

Seabeck Star

Seabeck Community Center Newsletter Volume 3 Number 1 April 2023

Early Giving for the Kitsap Community Foundation's **Great Give** Begins April 1!

Let's Meet or Exceed the SCC's \$10,000 Goal for 2023!

April 1 - 11, 2023, signals the Kitsap Great Give, a yearly event when over 300 local nonprofit organizations receive generous donations, from small to large, at www.kitsapgreatgive.org.



"From its inception in the challenging pandemic year of 2020, the Seabeck Community Center (SCC) has striven to develop and offer programs and services to help the needs, wants and priorities of the community. Help us promote *unity in the community* by providing a place — already of rich legacy — to connect with family and friends, old and new, and to learn, share, recharge and enjoy a diversity of activities," reported Yvonne Kaiser, Communications and Membership manager.

April 1 - 11, 2023 www.kitsapgreatgive.org



Seabeck Pickleball Facebook Group. See Article on Page 2.

Party Hardy with Your Mops and Rakes!

Come armed with rakes, squeegees, blowers, chainsaws, loppers and protective gear on May 6, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. From washing windows, to raking fresh gravel by the septic lids, to site cleanup, this will be a get-er-done event as another group is using the gym at 1 p.m.

So bring your favorite tools and an optional snack to share. Questions? Contact Frank Marcinko at (360) 801-0147 (C).



Mark Your Calendars: Work Party / May 6

Check us out at www.seabeckcc.org or at <https://www.facebook.com/SeabeckCC/>.

SCC Events

Bingo Mania Join with fellow community members for popcorn, laughter and winners. April 11, May 9, June 13 & July 11 / 6:30 p.m. Cost \$10

Multi-Family Community KCMS Rummage Sale

Shop this charitable sale by the members of the Kitsap County Medical Society Foundation. Proceeds will fund an AED for a local community center. Check out the details on our website. Saturday, April 23 / 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SCC Open House Sign up to get involved while learning about membership, programs and opportunities. May 20 / Time still to be finalized.

Community Market

Seabeck Community Market

Get involved, shop and support local farmers, artisans and businesses.

Contact: Text Marla Wilson at (707) 372-4167 (C)

1st & 3rd Sundays / 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.
April 2, through September 17, 2023.



The online calendar features event details, additions and changes.

Paul Reimer's Pickleball News



Spring is in the air and with the nicer weather I hope those in the Seabeck area will get outside to enjoy playing pickleball on the newly repurposed courts located on the old campus of the Seabeck Elementary school. Pickleball is a great way to meet new people and enjoy time with friends and family while getting some healthy exercise.

The Seabeck Community Center received a grant from the Bremerton Port Authority in 2022 to convert the old elementary sport court into pickleball courts; four beautiful courts were completed in the fall of 2022 just before the onset of winter. So now is the time to dust off those paddles and lace up your sport shoes to take advantage of this wonderful new recreational resource in our community.

One big rule change in 2023 affects players along with one recommendation on what to wear when playing: ■ No more Spin Serves. You cannot spin the ball out of your hand when serving the ball; ■ It is still okay to “hit” the ball to create spin, but you cannot spin the ball out of your hand. ■ Don't wear clothes that match the color of the ball.

No Chameleons on the Court!

Pickleball is a game that can be enjoyed by players of many ages and abilities, and I hope the community will embrace the new courts as a central place to reconnect and enjoy social interactions while getting in shape after a long winter hibernation. I look forward to meeting my neighbors and making new friends one pickleball game at a time. **See you on the courts.**



New SCC Pickleball Court

Seabeck resident Paul Reimer approached the SCC Board in 2022 about the pickleball project; next, he ran with the “pickle” ball, garnering funds from the Port of Bremerton.

Seabeck Pickleball Facebook Group

Dawn Robins represents one of the over 200 Seabeckians who have joined the **Seabeck Pickleball Facebook Group** [See Picture on Page 1]. Robins said she treasures the “joy and socialization” of the sport, adding that it is also holistic — good for the body, mind and soul.

From humble roots on Bainbridge Island in the 1960s, our official state sport now represents a full-blown industry — from Selkirk paddles to Skecher pickleball shoes. *Of course, frugal, excessively talented, humble Seabeckian Boomers and others can print out a downloadable free paddle pattern and jigsaw their own paddle from 3/8-inch plywood, fiberglass, et cetera.*

Speaker's Forum for May and June

Are You Ready for the BIG ONE? Learn More at the SCC

- Learn about the **Cascadia Fault Zone** and **earthquake preparedness** on Friday, May 5, 2023 at 10 a.m. with Curt Scott.
- In June Central Kitsap Fire Chief Jay Christian will address the topics of the **new fire station in Seabeck** and **wildfire prevention**. *Stay tuned for the exact time and date at www.seabeckcc.org.*



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SCC Physical Location

CKSD Seabeck Center

15565 Seabeck Hwy NW

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The Central Kitsap School District graciously leases the facility and grounds to the Seabeck Community Center. All CKSD computer usage, behavior, weapons-free and drug policies apply on the SCC Campus.