

HOA Annual Election - PLEASE VOTE

Owners should receive ballots in the mail late October. Be sure to return them by the deadline indicated in the mailer. Ballots that are not completed properly must be discarded. If you have questions or uncertain how to complete your ballot, stop by the Greentrees office. If you live in an odd-numbered district you are voting for your district representative and alternates. If you live in an even-numbered district you are only voting for alternates. Ballots are mailed to the address you have on record in the office. Voting is in November.



Residents attending a Board meeting

NOTICE:

Board and Alternate Candidates

If you gave your name to the office but did not fill out a candidate form, you need to go back to the office and do so.

In the November newsletter there will be an insert with nominee statements. If you would like to make a statement about your run, it needs to be submitted by noon on October 21. Electronic statements preferred delivered to the office on a USB (thumb) drive as a WORD document or emailed as text to activityGTV@gmail.com. If submitting a typed statement (handwritten not accepted), font size no larger than 12 point, single spaced on white paper with 1/2" margins. You may include a photo of yourself (headshot). Photos will be printed black and white. Maximum 250 words. Provide your full name as you want it to appear, lot and district number (not included in the 250 word count.) A statement is NOT required. It is your choice. A candidate statement introduces you and what you can do for the community. You decide what you want to say. Suggestions include: who you are, your background, why you qualify, views on community issues, experiences, accomplishments.



Last Call Nominations

If you wish to run for a board opening or alternate you must register at the office. **The deadline has been extended to October 21. The office closes 3 pm.**

COVID

Masks required in all indoor settings.

CANCELLED ACTIVITIES

Craft and Holiday Fair

TENTATIVE

Halloween Party requires lifting of restrictions by Oct. 12. Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners will proceed if mask and social distancing restrictions are lifted at least 10 days prior.

Flashing Lights When crossing Rhododendron Dr. between East and West sides, please use the crosswalk and press the button to flash the lights even if no cars are present. This will help remind people to slow down.



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HOA President's Message

This election season is upon us, and we have two elections scheduled. First a **bylaws election** that started on September 21st; and secondly, the annual **Board of Directors election** that starts on October 29th, to elect Board members from odd numbered districts (1 3 5 7 9) and Alternates At-Large from all districts. You should have received your ballot information on the Bylaw Election already.



The Board of Directors (Board) was made aware of conflicts regarding the number of Alternates elected and duration of their term in the Association's Bylaws, Article IV, District Representatives and Alternates. The Board appointed the Governing Documents Review Ad Hoc Committee (GDRC) to undertake the task of identifying the issues and to recommend proposed changes to the Board.

GDRC's recommended changes were presented to the Board. The Board approved those changes along with two additional changes requested by members of the Board. At GDRC's request, the Board also voted to submit the proposed changes to our attorney. Our attorney approved the proposed changes. The result is the proposed amendments you are being asked to vote on.

I would encourage you to vote for the proposed changes to the Bylaws. Please complete the ballot, place it in the privacy envelope, and then into the self-addressed return envelope. Please sign and put your lot number on the back of the self-addressed return envelope in order for your vote to be counted.

Return the envelope to Greentrees office in person or by mail. Please be aware that these ballot envelopes will not be opened for several weeks, so ... *please do not put your assessment check in with the ballot as the envelopes will not be opened immediately.*

Ron McCrary, HOA President

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In Memoriam

Lot 678 Janet Winds, Lot 678 passed away on 8/9/21
 Lot 104 Stanley Cluff, Lot 104 passed away on 9/7/21

In Memoriam

Patricia Anne (Thurston) Smith October 26, 1950 - August 25, 2021, passed away after a two-year cancer battle, her husband of 47+ yrs, Bruce Warren Smith by her side. Patty lived a fulfilling and interesting life serving the U.S. Army at Fort Ord and the Army Defense Language Institute. She worked with NASA's Space Shuttle program at Rocketdyne in CA and Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne at NASA John C. Stennis Space Center. Bruce moved to Idaho to be with family. We wish him good journeys.

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GERT NEWS

Greentrees Emergency Response Team

We must be prepared as individuals, for a major disaster. A major earthquake and tsunami could leave us without any outside help for weeks. Inserted in this newsletter is an emergency supply list from Lane County. It is designed to help you build an emergency supply over a 12-week period.

Oregon's Department of Consumer and Business Services encourages Oregonians to take stock of their insurance coverage. Their main points are:

1. The typical homeowner and renters insurance policy does not cover earthquakes or floods. Special coverage can be purchased, but do not wait until the last minute. Flood insurance must be purchased 30 days before coverage starts.
2. Earthquake insurance does not cover a loss caused by landslides erosion, tsunami, or volcanic eruption, even if an earthquake causes them to happen. Coastal residents can get flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program that will protect against a tsunami. Visit www.floodsmart.gov. Landslide and erosion coverage are available through specialty programs.
3. Sewer and drain backup can flood your home and is a common cause of loss often excluded on homeowner insurance policies. Many companies offer optional coverage for sewer/drain backup with a special limit, usually \$5,000 to \$20,000, for a small additional premium. Consider this option and make a conscious choice before you suffer a loss. Even if you are a renter and the owner insures the damage to the building, that coverage will not extend to your personal property.

It Takes a Community

COVID vaccine is available in Florence. For locations go to <https://getvaccinated.oregon.gov> Currently the following are listed: Bi-Mart, Fred Meyer, Florence Pharmacy, Rite Aid, Safeway. Check to see if appointment is required.

Little Food Pantry is a service provided by the Eugene non-profit Burrito Brigade. They address food insecurity at a local level. Their motto, "Take what you need. Give what you can." Neighbors helping neighbors. A pantry will be installed in Greentrees at the end of September, stocked by residents and Florence Lions Club. It will be at #318, near the park bench, Eastside, left on 1st St. Items that could attract bears will be removed near dusk each evening and returned each morning. Please leave non-canned items before dusk. Items can be taken at any time and canned items can be left anytime. For information or questions call project coordinator Patty Harrison, 541-461-2639.



From the General Manager's Office

Bob Fiscus is currently acting general manager.

HOA DUES

The monthly dues you pay has two parts. Operating expenses run the day-to-day operations - everything from the TV service in your home to the pools. The Reserves, which are required by state law, are used to pay for major repairs such as infrastructure.

The board announced a \$4 dues increase for 2022. Although inflation is currently more than 5%, only \$2 (about a 1% increase) is for operating costs. The other \$2 goes to the Reserves. If you have attended board meetings or read minutes you know that our reserves are underfunded.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Circled districts will be up for election

LOTS	DISTRICT	REPRESENTATIVE
1-63	1	Tom Benson
64-126	2	Nick Woodworth
127-189	3	Michele Smith
190-252	4	Bill Johnson
253-317	5	Charles Lugg, Secretary
318-319, 402-450, 501-512	6	Carolyn James
513-574	7	Bruce Littlepage
575-637	8	Pat Miller, Treasurer
638-700	9	Ron McCrary, President

It Takes a Village

Our 2021 Annual Report indicates 833 people live in Greentrees. That represents 833 differing opinions and circumstances. In a community of this size, even without a pandemic, we need to remember some residents may be dealing with difficult issues. In a world that has become increasingly complicated, there is something we can do to help. We need to care about each other in this village. This is a community of seniors, many of whom have retired in hopes of a less stressful lifestyle. As imperfect humans, when things become difficult let's remember why we settled here. We recently lost a much-loved member of our community, Patty Smith. When her husband Bruce moved away, he left us with some emotional words on Facebook. It says everything we need to remember: "Living here was a pleasure for both of us. Be kind. Be neighborly. Smile. That was her wish..." *Mark Tilchen*

THIS & THAT

Welcome New Residents:

- Lot 647 Dondi & Joy Plummer from Bandon, OR
- Lot 115 Robert & Naoma Harlow from Florence, OR
- Lot 88 Robert & Dianne Hutton from Roseburg, OR
- Lot 258 Karen Lundstrom
- Lot 426 Chris & Rebeka Mayfield, Warrenton, OR
- Lot 182 Christopher McDonald from Florence, OR
- Lot 291 Elizabeth Readell from Florence, OR
- Lot 112 Linda Smith from Forest Ranch, CA

Recycling : Have you been collecting cans and bottles since the pandemic and no longer want to deal with turning them in? The Activity Committee will take them, all proceeds go to future Activities. **Only** those with an Oregon redemption value are accepted. If you have at least a trash bag full Mark Tilchen, Activity Chair, will pick them up. Contact Mark at 559-786-6576.

Memoriam: Tributes to Greentrees residents, when requested by spouse or family, may be posted in the newsletter as space allows.

Activity Chair Reflections

Activity Committee members enjoy planning and participating in events. The last couple of years have been difficult in that regard. Big thanks to co-chairs, Jeff Myers & Kristi Tilchen; and Toni Glover, Bruce Cronk, Linda Payton, for continuing to meet.
Mark Tilchen

Flea Market Thanks

Thank you to all who have generously donated items for the flea market. Sadly cancelled the past 2 years, but we still have those items, hoping for next year. Items are for sale in the Clubhouse display cases and they will change so check back often. Thanks for supporting Greentrees activities - someday a big party will happen. Until then, be safe. We continue to accept small donations. No furniture or linens. No clothing but jackets and coats are ok.
Toni Glover, flea market coordinator (541)999-5102

Yard Sale Feedback

If you participated in the September yard sale, your feedback would be helpful in setting dates for next year. A few people already commented on Facebook. Please email other feedback to activityGTV@gmail.com

Newsletter Availability

The monthly newsletter is available inside the clubhouse library, and at the bus station outside the office, on the Greentrees website (greentreesvillage.com), and by mail (\$10/yr.)

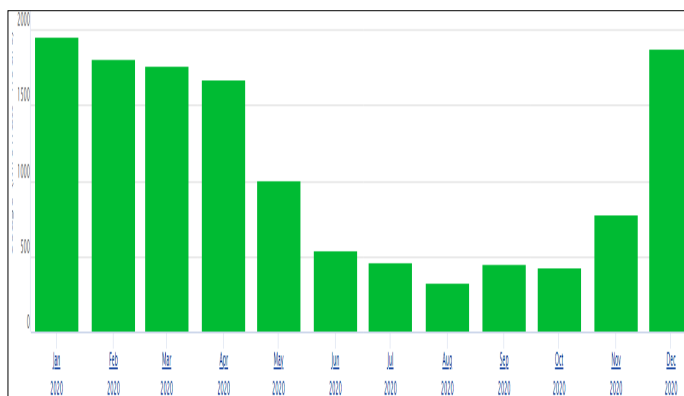
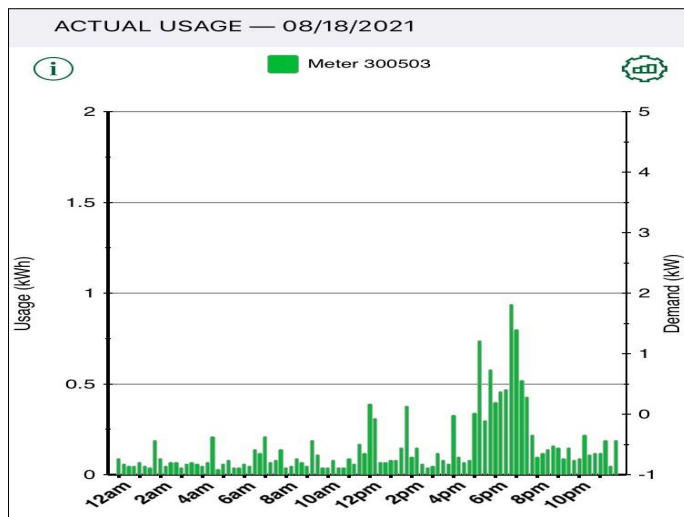
Money Savings Tip

Winter means higher heating bills. A first step to cut costs is understanding where you are spending money. Our electric company, Central Lincoln PUD, estimates the average home cost as -
For every \$1 spent on home energy:

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- ⇒ 35¢ water heating
- ⇒ 10¢ refrigerator/freezer
- ⇒ 10¢ lighting, cooking, entertainment, other

For tips, <https://clpud.org> and click on the **ENERGY EFFICIENCY** tab and **SIMPLE WAYS TO SAVE**.

From the website you can register for online access and monitor your usage by month, day, or hour on your computer or smart phone including charts such as these. For example, the top chart shows a day in August. The evening spike was cooking dinner. The second chart is one year. Note winter increase.



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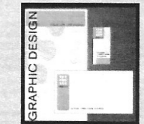
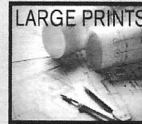
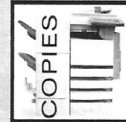
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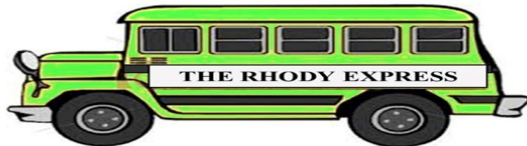
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3	<p>4 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>5 Property Comm. 10:00 am</p>	<p>6 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>7 Finance Comm. 10:00 am ACC Comm. 1:00 pm</p>	<p>8 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>9 Bocce Ball 11:15 am</p>
<p>10 String Instrument Class 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm (Rec. Hall).</p> 	<p>11 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Activities Comm. 1:00 pm</p>	<p>12 BOD Meeting 1:00 PM</p> 	<p>13 POOL CLOSED Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>16 Bocce Ball 11:15 am</p>
17	<p>18 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	19	<p>20 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	21	<p>22 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>23 Bocce Ball 11:15 am</p>
24	<p>25 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	26	<p>27 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Tai Chi 9:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>	<p>28 Book Club 2:00 pm</p> 	<p>29 Pickle Ball 8:00 am Exercise Class 10:00 am</p>  <p>Halloween Party 4:30 pm—VERY tentative</p>	<p>30 Bocce Ball 11:15 am</p>
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