

Bush Prairie Home Owners Association

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Bush Prairie News

July 1, 2008

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.

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Newsletter

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COVENANTS APPROVED

The amended covenants for Bush Prairie were approved by 82% (75% was required) or 190 of the 230 homeowners. The Board voted to certify the approval and it was signed by the President on May 1, 2008. The documents have been filed with Thurston County and will now remain in perpetuity unless changed by a majority vote. Thanks to everyone who carried this project along since 2005, especially Fred Schaefer, Terry Kirkpatrick and committee members, to a successful outcome!!!

BUSH PRAIRIE PICNIC

The Recreation Committee is making plans for the picnic on Saturday, August 23, 2008. This year's theme is "Things Chinese". We thought this appropriate since the Summer Olympics will be in Beijing around the time of our picnic. Some of the games that are always a hit plus a few new ones are planned. The Tumblin Bus will be coming! So we hope you will save the date on your calendar and we see you all there. More details to be out later.

MONTHLY CALENDAR NOW ON WEBSITE

There is now a monthly calendar on our website. We will post association events and important dates on it. You will also find recycling dates posted. If anyone has event dates important to neighbors to be posted please contact the webmaster.

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CHANGE OF DUE DATES FOR HOMEOWNERS' ASSN. DUES

The Board voted to change the due dates for association dues collection to Feb 1st and August 1st each year. This means dues notices would be sent out around Jan 1st and Jul 1st. Income would be collected in the year it is budgeted which simplifies record keeping for the treasurer. This change will begin with the dues notice you just received. This change also coordinates better with issue of the newsletter and sending both together helps with postage costs.

VANDALISM

The recent vandalism of the picnic tables in The Bowl raises the need for everyone to always be alert for these acts. The benches were pulled off and until repaired are a safety hazard because of protruding nails. This is the second year the tables have been damaged. The doggie bag dispensers have been shot full of holes, too. These acts deprive the entire neighborhood of resources. If you see vandalism happening get details and descriptions and call the sheriff. Notify the BPHOA Board.

BUSH PRAIRIE SURVEY

You may have noticed included with this mailing is a survey in which we are asking for neighborhood input on some ideas. We hope you will take the time to complete it and return it with your dues payment.

SPRING WORK PARTY

The work party on March 29th was a marvelous success!! There was a total of about 15-20 neighbors who came to cleanup the storm detention pond and clear the Forest Walk Trail off of Arena Court. Hundreds of wheelbarrow loads of bark were hauled to lay on the trail which now is a great loop trail. If you haven't taken a walk on it before, you need to check it out. What an asset for our neighborhood! Special thanks to Shawn Deskins, our work leader. Thanks to all of you who came out to help. Your efforts and sense of community are **greatly appreciated!!**