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**January NEWSLETTER &
2009 DUES LETTER**
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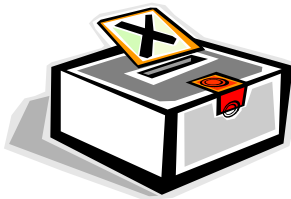
5.5 Months to go!!!!!!

**Kudos to the POST-2008-SEASON
Fall landscape volunteers!**

ANNUAL MEETING Monday, February 9, 2009 Time & Place is on the Ballot and ww.wwpool.org

Agenda

- * New board members ~ 4 TBD by ballot
- * A bylaws proposal re: near neighbors
- * State of the Pool by Board President
 - * Old Business/new business
 - * Other WW Pool business



Exercise your vote as a full member,
and avoid unintended consequences.

**Excerpted from:
December '08 Newsletter**

“All the discussions about membership brought a new situation to the Board’s attention. Summer of 2008, we had a near neighbor who wanted a summer membership and did not get one. The previous year, in 2007, the family did get a summer membership, thus the kids, after having a great time on the swim team in 2007, couldn’t join the swim team this year.

*Near neighbors who are on the waitlist are eligible for summer memberships. When a full member takes a leave of absence (LOA), we offer a summer membership to the next near neighbor on the waitlist. If enough full members take a leave of absence, all the near neighbors can get summer memberships. **This year we did not get enough LOAs to satisfy the number of summer membership requests.***

The board will be putting forward a by-laws initiative to create up to 15 near neighbor memberships to be used solely for near neighbors. There are 36 homes within the predefined near neighbor boundaries. 16 are already members of the pool and 9 are currently on the waitlist.

We do not anticipate using all 15 near neighbor memberships. After reviewing the pool-use statistics for the past summer, we feel the pool can easily accommodate those additional members.

If the membership approves this new near neighbor membership strategy, it will then allow us to offer LOA summer memberships (based on any leave of absences) to those next in line on the waitlist.”

January '09 "Near Neighbor s" bylaws ballot recommendation:

The text of the Near Neighbor bylaws language is included below and will also appear on the ballot mailed to full members in late January.

If you have any questions you can email the board at: board@wwpool.org

This initiative carries the strong support of the board toward inclusive-ness of the pre-defined near neighbors, who are impacted by seasonal pool traffic.

The board (by a measure of 10/2 in favor), is putting forward the following bylaws revision for the February annual meeting:

"Near Neighbor" Limited Membership: The Board is authorized to grant up to 15 summer memberships per year for the exclusive use of Near Neighbors.

Families 1) residing within very close proximity to the pool (boundaries as determined by the Board of Directors); and 2) currently on the wait list for permanent pool membership are eligible for "near neighbor" limited membership. Ownership of the house is not the determining factor; "near neighbor" eligibility is available only to the family living in the home.

- 1) Near neighbor limited members are responsible for payment of the annual dues but are not responsible for payment of assessments. The Board of Directors may authorize charging a fee for near neighbor membership.*
- 2) Near neighbor limited members are not entitled to vote at the annual or special meetings of the membership*
- 3) The near neighbor limited membership shall be issued for only*

one summer swim season (or portion thereof) at a time.

- 4) When the neighbor's name reaches the top of the wait list and is offered a full membership, his/her "near neighbor" limited membership shall be terminated with no right to continue or reapply for the limited membership.*

ALERT! No 2009 dues increase.

March 1st is when 2009 dues are to be paid & status changes made to avoid late fees.

Membership's co-chairs appreciate advance consideration and notice for membership **changes and transfers as soon as possible before March 1st.**

We have anxious want-to-be-WW-swimmers on the wait list.

2008 Water Polo Report

Congratulations to the Wedgwood Water Polo teams!

Joined with some players from Sand Point Country Club, Wedgwood was able to enter three co-ed teams (12 and under, 14 and under, and 18 and under) in the Seattle Summer Water Polo Championship Tournament.

All three teams played well: the 12 and unders claimed fourth place (out of eight teams); the 14 and unders claimed third place (out of eight teams); and the **18 and unders were the overall champions** (out of nine teams)! Way to go Wedgwood!

Special thanks to Peter Hoff and Scott Cuthbert for coaching our players and shepherding our growing water polo program. Report by **Jacque Ives**

Public Pools Initiatives Update

IN SPITE of recent economic circumstances public pool initiatives slog on. To succeed they need your help with letters of support and testimony to/before electeds .

Seattle: www.seattlepools.org

Bellevue: www.splashfourall.org IS online

Northshore Parks and Recreation Service District (NPRSA) completed a study June 2008. The 5 member municipal/county entities are evaluating how to proceed on a levy.

See more on NPRSA at

http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/Support_Northshore_Aquatics/

2009

*Wedgewood Swim Pool, Inc.
now spelled "Wedgwood"*

marks our 45th Anniversary

*Stay tuned for special events details in future newsletters
and www.wwpool.org*

Pool Facts ~ You may be tested

Incorporated: December, 1962

Opened: May 16, 1964

Volume: 210,745 gallons

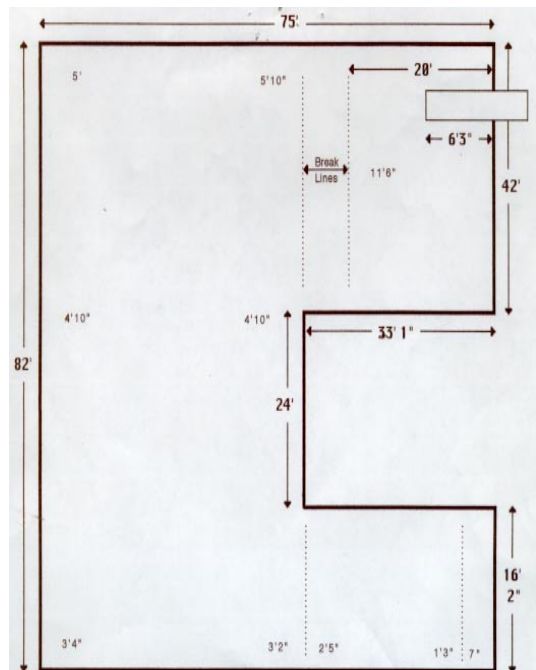
Size: 4,850sq feet or 536sq yards

King County Bather capacity 125

Pool Dimensions view full size online

How many current adult members can you
name who swam on

WW Swim Team's 1st season in 1964?



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