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Next PCC Board Meeting

May 17, 2015

1:00 PM - PCC Office

151 Nisqually Way

(moved from 5/10 due to Mother's Day)

#### **PCC Board**

President Bill Balcom Bill Krause Secretary **Brett Anderson** Treasurer Sonja Maddux Trustee **Brian Andrews** Trustee Beth Marzano Trustee Steve Olson Trustee Calvin Porter Trustee Joan Williams

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# Message from the President

On behalf of your Board of Directors, I am happy to present our Spring newsletter. It seems like it was a very long fall and winter and I for one will welcome the warmer weather! While mid-December brought pre-holiday snow, it was short-lived and this past winter was one of the mildest in history. As a result, we can likely expect very low water flows into the lake this summer.

Our community has gained several new members during the recent months as we have seen a steady influx of real estate transactions. Your Board of Directors would like to welcome all new members; we look forward to meeting you as neighbors.

As we work to complete our Spring water line replacements, we want to express our appreciation for your patience working around the construction equipment and work crews. Your patience is requested to continue through the summer months as the County has informed us of their intention to re-pave the main roads within our community. We will post their plans on the PCC website, once they are finalized by Lewis County.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the 2015 Annual Membership Meeting. This event will highlight the past year's accomplishments and discuss upcoming plans for our community. We will discuss our emergency management plans and share helpful hints that you can use to make sure you remain prepared. Remember, the Pot Luck is a great opportunity to share one of your favorite recipes! See below for details about the Annual Meeting.

Our annual picnic will be held on July  $4^{th}$ . Join us for burgers, dogs, friendly conversation and with a little luck good weather! (See below for details)

Bill Balcom - PCC President



# **Annual Membership Meeting**

Mark your calendars! This year's Annual Membership meeting will be held as follows:

Sunday, June 14, 2015

10:00am - 2:00pm

PCC Community Center 151 Nisqually Way

(Potluck Lunch format)

### Agenda

Last Call for Ballots
Call to Order
Introductions
Review of Prior Years Minutes
Treasurer's Report
Accounts in Arrears
Prior Year's Accomplishments
Ballot Committee Adjourns
~Potluck Lunch~
Emergency Preparedness
Water System Report
Good of the Order
Adjournment

# Join Us for The Picnic!



This year's summer picnic will be held as follows:

Sat. July 4th 1-4pm (at PCC Office)

Free burgers, dogs, snacks and ice cream for attendees!

#### PCC Cleanup Day - 6/13

9am – Meet at PCC Office Bring: Rakes, Shovels, Pruners, Wheelbarrows, Gloves, etc.

Help keep our community in top form!



#### Fire info:

FREE Burning Permits
Burn Ban Status
Pierce Alert Program

#### Call SW Clean Air Agency

(800) 633-0709 or go to http://burnpermit.lewiscountywa.gov/

For instant free residential burning permit (when ban is not in place)

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#### **PCC Office Hours:**

12-4 pm Mon, Wed & Fri

An **OPEN** sign is displayed during office hours

Phone/Fax: (360) 569-2669

or

#### Email/Web:

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### **Project Updates**

We continue to work on community improvements. Recent weeks have witnessed water line replacements on Rainier Place, Tokaloo and Frying Pan. Additionally, two loads of topsoil have been delivered to the big lake and will be used to smooth out uneven and rocky area so that grass can be planted.

#### **Emergency Preparedness**

We continue to evolve the PCC office into a shelter equipped for emergencies. We are in the process of adding a propanepowered generator to better ensure our ability to keep our office/shelter running during power outages. This effort will help us provide a shelter facility providing heat, water, cooking capabilities and emergency food rations to augment your own. We recommend a sealed bag or bucket full of your emergency items - enough to last at least 72 hours (Food, ID, Meds, H2O).

## **Community Watch**

We have recently installed signage at the Big Lake to restrict parking by non-members. We ask your help to monitor the lake area to ensure compliance.

All vehicles parked at the lake are required to display their membership parking hanger. Those vehicles without such identification are subject to tow.

#### Sit a Spell

After receiving great feedback on the recently installed benches at the big lake, we are planning to install several more. Most of the cost for these additional benches was donated by community members who seek a place to contemplate and remember loved ones who are no longer with us.



# **Stay Informed**

You can sign up for email alert notifications on our community website. Just go to <a href="www.paradisecc.org">www.paradisecc.org</a> and follow the "Email List" link to sign up. Signing up for this free notification option will help ensure that we can get important messages out to you in a quick and efficient manner.

If you see a red flag posted at the main entrance, it means that a crime has recently been reported in the area. As such, you should carefully check your property for signs of break-in or outdoor theft. Report issues to the Lewis County Sheriff.

# Non-emergency phone: (360) 740-1105

Remember that Community Watch meetings are held the last Saturday of every even month (except December).

## **Community Events**

### **Yoga Sessions**

A reminder that free Yoga sessions are held at the PCC Community Center. Call the office for dates/times: (360) 569-2669

#### **PCC Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every <u>even</u> month – 10am at the PCC Office. All PCC members are welcome to review how community dollars are spent. Please join us!



"Hooked on Fishing"

greatly value We members and strive to make our community a place where we can all find enjoyment. We would like to take a moment to salute the volunteers within our membership. This year's Spring Clean-up consisted of some 22 community volunteers, who worked a long day on April 18th to further beautify the grounds. Efforts like this are a big part of what makes our community so successful. Thank you all for your time and effort!

# Reminders!

#### Water/Dues Rates Remain Unchanged!

This is hardly news, but noteworthy just the same: Since the new water system was implemented over a decade ago, PCC has not had a single rate increase! Further – we will not witness one in 2015 either!

Your water department and Board have worked hard to control costs and are proud to continue our low rates.

#### Keep Us Informed!

It is vitally important to keep the PCC office informed of any changes to your phone number or mailing address. Those of you who live alone should ensure that the office has an emergency contact for you as well. Without one, we may be unable to respond to emergencies!

"You will find the key to success under the alarm clock." ~ Benjamin Franklin