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Special points of interest:

- Thanks to Jose's Famous Salsa from Sequim
- Thank you to the gardeners, Iris, John, Karolyn, Sky
- Thanks to the Cherry farmers
- Thanks to the honey merchants
- Thanks to the coffee roasters

The traveler is a welcome sight to our combined communities. Not only do we welcome them and their casual approach to life but it reminds us to be happy as we live in a most beautiful and relaxing part of the world year round.

They tell us of the joys of boating, fishing, walking, cooking, and nature.

They bring smiles and attitudes to us that are fresh and new, they ask for foods that are new and exciting and encourage us to always plan ahead and be there next year.

They wear colorful clothes and show off their sun tans, drive different cars and vehicles and

bring action to our highways and campgrounds.

Thank you to you all.

For us locals, we feel the excitement of the busyness that changes our lives for the short period of time in summer. We look forward to the new faces and the faces of our old friends that come on back regularly. Our summer folk blend with our winter folk and the houses buzz with renewed life and excitement.

The Co-op loves the attention that it gets and the fun that comes through its doorway. We celebrate new businesses in town and the decorations and enthusiasm that comes from

the folk who run them.

Lets keep the momentum flowing and enjoy the renewal of the summer months.

We can even pretend that it is sunny and vacation weather, we can live like it is not 107 degrees and enjoy the 50 to 60 as a strength and respite for all who languish here.

It is the first summer for the new look Co-op in our new digs. We are happy with the new look and the new stock. Everything we do to unite our towns in attractive visuals is working to give birth to the new northwest.

Thanks to all who live like they love it here.

Jane

*Celebrating Summer*



*We are making research for a Credit Union in Town*

We have made ground in the research needed to form a local Credit Union.

Credit Unions are Co-operatives, and so it makes sense that Sunsets West Co-op which has all the paperwork needed should sponsor and

initiate the development of a Credit union for all.

We will keep you in the loop as the idea grows and the news becomes available.

So far it is research only.

Watch this space for news!



## Music Jam Session



Here we have Annie, Randy, Patti, Paul and Dakoda all jamming together.

Every Thursday evening around 6pm we have open house for the musicians and audience that they

bring with them. It is regular and most enjoyable. Some

nights we have children playing along with the adults and some nights not.

The instrument collection is diverse.

We give special thanks to Randy for spearheading the first jam night and adding zest to all future nights. We wish him well in his pending move.

Our musicians enjoy their time immensely and are growing in harmony.

They will be playing here on **Fun Days** and you are welcome to drop right on in and share the fun.

Some instruments are shared and lessons taught increasing the fun by learning from one another.

On **Fun Days** we are offering our electronic drum set for a drum-a-thon in the car park; prepare your team to keep the drums a rolling along from noon.

## FUN DAYS Events at the Co-op



Running the Dragon

This Fun Days we are hoping to get many helpers to run the Dragon down the Highway in the Parade. We will need seven folk and 5 more to make bubbles, get your friends together. It is fun to be part of the entertainment for the 14th July.

Consider joining our Drum-a-

thon in the car park and keep them drums a-rolling along for as long as we can. Let's record it and see what the record is like for next year.

We will have a large canvas in the car park and anyone who wishes is welcome to add paint to the canvas creating our own memories and impressions of

2012 Clallam Bay/Sekiu style.

We will have an artist working on a canvas of their own. And best of all a Members' EXPO of local businesses in community. Come along and represent your business in our community. You must be a member or be ready to make membership to take up the offer. Membership is \$40.

## Bridging Compass Rose to the Mall



Carmen and Chelsea are the first to try out the bridge.

Bob Wall and Jerry White built the bridge that bridges the two business centers.

Thank you to you both, it is a good trail that you have formed here.

Huge thank you to the Lions, Jerry and Don Baker for the wonderful, amazing, time consuming and precise clean up

that has happened next door on the Compass Rose property.

Comments are freely coming from the visitors who have not been in town over the past year. Comments like 'Wow' and surprise come from folk who want to know how it happened and "Who did it?" They

don't ask "Why?"

Thank you to Glen McDaniel for his front yard clean up.

We send healing to Gary Fernandes for his recent work accident. And to Bob Wall and Dori for the loss of his Mother and her mother in law.

Get well soon, signed, your cooperative neighbors!

## Annual EXPO

Each year now on Fun Days we will be presenting our ANNUAL EXPO.

We welcome any of our current or future members to present their own businesses at a table display in the Co-op car park.

This is meant to be a fun and informative affair, food stalls are VERY welcome and tasting would be great!

To do this you would need a

food handlers permit and make arrangements to use the Co-op kitchen for the prep. We have a lot of creative energy in our community, and a lot of down to earth producers and growers.

Let's show the crowd what we are made of and keep the ball rolling toward sustainability and the future of our own food.

THINK SUN!!

We are preparing to do an edi-

ble garden in the front of the Co-op but the weeds enjoy the rain and the veggies enjoy the sun so far it is weeds 5 verses veggies 2. Members are welcome to come work the small garden and encourage it to grow edibles.

The EXPO will encourage personal business, not resale or rummage.

As I watch people coming through the door today I see sunburn instead of rust!



## Members & Memberships

Up to July this year we now have 113 memberships which makes 189 members.

Members we have welcomed are Diana Goplen, Jane Hielman, Karen & Jon Gallie and their three children, Susan Heiny, Melody Ogden, Sue Zalocar, & Ed Ansorg, Richard Ireland, John & Karolyn Bur-

dick, Neil Adams, Don Fishel, Patt Doyle, Jamie Calley, Samantha & Jordan, Lisa Edinger, Lora & Kim Malakoff, Justin, Evan, and Nick, Dana Sarff & Donna Wilkie, Al Pelletier, Kathy Reamer-McNabb, Linda Palumbo, Matthew Whitacre, Cathy Walde, Michelle Simpson, Sandi Diimmel, Lauren Indendi, Jeff &

Brenda Hood, Trish Hutson-English, Mike, Deb & Rich Swan, Joanna McLean, Laurel Burtness, George Eastman, Sue Wolf, Carol Murphy, Diane Gasaway, Donna Barr, Llewellyn Grahame, Lisa & Rafael Salazar, Laura Campbell, Hanna Luther, Judi & Michael Donahue, Scott Lange, Marjorie Cursi, Laura Kessey-Farrell, Rod & Wendy Erickson, to be continued in Fall.

**Members walk in like they own the place, because they are equal share owner-members of their business known as**

**Sunsets West  
Co-operative**

## About the Co-op

The Sunsets West Co-op enterprise is a gift from Terry and myself to the combined communities of the Northwest Coast as a thank you for adopting us.

We love this area and the rain, we appreciate you all and your individuality. Thank you for

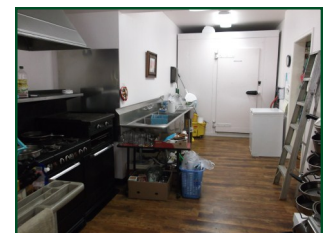
supporting this venture.

The Co-op is a Not-for-profit Co-operative Corporation. As such we don't pay IRS taxes, but instead when we start to make a profit, which may be never, we pay a percentage of profit according to purchases which are recorded, back to the

owner-member.

At this point we don't intend to make a profit as this keeps the prices down and the service up.

Membership is \$40 for the first calendar year and \$20 a year to keep our records consistent after that. This is operating capital and at this time is building in our commercial kitchen.



*Kitchen is growing.*

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The Place with Great Tastes

## Mission Statement

Our Co-op aims to inspire and encourage creative energy within the community.

We aim to engage people in living their dreams.

Sunsets West Co-op is organized to produce, purchase and distribute goods and services for the mutual benefit of its members and patrons,

offering a variety of healthy goods for patrons' choice.

FUNDS RAISED ARE RE-INVESTED IN THE CO-OP FOR GROWTH

We aim to encourage community members to co-operate with one another and nourish their community and its improvement; we aim to involve members in community garden and cottage industries.

A Co-op is a member (worker and customer owned) retail business that provides high quality grocery and retail items at the lowest prices to their customers.

Co-operatives strive to enrich their communities through consumer education, member/owner rebate programs, member ownership, and the creation of livable wage jobs.

Co-operatives integrate their communities by selling locally grown and produced goods from small family farms and businesses as much as possible.

## The Co-operative Identity

Co-operatives are based on the values of self-help, self responsibility, democracy, equality, and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, co-operative members are best to believe in the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for and about others.

So—Happy people for a happy venture ... Working together for the greater good of their own combined communities.

You are welcome to make membership for \$40. Then \$20 per year upgrade.  
YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER TO SHOP HERE!

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## *Your Board, Sustainability & Community Pride*



Your Board, Michelle Simpson and Matthew Whitacre as Co-Presidents, Al Pelletier as Treasurer, Karin Ashton as Secretary and Diana Goplen. Myself as General Manager and Terry the man who picks up all the jobs that need to be picked up. He is always busy on one project or another in or out of the store.

His present occupation as sign writer is making the sign that will welcome visitors to town and introduce them to the fact that you have supported sustainability and revitalization in your combined communities.

In taking this stand you are ensur-

ing the growth of personal security and ensuring a steady food supply of nourishing and locally grown foods and resources that will keep us alive and well in times of change.

We are bonding ourselves for the greater good and encouraging a future by cleaning and dressing up our communities. Your pride is obvious and as we develop our "Commercial Street" we gain respect from travelers, that their needs will be met. And this is hospitality.

We are an important part of Hwy 112 and the Scenic Byway that runs straight through our communities. Clallam Bay needs no longer

be 'the prison town', but a town of caring individuals.

Presentation is important. Your help is appreciated as you read this report and as you focus on what you can do to enhance our presentation to the world of people who both visit and live here. We have world travelers here every day in the season, that is May through to October, many countries are represented and the message they take back to their countries is important for our position of the world map.

Of local interest, we have applied for Quest; we are waiting now for the response to the application.

*Jane*

