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## FOURTH OF JULY THANK YOUS....

As you all know, the 4th of July Parade and Celebration would not be possible without the help of volunteers! Thank you all who helped to make this annual event so special! Please consider helping these folks next year: Jim & Staci McLaughlin, Tony & Elaine Cassarino, Michael Graham and Boy Scout Troop 398, Andy & Georgia Batcho, Sissi & James Smithhart, Shawn McEvoy, Clarke Brant, Chris Kopet, Chris MacRae, Vicki Hagen, Bob & Barbara Cowan, Eric & Georgia Mosher, Bill Vilonza, Deloris Holly, Sidney Cass, John & Carita Laakso, Bob & Kris Cummings, Marco & Alina Pinheiro, Lynn Smith, Craig Heyamoto, Scott Andrew, Janice Beyer, Christy Swearingen, Delores Holly, Linda Peritore, Carla & Dan Tiegen, Larry Jordan JR, Heidi Gottshall, Diane & Steve Numrich, Judy Williams, Laurel Gibson, Mark Lewinger, Ryan Weller, Brian Johnsen, Julie Fry, Geri Buchman, Dan Skjonsberg, and Nancy Pitt,

We also especially want to thank the City of Normandy Park, who co-sponsored our event, the Normandy Park Arts Commission, and the Normandy Park Police!

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## Normandy Park Community Club September 2022 NEWSLETTER

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## ARTIST UNITED PRESENTS AN EVENING OF PAINTING & SIPPING Wednesday, September 21, 6:00 pm—8:00 p.m. \$25 per person

Join Artist United President, Paul Illian for an evening filled with fun, paint, and wine.

Registration includes: stretched artists' canvas, paints & brushes, and choice of red, white, or rose wine.

Enjoy an evening creating with friends and neighbors.

**Call the Cove office 206-242-3778 to reserve your spot today!**



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## BOARDWALK AND BRIDGE PROJECT A SUCCESS!

A talented work crew rebuilt and repaired the small bridge and boardwalk area on the Walker Creek trail on August 13th. Under the leadership of Mark Lewinger and Neil Ball, the crew replaced the sagging bridge with a completely new solid structure, including concrete pads, pressure treated beams, and new pressure treated decking. This new structure will last for many years to be enjoyed by all who walk the trails.

In addition to Mark and Neil, heartfelt thanks to volunteers Roy Bonney, Jim Bachman, Jerry Vermeire, Fred Bowser, Clarke Brant, Bob Cummings, Marco Pinheiro, Gary Bolma, and Andy Batcho.

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## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Tuesday, October 4, 7:30 p.m.

At this year's Annual Meeting, we will be electing four new trustees for a three-year term. Current board members whose terms are ending are **Eileen Hess, Diane Numrich, Jamie Smugeresky, and Patty Spangler**. Newly elected Trustees will take office at the January 2023 Board meeting. Board meetings are held monthly at the Cove from 6:30-8:30 pm. The Board Members are some of our strongest volun-

teers. Besides attending the monthly meetings and serving on one or more committees. Board members also help with community events, Cove sponsored activities, and work parties. If you are interested in serving the community as a Trustee of the Cove, please contact the Cove office. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor on the night of the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting is your opportunity to express your ideas about the community club, how it's run, and what you would like to see done to maintain and enhance our Lot-A property. Officers will report on the past year's activities and accomplishments. This year we will be making some minor changes to the by-laws. There will also be time for you to ask questions and make comments.

All Lot-A property owners are strongly urged to attend the Annual Membership Meeting and become involved. It is a right of all Lot-A owners to express their views in this open forum. The Board of Trustees is accountable to you for the management and care of your property and would like to hear from you.

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## SIGN UP FOR COMMUNITY SALMON INVESTIGATION FOR HIGHLINE (a.k.a.CSI: HIGHLINE)

Be part of Miller/Walker Creek Stewardship. How many adult salmon return to Miller and Walker Creeks in Burien, Normandy Park, and Seatac each year? This program is teaching us that the numbers can vary a lot! We also investigate how many of these fish are stricken by pre-spawn mortality each year, and how many are surviving long enough to lay the eggs of the next generation.

Join in the annual Community Salmon Investigation to track spawning salmon in Miller and Walker Creeks! This will be the 13th Year of this exciting community driven program. Salmon surveys begin October through December. No experience necessary.

Community Salmon Investigation (CSI) Volunteer & Training Workshop:

**When:** Thursday, September 22, 2022, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Where:** Normandy Park City Hall, Council Chambers - 801 SW 174th St., Normandy Park, 98166

**Workshop Details:** Learn fish identification, survey techniques and routes, meet other surveyors, and get maps, equipment, and schedules. Light refreshments provided.



If you are interested, please contact Iris Kemp [ikemp@kingcounty.gov](mailto:ikemp@kingcounty.gov) or you can sign up through the website: <https://forms.gle/u7yCtEpuKUBjg9Vi7>

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## HELP DECORATE THE COVE FOR THE HOLIDAYS November 16, 9:00—11:00 a.m.

Come help decorate the Cove on **Wednesday, Nov. 16th** We will be putting up the tree and hanging garlands. It's easy and it's fun. Your help will be most appreciated, and its sure to put you in the Holiday spirit. Coffee and donuts provided.

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## PARKSIDE GARDEN CLUB

You may have noticed the lovely gardens at the entrance of the Cove or the beautiful baskets on the building porch. These are maintained by the Parkside Garden Club. The Cove and the Club have had a long and mutually beneficial relationship. Club members regularly participate in our Stewards of the Cove activities.



Parkside Garden Club (PGC) was organized in September 1961 and is affiliated with local, state, and national garden clubs. With more than 50 members, they welcome anyone in the region interested in gardening. The Club meets the 3rd Thursday monthly from Sept-June at 10:30 am at the Cove. We also tour several gardens throughout the year.

PGC promotes interest in all aspects of gardening: ornamental, vegetable, landscaping, floral design, etc. Club members span a variety of ages, backgrounds, and gardening experience with some members qualified as Consultants or Master Gardeners.

Through donations from their annual plant sale, PGC supports scholarships for horticulture students at the local and state level. The plant sale is our biggest fundraiser. Planning for the sale begins in the fall by digging and dividing plants from member gardens. Plants also are obtained from Highline Botanical Garden in exchange for weeding and dividing their plants. Next year's sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 13, 2023.

In addition to their work at the Cove, PGC supports the ongoing installation of the Lins Peony Garden at the Highline Botanical Garden and created and maintains the Blue Star Marker to honor our country's veterans.

Thank you, Parkside Garden Club, for all you do – we sincerely appreciate you.

## ARTIST UNITED FESTIVAL November 5th & 6th at the Cove 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.



Artist United invites you to attend their annual Autumn Art Festival on November 5th & 6th. The doors will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Member artists will have their work available for exhibit and for sale. Admission is free.

## 2022 COVE EVENTS

Sept. 10	Stewardship Saturday
Sept. 21	Sip & Paint
Oct. 04	Annual Members Mtg
Oct. 08	Stewardship Saturday
Oct. 19	Autumn Art Fest
Oct. 24	Wine Education
Nov. 5/6	Artists United Show
Nov. 16	Decorate the Cove
Dec. 03	Holiday Bazaar



## 2022 NPCC DIRECTORY

### Officers:

Neil Ball	President	206-819-3676
Andrea Prasse	Vice Pres.	Unlisted
Eileen Hess	Secretary	206-246-4873
Diane Numrich	Treasurer	206-920-5660

### Other Board Members:

Eric Mosher	S & W	206-243-2321
Mark Lewinger	B & G	602-722-3801
Jamie Kroeger		206-334-7974
Marco Pinheiro	B & G	206-963-4287
Patty Spangler	Membership	206-242-0596
Gene Swansinger	Courts	206-960-6482
Jamie Smugeresky		Unlisted
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### Office Manager:

Staci McLaughlin 206-242-3778  
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*FYI, you do not have to be a Board member to be on a committee. If you would like to serve, just contact the chairperson or the Cove office.*

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## OCTOBER WINE EXPERIENCE

### Kirkland vs. Brand Names

Wednesday, October 12

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

\$35 per person



The #1 Wine Retailer in the USA is (drum roll please) ...COSTCO! Yes, Costco. Not only do they sell brand names for a lower price (most of the time), but they also have, over the years, expanded their Kirkland branded wine program (their proprietary labels). I have been watching this program fairly closely over the years. It was some 10 years ago I spoke with someone from Costco who indicated that their intention was to be the #1 Wine Retailer in the USA, and as mentioned, they now are! Where else can you buy wines from premiere wine regions for under \$20, or even less than \$10!

But are they any good? Well, I'm going to give you the opportunity to judge for yourself! We will look at 4 different Kirkland wines against 4 corresponding brand name wines from the same region, all brown bagged to prevent judging based on the labels. This is always a fun exercise, and pretty humbling whether you are a novice or an experienced wine aficionado!

We'll talk about the regions represented, and some of the nuances of buying wine at Costco. Hope to see you there!

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## NPCC COURTS UPDATES

### Founder's Tournament Medal Winners

Laurie Ball and Di Brown, Lot A residents who play pickleball regularly at the Cove, won a Gold Medal in this year's pickleball tournament on Bainbridge Island. Laurie Ball and Laura Smith also, took the Bronze Medal for the over 50 category.

Youth Tennis Summer Camp - A successful camp was completed in August under the direction of tennis coach Steve Walters. Following the pattern developed by Ryan Fike over the past years, Steve continued the annual six week camp. Checkout the [npcove.org](http://npcove.org) website for some camp photos.

West Court Pickleball Lines - The Tennis/Pickleball Committee recommended and received board approval to modify the pickleball lines on the west court. The extended lines (same as east court) create two pickleball courts using portable nets. Tennis will continue to have priority on the west court for reservations and drop-in play. Pickleball reservations on the west court must have Committee approval for special events.

Round Robin Pickleball Tournament Fundraiser - The morning ladies group of pickleball players who have named themselves the "Pickle Sisters" received Committee and Board approval to run a fundraising tournament using both courts on Saturday, September 24th. There will be a morning women's division and an afternoon men's division. Each division will be limited to 16 players. Information for registration will be posted at the courts and online at [www.npcove.org](http://www.npcove.org). Entry fee is \$25. Any additional donations are welcomed. Funds raised will go toward purchasing mobile pickleball nets like those used on the east courts. New nets cost \$2500 each.

Tennis/Pickleball Committee - The current roster includes Gene Swansiger (Chair), Colin Craig, Judy Williams, Geri Buchman, Heidi-Lynn Mensonides, Laurel Robinson, and Neil Ball (Board President).

