

# WEEKENDER July 31, 2008



## New General Manager

Barbara Robinson will assume duties as the Surfside General Manager at the beginning of September. She is

retiring as Director of Community Development for Mason County. As head of Community Development Robinson supervised a department of 42 employees and was responsible for many activities similar to what she will be doing in Surfside. The department oversees unincorporated water systems and is responsible for code enforcement and permitting. She brings extensive leadership skills in working with people. She has created and managed budgets and will provide skills in working with county government as it relates to Surfside.

Robinson's experience also includes working in small cities like Shelton, Astoria, Port Angeles, and Gresham. Many of the functions of the Home Owners Association resemble services provided by municipal government. Her broad base of experience will provide the leadership required to continue improving service to members. Surfside Board of Trustee's President, Warren Olson, states, "The role of General Manager is one of balance between technical ability and the ability to motivate and work with people. Robinson's past has both. The interview team was impressed by her management skills as well as her warmth and genuineness. We think she is a great fit for the needs of the Association, our volunteers, and our members."

Robinson has roots in Illwaco where her family owns a home. According to Robinson "I'm excited and looking forward to a new venue and working with the members of Surfside. It will be good to be back on the Peninsula. This is a great opportunity for me and my husband as well."

Robinson is tentatively scheduled to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Bridges in Surfside on August 9, 2008, when members will have an opportunity to meet her. The ribbon cutting is scheduled for 10 AM with refreshments afterward. Details will be available in the Surfside Office.

# Don't miss it!!!

Celebrations begin Saturday, August 9, 2008 at 10:00 for ribbon cutting at the beautiful and newly installed bridges in Surfside. Paddle your boat, walk or drive to the bridge and be part of the ribbon cutting ceremony. Then come to the community room at the Surfside office for refreshments. Judy Eron and Geof Morgan will provide entertainment for the celebrations in Surfside on August 9. They will be at the community room at the office for refreshments and to add to the merriment before their concert. After refreshments, plan to travel 324<sup>th</sup> place for their concert event, relax and enjoy these

Judy is a part-time resident on the remote mountain in Texas. She is an author, disaster volunteer, writer of musician in both the country/folk music with guitar and her wonderful voice. She was recently chosen to be the opening performer for the North Oregon Coast Symphony concert at the 2008 Astoria Regatta.



to the Twin Lakes cabana, located on at 2:00. Bring your own chairs to this multi-talented performers.

in Surfside, living the rest of the year desert outside Big Bend National Park clinical social worker, Red Cross songs, musicals and an accomplished symphony as on oboe player and

Geof is a frequent visitor to the area and is currently executive director of Whatcom Family and Community Network in Bellingham. He is a superb singer and guitarist and in his former life, he was a Nashville recording artist with MCA records. He was also a songwriter for many country stars including Barbara Mandrel, Ronnie Millsap, Dickie Lee, and Ernest Tubb.

*Come meet and enjoy these two delightful people!*



**Bridge update...**



As many of you know the new foot bridges are in the process of being installed. These bridges are not open for use yet. Work on the Bridges slowed this week awaiting return of the crane needed to lift the final two spans into place. Decisions regarding ramping and paths should allow completion of the southernmost spans by August 9, 2008, including the 306<sup>th</sup> and the 311<sup>th</sup> bridges. The balance of the bridges will be open as soon as the approaches are completed.....BUT DOESN'T THIS LOOK GREAT???!!!

## Cabana update – All lit up!



Twin Lake cabana work progressed this week with lighting, reduction of trip hazards, and reactivation of septic service. The cabana restoration work has captured a major portion of water department time. The project should be essentially complete in time for the concert August 9<sup>th</sup>.



### Our new internet domain address

Your Surfside Homeowners Association has a new web presence. **Surfsideonline.org** is the new Internet domain name and address to access everything you need to know about Surfside. Visit often and view the Association News Ticker for important news items or announcements of upcoming events.

The new site offers the same information as the old one. You should also find it easier to locate important information with the many drop-down menus. Additionally, new features include a section for Surfside Photos, Employment Opportunities, and posting of the proposed agenda for the next scheduled meeting of your Board of Trustees.

Future enhancements may include file-in-the-blank forms. Suppose you need your annual RV permit. Fill in the form, email it to us in advance of your arrival and we'll have it ready for you when you get here, or we can mail it to you if we have sufficient advance notice. Some forms may require printing and completion offline and mailing or drop-off at the office due to signature requirements.

Be sure to save the Surfside Directory when you get the new newsletter as it provides new email addresses to use when contacting the office, key staffers, functional areas, and your Board of Trustees.

We trust you will find the change to your liking and be sure to share any ideas you have that could improve **Surfsideonline.org**.



### AND CONTINUED NEEDS:

#### E-Waste Collection Event

A member of the community relations committee received a flyer regarding an electronic product collection event scheduled from July 28 – August 1, 9 AM to 3 PM at the Pacific County Department of Community Development (DCD) office, 318 North Second St. in Long Beach. The purpose of this event appears to be to recycle products like TV's, CPU's, printers, telephones, etc., There is a disposal cost of \$2.00 per item, \$8.00 for TV's, .25 cents/lb for other business e-waste. For a list of these products and more information call CDC at 642-9382 or a copy of this flyer is also available at the Surfside office.



## Volunteers for The Fish and Waterways Committee

This is an **urgent** request from the Fish and Waterways Committee who is in desperate need of volunteers. We currently have only 3 members with multiple responsibilities and help is sorely needed. Responsibilities of this committee include fish management, aquatic weed management, shoreline management, mosquito abatement and any other issues facing the SHOA waterways.



Waterfront property owners would be "naturals" for the committee but any SHOA member with a willingness to serve the community regarding these matters are encouraged to volunteer. If you are interested, please attend the meeting or contact Mary Murrell, 503-698-2754, [gemurrell@earthlink.net](mailto:gemurrell@earthlink.net); [mary@astoria-pacific.com](mailto:mary@astoria-pacific.com)

Thanks

Mary Murrell

## Get Inspired: Be a Sign Maker



The Community Relations Committee is in dire need of people who can make signs for the cabanas and the SHOA office. We would like to see ideas submitted for "rustic" style signs, created either by wood carving, sand blasting or burning, wooden letters or whatever method for which you are proficient. Two of the cabanas are now painted. One is in Division 17 on I street on Seabreeze lake and the other is in Division 16 on W street on Skating Lake. The third, the Twin Lakes cabana, should be painted this week and is on 324<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers have painted the cabanas and will begin landscaping soon. The signs will be the finishing touch. Go by and get inspired. The SHOA office sign needs to be larger and will be a more challenging project.

Help us out! Contact the SHOA office at 665-4171 or call Georgia at 665-5565.

## Kerry Amundson Reminds New Members to Call



- Just a reminder: if you are a ***new full time*** resident of Surfside, please call Kerry Amundson at 665-2779 so she can personally meet you and welcome you to the neighborhood and give you a gift bag full of information and goodies from local businesses. And welcome to Surfside!





### **Christian Women's Groups Meet**

These non-denominational groups offer "Fun, Friends, Support, Bible Study, Prayer, & Spiritual Renewal".

Questions? Call Coral Hughes: 665-3206

The groups meet in homes every Thursday at 9:30am:

\*Bonnie Masson: 32904 "J" Place; Call 665-6504

\*Linda Lanphear: 809 - 347th Place; Call 665-0895

\*Mindy Burns: 33609 "I" Street; Call 665-0880

*NEW* Working Women's group meets Tuesdays at 5:30pm:



\*Lola Larson: 5015 "L" Place, Seaview; Call 642-8359

### **SHOA Web Site Volunteer Administrator Sought**

- SHOA is considering bringing the management of the SHOA web site within the SHOA staff and committee structure in the future, hoping to enhance the site, improve the timeliness of updates, and reduce costs
- Members, who have web site administrator experience and wish to volunteer their services, should contact the Surfside Office and [SHOA@willapabay.org](mailto:SHOA@willapabay.org).

### **Volunteer Newsletter Layout/Editor Opportunity**

- SHOA has a need for a volunteer to assist or lead the SHOAndTell layout and editing of the SHOAndTell newsletter.
- Applicants would be expected to donate up to 12 hours during the second or third weeks of February, May, August, and November, to prepare a "camera-ready proof" of the SHOAndTell newsletter for the printers.
- Applicants should have experience in using Microsoft Publisher, PageMaker, or other software capable of creating the layout in a format to permit conversion to a single pdf file for distribution electronically (via email) or posting to the SHOA web site.
- If interested please contact the Surfside office at [office@surfsideonline.org](mailto:office@surfsideonline.org).

### **Other Local News**

You may access directly the current issue of the weekly Chinook Observer, our local source of news and events, by clicking on the following web site:

<http://www.chinookobserver.com/>

You can also find things going on the peninsula at the following web site of the Visitors' Bureau:

<http://www.funbeach.com/>

and of the Pacific County Friends of Lewis & Clark at:

<http://lewisandclarkwa.com/pages/ocian.html>

and for local news of the Ocean Park Area Chamber membership and activities:

<http://www.opwa.com/>

and, finally, SHOA's own web page at:

<http://www.surfsideonline.org>

***Keep the news coming***... submit information to [dinah@surfsideonline.org](mailto:dinah@surfsideonline.org) (put "Week Ender" in subject line):

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