

# NEWSLETTER

Rustlewood Homeowners Association  
111 E Rustle Way Grapeview Washington 98546  
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**2020 Annual Meeting** : Our annual meeting which was scheduled this year on Sunday June 7, has been postponed.

As you all are aware, the Covid-19 Virus has totally changed the way of life for us all and at this point it is the State of Washington's requirements that we not meet in groups. We will follow this guideline and situation closely and if in the near future these restrictions are released, we will consider a new date and you will be notified.

**Elections**: This year there are three Board positions up for election. It is the opinion of the Rustlewood Board to ask these three members to remain active until an election can be held and voted on by all members. If there are homeowners who would like to run for a position on the board or if you know of someone please submit your name or theirs to the board or come to the Annual meeting and submit your name at that time. All members in good standing (dues are current) are eligible to run for a board position.

**Annual Dues Time**: Reminder that our homeowners association dues are due July 1, 2020. Many members pay their dues at the annual meeting but since our meeting has been postponed and a new date TBD please mail your payments to: Rustlewood Homeowner's Association, 111 E Rustle Way, Grapeview, WA 98546. Our dues are still \$100 and a \$25.00 late fee will be applied if not paid before October 1, 2020.

**Cabana Closed**: Because of the current gathering restrictions and the need for social distancing, the Cabana has temporarily been closed for all activities. When the situation changes, a notice will be posted on our Reader Board at the entrance of Rustlewood.

**Fire Season**: We are entering the Fire Season for this year and all should be extremely aware of the dangers of fire easily spreading. It is vital that each of us keep our properties clean of any possible combustible materials which means that grass should be mowed regularly and yard cleanup should be a priority. Any burning should follow the guidelines and requirements of Mason County Fire Department. Please note that at "**no time**" should you burn household trash which can release toxic fumes. Burning of brush is permitted if you follow proper guidelines and if there is not a **BURN BAN**. Please be a good neighbor and maintain your property properly and safely.

## **United States Census 2020**

We have been contacted by a partnership specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau, and have been asked that we support and promote the 2020 census in our community.

Have you answered your census yet? Make sure you are counted and complete your census now if you have not done so.

Whether you received an invitation in the mail or someone left a package at your house, please answer the census now. If you have not received your invitation yet, don't worry – the Census Bureau will resume its field operations in June and someone will leave a census package at your home.

There are three easy ways to participate in the census:

1. Answer online at [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov)

2. Call toll-free to 844.330.2020 (English) or 844.468.2020 (Spanish). Call centers are open from 4 a.m. to 11 p.m.
3. Return a paper form via the mail (this option is only available if you received a paper form in the mail)

Remember, you do not need to use the 12-digit ID code that is included with the invitation; you can go online or call the toll-free number and answer the census without the ID number.

I challenge all of you to answer the census now! Let's get a 100% participation rate for our community!

You can find more information about the census at [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov).

**Letter from our Association President:**

*"I hope everyone is doing well in this time of the virus. I have not heard of any cases in Rustlewood and that is good. Keep up the good work. We can get through these trying times.*

*I would like to give a little reminder of our Covenants in reminding residents that riding ATV or unlicensed motor bikes is a violation of the Covenants and may earn you a notice of violation or a fine. Also remember only two dogs per household and keeping your dogs on a leash when on the streets of Rustlewood. If you have a dog or dogs that bark repeatedly, this is a nuisance to the community, and you will get a warning and or fine. So be a good and responsible neighbor and owner of your pets.*

*The Rustlewood Board will be meeting with the Mason County Water and Sewer Department about the survey that was taken last year on the condition of the quality of our water. This meeting will happen sometime in May and the results will go out in our next Newsletter or at our next Board meeting."*

Thanks,

William (Bill) Walker, President