



SHADOW WOOD

Homeowners Association Newsletter

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Join the Board!

Our current Treasurer has been doing this for many years, and will plan on retiring soon. We are in need of someone who knows and understands how to use Quick Books, good attention to detail, familiar with all aspects of accounts payable, receivables and has their own computer to work on.

This person will take care of all of the accounts in Shadow Wood, including paperwork for home purchase, sales, liens, and foreclosure as needed. You do not need an MBA,, but a working knowledge of accounting is most helpful. If you are, or you know of anyone who would be interested, please let us know.

I would like to take this moment to remind everyone that our board members play a significant role in how the HOA is run. If there ever comes a day when we can not get the appropriate amount of board members, it can be turned over the court system who will appoint acting officers. And believe me, we do not want that to happen. These folks would likely be legal council and the annual dues would likely quadruple to pay them. Having a voluntary Board of Directors benefits us all!!

HOA Meeting August 8th.

August is a busy vacation month. Due to board members away on vacation, we will not be able to meet the quorum this month as required by our governing documents. This months meeting is cancelled.



All human actions have one or more of these seven causes: chance, nature, compulsions, habit, reason, passion, desire.

[-Aristotle](#)

Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.

[-Thomas A. Edison](#)

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Weed Control

Why eliminate those uninvited guests

Weed control is an important step in maintaining a healthy lawn and attractive yard. You cannot just close your eyes and wish them away. If you do not take the proper action, not only will they overtake your yard, but they will overtake your neighbors yard as well. Trust me, that will not help your relationship with your neighbors.

Weed control is as simple as identifying the different types plants you have in your yard and taking action to eliminate them. By definition, a weed is a plant that is considered undesirable, unattractive or troublesome. Weeds grow in places they are unwanted. They are plants that let you know when the weather, soil, light or other management programs are wrong. If left unchecked, they will start seeding, spreading and multiplying throughout your yard.

To keep out these pesky invaders, it is important to keep your lawn thick and healthy. Keep your grass blades a little longer. Eliminate any bald spots on your lawn. Finally, make sure you regularly water and fertilize your lawn. You will never completely eliminate all weeds from your yard. It is up to you to decide how many you can withstand.

Overlooking weed control in the rest of the yard is a big mistake. What starts out as a couple of weeds can quickly get out of control. One day you may come home and a sea of yellow flowers or a purple plant may begin creeping across yours and your neighbors lawn (not so pretty). With the proper care, you will not have to worry about your lawn being overtaken by uninvited guests. Your lawn will be thick and beautiful.

To avoid getting a notice from the ARC, you must keep weeds mowed down at all times if you have not eliminated them. Which may mean you will need to mow at least twice a week to be considered a 'properly maintained' lawn. It is the desire if Shadow Wood to maintain a lawn with turf grass. Due to this dry season, clover, dandelions, thistle, crabgrass, and other long grasses have taken over because they thrive in drought conditions. So please water your lawn several times a week. It's all part of maintaining the property values in our community!

Neighborhood Updates

Bike Path project has been started. The lights are in place after being backordered, and the concrete work will follow. Thanks to Ryan K. for seeing this project through.

Forest Landscape has confirmed they plan to begin concrete projects the first part of Aug.

Parking Congestion near 203rd and Rock Rd. continues to be a problem. Mark spoke with these neighbors, Who have agreed to moved cars further down.

Graffiti on Johnson has been removed by Frontier! Dianna J. deserves our thanks for bugging them until it was done!

Garage Sale Completed thanks to the efforts of Nicole B and a few volunteers making signs and getting balloons. We only spent \$7 for advertising online!

Logo

Thank you Nic, B for the logo used from the sign!

NEW ZIP CODE IS 97003-2276

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

11: HOA Meeting
27-28 ARC Walk-thru

OCTOBER

9: HOA Meeting

NOVEMBER

13: HOA Meeting

DECEMBER

06: Holiday Caroling
8: Fall Debris P/U
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11: HOA Meeting
13: Holiday Caroling

***HOA Meeting starts
at 7:30 PM at Aloha
Methodist Church.
Everyone is invited to
come.**

**If you have any ideas
for activities in our
neighborhood, please
feel free to share with
the Board.**



Fourth of July Fire

This holiday ended tragically for one family on 204th . After coming back home from an evening event ,they found a charred tree and a damaged vehicle. An illegal firework set off a fire to a pine bush by the driveway and a couple of tall pine trees. Unfortunately, a very expensive vehicle was in the driveway next to the blaze and took on a lot of financial damage. One family's fun was another family's financial burden. Shadow Wood does not condone the use of illegal fireworks and anyone caught using them can be turned over to the authorities. Please watch out for your neighbors,



Mailboxes and Wood Holders

Most of the mailboxes and their holders in the neighborhood are showing their age. This project is up to the homeowners to replace as they wear out. If you have three boxes on one holder, each homeowner is responsible for one third of the cost.

Please talk with your neighbors to discuss having them replaced or repaired before winter arrives. Keeping our mailboxes looking good is just one more thing that helps keep our neighborhood maintain its desirability.



Did you get a Notice from the ARC?

If you have received a notice about a violation regarding the CC&R's please do not ignore it. The due date put on the notice is usually set out to 14 days which is enough time for most issues to get corrected. However , if you have a larger project and need more time, please email moserdeni@gmail.com and we will work together. We need to know you either acknowledge the problem or you dispute it. Communication is the KEY!!

Architecture Review Committee

Standards

A previous board created a list of standards by which they, at the time, felt it necessary to use. The current board recognizes the need to have these guidelines and standards so that we may all keep our properties in the agreeable maintained condition. If you disagree with this list, feel free to contact us and we will discuss it. We continue to be encouraged by your input as we move forward with amendments to the CC&R's.

As stated before, we are working on amending the CC&R's to create a better understanding for us all and create a symbiotic relationship between governing documents and homeowners. Some of these standards may be inserted in the new CC&R's which is why your input is so important.

Please keep in mind, the Board of Directors volunteering members work for you. Their goal continues to strive for a happy, healthy, prosperous and thriving community we can all be proud of.

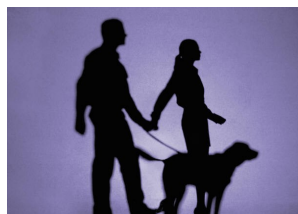


SLOW DOWN!



Speeding cars are a danger to pedestrians in the street.

Pick It up



We continue to have a problem with animal waste not getting picked up. There are bag dispensers nearby and nobody has an excuse for leaving it behind. Plus, it's the law!

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