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# SHADOW WOOD

Homeowners Association Newsletter

May 2014

## Spring Yard Debris Pickup

Monday, May 12th and Tuesday, May 13th

Please place your yard debris items in front of your own home at the curb. Do not mix yours with neighbors, as we have limits on each household.

For all yard debris such as leaves, grass clippings and small branches, use the brown paper bags (such as the Kraft Recyclable Bags) and leave them open at the top. Do not tie them up at the top. Please limit the number to no more than 15 bags per household. NO PLASTIC BAGS.

Branches and limbs should be cut to no more than 8 foot in length and piled no higher than 4 feet. It is okay to make more than one pile, but please keep it to a reasonable amount. Please stack branches so they all face the same direction, parallel to the street.

Keep bags and branches separated. The county may issue citations if the debris extends into the traffic lanes. Be mindful of your placement of these items to keep them from obstructing mailboxes, driveways and other walkways.

### NOTE:

The following items will **not** be picked up:

Rocks, garbage, pet waste, bricks, root-balls, stumps, building materials, dirt, and branches that are larger than 5 inches in diameter.

Anything not picked up, for whatever reason, is the homeowners responsibility to promptly remove from the street.

*"If the freedom of speech is taken away, then dumb and silent we may be taken away like sheep to a slaughter."*

*-George Washington*

*"Don't walk behind me, I may not lead. Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow. Just walk beside me and be my friend."*

*-Albert Camus*

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## Election Time is Near!

The Annual Homeowners Meeting will be on June 12th. The purpose of this meeting is to elect new board members. This year we also need to vote on a Special Assessment Fee. We would like all nominees to be given at, or before, the Pool Party on June 7th. However, we will accept nominees at the time of the meeting as well.

### How To

Add a nominee for Board Members: You can electronically fill out the form and email it to Mark Hamilton at marklhamilton@frontier.com. Fill out the form and send it to the SWHA, PO Box 6313, Aloha, OR 97007-6313. Or you can bring the form with you to the pool party.

Vote if I can not be at the meeting: Fill out the Proxy Form giving someone else the right to vote on your behalf. Please email or send your Proxy Form to the address listed above.

### Special Assessment Fee

This year the board may be asking the homeowners to approve a one time, special assessment fee. This fee should be under \$50.00 for the year for every homeowner. We need the additional funds to help cover the additional repair expenses to the HOA owned sidewalks, pool house, and pool equipment that have been completed, and future sidewalk and lighting repairs that we will incur to fix the 204<sup>th</sup> to 203<sup>rd</sup> walkway this year. In addition, we will within the next 18 months incur an additional expense of approximately \$22,000.00 to re-plaster the pool, replace the coping stones, tiles and main drain bringing the pool up to ANSI standards. At this point in time, we do not know the exact amount of the assessment, but we should know by the Board of Directors meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to attend this meeting if you have questions or concerns. If the Homeowners do not approve the assessment, the board may need to consider a pool usage fee for the year or some other options, such as delaying much needed repairs and maintenance.



Elections June 12th

## Annual Dues

Annual Dues are technically due by the 30<sup>th</sup> of May every year, however, we will be collecting annual dues as usual, at the pool party held on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

We will also be accepting ballots and forms at the Pool Party for those of you who cannot attend the annual homeowners meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>. The annual dues will increase by a formula set forth in Article XIV, Section 4 of the Shadow Wood Homeowners Association bylaws as they have for the last 4 years.

**FOR EVERYONE** who has concerns and questions regarding these fees, please come to the meeting on **MAY 8<sup>th</sup>**!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MAY

8: HOA Meeting

10: Logo Contest

12-13: Spring Debris  
Pickup

24: Pool Opening

### JUNE

7: Pool Party

12: Annual HOA &  
Board Elections

### JULY

10: HOA Meeting

12-13 Garage Sale

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



## *Logo Contest*

I have looked back at Newsletters over several years and one thing I've noticed is there is no distinct Logo for Shadow Wood. Free domain clip art gets used a lot, but nothing to call our own, like a family crest. A new logo would look fantastic at the top of this newsletter.

### What do I need to do

Simply think of a design that can represent our neighborhood. It should have our name or abbreviation letter (SWHOA, SHA) in it which are also the letters to our website. Be as creative as you like, but please note that while the email will be color, it will be printed in black and white, so it needs to have contrast and highlight. All entries need to be in by May 1, 2014 and the winner will be announced at the Pool Party June 7th. However, the winner will recognize their artwork when it is printed on the new POOL PARTY BANNER!! (pending board approval for the banner). Send your artwork in with your name, address and phone contact to [moserdeni@gmail.com](mailto:moserdeni@gmail.com) Denise Moser.

### Pool Party and Nominations

This year, two of our well known traditional events go hand-in-hand! The fabulous pool party will be held on June 7th. This is the perfect time to Bring in your nominations because our Annual Meeting will be held on the following Thursday, June 12th.

Our Board of Directors will be on hand to answer any questions you may have regarding the upcoming election. This amazing opportunity will provide everyone a chance to learn more about the process of our HOA, and allow us to introduce ourselves to each other.

Fill in the attached forms and bring them with you to the Pool Party! Expect Burgers and Hotdogs with a nice cold beverage. Feel free to bring along a potluck dish to add to the feast!



## Wood Fence by the Pool

Many of you have spoken up about the Board’s decision to remove the fence around the pool. We have heard you very clearly, and have elected to keep the fence! As you may be aware, this fence is in need of repair and does provide safety concerns. It has about 4 or 5 posts that are loose. As a part of the neighborhood repairs, this will be another item on the rather lengthy list.

## Graffiti—It makes our neighborhood look messy

There has been a mass breakout of graffiti in our neighborhood recently. If you notice a new tag, please call the Sheriff’s office to report it. Then promptly remove it from your property (You can be fined if not removed by WA Cty.). A majority of the tags are on utility boxes and street signs, but I am seeing it on fences now too. Thank you to Mike E. for cleaning up a lot of the tags in our common areas. We need to stay vigilant to get rid of these tags. If you witness a tagging in the process, call 911 and report a crime in progress. Ask your kids if they may know anyone responsible, as the suspects are most likely teenagers. Tagging on utility boxes and signs are actually considered a Federal Offense, while fences are a misdemeanor.

## Annual Garage Sale in July

It is time to start going through those closets and garages in preparation for July’s Multifamily Garage Sale. Our HOA will put out an advertisement in the Oregonian. We currently have it scheduled for Friday and Saturday July 11th and 12th.

## Contact Us

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