BEACH, GROUNDS, & COURT MAINTENANCE FEE STATEMENTS ARE OUT

You should have received a statement envelope for your 2024 Cove maintenance fees. If not, please call the Cove office. Thank you to all who have sent payment and made an extra contribution!

Your maintenance fees are used to maintain the unique and valuable property you own in concert with other Lot-A households. This includes, but is not limited to, maintaining paths, the boat ramp, beach, playfield, tennis/pickleball courts, parking lots, duck pond, plantings, board walk, and kids and adult activities. Fees are also used to pay for beach security, office staff, and newsletters. Please contribute your small share to maintain and improve this tremendous asset. Your 17 acres of Lot-A property is a special place.

Did you know you can pay your annual maintenance fees online? Visit: www.npcove.org/dues/ You can pay your fees, request your parking passes to be mailed, and make extra donations.



Normandy Park Community Club March 2024 NEWSLETTER

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SOCIAL CLUBS KICK OFF IN APRIL

Social Clubs are starting at the Cove with fun for all ages! Here's what's coming at a glance.

- Seniors Club social get-togethers and outings
- K9 Capers Club Fun for doggos and their families
- Book Club readings for kids starting with Snow Hunters by Paul Yoon
- Nature Club bird-watching at the Cove with Neil and more
- Art of Exercise Club learn how to get healthy, both mentally and physically

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For more details - time, place, what to bring, and other specifics - check your emails, follow the Cove on Facebook, visit the Cove website, or stop in at the Cove Office.

If you are not receiving Cove emails, please send email to normandyparkcc@yahoo.com to be added.



EASTER EGG HUNT Saturday, March 30 11:00 a.m. sharp!

All our neighborhood children and grandchildren, preschool through third grade, are invited to join the Easter Bunny at the Cove for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Rain or shine, the hunt horn will blow promptly at 11:00 a.m. It's all over by 11:30, so don't delay and miss out!

This is a FREE event! Children should bring their own baskets, and since it's ALL outside, we recommend boots for potential mud and damp. The Easter Bunny will be happy to pose for photographs, so be sure to bring your camera.

TREE VANDALISM

For those who walk the wooded Cove trail, you likely have seen that a number of trees were cut down by vandals at the end of last year. Using cameras along the trail and at the building, we identified the boys responsible for this senseless act.

The boys and their families have been forthcoming and accepted responsibility. Because of their cooperation, this is being kept as a civil matter with restitution for replacement of the trees.

Thanks to those who reported the vandalism. Your prompt discovery was key to identification and resolution.

BUCKY THE BEAVER

Bucky the Beaver is having a busy winter continuing to build his castle as the southwest corner of the Duck Pond. Donning their hip waders and long rubber gloves, the Beaver Patrol - Mark Lewinger, Bill Hess, and Bill Vilonza - are diligently dismantling



the dams to help mitigate flooding on the playfield and beach grounds.

No further action is planned at this time. However, Bucky's activities require countless volunteer hours. If you would like to join the Beaver Patrol, we offer free training. Contact Staci at the Cove Office.

MEET AND GREET NEW YOUTH TENNIS INSTRUCTOR KEAN

Tuesday, March 19th, Thursday, March 21st, Tuesday, March 26th, Thursday, March 28th 4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m. FREE

"I'm looking forward to seeing some new faces on the courts."

These are the words of our new Tennis Instructor, Kean Legate. Having grown up in Burien, Kean started tennis at age four, participated in many community jobs, played varsity tennis for his first two years of high school, then turned his focus to wrestling. Kean enjoyed the discipline of wrestling, but has always felt a tranquil atmosphere in tennis. As an instructor and coach, Kean puts good sportsmanship and encouragement at the top of his agenda, and strives support all skill levels and attitudes.

This spring, Kean will be pursuing his degree in electrical engineering at Highline Community College and coaching the Tyee High School tennis team. When not involved in tennis or school, which is rare, Kean dabbles in music production and shops at thrift stores.



We welcome Kean to the Cove courts, and encourage you to come by to meet him!

ANNUAL BEACH & GROUNDS SPRING CLEAN-UP Saturday, April 13th - 9:00 a.m.

Time to clean up winter debris, repair paths and groom our Lot-A property for spring and summer use. This annual clean-up event is a wonderful family activity. There's a task for every age and skill level. Plus, we serve lunch to all volunteers!

Bring your garden tools (labeled with your name). Rain or shine, we'll be here, enjoying the change of seasons together. Even if you can come only for an hour or two, your help will be most welcome and appreciated.



LINE DANCE LESSONS Tuesdays, March 26th Thursdays, April 2nd & 9th 6:30 p.m.—7:30 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-bystep, 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!

WINE EXPERINCE: MARCH GRAPE CHALLENGE Thursday, March 14th 6:30pm – 8:00pm - \$40



"I am not drinking any \$%@! Merlot" says Miles from the iconic movie, Sideways. Well, ironically, he

did, in a big way. Whether you like Merlot or not, it is forever linked with Cabernet Sauvignon. They both exist side by side in many wine regions around the world. Which does include Bordeaux. Are they really that different? How do they stand up in comparison against one another? Well, let's look at these world class grape varieties and conduct our own "blind" taste-off to see where your palate leans. We'll compare both Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon from 3 different wine regions. Bring it on!

Reserve your spot on line at npcove.org or call the Cove office at 206-242-3778.

2024 COVE EVENTS

Mar 09 Stewards of the Cove Apr 13 Spring Clean-up May 11 Stewards of the Cove May 11 Parkside Plant Sale June 08 Stewards of the Cove July 04 4th of July Parade July 13 Stewards of the Cove 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 10 Stewards of the Cove Aug 14 Food Truck Wednesday Aug 21 Food Truck Wednesday Aug 28 Food Truck Wednesday Sept 14 Stewards of the Cove Oct 01 Annual Members Meeting Oct 02 Oktoberfest/Chili Cookoff Oct 12 Stewards of the Cove 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

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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.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE Sunday, March 31st 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Join **Southminster Presbyterian Church** for their annual Easter Sunrise Service at the Normandy Park Community Club. **Pastor Ken Onstot** will be leading the service. Bring your neighbors and friends to help in the celebration of our Risen Lord.

After the service, stay and enjoy a continental breakfast.





ACCEPTING SPONSORS FOR SOCIAL EVENTS

Would you like to build awareness of your business and partner with the Cove to produce some of our social events? Your sponsorship includes signage at the event, social media posts, a table at the event, and your logo included in an email for the event that you are sponsoring.

If interested, contact Julie Fry at juliefry01@gmail.com

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS

Be on the lookout for fun improvements at the Cove Beach, thanks to our local Eagle Scout candidates.

Nate Peterson and his team will be installing three freestanding BBQs near the picnic tables. These heavy duty BBQs are the type that you see at state parks. Get ready to ramp up your summer picnics with goodies on the grill.

For bike riders, Braxton Games and his team will be installing a bike rack and maintenance station. Lock up your bike at the beach and benefit from a manual air pump for minor repairs. The scouts also hope that this will bring more bikes and less cars to the Cove.

Both of these projects are thanks to a generous donation from Brad Tilden to the Cove, specially earmarked for Eagle Scout projects. The Tildens are long time residents and founders; Brad is also an Eagle Scout who did his project at the Cove. Our ongoing gratitude to Brad for affording this opportunity to other scouts while enhancing our Cove property.



STEWARDS OF THE COVE (SoC)

SoC is a volunteer program initiated by the Normandy Park Community Club in 2004 to accomplish three goals:

- Raise community awareness of the natural abundance of the Cove;
- Increase community involvement in taking care of its natural resources; and
- Protect and restore the streams, beach, and wetlands of the Cove.

Stewards are volunteers who assemble at the Cove on the morning of the second Saturday of the spring, summer, and early fall months to help plant native trees and shrubs, dig out blackberries and other weeds, and also work on special projects.

Come to the Cove at 9 a.m. on Stewardship Saturdays, ready and raring to go (with sturdy shoes or rubber boots, appropriate apparel for working outdoors, and gloves)! The first Stewardship Saturday this year is **March 9th.** We'll work for several hours and then enjoy a fun lunch together.

Anyone can be a Steward! Please contact the Cove office at normandyparkcc@yahoo.com

NORMANDY PARK COMMUNITY CLUB BEACH AND GROUNDS GUIDELINES (2023)

The beach and grounds at the Cove are for the private use of Lot A owners and their *accompanied* guests only. The following guidelines have been approved by the Board of Trustees to help keep the property safe and beautiful so that <u>EVE-</u><u>RYONE</u> can enjoy their time at the Cove. Please share these guidelines with your family and guests.

- Fires are allowed only in the firepits. Bring your own wood; do not burn driftwood. Extinguish fires before using with water buckets provided.
- Observe burn bans.
- No cutting or removal of beach logs or driftwood. No removal of sand or gravel from the beach.
- Do not drive motor vehicles on the beach or lawn.
- No overnight parking or camping on Cove property.
- Orderly and non-disruptive beach parties are permitted. File a beach permit at the Cove Office for parties of more than 15 people. Groups of 40 or more require Board approval.
- Obey Normandy Park noise ordinances.
- No illegal drug use on Cove property, including public use of marijuana. Minors may not consume alcohol on the property.
- Boat ramp use is for Lot-A owners only. Use at your own risk and at high tide. After launching, park in the designated area. Replace the chain lock. Contact the Cove Office for the lock code.
- Use of remote-controlled flying vehicles (airplanes, drones, etc.) is prohibited.
- Place litter in trash cans or take it home. Cove dumpsters are for beach, grounds, and event refuse only; no personal use permitted.
- Clean up after your dog; bags are provided. Keep dogs out of flowerbeds, Walker creek, and off the building deck. Leash dogs until they get out of parking areas and away from the building. Respect others by using voice or leash control.
- Notify NP police immediately if you see trespassers or witness vandalism. Also report incidents to the Cove Office.
- Commercial use of Lot-A property requires Board approval.
- After dusk, minors are not allowed at the beach without adult supervision.
- Minors are allowed to have one guest unless accompanied by an adult.

Thank you for your help in making sure your Cove property is a safe and fun place for everyone to enjoy!

Approved by Board of Trustees motion, July 11, 2023

Neil Ball President, NPCC Jamie Kroeger Secretary, NPCC



NPCC TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS RULES

The tennis and pickleball courts at the Cove are for the private use of NPCC members and

their accompanied guests only. The following rules have been approved by the Board of Trustees. Please share

these rules with your family and guests.

- The tennis and pickleball courts at the Cove are for the **private use of NPCC members and their** *accompanied* **guests only**. The following rules have been approved by the Board of Trustees. Please share these rules with your family and guests.
- Lot-A owners become NPCC members by paying the annual maintenance fee. Members are provided with the court access code when they register to use the courts or from the Cove Office.
- The courts are reserved using the CourtReserve application, which is available for Apple and Android phones, as well as PCs. NPCC families can contact the Cove Office for registration details.
- NPCC households may reserve a court for up to two hours per household per week.
- The west court is prioritized for tennis and the east court for pickleball; courts can only be reserved for their prioritized sport.
- Both east and west courts have pickleball lines and portable pickleball nets to enable up to 4 games at once. The west court pickleball nets are to be stored in alignment with the east court tennis net post and placed in the stationary position (not resting on the wheels) to serve as ball stops when pickleball play is finished.
- If a court has not been reserved, it is open to first come first served for either sport. If players arrive and their prioritized court is being used by the other sport (for example pickleball is being played on the west court and tennis players arrive to use the court), the players must vacate the court at the end of the game or 20 minutes, whichever occurs first.
- If the west courts are being used for drop-in pickleball (no tennis reservations have been made), it is considered open play. When a game is finished, the players must leave the court and allow players that are waiting to have the court.
- When other players of the prioritized court are waiting for an unreserved court, players must yield the court within 30 minutes.
- Adults over 18 have priority after 6 pm on weekdays.
- Wear only appropriate tennis shoes on the courts.
- Skateboards, roller blades, scooters, and bicycles are not permitted on the courts.
- Pets are not allowed on the courts.
- Notify NP police immediately if you see trespassers or witness vandalism. Also report incidents to the Cove Office.
- Commercial use of Lot-A property requires Board approval.

Repeat violations of these rules will result in your CourtReserve access being suspended for 30 days Approved by Board of Trustees motion, February 21, 2024

Neil Ball President, NPCC Jamie Kroeger Secretary, NPCC