
DANCE LESSONS

Tuesdays, January 23, 30, February 6

6:30—7:30 p.m.

\$10 per dancer

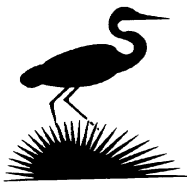
(doors open at 6:00 p.m.)



Come out and have a great time with friends while you learn to line dance with Jeannette Baker (Studio B Dance). Dances will be done to all styles of music - it's not just country anymore! All ages and skill levels are welcome. Lessons are designed to teach each dance step-by-step, partake in a fun form of exercise (*gulp*), and most of all, enjoy fun times with friends!

Cost for each lesson is \$10 (cash only).

Invite all your friends!



Normandy Park Community Club January 2024 NEWSLETTER

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2nd ANNUAL POLAR BEAR PLUNGE

Monday, January 1, 10:30 a.m.

Coffee & Hot Cocoa at 10:30 a.m.

Plunge at 11:00 a.m.

Start 2024 off with an invigorating dip at the Cove! This family-friendly event is open to all! Whether you go in to your shoulders, do a full dunk, dip your toes, or just want to watch, join us for this eye-opening start to the New Year. We will plunge regardless of rain, snow, or wind.

Tips For First-Time Plungers:

- Wear water shoes to protect your feet
- Bring a cozy bathrobe, plush towel, or blanket to warm up





Hello, I'm **Neil Ball**, current President of the Board of Trustees, and I want to wish you and your families all the very best for 2024!

I would like to begin by thanking the retiring members of the Board of Trustees. **Marco Pinheiro, Gene Swansinger, Eric Mosher** and **Chris MacRae** have all spent years representing and supporting our membership. Marco has been busy with Beach and Grounds for 6 years, Gene has transformed our little used Tennis Courts into a Pickleball hotspot, Eric has been managing the Stewards of the Cove and getting the Cove grant money to remove damaging invasives, and Chris stepped in during our time of need to refill a familiar role to her, the Treasurer. Thank you. You will be missed.

At the Annual meeting held in October, you elected four new Board members to represent the membership. The new Board members are **Carrie Arrington, Diane Numrich, Joe Sheldon, and Laura Smith**. They will bring in fresh insight and new energy to help us grow as a community. They will be joining **Julie Fry, Jamie Kroger, Mark Lewinger, Andrea Prasse, Mark Rekate, Jacque Riehl, and Jamie Smugeresky**, the returning Board members.

But our Board members are only a faction of the volunteers that help us around the Cove. Besides the Stewards of the Cove volunteers who donated almost 700 hours, countless hours have been donated by people cleaning up litter, emptying trash cans, setting up for social events, and whatever else needs to be done to keep our 17 acres looking great. Thank you all!

Of course, saying thank you would not be complete without a big thank you to **Staci McLaughlin**, who has been our Manager for more years than anyone (except Staci) can remember. Staci is the central cog in the Cove machine, whether it be the voice on the phone, working with our guests and renters (not all of them are easy), or managing our part-time employees. Say "thank you" to Staci the next time you see her; she certainly deserves it.

Keeping our 17 acres accessible to over 1800 families is continuing to be challenging. We have had several conflicts between dog owners and their dogs, people that have no respect for others or their property, and trespassers that don't belong on our property. Every **member** has the right to use this shared property. Every member also needs to be responsible for their behavior (and their pets). We all need to respect other users and do what we can to allow everyone to enjoy the property equally. If there is an issue that can't be respectfully resolved at the time, please bring it to our attention so it can be addressed. And, please, if you see something, say something.

Finally, thank you for your support. The Cove is here because you are. We welcome you to join us at Stewards of the Cove each month, participate on a committee, or just come down and enjoy this beautiful place with beach walks, our social activities, or picnics with family and friends.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish you all a prosperous 2024 and we'll look forward to seeing you at the Cove.



NEW YEARS EVE BASH

Sunday, December 31, 8:30 p.m.—12:30 a.m.

Celebrate New Year's Eve at the Cove! Dance the night away to live music from The Uncle Ernie Band playing classic Rock 'n' Roll and a toast at midnight with a glass of champagne. Tickets go on sale December 8th and will include heavy hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, non-alcoholic beverages, and a glass of champagne for the midnight toast. There will be a cash bar for alcoholic beverages. Looking forward to ringing in 2024!

Go to www.npcove.org to purchase your tickets after December 8th.

Watch for upcoming emails and check the Cove Website for next year's events. The Social committee has a fabulous year planned.

THANK YOU.....

A huge thank you to ALL the volunteers and chili chefs that made our first annual Chili Oktoberfest a success: **Neil & Laurie Ball, Gene Swansinger, Jamie Smugeresky, Andrea Prasse, Mark Lewinger, Diane Numrich, Staci McLaughlin, Chris MacRae, Mark Rekate, Joan Krussel, Stephanie Mullinex, Aleks Letts, Lauren Arrington, and Stella Streitburger.**

The Halloween Party was back after a long hiatus! A ghoulishy good time was had by all! Thank you to volunteers: **Neil Ball, Mark Lewinger, Eric Moshier, Gene Swansinger, Marie Rule, Michele Norton Streitburger, Karen Craggan, Melissa Novick, Carrie Arrington, Diane Numrich, Tamara Sheldon, Wayne Bullchild, Leah Bullchild, Theresa Collucio, Linds Murdoch, Jamie Smugersky, Brian Fry, and Joe Sheldon.**

Special thanks to all our social event volunteers over the past year. There are so many of you, and we could not do it without you. Also, thank you to all our new and continuing committee members.

2024 COVE EVENTS

- Jan 01 Polar Bear Plunge
- Jan 23 Dance Lessons
- Jan 30 Dance Lessons
- Feb 06 Dance Lessons
- May 11 Parkside Plant Sale
- July 04 4th of July Parade
- July 10 Food Truck Wednesday
- July 17 Food Truck Wednesday
- July 24 Food Truck Wednesday
- July 31 Food Truck Wednesday
- Aug 07 Food Truck Wednesday
- Aug 14 Food Truck Wednesday
- Aug 21 Food Truck Wednesday
- Aug 28 Food Truck Wednesday
- Oct 01 Annual Members Meeting
- Oct 02 Oktoberfest/Chili Cookoff
- Oct 26 Adult Halloween Party
- Oct 27 Kids Halloween Party
- Nov 2 & 3 Artist United Art Show
- Dec 07 Holiday Bazaar
- Dec 08 Santa Party



2024 NPCC DIRECTORY

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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.



HOW TO STAY IN THE KNOW...

There are many ways to stay in the loop as to what is going on at the Cove. You wouldn't want to miss out on any of our social activities, like Food Truck Wednesdays, Easter Egg Hunt, Wine Club, and our other fun events and activities.

Here are a few ways you can keep current on all that the Cove has to offer:

Website: www.npcove.org

Facebook: The Cove Normandy Park Community Club

Newsletters: These come to Lot A owners via the U.S. mail about 4 times a year.

Email distribution list: normandyParkcc@yahoo.com (email us to be added to the list).

Or the good old-fashioned way of stopping by the Cove office.

STEWARDSHIP SATURDAY 2023 RECAP

October closed out a very successful 2023 for the Stewards of the Cove. More than 100 volunteers donated over 700 hours to pruning, weeding, spreading mulch, rock, and earth, then doing it all over the next month. Someone said that we could hire two full time gardeners to do the work that this amazing set of volunteers does monthly!

The Stewards continue to set the standard for just how nice our Cove can look. Some of the work that was accomplished this year included: maintaining the many gardens, removing invasive weeds near the streams, pruning the roses and salmonberries, planting new trees in the forest and on the grounds, clearing the boardwalk and trails to the beach, adding flowers and plants throughout the grounds, and spreading yards of bark, chippings, soil, and gravel. There is no job too big or too small for this hardy bunch.

Volunteers started their Saturday mornings at 9:00 with coffee - donated by Starbucks - and pastries. As a reward for their labors, Stewards were treated to lunches ranging from chili to gourmet sandwiches. And of course, there was always a variety of yummy desserts thanks to the Pickle Sisters.

Stewards of the Cove runs March through October on the 2nd Saturday of the month. If you are interested, no experience is needed, but a good pair of gloves helps. Join us in 2024 for some food, good conversation, maybe meeting your new bestie, and a little work.



HIRING COVE PROPERTY MONITORS

Starting to think about a spring and summer job?? The NPCC is looking for several property monitors to work our Cove entrance and beach areas. Monitors check the membership status of those visiting the property, help with questions, and serve as goodwill ambassadors. Positions are hourly, nights and weekends. If interested, contact Staci at the Cove, 206-242-3778.

