# Inside the Rim

Wilderness Rim Association Newsletter November-December 2021

### **WILDERNESS RIM WINTER SAFETY TIPS**

If you're new to the Rim in 2021, the neighborhood welcomes you! We also want to give you tips for managing winter storms. At 1000 feet elevation in the Rim, the first icy mornings are nigh. On icy days, please remember to wait at



the top of the main entrance hill at the triangle/Y for the car ahead of you to turn onto Cedar Falls Road. Also, parking your car on the roadside could get it buried or damaged by the King County snowplows. In a large snow event, King County will initially only plow the main loop, which could mean several days before they get to side roads and cul-de-sacs. The unofficial "Wilderness Rim Winter Road Conditions Watch" Facebook page is a good source of up-to-the-minute information from your neighbors. Winter driving tips and other tips for being prepared for winter conditions are also on the WRA website and WRA Facebook page. We have many helpful neighbors who are ready to assist during big storms.



# IMPORTANT: WRA METER READING AND COLLECTIONS UPDATE

Your water meter is read every other month for billing. Late fees are now being assessed after over 18 months of reprieve, and this means that past-due accounts will be scheduled for water shut-off in January 2022. Please make arrangements for your balance prior to January 1, 2022. Contact <a href="water@wildernessrim.org">water@wildernessrim.org</a> if you have any questions.

#### **BILLING DUE DATE AND AGYNBYTE PORTAL**

Please note your WRA water/HOA assessment bill due date and late date. The first day of even-numbered months (February, April, June, August, October, December) is the due date and the last day of those months is the late date.

You might need to update your online banking bill pay information. Please make sure payments are addressed to:

Wilderness Rim Association c/o Agynbyte LLC PO Box 52997 Phoenix, AZ 85072-2997

# **Wilderness Rim Association**

Office Hours
By Appointment

## **Contact Information**

Phone: (425) 747-0146 Fax: (425) 747-4169 service@agynbyte.com

### Water Emergencies

Please direct water emergencies to Roger Lillejord, Satellite Management Services (425-829-6425). Billing questions should be directed to Agynbyte service@agynbyte.com.

### **Board of Trustees**

President: Jim Besso

Vice President: Alan Bruckner Treasurer: Chris Eaton Secretary: Melanie Foister

**Trustees:** Rick Acosta, Mike Kenyon, Dan Summers. Please contact <u>trustees@wildernessrim.org</u> if you

would like to be involved!

#### **Committees**

Water Utilities: water@wildernessrim.org

Park: park@wildernessrim.org

Special Events: <a href="mailto:events@wildernessrim.org">events@wildernessrim.org</a>

Communications: communications@wildernessrim.org

Firewise: firewise@wildernessrim.org

Check out <u>www.wildernessrim.org/calendar</u>

for the latest events.

**Billing Info:** Did you know that you can view your billing history online 24/7? You can also sign up for EFT/Automatic Bank draft. Just go to <a href="http://www.agynbyte.com/">http://www.agynbyte.com/</a> and click on the "Owners" tab.

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# **REQUEST FOR METER MAINTENANCE**

Do you know where your water meter is? Do you know it is probably in need of some TLC? Per WRA's water rules and regulations, access to your meter "shall not be blocked or obstructed in any way by fences, trees, shrubs, yard waste, vehicles, etc. Members shall keep the area around meter boxes clear of trees, shrubs, weeds and debris to ensure that WRA meter readers can access the meter obtain an accurate reading. Fences on the member's property must have cutouts designed to allow access to WRA meters or other equipment.



Gates, with or without locks, are not permitted as a provision for reasonable access to WRA equipment. WRA agents may use any reasonable means at their discretion to protect themselves from injury while attempting to read meters or operate WRA equipment. WRA is not responsible for damage to any member's fence, structure or vehicle that is obstructing the utility easement while performing work on WRA equipment. Failure to provide clear access to WRA equipment may result in possible interruption of water service. Charges will be applied to the member's account if clearing of debris and vegetation is required."

Bottom line: please check your water meter and make sure it is accessible to the meter reader. Please also make sure your house number is visible to the street. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **FREE FIREWOOD**

There are tree rounds in the Greenbelt available for firewood (you haul). Please contact park@wildernessrim.org if you would like to collect some for your family.

# TREE AWARENESS AND PARK VOLUNTEER DAYS



As trees are removed due to old age and disease, the Park Committee makes every effort to replace them to maintain our woodland neighborhood. Did you know that you can help? Neighbors can volunteer for park clean-up days, tree walk assessments, and other volunteer events the first Saturday of each even-numbered month (same as billing cycle ③). Come meet at Cascade Park, 16913 424<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, 10am Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> if you would like to participate.

## **REMINDERS**

- The best way to stay informed with WRA is to make sure your current email address is on file with <a href="mailto:service@Agynbyte.com">service@Agynbyte.com</a>.
- Dogs must be always on a leash in common areas and King County roads.
- Verify that your home water system is leak-free. Many homes have hidden water leaks. Read your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read the same, there is a leak. Water conservation starts with you! You can find lots of tips at <a href="www.wildernessrim.org">www.wildernessrim.org</a> and search on "troubleshoot."

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