

Happy
Valentine's
Day

INSIDE THE RIM

FEBRUARY & MARCH 2016

Payments Due
MONDAY
Feb 22

Water System Operator Changing — Water Rights



The Board of Trustees, after careful deliberation, has voted to return to a contract with Satellite Management Inc. for our Water System Operator. This company was our state certified water system operator for 38 years prior to 2008 when Sallal Water Association, who is also our water purveyor, was awarded the contract. Sallal's recent significant growth in its service area has brought on a need for WRA to look at other options for our system's maintenance needs.

WRA is also working on an application with the State to acquire water rights so that we may — some day — no longer buy water for our community's needs.

Holiday Light Contest Winners



Hundreds of homes in the Rim put up beautiful lights this year! Thank you to everyone who shared some cheer this season with our neighbors! The winners in the contest are: **First:** 17436 426th Ave SE **Second:** 17403 SE Cedar Falls Rd **Third:** 17007 426th Ave SE and 42766 SE 173rd St (tie). See more pictures on the [WRA website](#) of many places that were considered by the judges in this year's spirited competition.

WRA Bylaws

Each year at the annual meeting members have an opportunity to vote on improvements to the Bylaws of Wilderness Rim Association. If you have any interest in or ideas on how we can improve the Bylaws, please consider submitting your suggestions and/or specific language for consideration. All submissions are reviewed by our attorney before they are submitted to the membership for approval. Changes to the Bylaws requires a 2/3 majority of the votes given to pass. The deadline for items to be on the ballot in 2016 is March 16 at noon. Submissions may be emailed or delivered to the WRA office.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Peep Roast!



Save the date — **Saturday, March 26th** - mark your calendar! Enjoy hunting for Easter eggs in Cascade Park in sections by age group. BYOB (bring your own basket) and search for candy and prizes. After the eggs are found, we'll enjoy a marshmallow "peep" roast, rain or shine! Hot cocoa too! Adults, please bring your marshmallow roasting sticks and join us. Flashlight hunt for teens in the evening if we have enough help! Contact events@wildernessrim.org for info.

WILDERNESS RIM ASSOCIATION

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
February 22, 2016**

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR WATER SERVICE?



Contact the office

425-888-0087

Office@WildernessRim.org

Cedar Falls Road Entrance:
Please remember to watch for ice or cars sliding around on it. Remember to wait at the top of the hill going out on icy days and allow time for cars in front of you to move out of the way before starting down the hill.

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



Are You Firewise?

All residents and owners in Wilderness Rim are at risk should a wildfire happen here. The Firewise website is an excellent resource: www.firewise.org. If the program looks interesting to you, please consider joining an active group of WRA members that are currently planning an educational event followed by a Chipper Day. The tentative schedule is as follows:

Training Event: March 26

Chipper Day: May 7 (if grant funding is approved)

While reviewing the website and applying Firewise practices around your homes, please keep track of time spent on Firewise activities. It is important to track and report your time so that Wilderness Rim can maintain recognition with Firewise USA. **You may submit hours to the WRA office at any frequency by phone, email, or written log.** Please continue to look for updates on the WRA website and in upcoming WRA newsletters, or come to the next meeting Wednesday, February 6th at 9:30 AM.



What do trustees do? You too can be a trustee.

WRA is managed by volunteers - members in good standing of the Association. This is you if your account is current and you own a lot in Wilderness Rim. The job is simple in concept: as a team the trustees make the decisions. Do we buy something, do we take out damaged trees, do we ask the membership for extra money for the playground or a roof? How do we make the budget cover what is needed and what are the most important things to do first? These are the basic questions of the business. We also work to keep the members aware of what is done or needs to be done. Working in a team can be a challenge but having different voices is important. Varied backgrounds and experiences are helpful. We always can use more help. **Please consider becoming a trustee.**



Park Committee Still 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:

Native and drought tolerant plants make a beautiful alternative to unused turf areas in your yard and in existing garden areas. [WSU Cooperative Extension](#) has resources to assist home gardeners with landscaping using native plants.

Using a hose timer helps avoid over-watering. Soaker hoses are a great option.

Meetings

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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Feb. 3, 17, Mar. 16 7:00 pm

COMMITTEES

Architectural Review

Feb. 24, Mar. 23 7:30 pm

Budget and Finance

Feb. 10, Mar. 9 6:30 pm

Communications

Feb. 6, Mar. 5 9:00 am

Firewise

Feb. 6, Mar. 5 9:30 am

Park

Feb. 24, Mar. 23 6:30 pm

Water Utilities

Feb. 10, Mar. 9 7:30 pm

Neighborhood Safety

Feb. 10, Mar. 9 7:00 pm

Special Events TBA

IMPORTANT DATES

**PAYMENTS DUE
FEB. 22**

**ST. VALENTINE'S DAY
FEB. 14**

**GAME NIGHTS, 5PM
FEB 6, 20 MAR. 5, 19
DO YOU WANT TO PLAY A GAME?**

**MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS
MARCH 5, 10AM**

**DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS
MAR. 13**

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY
MAR. 17**

**EASTER EGG HUNT
MAR. 26, 10AM**

**RIM RUN/WALK
MAY 21**