

# CAPITOL CITY GOLF CLUB ESTATES





**NEWSLETTER** 

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# Announcing....

dressed and the methods explained.

# Neighborhood Watch & Helping Hands Meeting March 18, 7:00pm to 8:30pm Chambers Prairie Elementary School Library

This will be a "hands on" working session. After spending much time on the logistics of both of these committees, we realized that their requirements fit "hand-in-glove" with each other. So the details of both committees will be ad-

If you're interested in either the Neighborhood Watch or Helping Hands you'll want to be there.

**Bob Moore**, Neighborhood Watch Chairman, will divide the community into sections (blocks) built around the mailboxes in each neighborhood. He will explain how it works and how each of you can be involved if you wish. **There will be no patrolling.** 

This is really timely as we've had several reports of strange people and strange behavior both in the middle of the day and middle of the night. It's time we took control of our well being and safety.







**Joanna Aldridge,** Helping Hands Chairman, will address those specials needs and hand out working packets to all attendees. There are so many in need...physical, financial, emotional...we can't pretend it isn't a problem. Also we simply can't correct all the problems but we can help in so many ways to direct and support those in need so they can receive the assistance they deserve. Hope all of you that volunteered will attend and that others will jump on board too. We need your help.

# **Spring's the Time To Spruce Up Your Property**

With home buyers cruising the neighborhoods and golfers out full force, now's the time to touch up the paint, pull out those weeds, haul away the clutter and generally get our community in the condition we want to display to the world. It's a beautiful community. Let's all help keep it that way.

# Please Email Me

Part of our ongoing responsibilities are maintaining a master list of all residents and having the ability to communicate with everyone at a moments notice. Among other reasons, this is important to our Neighborhood Watch efforts.

To this end, we really need everyone's phone number and email address. Right now we only have about a third of the homeowners.

I would appreciate it so much if you could email me at **katiemcdaniel5@comcast.net** with your name, lot number, address, home/cell phones and email address. This info won't be shared with anyone outside the HOA board.

From time to time, things come up that we'd really like to communicate quickly with all of you but can really only do so in the quarterly newsletter or on our web site (which needs to be checked more often). Thanks for your help!!!

# Words of Wisdom

Politicians should serve only two terms,
One in Office,
One in Prison,
Like Chicago, Detroit, and New Orleans Do!
Contributed by Cheryl Greenfield

# By Law Amendment Passes

On Sunday, January 19, at the Special Election Meeting, votes were tallied for ballots of those present at the meeting and for proxies. They totaled 69 votes. This easily reached a quorum of members. Of the 69 votes, 64 voted **for** the amendment. 5 voted **again**st the amendment.

This is great news for the association as it provides a powerful tool to discourage the behavior of those that blatantly disregard the CC&R's.

It was a great day for our association and a really great day for the **Sea Hawks!!!** 

# Thanks Mike, Thanks Miles

On January 4th, our VP, Mike Derda, and his son Miles Derda's Tiger Scouts (Cub Pack 215) went through the community and picked up discarded Christmas trees. It was a fund raiser and much appreciated!

Leaders Rick King and Wayne Diiorio, provided coffee, chocolate and donuts. Thanks to all of them for this welcome service.



## Too Good Not To Share

One of our least favorite (but certainly most important) jobs is collecting the annual dues. Everyone who bought here knew about the dues when they came but some apparently didn't think it applied to them. Anyway in case you think being a volunteer trustee is a cakewalk, please read the comments we received on one statement. I've obviously deleted any reference to the identity of the writer but thought you might enjoy sharing this with us.

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Current	1-30 Days Past Due	31-60 Days Past Due	61-90 Days Past Due	Over 90 Days Past Due	Amount Due
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We're happy to have served as your whipping post and hopefully help you with your anger issues. Your late mother, who is looking down at you, must be so proud.

## Reminder...

## Bill Pay Account Number

**Bill pay** is an easy way to pay your dues. If you're set up to do Bill Pay with your bank or credit union, you can pay your dues electronically. You will need your lot number, account number **4081369-01** and request that the check be made out to CCGCE. If you need to enter a phone number, use 360-464-5611. A number of you have already used this handy service. Hope more use it soon.

### Our Website

Our website is an excellent source of information including our CC&R's, By Laws, History, Minutes, Financials, Current Events, Officers and Trustees and more. Maureen Mead does a super job updating it several times a month. You should try it. **Google: capcitygolfclubestates.com.** 

## What to Take to Bed With You...No Joke!

Put your car keys beside your bed every night (and tell *everyone* what you're doing and why). If you hear a noise outside your home or someone is trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

Odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around. After a few seconds neighbors are going to be looking out their windows to see who's out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that.

This great tip came from another HOA Neighborhood Watch's coordinator. Pass it on!

## Bet You Didn't Know...

Men can read smaller print than women; women can hear better....Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair....Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of their birthplace....Most boat owners name their boats. The most popular boat name requested? Obsession!....Father's Day is the day on which there are more collect phone calls than any other day....

More fun facts next issue!

For Community Resources

Toll Free 1-877-211-9274

### **DIAL 2-1-1**

http://www.unitedway-thurston.org/resources

#### Get Connected. Get Answers.

2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember phone number for people to call for health and human service information and referrals to help meet their needs. It provides quick access to health and human services, encourages prevention, and fosters self-sufficiency. It also helps people learn about where to volunteer or contribute to a charity in their community. Visit United Way's 2-1-1 page for more information.

United Way Free Familywize Prescription Discount Cards reduce out-of-pocket prescription drug costs by an average of 35% for those without health insurance or whose medications are not covered by insurance. **Visit United Way Familywize page** for more information and to print out your free card!

The secret of happiness is to admire without desiring.

Carl Sandburg

Seeking a volunteer to serve as a trustee on the Board of Directors...someone with a "can do" attitude and a desire to serve. If you're that person, call Tom LaVack, 360-412-5392.

# ....Attention....Attention....Attention....

There are a couple of changes we need to tell you about. There may be other changes in the future. It's probably inevitable as we're trying so hard to bring the accounting into the world of technology. Anyway,

Change Number 1....We have a new Cap City telephone number. 360-464-5611. The old phone didn't stand up to the sales claims so we had to replace it. It came with a new number. So...if you want to reach any of the officers and trustees, call 360-464-5611. If no one answers, leave a message and the right person will get back to you.

Change Number 2.... If you pay your dues electronically (use a computer), please direct your payment to Twin Star to a new address. Use Twin Star, Box 718, Olympia, WA 98507-0718. It used to be their street address but now they would prefer that it's sent to their PO Box. So please note, your dues payments go to Twin Star, Box 718, Olympia, WA 98507-0718. Thanks so much.



PO Box 5553 Lacey, WA 98509-5553





# Presidents Message...

I would like to thank everyone who took part in the special election. I would also like to apologize for the confusion that was caused by us calling Jan. 19th a *Saturday* instead of a *Sunday*. That's because we were looking at a 2013 calendar instead of a 2014. Anyway it worked out just fine.

Next issue....we have been seeing more activity lately of strange people and cars moving about the neighborhood at odd hours of the night and early morning. If you see something that doesn't look right, say something to someone.

The one thing that criminals are banking on is that neighbors don't talk to neighbors. They already know how to break in and get what they're after, they just don't know if neighbors are watching out for each other.

The more each of us know about what's going on in our block, the easier it is to tell when something isn't right. We can brush off the reality that times are changing and do nothing or be pro-active and try to prevent bad things from happening. It's not a question of *IF* something is going to happen but *WHEN* and to whom. The better informed we are about what's going on around us, the better we can handle what comes up.







