

Bush Prairie News

July 2013

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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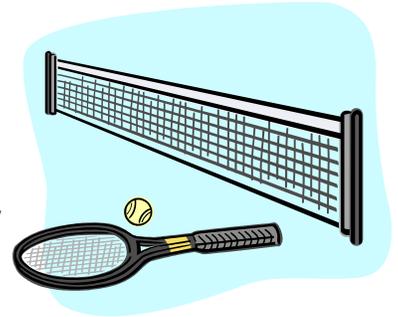
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Tennis Court Resurfacing

For those who haven't heard yet, this year the BP Board decided to use the newly formed Capital Reserve Fund to repair and resurface our tennis court in the Bowl.

The tennis court has been pressure washed, drainage ditch has been dug, drain pipe has been installed and gravel is on site. The resurfacing has begun with breaking up the asphalt in the areas that have been affected by roots. Once the resurfacing is completed (appx 30 days) we will have a crack free, resurfaced, new-looking tennis court. There is a curing period and we hope for the court to be ready for use by late August. Stay tuned!



Mailboxes Need Cleaning

We encourage each homeowner to check the back of their cluster mailbox. We've noticed that many of the backsides are starting to grow green. Please take 5-10 minutes to spruce it up! We want to keep these wonderful assets in good repair and looking well.

Message from Landscape Committee Chair

Work party crew (don't think it was much of a party): Thanks to all who stepped up and gave a few hours of their time and muscle to help make our neighborhood better by getting rid of the scotch broom and cleaning out our storm water ponds of the self-germinating trees. That saved us hundreds of dollars and helped keep our HOA dues down. Again thank you to the neighbors who helped out. On a side note, I lost a couple pounds; if anyone finds them they can keep 'em.

As a safety note: A reminder to ensure no one is going into the storm water ponds for any reason. They are unlocked for the landscaping mowing crew to get in there and perform maintenance as needed during the summer months. They will be secured this fall, when the mowing stops and the rain doesn't.

Notice of Cancellation of Annual Picnic

Bush Prairie will not be hosting our annual summer picnic this year. We have not had a homeowner step forward to head up the Picnic Committee. Thanks to all those who have made this such a successful and fun event in the past. We will miss it this year and hope that a homeowner will feel inspired to help bring us together for a picnic next year. If you are interested in getting involved contact any board member.

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Garage Sale Report

Thank you to Wendy Burbidge who organized our annual garage sale this year. It was a wonderful success. We had 13+ homeowners participating. Wendy has volunteered to organize our community garage sale again for next June so mark your calendars for the 1st weekend in June 2014! And next year we hope to have the Goodwill truck drive through at the end of the day to pick up everything that didn't sell.

Egg Hunt Committee Member Needed

This year's annual egg hunt was a wonderful experience. The recreation committee is currently seeking a member of the community to chair the Bush Prairie Annual Egg Hunt for 2014. Please contact any board member if you are interested in serving in this position.

Compliance Survey

Starting after the 4th of July holiday, the Board will be surveying the neighborhood for properties that are out of compliance with Bush Prairie covenants and architectural standards (please refer to the BPHA website to review these). Keeping our properties in compliance maintains the value and beauty of all of our homes in the neighborhood. It is the responsibility of each homeowner to know and comply with the standards.

Vacancies to Fill on BP Board at Annual Meeting in November

At the Annual Meeting in November there will be three vacant spots on the BP Board. If you are interested in running for a position please contact any board member and join the board for one of the regularly scheduled meetings. The next board meeting is July 25 at 7:30pm at 2024 Arena Ct. SE. Serving on the board is a two year commitment and a wonderful opportunity to get to know some of the great people in our neighborhood.

PSE energy assessment.

Puget Sound Energy is now offering Home Energy Assessments at no cost. The assessment is an overview of your home to provide a better understanding of your home's basic energy consumption. This written assessment includes useful and cost-effective ways to improve your home's comfort and efficiency, including a review of your home's insulation levels, doors and windows, heating and cooling system, major appliances, lighting, and more. The assessment also includes replacement of up to 50 light bulbs and two showerheads at no cost. The assessment report will include energy-saving recommendations, information on: energy-efficient product rebates and other helpful energy efficiency tips. For more information or to schedule an assessment you can contact Energy Efficiency First at: 360.236.9684 or qualityrcss.com.

Mark your calendars for BPHA 2013 Events

Summer Picnic - **Cancelled**

Annual Homeowner's Meeting - November 17th

