

Bush Prairie News

July 2016

Our mission, as the Bush Prairie Homeowners Association, is to enhance the value and desirability of all real property within the association and promote the health, safety and welfare of our residents, while fostering a friendly and neighborly community.

Board Members

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Chris Meyers 515-0168

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Bill Moneer 870-9745

Patti Brumbaugh 688-7222

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BUSH PRAIRIE ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Mark your calendars for July 29-30 (Friday-Saturday) from 9am-4pm. We have been working with our neighboring homeowners associations for this year's sale. We have confirmation that five neighborhoods will join forces to market and make this year's sale a great one! We are partnering with Deschutes Ridge, Park Ridge, Bridlewood and Sterling Crossing. Our neighbor, Debbie Hoxit, has graciously taken on the job of coordinator for Bush Prairie. If you plan to participate let Debbie know at Debbie.hoxit@yahoo.com.



BUSH PRAIRIE COMMUNITY EVENT

The summer picnic is back! There are no details at this time as planning has just begun. Keep a look out for more details. The summer picnic has been a tradition for more than 20 years and we look forward to this event. Many of our long



standing events have seen lower turnouts so we would like your feedback to make these events successful. What events should we have in the future? What events should we continue? What are some new events you would like to see in our neighborhood? Facebook has been a great forum for ideas and community discussions. Please post your ideas on Facebook and we look future posts about events, planning meetings, and discussions about new events. Thank you for those that have contributed to this year's and past year's events. Without volunteers these events wouldn't happen. We all look

forward to seeing you at this summer's picnic!

BPHA BOARD HAPPENINGS

The board has had two members resign since last December. Karina Murphy-Daniels resigned. Bill Moneer has stepped up to complete her term, Thank You, Bill! Paul Edwards also resigned, and his position remains vacant. The board is seeking a volunteer to fill his position. There were two months when there wasn't a quorum to conduct a meeting and last month the quorum was two board members present and one proxy. So if you want to get involved with keeping Bush Prairie a wonderful neighborhood to call home, contact President Chris Meyers at 515-0168 and volunteer for the board. Being a board member is a great way to know what's happening in Bush Prairie.

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BPHA WEBSITE

Webmaster Dave Fillippone has been working on redesign of the BPHA website this year using a Wordpress platform. If you search for the website currently you will find www.bushprairie.com and www.bushprairie.wordpress.com. The updated website is the Wordpress one. Eventually Dave will make these two sites be just one again. The website will be more accessible and compatible with computers, tablets and smart phones.

COVENANTS

Parking & Storing Vehicles - (Article VI, Section 9) A reminder that boats, RVs, and trailers need to be parked so they are screened from public view except for **clearly temporary parking**. These need to be parked on driveways or hardstand, not lawns.

Political Signs - (Article VI, Section 3) Political campaign signs are permitted, but must be removed within seven (7) days after an election.

Open Fires - (Article VI, Section 14) No open fire will be permitted on any lot except for barbecue facilities.

Appearance - (Article 6 Section 15) A reminder that owners and residents are responsible to maintain their lots to the degree of appearance as set forth by the ACC. So if your lawn is growing high and weeds are getting tall, your yard is needing maintenance.

Putting up a fence? Adding a shed?

Remember, **FIRST**, get approval FROM the Architectural Control Committee. Contact Patti Brumbaugh, ACC Chair, at 360-688-7222 for information and help. You can check the BPHA website to download a printable approval form.

SUMMER HEALTH & SAFETY TIPS

1. Stay out of storm retention pond areas! Especially remind your children they are not play areas. They are fenced for safety reasons.
2. Stay hydrated, especially on hot days!
3. Drive the speed limit, 25 MPH. There are many walkers and children playing near the streets.
4. Dog walkers, pickup after your pets. We supply dog poop bags but no crew to pick up used bags so you must take them with you.

