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General Meeting

7:30 at the Fire Hall April 2, 2014

Nicole Hopper

from

Taylor Shellfish Farms,

will give a presentation on their history, techniques and recipes.

Don't Miss It!



President's Message

At our November general meeting, those in attendance discussed possible future programs which could be presented to the community, adding to the list of suggestions which had been submitted by Vice President Jennie Tuckerman. 18 members voted on the priority of these possibilities., and the four highest were:

- Taylor Shellfish Farms presentation on history, techniques and recipes
- Water/boat/kayak safety -- Coast Guard presentation
- Landscaping: native plants, pest management (bugs, slugs, moles etc.), pruning, invasive species, watering systems, rain gardens, rain barrels
- County Council members' presentation -- land use?

Acting on our selection, Jennie has organized our next meeting in the Fire Hall, 7:30 pm on Wednesday, April 2nd, in which Nicole Hopper from Taylor Shellfish Farms will give a presentation on their operations and answer questions. This may be particularly interesting in light of the recent news of acidification of Puget Sound water, resulting in potentially significant changes in the shellfish population. I'm looking forward to hearing what she has to say.

For our October 1st meeting, Jennie has arranged to have County Council representative Ken Mann bring us up to speed on county issues. This, also, should prove to be informative.

For 2015, Jennie will line up the other two preferred programs, i.e. the Coast Guard on water safety and the variety of landscaping topics named above.

Our third major event of 2014 will be the annual July Ice Cream Social. Last year's event, with three flavors in cones and cups, the Lucky Duck String Band playing live Bluegrass music, our firefighters bringing out their fire trucks and the Larrabee Park rangers strutting their stuff, made for a great social event, fun for kids of all ages. This year promises to be even bigger and better. If you have great ideas about what you'd like to see happen at this event, or would like to try your hand with an ice cream scoop, please contact me at admin@chuckanutcommunity.org and/or Jennie Tuckerman at tosteve@mac.com.

As our professionals of the South Whatcom Fire Authority have firmly taken in hand most, if not all, of the firefighting matters which the old CCFA was accustomed to managing, our organization has evolved into a social and informational resource for the community. Your dues will continue to help put on programs, publish our newsletter, maintain our website, publish our historical documents, and other similar projects.

See you soon!

J. Michael Newlight

President

From Your Editor

With this newsletter you will find a dues/volunteer opportunities form. I could use some help with material for the newsletter. I would love to have your photos, nature observations, local history etc. to put in print. Think of volunteering or just send me your material.

Happy Spring Georgia Heald, Editor

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Community

Obituaries

Robert J. Cross

A long time Chuckanut resident, Robert Cross passed away, November14, 2013, at age 91. He was born in Chicago, and attended Carlton College. He enlisted for Navel Officer's training and served during WWII with Naval Group China. He married Elizabeth Thale in 1948. Bob received the MLS from University of Washington in 1955, and started his career as a librarian, which brought him to WWU. He retired from Wilson Library in 1987. Our condolences go to his wife, Betty. Georgia Heald

Roberta Bouverat

Longtime Chuckanut neighbor, Dr.Roberta (Bobbi) Bouverat, passed away this fall. She died on October 24th, after a long illness. She dedicated her life to early childhood education. She began her career teaching young children and over the years, became instrumental in training teachers and developing quality teacher training programs. She retired from WWU after a 20 year tenure. She continued to stay active in the field of education for many years. Her contributions as a caring individual and in her profession are valued by many. Kathy Lorson Howell

Eve M. Campbell

Eva Campbell died on January 16, at age 94. She was born in Emmett, Idaho where she married Ivan Deforest Campbell in 1939. They moved to Bellingham and built their family home on Chuckanut Drive. An avid gardener, her home was surrounded by flowers and vegetable gardens. She delighted in sharing her plants and knowledge with neighbors, friends and interested people who went by on the Interurban Trail. She was active in the American Rhododendron Society and turned part of her Chuckanut mountainside into a hand sculptured Rhododendron wonderland. Georgia Heald

Al Dale

Alfred Dale, a longtime resident of the Chuckanut Drive Community, passed away Monday March 3rd at home surrounded by his family. Al and his wife Dotty purchased their home on Chuckanut in the 1950s as a vacation home. They retired here in 1990 after living and working in various locations in California, Chicago and working as Missionaries in Poland and Fiji and traveling to various parts of the world. After retirement Al became very involved in our community as a Fire Commissioner for the Chuckanut Fire Dept. Al also served as President of the newly formed Chuckanut Community and Firefighters Association during the early to mid-1990's. Al was instrumental in the purchase of new updated equipment for the Fire District and in the remodel and addition of the Chuckanut Fire Station in 1996. Al was a man of justice and goodwill. Beloved husband of Dotty Dale, father and grandfather. He was a United Methodist minister, and an active member of many groups. A Triking and Morgan enthusiast (many of us will remember Al driving along Chuckanut in his bright yellow, two-seater, Triking three wheeler car!), a stamp collector, poet, lover of jazz and bagpipes. Al was a proud alum of Chicago Theological Seminary, University of Chicago, University of Southern California, and George Williams College; US Army paratrooper and Chaplain.

Brian Martin

Larrabee State Park by Amber Forest



Larrabee State Park update:

Spring is fast approaching and it is always a great time to come visit the parks. There are old and new trails, day use areas, sunsets, sunrises or take your family camping for a night out under the stars. We are hosting several races this year which includes the Chuckanut 50K and Chuckanut Foot race. We are excited to welcome new and returning staff to the park team this year. We are getting ready to de-winterize the park thanks to our construction and maintenance person, Brian Martin. He does a fine job getting the park ready for a busy spring and summer season.

The park is nearly complete with the construction of the Rock Trail. The rock trail takes off from the top of the Cyrus Gates Overlook. You need to follow Cleator Road to the end, park and find the trail head at the south end of the lot. We haven't gotten all of the directional signage up yet so come prepared with a map and compass. The trail is easy to follow as it makes it way south towards double black diamond trail. It crosses double black diamond, takes a steep decline, and heads east towards Lost Lake. The trail is about 1.2 miles from Cyrus Gates Lookout to the South Lost Lake trail. Once you reach the intersection of the Rock Trail and S. Lost Lake Trail take a left to see Lost Lake. Keep in mind that this trail has several steep declines and inclines. It has over 160 steps to manage. I recommend bringing walking sticks. It is a HIKER ONLY trail. Please keep all pets leashed. It is the law that we do enforce. The ribbon cutting ceremony will be April 26th, 2014 at 10 am at the Cyrus Gates Lookout. Remember a Discover Pass is needed on all Washington State Park lands. Have fun and enjoy the new trail! Please thank Washington Trails Association, Northsound Conservancy, John Palmer (built most of the stairs!) and Ken Wilcox for designing, routing and building this beautiful trail.

This spring will be the first year that Larrabee will have a park store. We will carry about 30 items that include t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, mugs, camping supplies, and misc. items. We are working on getting an ice machine as well. We hope to make some much needed revenue for the park and serve our customers better. The park store will be located at the welcome booth at the entrance of the park. Booth hours will be posted on the outside of the door. Please come and check us out!

This winter the park began a "land-use planning project for Larrabee State Park located in Whatcom and Skagit Counties. The planning project, also known as Classification and Management Planning (CAMP), includes the four planning stages.a The CAMP project will address protection of natural and cultural resources and management of recreation and trail activities at Larrabee and explore ways to best preserve and interpret the historic components of the park." If you would like to be involved in the process or want more information please contact Randy Kline at his office number listed below. Larrabee State Park Planning (taken from the Washington State Parks' website, http://www.parks.wa.gov/864/Larrabee-State-Park-Planning)

Larrabee (contiued)

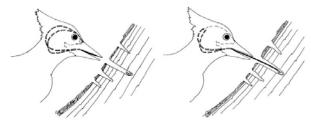
Woodpeckers at Larrabee State Park

The Northern Flicker:



Fig 1.

Did you know that you can see these common woodpeckers within the park? The last sighting of a Northern flicker that I saw was on the Chuckanut Bay Trail (2 dollar trail) this past winter. This information is taken from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife web page. Woodpeckers can be found at the park, out "of the 11 species of woodpeckers (including sapsuckers) that live in Washington, the Northern flicker (Colaptes auratus, Fig 1.) is probably the most commonly seen and heard."



"Figure 2.

A woodpecker's tongue retracted (left) and extended (right). The exceptionally long tongue wraps around the skull and is anchored at the base of the bill. The tip of the tongue is barbed to help extract insects from holes, and the tongue is coated with sticky saliva. A pileated woodpecker is shown here. (Drawing by Jenifer Rees.)"

You can find out more information about the Northern Flicker online at http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/woodpeckers.html

Safety

Please stay safe this spring. The longer days welcome in fresh air and a longing to be outdoors again. As you find yourself on a new trail or even an old one don't forget your ten essentials. Also remember that spring can bring warmer and longer days but at higher elevations it is common to still experience winter conditions. Bring layers!

Neighborhood Coordinators

Manager: Ken Kaliher – 734-2096

Volunteer Captain	Address	Phone
Marsha Riek—All of Beacon Rd, Cove Rd E of RR Trk (10)	297 Beacon Road	733-8277
Chris Thorndike-Kent	1338 Chuckanut Crest Drive	920-5210
Marsha Alan	1385 Chuckanut Crest Drive	734-8538
B.K. Smith—All on Chuckanut Crest Lane (5)	1234 Chuckanut Crest Lane	676-1955
Diane Smith—All on Brighton Crest Dr.& Lane (19)	1234 Chuckanut Crest Lane	676-1955
Martie Lopez—All on Kathryn Lane (3)	1595 Kathryn Lane	756-0706
Susan Gelhar	655 Chuckanut Drive	752-0177
Frank Schultz	694 Chuckanut Drive	676-0115
self, plus all on Chuckanut Heights Road (9)		
Al Race	892 Chuckanut Drive	734-4491
754-924 Chuckanut Drive (9, even #s only)		
Kathy Lorson Howell	1096 Chuckanut Drive	736-0416
938-1054 Chuckanut Drive (18, even #s only)		
Will Cady	1105 Chuckanut Drive	756-0511
933-1127 Chuckanut Drive (18; odd #s only)		
Ken Kaliher (Klipsun)	1207 Chuckanut Drive	734-2096
1177-1247 Chuckanut Drive (9; odd #s only)		
Dale Anderson & Joanie Greenberg	1317 Chuckanut Drive	592-0223
1261-1322 Chuckanut Drive (7; six odd)		
DL (Pat) & Mary Patterson	1329 Chuckanut Drive	922-0049
1325-1458 Chuckanut Drive (12; eight odd)		
Liz Wright—All on Chuckanut Point Road (25)	280 Chuckanut Point Road	671-5518
Nancy StumvollWorking with Liz Wright above	266 Chuckanut Point Road	738-7928
Gale Gropp—All Chuckanut Shore Rd.& Chuckanut Lane	745 Chuckanut Shore Road	733-3991
Richard Tucker—Working with Gale Gropp, above	919 Chuckanut Shore Road	734-8815
Ethelyn Payne—340-373 Cove Road, west of RR tracks(7)	345 Cove Road	734-4972
Michael Bowtin – Working with Ethelyn Payne, above	349 Cove Road	733-5353
Emily Larson-Rutter—All on Dolphin Place, E. Dolphin Pl.	502 E. Dolphin Place	647-1343
& 508,525 Chuckanut Dr. (17)		
Susan Brown—123-185 Hiline Road (7)	185 Hiline Road	650-9511
Carletta Vanderbilt	915 Hiline Road	676-6044
Laura Leigh Brakke—All on Pleasant Bay Rd. (11)	585 Pleasant Bay Road	734-3771
Julie Carpenter—All on Soundview Road (10)	101 Soundview Road	647-1215
Rolf Park Working with Julie Carpenter above	107 Soundview Road	647-9632
Dave Franklin—All on Whitecap Road (22)	546 Whitecap Road	671-2957
Larrabee State Park Ranger Amber Forest	249 Chuckanut Drive	676-2093

Neighborhood Coordinator candidates are still needed on Heron Point Lane and Chuckanut Drive south of the low 900s (odd-numbered addresses.)

CBCA Officers

CBCA OFFICERS		COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
President		Membership	
Michael Newlight	734-5890	Amy Van Pelt	220-1748
Vice President		Publication /Sales	
Jennie Tuckerman	656-5216	Pat & Mary Patterson	922-0049
Treasurer		Pod Management	
Karin Todd	676-5606	Ken Kaliher	734-2096
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		Hospitality	
Trustees		Moiree Landgren	734-8084
Carletta Vanderbilt	676-6044	Newsletter	
Mary Anne Ruf	676-9249	Georgia Heald	733-9358
Kathy Howell	738-0416	Adopt-a-Highway	
		Will Cady	756-0511
Fire Commissioner	_	Memorial Garden	
Lynn Trzynka	715-8038	Susan Brown	650-9511
		Frank Schultz	676-0115

On-Going Fund Raisers: Call the Pattersons 922-0049

Books

Chuckanut Chronicles
Chuckanut Memories
\$16.50 each
Historic Chuckanut Cook Book
\$3 each

Note Cards

Chuckanut Memories Chuckanut Island Six for \$1

Reflective ID Driveway Posts

Available at \$25 each. These will easily identify your house in an emergency.

CBCA Mission

The **Association** shall be maintained by the members as an administrative, fundraising, and social organization devoted to the safety and welfare of the Chuckanut community.

Bulletin Board

Pet, House & Child Care

Hadley Frazier, a responsible and hard- working Chuckanut resident, would like to help you. Hadley has over five years experience as an animal, plant and home caretaker, and two years experience as a childcare provider. She is available many afternoons and most evenings to feed, walk, play with and give general care to your pets or tend indoor/outdoor plants and having fun with your children. Call 733-4470.

Piano Lessons for Beginning Students

I am currently a student at Sehome High School and am starting to teach piano. I've played piano over the course of ten years. We can make arrangements for lessons at my house or yours and at a time that will work for both of us. Please call or email me if interested.

Coco Longwood, c.longwood.twix@gmail.com. Home phone: 733-4693

Private Tutoring

I am a K-8 certified teacher offering private tutoring in my home or your. For K-5th grades, I will tutor all subjects. For 6-8th grades I will tutor Reading, Writing and Spelling. \$35 / hour. Call Emily Larson Rutter at 510-3275 or email: emilylr@nas.com

If you are looking for someone to provide a service or if you have a service you would like to offer community members like pet sitting, babysitting, house sitting, lawn or yard care please provide the information to gbianchi@aol.com with "Bulletin Board" in the subject box.

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CBCA Important Dates:

- Wednesday, April 2: General Meeting, 7:30, Fire Hall
- 2nd Wednesday of each month: Fire Commissioners meeting, 3-5 pm, Geneva Fire Hall, public welcome
- Wednesday, June 20: Deadline for newsletter articles for the July 2014 issue

Please send all news, announcements, articles, photos, story ideas, artwork, or letters to: gbianchi@aol.com or call Georgia Heald, Editor, 733-9358