## **DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEEK** BAINBRIDGE Five Homes Available in New Waterfront 'Pocket Neighborhood'

Simple. Smart. Sustainable. Those three words summarize the approach of The Cottage Company, the nationallyrecognized, award-winning real estate development company now offering purchase reservations at its new waterfront 'pocket neighborhood' near Silverdale's historic Old Town.

Chico Beach Cottages, on the shores of Dyes Inlet, is a seven-home community of two- and three-bedroom view homes that share a private waterfront, common gardens and community building. Sustainably designed with energy efficiency for low operating costs, green-building techniques for higher quality/lower maintenance, and with community in mind, the innovative site plan and home designs take full advantage of the spectacular setting while encouraging neighborly connections.

"Connecting with people and the environment" is central to The Cottage Company's mission, says company president Linda Pruitt. "Our over-riding approach is to create high-quality, beautiful, serene communities where people want to live."

The Cottage Company's previous communities have earned multiple regional and national awards, including the American Institute of Architects National Housing Award; the National Association of Homebuilders Builders Choice Award; the Pacific Coast Builders 'Gold Nugget' Award; the Sunset Magazine AIA/Western Home Award; the American Society of Landscape Architects Merit Award; and the AIA Seattle



'Future Shack' Award.

In addition, The Cottage Company has been profiled by The New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, Sunset Magazine, Metropolitan Home, Coastal Living, Cottage Living, the 'Not So Big House' series of books by Sarah Susanka, the Jane Pauley show, HGTV, CNN, and PBS's Lehrer News Hour.

The Cottage Company's collaborators in the creation of Chico Beach Cottages include wellknown Kitsap County architect Charles Wenzlau, AIA, and builder Fairbank Construction Company. The

Cottage Company previously partnered with Wenzlau Architects on Bainbridge Island's Ericksen Cottages.

Chico Beach Cottages represents a tremendous value to those who have yearned for a waterfront home, but considered it to be out of their financial reach. Today's historic low mortgage interest rates plus the lower cost of labor and materials in new construction combine to allow a new single family waterfront housing choice not previously available to buyers. Chico Beach Cottages has partnered with Evergreen Home Loans as its preferred lender.

The homes at Chico Beach Cottages offer

a lower-maintenance lifestyle choice that embraces the utmost in sustainability: smaller footprints, higher construction and design guality, and 4-Star Built Green and Energy Star certifications, assuring lower operating costs over the life of the home of at least 15% or more over conventional new home energy costs). Even more operating cost savings can be realized through buyer upgrade options including photovolataic solar panels and electric car

charging stations.

THE COMMUNITY: 1.1 acres, Sweeping Water and Mt. Rainier Views, 150 feet low-bank waterfront, Private Community Gardens, Community Building/Clubhouse THE HOMES: 1,475-1,696 sq. ft., 2-3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Study Loft/Tower 'Lookout', Main Floor Master Suite, Gas Fireplace

ADDRESS: 7740 Chico Way NW, Silverdale

DIRECTIONS: From State Highway 3, take Newberry Hill Road exit east to south on Chico Way to address on left. PRICE: STARTING AT \$549,000



Set on the shores of Dyes Inlet with a magnificent Mt. Rainier view, Chico Beach Cottages offer a peaceful waterfront lifestyle.

All floor plans have mainfloor master suites perfect for single-level living; secondfloor suites might serve as the master instead, or be reserved for overnight guests. Home designs also boast bonus

The chic and innovative homes at Chico Beach Cottages are sustainably designed with energy efficiency and green-building techniques.

living space ideal for use as a home office, den or extra guest space. And the three-bedroom cottage is marked by an extraordinary tower loft with sweeping water views to inspire calm, creativity, or both!

Spacious covered front patios are an important element of the level-entry homes at Chico Beach. These friendly spaces will draw you outside to breathe the fresh salt air, enjoy the natural vista of Dyes Inlet and Mt. Rainier, and chat with neighbors as they stroll along the meandering garden to the waterfront.

Above the water's edge you'll find a professionally-landscaped garden courtyard, complete with gazebo deck. Just a few steps beyond, 150 feet of gravel beach offers a convenient place to dip your toes in the water or, if you're a bit more adventurous,



launch your kayak or canoe.

When the weather isn't suited to outdoor activities, the neighborhood's Commons Building will accommodate community gatherings, meetings, parties, or provide space for individual projects. Its distinctive natural wood interior comes, in part, from the property's original home. (Trees milled from the site provide wood for fencing, arbors, and porch railings throughout the community.)

Now under construction, Chico Beach Cottages are scheduled for completion in May 2011. Five of the seven homes remain available. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy peaceful waterfront living in The Cottage Company's newest simple, smart and sustainable community.

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