

# HIGHLANDS HIGHLIGHTS

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### BOARD NOTES

#### **If you want to thrive in the Highlands, Get Involved!**

Highlands living is a very personal experience. Some owners prefer to forget that they are members of a non-profit corporation and do not take an active role in the operation of our association. Others resent their membership and take every opportunity available to express their discontent and frustration. And still others embrace Highlands and work diligently to improve our community. They volunteer their time to serve on an association committee and even take their turn to serve on the board of directors. And they do this, not just for themselves, but for the entire community.

To thrive as a member of Highlands is to recognize the important role that each member of the association serves and to act on that recognition. To thrive is to step up to the plate and take our best swing. It is to contribute to the protection of our community's assets by getting involved. When our community's assets are maintained, preserved and enhanced, then our property values and the investment we have in our homes are also protected.

Getting involved does not always mean serving on a committee or the board of directors. Every time we obey and comply with our community's governing documents (Architectural/Landscape Manual, CC&Rs, etc.) then we are involved. Whenever we take the few minutes needed to fill out, sign and mail in ballots, we are getting involved. When we assist the board of directors by helping them identify owners who fail to comply with our governing documents, we are getting involved. When we choose to attend a board of directors meeting we are getting involved. When we read our Highlands Highlights newsletter we are getting involved. Involvement has many faces.

The investment we have in our home is worth a little involvement. Highlands members have a tremendous opportunity to work together in the achievement of common goals and objectives. Each time one of those goals or objectives is reached, everyone benefits and thriving in our association becomes a bit easier. Start thriving today...get involved!

THANK YOU for living in the Highlands.

Vicki Miller, Treasurer

Faithful in little things is a BIG thing. – Unknown

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success. – Unknown

"Precious are all the seasons of the year, none so rejoices the heart as spring. There is about spring a gladness that thrills the soul and lifts it up into regions of spiritual sunshine." Helen Keller.

## CONDO NOTES

**MAINTENANCE REMINDERS:** In condominium properties the maintenance responsibility is shared by the individual unit owners and the Association. Almost anything that has to do with the inside of your unit is the owners' responsibility. Leaking by any appliance, whether it's your water heater, washing machine, dishwasher, kitchen or bathroom pipes, toilets, ice maker etc., is your responsibility. You need to call the appropriate contractor and make immediate repairs. If you live on the second floor it's very important to let your downstairs neighbors and/or your Neighborhood Watch block captain know what's going on because they may be affected by any water leaks, especially from above. If there is water damage of any kind you also need to notify CMI. If insurance is involved, either your insurance, a neighbors' or the Association's master insurance could come into play. CMI is the coordinator, not a member of the board of directors.

Doors, windows and window screens are also the unit owners' responsibility. An important reminder about windows: If you are just replacing glass, permission is not required. If you are replacing glass and frame, in other words the whole window, you must have board approval. At the present time there is only one window brand and frame color that is approved. This information is posted on the condo bulletin board at the Clubhouse.

What kind of maintenance does our volunteer handle? Mostly common area lighting plus building entrance lighting. In some cases he will have to call another vendor to replace a bulb. An example of that would be street lights. When you email Sheldon about lights be very specific as to the location. He prefers emails, not phone calls. Sheldon's email is [slsbjs@yahoo.com](mailto:slsbjs@yahoo.com).

We pay CMI quite a bit every month to manage our property and you should be calling them (Manager **Erin Ashley**, email: [erina@communitymgt.com](mailto:erina@communitymgt.com), 503-445-1119) about maintenance issues related to your deck, patio, outsides of buildings, sidewalks, steps, parking lot etc. One exception would be actively overflowing gutters which can be reported to the board via phone call or email and we will contact Pro Maintenance to correct the problem. Please keep in mind that nobody on this board of directors is a maintenance technician.

If you have email and would like to have a copy of the window specs or the overly complicated plumbing layout for each building I can send you a document via email upon request. My address is [zallen98007@gmail.com](mailto:zallen98007@gmail.com).

I confess to being a little short on the phone sometimes. I do enjoy talking to my neighbors and I will gladly answer almost all questions when I am able. However, I can't solve problems that you or your family should be addressing. My board and I are well aware that this is a change from past practice here at Highland Park, but it is the way most properties with a professional management company handle maintenance and most other issues. All owners are welcome to attend our Landscape Committee meetings to discuss landscape and drainage questions. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. Our Maintenance Committee meets the first Monday of each month at 11 a.m. to discuss maintenance concerns. Both committees need new volunteers but anyone is welcome to drop by and talk to us. Lastly, emails are welcome for non-urgent matters. I will almost always respond in a reasonable amount of time. The number of phone calls, especially when there's really nothing I can do about your problem, needs to decrease. I hope nobody is offended by the tone of this article, but if I'm not going to burn out completely before the end of 2018, some things do have to change. One last thing. If you must call me I would appreciate calls only between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

**NOTICE:** If the turn off valve for an outside water faucet is in your unit, please be sure to turn the water back on now.

Our next meeting of the board of directors will be at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 in the board room at the HOA Clubhouse. All residents are invited and encouraged to attend. The "Open Forum" at the beginning of each meeting is another good opportunity to speak directly to your board of directors. I hope to see you there.

Zoe Allen, Chair Board of Directors

## **BIBLE STUDY**

**Tuesday, April 3** - We are privileged to have Pastor Dave McCelheran coming to teach and apply truths from the Bible to our lives in today's world. He has decades of ministry and service and will be bringing his guitar to lead us in singing.

**Tuesday, April 17** - It is a delight to have Tim Nguyen with us for the first time. He is a graduate of West Coast Bible College with a degree in education. He has a goal to serve as a missionary in Viet Nam, the land of his forefathers. Tim is currently teaching at a Christian school in the area.

Each of these presentations start at 7 p.m. They are non-denominational and the messages and the music are one hour in length, followed by coffee, refreshments, and fellowship. All Highlanders are encouraged and invited to attend.

Harmon & Maxine Sommer

## **BOOK CLUB**

The Senioritus Book Club meets bi-monthly beginning in January and ending in November (January, March, May, July, September, and November). **We meet on the third Wednesday, 1:30 pm at Highlands Clubhouse. The Book Club alternates between fiction and non-fiction books.** For May we selected a fiction, ***The Queen of the Tambourine* by Jane Gardam.** In her book, Jane Gardam offers her readers this moving story of a woman's confrontation with the sometimes hard realities of sanity." *The New York Times* wrote "Funny and moving." *The Atlantic* wrote "An ingenious novel...humorous and expertly controlled." **Join us on May 16 for coffee, dessert and a lively discussion.** Call Judy Sutton at 503-639-1752 if you have any questions. Hope to see you on May 16. Bring your book suggestions for future reads.

Judy Sutton

## **Neighborhood Watch News**

**Sandy Bergeron** is the new Chief Captain or coordinator of the **Condos** Neighborhood Watch Captains. **Gary Melott** is the Chief Captain or coordinator for the **House** Neighborhood Watch program in the Highlands.

There will be a meeting for the **Condo** Neighborhood Watch Captains on Tuesday, April 10 at 4:00 p.m. in the Highlands Clubhouse. All Highland residents are welcome to join us.

Anyone interested in finding out about what Neighborhood Watch involves is welcome. Anyone willing to become a Neighborhood Watch Captain is more than welcome. We still have need of a few more good men and women.

Sandy Bergeron

## **MOVIE NIGHTS**

### **MOVIE NIGHTS FOR APRIL WILL BE THE FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAY NIGHTS AT 7:00 p.m.**

We enjoyed going to the dogs in March. April will bring visits with the British Royals.

**APRIL 6 at 7:00 p.m.** - we will share the Oscar winning film "THE KING'S SPEECH" starring Colin Firth and Geoffrey Rush. When King Edward abdicated the British crown for the woman he loved, his brother George VI, who suffered from a difficult speech impediment, was thrust into the challenging and demanding role of King at the beginning of World War II. Don't miss this amazing and well-acted film.

**APRIL 20 at 7:00 p.m.** - We will continue our exploration of the Royal Family with Helen Mirren as "THE QUEEN" - King George's daughter Elizabeth II, in the wake of Princess Diana's death and her confrontation with Prime Minister Tony Blair. This superbly acted film is also an Oscar winner. This is also a don't-miss film.

Nancy Crandell

## SPECIAL EVENTS

# *Soup & Salad Dinner*

*Saturday, April 21 at 5:30pm*



Choice of soups for your dining pleasure.  
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A great dinner for \$7.00 per person at the door.  
Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

## MAY SPECIAL EVENT

**Mark your calendar.** The May Special Event is on Saturday May 19 and is a catered Fajita dinner by Kam and Kam, the same people who catered our Christmas Dinner.

The menu is your choice of **Chicken Fajita at \$17.00** or **Beef Fajita at \$19.00**, and includes Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Sautéed Peppers and Onions, Flour and Corn Tortillas, Diced Tomatoes, Olives, Shredded Lettuce, Cheese, Sour Cream, Guacamole, Chips and Salsa all gluten Free and Snicker Doodle cookies for dessert.

Tickets to be sold at Friday Happy Hour from 5 to 7 p.m. on April 13, 27, May 4, 11.  
Also on Saturdays at 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Clubhouse on April 14, 28, May 5, 12.

We will be looking for volunteers to help sell the tickets. If interested, please call Gary at 503-598-4636. Admittance to the dinner is by ticket only. No sales at the door. Come one, come all, Family and Friends. If you have any questions please call Gary.

## MAHJONG & POKER

There are people who would love to help you learn to play Mahjong every Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the card room. Come join the fun.

There is room at the poker table for anyone who wants to play. We meet every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the card room.

Sandy Bergeron

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**THE 2018 DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CLUBHOUSE OFFICE DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COME PICK YOUR UP, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<b>AARP TAX PREPARATION LOCATIONS</b>			
LOCATION	ADDRESS	DAYS	PHONE NO
Tigard Senior Center	8815 SW Omara St.	Tuesdays	503-620-4613
Tigard Library	13500 SW Hall Blvd.	Fridays & Saturdays	503-684-6537 Ask for Reference Department
Tualatin Senior Center	8513 SW Tualatin Rd.	Thursdays	503-691-3061
Tualatin Library	18878 SW Martinazzi Av.	Saturdays	503-691-0374
Sherwood Senior Center	21907 SW Sherwood Blvd.	Thursdays	503-625-5644

**IRS forms are available at the Tigard Library for those who prepare taxes on paper.**

## **THANK YOU**

**A huge thank you goes out to the people who helped with the memorial for Ruth Sherman. They are: Shel Siegel and Rob Mustard – Table and chair set up and take down. Joyce Biglione, Marguerite Burns, Pat Combs, Bobbie Sommerville - Food service and kitchen cleanup.**

### **FIRST LOVE**

I was hurrying to work  
When he whistled at me.  
I stopped in my tracks  
And turned round to see  
Him standing there waiting,  
Not saying a thing.  
And right then I loved  
That First robin of spring.  
Ardis Rittenhouse

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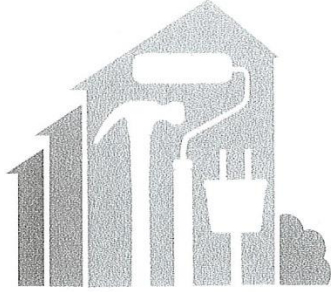
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# April 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>EASTER</b>	2 10 Zumba Exercise <b>11 Condo Maintenance</b>	3 9 Walking Aerobics 10 Coffee Hour 1 Bridge 7 Bible Study	4 10:30 ALC Meeting 2 Dominos 2 Mahjong 7 Mixed Poker	5 10 Zumba Exercise 11 Genealogy Class 7 Hand & Foot	6 9 Walking Aerobics 10:30 Coloring 1 Needle Arts 5 Happy Hour <b>7 Movie</b>	7
8	9 10 Zumba Exercise	10 9 Walking Aerobics 10 Coffee Hour <b>10:30 Condo Landscape</b> 1 Bridge <b>4 Condo Neighborhood Watch Meeting</b>	11 2 Dominos 2 Mahjong 7 Mixed Poker	12 9:30-4 Quilting 10 Zumba Exercise <b>5:30 Condo Board Meeting</b> 7 Hand & Foot	13 9 Walking Aerobics 10:30 Coloring 1 Needle Arts 2:30 Library Committee 5 Happy Hour	14
15	16 10 Zumba Exercise	17 9 Walking Aerobics 10 Coffee Hour 10:30 Condo Landscape 1 Bridge 7 Bible Study	18 2 Mahjong 7 Mixed Poker	19 10 Zumba Exercise 11 Genealogy Class 3 Clubhouse Interiors 7 Hand & Foot	20 9 Walking Aerobics 10:30 Coloring 1 Needle Arts 5 Happy Hour <b>7 Movie</b>	21 <b>5:30 SOUP AND SALAD</b>
22	23 10 Zumba Exercise <b>7 CPO # 4</b>	24 9 Walking Aerobics 10 Coffee Hour 1 Bridge <b>1:30 Finance Meeting</b>	25 <b>10 Town Hall 10:30 HOA Board Meeting</b> 2 Dominos 2 Mahjong 7 Mixed Poker	26 9:30-4 Quilting 10 Zumba Exercise 7 Hand & Foot	27 9 Walking Aerobics 10:30 Coloring 1 Needle Arts 5 Happy Hour	28
29	30 10 Zumba Exercise	<b>Clubhouse Hours:</b> Mondays & Wednesdays 9 – 12 and Thursdays 1 – 4. Calendar items are accurate as of the first of the month. For updates, please check the calendar on the Clubhouse front door window or watch for updates on Hi-net.				