Inverness Park Homeowners Association Newsletter January 2024

Hello Neighbors,

This is our inaugural edition of an email newsletter! Your HOA Board has a goal of publishing an email newsletter twice a year. This gives us the opportunity to inform you about important issues and highlight any upcoming events or opportunities.

We are trying to improve our email list, so please let us know if we need to add any email address that should be added. Please email cliffmass@comcast.net with any updates.

Kindly,

Wally Powelson, Board Chair Cliff Mass, Secretary/Treasurer

Anusha Etikala Wendy Sefcik Brian Wong

NEW NEIGHBOR NEWS

A BIG WELCOME to our new neighbors:

Michael & Emily Marchiano, 8924 45TH AVE NE (Lot 70), M 201 543 7471, E 201 527 8232

SPRINGVILLE DESERT LLC, 4632 NE 89TH ST 98115 (Lot 12). Note: This is the house that had the red silo until recently painted.

TREES, HEDGES AND FOILAGE HEIGHT REMINDERS

This is a great time of year to address any tree or shrub trimming before the spring and summer growing season. If your neighbor has contacted you about your tree or shrub blocking their views, please take action to address their concerns. As a reminder, the Inverness Park covenants (CCRs) empower the community architectural review committee (ACC) to enforce the protection of views. Thank you for being a good neighbor!

4.14. Vegetation Controls: No tree, shrub or hedge shall be planted and grown on a lot which unnecessarily and unreasonably interferes with the view from adjacent or nearby lots. The A.C.C. shall have the power in its discretion to require the removal or pruning of the offending vegetation.

EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR



March - Annual Homeowners Meeting

More information on the date/time/location will be sent out closer to the meeting. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Wally Powelson at wpowelson@gmail.com



September 8- Annual Homeowners BBQ

It is not too early to volunteer to host this fun event!

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November 21 – Turkey Trot

Join your neighbors for a fun activity – rain or shine!

NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY UPDATES

It has been a trying year with break-ins of homes, cars, and mailboxes. We are hopeful that the tide has turned with these events and that our neighborhood will see less frequent occurrences of these unsettling events. Since the installation of the new hardened mailboxes and the signs and cameras, we have seen a marked decline.

Lastly, we want to recognize the actions of Wally Powelson, Cliff Mass, and Eldon Larson in their important and valuable effort in researching solutions and implementing them!

SNOW AND ICY CONDITION REMINDERS

With lots of hills, Inverness Park is highly vulnerable to snow and ice conditions. Residents can be trapped when snow and ice cover the hills and the City of Seattle does not deal with the backstreets. In preparation for such events, we have invested in deicer/sand and a plow for the tractor owned by fellow resident Eldon Johnson. One of our homeowners (Cliff Mass) is a meteorologist and will monitor any potential snow/ice events. To get up to date information, please visit Cliff's weather blog at: https://cliffmass.blogspot.com/

If we do get snow and ice, we have a Snowplow Team, headed by Eldon Larson that will help us deal with these conditions as best as we can. In addition, our sister HOA in Inverness is chipping in to subsidize the cost of this.

Important!! Please do NOT park your cars at the base of Inverness Drive near the Burke Gilman trail. This area is at the bottom of a 'runway' for sliding cars. Several cars have been damaged parking at this location during icy conditions. Do not park there. Thanks in advance!! If you want to park your car in a place with access to plowed roads, you might consider one of the streets in Matthews Beach near Sandpoint Way.

Take it Slow

There have have been some concerns about folks driving too fast down Paisley (the speed limit is 25 mph). A particular worry is fast driving around the blind curves. There are several families with small children along the road, so keeping your speed down is important.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

As we plan for the March Homeowners meeting, we are looking for volunteers for the following committees. These committees are important to the oversight, management, and event planning of our HOA. Email Wally Powelson at wpowelson@gmail.com with your committee interest and if you have any other questions.

Nominating Committee- This committee collects all nominations for board positions and other committees. **The Nominating Committee needs to be up and running in February so that it can solicit interested homeowners for serving on the Board**. The nominated persons will be voted on at the March HOA meeting.

Architectural Control Committee (ACC)- This committee reviews and approves the building plans, the quality of materials; harmony of exterior design with existing structure, the location on the residence with respect to topography, and finished grade elevation. All proposed plans with be evaluated regarding their impacts upon the views and property values of adjacent properties by the A.C.C. before final approval. In addition to building plan review, the A.C.C. is responsible for drainage inspection and maintenance.

Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CCR) Committee- This committee reviews the existing CCRs and recommends changes and additions to the Board. Any change or addition will then be voted on by all homeowners. A committee was convened last year to review the existing CCRs, and we have engaged a law firm to review these as well. More information on potential changes will be forthcoming and discussed at the March HOA annual meeting.

Social Committee- Our HOA has the annual BBQ and Turkey Trot that requires planning. But it doesn't have to stop there. Book Clubs, Walking Groups, New Mother's Groups??? Another opportunity is to take over this Newsletter!