

SHORE LINES

Bayview Community News
July 2016

Events &
Activities

CAPE HORN FIRE REFUGEES One Year Later

By Rob Vogel

On a quiet Sunday morning, July 5, 2015, Dave and Teri Tomberg noticed an alarming smell drifting over Cape Horn Mountain. Smoke. Dave recalled "We went to look, came back, soaked the roof of the house and the hedges. Then we grabbed our computers, some important papers, and left for Spokane. When we came back, Cape Horn Road was closed." They found Gary McDonald who gave them the chilling news: "Your house is gone. We watched it burn."

The Cape Horn Fire eventually burned over 1,300 acres destroying nine homes and taking 12 days to contain.

"We were really lucky we left when we did" said Dave. "The fire burned along the lake then up the stairway to the home. With the power out there was no electricity, no way to pump water from the lake. All means of escape may have been blocked."

Originally from Cleveland, Ohio, Dave and Teri are retired teachers. He taught high school physics, she taught music. They began building the house themselves in 1973. "We put in seven summers of effort to finish it," said Teri. Dave added that the house "was designed primarily by me, and we just figured things out as we went along." They lived in tents each summer while working on their hillside home.

The artfully constructed house was carefully crafted onto a narrow ledge just east of the Cape Horn landslide. It was surrounded by flower and vegetable beds. Terri built impressive stone retaining walls.

I really don't miss all that work" said Dave. They also don't miss the 35 steps down to the house from the road or the 75 steps down to the lake.

After the fire, the Tombergs stayed with friends for a week until their homeowner's insurance put them in temporary home, a float house in McDonald's Hudson Bay Resort. They have adjusted comfortably to their new surroundings. "People are only out here one or two days a week" said Teri. "This is a more carefree lifestyle."

The Tombergs plan on rebuilding but Dave said the new house "will not be the same design, and we'll use less flammable materials." Right now, creating an acceptable drain field for the septic system is the only problem to figure out before work begins.

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Meanwhile, they continue to be active in local affairs.

Dave is still president of the Scenic Bay Tracts Homeowner's Association and they had spent the morning meeting with that group. "I tried to get out of that job by telling them 'It's not the landowner's association but the homeowner's association' but they just told me, 'We'll change the name if we have to.'"



One year after the fire, Dave and Teri are using the time to consider options for their new summer home. They are comfortable now but Dave acknowledges that they "miss the pride one gets from living in a house we built ourselves." He quickly adds "We also miss the great view."

Cape Horn Fire Report

The Idaho Department of Lands will release the Cape Horn Fire Report today, Friday, July 15. The Community Council Website will have excerpts online by noon today and a link where you can download the complete findings.

Go to www.BayviewCommunityCouncil.org and follow the link for further information.

After a year long investigation which included analysis by a forensic laboratory, these findings will hopefully provide closure and a clear understanding of the exact cause of the fire.

Bayview Water & Sewer Public Hearing & Meeting

July 19, 3:30 p.m. at the
Bayview Community Center

Public Hearing: Late Fee Increase
Public comments are welcomed at
the hearing.

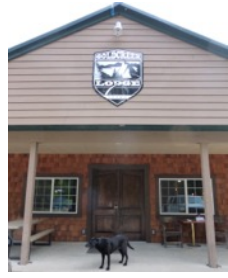
To view past Shore Lines go to:

http://bayviewcommunitycouncil.org/Shore_Lines.html

Adventures in Eating

by Sheryl Puckett

For those of us who remember the Happy Hermit across the lake at Lakeview, it has been rebuilt and renamed the Gold Creek Lodge. For a rustic yet charming dining adventure boat over to Lakeview, get picked up by the grounds keeper in a four wheel drive for the two mile trip to the restaurant. Dave and Kay Mc Cahill bought the place in the winter of 2013 and hired Steve and Angella Karbo to run the day to day operations.



Gold Creek Lodge was a pleasant surprise. The place is super clean, the folks friendly, and the food is good. **All You Can Eat Spaghetti** on Wednesdays costs \$15.00 and comes with a salad and garlic bread. Two weeks prior she served 65 spaghetti dinners to ATVers who are frequent patrons.

It's a lodge so there's also a full service hotel with wifi. They can host weddings and Angela is even an Ordained Minister. Gold Creek Lodge is closed Monday and Tuesday.

For out of town company Gold Creek provides a unique North Idaho experience. And for those that remember good times at Happy Hermit, you will enjoy this nostalgic visit. See their website: <http://www.goldcreeklodge.com>

Getting a ride up from the lake is temporarily unavailable so be sure to call ahead, 208-222-7669.



June 28 Council Bike Ride to Harrison: Ted & Bev Gallegos, Laurie Mauser, Joe Myers, Carol Trueblood, Sheryl Puckett, Debbie Adinolfi, Ray & Sally Newcombe, Sharon Meyer, Jim (Ski) Wilkuska

48th Annual Art On The Green in CDA
August 5,6,7
For More Information:
<http://artonthegreencda.com/home/>

NO July Council Meeting

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Words from the Chair

Susan Meyer, Chair 2016

What an honor to hold the position of Chair on our 10th Anniversary!

Our Bayview Community Council has been very involved with the community in many ways that you might not know: we fund one of our town street lights, twice yearly pick up trash along Highway 54 into town, helped bring the County Commissioner forum to Athol, Co-sponsored the Idaho Archaeology and Historic Preservation month and continue to sponsor a Bayview book club.

Our hope has been to capture the strength of the community while serving as a voice of action for our collective interests of the Bayview residents. To quote our first chairperson, Zak, "Nothing is more vital to the life of a small community than its organizations made up of people united in purpose and willing to invest time and talent in making community life more attractive and beneficial."

My goal this next year to reach out to more of our citizens through invitations to events and meetings. As always, keeping eyes and ears open to the needs of our community. As we start the next decade let us embrace the challenges and rejoice in the victories.

Please Come and Help Us Celebrate



The
60th Birthday
of the
B.A.B.
Women's Club



Sunday, July 17th from 6:30-8:30 PM

Bayview Community Center Memorial Gardens

Everyone is Invited to Celebrate

this Special Occasion

Enjoy Free Ice Cream and Cupcakes With Our
Members and Our Community

**Thank You for Your Continued Support of the Many
Agencies We Sponsor:**

ABC Food Bank, 4-H Awards, Girl's State Scholarship, NIC
Scholarship, and the Athol Elementary School Library

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