

HIGHLANDS HIGHLIGHTS

Community News



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HOA BOARD MESSAGE

It was great to see so many community members attend Mabel's send off July 21. With tears on both sides (Mabel's and several community members), she was presented with a card (poster) signed by many, a Pendleton throw (to commemorate her time in Oregon and keep her warm in Montana), and funds collected from community.

In her words "this is the best job I've ever had, and I love this community so much and will miss you all". We'll miss her warmth and smile.



Beth Cahill had an opportunity to work side-by-side with Mabel for a couple of days – learning where "stuff" is kept...but Beth will still have some ramp up time to adjust to the office. I know we'll all give

her our support and recognize she may not have "all the answers" right away. Stop in during normal office hours and say hi.

The Board recently received several concerns regarding RV and construction vehicles parking on residential streets. This is a reminder – the streets are public and owned by King City (not Highlands). There is both a Highlands Parking Plan and CC&Rs allowing parking for up to 24 hours. If you are concerned with parking, please try talking to the driver/owner first. If you don't feel the issue is being addressed, call the King City Police non-emergency number (in your directory).

Although home sales have slowed the Finance Committee recommended to the Board last month that no budget adjustment is needed at this time. Each committee has done extraordinary work keeping expenses to a minimum. Thank you to the finance, ALC, clubhouse maintenance, and clubhouse interiors committees for your continued efforts and vigilance.

Happy Summer Everyone! Stay cool and safe.
Mike Dahlstrom, president, King City Highlands HOA
Email: president@kchighlandshoa.com

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU

It is with a heavy heart I say, “Good bye” to Highlands.
It has been over seven years I have had the honor and privilege of working with you wonderful people. You have been so patient and kind through my three joint replacements. You have been kind and gracious when I was learning and made mistakes.

I am so overwhelmed by the surprise Thursday afternoon, by your love, praise and good wishes. I just do not know what to say except to say, “Thank you with much love”. The Pendleton throw is wonderful. It will keep me warm on cold winter days and nights and I will think of all you and your love and graciousness. Thank you also for the money that will help with expenses and getting settled in my new home.

Again, I am overwhelmed and overflowing with thanks for your kind words, cards, gifts, and good wishes. I will never forget you.

Lots of Love,

Mabel



HIGHLAND PARK CONDOMINIUM BOARD MESSAGE

I just want to thank everyone who attends the Board meetings. It's nice to hear from you your concerns as well as what is going right from your perspective. To everyone's surprise and dismay the meeting concluded within an hour. Sherry Kilpatrick sitting in the front row almost went into shock as did I.

I want to say that when the water was turned off in bldg. 1 & 2, we got no advance notice so there was no way to let residents know it was going to happen. I can imagine the inconvenience it must have caused. When we know the water is going to be shut off we will send out at least 48 hour notice.

One of our big concerns is when the company that did the asphalt last summer on that unbelievably hot day (thought I would throw that in) is going to come back and redo? So far we do not have a date.

It was decided that Chelsea would set up a meeting with Certa and the Board to discuss the companies that have submitted a bid for doing the decks. We would make a decision, hopefully before the next board meeting so we can get the jobs scheduled.

In attendance were residents of bldg. 14 who shared that the light outside their building still has not been fixed (not worked since November). Chelsea stated we have an open work order but no date. The board requested that Chelsea contact the vendor, get a date and report back to the board what that date is so we can let residents know.

Again, I am requesting if you have time to volunteer a couple of hours a month, we would appreciate your help. It is the time of year to begin to put the budget for next year together. If you are concerned about your HOA dues, this is the way to be involved in the outcome.

Be safe and enjoy the weather and be glad we are not experiencing the really hot weather that others in this country are.

Pat Barcroft, Chair HPC

ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The summer heat is upon us and the effects of our water reduction and money-saving efforts are becoming evident. Visually this is not easy for any of us. We do appreciate the residents who have added emitters to their drip lines and those who carry watering cans to thirsty plants. Your kindness hydrates their roots and creates green spots.

ALC Reminders:

- Construction noise shall be confined to the hours 8 am to 5 pm.” This is from the A&L Manual, Section 6.13. Please do advise your contractors of these times. Also, when doing a DIY project, think of your neighbors and realize how sound travels.
- Garbage Cans: The ALC gets comments about these all too often. Hide them behind screening, structural or plant material. They are to go out after 5 on Sunday and be put away by Monday evening. Please, be neighborly and assist those near to you in moving these bulky receptacles.

The ALC is interviewing landscape companies in preparation to extend a three-year contract. If you have suggestions or items to be discussed with prospective maintenance people, please do contact a member of the ALC. Residents’ yearly dues go toward keeping our grounds attractive. Your input is valued.

Who is on the ALC? **Judy Baese** – Landscape Applications Coordinator, **Bonny Chown** – Chair, **Leslie Elliott** – Planting Coordinator, **Connie Holt** Maintenance Coordinator, **Virginia McEwing** – Secretary, **Joe Mulder** – Researcher, **Rob Mustard** – Arborist, Budget, Drainage Coordinator, **Elaine Sobel** - Irrigation Coordinator and **Tim Woodley** – Architecture Applications Coordinator.

These nine people are home owners who volunteer their time. Please give them your thanks.

As always, please contact me with questions or comments.

Bonny Chown alc-chair@kchighlandshoa.com

CONDO LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

We welcome the summer sun after a very, wet spring . The landscape committee has finalized the landscape plans at the garbage areas with East West and will wait for the Board to approve. We hope to have the planting completed this fall. NW Tree Specialists are planning on coming in August to remove 2 large compromised trees at units 7&8 and do pruning at unit 9 and remove a Maple at unit 2. Three overgrown Hinoki will also be removed.

As always, we continue to look for ways to keep the property safe and attractive.

The next Condo Landscape meeting is August 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Lucy Laande, Chair Condo Landscape

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee is looking for a few residents to join the team. We review the monthly financials, make recommendations to the Board of Directors, and participate in the annual budget process. The Committee meets monthly the Tuesday prior to the Town Hall and Board of Directors meeting at 6:30p via Zoom. The total estimated monthly commitment is less than 5 hours.

If you're interested in learning more about how your HOA dues are spent, join us at one of the monthly meetings or better yet, join the Committee to get an in-depth understanding of what it takes to keep the HOA running while maintaining a strong financial standing.

You can contact me at finance-chair@kchighlandshoa.com or call/text me at 760.525.9687.

Thank you for considering joining this vital committee.

Mary Kelly
Chair - Finance Committee

CONDO NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

We had a Condo Neighborhood Watch meeting on July 12th. It was a wonderful greeting of old and new Captains.

We have eighteen Captains for twenty-one buildings. Fifteen Captains were able to attend the meeting. We have a common goal; to keep our little piece of this world and our people in it safe and secure. We share good and not so good happenings in the condos. Mostly good things and how to make them even better. I keep stressing the importance of water leak detectors.

We need to work on our team building. Perhaps combining two to four buildings on different sides of 130th into pods might be a way to share resources and different ideas. Four buildings on our northern end have already joined forces and are going forward with meetings and great ideas. Feel free to pick their brains for how to start your first steps to do the same. Or not, it is your choice.

If you see something, say something. If it looks suspicious, call the King City non-emergency number 503-629-0111. Remember we are not the police. We are the eyes and ears of the Highlands. Do not confront – but you can inquire politely.

Stay safe and cool this summer,

Sandy Bergeron CNW Coordinator sandber31638@gmail.com

LIBRARY WHISPERINGS

The Highlands Library is always open to residents. The library is stocked with a wide assortment of books, fiction and non-fiction, puzzles, dvds and magazines. Our library is neat and operating due to our wonderful committee. Each committee member has one day that they process books and keep the library attractive. The current committee members are: Fran Hardiman, Elaine Sobel, Mary and Andy Anderson, Pepper White, Connie Holt, Diane Iverson-Ross, Mary Simpson Jan Whitaker and Jennifer Frahs. We always welcome and appreciate donations. This year we are not accepting books published prior to 2007.

Bobbi Siegel, Librarian

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

I trust that you are enjoying the daily summer heat and cool nights, which is one of the many benefits of living in the Northwest. We are grateful here in the Highlands for many benefits of our community as well. After a brief hiatus in July from our bi-monthly Bible Study, we will resume the normal schedule in August. Our speakers include:

August 2nd, Pastor Gary Custis, a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary, and pastor of Hillcrest Chapel since 1981. Beyond his many church responsibilities, Pastor Custis loves teaching the Word of God to Juniors and Seniors at Horizon Christian High School. We look forward to hearing from Pastor Custis once again.

August 16th, Chaplain Dave Mcelheran will join us, which usually involves singing hymns and a message from God's Word. At this gathering, he will lead our time reflecting on Biblical Truth's based on his personal visits to Israel and the ancient city of Megiddo – where the word Armageddon is derived. We will view pictures and hear of the rich heritage we enjoy as followers of Christ. Welcome Chaplain Dave.

Our Bible Study gatherings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month. We currently meet without a mask mandate, but they are optional for those who prefer. Our sessions are held from 7:00 to 8:00pm, and conclude with a time of refreshments and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you in August.

Submitted by Ron Willis

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Join us for this free 90 minute group to support family and friends caregiving! Are you an unpaid family or friend providing support to your spouse, neighbor, parent, or friend? We understand that caregiving is rewarding and it can also be tiring and frustrating. We welcome you to come and spend a little time with others who "get it". Share your story, get support, and learn ideas to help you provide care. This support group is open to anyone in Washington County who is unpaid and caring for someone over the age of 60 or any age with a dementia related diagnosis. Offered through the Washington County Caregiver Support Program and funded through the Older Americans Act.

The next meeting at our clubhouse is scheduled for August 8th from 1:00-2:30 pm in the "card room". The group will meet on the second Monday of each month at 1:00 pm. I have also posted a flier on the clubhouse bulletin board describing their services. To secure your attendance, you need to RSVP by calling Jennifer Morris, the Facilitator, at 503.720.4482. Drop-ins will be welcomed but RSVP'ing is preferred."

Ron Nixon
SW Bexley Ln
Tigard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CRAFT FAIRE

Calling Highland's Artists and Crafters. It is not too early to begin thinking about our 2022 ART AND CRAFT FAIRE. The projected date will be December 3 and we hope to have a return of our famous Cookie Bar to benefit our local charities. If you are new to the Highlands and might like to participate we would love to welcome you. We will have an information and planning meeting in September. Watch September Highlights for the date. A sign-up sheet will be posted the end of August for those interested in participating.

If you have questions or want Information before that call:

Nancy Crandell at 503-746-6701 or email njcrandell@gmail.com.

Happy Creating!

SPECIAL EVENTS

ICE CREAM SOCIAL SUNDAY AUGUST 7TH AT 2:30 PM

Come join the fun with your neighbors and friends! There will be many flavors of ice cream, plus toppings and your favorite cookies. The cost is only \$5.

We especially invite the new members who moved into the Highlands since August 1 of 2021. Just tell the cashier and your admission is free. We would love to meet you!

We ask that you ALL please sign the sheet on the bulletin board we can prepare ahead of time.

Thank You.

Ed Beberg, Special Events Chair
Lucianne Pillips, Co-Chair

HIGHLANDS ACTIVITIES

Friday Coffee on the Patio. Friday coffee from 10-11am on the patio will continue through the month of August. Fun and lively conversation. Please volunteer to make a pot of coffee by signing up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Remember to bring your own coffee mug. Everyone welcome.

Thanks,

Linda Dufresne
503-519-5743

HIGHLIGHTS NEWSLETTER

KC Highlands community interest articles and announcements are always welcome. Just send by email to: highlightskchoa@gmail.com by the third Friday of the month.

I am happy to answer your questions regarding appropriate content, etc.

Denette Peffers, Highlights Newsletter coordinator

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