NEWSLETTER

Rustlewood Homeowners Association
111 E Rustle Way Grapeview Washington 98546
May 15, 2022

<u>2022 Annual Meeting</u>: Our annual meeting is scheduled this year for Sunday June 5, at 1 PM. This is an important meeting for all Rustlewood Homeowners. It's a chance to meet other homeowners and hear news about your community. Hope to see you all there.

<u>Elections</u>: This year there are three Board positions up for election. 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, 2022. Many members pay their dues at the annual meeting but if you cannot attend or wish to pay at another time please mail your payments to: Rustlewood Homeowner's Association, 111 E Rustle Way, Grapeview, WA 98546. After a discussion at last years annual meeting we raised the dues to \$125 this year and as in previous years a \$25.00 late fee will be applied if not paid before October 1, 2022.

Neighborhood and Yard Maintenance: Please be mindful of how the upkeep of your property affects everyone who lives in Rustlewood. If you have grass mow it, if you have old appliances sitting outside make sure they are hauled away, if you have debris make sure it is removed. Last year we had volunteers that hauled away discarded tires and other junk from several areas of Rustlewood because of complaints. Please make sure your property is not one that is offensive to others.

<u>Fire Season:</u> I know we have had a lot of rain this year but 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 <u>"no time"</u> 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.

<u>Speed Limit for Rustlewood is 25 mph:</u> This continues to be an ongoing problem with drivers not observing the posted speed limit. We have many children that walk from the bus stop daily plus when the weather becomes nicer and when school is dismissed for the summer there will be more children playing outside. It sometimes only takes a split second for a child to run out in the street or for someone to be distracted while driving. Please protect our children and the many people that like to walk in our neighborhood.

<u>Cabana Usage</u>: The cabana was closed for a period because of COVID but is once again available for reserving. We are no longer asking for \$25 cleaning fee. We do ask that everyone who uses the cabana makes sure that cabana is left clean and all trash is taken home when you leave. Please be mindful that our association is exempt from paying taxes because we are a non-profit organization that is registered with the state of Washington. We have to file with the state every year to maintain our status so please make sure you are reserving the cabana for personal or family use and not for commercial or profit making purposes.