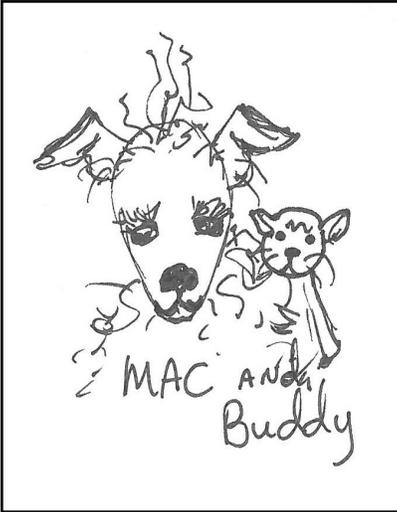


Buddy & Mac



Hi all!

The best thing about being retired is that summer doesn't end when school starts. As long as the weather is good, it's summer. Pets enjoy the same luxury...endless summer, and we don't even have to clean up fall leaves, or mulch gardens, or put away summer bulbs. I guess

pets are born retired, grow up retired and, grow old retired. Nice.

Well, things are sure changing here in Greentrees. Lots of new pets and people. Many follow the rules and some don't feel they have to...even longer residents seem to forget to be good neighbors. Mac and I have *really* enjoyed talking about our home and community, but it doesn't seem to matter how many times we remind folks about being responsible pet owners, sadly, not everyone cares or listens.

Have you noticed that the dog parks are looking much better these days? Grass is cut, weeds are pulled and landscaping is better. Except for poo left by some dog owners, it's a treat to use the parks. A big thank you to the guys in maintenance for their efforts. It is getting to look more like it did when we first moved here. Now, if only someone, besides the dogs, could please water the hydrangeas along center street. They are dying.

Speaking about retirement, Mac and I are going to take it a bit easier and let someone else write a pet's viewpoint column. I'm sure there's a dandy cat or dog out there just waiting to become a famous writer. But for us, we'd like more time to play and nap and sleep and sleep... you get the idea.

Tip of the month: Check with your neighbors about how your dogs are when you are away from home. You might need a Petsafe monitor to stop any constant barking. It works great to train away other problems too (check Amazon for the best price).

It's been fun and I hope you enjoyed our ideas, tips and seeing Greentrees from our four-legged viewpoints. Take care, stay well,

Good-bye all-
Buddy and MacDuffie

Recycling and You *by Brooke Shafer*

Did you know you can recycle many things for free to save our landfill?

- *Block Styrofoam (clean) at *St. Vincent de Paul's*
- *Fluorescent tube lights up to 48 in., and fluorescent bulbs at *True Value Hardware*
- *Paint cans (full or empty) at *Habitat for Humanity Restore*
- *Anything with metal parts, including empty aerosol cans, curtain rods etc. at the recycle area in our local dump
- *Any Electronics, computers, TVs, etc. at the recycle area in our local Dump
- *Prescription bottles and plastic screw caps at the *Greentrees* clubhouse.

We can do a lot to save money and protect our environment. We pay to have a our trash trucked to the Short Mountain Landfill South of Eugene. The landfill is quick-ly filling up and hauling the trash that far is expensive.

Greentrees, Florence and Oregon - you can help by recycling! Think Globally, Act Locally



Welcome New Residents

Cory Van Adrighem - lot 213

Robert Davidson - lot 510

Michael Sanchez - lot 658

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Call For Nominations

The Association is seeking nominations for Directors and Alternates for the Greentrees Village Board of Directors 2017-2018 term. The districts up for election this year are #2, #4, #6 and #8. Two alternates will also be elected at-large.

If you are interested in running for representative of the district you live in, or running for the Alternate-At-Large positions, please contact the Greentrees office. Nominations must be received by October 15th, 2016.

Community Yard Sale On September 3rd

There will be a property-wide Yard Sale on Saturday, September 3rd sponsored by the Association. The event is open to the general public. Residents may display items for sale around their homes, on driveways, porches, decks, garages, etc. This is the seventh year that Greentrees Village has sponsored the event.

The Association will run ads in the newspaper on Wednesday, August 31st and Saturday, September 3rd. The gates will be open from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM on Saturday. Temporary parking will be allowed. You do not need to register with the office to participate.

Newsletter on Web Page

Just a reminder, the Greentrees Village monthly newsletter is always available on-line. You can read the current newsletter and letters from past months and years at www.greentreesvillage.com.

Josee Tom Cooking Class

Owner Josee Tom will again be teaching classes on Chinese cooking this fall. The classes will be in the Recreation Hall on September 8th. There will be a morning class from 10 AM - 12 PM, and an afternoon class from 1:30 - 3:30 PM. There is a charge of \$6 for each class to cover the cost of the food. You must pay in advance so Josie knows how much food to buy. You can sign-up and pay for the class in the Greentrees Office.

Computer Club Business Meeting

There will be a business meeting of the Computer Club on September 7th at 11:10 AM to elect a new President



Pictured above are the participants in this summer's Garden Tour. Back Row is: Kathy Walbom, Jim Walters, Della Ault, Marilyn Wallace, Sarnia Finderup, Phyllis Holmes, Eugene Olson, Josee Tom and Bill Tom. In the front are Larry Elliot and Faye Walters.

and Advertising Director for the Club. All Computer Club members are encouraged to attend.

Oktoberfest on September 23rd

The potluck on September 23rd will be an Oktoberfest hosted by Board member Peg Patton. She promises there will be music and dancing. So pull out those old German recipes, put on your lederhosen and bring a dish to share.

Lock Your RV's and Sheds

A quick reminder to residents to lock your RVs and storage sheds. Some Florence residents have found homeless people sleeping in their sheds and RVs when they have left them unlocked.

Art Work Pledges

The mailing to owners announcing the Greentrees Village Annual Meeting also included a flyer asking owners if they would consider making a pledge to contribute toward the purchase of a piece of artwork for the GTV Clubhouse. We are happy to report that the Association has received about \$1,250 in pledges from owners for the project. Members of the Board will be meeting to discuss what to purchase. Those who have pledged will receive a letter from the Board when the process is a little farther along. Thank you for your pledges.

Bikes, Dogs, Pedestrians and Cars *by Ken Stone*

Every so often we need to think about how these items interact in Greentrees. We sort of forget to be alert to what is happening around us.

Bikes: Our streets are a relatively safe place to ride due to the low speed limit here. However, one must keep in mind that many of the rules of traffic control for autos apply as well to bike riders. I realize that bikes hate to stop at stop signs since you have to work hard to get up to speed again. However, if you are going to barrel through the stop sign you should at least slow down and look to see if a car is already in the intersection, or at least make sure your affairs are in order before the ride. Keep in mind that the reaction times of us old folks is measured in seconds, not milliseconds.

Dogs and Pedestrians: Many of us own dogs that we take for walks on leash, or we like to go for walks with friends. In both cases, we must be aware of the fact we share the road with cars. Most drivers try to be courteous, but not all. Also, many of the newer cars are very quiet and can sneak up behind you. I am sure most drivers do not want to lay on the horn to let you know they are there so you must be watching for cars. It would also help if dogs were walked on a fairly short leash on the roads. We have a dog park and other areas to let them out long.

Cars: When you get behind the wheel of this moving monster, you have the most responsibility for the safety of others in Greentrees. You must be keenly aware that you share the road with others. That means you heed the 10 mph speed limit (choke!), that you stop at the stop signs (really?), that you be patient with bikes, dogs, and pedestrians; and that you give them lots of room when you pass them on the road. Also, become familiar with the pattern of stop signs at the gates and around the clubhouse so you will know who has the right-of-way.

The Computer Club *by Gary Smith*

Hope you all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to a glorious autumn.

The Greentrees Village Computer Club is looking for a new president and for a coordinator of the park's newsletter advertising, which provides the revenue for the equipment the club donates to Greentrees and uses for classes.

There will be a Computer Club business meeting on September 7th to discuss new officers for the club. If you can help, please get in touch with club Vice-President Gene Fisher.

Microsoft's Windows 10 Anniversary Update has been

the talk of the Tech news this past month. Jep Norwood recently demonstrated his suggested method to apply the update to our computers. You can read about his suggestions on Parker Kendall's Blog: <https://sites.google.com/site/greentreesvillagecomputerclub/>

Greentrees Village has a Facebook page where we'd love to have you share local photographs and comments. <https://www.facebook.com/greentreesvillage/>

Collette Bailey maintains a great webpage for Greentrees Village at: <http://greentreesvillage.com/>

September Class Schedule:

9/7 - Gene Fisher - Business meeting & election of officers.

9/14 - Collette Bailey - Get ready for the holidays with a personalized calendar as a gift! Collette will be demonstrating how to make a calendar for next year that is printed by an online company using your own pictures.

Please come join us in the Multi-Purpose room at 11:10am on class days. All Greentrees residents are invited and welcome.

The Activity Committee *by Faye Walters*

The Activity committee met on August 3rd. We did not have an activity to host for August but the Pot Luck was loads of fun. September and October has nothing scheduled from the Activity Committee, however pot lucks will still take place as usual.

As of this newsletter we do not have a host for the October craft fair or the Thanksgiving day dinner. Greentrees will not be having the craft fair this year. Thank you to those who have put these events on in the past and possibly next year we will have someone volunteer. If anyone wishes to know more about being a host for the Thanksgiving dinner or any other event, please come to the Activities meeting Sept. 7th to find out more about that.

Come November 4th we have the Veterans Appreciation Dinner at 5PM. This year we have a new time and day. Veterans please get your pictures and other memorabilia for the Veteran's board out and ready for posting at the dinner. It was lots of fun and very interesting last year. Hope to see many of you there to honor our vets.

The Quilt Raffle is still going and will conclude at the Christmas dinner which is being hosted by Larry and June Elliot.

The next Activities meeting is September 7th at 1:00 pm. Please come see what you can do to help. Everyone is invited.

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	Swimming Pool Schedule: Water Aerobics M-F at 8:00am					
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