

Hosted by the Activity Committee November 26th at 5:00 PM

In The Recreation Hall
Greentrees will provide ham, turkey, salad and bread.

Please bring a favorite
Thanksgiving dish or dessert.
Free to residents - guests are $\$ 3$ each (at the door) Sign-up in the Library


Janette Nash (lot 534) - 9/3/15
Jacque Slade (lot 551) - 4/8/40-9/25/15
Ruth Main (lot 182) - 3/16/27-10/8/15
Robert Fletcher (lot 20) - 12/4/29-10/10/15

## Welcome New Residents

George \& Lenora Weiss, lot 286
Judy Wilson \& Kenny Bartley, lot 642
Caron Lewis, lot 542
Ralph Wagnitz, lot 210
Ed Payton, lot 167
Lawrence Green, lot 431
Lioba Multer, lot 277
Bonnie Compton, lot 695
Michael Hardee, lot 41

Buddy \& Mac


Mac here, with a few observations about bears. Personally, I ignore them. I don't bark at them when they come into our yard, walk down the street, or hang out in a tree. I do bark at invisible stuff, or at humans and dogs I find scary, but that's just me being me.

Bears don't like barking, charging dogs so it's best if you have your dog on a leash and just turn around walking - not running - away from the bear. It's crazy to chase them, even when they are in your garbage which shouldn't actually be outside until Monday morning. All in all, we can live fairly peaceably with the critters here in the park. The two-legged ones often present more problems than the four legged ones. Humans - ya gotta love'em. I sure do.

Tip of the month: Remember that dogs and cats can't eat everything humans do. Thanksgiving can be a really dangerous time for pets. Check to see a list of "BAD" foods for your pets and always have a can of plain pumpkin handy in case we get a hold of something on that No-No list. If you want to give us a safe treat for the holidays, get something specially made for us. (just not stuff from China or those Greenies that can clog the colons of some pets. They made Buddy very sick for a while).

Have a safe and happy November.
Mac, the Bear Whisper

## The Greentrees Village Voice

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## Board Elections

Ballots are being mailed to Greentrees owners on October 30th for the 2016 Greentrees Village Board elections. The districts for which directors are being elected this year are $\# 1, \# 3, \# 5, \# 7$ and $\# 9$. We are pleased that there is someone running for each seat. They are: Fred Burns (District 1), Wayne Fisher (District 3), Peg Patton (District 5), Vicki Martin (District 7) and Bill Johnson (District 9).
Normally odd numbered district owners would be voting for a Board member and one Alternate, and even numbered district owners would be voting only for the Alternate. However, no one has stepped forward to run for the Alternate's position this year.
The Board has decided that the association is obligated to mail owners in even numbered districts a ballot, even through no candidate has announced for the Alternate position, because owners could still put a write-in candidate on the ballot.

You should receive your ballot in the mail the first week of November.

## Clubhouse Door Locks

New electronic locks have been installed on the Greentrees Village Clubhouse doors as a security measure to keep people out who don't belong in the Clubhouse. At the October board of directors meeting, the Board set the hours for the new locks, and on November 15th they will be activated.
The locks will automatically unlock at 6:30 AM and lock at 5:00 PM. Residents will need to use either a gate pass, a gate card, or one of the new key fobs to enter the building. At 10:00 PM the new locks will lock-down, and resident's cards, fobs and passes will not open the doors until the next morning.
The key fobs may be purchased from the GTV office and cost $\$ 6$. They will open the Clubhouse doors the same as a gate pass or gate card. The fobs may be kept on a key ring by residents who don't want to remove their gate pass or gate card from their car each time they use the Clubhouse after hours.

## November Food Drive

Greentrees Village is again participating in the food drive for the hungry in Florence this holiday season. Florence Food Share is looking for any canned foods or dry goods. Volunteers will be picking up your donations on Thursday, November 12th starting at 10:00 AM. Plastic Food Share bags will be distributed a few days earlier by our Maintenance Department. Please leave your donations in the plastic bag and place it near your front door.
The Greentrees volunteers will pick up the bags and take them to Florence Food Share for the holiday boxes that are prepared for the needy. Anything you can do to help will be deeply appreciated. If you are missed or want to make a cash donation, call Fred Burns at 541-997-1254. Let's make this the best year yet!

## Club Election

The Computer Club will be electing officers at their December business meeting on December 2nd. If you are interested in running for office or voting in the club election, please plan on attending at 11:10 AM in the Multi-Purpose Room.

## Upcoming Greentrees Events

Halloween Party: October 30th at 6 PM in the Recreation Hall. Potluck. Prizes for best costume, best couple costume, best face and best dish.
Veteran's Appreciation Lunch: November 7th at 12 PM in the Recreation Hall. Free spaghetti lunch for all Greentrees residents. All veterans and families are encouraged to bring and share military service pictures of themselves to post on our Honor Board for the luncheon. Call Faye Walters with any questions: 208-2509019.

Thanksgiving Dinner: November 26th at 5 PM in the Recreation Hall. A free Thanksgiving dinner to all Greentrees owners and residents.
Greentrees will provide ham, turkey, salad and bread. Bring a favorite dish or dessert. Free to residents, guests are $\$ 3$ each. Sign-up in the GTV Library.

From The President by George Lyddon


THE COST OF FREEDOM Freedom is not free. There are those throughout history that have enslaved people and nations that have fallen asleep. Complacency enslaves civilizations who refuse to pay the price. The cost can be high, the rewards great. Those who have paid the price so that others may remain free to complain and gripe are to be remembered this month with honor.
I have been asked to address the Veterans Lunch here at Greentrees on November 7th. I am honored. Please join us at lunch and hug a Veteran.
The other reason of course is Thanksgiving. We are free to be with family to stuff our face with turkey, mashed "taters", stuffing and pie. We live in a free country where we are able to ask the question: What shall we eat today? As opposed to: Are we going to eat today?
god bless america!

## The City Desk by George Lyddon

The city plans to start the final phase of repair on Rhody Drive from 9th Street to the 101 in July of 2016. At the same time, they will be putting in a larger water line and complete the walking path. The large pipes that you may see stacked around town are for upgrading the storm water runoff. The bridge work will be a long project, about two years. Rehabbing the bridge is tedious and time consuming. Don't forget that you can go on line and read the monthly City Newsletter. Stay tuned.

## The Computer Club by Pat Miller

We're moving into colder weather and more indoor activities. Join us in class. We've got a real good group, we share some laughs, we learn a little, and you don't have to bring anything but yourself.
The Computer Club November Schedule:
11/4 Dale DeRemer: PC Security - making your computer's internet and email security and passwords as good as they can be.
11/18 Jep Norwood.
In place of our December $2^{\text {rd }}$ class, we will hold a business meeting. Primary items of business are election of 2016 officers and approval of the 2016 budget. Elected positions are president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. Additionally, we need to fill the advertising coordinator volunteer position. Be thinking about how you can support the club.

## Wishing you all a Thanksgiving filled with many reasons to be thankful.

The Activity Committee by C. Fisher \& F. Walters
The Craft Fair was Saturday, October 10th. The weather was rainy and windy, so attendance was way down from last year. The hamburger, hot dog and bakery sales did well and we made money renting the tables, so all in all it was a success.
The next event the Activity Committee is sponsoring is the Veteran's Appreciation Lunch on November 7th at 12 noon. This is a free lunch for everyone in Greentrees, so please come. We're hoping to serve 100 lunches. We will be serving spaghetti, garlic bread, garden salad and cake and ice cream.
We still don't have a chairman for the Christmas Dinner. This is a free dinner to residents and is usually very well attended. There are notes from past dinners describing what was served, how much was bought and how many dinners were served. You would have a lot of help putting this on. If anyone would like to take on the chairmanship, please call Carol Fisher at 541-997-5719, or Fay Walters at 1-208-250-9019.

## Octoberfest in September by Peg Patton

Over 80 people gathered to celebrate Octoberfest at the September potluck. We had fabulous food, great beer and wonderful entertainment, thanks to Joan Long. There was polka music from the Greentrees 5, and dancing with the band Hot Club du Jour. It could not get any better! Plan on joining us next year.

## Toys for the Soroptimist Society by Peg Patton

Hard to believe, but it's that time of year again. The stores are starting to fill with Christmas toys. Some children in this town will have two months to look at toys they will not receive. Rent, food and clothes come first.
Each year the Soroptimist Society collects and distributes toys to families in Florence and Greentrees has helped collect toys for many years. So - the tree will be up in the Recreation Hall for Thanksgiving. Please bring an unwrapped toy and place it under our tree. In mid December, I will take them to the SOP distribution center. The toys need to be unwrapped so the elves can place them on the proper age-appropriate tables.

## Update Your Information

Does the Greentrees office have current information from you on file? Could they get hold of your family if there was an emergency? People move. Phone numbers change. Situations don't remain the same.
Stop into the GTV office and see if your Emergency Information Sheet needs updating.


