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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

September 2024

#### **ELECTION TIME!**

It is time for elections for district representatives to the Board of Directors. If you have wanted to become involved in the running of the Homeowner's Association, now is your chance.

In even numbered years, representatives for districts 2, 4, 6, & 8 are nominated and elected. District representatives are elected for a two-year term, taking office in January. There are also four alternates elected yearly. The alternates are elected for one-year term; they do not sit on the board unless a seat opens due to a current board member resigning or being unable to serve . If appointed to the board to fulfill a vacancy, the alternate fulfills the remainder of the vacated term.

District representatives must be an owner in good standing and a member of the district. Alternates must be an owner in good standing and can be from any district. District representatives are elected by the members of their district only. Alternates are elected by the community. Only owners can vote.

Please see the Amendments to Article IV of the Bylaws (2021) on the Greentrees Village website for further information.

Nominations will open on Sept. 18 at 9:30 AM. Nominations close at 2:59 PM on Oct 28. Nominations will not be accepted after this day and time. To file a nomination, please see the office for the appropriate form (District Representative or Alternate). Yes, it is ok to nominate yourself.

Candidate statements of up to 250 words will be accepted to be published in the November newsletter and the website. Candidates are not required to submit a statement for publication; however, it is a good way to provide information about yourself, and why you are running. A candidate forum may be held in early November to meet the candidates, learn about them and ask questions. Candidates are not required to attend.

**INSIDE THIS ISSUE** Ballots will be sent the week of Nov 4. Ballots Habitat for Humanity 2 MUST be returned by 2:59 PM on Dec 9. Ballots Volunteers-Frank V & Judy C 3 will not be accepted after this time. The ballot GERT 4 must be in the return envelope provided, with Trash Collection / Traffic Committee 5 the lot owner's signature and lot number. Ballots Rest Stop 5 without the signature and lot number will not be New and Amended Rules 6 counted. DO NOT give your ballot to anyone else New Residents 7 to turn in. DO NOT include your dues check New Office Hours 7 with your ballot. 42nd Annual Membership Meeting 7 7 8 Remember – your vote counts! Please vote. Maintenance Updates / Games, Fun... Rhody Drive Update Pat Miller & Diana Lindslev 8 Know Your Battery-Part One **UPDATED GTV PHONE NUMBERS** 8 In Memoriam Group Corner 9 The GTV Office recently had their phone num-At The Movies 10 bers updated. Pet of the Month 11 The Office phone number is 541-590-3003 No More DVD's 11 **HOA Dues Comparison** 12 The Office fax number is 541-590-3001 Inserts The RV Park phone number is 541-901-1095 Calendar, Tidbits, BOD Minutes for Aug 2024 and July 26th Special Meeting, New Rules Maintenance Cell number is 541-999-6231

#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - UNITED WAY DAYS OF CARING

Habitat for Humanity Celebrates, United Way Days of Caring, September 26 - 28, 2024. Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope. The vision statement: A world where everyone has a decent place to live.

We rely on the support of community members like you to help make Florence Habitat the success that it is today. Our work simply cannot be done without passionate volunteers like you. Florence Habitat offers many volunteer opportunities, like working at construction sites, helping in the office, serving on a committee, assisting at a fundraising event or in the Restore.

At Habitat for Humanity, we do more than build houses. If we don't have a build happening, we build ramps, do yard maintenance, minor weather proofing and gutter cleaning.



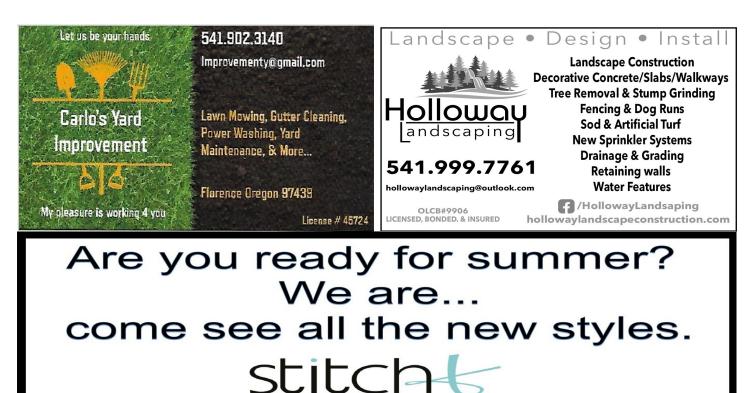
Habitat hosted an event on July 27<sup>th</sup> for yard cleanup in GTV. The next toolbox event is September 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> with the 28<sup>th</sup> dedicated to GTV. With this go around, Habitat will also offer caulking windows, door weather stripping, gutter cleaning, power washing, and yard work. Habitat is partnering with United Way for this event. If you would like to volunteer to help with this event contact Shanti Chagnon 541-621-3886. We could use volunteers for all 3 days, you can do 1 or 3 it's up to you.



If you are interested in applying for yardwork and/or basic winterizing, feel free to contact Shanti Chagnon @541-621-3886. Habitat has an application process with income eligibility, and the dead-line for applications is September 17th.

We look forward to serving the community with our Toolbox crew.

Shanti Chagnon 541-621-3886



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#### VOLUNTEERS-FRANK VIGNA AND JUDY CHANDLER

This is a love story. Frank Vigna and Judy Chandler met each other in a gym in Berkeley, California where they both worked out. On the tenth anniversary of their first date, they got married and have been together for 30 years.

Before that first meet up, Frank spent some time as a small business owner, performing home maintenance and repair. He also spent some time in seminary, studying to be a priest. That led to his work in prison ministries. Later he switched to medical missions as an EMT. Those missions took him to some exotic and troubled locales: Iraq, the Congo, Ecuador, the Amazon Basin, and the Andes.

Judy was an elementary school teacher for 40 years (K-3). Under her direction, her classrooms collected supplies for the schools near Frank's postings. Her students exchanged photos and sometimes letters with penpals in the Spanish-speaking countries. They had "Fridays with Frank," where he shared the creepy crawlies and spiders and snakes native to where he was stationed. Judy used his travels to inspire geography lessons and language lessons for her classes. They even created a cable TV program, "Amazon Elementary," that answered USA kids' questions about life for kids in Ecuador.

Judy and Frank's house is full of beautiful souvenirs of his travels, including a wall of those creepy crawlies! They fell in love with Florence after visiting here, rented for 4 years, then bought their current home. "We love it here," Judy said. "It's paradise!"

Both Frank and Judy are hospice volunteers. Until COVID, they also volunteered at the Humane Society. For years before COVID they also participated in lively music gatherings in private homes that led them to play at the GTV Oktober Music Fests. Judy strums the ukulele and Frank the guitar.

They are members of GERT and serve in the Radio Club, too. When the call went out for volunteers to paint the GTV fire hydrants, Frank and Judy got busy, cleaning the hydrants with steel brushes, and painting them the very visible bright yellow you see today. Both also volunteer on the Village Voice Folding Crew.

Frank is the resident instructor for Tai Chi in Greentrees Village every Monday and Wednesday morning at 9. Already a student of martial arts, he began his Tai Chi training in 2010. He says his classes are for anybody in any shape, even folks in wheelchairs or scooters. All the moves can be modified to accommodate, and there is no pressure to perform. Drop ins are welcome.



Another love of theirs is the British Car Club. Frank's the President and Judy is in charge of the tours

the club makes 2 or 3 times a month from April to October. And they tour in style in the most glorious red Jaguar convertible.

Asked why they volunteered, Judy said, "It's just a natural extension of the lives we lived. We are thankful and we want to be a part of this communi-ty!" See what I mean about a love story?

Nancy O'Neill

Florence Habitat ReStore Volunteer Opportunities AM shift is 9-1, PM shift is 1-5

They asked, and I volunteered. Join me and donate your time to a good cause.

Contact Misty 541-902-9227 ext. 101 Second Habitat www.florencehabitat.org

#### **GREENTREES EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (GERT)**

September is National Preparedness Month, helping to raise awareness in the steps individuals can take to be ready for a disaster. Everyone has a role to play when it comes to preparing for a disaster and emergency.

By knowing what common disasters, you may face living in your community, can help you to know how to prepare correctly and survive

Questions to ask yourself?

- What resources do I currently have access to that I could use in the event of an emergency or if I need to evacuate?
- How do I currently address my basic needs (food, water, shelter, etc...) and how will this change during an emergency?
- Do I have an emergency plan?
- Do I have an emergency kit?
- Do I have my daily medical needs met if displaced longer than expected?
- Do I have food and water for myself and my family?
- Do I have food and water for my pets?
- Do I have enough supplies at home if I cannot access services for a while?
- Is my phone/contact list up to date? Do I have a written copy?
- What is my communication plan if I lose cell phone, landline and internet service?
- Do I have my medications list? A complete list of your medications with the drs who prescribed and phone numbers.
- Do I have a copy of mywill? Do I have a will?
- Do I have a copy of all important documents?
- Do I know my neighborhood's emergency plan?
- Do I know my city, county or states emergency plan?

GTV has an emergency plan all residents should be familiar with what to expect in the event of an emergency. All residents will play a huge role in the survival of themselves and others.

Preparedness brings peace of mind.

GERT meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 1pm in the Rec Hall or Multi-purpose room depending on size and class.

All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Kristel Buechner GERT trainer/coordinator 551.997.0909





#### TRASH COLLECTION

Our trash collection has asked that we please make sure our trash cans and recycle bins are separated by 2-3 feet. Also please make sure trash cans are facing to the street.

#### **TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

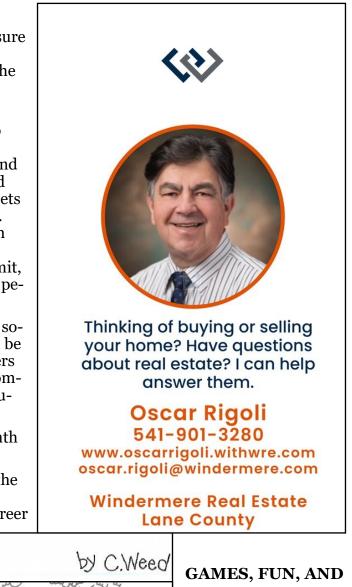
New to Greentrees will be a temporary committee to deal with traffic. We currently have a 10-mph speed limit throughout Greentrees. I have driven around and noticed that we have small signs marked 10 mph and painted roads marked 10 mph. However, all our streets do not have either a sign nor painted mph markings. Speed bumps come up at most district meetings with about 1/2 the attendees for them and the other 1/2 against them. We need to find a solution to speed limit, speed bumps, bicycles, cars, golf-carts, wheelchairs, pedestrians.

We are forming a new committee to look at possible solutions for the concern of speeding. Diane Greer will be the chair of the committee and is looking for members to join the committee to work on this project. The committee will meet twice a month in order to find a solution and bring it to the board quickly.

We will meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 6pm in the Multi-purpose Room (MPR).

Please contact Diane Greer at 661-706-1669 to join the committee or just show up.

Diane Greer



LAUGHTER SORRY!, Dominoes, Hand and Foot, Pinochle, Yahtzee, Backgammon, Clue, Samba, Farkle, bring your

ba, Farkle, bring your favorite.....

Games nights are now Saturdays 5-9 PM in the Rec Hall.

Snacks are shared and also fun times. Give it a try if TV is getting old!

Patty Harrison



THE SENIOR CENTER RAFFLE WINNING TICKET WAS A LUXURY CABIN ON A CRUISE SHIP TO HAWAII... CLAUDES TICKET WON HIM A SEAT ON A CASINO TOUR BUS TO NEVADA...

#### **NEW AND AMENDED RULES**

The Board has recently passed the following new and amended rules.

At the June 28 Special Board meeting, 4 rules were amended and one new rule passed.

<u>Rule #2 Rental Properties</u> had the time-period for registration changed from 30 days to 14 days. Owners are responsible to ensure the renters register at the Office within 14 days of occupancy. The renters will receive a copy of the current rules and regulations and are required to sign an acknowledgement that they received the rules. Renters are also required to complete the Renter's Registration packet within 30 days and show evidence that one or more residents is 55 years of age or older. Renters must also complete the Emergency Information Sheet.

<u>Rule # 3 RV Occupancy</u> was amended to require notification to the Office when a resident has guests staying in an RV on their property. They must also be registered as guests. The Office will calendar the RV occupancy and follow-up to ensure guests do not overstay.

<u>Rule #4 Caregivers</u> was added. It is similar to that of the Rental Properties rule. Caregivers were defined in the rule. Residents employing a caregiver must ensure their caregiver(s) register at the office within 14 days of employment and caregivers must complete the Caregivers Packet. They must also provide their ID. Caregivers must follow the same rules and regulations as residents. The owner will be held responsible if the caregiver causes damage to any GTV property.

Because of this addition, all the following rules were renumbered.

<u>Rule #15 (now #16) Harassment</u> had been amended to include harassment of employees or employees harassing residents. If a resident harasses an employee, they will be asked to leave the premises.

<u>Rule #22 (now #23) Signs and decorations</u> was amended to clarify what is considered a sign. It also limits a sign 2' x 3' or a total of 6 square feet for all signs at a residence. Signs cannot be political, religious, commercial, or advertising, or contain profanity.

At the July 26 Special Board meeting, the Board approved the amendment of the Issue of Concern Reporting and Process Flow flowchart, the Violation Process Flowchart, added one new rule and amended two rules.

<u>Rule #17 Alcohol Use</u> was added. This allows alcohol to be consumed at GTV events but cannot be provided by the HOA. Alcohol can be awarded as prizes at an event but cannot be consumed at that event. Residents can bring their own alcohol to an event for consumption at that event and can share with others; it is the responsibility of the resident providing the alcohol for ensuring guests and those they share with act responsibly.

Because of this new rule, all subsequent rules were renumbered.

Rule #55 Issue Reporting was amended to allow submission of an Issue of Concern via the website.

<u>Rule #58 Board of Directors Violation Hearings</u> was amended to require all requests for a hearing of the Board of Directors to be in writing.

At the August 20th Board of Directors Meeting, the Board approved the amendment of the Parking rule

<u>Rule #20 Parking</u> was amended to allow contractors to park on streets while they are doing construction for residents. It is asked they put up orange cones.

Please see all the inserts for these rules included as inserts in this edition of the Village Voice.

Diana Lindsley

#### **REMINDER ON HOA DUES**

HOA Fees: In 2025, dues are expected to increase to \$318 / month. The final figure will be determined in November 2024.

## NEW RESIDENTS

Gene Meiergard—128 Todd Turner—158 Valerie Long—302 Chuck Bayne—620



**NEW OFFICE HOURS** 

The office will now be open from 9 am—3 pm Monday through Friday beginning September 3rd, 2024.

Please make note of new Office, Maintenance, and RV Park phone numbers on page 1.

## 42<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual membership meeting was held on Saturday, Aug. 3. Patsy Turner and her helpers, Shanti Chagnon, Bonnie Costa, and Irene Makuch, checked in 143 lot owners for the meeting. A huge thank you to them for managing the line and getting everyone checked in seamlessly.

President Carley Scibetta welcomed all to the meeting. The Treasurer's report, Office Manager, Facilities Manager and committee reports were given. Finance Committee chair Tony Furst explained the assessment for next year and the reasons for the proposed increase. As has been noted, this is mainly due to the increase in the waste water rates from the city.

President Carley Scibetta acknowledged the volunteers who work hard to make the community work.

The Quilt Group awarded two quilts to long-time residents Lorraine Brinkley and Kerstin Johnsen.

The last bike raffle was held with the winner Kenna Graunke! Congratulations to Kenna.

A lunch of slider and wrap sandwiches with salads and cookies for dessert was held after the meeting to the enjoyment of all.

Diana Lindsley

#### **MAINTENANCE UPDATES** Bonded & Family We just had our adult pool acid washed and while Insured Owned Marshalls it was down we repainted the spa deck. Paving for the year has been completed. The Maintenance Maintenance crew is going around filling in all of the spots that need gravel from the 2" overlay. The Maintenance Sewer & Drain Cleaning crew would also like to ask that pool and spa us-Dryer Vent Cleaning ers not put gum on the walls and not put your (775) 340-2120 garbage in the skimmer baskets. More than 30 years experience in household repair James Tennison GAMES, FUN, COASTAL HOME SERVICES AND LAUGH-TER Professional, quality services for your home SORRY!, Dominoes. Hand and • Gutter Cleaning • Duct Cleaning Foot, Pinochle, Dryer Vent Cleaning Yahtzee, Backgammon, Clue, Pressure Washing & Much More! Samba, Farkle... CCB 221760 Games nights are now Saturdays 5-541-590-7027 9 PM in the Rec Hall. coastalhomeservicesflorence.com 2530 Kingwood St. • Florence, OR 97439 7

### IN MEMORIAM



Rachel Anderson-157

Charlie Enslow—165



Joe Jadick-411

John Smelly, lot 535, passed away at home on July 28, 2024. Born in Alabama in 1933, he lived a full life. He married Mary Ruth in 1955. John spent four years in the Marines and four years in the Navy. He continued in the Navy as a civilian for 30 years as an electrical engineer. John and Mary Ruth bought a lot and moved into Greentrees in 1992. He served as Board President in the mid-90s. He was supporter of Coast Animal Shelter.

John is survived by Mary Ruth, his spouse of almost 70 years. And his grandson John Taylor, of Loraine, Ohio.

#### **RHODY DRIVE UPDATE**

Reminder, there is now a hard closure of Wildwinds to New Hope Lane for all vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic. Access to the Oregon Coast Humane Society and the Lane County Transfer Station will be available from 35th Street. There is good news and bad news on this: Good news—we don't have all the OCHS and Transfer Station traffic; Bad news—we have to drive all the way around to get to these places.

Construction seems to be moving along nicely, even with the few hiccups, they have had to deal with. The soil nails have all been installed and and just the this past week they passed final proof testing. A final architectural finish to the soild nail wall be applied the first week of September. K&E Excavating crews continue to excavate for the Ultra Block wall foundation for the retaining wall at the front of the elevate multi-use path. About 400 lineal feet of the Ultra Block retaining wall system have been installed.

The curb along the west side of Rhododendron in the pull out parking area is being installed and they are working on placing the base material for the paved path along the top of the river back. The building of theroadway section of Rhododendron has also begun.

**Compaction Activity Alert**: With the contractor creating the road base and the base for the multiuse path there will be compaction in these areas. This process does result in some vibration that residents and visitors near the project area will feel.

City of Florence and Diane Greer

#### KNOW YOUR BATTERY-PART ONE

SLA, Lithium Ion, lifepo, AGM, GEL??? The onslaught of battery types today is overwhelming but a few basics can help.

Most mobility scooters use Sealed Lead Acid (SLA) batteries that use a charger rated for the voltage of the scooter (24, 36, 48 volts are most common). The weird part is that SLA 12v batteries actually are 12.6 volts and charge to 14.4 volts: 24 volt scooters use two 12 volt batteries connected in a way to make 24 volts...28.8 actual voltage. That last voltage reading is what is important. With care most SLA batteries will last about 200 to 300 charge

cycles but can, with exceptional care, last over 1000 cycles. I would expect SLA batteries to last 2 to 3 years with typical mobility scooter use. AGM and GEL batteries are part of the Lead Acid group but differ significantly in their charging requirements and are usually more suited to speciality applications.

SLA batteries love to be fully charged. Low batteries become subject to sulfation (lead sulfate crystal build up) and lose capacity. A modern charger keeps batteries in peak condition. Wanna make that battery last? Keep it full, even plug in midday if convenient.



# **GROUP CORNER**

Join a club/group/jam and meet new people who have your same interests.

**Knit / Crochet Group** – The group meets the first Friday of each month at the Multi-purpose Room at 1 PM. Next meeting Sept. 6. All knitters and crocheters welcome! Please contact Carol Parrish for more information.

**Scrapbooking / Papercrafting Group!** Papercrafting / scrapbooking is back for Sept. and Oct. <u>Next meeting will be Sept 15</u> in the Rec Hall, from 10 AM – 2 PM. Contact Joy at jplummer-gang2015@gmail.com for information or to attend.

**Acoustic Guitar Jam** – The informal 'jam' sessions will be every <u>Thursday at 10AM</u> in the Multi-Purpose room. Playing mostly a "seasoned" variety of folk, rock, and country music, we attempt some strummin', pickin', and singin'. Bring your wooden box with strings and share some music. Contact: Dan Chagnon, 541-621-6293.

**Pickle Ball** – This is a small group that meets at <u>8:30 AM every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday</u> at the tennis courts. They encourage anyone who wants to learn the game to come, watch, and learn. Extra paddles are available.

**Quilt Group** – We will continue to make lap quilts for the Christmas Giving Tree. Regular meetings will be in the <u>Multi-Purpose Room from 10 AM - 12 noon</u>, meeting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month. <u>Next meeting – Sept, 20</u>. All abilities are welcome! If you would like to donate supplies, we'd love to have them. We will make easy blocks and put together quilts for the children of Florence. Please contact Diana Lindsley at 541-590-3623 for more information.

**Book Club** – This group meets at <u>2PM on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month</u> in the Multi-purpose Room. Rather than everyone reading the same book, each month members are encouraged to bring a book that they have read or are reading. For more information, please contact Charles Lugg at 541-590-3871 or Don McGehe at 541-590-3421.

**Game Night** – Game night is held on Saturday evenings, from 5- 9 PM in the Rec Hall. Bring your favorite board games or come join in the fun – there are several games happening. Bring some snacks to share. Contact Diane Greer at 661-706-1669 for more information.

**Bunco** – Bunco is held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month in the Rec Hall. It's a quick play dice game that is easy to learn. Bring snacks to share. Contact Carol Cardwell at 775-677-0606 for more information.

**Poker** – A small group meets Thursdays in the Coffee Room for a friendly game of poker from 5:30 – 8:30 PM. Buy in is \$10. For more information contact Bing Ott at 541-968-8273.

**Luncheon out!** –This group is on pause for the summer. Due to other commitments and people moving, the attendance is waning. They will look to regroup in the fall. Contact Jude Stendahl, lot 204, at 763-792-2312 or jude.stendahl@gmail.com for any questions. All are welcome to attend!

**Other Groups?** – If you belong to a group and would like to share your group information, please contact Diana Lindsley at 541-590-3623 to get your group activities added to the Group Corner section.





#### By Jim Negri

## The Genre for this month is ADVENTURE

**Percy Jackson and the Olympians -- 2005:** Percy Jackson & the Olympians is a series of five fantasy novels written by American author Rick Riordan, and the first book series in the Camp Half-Blood Chronicles.

**The Phantom of the Opera -- 2005:** When a disc containing memoirs of a former CIA analyst (John Malkovich) falls into the hands of Linda Litzke (Frances McDormand) and Chad Feldheimer (Brad Pitt), the two gym employees see a chance to make enough money for her to have life-changing cosmetic surgery. Predictably, events whirl out of control for the duo doofuses and those in their orbit.

**Pirates of the Caribbean At World's End -- 2007:** Will Turner (Orlando Bloom) and Elizabeth Swann (Keira Knightley) join forces with Capt. Barbossa (Geoffrey Rush) to free Jack Sparrow (Johnny Depp) from Davy Jones' locker. Meanwhile, the crew of the Flying Dutchman ghost ship wreaks havoc on the Seven Seas. The friends must navigate dangerous waters to confront Chinese pirate Sao Feng (Chow Yun-Fat) and, ultimately, they must choose sides in a battle wherein the pirate life hangs in the balance.

**Pirates of the Caribbean Dead Man's Chest -- 2006:** When ghostly pirate Davy Jones (Bill Nighy) comes to collect a blood debt, Capt. Jack Sparrow (Johnny Depp) must find a way to avoid his fate lest his soul be damned for all time. Nevertheless, the wily ghost manages to interrupt the wedding plans of Jack's friends Will Turner (Orlando Bloom) and Elizabeth Swann (Keira Knightley).

**The Princess and the Pea -- 2007:** A raven (Nigel Lambert) must save a kingdom and help a prince (Steven Webb) find his princess.

**The Princess Bride -- 1987:** A fairy tale adventure about a beautiful young woman and her one true love. He must find her after a long separation and save her. They must battle the evils of the mythical kingdom of Florin to be reunited with each other. Based on the William Goldman novel, "The Princess Bride", which earned its own loyal audience.

**The Princess Dairies 2: Royal Engagement -- 2004:** ia (Anne Hathaway), still coming to terms with her life as a princess, graduates from Princeton. She returns to Genovia, and her best friend, Lilly (Heather Matarazzo), goes with her. When they arrive, Mia's grandmother (Julie Andrews) informs her that Mia cannot become queen unless she is married within 30 days. Nicholas Devereaux (Chris Pine) is one of her top suitors, though he is more interested in the crown than Mia. But when Nicholas realizes he loves Mia, he decides not to pursue her.

**Ratatouille -- 2007:** Remy dreams of becoming a great chef, despite being a rat in a definitely rodent-phobic profession. He moves to Paris to follow his dream, and with the help of hapless garbage boy Linguini, he puts his culinary skills to the test in the kitchen, but he has to stay in hiding at the same time, with hilarious consequences. Remy eventually gets the chance to prove his culinary abilities to a great food critic but is the food good? A Pixar animation.

**The Adventures of Robin Hood -- 1938:** When King Richard the Lionheart is captured, his scheming brother Prince John (Claude Rains) plots to reach the throne, to the outrage of Sir Robin of Locksley (Errol Flynn), the bandit king of Sherwood Forest. Rounding up his band of men and eventually winning the support of the lovely Maid Marian (Olivia de Havilland), Robin accuses Prince John of treachery and, when the escaped Richard returns covertly to England, joins forces with the king to prevent Prince John from taking the crown.

**Robinson Crusoe -- 1997:** On the run from Britain after killing another man in a duel, Robinson Crusoe (Pierce Brosnan) is shipwrecked on a small island and forced to fend for himself. Crusoe struggles with isolation and memories of his beloved Mary (Polly Walker). He eventually enlists the help of Friday (William Takaku), a native tribesman he has saved from being killed as a sacrifice. As Crusoe and his new companion forge a bond, they must fight for survival against the elements and also Friday's dangerous tribe.

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Elizabeth Thompson **Executive Director** OregonCoastHumaneSociety.Org





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#### HOA DUES COMPARISON

Our HOA dues are going up for 2025. But what do we get for the fee? And how does that compare to, say a resident of Florentine Estates or a resident of the City of Florence.

Our dues for 2025 are expected to be \$318, the final figure will be in November. With that, we receive:

Water and sewer service Trash collection Internet and upgraded cable Use of amenities including: Two pools Spa Sauna Pool tables Coffee room Library Exercise room Use of clubhouse Use of dumpsters for brush collection Fun events and activities such as potlucks, game night, holiday dinners

The table below is a comparison of our costs vs that of a resident in Florentine Estates and that of a resident of the City of Florence. We used the average cost a resident of the city with 2 people in a home to calculate water/sewer, internet/cable, and trash collection.

|                  | Greentrees | Florentine Estates | Florence City |  |
|------------------|------------|--------------------|---------------|--|
| Dues             | 318        | 145                | 0             |  |
| Internet/Cable   | Included   | 166                | 150           |  |
| Water/Sewer      | Included   | 118                | 125           |  |
| Trash Collection | Included   | Included           | 35            |  |
| TOTAL 31         |            | 419                | 310           |  |



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"I think music in itself is healing. It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music". - Billy Joel

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## **Event locations**

Daily (weekdays): Water Aerobics, at the Pool, 8 AM

Mon /Wed / Fri: Pickle Ball, at the court, 8:30 AM Exercise Class, Rec Hall, 10 AM Tai Chi, Rec Hall, 9 AM (M/W)

Thursdays: Yoga, Rec Hall, 3:30 PM

Rec Hall:

District Meetings Board Meeting Scrap Booking Group Bunco Card Exchange Potluck Game Night

Coffee Room: Bridge Club Senior Moments Coffee Club Poker

Multi-Purpose Room: Property Committee Finance Committee Communications Committee Activity Committee Quilt Club Music Jam GERT Knit & Crochet Group Woman's Group Ad Hoc Traffic Committee

Conference Room: ACC Committee

# Tidbits

**IMPORTANT REMINDER: The date for payment of dues without incurring late fees is the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month**. Payments made on the 26<sup>th</sup> or later will incur a \$25 late fee as well as interest.

**HOA Fees:** In 2024, dues are expected to increase to \$318 / month. The final figure will be determined in November.

**Recycling:** The Activities Committee collects bottles and cans with deposits. All the funds go to the Activity Committee to offset the costs of events. There is a blue barrel in the Rec Hall to collect your donations. We thank you for your help in supporting GTV events.

**New Residents** are reminded they need to check in with the Office within 7 days of moving in to be registered and obtain the Welcome package.

**Dumpster Use:** It's that time of year when we are cleaning up yards and getting yard debris. A reminder that ONLY yard debris should be in the dumpsters (no trash or plastic bags). There is a fine for doing that. Branches should be kept to under 3 inches and 3 feet long.

**Directory info:** Is your directory information correct –names, phone numbers and email address? The Office needs correct information in order to contact you. Especially with elections coming soon.

# September 2024

| Sunday                                      | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday                                   | Saturday  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| 1   | 2<br>Labor Day<br>12:30 PM GERT Radio<br>Test<br>1 PM Bunco | 3<br>1 PM Card Exchange<br>6 PM Ad Hoc Traffic<br>Committee  | 4<br>1 PM Bridge<br>1 PM Communications<br>Committee           | 5<br>10 AM Music Jam<br>1 PM ACC<br>5:30 PM Poker        | 6<br>1 PM Knit & Crochet<br>Group        | 7<br>1 PM District 4 & 5<br>meeting<br>5 PM Game Night      |
| 8<br>3 PM Private Party in<br>Rec Hall      | 9   | 10<br>10 AM Property<br>Committee<br>10 AM Senior Moments<br>Coffee Club<br>1 PM Activities<br>Committee | 11<br>POOL CLOSED<br>10 AM Finance<br>Committee<br>1 PM Bridge | 12<br>10 AM Music Jam<br>1 PM GERT<br>5:30 PM Poker      | 13<br>9 AM – 3 PM Community<br>Yard Sale | 14<br>9 AM – 3 PM Community<br>Yard Sale<br>5 PM Game Night |
| 15<br>10 AM Papercrafting /<br>Scrapbooking | 16<br>1 PM Bunco  | 17<br>1 PM Board of Directors<br>Meeting<br>6 PM Ad Hoc Traffic<br>Committee                             | 18<br>1 PM Bridge  | 19<br>10 AM Music Jam<br>5:30 PM Poker                   | 20<br>10 AM Quilt Group                  | 21<br>10 AM Saturday Meet 'n<br>Greet<br>5 PM Game Night    |
| 22  | 23  | 24   | 25<br>1 PM Bridge  | 26<br>10 AM Music Jam<br>2 PM Book Club<br>5:30 PM Poker | 27<br>5 PM Potluck                       | 28<br>5 PM Game Night                                       |
| 29  | 30  |  |  |  |  |   |