

Change to semi-annual billing

The board voted not to raise dues in 2009. Starting in January 2009, homeowners will switch to 2 bills per year for the association in order to save the association money and keep our dues down. Quarterly dues are \$55/ quarter in 2008, so the billing change in 2009 will mean a bill for \$110 in January and again in July.

Trimming Trees

Neighbors have noted that many of the trees limbs overhanging the sidewalk are so short that joggers or walkers have to duck or walk around them, and some haven't ducked in time. The city code requires that trees be trimmed to a height of 8' above a sidewalk and 12 ft above the street (for city maintenance vehicles). Trees in the street strip next to homes are the responsibility of homeowners to keep trimmed.

Therefore the association will would like to remind homeowners to please trim all street trees in accordance with the city code.

In addition, trees should not overhang a neighbors property (without their permission), so please keep trees and bushes trimmed. Views blocked by trees are addressed in the view control policy previously mailed and on the website.

Open Board Position

At least one board member is elected every year at the annual meeting the first Thursday in February. (In 2009, this is Feb. 5). Board members are responsible to maintain abundant common areas and meet at least quarterly for a 2-year term. The board is also responsible to review financial statements, establish a budget, enforce and update the CC& R's and address neighbor's concerns. Homeowners interested in serving should return the enclosed Board member application for this volunteer non-paid position.

Recycling blowing in the wind

Windy weather around here is obvious from the bottles, cans, and cereal boxes fluttering around the neighborhood along with the fall leaves. What to do? Put a lid on it. The city of Camas has new fangled recycle bins with lids to keep recycling in the bins in high wind areas. To request a new bin please call the city at 834-2462. Alternatively, if bins are placed outside on Wednesday mornings by 6:30 AM, instead of the night before, this cuts down on flying debris significantly.

Burglars on prowl in Holly Hills

Recently a home in Holly Hills was burglarized. It was reported that a man and woman have been seen entering homes in the Camas area during daylight hours, entering via unlocked doors and windows. Previous thefts and attempted thefts have been made from open garages while neighbors were at home. So please remember to lock doors and windows and report suspicious activity to the police.

Sports Court in Holly Hills Park

The Sports Court was cleaned in March. This raised the question of whether to keep the plastic tile covering on the court. In our park, there is a lot of tree debris that blew into the tile, which in turn grew into a thick moss carpet in areas. This made the court slick, and basketball players were slipping during intense competition and lay ups.

The concrete surface that was under the tile has superior traction, even when it's wet. It's also less expensive to maintain. After consulting with frequent court users, it was decided that a concrete court would better serve the neighborhood in the long run. Thank you to Tony Williamson for helping to haul the tile to a new home which saved us the fee to toss it, and recycled the material.

The net was repaired and hooks onto the court fence. It can be set up for games like short tennis, pickle ball, volleyball or badminton. Please hang the net up neatly on the fence after use.

Weeds of concern in common areas

Many of the lots in Holly Hills are adjacent to common area. Some of the plants commonly used landscaping are invasive and care should be taken to keep invasive plants from yards out of the common area. For example, butterfly bushes and ivy are invasive and should not be allowed to extend from a yard into a common area. Planting in the common area is not allowed without permission. If you would like to serve on the landscape committee, please contact TMG:

Board meeting Thursday Nov. 6, 7 PM Grass Valley Fire Station,
HOA members are welcome to provide input.

HOA members may also direct questions or concerns about the association to:

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