

Paradise Service Associates (PSA) Newsletter

August 2024

Summer of 2024 is here! We have been enjoying lots of great weather. Please remember, as the summer progresses, more members will be walking throughout our community, so please drive slowly to ensure their safety.

Welcome to all the new homeowners at Paradise Shores Estates (PSA). Association information packets are sent out to new owners who purchase property. If you happen to see someone moving in, as you take your daily walk, stop by, introduce yourself and welcome them to our community.

Community News: Currently there is a burn ban in effect as of July 11, 2024. All outdoor burning, including campfires and charcoal briquettes, are restricted through September 30, 2024.

Please do not leave items on the street, offered for sale or free, for longer than 10 days.

Vandalism: We have been fortunate that we have not had a lot of vandalism this year so far. Mason County Sheriff's Office still recommends locking mailboxes and gas caps. Please keep an eye out and if you see something, say something. If you find yourself a victim, please notify our block watch coordinator, Sue Lord (contact info below) and call the sheriff's office and report it. Vandalism and theft information is sent out to all members on our PSA2020@googlegroups.com list.

Just a reminder: Please keep your dogs on a leash when walking around the neighborhood and pick up after them. People that walk around our community are getting tired of stepping in poop and having to remove dog poop piles from their property (Especially when they do not own a dog!). Thanks for your cooperation.

Park News: The Park is officially open from April 1st to October 31, 2024, from 8am to dusk. Jerry and Sue Swaser are our caretakers. You are required to check in with the caretakers when you enter the park.

- a. If you want family/friends to use the park without the member's presence, you must fill out a "Family Guest registration" form (provided on web site or contact Sue S, our caretaker, and provide it to her to keep on file.
- b. There is no swimming or fishing off the marina docks**
- c. Kayak storage is still available (contact Jerry or Sue) \$70 per season
- d. If you are planning to reserve The Hut for an activity, check the white board in the Hut or the Web Site calendar for reservations already made (or contact the caretakers)

Future park activities planned:

- Horseshoe Tournament (date and time TBD)
- Pickle ball Tournament (date and time TBD)

BOD Meeting Notice: The next PSA Board of Directors meeting will be held at The Hut on Saturday, September 21, 2024 at 10:00am. All members, in good standing (water and dues paid up to date), are welcome to attend. Please sign in when you arrive. As always, board and committee meetings are posted on the Community bulletin board.

2024 Annual Membership Meeting: The annual meeting was held on July 6th, 2024, 2PM at the Hut. A very small number of members were in attendance with 47 ballots cast. Election results:

1. Directors Tina Simms (47 votes), Forrest Strickland (47 votes) Kip Miller (40 votes), Larry Pazaski (7 votes). Directors serve a 3-year term.
2. An executive meeting was held immediately following the Annual Meeting: Officers elected were Velinda Brown (President), Will James (Vice), Susan Lord (Secretary) and Forrest Strickland (Treasurer) Officers serve a 1 year term.
3. The majority of votes indicated an audit is not necessary. (30/14)
4. The majority of votes passed the 2025 Budget that included an annual dues increase from \$280 to \$300. (38/6) The 2025 budget is posted on the PSA website.

PSA Board of Directors (BOD): The PSA BOD is always looking for members interested in serving on the board. The board meets every other month and participates in the Annual meeting held in July. If you are interested, please send a letter of interest and a

brief description of how you can contribute to our association as a PSA director to velindab123@gmail.com or mail to 261 E Shore Dr., Grapeview, 98546. Board members serve a 3-year term.

2024 Late Notices for Homeowner Dues: All 2024 dues have been paid but several members still owe penalties for late payments totaling \$100 (you know who you are). Mail late penalties to 261 E Shore Dr, Grapeview, WA 98546.

Committee Activities: Committee reports are posted on the PSA website following the board meeting. If you would like to volunteer your time (project supplies are also needed) for any of the PSA committees, let any of the committee chairs know. We could use more involvement on the committees so that the same members are not doing all the work. Chair contact info is at the end of the newsletter.

Dates to Remember (events will be posted on the community bulletin board):

August 31: Annual Spaghetti Feed (Kip Miller has volunteered to DJ this year) \$5 Bring salad or dessert to share

August 31: Poker/Cruise Run 1-2pm, Meet at the Park gate \$10 per person (sponsored by Aaron/Diane Parrott)

September 7: Dock removal work party 8am-3pm (Lunch provided to the volunteers)

September 21: Board meeting, 10am at the Hut

September 21: Marina Committee Meeting 11:30am at the Hut

September 28: Brats and Brew (co-sponsored with MBCC Community Club)

November 16: PSA Board meeting at Mason Benson Community Center 10AM

December 14: Campfire with S'mores/hot chocolate

Governing Documents Committee News (Tina Simms Chair): The committee finalized the Rules and Guidelines and submitted to the Board for approval. The revisions were approved and recorded at Mason County on June 6th, 2024. Regulations/applications for properties used for short term rentals, in Mason County, will be finalized soon and will be the responsibility of the Mason County Community Development Department. The PSA governing documents are available on our website at paradise-service-associates.org. If you do not have a printer and would like one sent to you, please call Tina Simms 360-463-2294

Facilities Committee News (Daniel McClough Chair): Lots of maintenance has been done in the park this year. Thanks to volunteers, the men's and women's bathrooms have been renovated with new doors, paint, etc. The park also purchased an additional storage shed and a used John Deere Tractor (Jerry says he loves the cup holder).

Launch renovation has started and will be completed as soon as possible. If you need to launch or remove your watercraft prior to the project completion, the county launch at the north end of the lake is available. Kip and his team, Soundview Landscaping, will try and have parking available on the weekends but during the week, please park outside the park along the chain link fence. Do not let your children play on or around the construction equipment.

Reminder: The ski dock is for loading and unloading passengers from boats/jet skis. Please remind your friends and family that using the ski dock for sunbathing is not allowed. Seasonal launch fee (\$25), seasonal kayak storage (\$70), and Hut rental (\$25 per day) remains the same for 2024.

Daniel's reports are posted on the web page, following each board meeting. If you would like to volunteer, call Daniel 503-999-3868

Finance Committee News: (Forrest Strickland Chair) Since newly elected as our new treasurer, Forrest has been working diligently with our new bookkeeper, Alexandria, from The Taxman bookkeeping service, to bring our financials up to date. The new booking service was just hired as of July 1st. Forrest continues to monitor the expenditures to keep in line with our 2024 budget. So far, we are in good shape. A finance committee meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

Marina Committee News: (Kip Miller Chair) Dock C is up and running. Docks A & B will be removed September 7th by volunteers, beginning at 8am. All boats and jet skis on Docks A & B will need to be removed prior to September 6th. Lakeshore Construction will be installing the pilings prior to September 30th. The docks should be floated in sometime prior to November 2024. Next meeting: September 21 following the Bod Meeting at the Hut

Water System Committee News: (Will James Chair) During the last two months, 57 days (April 29th to June 26th), our well pumps pumped a total of 1,519,412 gallons out of the ground. The highest usage was 7,656 cubic feet (57,270 gallons), averaging 1,004 gallons per day. Members are advised to turn off their water at the meter if they intend to leave for an extended period. Turning off your water will help prevent leaks and thousands of dollars in water charges and possible costly repairs. We continue to have new leaks from members and tens of thousands of gallons wasted. We have had a few water system outages due to the on-service booster pump controller faulting. The controller is on its last leg, and Will is in the process of getting it replaced. Hopefully, it will be

installed shortly. Will is also looking to upgrade the controller for the backup booster pump so the two pumps can operate in tandem with each other by switching which pump is on service each day. This will reduce wear and tear and allow the pumps to cool down each day and last longer. The current booster pump has been running non-stop for the last seven plus years. Will has submitted a request for a quote to an asphalt company to repair the part of the road on Mason Lake Drive where the main-line rupture occurred back in December. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Will, 805-276-3857 (cell).

Public Relation/Membership: (Maureen Allen Chair) Maureen attends the monthly Sheriffs meetings and reports the topics and conversations at each board meeting. She also sends out a packet of information to each new owner that has purchased property in Paradise.

Webpage/Blockwatch: (Susan Lord Chair) We have created a Paradise member email account that can be used for notifications, items for sale, emergency notifications, etc. It is PSA2020@googlegroups.org. If you are not receiving PSA notifications, please provide your e mail address to Sue Lord at susanlord1220@gmail.com. The web page address is paradise-service-associates.org. We have a PSA Facebook page "Paradise at Mason Lake" that you can join for additional information pertaining to Paradise Shores. We have also created a Paradise Calendar on the web page that will have PSA board meetings, the Annual meeting, PSA events, and dates the Hut has been reserved.

All newsletters, board minutes, committee meeting minutes, and financials are posted on the PSA website. Please share the newsletter with your co-owners, family, guests, and **tenants**. This will enhance their experience visiting our community and the park.

Safety/Security: If you see any activity that seems suspicious, please call the *Sheriff's office at 350- 275-4467 Ext 313.*

Huge thanks to all the directors and volunteers that devote many hours serving on committees, show up at work parties, and donate materials and labor to PSA. We all benefit from these dedicated folks.

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