

# NEWSLETTER

RUSTLEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
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**Home Decorating Contest:** Again this year, the Rustlewood Association is offering prizes to the three top home Holiday displays. First prize is \$75.00, Second prize is \$50.00 and the Third prize is \$25.00 all paid in the form of gift cards. All households are eligible with the exception of board members. The prizes will be awarded after Christmas so get your displays up and visible soon. The judges will be looking for creativity and not necessarily the number of lights.

**Annual Dues Response:** Our letters to those homeowners regarding the lateness of the annual dues got excellent results and we appreciate your attention to bringing your dues up to date so that the Association won't have to go through the process of recording liens necessary to protect our interests. For those of you who haven't brought your dues up to date, we want you to know that we are most interested in working with you to establish some kind of payment plan. Please contact our Treasurer, Rod Tull at the Association address above.

**Crime Reports:** We are pleased that through diligence on the part of homeowners and involvement on the part of our Association President, Bill Walker, the crime incidents have decreased. However, there have been a couple of reports of theft recently. We encourage you to report all of these cases to 360-426-4441 (Sheriff non-emergency number) and also to the Board President, Bill Walker. It has been noted that when crime reports have been reported we see more visibility from the Sheriff's Department. If you see an ATV on the streets of Rustlewood, we believe this is a scout for the thieves from Anthony Road across from Rustlewood and these sightings should also be reported. Let's keep a watch out for each other.

**Leash Laws:** The Rustlewood Association has a leash law set up by a previous Board and it is enforced with a fine of \$250.00. If you have a pet that is found to be off-leash and running loose, it will be reported and followed up with a fine. Also, please be kind to your neighbors when you are walking your pet by using doggie bags and cleaning up after your dog.

**Water System:** Recently, the Board has found that in Rustlewood alone, the past due water and sewer fees have reached nearly \$40,000.00 which could ultimately affect each homeowner here. After January 1<sup>st</sup>. 2013 when the new County Commissioner takes office, our Board will meet both water and sewer department heads to see if we can help them in dealing with this serious situation. Note: If you have rental property here in Rustlewood and your renter pays the water and sewer, you should contact the County and make sure those bills are being paid or you might find a lien on your property.

**PUD 3 Work:** There will be some minor work by PUD 3 in Rustlewood near Madrona Parkway and Huckleberry soon with major work commencing next spring.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS