

Bayview Community Council News

Bayview Jewelry Maker

There's a lot to be said about retirement. How interests become hobbies and reveal hidden talents.

The first time Judi White and her husband, Noel, came to Bayview was in June 1972. Their son was 6 months old, they drove a travel trailer and camped in White Tail at Farragut. When they rode their bikes into Bayview, they fell in love with it.



According to Judi, "Our first purchase was a mobile home at Vista Bay Resort. That was in the 80's and we sold it mid 90's when our boys graduated college. In 2015, we bought our present town home after we sold our motorhome. We had lived full time and traveled in a 40' motorhome for 8 years. When we were trying to decide where we would buy, Washington, Idaho or Arizona, we both said BAYVIEW, of course."

In the late 70's they dug for garnets at Emerald Creek and that got Judi started liking "gems." In their travels they learned how to polish stones at a lapidary shop at a RV spot and according to Judi, "Once you polish so many stones, what are you going to do with all of them?" She took a class on wire wrapping and that began her jewelry making.

They dug for the Herkimer diamonds in New York State, crystals in Arkansas, and red/green marble from an old mine near Carefree AZ. They also dug red banded agate out of a streambed near Queen Creek, AZ. They never passed a rock shop without stopping in their 8 years traveling around. Judi says, "I'm sure we could have improved our gas mileage if we would have emptied our bins in our motorhome. We had a lot of rocks in them." Rock Shows all around the country were also a must stop. One favorite was near Hershey, PA and their annual favorite is in Tucson, AZ. Utah is another place they picked up a lot of Tiffany stone, Picasso marble, fossils and Peacock rock, to name a few.

Judi's first class was in 2007, and since has watched lots of videos to pick up new techniques. Judi says, "When I'm working with wire, the shape of the stone determines how I will wrap it. Sometimes I have a plan, but many times it just happens as I work. I am constantly trolling sites on-line for ideas."

Once a year, in Arizona she and Noel, would sell at a Craft Fair and were very successful, but selling her creations is not her primary motivation. When she gets too many pieces, Judi donates some or gives to friends and family. (cont)

At the Council's Oktoberfest celebration, Judi donated eight beautiful necklaces to be raffled off and made some lucky winners very happy.



This winter Judi started making earrings and when Covid hit, she just kept making them. With the increased inventory she has decided at the next Community Council event she would sell them and donate half the proceeds to start a fund to help resurface the pickle ball courts at the Community Center.

"I don't really want to do a business that would require record keeping," Judi says, "I'm retired; I don't want to work that hard."

Council Upcoming Happenings

Highway 54 trash pick up, Friday, June 12, 9 a.m.

Volunteers please meet at Farragut Park Headquarters for dispersal of safety vests, bags, mechanical hands and a short briefing on our walking sections. Gloves and appropriate foot wear is highly recommended. The more helping hands we have the faster it will go. Thanks

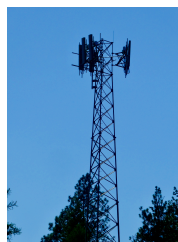
Board members will be selling "**I Love Bayview Buttons**" for **\$3.00 each**.

Rosemary Brennan, our new Director of Fundraising, renewed an old favorite to help us all remember how lucky we are to live in Bayview. Show your Bayview pride, no matter where you are, this is where your heart resides when you wear the button. A hundred percent of all money raised goes back into the community.



We have two nominations for **2020 Communitarian: Marlys Blagden and Pastor Stephen Angliss**. Council members will be voting at the June 23 public meeting.

Cell Tower



According to a source close to this project, "Verizon is the only carrier on that tower at this time, but any carriers that roam through Verizon may benefit as well. The tower is engineered for additional providers but they will need to reach out to the owner to lease space on it."

I understand there's a lot of frustration over who is getting service and who's not. Technically, it's not a Verizon tower, it's an InSite Mobile tower that Verizon is using. There are a number of factors that affect the signal such as consumption (number of people using it), vegetation, line of sight propagation, and topography. (cont)

It's being tested and tweaked and hopefully reception will improve for some of you.

Some Facebook remarks have been: Bev Hannibal says, "Horrible service at Bitter End Marina." Will Safford added, "Total game changer, so awesome!" Marilyn Holte on the Cape isn't seeing any difference. To the squeaky wheels out there, the Cell Tower Committee was told from the beginning that this tower would not service the Cape Horn folks and a booster would be needed.

If you're getting great reception who can complain? If not, keep your fingers crossed after the tower is optimized it may improve.

Bayview Grand Opening

The small brick building on Main Street, long referred to by locals as the "Dog House," after once being a hot dog stand, has found a new calling. This adorable little building is soon to become the much needed creative hub of Bayview connecting local artists and craftspeople.



Jasper Emporium's grand opening is Saturday, June 6 and will feature creations by owner, Shonda Jasper, as well as many talented local artists. The focus will be on home decor as Shonda specialized in interior design at

Harrington College of Design in Chicago. By next spring she'll be offering decorating and design services as well.

Shonda will feature new artists every month. This month's artists are: **Judy Besich**: deer track design jewelry, **Tamara Webster**: handmade natural scrubs salves etc., **Lisa Fredricks**: handmade concrete and mosaic stepping stones, **Molly Bond**: botanical balm, and local photographs and prints, **Jackie Stormo**: nautical signs, tea towels and blankets.

"I will be featuring five new local artist a month through September. I also refinish furniture and will have new pieces hopefully every week, if time permits," says Shonda.

The store has everything from handmade pillows, furniture knobs, little girls tutus and headbands, bags, sun hats and sunglasses. and much more. "Right now I will see what people like and try to bring in new items every few weeks." Shonda explains.

Shonda moved to Bayview a year ago and absolutely loves it here. Currently She is working part time at the Lake House Bar & Grill as a server and bartender. Be sure to stop in at either location and say, "Hi."

Jasper Emporium is open Thursday-Monday 11 - 6 p.m., (Tuesday/Wednesday closed). The store number is 208-561-5202 and email:

Jasperemporium@outlook.com

Covid Smovid *by the Grumpy Old Man*

Many question what is true about our current health and economic crisis. The opinions range from this is the "End of the World" and "The Earth's Revenge" to it is all a "Fake News" conspiracy made up by the corporations, media and government scientists. Others simply chose denial hoping it will go away.

It is easy to imagine nefarious intentions in a virus that targets the old, poor and sick, bankrupting businesses and the working class while enriching those who seek profit over the wellbeing of our fellow citizens. And the facts seem to change every day as we discover many assumptions are false, that is how science works. But that does not mean we can afford to ignore the current guidance of health care professionals.

The bottom line is, we all need to take responsibility for each other. It is sheer luck that many rural areas of the country have so-far avoided serious outbreaks. Summer travel could change all that. Tourist "Hot Spots" such as North Idaho may come to regret that designation as did Sun Valley when rich skiers infected them. Read the accounts of whole families stricken at reunions, churches that did not heed the call, and skeptics who flaunt the rules only to fall ill or infect others.

New Zealand and Australia have proven that acting quickly and following enhanced rules of hygiene can stop this virus in its tracks. We still have a chance in North Idaho to spare ourselves the grief and suffering of losing friends and relatives. But only if we follow their lead by staying home as much as possible, keeping our distance, washing our hands and ugh, wearing a mask.

Please don't take our LUCK for granted by flaunting these simple rules. I admit to self-interest. As an old fart, I'm at risk of experiencing serious symptoms. Someone I once respected stuck his head in my car window the other day. Several friends who I now avoid like the plague (bad joke) have gone looney over conspiracy theories. Another continually spit during the last conversation I'll have with him. Typhoid Mary is not an old wives tale, don't let history repeat itself. It only takes one sick tourist..

One of my father's favorite stories was of a religious zealot who refused to take his children to the doctor, trusting only in God's will. Until of course he fell ill and was first in line for an appointment.

Yes, this is America, you have the right to believe and share any thing that crosses your mind. But you do not have the right to endanger me, my loved ones or my community with your behavior. If you think this makes you a brave patriotic American I suggest you re-read your Bible, Constitution and Bill of Rights from the perspective that, "**With Freedom comes Responsibility.**" Please be patient, have a sense of humor and take care. I actually miss some of you.