



# INSIDE THE RIM

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER 2014

**Payments Due**  
**MONDAY**  
**Oct. 27**

## Security Assessment Refund



Difficulties scheduling King County Security Patrols in the Spring resulted in unused security patrol funds. As this money was required to be spent for the last fiscal year, it will now be **refunded**. Each member will receive a credit of \$16.72 on their bill included in this mailing. The current 2014-15 Security Assessment billing of \$40 is also on this bill.



## Water Utilities Committee

Ernie Henrie, Water Utilities Committee (WUC) Chair, and his committee are researching ways to improve the Wilderness Rim Water System Rules and Regulations. Changes will focus on improving efficiency, effectiveness and use of electronic billing and payment options. Also, the contract with Sallal Water Association is due for review before the end of the year.

Any member of WRA is eligible to participate in these review processes by attending the committee meetings. See the schedule on page two.

Remember that it is your responsibility to keep your water meter clear so it can be read. If this is not done, your water usage will be estimated, likely resulting in a higher water bill. If WRA has to clear your meter for you, there will be a minimum \$100 charge. If you need help locating or clearing your meter, please contact the WRA Office by email or telephone.

## WRA 2014 Halloween Party



"Double, double toil and trouble; fire burn and caldron bubble"! Let the goblins and spooks unite to celebrate All Saints Day Eve, affectionately know as Halloween or All Hallow's Eve. Don your ghostly costume and join your neighbors for spooky fun and goblin treats at the Chalet on Saturday, October 25. Find more information and event times on the WRA website at [www.wildernessrim.org](http://www.wildernessrim.org). Volunteers are needed to bring this event to the community.



## Electronic Options Streamline Billing

Over forty-five members have enrolled in the new electronic billing process chosen to move WRA further into the digital age. This represents over seven percent of all homeowners with some also opting to have their payments made automatically. This saves WRA time and money. There is no charge by WRA to participating members and as a bonus, with automatic payments — you cannot be charged a late fee. If you haven't enrolled yet, now is the time to sign up for the next billing cycle. Please contact the WRA Office via email at [office@wildernessrim.org](mailto:office@wildernessrim.org) or call 425-888-0087 and leave a message.

Please check the WRA website for updates as we implement these features.



**—Fall Time Change—**  
**Sunday, Nov. 2, 2 am**

## WILDERNESS RIM ASSOCIATION

### OFFICE

10:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesday  
12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Wednesday  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm Thursday

PHONE: 425-888-0087

FAX: 425-888-2136

**New email!**

**OFFICE@WILDERNESSRIM.ORG**

P.O. Box 315

North Bend, WA 98045

### WEBSITE

<http://WildernessRim.org>



**PLEASE NOTE: THE DUE DATE OF THIS BILLING IS**

**OCTOBER 27, 2014**

*PLEASE UPDATE YOUR BILL PAYMENT PLAN ACCORDING.*

Water conservation comes naturally when everyone in the family is aware of its importance, and parents take the time to teach children some of the simple water-saving methods around the home which can make a big difference.



## WATER PRESSURE LOW?

### Contact:

SALLAL WATER ASSOCIATION

425-888-3650



The online newsletter contains links to articles on the WRA website. Registration is required to access private articles (like security reports and budgets) that are for WRA members only. Large Print and printed copies of the articles are available from the WRA office.

Send comments to:

[Communications@WildernessRim.org](mailto:Communications@WildernessRim.org)



## Noxious Knotweed in the Rim

King County will again be treating Japanese Knotweed on county and corporate property in Wilderness Rim. If you suspect that Knotweed is growing on your property, you must take approved steps to control it. Please do not cut it, mow it, or burn it as this will just encourage further outbreaks of this noxious weed. To learn more visit:

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/AnimalsAndPlants/noxious-weeds/weed-identification/invasive-knotweeds/Japanese-knotweed.aspx>

## Avoid Late Charges and Fees



Many people are charged late fees for not paying their WRA account on time. All payments must be received by WRA by the printed due date. **This month the due date for payments is Monday, October 27.** This change allows a few more days to work on collecting late accounts. Late notices, following up on those accounts and providing shut-off notices is unavoidable as long as members don't pay until threatened with water shut-off. The WRA Board will soon review recovering this cost to the Association via a \$20 charge to provide a shut-off notice. If you cannot make your payment on time, please contact the office to make arrangements before it is late. Just call the office at 425-888-0087 or email [office@wildernessrim.org](mailto:office@wildernessrim.org) to avoid \$15 or \$30 in late charges, a possible fee for a shut-off notice, and the \$100 shut-off fee.

For those few of you who are sending your payments to any other utility (including Sallal Water Association) — you, too, will be charged late charges if your payment does not reach WRA by the printed due date on your invoice.

## Barking Dogs Could Cost up to \$1000 Fine



King County Animal Control may levy hundreds of dollars in fines against dog owners who do not control their pets. No improvement has been noted since the last newsletter asking dog owners to take steps to train and control their barking dogs. Any dog not under an owner's control at all times are increasingly a concern in the Rim. If you allow your dog to be an offender —

**please note: this will not be tolerated.** More information can be found at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/safety/regionalAnimalServices/GetHelp.aspx>

## Photo Contest Online!



Do you have some great photos of the Rim or know of someone who does? Here is your chance to win a prize and share your talents with your neighborhood! Send your JPG pictures as an attachment to [Office@WildernessRim.org](mailto:Office@WildernessRim.org) with the approximate location in the Rim and your contact info. Prizes will be awarded by the most "likes" on Facebook and by members voting via the office where the images can also be viewed. More information can be found here: [www.wildernessrim.org/photo-contest](http://www.wildernessrim.org/photo-contest)



## Water Conservation Tip:

Now is the time to check your exposed water pipes and install insulation before the first freeze of the season.

## Meetings

See our website [calendar](#) for updated times and locations.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 15 7:30 pm  
November 19 7:30 pm

### COMMITTEES

#### Architectural Review

October 1 7:30 pm  
November 5 7:30 pm

#### Budget and Finance

October 8 7:30 pm  
November 12 7:30 pm

#### Communications

October 18 9:30 am  
November 15 9:30 am

#### Park

October 1 6:30 pm  
November 5 6:30 pm

#### Water Utilities

October 8 7:00 pm  
November 12 7:00 pm

#### Neighborhood Safety

October 1 7:00 pm  
November 5 7:00 pm

#### Special Events

October 14 7:00 pm  
October 24 Noon

Please enjoy the full color version of this newsletter on the WRA website.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**PAYMENTS DUE  
OCT. 27**



**RIM PHOTO CONTEST  
THRU OCT. 20**

**HALLOWEEN PARTY  
OCT. 25**

**HALLOWEEN  
OCT. 31**



**TIME CHANGE  
NOV. 2**

**THANKSGIVING DAY  
NOV. 27**

