Nov. 18, 2p

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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Duplicate Bridge 12:15p Open Swimming 1p	<b>3</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> <b>Marina Comm. 11a</b> <b>Water Comm. 5p—Office</b>	<b>4</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p <b>Pool Comm. 3p</b> <b>Soup Supper 5:30p</b>	<b>5</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p <b>Bldg. Comm. 10a (Office)</b>	<b>6</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>7</b> <b>Outlaw's Last Meal 5:30p</b>
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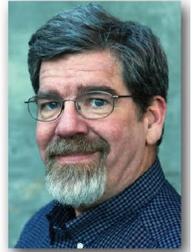
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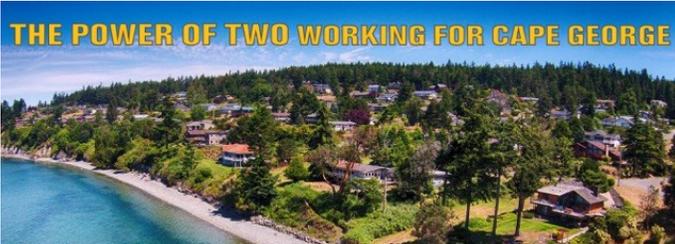
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## MANAGER'S REPORT—Art Burke

The exterior of the office was recently painted by Phillips Painting. They did an excellent job and we are looking forward to them returning in the next couple of weeks to do the interior.

We were recently notified by Centerline Solutions that engineers from Verizon Wireless may be conducting signal tests in mid-November to further research our locations value for a cell tower. The test will involve a boom being extended in the cul-de-sac of Saddle Drive for part of a day as signal strength and location coverage is determined.

The drainage project on Colman Place has been completed

Reviewed drainage issue in vicinity of 400 Sunset Blvd. I have requested an environmental engineer contractor make a site visit to provide input on possible corrective measures.

We received notification from Mobilisa that our

rooftop antenna contract with them has officially transferred to NoaNet.

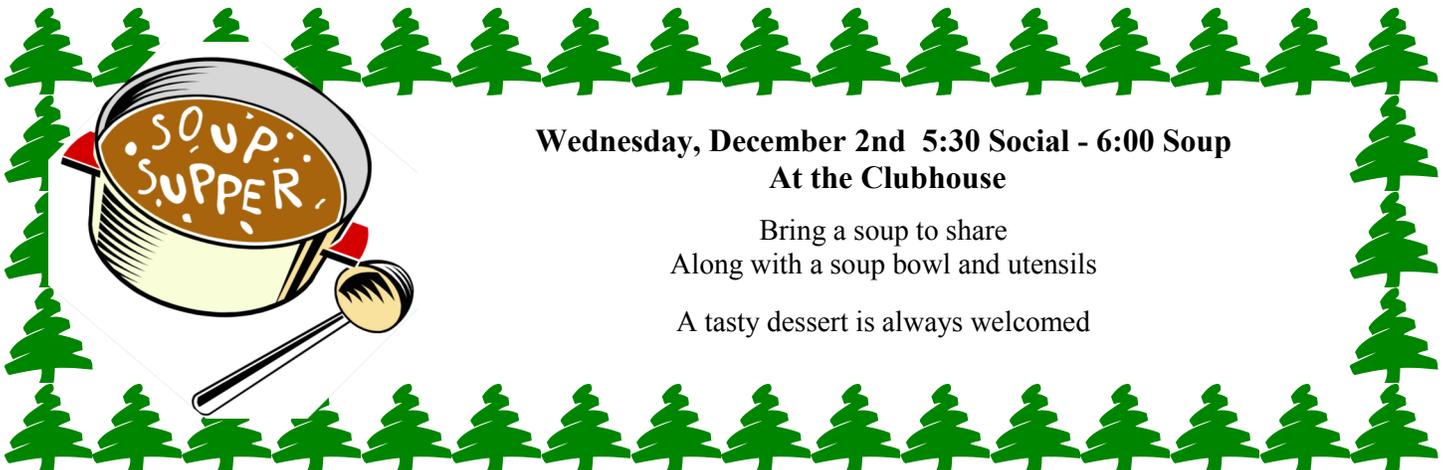
The Office Administrator has begun the process of reviewing stored files with the intent of eventually destroying files that have exceeded our file retention policy.

Projects being worked on by the Caretaker and Assistant Caretaker:

- The area in the vicinity of the shoreline is being cleared of various amenities in preparation for construction of the protective berm. Work on the berm will be getting underway later this month.
- Annual inspection and servicing was completed on the community's three heat pumps.

I have received the following reports/complaints over the past month:

- Hedge complaint in the Colony.
- We received numerous reports of a loud explosion sometime during the night of November \_\_. We have no idea what caused it but quite a number of people heard it.



Wednesday, December 2nd 5:30 Social - 6:00 Soup  
At the Clubhouse

Bring a soup to share  
Along with a soup bowl and utensils

A tasty dessert is always welcomed

**DEADLINE FOR JANUARY NEWSLETTER -- December 20**

**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT—RICHARD HILFER**

Cape George members should remember to return their ballots by the **December 8** deadline.

When the ballots and supporting materials were mailed out to our members, some members did not receive the appropriate proxy envelop to return their marked ballots. Any member wishing to vote by proxy should contact the office and a proxy envelop will be provided.

Three years ago, strong winds combined with high king tides to flood our beach and marina parking lot area. The workshop was flooded and some of the contents were damaged or destroyed. Our volunteers had to assemble on short notice in order to place sandbags and remove the water from the workshop and parking lot.

This combination of tide and winds occurs about every ten years or so, usually in December or January. In order to protect our property from this foreseeable event, Cape George members passed a special assessment to fund a protective shoreline berm. Our association retained a well known coastal engineer to design the berm and assist with obtaining the necessary governmental permits.

The berm has been completed by our contractor in time to protect us against winter storms. The Environmental Committee will be planting dune grass and several trees on the berm. We believe this berm will enhance the appearance of our shoreline in addition to protecting it.

Finally, Cape George and its seawall contractor were defendants in a lawsuit brought by a member's guest who was injured at the worksite during construction of the seawalls. The trial of this case was scheduled for December 10. The lawsuit was recently settled on favorable terms to both Cape George and its insurance company.





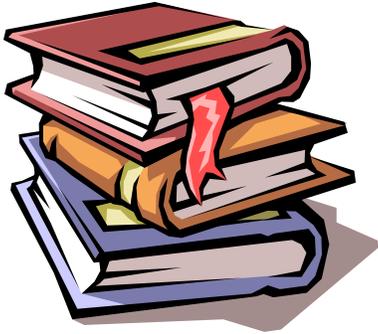
## THE OUTLAW'S LAST MEAL

The Environmental Committee would like to thank everyone who came to the *Outlaw's Last Meal* and helped us to raise money for our projects. The berm should be finished next week, and we will be planting native plants to help hold it in place. Your contribution helped to pay for those plants. Everyone enjoyed the good food and the wonderful line dance demonstration by Barb Buys. Once again the Environmental Committee came up with a wonderful theme and followed through with a spectacular event. It was a really fun evening.

### **Did you know that the Cape George website has the following information available?**

- All of the governing documents for the community including, covenants, bylaws, building and property regulations, and rules.
- Study Session and Board Meeting agendas and information packets.
- Old and current newsletters.
- Staff and Board contact information.
- Forms, forms and more forms!
- And much, much more!

The next time you are looking for some information about the community,  
you need look no further than: [www.capegeorge.org](http://www.capegeorge.org)



## **FERAL: REWINDING THE LAND, THE SEA AND HUMAN LIFE**

### **IS DECEMBER BOOK GROUP SELECTION**

What if we grounded our efforts to solve environmental problems in hope and let nature make our case for us? Join the Cape George Book Group on Tuesday, December 15 as George Monbiot explores this and many other questions in his wonderful book, "Feral" Rewinding the Land, Sea and Human Life.

Monbiot's vision of how by inviting nature back into our lives, we can cure our "ecological boredom and begin repairing centuries of environmental damage. He explores ecosystems that have been rewarded in a wonderful round-the-world journey where the reader gets to share his awe and wonder as he shows us environmental successes in Europe, in Yellowstone National Park and in oceans teeming with dolphins.

We see a future where humans and nature are no longer separate and antagonistic, but together as a part of a healing world.

The group meets at 1 pm in the Cape George Clubhouse. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, please call Jeannie Ramsey at 385-1263



# **Cast your ballot**

## **by - 3 pm Dec 8th**

There is a mail drop box on the office building,  
or a ballot box inside, or by mail.

**MINOR CHANGES TO CAPE GEORGE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AND COLLECTION PRACTICES BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016**

As Members, we share the responsibility of paying what we owe to Cape George and we rely on our neighbors to do the same. The vast majority of Cape George residents are conscientious in paying, or arranging to pay, their bills. To those Members the Board and staff say thank you for your continuing efforts to recognize that Cape George is both a community of neighbors and friends and also a business.

To maintain the financial integrity of Cape George and to avoid material risk, responsible collection procedures are necessary. At the November 2015 study session the Board determined that minor changes in our existing practices were advisable. These changes will have little if any impact on the majority of Cape George Members. The changes will become effective on January 1, 2016.

A \$5.00 per quarter surcharge will be added to Due Date Adjustment and Payment Plan arrangements. This surcharge will help defray the administrative costs associated with special payment arrangements and therefore help ensure that all members are treated equally.

Seriously delinquent accounts with an external collection agency when the account has gone unpaid for 180 days. External collection agencies have access to a much broader range of collection practices than those typically used by organizations like Cape George and the external agencies are therefore more effective in collecting overdue accounts. One of the most common tools used by collection agencies is reporting delinquent accounts to one or more of the three major credit reporting bureaus.

Finally, the Board decided to further investigate the deed recorded Covenant that states that ownership of a property will revert to Cape George if a Member violates any Covenant provision, in this case the responsibility to pay general, reserve and special assessments. This is an extreme measure and one that will not be undertaken without thorough review.

Again, to the vast majority of Members who are conscientious and considerate in paying, or arranging to pay, their bills in a timely fashion the Board, on behalf of the entire association, expresses its appreciation.

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# New Years Eve Party



*Come celebrate and bring in the new year with friends,  
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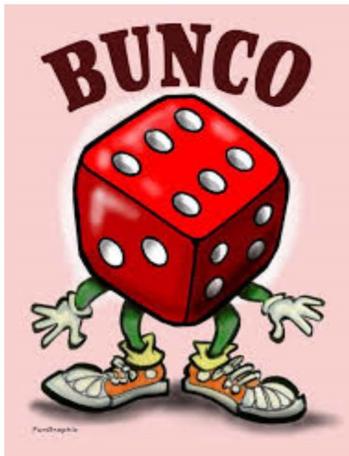
*Watch the ball drop or just hang around the camp fire.*

*Time: 8:00PM - ?*

*Where: Clubhouse*

*When: Thursday 31 December 2015*

*BYOB, and bring a snack/food to share*



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**Friday December 11th**

**2:00 PM**

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department.  
at the office.  
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collection of keys and  
glasses.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE FILM NIGHT

### OUR NEIGHBORS – THE BEARS

Everyone is invited for Cape George's Environmental Film Night on December 16, at 7 p.m. It is free, but donations are always welcome to defray the cost of refreshments. We are planning to show the second half of the film, **Bears of the Last Frontier**. This is the second half of the film, which focuses on polar bears.

We are so sorry that we had to cancel the film night on Tuesday, November 17. That was the night of the *Big Blow*, and Lorna and Darrell were unable to get back across the bridge. Even if they had been able to make it home, there was no power that night.

Please plan to attend, we will have your favorite popcorn and would love to have you share the evening with us. Lorna and Darrell, our local naturalists will provide further information after the film and will be prepared to answer any questions that you may have.



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\*\* THERE WILL BE NO PRESENTATION IN DECEMBER \*\*

On January 13, 2016 at 7:00 pm we will enjoy a presentation by Norma Lupkes on Preserving Summer's Bounty. Norma will share her secrets for dehydrating and preserving your garden's fruits and vegetables. More details in the January newsletter.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
November 12th, 2015  
7:00 PM  
DRAFT**

**President Richard Hilfer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

A. Welcome

B. An Executive Session is scheduled to immediately follow the Board Meeting for the purpose of discussing a possible violation of the governing documents, a personnel issue and a legal discussion.

C. Through an oversight some members did not receive a proxy envelop in the election packet. If a member wishes to vote by proxy and did not receive a proxy envelope, please contact the office.

**In Attendance:** Karen Krug, Carol Wood, Richard Hilfer, Katie Habegger, Michael Hinojos and Ray Pierson

**Action on Minutes:** Katie Habegger moved and Karen Krug seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting October 10, 2015, Special Board Meeting October 22, 2015 and October 28, 2015. – passed 5/0

**Membership Report:** Katie Habegger

David & Carol Edwards purchased 221 N Rhododendron Dr from Dana Fickeisen & Karen Frank

Robert & Elaine Sullivan purchased 51 Fir Pl from David Sullivan

James Birdsall purchased 192 Victoria Loop from Chuck & Linda Allen

Mary Brady purchased 201 Victoria Loop from Irvin Glushenko Trust

Ron & Jayn Hanson purchased 100 Maple from Marie Hayford Estate

Diane Webb & John Willmore purchased lot 6-5 S Palmer from Eugene & Jo Cavanagh

Stephen & Anne McFarland purchase lot 3Crest Sunset Blvd from Keith & Martinia Slattery

Olia Kerzhner purchased 71 Quinault Loop from Sean Lechner

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
As of October 31, 2015**

*A summarized comparative balance sheet and a condensed revenue and expense statement are included on the next page. Detailed statements are available on the Cape George website and are also available for review in the office.*

**2015 Balance Sheet comments:**

Bank statements from all financial institutions have been received and reviewed and all accounts have been reconciled with no exceptions. No institution currently holds more than the FDIC limit.

Cash positions remain strong helped with expenses, both in operating cost centers and reserve accounts, that are lower than originally budgeted. Current cash positions enable the minimum required year end transfers before the end of the fiscal year. The minimum required operating transfer will be \$82,906 and amount equal to the excess originally stated in the 2015 budget. The net required transfer to the reserve assessment will be \$118,080, the Member approved reserve assessment less a provision for uncollectible accounts. That amount will be allocated cross the three major reserve accounts with 46.9%, or \$55,380 to the General Reserve, 38.6%, or \$45,578 to the Water Reserve and 14.5%, or \$17,122 to the Marina Reserve. All transfers and allocations will take place in November. Additional transfers related to final year end operating results will likely take place at the conclusion of the 2015 audit, likely in March or April, 2016.

Collecting amounts owed to Cape George continues to be difficult. While the majority of Cape George Members pay their balances in a timely manner, a small number do not. To more effectively deal with the delinquent accounts and to continue to ensure that all Cape George Members are treated equally, the Board is making minor changes to our collection practices. The changes will become effective on January 1, 2016 and will be outlined in the December 2015 newsletter.

The use of an external collection agency has been moderately successful on the initial accounts surrendered. The maximum recovery using the agency is only 60% and while this seems costly, internal efforts spanning two and a half years yielded no results. Collection agencies have options not easily available by organizations like Cape George and are thus more effective in collecting seriously delinquent accounts.

The Berm project is moving forward and completion is expected by the end of the year. Current estimates suggest that all of the special assessment will be used for the project. The final payment on the South Seawall assessment was due on October 1 so the loan from General Reserves should be fully settled by year end.

**2015 Income Statement comments:**

All three cost centers, General, Water and Marina, are operating better than their budgets had predicted and with only two months of the current fiscal year remaining, it is expected that all three cost center will finish the year with excess income higher than budgeted. This assumes there will be no unanticipated expenses during the rest of the year.

**General operations:**

Favorable performance in general operations is being driven by lower than budgeted pool utilities, lower than budgeted repairs and maintenance in buildings roads and grounds, and lower than expected contract services. The last item is a planned for external review of our compliance with various state excise and business taxes that has not taken place. While it is hoped this external review can occur by year end, schedules may not permit.

During October, there were cash donations of \$896 recorded toward Kingfisher Cove, the new marina park project. Preliminary records indicate that about \$2,500 has been spent on that project. The original Board approval was for no more than \$1,000 to be spent from general operations towards the project. The total cost of the project was expected to be \$3,000. Staff has been working on a more detailed accounting for that project which will be available before the end of November.

**Water operations:**

Similar to general operations, the favorable budgetary performance in water operations is related to lower than budgeted expenses in repairs and maintenance. There are several thousand dollars in costs associated with the highland pump controllers that need to be recognized in November and a recently noticed problem with drainage may result in additional repair

**Marina operations:**

Marina operations should finish the year well ahead of their original budget target. About half of the expected favorable variance can be traced to not having a piling study done in 2015.

**CAPE GEORGE COLONY CLUB**  
*Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2015 and 2014*

Assets	2015	2014	Liabilities and Fund Balances	2015	2014
Cash and Cash Equivalents:			Current Liabilities:		
Operating Fund Checking	\$ 160,181	\$ 82,801	Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	\$ 8,166	\$ 9,196
Operating Fund Savings	105,062	70,036	Unearned Income General/Water/Etc.	1,685	3,242
Petty Cash (2 accounts)	600	600	Unearned Income Other	-	-
Reserves - General, Water & Marina	421,308	325,672	Unearned Income Marina Wait List	1,150	700
Special Assmnts - S.Seawall/Berm	59,009	89,869	Due to General Reserve (Loan)	19,485	54,067
<b>Routine Reserve Assessment**</b>	<b>116,921</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>30,486</b>	<b>67,205</b>
Total Cash & Equivalents	863,081	568,978			
			North Seawall Assessment Liability	-	-
Net Accounts Receivable	14,215	15,001	South Seawall Assessment Liability	-	-
Due from S. Seawall Reserve (Loan)	19,485	54,067			
Net SpclAssmnts Receivalbe	815	52,031	<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>		
Total Net Fixed Assets	1,793,765	1,857,208	Fund Balances (Combined)	2,358,856	1,926,417
Total Prepaid & Other Assets	26,457	27,502	Modified Cash Basis CY Income*	328,476	581,165
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,717,818</b>	<b>\$2,574,787</b>	<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,717,818</b>	<b>\$ 2,574,787</b>

\*\* The Routine Reserve Assessment was approved by the Members in December 2014; it will be allocated on a periodic basis.

*Summary Revenue and Expense Statements for the periods ended October 31 (Modified Cash Basis)*

2015 Year to Date					COMPARATIVE				
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%		2015 YTD	2014 YTD	Variance	%
General Assessment	\$ 286,408	\$ 286,408	-	0%	General Assessment	\$ 286,408	\$ 275,392	\$ 11,016	4%
Revenue - All Other Sources	22,381	18,212	4,169	23%	Revenue - All Other Sources	22,381	21,303	1,078	5%
Total General Revenue	308,789	304,620	4,169		Total General Revenue	308,789	296,695	12,094	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	108,597	111,939	3,342	3%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	108,597	106,976	(1,621)	-2%
Repairs & Maintenance	10,151	16,731	6,580	39%	Repairs & Maintenance	10,151	15,927	5,776	36%
Contracted Services	32,658	40,921	8,263	20%	Contracted Services	32,658	39,604	6,946	18%
Insurance	17,348	20,682	3,334	16%	Insurance	17,348	18,709	1,361	7%
Pool Expense	12,485	22,500	10,015	45%	Pool Expense	12,485	21,604	9,119	42%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	21,605	20,075	(1,530)	-8%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	21,605	31,781	10,176	32%
Total General Expenses	202,844	232,848	21,519		Total General Expenses	202,844	234,601	12,462	
<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 105,945</b>	<b>\$ 71,772</b>	<b>\$ 34,173</b>	48%	<b>General Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 105,945</b>	<b>\$ 62,094</b>	<b>\$ 43,851</b>	71%

<u>Water</u>					<u>Water</u>				
Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 183,960	\$ 183,960	\$ -	0%	Revenue - Water Use Fees	\$ 183,960	\$ 182,610	\$ 1,350	1%
Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	2,000	1,254	63%	Revenue - All Other Sources	3,254	3,643	(389)	-11%
Total Water Revenue	187,214	185,960	1,254		Total Water Revenue	187,214	186,253	961	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	48,556	51,218	2,662	5%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	48,556	48,173	(383)	-1%
Repairs & Maintenance	1,574	6,480	4,906	76%	Repairs & Maintenance	1,574	11,870	10,296	87%
Contracted Services	12,059	13,619	1,560	11%	Contracted Services	12,059	13,092	1,033	8%
Insurance	9,240	11,042	1,802	16%	Insurance	9,240	10,171	931	9%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	29,116	31,874	2,758	9%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	29,116	28,250	(866)	-3%
Total Water Expenses	100,545	114,233	13,688		Total Water Expenses	100,545	111,556	11,011	
<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 86,669</b>	<b>\$ 71,727</b>	<b>\$ 14,942</b>	21%	<b>Water Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 86,669</b>	<b>\$ 74,697</b>	<b>\$ 11,972</b>	16%
<u>Marina</u>					<u>Marina</u>				
Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 56,064	\$ 53,905	\$ 2,159	4%	Revenue - Moorage/Parking	\$ 56,064	\$ 50,713	\$ 5,351	11%
Revenue - All Other Sources	10,066	9,590	476	5%	Revenue - All Other Sources	10,066	13,295	(3,229)	-24%
Total Marina Revenue	66,130	63,495	2,635		Total Marina Revenue	66,130	64,008	2,122	
Expenses:					Expenses:				
Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	10,597	11,221	624	6%	Salaries, Benefits, PR Tax	10,597	10,592	(5)	0%
Repairs & Maintenance	17,252	15,664	(1,588)	-10%	Repairs & Maintenance	17,252	14,947	(2,305)	-15%
Contracted Services	1,999	6,185	4,186	68%	Contracted Services	1,999	2,240	241	11%
Insurance	5,090	5,776	686	12%	Insurance	5,090	5,137	47	1%
Other Expenses (incl taxes)	6,121	7,932	1,811	23%	Other Expenses (incl taxes)	6,121	10,027	3,906	39%
Total Marina Expenses	41,059	46,778	5,719		Total Marina Expenses	41,059	42,943	1,884	
<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 25,071</b>	<b>\$ 16,717</b>	<b>\$ 8,354</b>	50%	<b>Marina Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 25,071</b>	<b>\$ 21,065</b>	<b>\$ 4,006</b>	19%
Routine Reserve*	119,160	-	119,160		Routine Reserve*	119,160	-	119,160	
Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(9,015)	-	(9,015)		Spcl Assmnt Income/Exp	(9,015)	422,629	(431,644)	
Reserve Interest - all	646	-	646		Reserve Interest - all	646	880	(234)	
<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 328,476</b>	<b>\$ 160,216</b>	<b>\$ 177,275</b>	105%	<b>Cmbnd Net Income/(Loss)**</b>	<b>\$ 328,475</b>	<b>\$ 581,165</b>	<b>\$ 178,955</b>	-43%

\*\*Modified Cash Basis, Excludes Depreciation

\* The new Routine Reserve Assessment was not budgeted but was approved by Members in December 2014.

## Managers Report—Art Burke—see page 1

**Committee Reports:** The following committee reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees: Building Committee, Marina and Water.

The reports are attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference.

## Information Items:

- The Trustees received an update from the Ad Hoc Conflict Resolution Committee co-chair Judith Chambliss – attached for the record.
- The Trustees requested the Marina Committee review proposed changes to Cape George rule CP03 Marina Usage and return in December with Marina Committee Chair present to provide support to changes.
- The Trustees authorized the implementation of new bad debt strategies which will be presented in the December newsletter.
- President Richard Hilfer and Manager Art Burke will gather information on potential replacement of retiring corporate attorney Richard Shaneyfelt.

**Member participation:** none

## New Business Action Items:

**Motion 1:** Karen Krug moved and Carol Wood seconded that the Board approve the 2015 minimum excess cash transfers as shown in the Member ratified 2015 budget from the general checking account to the respective reserve accounts with \$24,256 transferred to General Reserves, \$48,100 transferred to Water Reserves and \$10,550 transferred to Marina Reserves for a total transfer of \$82,906. Passed- 5/0

**Motion 2:** Karen Krug moved and Michael Hinojos seconded that the Board approve the 2015 net Reserve Assessment transfer of \$118,080 and allocation to respective reserve accounts with \$55,380 to General Reserves, \$45,578 to Water Reserves and \$17,122 to Marina Reserves with the 10/31/15 uncollected balance of \$1,159 funded from general checking.

Passed – 5/0

**Motion 3:** Karen Krug moved and Ray Pierson seconded the Board approve the payment of \$17,161 from the South Seawall account to the General Reserve account as partial payment of the outstanding loan with the amount to be split between principal and interest on the date of the transfer. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 4:** Carol Wood moved and Katie Habegger seconded to approve Resolution 11/01/15 to transfer \$3,379 from General Reserves to General Checking Account for painting of Clubhouse exterior, Phillips Painting-\$3,379. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 5:** Katie Habegger moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to approve a member refund for overpayment of dues and special assessments. Passed – 5/0

**Motion 6:** Katie Habegger moved and Ray Pierson seconded to approve 2 member requests for 4 due date adjustments. Passed – 5/0

**Open Board Discussion:** The volunteer efforts of members of the Environmental Committee were noted.

**Announcements:**

Special Membership Meeting – December 8, 2015 2:45 P.M.

Study Session – December 8, 2015 3:00 P.M.

Board Meeting – December 10, 2015 7:00 P.M.

**Adjournment:** Carol Wood moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to adjourn the Regular Session at 7:15 pm and move to the Executive Session: for discussing a possible violation of the governing documents, a personnel issue and a legal discussion. Passed – 5/0

**Adjournment:** Karen Krug moved and Katie Habegger seconded to adjourn the executive session.

Passed - 5/0

The executive meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

**Motion 7:** Carol Wood moved and Katie Habegger seconded that the Board, after reviewing photographic evidence, support the action of the Manager in resolving the light complaint re: 71 Maple Drive. Passed 5-0

**Adjournment:** Richard Hilfer moved and Michael Hinojos seconded to adjourn the general session.

Passed – 5/0

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

**Submitted by:**

**Approved by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Katie Habegger, Secretary**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Richard Hilfer, President**

**Committee Reports:**

**Building Committee Report - October 31, 2015**

*Earthworks Permit Issued:*

Noah Middleton, 41 Dennis Blvd, Village – Install a septic system.

**Marina Committee - November 3, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Harbormaster Penny Jensen at 11 am. Present were: John Hanks, Jack Scherting, Scott Munson, Bob Schlentner, Scott James, Dick Poole, Art Burke, Thad Bickling, Marta Favati, Ross Anderson, Gary Rossow, Brian Ritchie, Tom Cawrse, Sandra Gulin, Jose Gulin, Travis Rowland, Bob Frenette

1. A financial report was given re Fund Raising Account (a separate account not owned by Cape George Colony Club), and the Marina reserves.

2. Gary Rossow reported on the status of new locks for the gates which enter to the docks. More work to be done on this to find the appropriate hardware.

3. CPO3 and Marina Registration form additions were discussed and changes were suggested by the Committee. The docs are now ready to present to the Board for their approval.

4. A discussion of next year's projects was held including the upcoming electrical survey to be done on the marina, the

development of a plan (work to begin on the plan 2016) to replace the electrical system (2017). Any safety issues identified by the survey will be addressed immediately.

5. Float work is done for the year. Floats will be removed from the basin and behind the shop and moved up to the Barn.

6. We may replace/move the North Buoy 2016 and the South Buoy mooring ball must be replaced. (Someone t-boned it)

7. Sump pumps were discussed with perhaps the need to buy an additional gas operated pump for the west side of the Workshop, and a small electrical pump for use on the docks to drain vessels of excess water if needed. No decisions made on this yet.

8. Tom Cawrse reported that Wolf urine does not deter sea otters.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 am

### **WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE - NOVEMBER 3, 2015**

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm at the Office. The following attended: Art Burke, Manager; Karen Krug, Board Liaison; Greg Rae, Water Manager; Larry Southwick, Committee Chair; and members Scott James and Stewart Pugh. No meeting was held in October while Larry was out of town.

1. Highland Booster Pump Controller – We just received a price quote from DD Electrical for installation of the new programmable controller equipment for \$2,643.26. That includes a substantial upgrade to the electrical system for those pumps. Stew had previously purchased the equipment and software for the controller at a cost of around \$1,000 and has provided it all to DD. He still needs to document his expenses and invoice the office. The installation is a day or two job and we want to get it scheduled soon. Stew will be gone for a few weeks so we'll try to get it done before he leaves or will need to schedule it after he returns in early December. We want it done and paid for in this budget year.

2. Backflow / Cross Connection – State law requires that backflow prevention assemblies be tested annually. We mailed out inspection letters to 47 homeowners with those devices and have 13 test reports returned. We expect more this week. We'll mail out a second letter on Nov 11 to those who haven't returned a test report by that time. There have also been 3 new backflow assemblies installed. Greg said they don't need to be tested until next year.

3. In September, Greg reported that the auto-dialer at the facilities didn't work during a power outage. He purchased and replaced the system at a cost of around \$780. The device automatically calls Donnie when a system fails or the power goes out. We can add more incidents to the system as needed.

4. Water rights – Art contacted Bill Clarke, our attorney, and nothing new to report. We want to push DOE on this now. The last contact, they said they were working on priority drought related issues.

5. Budget – No changes in water rates or fees. The budget is now out for voting which must be returned by December 8. The next meeting will be on December 1, 2015 at 5 pm at the Office.

### **AD HOC CONFLICT RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**

Report to Board of Trustees, submitted 11/5, 2015

Study Session, 11/10/15

Members: Judith Chambliss, Lynn Pierle, Jan Stone

Committee last met 11/2/15

The Committee continues the process of developing a 2-hour seminar for Cape George Community members, to offer the following: 1) tools and use of skills for communicating peacefully and constructively when encountering issues causing or potentially causing differences of opinion; and 2) an introduction to the appropriate use of facilitated dispute resolution interventions and resources.

The Cape George University Committee has accepted our proposal for their sponsorship of the above seminar on a Saturday morning between January 16 and February 13, 2016. We are still working out the actual date.

An article about the forthcoming seminar appeared in the October issue of the C.G. Newsletter. Though a request was made for interested members to let us know if they would be likely to attend, we have received only two affirmative replies at this writing. We are in process of preparing a poster to advertise the event.

We also continue to discuss and define the process and criteria for offering conflict resolution intervention here in Cape George when appropriate. This will require more discussion with and input from Art. Committee member Judith Chambliss will attend the 11/10/15 Study Session.



# Emergency Preparedness Committee



## Do You Know...

**When the power goes out, what kind of generator should you have for your personal needs?**

Ironically, this month the power DID go out in Cape George and some residents already have power generators so they remained warm, with lights on and freezers safe from defrosting. For the rest of us. . . if outages become routine, leaving us without electricity for days on end, it's time to take action by getting a generator. Smaller, portable generators are great for powering the essentials, like the refrigerator and microwave, while large standby generators can power everything in your house. Let's look at both types of generators (portable and standby) and both ways to deliver backup power (extension cords and subpanels), covering the pros and cons of each system and getting an idea of prices.

**Portable Generators:** When the power goes out, you have to start up a gas-powered portable generator and plug it into your appliances or a subpanel. These cost between \$500 for a 3250-watt unit to \$1500 for a 10,000-watt unit.

**Standby Generators:** These generators are powered by natural gas or propane and start automatically during power outages. The cost for these starts at \$5000 for a 7,000 watt unit, including installation.

**So . . . First, determine what size generator fits your needs:**

**A.** Add up your power needs: Estimate your power needs before you shop for a generator. Walk through the house and make a list of everything you want to power during an outage. Look for a label on each appliance (this is required) that contains information such as wattage, model number and the year it was made. Some labels are right inside the door on appliances; others are on the back, so you have to pull the appliance out. Write down the item and how much wattage it uses. Be sure to include essential items, like refrigerators, freezers, a well pump if you have one, and a sump pump if your basement could flood. You can go a few hours or even days without an oven (use the microwave instead) and an air conditioner—they use a lot of power and would require you to buy a much bigger generator.

**B.** Add together the items' wattages, **then multiply that number by 1.5** (appliances need the extra power to start up). That's the minimum wattage needed for your generator.

**Wattage Requirements:**



- Microwave: 600 to 1,200 watts
- Refrigerator: 700 to 1,200 watts
- Freezer: 500 to 1,200 watts
- Washing machine: 1,200 watts
- 1/3-hp sump pump: 800 watts
- Television: 300 watts
- Laptop computer: 250 watts
- 10,000-Btu air conditioner: 1,500 watts

## **OPTION #1--- PLUG-IN GENERATORS**

- A. A portable generator which is plugged into with extension cords is the simplest & least expensive. You can plug into a running generator in the yard. Then plug in your extension cords that plug into your appliances. This is inexpensive because you do not need to hire an electrician to install a subpanel. A "con" of this method is that you will have extension cords running to any appliances you want powered. Also, you are limited to how many plugs can be used at once. Most portable generators have either 2 or 4 outlets.
- B. Use a twist- lock, heavy duty extension cord to plug the inlet into the subpanel. The special cord ends keep the cord from pulling loose. Some generators come with this cord. All extension cords must be 14 gauge to carry adequate power.
- C. You must start and maintain the generator during use.
- D. Always place generator on a flat surface outside and at least 10 feet from the house, awnings, windows, etc. to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. **CAUTION:** Always plug in a carbon monoxide detector when using a portable generator to remain safe!
- E. Start up the generator, then plug in the extension cords. Be careful not to overload the generator by plugging in high-wattage appliances that you didn't plan for. It'll trip the breaker or blow a fuse on the generator, or damage the appliance motors.
- F. Consider getting a generator with wheels (they are heavy) and with a key start rather than a pull start.
- G. Consider how long it will run on a tank of gas. Some will run for 10 hrs. (with a 16 gallon tank) and others will need to be filled during the night due to a smaller tank size.

### **A Manual Transfer Switch Panel Makes Portable Power More Convenient!**

To use a portable generator without the hassle of running extension cords, hire an electrician to install a manual transfer switch subpanel off your main circuit panel and install a dedicated inlet to power the subpanel (installing the subpanel is complex; not a DIY project). This setup gives you the advantage of powering entire circuits in the house, not just individual appliances. The drawback is you still have to start and maintain the gas-powered generator. And unless you buy a large generator (they're available with more than 15,000 watts), you're still limited in what you can power.

Before calling an electrician to add the subpanel, choose what you want to power during an outage. It's worth including a circuit that'll let you run your TV, computer and a lamp, especially if you lose power for days at a time. Plus, these electronic devices don't require a lot of wattage. The circuits you want powered will be moved from your main circuit panel to your subpanel, so they'll run when you have normal power *and* when you lose electricity and hook up the generator. Expect to pay \$200 for materials and at least \$500 for an electrician to install the subpanel and special inlet.

During a power outage, run a cord from the generator to the inlet, flip a manual transfer switch on the subpanel, and all the designated circuits will have power. Choose a heavy-duty extension cord with twist-lock ends and keep the generator at least 10 ft. from the house.

***Caution! Don't attach a second male end to a power cord, then run it from the generator to a wall outlet to power a circuit. This may seem like a clever way to run power through your home's wiring system, but the electricity will run back through the circuit breaker panel and out to the utility lines, which can kill service personnel working on the lines, even if they're miles away.***

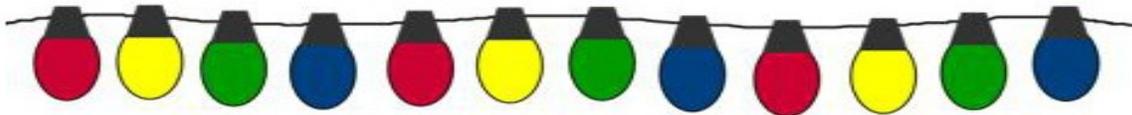
### **OPTION #2---STANDBY GENERATORS---**

- A. Standby generators automatically turn on when the power goes out—you don't have to do a thing. This is the best option if you frequently lose electricity and want to keep all or most of your appliances running. Most standby generators are powerful enough to run a central air conditioner, kitchen appliances and other large items simultaneously. They're also quieter than portable generators and you don't need to worry about running cords or storing gasoline.
- B. The drawback is the price. You'll need to have the generator, transfer switch and subpanel professionally installed.
- C. A transfer switch constantly monitors power. If you lose electricity, it starts the generator automatically—even if you're not home. When power is restored, the transfer switch shuts off the generator.
- D. Standby generators connect to your home's fuel supply (natural gas or propane). If you don't already have one of these fuel lines coming into the house, install a propane tank.
- E. Standby generators range from \$5,000 for a 7,000-watt unit to more than \$15,000 for a 30,000-watt unit (installation included). Home centers carry a limited selection of portable generators (but usually no standby units). Larger sizes and standby units are usually available through special order or from the manufacturer.

**Reference:** <http://www.familyhandyman.com/smart-homeowner/choosing-the-best-power-generator>

Good luck planning for the next power outage! Begin your home assessment and determine how to meet your needs before the next emergency occurs!

Submitted by the CGEPC: Thad Bickling and Karla Kauzlarich



**Happy  
Holidays!**

## Pickleball at Cape George According to Dink & Lob



With 2015 winding down and the Holiday season upon us Dink and Lob (and their mothers Star and Pi) have one big wish for everyone!

PEACE ON EARTH

The Pickleball Q&A continues this month. If you didn't get your answers in for last month it is not too late. The person with the most correct answers after the January questions will win a new Paddle - color, weight and grip of their choice. Send answers with your name and question # to [sshapiro57@gmail.com](mailto:sshapiro57@gmail.com).

9. If the serve ticks the net and falls anywhere in the court it is a "do over" T or F
10. The receiving player must stand behind the back line to receive the serve. T or F
11. Bobby is serving the ball to Billy and Billy returns it so that Bobby can't get it. What happens? Is it a or b?
  - a. Bobby serves again
  - b. It is side out and Billy serves
12. The server must wait to serve until the non-receiving opponent is up to the kitchen line. T or F
13. An effective "3rd shot" is:
  - a. Deep to the opponents back hand
  - b. Short drop shot over the net
  - c. Deep down the middle
  - d. any of the above
14. What is the correct name for the kitchen ?
  - a. the dink zone
  - b. the area for appliances
  - c. the no -fly zone
  - d. the non-volley zone
15. Name 2 ground strokes : \_\_\_\_\_
16. A rally consists of:
  - a. an exchange of volleys
  - b. serve and return of serve
  - c. an exchange of ground strokes
  - d. an exchange of any combination of strokes

There have been a number of requests for on-line sites to watch and improve your game

<http://pickleballshow.com/>

<http://www.thirdshotsports.com/>

<http://pickleballhelp.com/>

<http://www.usapa.org/>

## WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Cape George would love to welcome you with information, goodies, and friendship. Please call or email me and we can make a date. Jo Nieuwsma (News-ma) 424-333-5413 or rocketmama@wavecable.com  
*Sponsored by the Cape George Social Club*

Jo also is requesting community input to her "Rocketmama's List of Useful Websites for Cape George", a list of available (but unendorsed) resources/events. Help from longtime residents to make it more complete is welcome. Please email or phone for a copy.

## EVENT RECAP

See articles in this newsletter for details about these events and see calendar on next page for a listing of our many ongoing events.

### Upcoming Events

Soup Supper	Dec 2, 5:30p
Bunco	Dec 11, 2p
Book Group	Dec 15, 1p
Movie Night The Bears 2	Dec 16, 7p
New Years Eve Party	Dec 31, 8p

### Board of Trustees

Richard Hilfer, President, 379-0492 - Ray Pierson, Vice-President, 379-0878  
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Manager - Arthur Burke - 385-2208  
Office Administrator - Terri Brown - 385-1177  
Maintenance Manager - Donnie Weathersby - 385-1177  
Senior Bookkeeper - Sally Lovell - 385-1177  
Water System Manager - Greg Rae - 301-5826  
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### **Cape George Office Hours M-F, 9am-2pm**

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# Cape George 2015 Calendar

# December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		<b>1</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> <b>Marina Comm. 11a</b>	<b>2</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p  <b>Soup Supper 5:30p</b>	<b>3</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p  <b>Bldg. Comm. 10am (Office) Workshop Comm.10am</b>	<b>4</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Duplicate Bridge 12:15p Open Swimming 1p	<b>8</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> <b>STUDY SESSION 3p</b>	<b>9</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p	<b>10</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p  <b>BOARD MEETING 7p</b>	<b>11</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p  <b>Bunco 2p</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> <b>Private Party</b>	<b>14</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Duplicate Bridge 12:15p Open Swimming 1p  <b>Enviro Comm. 9:15</b>	<b>15</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b> <b>Book Group 1p</b>	<b>16</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p  <b>Movie Night The Bears II 7p</b>	<b>17</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p Creative Arts 9a-3p	<b>18</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p	<b>19</b>
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<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a General Lap Swim 12p Duplicate Bridge 12:15p Open Swimming 1p	<b>29</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a General Lap Swim 12p Open Swimming 1p <b>Marina Work Day 9a-12noon</b>	<b>30</b> Adult Lap Swim 5a Adult Pool Exercise 8a Adult Lap Swim 10a Beginning Yoga 11a Pool Closed 12-2p Open Swimming 2p	<b>31</b> <i>New Year's Party—8p</i>		

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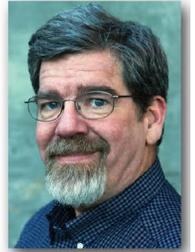
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