

# SHORE LINES

## Bayview Community Council

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## A Dog's Best Friend

*He'll Bring Out the  
Trainer in You*

By Sheryl Puckett



Bayview has gone to the dogs. We all love our dogs. However, Bayview has dog issues. Hardly a day goes by that there is not a found dog or lost dog Facebook posting. Barking dogs are a common complaint. And there have been some incidents

of dog bites on innocent walkers.

Founded two and a half years ago, **Faithful K9 Trainer** business owner, Richie Alaniz, lives in Bayview and can offer positive dog training and education. He will come to your house and evaluate your dog and home situation for free.

Richie has lived in Bayview for a year. He bought a house off of 4th street. He didn't even know about Bayview until his realtor brought it up.

Animal Control referrals are a part of his business. For example if there is a dog that bit someone he gets a referral. Same if there is someone abusing an animal.

Richie works with all breeds. Faithful K9 Trainer, is specific to their clients needs. Richie says, "Whatever they want we will fulfill their needs and at a reasonable rate." Richie also works with *Canine with a Cause*, which is a non profit organization that rescues dogs from shelters and finds a Veteran to pair with a dog. "This is funded by the Department of Defense. It is my biggest passion." Richie wants folks to know that Kootenai County has a very high percentage of Veterans, almost 10.5 percent of the population.

"Everything I do is personal training, versus group sessions." As for barking dogs, Richie says, "Typically owners put the dog outside and when the dog is barking they come out and yell at the dog to stop barking. The dog now is getting negative attention and has figured out every time I bark my owner will come outside. Most people won't go outside if the dog isn't barking so you have to counter this with rewarding the dog when it's not barking. Therefore when it's not barking go outside and say, good dog!"

Richie has 4,000 hours of apprenticeship through the Department of Labor, some Behavioral Science courses and three years apprenticeship with PAWS (Puppies Assisting Wounded Servicemembers), becoming a primary trainer for them for two years. He also has three years training with *Canines With A Cause*.  
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Richie offers dog boarding along with training. In cases where it is necessary, he trains the dog away from its home environment. In addition he has a dog day care and dog grooming business. There are nine people working for him and he says, "I'm very busy."

Some advice Richie shares: "When puppies are small we think they're so cute and pick them up and this behavior allows the dog to think it is okay to jump up on you. As the dog gets older and bigger and they're continuing to jump up, now they're getting negative attention for a behavior they don't understand is wrong. You have to teach your dog how to greet people. Dogs need exercise and if they're not getting exercise they have spent up energy. Owners need to take their dog swimming, throw a ball, or take them to other dogs to play with. Then they are easier to train since they're usually calmer and hungry and you can use food to reward them." Richie has a GPS on some of his dogs and says in one day a dog can run 12 to 13 miles.



Since receiving his first dog at age ten years old, Richie has been training dogs. When his older brother was bit in the face by shepherd mix, it was traumatizing. He started working with horses and watched how a horse trainer was able to get her horses to listen to her. As a kid he asked her all kinds of questions and started taking it all in. Later, his neighbor had a litter of puppies and Richie remembers asking his Dad if he could have one. He didn't want his dog to be mean or aggressive and applied the same structure and boundaries he learned with the horses to his new dog.

"I create a thinking dog. I don't want the dog to be forced to do anything. I want the dog to figure it out. Dogs are smart and it's cool to see when they get the hang of it." Often shock collars and prong collars are used to deal with an aggressive dog. "I see people walking their dog with a prong collar a lot and all they're doing is breeding more aggression."

Covid has helped Richie's business because of the lack of socialization and the dogs not accustomed to being around more people. Richie's websites states, "We believe that no dog should suffer because of lack of knowledge. At Faithful K9 trainer we teach all dog owners that utilize our services to have a trainers mindset."

You can contact Richie at: 208-667-6700 or email him at: [faithfulk9trainer@gmail.com](mailto:faithfulk9trainer@gmail.com) The business is located at 460 West Clayton Ave, Coeur d'Alene

## Did You Know?

Timberlake Fire Protection Department in Athol has a pet scanner that can check to see if an animal has a microchip. If the animal is chipped they can immediately look up the owner's contact information in the microchip databases.

"One in three pets will become lost at some point in their lives, according to the American Veterinary Medical Association. One of the best ways to help ensure that you and your dog or cat will be reunited if they get lost is to make sure they have a microchip," according a Petco website.

Incidentally, the chip is inserted with a needle and requires no surgery. The chip itself is very tiny.

The average cost of your dog's microchip is about \$50. This includes the injection procedure as well as microchip registration.

## Update on Tank Rehab

At the November 17, 2022 BWSD public meeting, a motion was made to delay Phase 2, rehabbing our tank, until the district applies for the third time for the Navy DCIP grant. Board member, Paul Franz, stated, "There's an enticement of getting \$900,000, it's a big number, so it's wise, as representatives for the community, not to ignore this. I wouldn't do this for my own house." Seems like we are looking at this getting completed in 2024.

## Luxurious Garage Condos

It's a whole new world. You can now buy your own garage storage unit and it can come with a long list of potential amenities: epoxy floors, car lifts, cabinets, fire monitoring system, 24hr video surveillance and temperature controlled with smart thermostats. For additional money you can add a bathroom or upper mezzanine build-outs. Maybe not intended but could this turn into housing?



This will be located in Athol between Old Highway 95 and U.S. Highway 95, 625 feet north of Highway 54.

The plans, proposed by Alan Flippen, call for a 118 mini storage units of varying sizes and a 900 sq. foot club house facility for the owners of the units. **Public hearing is set for December 6, Tuesday, 6 at Athol City Hall.**

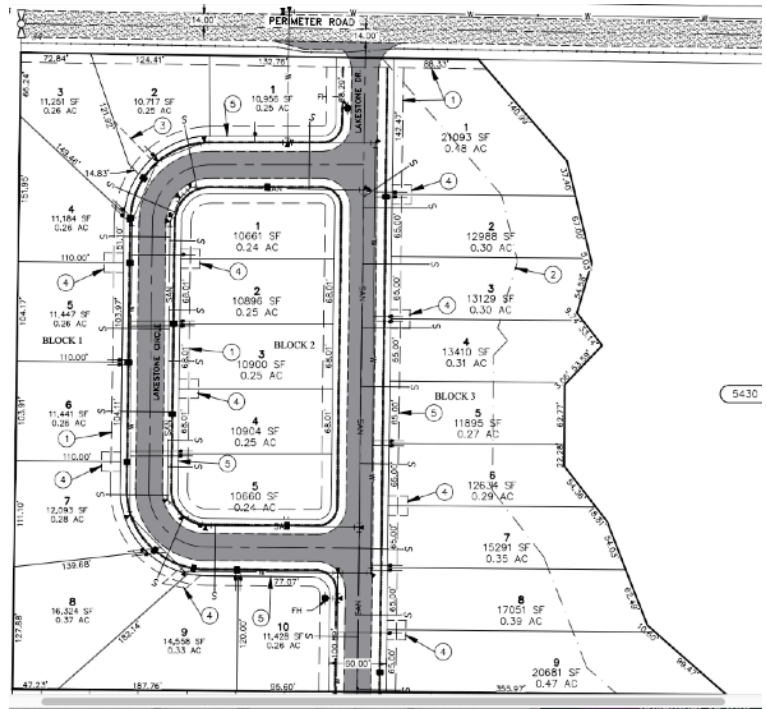
## Holiday Lighting Festival

Sponsored by Bayview Marina, Chan & Teresa Karupiah, December 3, Saturday, 5:30 p.m. lighting ceremony at 6 p.m. sharp on Main Street is an event you don't want to miss.

There will be Christmas music, free hot cocoa, coffee and chili, a petting zoo, children's gifts, a fire pit to warm yourself by and more. All Invited

## Lakestone Estates Subdivision Follow Up

A local resident emailed the County Planner with concerns that the Bayview Creek Class 1 Stream classification was being ignored. It turned out this was true and a newly proposed plat map had to be devised. This decreased the overall lots by one, from 25 to 24. The 75 feet stream protection zone is incorporated into each lot designation and not set aside. There are no County codes that require a stream protection buffer. A hearing date has **not** been issued but should be forthcoming in the months ahead. The owner, Gary Schmidt, has said that he has no plans to fence the property. Average lot is 12,427 sq. feet. There is no green space. Here is the plat map of the proposed subdivision: off Perimeter Road:



## Athol Christmas Market

Don't miss December 3, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Athol Community Center. It will be a full house with vendors and be a great opportunity to buy your Christmas gifts.

## You Heard It Here

Alan Johnson, with Hughes Investments and Athol's Crossroads developer, is now working on bringing a dentist to Crossroads. We have Northwest Specialty Hospital, a physical therapist and quite possibly a dentist. Stay tuned.

**From the Bayview Community Council  
to All**

