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Wilderness Rim Association Newsletter

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Christmas Party

HO, HO, HO!!! Come and enjoy your morning at Santa's Cookie Decorating Workshop at the Chalet. Be a part of the fun as we decorate gingerbread cookies together. Cookies are provided. You can decorate some cookies for Santa, a friend, or yourself. Stop on in, have a sip of hot cocoa, listen to Christmas music, and talk with your fellow neighbors. We will be decorating cookies on Saturday, December 3, from 10am to noon. For more information, please contact office@wildernessrim.org or call the office at 425-888-0087. Happy Holidays!

New Board Trustees and Officers

During late October through mid-November, nine trustees were appointed to the Board of Trustees. The new trustees are Diane Arny, Alan Bruckner Ryan Fiedler, Thomas Grisso, Mike Kenyon, Heather Larson, Jaime Oberg, Stuart Paulus, and Veronica Smith. They joined two existing trustees, Jim Besso and Cale Sweeney. In addition, the Board also elected new officers. They are Stuart Paulus (President), Jim Besso (Vice-President), Ryan Fiedler (Treasurer), and Veronica Smith (Secretary). This brings to total number of trustees to 11, the number stipulated in the Wilderness Rim Association Bylaws. The Board members look forward to working with the membership.

Thank you to former trustees Jessica Alexander, Robert Beeler, Jerry Cummings, Angelina Holverstott, Kelly Koechel, Jason Lange, Mark Laperriere, and Erin Perry.

Please Help Keep the Greenbelt Clean

The Wilderness Rim greenbelt is a wooded area within the central portion of the Rim that extends from Cascade Park to near the Rim Fire station. It is a nice trail to walk on, and is the property of Wilderness Rim Association. In recent months, yard waste and other debris, including pumpkins, have been dumped into the greenbelt by homeowners living adjacent to the greenbelt. Help us keep the greenbelt "green" by not dumping your yard and other waste into the greenbelt. If you need to dispose of yard waste, please contact Republic Services (206-682-9735) for a yard waste tote.

Wilderness Rim Association

Office Hours

9:00am - 2:00pm Tuesday 2:00pm - 7:00pm Wednesday 12:00pm - 6:00pm Thursday

Contact Information

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Board of Trustees

President: Stuart Paulus Vice-President: Jim Besso Treasurer: Ryan Fiedler Secretary: Veronica Smith

Trustees: Diana Arny, Alan Bruckner, Thomas Grisso, Mike Kenyon, Heather Larson, Jaime Oberg, and Cale

Sweeney

Committees

Architectural Review

Jim Besso, Doug Greathouse, Thomas Grisso

Budget and Finance

Ryan Fiedler

Communications

HELP WANTED!

Firewise

HELP WANTED!

Neighborhood Safety

Jessica Besso

Park

HELP WANTED!

Special Events

HELP WANTED!

Water Utilities

HELP WANTED!

If you are interested in joining a committee, members are welcome to attend any committee meetings or contact trustees@wildernessrim.org.

Upcoming Events

Holiday Party

The holiday party will be held from 10am to noon on Saturday, December 3, at the Chalet. Please see page 1 of this newsletter for more information. If you would like to help, please contact office@wildernessrim.org or call the office at 425-888-0087.

Game Nights

6pm at the Chalet on the following days:

Saturday December 3 and Saturday December 17, 2016; Saturday January 7 and Saturday January 21, 2017.

New Office Manager and Office Hours

Please welcome Janet Faunce as our new Office Manager. Janet recently moved to North Bend from Kirkland. Janet will be in the office on Tuesdays from 9am to 2pm, Wednesdays from 2pm to 7pm, and Thursdays from noon to 6pm. Please say hi to Janet when you visit the office.

Membership Concerns

During the past 2 months members have brought several concerns to the attention of the Board of Trustees. These include:

Board of Trustees Meeting

Monthly, 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm Next meeting is December 21

Committee Meetings

Architectural Review

Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 7:30pm

Budget and Finance

Monthly, 2nd Wednesday, 7:30pm

Communications

Monthly, 1st Monday, 7:30pm

Firewise

Monthly, 1st Tuesday, 7:00pm

Neighborhood Safety

Monthly, 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm

Park

Monthly, 1st Monday, 6:30pm

Water Utilities

Monthly, 2nd Wednesday, 6:30pm

All meetings are at The Chalet unless otherwise noted

- The validity of recent Board of Trustee resignations; our attorney stated that oral and email resignations are valid; a signed resignation letter is not required for the resignation to be valid.
- The number of trustees that must be on the Board to appoint new trustees; our attorney stated that one or more trustees can appoint members to the Board, but six or more trustees are required to conduct new business.
- Potential infractions that may have occurred during the 2016 Annual Meeting in September; our attorney felt the infractions were minor and did not influence the outcome of the meeting.
- The need for a Special Membership Meeting to vote for new members to the Advisory Committee; our attorney said this should have been done in September. It wasn't, so a Special Membership Meeting will be held to vote for members to serve on the committee. This will be done in the next few months.
- Concerns about the water billing and switching the water billing to Sallal; bills were sent out on October 31, and on November 28 and due December 26. The next billing will be at the end of January 2017. Billing questions can be emailed to info@sallal.com.
- Water Leakage Study; this study was put on hold while we try to determine the extent of leakage based on past meter readings, and identify possible factors contributing to past and current leakage, before deciding whether to conduct the study.

Does Your Water Bill Seem High?

If you have an unusually high water bill, it may be due to a leaky toilet. Many times, water flows through the tank silently, which is why these leaks are often overlooked. Check out www.wildernessrim.org and search for "toilet" to see ways to find and repair leaks.