

### President's Message!

It is good to see the community members showing up to volunteer this summer! It always helps keep costs down when we have the talent and hard work donated by our owners. This was particularly helpful with the ongoing issues with the pool. Thank you to all who pitched in so we could use the pool over the holiday weekend!

Another great job was the moving of the donated shed for use as a future restroom at the pickleball area. It was a sight to see going down the road and all that watched were entertained. The move was made possible with the use of the rental equipment here for the roof replacement. Jim Janke and his neighbor Jeff across from his shop made it all look easy.

Thank you to everyone that came out for the School Fundraiser. We had people from Skookum and our surrounding neighbors show up with money in hand for a great cause. The event took in over \$1,200 so this years donation to the school will be a good one!

John Cameron

HOA Board President





# Manager's Words!

Well, it is hard to believe that September is already here. I am already seeing signs of our winter travelers making their exit schedules. The cool mornings are a welcome change however they are also an indication of the unavoidable arrival of fall and winter.

It was a fun filled August with several community events that brought neighbors new and old together for memorable times. From Tia's Tall Pine Loop Taco Party, Bunko, the Fire District Bake Sale, the Adventure Lane Block Party, Dean and Candis' Annual Omelet in a Bag, to the Labor Day BBQ and School Fundraiser. Good times were had by all!

Thank you to everyone that showed up to help Bob Minor with the work it took to finally fix the leaks in the pool. Without all the volunteers, the cost could have been several thousand dollars more. Hats off to all involved!





### **Skookum HOA Board Members!**

President John Cameron Director Vinnie Linnell

Vice President Bob Minor Director Chuck Rigsby

Secretary Ray Dilcox Director Danny Wylie

Treasurer Linsey Lombard Accountant Candis Selhay

Congratulations to newly elected and re-elected board members! Your work and commitment to Skookum Rendezvous are appreciated!!

# \*NOTE: HOA Board Meeting Sept 10, 10am!\*

### Thank you, Volunteers!!

Many thanks go out to the folks who volunteered their time and effort during the recent swimming pool liner inspection and repairs! Volunteered hours save the membership many dollars and allow the reserve fund to grow, and there is a bonus social benefit in meeting and working with your neighbors for a common cause! WELL DONE!



# Final Flings!

Farewell Happy Hour at the Lodge!
September 17, 5pm

Spaghetti Night!
Lodge, 6pm
Live Country and Western Music for
Your Dancing Pleasure!



# Firehouse Chat with Diane Shantz!

Another summer season has come and gone at Skookum, and I don't know about you, but it seemed to pass in a blink of an eye. Your Fire District was kept busy not only on calls for service, but with improvements to the fire department property.

We've worked hard this year cleaning up our property of debris, moving the flag pole to the front entrance, a new letter board to keep residents aware of fire danger and events, landscaping, gazebo and firepit, a new utility building, and lastly a sign we are still waiting on to be delivered, to recognize this as the "Skookum Station".

Some of these improvements we have you, the Skookum Community, to thank. We are always so very humbled by the support we receive from this Community every year. At every chance we have, we proudly say there is not another Community in this County, that supports its Fire Department like Skookum, and for that we are eternally grateful.

Over the next months, we will be working hard on completing the utility building to include a bath-room/laundry and small meeting room. If all goes well, we may have it done for the first FireHouse PopUp Bake Sale in May of 2023. We already have our item for our 2023 fundraising identified (a lifesaving piece of equipment for firefighters) and with the continued support of this community, we have no doubt our goal will be obtained.

For those who stay for winter, stay safe and be wary of slips on icy walkways. For those who travel to warmer climates, safe journeys to wherever you will call home. We at South Pend Oreille Fire and Rescue, Battalion 6, Station 62 wish you well!





# NEW AND OLD SKOOKUM AND CAMELOT MEMBERS INVITED TO JOIN THE SKOOKUM HAM RADIO CLUB!

Ham license not required!

#### Advantages:

Permission to listen-only to Local Service channels, ie, PUD, EMS, PD, USFS.
Regular Wednesday night 7:30 broadcast and check-in.
Updates on local emergency issues.
Availability to contact members in an emergency.
Information on obtaining ham license (STUDY BOOKS) classes.
Info on purchasing BAOFENG radio.

### Goal:

By keeping our radios on, we might just be able to help someone in danger. If we save a life or help prevent a bad fire, we should be very proud!

### For more information, contact:

Pirate RRR Rick Schreiber email schreib6626@gmail.com

Hef Jeff Sloan email jefsloan@icloud.com

NOTE: this group could be particularly useful to those who are interested and who winter-over at Skookum!





### Farewell To Summer...

Short but sweet is probably a good description of the summer of 2022! Our cooler, wetter, and longer spring has probably helped to keep the August forest fire smoke to a minimum, but change is in the air. Cooler mornings and evenings are the precursors to fall weather. A couple of Skookum lightning strikes and strong gusts of wind marred an otherwise pristine summer season! The pickleball courts were finally open for business as lodge activities resumed after a long Covid-caused hiatus. The floating docks were particularly busy on weekends, with people swimming, fishing, and using their boats. Excursions to local restaurants or just visiting with the neighbors, both new and old, added to the kinder and gentler pace of life at Skookum! It seemed that more people were walking or jogging and biking this year, or dancing at the annual block party, and the thunk, thunk of cornhole bean bags again filled the air! It's so nice to see the resort being used and enjoyed as intended!

But all good things must come to an end and thoughts turn to fall travel and warmer winter destinations. I've already seen several big rigs roll out. There is a feeling of expectation in the air as snowbirds prepare to leave and winter-overs get ready for colder and wetter weather. Labor Day activities were one final opportunity to visit with friends and enjoy the resort. We had a good run this year, a good foundation for an even better next year! We extend a heartfelt 'Happy Trails' and 'Safe Travels' to those who are leaving, and 'have a good winter and keep warm' to those who stay!





# River Daze!











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