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BOARD NOTES

This is a great opportunity to highlight one of the most valued – and perhaps underappreciated – members of the King City Highlands HOA Team.

This is about “Behind the Scenes” and “Under the Radar” support for every committee and activity throughout our community. Though it would require all the remaining pages of this newsletter to explain everything she handles, following are a few specific highlights.

Our HOA office receptionist, Mabel Weber, recently finalized the production of the King City Highlands Directory. If you don't have a copy yet, we urge you to pick it up as soon as possible any time the office is open. This is an extremely valuable tool for all residents and especially for anyone new to our community.

More than just a Directory – it is the King City Highlands Community Guidebook. In it you will find information such as a summary of the 15 regularly scheduled games and other activities as well as a listing of the nine regularly scheduled committee meetings. Also included is a list of many useful community phone numbers. There is a centerfold community map and a detailed diagram of the condo complex. Although the directory is published annually, this is a yearlong – labor intensive process – fueled by the fact that during each of the past three consecutive years 40+ living units (condos and houses) have changed ownership.

As another of her most visible functions, Mabel produces the monthly **Highlands Highlights** newsletter. Much takes place behind the scenes; scheduling and encouraging all the contributors – setting up and determining the layout of the publication – managing advertisers and ad placement – checking final copy with the assistance of her proof reading team – coordinating with the printing company – and finally, organizing the distribution team that hand delivers a personal copy to each home in the community.

Mabel organizes the monthly calendar, establishing dates and times for Clubhouse activities. A single month will typically include special events in addition to the 75 committee meetings and other regularly scheduled activities.

Another example of what she handles in a day at the office is issuing our new parking stickers. The sticker is a 2"x 2" vinyl emblem of our clock tower that adheres to **the upper left corner of the rear window** – similar to the oil change reminder sticker your auto mechanic applies to the windshield. If you don't have a sticker just stop and see Mabel. It is easy to apply and just as easy to remove. There is no good reason to not see Mabel and get a sticker to display in the rear window to simply identify your vehicle as belonging to our beautiful Highlands community.

In spite of these and many additional responsibilities, Mabel is never too busy to cheerfully greet and assist everyone that comes to her door. When you see Mabel don't miss the opportunity to express to her how much we appreciate all she contributes to the support of our beautiful community.

Dave Platt, President, Board of Directors

CONDO NOTES

Your Board of Directors made two decisions at the April meeting that are important to share with all our owners and residents. More information will be available in coming weeks and months.

SMOKING: Based on the results of the smoking survey, the board has decided that the next step is to meet with L. Stephen Russell, an attorney with Landye Bennett Blumstein LLP, a Portland law firm that specializes in condominium and homeowner association issues. Mr. Russell is a recognized expert when it comes to smoking rules and restrictions. Our initial meeting with Mr. Russell will be an executive (private) meeting as allowed by the Oregon Condominium Law. A decision about what comes next will most likely be determined by this meeting. We will keep our residents posted each step along the way. Of the surveys that were returned 74% voted in favor of banning all smoking. No matter our personal feelings about smoking, the board did not feel that we could just ignore those results.

PARKING: The next decision involved parking stickers. The HOA parking committee asked that the condos consider joining their parking sticker plan. The board voted to do so. We have not ironed out all the details as this is written other than participation will be voluntary with one very important exception: If you do not use your garage for parking or you have an extra vehicle that is always parked outside you **must** sticker these vehicles or run the risk of towing. In the event an owner's unregistered or non-stickered vehicle is towed, the costs will be the responsibility of the vehicle owners. We will **require** that outdoor vehicles be registered and stickered. The stickers are only 2"X2" and go **inside the back window on the drivers' side**. We recommend that everyone register all their vehicles and obtain stickers voluntarily. There will also be a way to obtain a sticker for a long-term visitor or a friend or family member who regularly stays over for a night or two. We still have details to finalize.

DECK REPAIRS: As this is written the planned start date for 2018 deck repairs is May 21. All unit owners will be contacted in advance by the contractor, GreenPointe Construction, with scheduling information and details about what to expect during repairs.

Rexius Company will be blowing bark dust into all our landscaped beds and bare dirt areas on **May 11**. Be sure to keep your windows and doors closed tightly that day.

Entrance carpet cleaning and window washing are also coming in May. Carpet cleaning will be on **May 15**. We don't have a date yet for window washing but will let you know when we know.

Later this summer Salem Seal Coating will repair most of the badly damaged asphalt areas on 130th Terrace and in the parking areas. We don't have an approximate date. This work is very weather dependent and usually happens in July or August.

If you want to keep up with all the projects at Highland Park Condominiums please attend our monthly board meetings on the **second Thursday of each month**. We meet at the HOA Clubhouse at 5:30 p.m. and all residents are invited and encouraged to attend. Next meeting will be **May 10**.

Zoe Allen, Chair Board of Directors

ARCHITECTURAL/LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The A/L Committee is busy keeping our common areas spiffy! Bark dust has been applied everywhere but the two flower beds at the Clubhouse (more about that later). We are working with our landscapers to thatch and aerate our common area lawns, so that by summer they will be lush and green and mostly weed free.

At the beginning of our common area on the south side of Dickson where the pathway and new fence begins, there are several empty and bare beds. We are planning the planting of Madrone shrubs that are similar to those on the pathways by the condos.

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Please remember that changes in landscaping or external changes to your home must be approved by this committee. To accomplish that you will need to fill out an A/L application. They can be found on the hallway walls in the Clubhouse near the meeting room. Here's hoping we begin to see a little less water falling and a little more sun!

Mark Perkins, Chair A/L Committee

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday May 1 - Pastor Joel Slator will be with us, perhaps for the last time, as his ministry changes from a teaching ministry in a large church to one of preparing for missions work in Africa. Pastor Joel teaches scripture with exceptional and meaningful clarity. We have been blessed to have him with us for three years.

Tuesday May 15 - Pastor Steve McCracken has been coming to Highlands for 24 years, teaching God's Word with loving enthusiasm for his subject, bringing 'energy' and fresh applications from the Bible, for each person.

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 Highlands residents are encouraged and invited to attend.

Harmon and Maxine Sommer

CLUBHOUSE INTERIORS

It's been 27 years or so since our current kitchen was installed and during this time period, few changes have been made. We are looking forward to making the Highlands kitchen more than just functional. We need deep sinks for the dishes, pots and pans that accumulate at our functions, additional storage space, repairs to the cabinetry, etc. Like the rest of the building, it is time to streamline to a more efficient and up-to-date kitchen. We have a beautiful clubhouse and over the past few years, the CI Committee has spent many hours updating the rooms throughout the building. The kitchen will be the next room to be modernized. We will be engaging our resident 'chefs' for their input and will work with a designer to assist with the coordination of this project. Just as in the past, updates will be made to the community as the project progresses.

Jo Hendrickson

LIBRARY WHISPERINGS

The Highlands Library has a section of books that have been discontinued. These books are available for Highlanders to take and keep. Please do not return these books to the library. Be sure to check out our give-away corner.

The library has a nice assortment of non-fiction books. We have many different topics including biographies. These books are located on your left when you enter the library.

We appreciate all donations. Just a reminder that we cannot accept books that were written prior to 2003.

Bobbi Siegel, Librarian

"Like kites without strings and butterfly wings, my mother taught me to soar with my dreams." – William H. McMurry III

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 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

SPECIAL EVENTS

Fajita Dinner

By KAM and KAM Catering

Saturday, May 19, 2018 Social 5:30pm, Dinner 6pm



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Chicken Fajita - \$17.00 or Beef Fajita - \$19.00

Dinner includes: Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Sautéed Peppers and Onions, Diced Tomatoes, Olives, Cheese, Shredded Lettuce, Sour Cream, Guacamole, Corn Tortillas, Chips/Salsa and Dessert. BYOB

Admittance by ticket only. No sales at the door.

Ticket sale dates:

Friday Happy Hour from 5-7pm on May 4, 11

Saturdays from 11am to 12pm on May 5, 12

If you have any questions, call Gary Melott @ 503-598-4636

Gary Melott and Ed Benberg, Co-Chairs

MOVIE NIGHTS

Movie nights for May will be the first and third Friday nights at 7:00 p.m.

Friday May 4 – We will time travel to 16th century Europe as we enjoy a retelling of the classic Cinderella story with a modern twist. “EVER AFTER” is the tale of a “modern” young woman (Drew Barrymore), independent and wise, as she stands up to her scheming stepmother (Angelica Houston) and touches many lives along the way. Washington Post calls it an enchanting adventure. It is both. Join us!

Friday May 18 - To honor our Military Heroes and Memorial Day we will share the inspiring movie “MEN OF HONOR.” It is based on the true story of Carl Brashear played by Cuba Gooding Jr., who became the first African American to achieve the impossible goal of becoming a U.S. Navy Master Diver. This takes place just after the integration of the Armed Forces so, in addition to the tough training required, Carl had to deal with the stigma of his race. This is an amazing and superbly acted film.

Nancy Crandell

CONDO NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The next meeting for Condo Neighborhood Watch Captains will be on Tuesday, May 8 at 4 p.m. in the Clubhouse. We will have a police officer from the King City Police Department speak to us about:

1. Problems we have had in the past on our private street,
2. Answer questions we may have about parking stickers, and
3. Other problems in our neighborhood.

Any residents of the Highlands interested in attending that meeting are welcome. We will be talking about ways to make the property in our garages safer and of course have more handouts. Hope to see you there.

Sandy Bergeron, Condo Neighborhood Watch Captain

DIRECTORY UPDATES

May, 2018		
NAME	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS
Marshal, Joseph & Janet	503-352-4375	16248 SW 130th Terrace # 20
Mitchell, Gregg & Laura (incomplete phone number)	503-502-0040	16398 SW 130th Terrace # 86
Perry, Lorinda is no longer living in Highlands		
Westover, Robert & Polly	503-941-5400	12654 SW Peachvale St
Whetsell, Don (New cell phone only numbers)	503-686-0861	16363 SW 130th Terr #96
Whetsell, Eleanor (New cell phone only numbers)	503-713-3281	16363 SW 130th Terr #96

“The successful mother, the mother who does her part in rearing and training aright the boys and girls who are to be the men and women of the next generation, is of greater use to the community . . .She is more important by far than the successful statesman or businessman or artist or scientist.” Theodore Roosevelt

IN MEMORIUM

Joyce Erickson was a long time Highland's resident who lived at 12598 SW Dickson Street. Joyce passed away Thursday, April 12. She will be missed by friends and neighbors. There will be a private memorial.

THANK YOU

Another huge thank you goes out to two more special ladies who helped with the memorial for Ruth Sherman. Sharon Walker and Barbara Sloop - Food service and kitchen cleanup. Great job ladies.

A huge thank you goes to Billie Angel, Wendy Gardner and Dave Platt for helping to replace the directory pages that were cut off in the printing. You are much appreciated.

I also want to thank Dave for his kind words and also all the Highlands residents for your kindness and patience.

Mabel, Receptionist

HIGHLIGHTS CONTRIBUTION UPCOMING DEADLINES

**Thursday, May 17, Thursday, June 14, Wednesday, July 18, Thursday, August 16,
Thursday, September 13, Wednesday, October 17, Wednesday, November 14,
And Wednesday, December 12. Sooner is also acceptable.**

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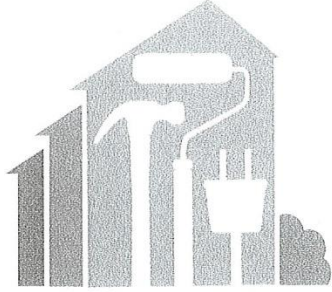
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May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Clubhouse Hours: Mondays & Wednesdays 9 – 12 and Thursdays 1 – 4. For updates, please check the calendar on the Clubhouse front door window or watch for updates on Hi-net.		9 Walking Aerobics 10 Coffee Hour 1 Bridge 7 Bible Study	10:30 ALC Meeting 2 Dominos 2 Mahjong 7 Mixed Poker	10 Zumba Exercise 11 Genealogy Class 7 Hand & Foot	9 Walking Aerobics 10:30 Coloring 1 Needle Arts 5 Happy Hour 7 Movie	
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