



SHADOW WOOD

Homeowners Association Newsletter

2014



FALL HAS FALLEN!



Along with Fall, naturally comes cooler weather and the rain will soon start. This is also a great time to begin all of the end-of-year maintenance that needs to be done to your property.

Fertilizing, moss prevention, and weatherizing your house for the winter months are all important. Unfortunately, some of our neighbors are unable to physically do this.

I tried to set up a Volunteer program last year, which didn't get much footing, so this year I would like input from you to find out what works. I know several people who watch out for their neighbors, but not all neighbors have this support. Please email the newsletter with any ideas you can think of. A great looking and well maintained neighborhood keep property values up!

-Your neighborhood thanks you



POOL IS CLOSED

The pool is closed for the season. The proposed **Puppy Pool Party** did not have a majority vote, so this event **was cancelled**. We look forward to a newly resurfaced pool next year!

The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails.

-John C. Ward

When it is obvious that the goals cannot be reached, don't adjust the goals, adjust the action steps.

-Confucius

The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short; but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark.

-Michelangelo

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Witches, Gouls, and Goblins



Halloween is almost here! Make sure that all trip hazards are removed and sidewalks are cleared and swept clean!



Halloween Activities

Do you have favorite activities for this creative holiday? Sauvie Island has "The Pumpkin Patch"

we're a lot more than pumpkins! June thru October visit our family farm, the fresh produce market, □the Patio Cafe, the Pumpkin Cottage Gift Shop and the fall corn maze on beautiful Sauvie Island.

Certified sustainable by The Food Alliance.

Produce Market ~ 9am-6pm daily.

Big Red Animal Barn ~ 9am-6pm daily.

Pumpkin Cottage Giftshop ~ 10am-6pm daily.

Patio Cafe & Pumpkin Perk ~ 10am-6pm daily.

Free Daily Hayrides ~

Monday - Friday ~ 12:00 - 5:45pm &

Saturday - Sunday ~ 10am - 5:45pm.

Corn Maze ~ Sunday-Thursday 10am - 6-pm Friday & Saturday 10am - 10pm.

Neighborhood Updates

Johnson Road: Sonnies has agreed to mow the area along Johnson Rd. each month as needed (between 203rd & 204th) Thanks, Mike E.

Poolside Maintenance:

There were a few rotted railroad ties along the fence by the pool which have been replaced by Sonnies as well.

SWHOA.US Email: The email system has been moved over from 1&1 to Google. There were a few glitches at first and am happy to say it is all going smoothly. Thanks, Nic

Graffiti: There has been no new tags that we are aware of. Hopefully be removing these swiftly, helped keep the taggers away.

Garbage Cans: There continue to be a few folks who leave their garbage containers out. It is preferred to keep these containers hidden from site.



UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

9: HOA Meeting

NOVEMBER

13: HOA Meeting

<u>DECEMBER</u>

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.

PLANNING EVENTS





Last year we did not have the hayride, and there were a few people who were disappointed. So with the help of our new website Poll, we are going to let you folks do the talking! We need to keep in mind the reason a special assessment was needed was to resurface the pool and we certainly do not want to use those funds.

It is my understanding, the reason the hayride was cancelled last year was due to poor turnout the year before. A hayride can cost several hundred dollars. To justify the cost for only a dozen people did not feel like a good move, at that time.

This year we would like to give people an opportunity to enjoy this event, while keeping costs to the Association low by asking if people would be willing to pay for the ride.

How Much? That would depend on you, and how many will join

When? Do you prefer November, or December?

GO TO OUR WEBSITE **WWW.SWHOA.US** and tell us what you prefer. Of course ,you can always email denise@swhoa.us. with suggestions.



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 be corrected. Don't have time right away? Get in contact with one of our members, 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

On behalf of the Board and ARC, we THANK YOU! The ARC did the inspection walk through as planned last Sunday. We were very happy with the results. There were only 20 notices that will go out next week. All in all, a successful inspection considering the previous ARC Chair told me she was doing double that a few years ago and several follow-ups that didn't comply.

Most of these include weeds, sidewalk encroachment, a few structural damage issues, and trees/bushes needing to be trimmed back. There are a few home we continue to have a compliance issue with, but for most folks it is the "I just haven't gotten to it yet" syndrome. We saw several of you out working as we walked by and enjoyed talking with you.

Sadly, I will be sending a notice to a couple board members. But not me! I had my sidewalk ground down and I know Curtis will let me know if its done right!

If any of you see Curtis walking, please go up to him and thank him. He walks this neighborhood every day and Shadow Wood really would not be the same with out him! We are lucky to have him on our committee. Diana Jensen has been invaluable as well. She helps a lot with inspections, proofreading and mailing notices, as well as calling for answers from the city and other services.

Would you like to join Shadow Wood ARC? Just email me for information.



Nov. 2nd is Daylight Savings

The clock are set forward (= losing one hour) in the spring when DST starts, and back one hour (= regaining one hour) when DST ends in the fall. To remember which way the clock goes, keep in mind <u>"spring forward, fall back"</u>.

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