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# VILLAGE VOICE

2015

Greentrees Village, Inc.

A Fifty-Five and Older Community

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### **Around The Village**

### 2015 Property Work

During the month of January, the Greentrees Maintenance Department painted the Clubhouse Library and Conference Room. In early February new carpet will be installed in those rooms.

The Association has installed eight new electrical lines on 1st Street South and 2nd Street South. This was the final phase of a \$120,000 five-year project to replace all forty electrical crossings in Greentrees Village East. The line replacement was required by Lincoln Public Utility District because the lines which ran between the transformers and the owners' meters were undersized and did not meet present electrical code.

The Association has begun replacing the water services to lots 295-300, 304-316, 402-407, 431-437, 449 and lot 450. This is in keeping with the eleven year plan to replace all the water services in Greentrees Village. Those owners directly affected will receive letters with more details on the project.

Additional reserve expenditures in 2015 include placement of speed humps on 3rd Street North and 3rd Street South, a heat pump for the Clubhouse whirlpool tub, renovation of the sauna, and the annual road sealing, which will be done this summer.

## Can You Help a Neighbor After a Major Disaster?

By Ken Stone

Following a major disaster such as an earthquake, tsunami, or high wind storm, a number of homes in Greentrees may be damaged such that they are not habitable. The residents of these homes would have to seek temporary shelter elsewhere, along with countless others throughout the region.

Their choices will be few; come to the clubhouse or go to other local shelters. None of us would like to have to live in such crowded places, even for a few days. We would like to be able to offer short-term housing to these individuals in Greentrees at homes that survive the disaster.

There is a short form included in this newsletter that



**2015 Greentrees water line replacement work begins.** The water service work this year will be on First Street North and Greentrees North.

gives you the opportunity to register your home as an emergency shelter for neighbors in need. This registry simply gives us a list of people to call on for assistance during emergencies, and is not a binding commitment, since personal situations can change over time.

I wish to stress that this assistance is to be considered temporary while the displaced individuals seek other housing through city and private organizations (example: the Red Cross).

### **Tax Assessors On Property**

The Association office has been informed that representatives of the Lane County Tax Assessors office will be visiting Greentrees the first and second weeks of February. The inspectors will carry credentials and ID. They will be inspecting various homes to see if they conform with what is in the tax records.

### **Activity Committee Meeting**

There will be a meeting of the Activity Committee on Wednesday, February 4th at 1:00 PM in the Clubhouse Coffee Room.

If you are interested in helping with a Greentrees function, or have an idea for an association activity, please come to the meeting and let us know about it.

### From the President by George Lyddon



As we move into 2015 we look forward to another great year in Greentrees Village. I have enjoyed working with the BOD and Greentrees staff to accomplished our goals. With the invaluable help from the various committees and their volunteers 2015 will produce yet more completed goals making Greentrees "The Place To

Live In Florence." Thank you for your support.

### The Computer Club by Pat Miller

Sometimes we need to know just which Kindle Fire we have, for instance, in buying accessories. Here's the place to find out:

http://www.lovemyfire.com/kindle-fire-tablet.html

First on this page you will find a list of the different Fire versions. Then scroll down just a ways and there will be an infographic with more clues. There is more explanation below the infographic, but to be able to read it, you'll need to click on the graphic to enlarge it to reading size.

Love My Fire is a terrific site for Kindle Fire information. Here is the home page link:

http://www.lovemyfire.com/

February schedule:

2/4 Class

2/18 Jep Norwood

Happy Valentine's Day - don't eat too many chocolates

### **Coffee Room Computers**

The Association offers two computers for our residents to use in the Clubhouse Coffee Room. They are very popular and heavily used. It is becoming increasing difficult to keep malware, viruses and sexually explicit material off of these shared computers. We have posted new rules for the use of these machines which will allow us to continue to offer them for the residents' use:

- 1) 30 MINUTE LIMIT. PLEASE BE COURTEOUS TO OTHERS.
- 2) NO SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL!
- 3) NO FOOD OR DRINK WHILE USING THE COMPUTER.
- 4) PLEASE LOG OUT AND CLEAR THE SCREEN WHEN DONE.
- 5) DO NOT MAKE CHANGES TO THE DESKTOP SETUP.
- 6) ALWAYS STORE YOUR FAVORITES IN A PERSONAL FOLDER.
- 7) ALWAYS USE THE MOUSE PAD.

Your cooperation in following the rules is appreciated.

### The Activity Committee by Carol Fisher

There was a great turnout for the Christmas dinner hosted by Mike and Ella Grenfell. Everyone loved the lasagna and had such a good time. The Greentrees Five played Christmas Music. The three drawings for Greentrees dues went off without a hitch. A great big thanks to everyone who stepped up to help.

The Activity Committee met Thursday, January 8th, at 11 AM in the Coffee Room to plan events for the 2015 year. There were 14 in attendance. Thank you all who came. In order to pay for the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, and the July 4th free hot dog lunch, the Activity Committee must earn money by putting on dinners and raffles throughout the year. We would like anyone interested in chairing an event to please call Carol Fisher 541-997-5719 or Faye Walters 541-902-3091. Wayne and Carol would be willing to guide you through the process of putting on a dinner. Here is the schedule we have so far:

**Coffee Social:** held the 1st Tuesday of the month. Faye Walters, Chair.

February Potluck: Dolores Morgan.

**St. Patrick's Day:** (March 17th), corn beef and cabbage dinner. Jeff Myers and Cheryl Divoll, Chairs.

Art and Artisan Show: April (no date chosen yet) Norma Burkett, Chair.

**Mother's Day Breakfast:** (May 10th). Fred and Sharon Burns, Chairs.

Garden Tour: (June 20th). Faye Walters, Chair.

Hot Dog Lunch\*\* (July 4th). No Chair yet.

Flea Market\*\* (July 18th). No Chair yet.

Hawaiian Luau: (August 9th). Carol Fisher, Chair.

Oktoberfest Potluck: (Sept.). Peg Patton, Chair.

Craft Fair: (October 10th). Carol Fisher, Chair.

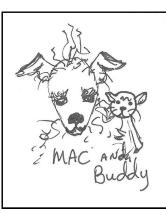
Halloween Party & Potluck: (October 30th), Bill Johnson, Chair.

**Thanksgiving Dinner:** (November 26th), Larry Elliot, Chair.

**Christmas Dinner\*\***, December 25th. No Chairman yet.

\*\*A chairman is needed for this event.

The next Activity Committee meeting will be February 4th at 1:00 PM in the Coffee Room.



### Mac and Buddy

Hello, we are Mac and Buddy. We're going to write monthly news from a four legged point of view.

First let's welcome all the new furry friends that have moved into our community. There are a lot of new smells, and since I'm a hunting dog and Buddy is a

very curious cat, we are really happy about that! Remember to remind your parents to pick up the dog pooh, and any cigarette butts. Both are bad to leave on the ground.

A word of caution about your new home; there are all sorts of critters sharing our area. Cat parents who let their cats outside should realize that your cat could be killed by the wild critters that often roam this place. Be careful about putting food outside too!

Buddy and I thought we might have a pet of the month photo - What do you think? And a really good tip of the month too. Do you have a great pet tip?

Here's our first tip: Always have a can of plain pumpkin in the pantry. It can help with severe stomach problems in your pet.

Again, welcome to Greentrees and stay safe.

# Welcome New Residents

Al & Sherry Hancock - lot 43

**Douglas Evers** - lot 63

Jill Andrews - 297

Tomas Fausone & Sarah Bower - lot 95

Kurtis Kazada & Colleen McKnight - lot 439

Eric & Toni Robbins - lot 306

**Delores Dobrec** - lot 32

James & Karen Winters - 115

### In Memoriam



Mary Mabius - lot 193 6/1/23 - 11/17/14 Doris Hale - lot 250 2/7/31 - 1/4/15



**Mitchell Harvey** - lot 598 8/29/35 - Jan 2015



# **Greentrees Bingo**

Every Saturday Night at 7:00 PM Door Prizes, Good Snacks, and Good Company. In the Recreation Hall

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SWIMMING POOL SCHEDULE:
Water Aerobics
M-F at 8:00am