

NEWSLETTER

RUSTLEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
111 E. RUSTLE WAY
GRAPEVIEW, WASHINGTON 98546
June 23, 2012

Greetings Homeowners,

The Annual Rustlewood Association meeting on June 3, 2012 was well attended. However, it would be rewarding if all homeowners could be at the meetings to share in the community spirit as well as concerns that come before us.

You will note in the minutes of the meeting that are attached the financial position of the Association is fairly good despite the fact that over \$12,000.00 in past dues are uncollected. This situation puts a burden on those who are able to keep theirs up to date and could possibly result in having to increase the annual dues to make up the loses. The Board wants all to know that if there is a hardship in paying them annually that they are most willing to work out an easier payment program that could prevent the Association from having to file liens against the properties as a protection. If any homeowner has questions or needs assistance, please call a Board member or the Treasurer.

WHAT OUR ASSOCIATION FEES PAY FOR:

- *Cabana building, boat ramp and grounds maintenance
- *Cabana electrical, water, sewer and trash
- *Street lighting
- *Insurance
- *Tax services
- *Office supplies, stamps, labels, etc.
- *Repairs (upcoming roof replacement for Cabana)

NOTE: The Rustlewood Association fees are the lowest of all associations in our area in part due to good management and volunteer participation.

There were two positions on the Board to be filled. The Association members present and the proxies mailed in provided the quorum necessary to elect Randy Wood and Judy Slining. We appreciate their willingness to volunteer.

An important note is the leaving of Eileen Ocello from the Board. She has spent untold hours as our Vice President in her endeavor to bring required information up to date regarding all Homeowners, their mailing addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, and information regarding renters if applicable. Her enthusiasm and integrity goes unmatched and is greatly appreciated. She has a deep concern for the safety and welfare of our community and has worked hard toward those goals. Thank you, Eileen. You will be missed.

The issues regarding "brown water" are being investigated with Mason County. Part of the discussion is to see if there could be a regularly scheduled time for the flushing of the lines so that homeowners aren't caught off guard. Unless there is an emergency, it is desired that there be a notice given so homeowners can make arrangements to turn icemakers off, etc. If you have a specific complaint and want to register it with the county directly, call 360-490-0277.

A LITTLE REMINDER: It is important that we all feel at home here in Rustlewood and enjoy all the amenities that go with living in a great rural setting. However there have been a few complaints regarding excessive noise after the hours stated in our covenants, section 8, offensive activities, as well as being regulated by the Mason County noise ordinance. Please keep this in mind by being thoughtful and kind to your neighbors. You can go to our web site to view our Association By-Laws: www.rustlewood.org.

A BIG REMINDER: Celebrate the Fourth of July!

July 4th, Independence Day is a very important holiday and we hope all of you get an opportunity to celebrate and have a great time. In order to make it a safe and enjoyable one for all, please take note of some reminders for celebrating here in Rustlwood:

- Fireworks are only allowed on our beach at the Cabana
- Hours are from 9:00 AM to midnight on July 4th
- Control and protect your children
- Take care of pets as many are frightened by fireworks
- Light fireworks only in a safe distance from others
- Remember, under state law, firecrackers, skyrockets, bottle rockets are illegal to possess and discharge. Possession of illegal fireworks will result in loss of all fireworks and possible citation.

Last year there were some injuries and other conduct issues. Another association nearby has banned fireworks altogether because of unsafe practices. So that we don't have to do the same, please be careful and respectful and enjoy your 2012 July 4th celebration.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments. This is your Association and we have volunteered to help make this the best place to live and play. We would like to publish a Newsletter more often to keep you informed of activities available to you and other pertinent news items. Below are the names and access information of your Board of Directors. We appreciate your support and have enjoyed serving you.

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Respectively,
Rustlewood Association Board of Directors