

Craft Circle News by Norma Burkett

What a terrific turnout for our beading workshop! Everyone (11 people) had a great time making earrings, visiting and helping each other. Della and Suzie worked hard, running to each person as they needed help. Della said she slept like a log on Sunday night. On Monday, folks headed back to finish their projects. Thanks to all.

January's project is making cards. Toni Glover will put together kits and all you'll need is scissors to make lovely cards. Signing up for class will help Toni have enough kits for everyone. The sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse. Class will be from 2 - 4 pm on Sunday, January 8th.

If anyone has a class they would like to teach in February, or if you have suggestions for something you would enjoy learning, please call me at 541-997-1107. I'd love to hear from you. Perhaps a Valentine project? A kite for March? Flowered hats for April? Or a painted flower pot for May?



Welcome New Residents

Delbert Hanks, lot 521

Mary Fisher, lot 599

Duane & Donna Howard, lot 567

Bill & Christie Wilson, lot 283



Greentrees Bingo

Every Saturday Night
at 7:00 PM

Door Prizes, Good Snacks,
and Good Company.
In the Recreation Hall

Art Display Cabinets

Do you have items you would like to share with other residents in Greentrees Village? Collectibles? Craftwork? Hobbies? Historic Pieces? Artwork? We would love to display them in our art display cabinets in the Greentrees Clubhouse. Please fill in the form below and return to the Greentrees Office.

For more information, call Norma at 541-997-1107

Name: _____

Lot # _____ Phone # _____

Type of Items: _____

Number of Items _____

In Memoriam



James Smith, lot 505

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Around The Village

2017 Assessments

By now you should have received your 2017 assessment statement from Greentrees Village. Assessments are going up one dollar to \$213 per month beginning in January. If you have not received a statement in the mail, please contact the Greentrees office at 541-997-8674.

Activity Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Activity Committee on Wednesday, January 4th at 1:00pm in the Clubhouse Conference Room.

The committee will be planning Greentrees activities for 2017, and would very much like to hear from residents who have ideas for new activities this year.

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

Don't Forget

Winter freezes are just around the corner. If you haven't insulated your water pipes for winter yet, do it now before temperatures dip. And if you are leaving Florence for an extended period of time this winter, don't forget to shut off the water main to your lot.

One home in Greentrees was ruined last winter when a frozen water line cracked and flooded the house. By the time the owners returned, the floors and walls were damaged beyond repair.

Red Cross Smoke Alarms

The Red Cross will be having a smoke alarm event in Greentrees Village on February 18th. Volunteers are willing come to your home and install smoke alarms at no cost to you. If you don't presently have working smoke alarms in your house, you won't want to miss this opportunity.

If you are interested in free smoke alarms, there will be a meeting with the Red Cross for all interested residents at the Greentrees Coffee Room on January 13th at 10 am. There is an insert in this newsletter which can tell



you more about the program, or call 541-749-4144.

2017 Board to be Seated

At the Board of Directors meeting held on January 10th, the 2017 Board will be seated. The newly elected Directors will be: District 2, Jeff Myers; District 4, George Lyddon; and District 6, Kathryn Walbom. No one ran for District 8 District Representative. The Board will appoint an Alternate to that seat. The Board Alternates will be Mark Meyers and Bruce Littlepage.

Directors serving the second year of their term in 2017 will be: District 1, Fred Burns; District 3, Wayne Fisher; District 5, Peg Patton; District 7, Vicki Martin and District 9, Bill Johnson.

The Board will also be electing the 2017 board officers at their January meeting.

GTV Toy Drive

During the month of November, Greentrees board member Peg Patton headed up the annual Toy Drive.

Greentrees residents contributed 110 toys this year, which were donated to the local Soroptimist Society. The ladies at the society collect the toys and distribute them to needy children in the area for Christmas. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The Activities Committee by Faye Walters

The Activities Committee met on December 7th, 2016. Nine residents attended.

I want to give a big thanks to all the residents who came out for the Thanksgiving Dinner. We had a wonderful turnout. Thank you to Sarah Bower and Thomas Fausone for hosting the dinner, and to all the great volunteers who worked very hard and did a great job. We are hoping they will do it again next year.

Thank you to everyone who so generously donated from their hearts with toys for the Soroptimist Society. The Children's Christmas tree in our Recreation Hall is a very special project Peg Patton continues to ensure is done each year. Thank you Peg.

We're happy to announce the Christmas Hors d'oeuvres party hosted by Joan Long went wonderfully. There was great music by the Greentrees Five, wonderful hors d'oeuvres, lots of friendly conversation and an all-around good time was had by all.

The Christmas Dinner went smoothly. Larry and June Elliot and all the volunteers did a spectacular job from start to finish. The food was really good and there were plenty of side dishes and desserts, deserts, deserts! So happy to see so many neighbors and friends having a good time.

We'll be looking for hosts for 2017 activities. The next meeting is on January 4th. As always we ask everyone to please come to the meetings bringing ideas and volunteering your time. December 2016 was Faye Walters last month as the Activities Committee Chair. Thank you to all the people who have made chairing the committee worthwhile. Come and see who will be taking over!!!

The Computer Club by Collette Bailey

The Greentrees Village Computer Club would like to invite all new residents to join us for computer-related activities. We meet twice a month on the first and third Wednesdays at 11:10 a.m. in the multi-purpose room, which is on the north end of the recreation hall.

We cover lots of things including computers, tablets, ipads, ipods, etc. In the next six months we will be having a class on genealogy and how to look people/ancestors up on the computer. Last month we learned how to digitize our old LPs and cassettes.

On the third Wednesday of each month Jep Norwood teaches us all the latest things on how to keep our computers safe from viruses, malware and hijackers. He can also answer any questions you may have. I want to welcome all our new residents to try us out. We have lots of fun and share our experiences and knowledge freely.

Greentrees Village Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of 12/13/16

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Fred Burns. Eight regular Board members were present. Pat Miller was absent. Gary Savaiano served in her absence. Bruce Littlepage was present in the audience.

Approval of the Board Agenda: David Johnsen *motioned to approve today's Agenda.* Discussion followed. *Voice Vote, 9 yes, 0 opposed, approved unanimously.*

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: *Vicki Martin moved to approve the BOD meeting minutes of November 8, 2016 with a correction to the Financial Report date, to read as of October 31, 2016.* Discussion followed. *Voice Vote, 9 yes, 0 opposed, approved unanimously.*

President's Comments: Fred Burns thanked David Johnsen and Dolores Morgan for their service to the Board and Greentrees Village. President Burns also thanked the other Board members and Board alternates Gary Savaiano and Bruce Littlepage for their service. He recognized and thanked Sarah Bower and the Activity Committee for putting on the Thanksgiving Dinner. Greentrees Village will be sponsoring a free Rhody Bus day on the 22nd and 23rd of December for all residents. We are in danger of losing our stop on the route if there is not more ridership; so please consider coming out on those days and riding the bus downtown, to Freddie's or out to a movie, etc.

Vice-President's Comments: George Lyddon suggested that residents write a letter to the Editor at the Siuslaw Newspaper requesting that Greentrees continues to be on the Rhody Bus route. Mr. Lyddon said that some people have asked about the native rhododendrons being removed for the roadwork from Hemlock to 9th Street. He stated that they are not being disposed of; but are instead being replanted in other areas.

Resident's Forum: Peg Patton, Lot #282, expressed her gratitude and thanks to all those who have left toys under the Christmas Tree for the less fortunate children in our area. They will have a better Christmas because of all of you.

Correspondence: **Letter from Janet Van Kleek of Lot #532** and as President for the Siuslaw Friendship Club, thanking Greentrees for the rental of the Recreation Room for the Pinochle Group; stating the hours and days the group will use the Hall; and requesting a change in the rental fee be considered. *See Unfinished Business: (11-02-16) Request for Hall -The Friendship Club, on today's Agenda.* **Letter from Barbara Lorell, Lot #184,** requested a variance from CC&R Rule 5.6 Housing for Older Persons, to allow her as an owner to oc-

copy her house as of January, 2017 even though she will not be 55 years of age until October, 2017. See New Business: (12-03-16) Request from underage resident (Barbara Lorell, Lot #184) on today's Agenda.

Financial Report: Louis Dashofy presented the Financial Report Balance Sheet as of November 30, 2016. Cash on hand in our Operating account checking/savings is \$341,868.55. The Reserve Fund has \$471,073.99 for a total balance of \$812,942.54.

General Manager's Report: Louis Dashofy reported that the Red Cross will install free smoke alarms on February 18, 2017. The road overlay in the 400's has been put off until Spring, 2017 due to inclement weather. The bid for the project will remain the same. Foreclosure has been initiated on a property which will take six months or more to complete. Stone rip-rap on the river property at Lot #606 has been completed. Since the Christmas and New Years' holidays fall on weekends this year, the office will be closed on December 26, 2016 and January 2, 2017, thus allowing staff members their holiday day off.

Committee & Club Reports: (Election Committee): George Weiss reported that the Election Committee met on November 29, 2016 to count the ballots. Over 150 valid ballots were received. Jeff Myers, Lot #72, was elected Director of District 2 with 26 votes. There were three write-in votes, one each for Dolores Morgan, Dirk Schroder and Nick Woodworth. George Lyddon, Lot #200, was re-elected Director of District 4. There were no write-in candidates. Kathryn Walbom, Lot #429, was elected Director of District 6. There were no write-in candidates. There were no candidates running in District 8 and no votes were received for write-in candidates. Three candidates were running for two seats as Alternate Directors. They were Mark Meyers (104 votes); Bruce Littlepage (101 votes) and Nick Woodworth (96 votes). There were two write-ins for Alternate Directors. They were Dollie Austen (1 vote) and Bill Blok (1 vote). Mark Meyers of Lot #148 has been elected as Alternate #1 and Bruce Littlepage of Lot #557 has been elected as Alternate #2. **(Architectural Committee):** Jeff Myers reported that there were no permits issued for the month of November. **(Property Committee):** Wayne Fisher reported that the Property Committee is done for the year. He said they are looking forward to next year's projects. **(Computer Club):** Collette Bailey reported that the club's winter schedule is in effect with meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Collette invited all residents to go online to the Greentrees Village website and check out the pictures she has posted from Greentrees events. **(Activity Committee):** No report.

Unfinished Business: (11-02-16) Request for Hall -- The Friendship Club (second reading): Janet Van

Kleet as President for the Siuslaw Friendship Club presented two requests on their behalf. Request #1: Bake Sale and membership drive on February 23, 2017. Request #2: That the Board forgive or lower the \$50.00 per month rental fee.

Fred Burns motioned that the Board allow use of the Recreation Hall by the Friendship Club on February 23, 2017, for a bake sale and membership drive during their pinochle time. Discussion followed. Voice Vote, 8 yes, 1 opposed (Bill Johnson), time sensitive, motion passed.

Fred Burns motioned to eliminate the \$50.00 rental fee for use of the Recreation Hall by the Friendship Club. Discussion followed. Roll Call Vote, 4 yes, 5 opposed (Fred Burns, Wayne Fisher, George Lyddon, Vicki Martin and Gary Savaiano), motion failed.

New Business: (12-01-16) Consider approval of Philadelphia Insurance Package: Fred Burns motioned that the Board approve the Philadelphia Insurance Package for an annual premium amount of \$16,916.00 and umbrella coverage premium amount of \$1,050.00. Discussion Followed. Roll Call Vote, 9 yes, 0 opposed, passed unanimously. **(12-02-16) Consider purchase of Stethophon 04 waterline finder kit:** Fred Burns motioned that the Board consider purchase of a Stethophon 04 waterline finder basic kit at a cost of \$1,350.00 and a RD 500 Transonde for a total cost of \$2,117.00 which would locate all water pipes. Discussion followed. Roll Call Vote, 9 yes, 0 opposed, passed unanimously. **(12-03-16) Request from underage resident (Barbara Lorell, Lot #184):** Fred Burns motioned that new owner, Barbara Lorell of Lot #184 be allowed to take up residence in Greentrees Village in January of 2017, 10 months short of her 55th birthday. Discussion followed. Voice Vote, 9 yes, 0 opposed, passed unanimously. **(12-04-16) Consider appointing Patsy Turner, Lot #540, to the Election Committee:** Fred Burns motioned to appoint Patsy Turner to the Election Committee. Discussion followed. Voice Vote 9 yes, 0 opposed, passed unanimously.

Other Business: None.

Announcements: Fred Burns welcomed everyone to the Holiday Hors d'oeuvres Potluck Party hosted by Joan Long on December 16th at 2:00 p.m. and the Christmas Dinner hosted by Larry and June Elliott and the Activity Committee on December 25th at 4:00 p.m. The Christmas Dinner is free to all residents and \$5.00 for each guest. President Burns thanked Ruth Smelly and Bette Turner for serving cake for today's meeting. There is a Christmas display and an UFF DA display in the Library art cabinet this month. Come and look.

David Johnsen moved to adjourn the meeting. Voice Vote, 9 yes, 0 opposed, passed unanimously. Adjourned at 2:00p.m