



INSIDE THE RIM

DECEMBER 2015 & JANUARY 2016

Payments Due
MONDAY
Dec 28

Christmas Cookie Decorating Party

HO, HO, HO!! Come and enjoy your morning at the Chalet at Santa's Cookie Workshop. Let's keep the tradition going by decorating gingerbread cookies. You can decorate some cookies for Santa, a friend, or yourself. Come on in and have a sip of hot cocoa, listen to Christmas music, and talk with your fellow neighbors. What will your cookie look like? Will it be one of Santa's elves? Santa? Mrs. Claus? Come be a part of a fun Christmas tradition in the Rim as we decorate cookies together. You don't want to miss it! **We will be decorating cookies on Saturday, December 5 at 10 a.m. Merry Christmas!**

Contact: events@wildernessrim.org or call 425-888-0087.



WILDERNESS RIM ASSOCIATION

*** NEW OFFICE HOURS ***

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Monday
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Tuesday
12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Wednesday
10:00 am - 4:00 pm Thursday

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**NOTE: THE DUE DATE FOR
THIS BILLING IS**

December 28, 2015

Rim Spirit—Holiday Display Contest & Caroling



The second annual Wilderness Rim outdoor holiday decorating contest is on! Who can dazzle us with their yard art and amazing lights? Best overall display will win. Light up the Rim and win a prize. We are looking for volunteers to be judges. **Contest judging runs December 15-23 and winners will be announced after the 23rd.** Members are invited to meet up at the Chalet on **Dec. 23 at 6:30 pm** to join in caroling at homes and reviewing the decorated homes to vote and select the winning entry. For information or to share your intent to participate please contact events@wildernessrim.org.

Winter Safety Concerns



To improve safety on WRA properties, anti-slip material has been placed on the Lake Trail bridge and on the deck at the Chalet to help prevent slipping and sliding during Washington's rainy/icy season. Caution is still recommended as even fallen leaves can be slippery. If you know of a trail section needing attention or a tree on WRA property posing a danger, please contact the Park Committee. Please watch out for children on snowy days and pedestrians on dark nights. More winter season safety tips are at <https://wildernessrim.org/?s=winter+safety> and <http://emergency.cdc.gov/disasters/winter/>.

The WRA Fall Photo Contest was a fun success! Thank you to all who shared images or voted. The un-credited pictures receiving the most "likes" were:

First Place: "Moody Rattlesnake" - Danielle Decker

Second Place: "Cascade Park Path" - Lesley Webb-Henry

Third Place: "Brewster Lake" - Hannah Marie Schmale

View images on Facebook or WRA's website <https://wildernessrim.org/photo-contest/>. Get your camera ready for another photo contest in 2016!

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR WATER SERVICE?



Contact the office

425-888-0087

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**If the roads are icy
remember to wait at the
top of the hill going out
to Cedar Falls Road.
Please allow time for
cars in front of you to
move out of the way
before starting down the
hill. Also, you can't
always see ice. Watch to
see if others are sliding
or being extra careful.**

Comments or questions: Communications@WildernessRim.org. More articles at www.wildernessrim.org — check it out!



First Quarter Budget Report

WRA continues to succeed in meeting budget goals, coming in for the first three months of the 2015-2016 fiscal year with revenue over budget while controlling expenses. The Water Reserve account is being funded from Water Surcharges. WRA managers project that the Chalet roof may be acquired without a Special Assessment. Minimal wage employees continue to handle maintenance tasks costing three times as much when done under contract in the past. WRA Financial Statements are available on the WRA website to all registered users. Trustees are not eligible to be paid for doing trustee duties. Should you have any questions or concerns, please join the Budget & Finance Committee meeting in January to resolve any confusion. Accountants volunteering time to WRA identified \$2500 that was double paid to Sallal Water Association in 2010. Sallal's General Manager Paul Tredway is involved in correcting this error and will make certain that WRA is compensated. It is unusual to identify and correct this type of error and WRA is grateful for the volunteers who made this possible.

Opportunities to Help WRA



After two years, Ernest Henrie resigned from his position as WRA trustee and as chair of the Water Utilities Committee. Ernie was valued as a responsible and dedicated volunteer. He will be missed and his future return will be welcomed. Secretary Mia Buse-Stone also resigned as WRA trustee. She had previously served for three years on the Board, however, citing personal reasons was unable to continue with her volunteer position. The Board wishes her the very best and hopes she will return when her schedule permits. A big thank you to both Ernie and Mia for their service to the community. Currently, there are three open trustee positions. Please contact the WRA Office if you would like to help out with the business management of WRA for the remainder of this fiscal year.



Park Committee Seeks Workers

Openings are available to assist with tasks in and around the Chalet, Cascade Park and Greenbelt. Volunteer work positions may become future paid positions. If you have the time and energy, please contact the WRA Office or attend a Park Committee meeting.



Water Conservation Tip:

By replacing one old showerhead with a low-flow one you can save the amount of water it takes to wash 70 loads of laundry and conserve enough energy to power your home for 13 days every year.

Meetings

Please visit the WRA website [calendar](#) for current information. Meetings are held in the Chalet.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dec. 16, Jan. 20 7:00 pm

COMMITTEES

Architectural Review

Dec. 2, Jan. 6 7:30 pm

Budget and Finance

Jan. 13 7:30 pm

Communications

Jan. 9 9:30 am

Firewise

Dec. 2, Jan. 6 7:00 pm

Park

Dec. 2, Jan. 6 6:30 pm

Water Utilities

Dec. 9- 6 pm, Jan. 13- 6:30 pm

Neighborhood Safety

Dec. 9, Jan. 13 7:00 pm

Special Events TBA

IMPORTANT DATES

**PAYMENTS DUE
DEC. 28**

**CHRISTMAS COOKIE PARTY
DEC. 5 10 AM**

**GAME NIGHTS
DEC. 5 AND 19 5 PM
BRING YOUR NEW GAMES!
JAN. 9 AND 23 5 PM**

**CAROLING AND
DISPLAY CONTEST
DEC. 15—23**

**CHRISTMAS
DEC. 25**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

