

Gold Ridge Forest

Your Association Newsletter



December 2018

Message from the President:

As you can see, there have been some changes here on the Board. We owe a debt of gratitude to Brandon Miller who guided the association activities for several years...way past his second term. Thank you, Brandon. We also thank Nate Davis for staying on past his term to ensure the smooth running of the board. You guys are great!

The board consists of 5 volunteer directors to manage the business of the association. Normally those directors are elected; 3 directors one year and 2 the next year to maintain smooth and consistent flow of business activities. Unfortunately, since no one ran for office this past year, we have to recruit from the membership to help complete our director vacancies.

We had a volunteer, Gary Scheppelmann, step forward. He was interviewed by the remaining directors and found to be enthusiastic, knowledgeable having experience with other boards, and ready to contribute his time to help guide the association. He was appointed on November 6, 2018 to fill the vacancy left by Brandon Miller's resignation on November 1st. It is refreshing to have new energy, even though the rest of us are still only in our first term.

There is one remaining seat on the board to be filled. If you are interested and feel you have the time, enthusiasm and knowledge to participate in the association business, please submit a letter of interest to the association office in person or via email. The board will be interviewing and deciding before the next regular board meeting on January 23, 2019.

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING CANCELLED!

OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 24TH-27TH

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, January 23, 2018 6:00pm at Lodge

2018 Board of Directors

President/ Secretary
Joan Fuquay

Vice President/ Finance
Gary Scheppelmann

Architecture
Scott Leonard

Greenbelt/Recreation
Dominique Smith

Message from the President (cont.)

Our last regular board meeting had an extraordinary membership participation in contrast to the normal 3-5 participants. The issues were in part because of the small dues increase (the first in 5 years) and the recent tragic fire incidents here in California. The interest was amazing and stimulated a lengthy and lively discussion on both Facebook and at the meeting.

To encourage more participation, we will be initiating at least 3 new committees; fire, greenbelt and member safety. We hope to have better input implementing the bylaws, CCRs and management of recreation areas (pool and activities). By being active on these committees, we anticipate our members will be more interested; better-informed and hope to encourage candidates to run as officers on the Board of Directors.

One last comment about the Facebook Gold Ridge Forest Community Chat Page...it is not the official homeowners' information, notification and discussion forum.

The board has taken the position to review the comments posted there, but will respond only on the official Gold Ridge Property

Owners website, **www.goldridge.org**

This is partially because the community chat page is not just limited to owners who are the only one to which we are responsible.

And so, I close by wishing you very happy holidays and a prosperous and peaceful 2019...hope to see you at our next board meeting.

Joan Fuquay

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***Please watch for FAQ page coming soon to the official website.

Office Hours:

Monday - Thurs

10:00am- 2:00pm

Friday - Closed

A special "Thank You!!!" ...Brandon Miller and Nate Davis for your dedication and service to Gold Ridge. We also wanted to express our official thanks for extending your terms while we tried to find replacements for your positions. While we know this was not a mandate of holding office, you both offered with grace, giving us the much needed time we needed.

REMINDERS:

- ✚ Dues Increase—As of January 1st 2019, dues will increase to \$97.00, QUARTERLY and \$388.00 ANNUALLY

****AUTOMATIC BILL PAY**

For those of you submitting by automatic bill payment, you will need to increase payment amount accordingly through your bank.

****PAYPAL INFORMATION: USING PAYPAL FOR GRFPOA QUARTERLY, SEMI-ANNUAL AND ANNUAL DUES PAYMENT**

DISCLAIMER:

Please Note: If you use PayPal to pay your POA dues, there is an approximate 3.34% “convenience fee” that you will be responsible for paying.

Therefore, if you wish to pay your QUARTERLY DUES, you should remit this amount: \$100.24

If you wish to pay TWO QUARTERS OF YOUR ANNUAL DUES, please remit this amount: \$200.48

If you wish to pay your ANNUAL DUES, please remit this amount: \$400.96

IF YOU DO NOT PAY THE FULL AMOUNT AS LISTED ABOVE, THE ASSOCIATION WILL ADD THIS CONVENIENCE FEE TO YOUR NEXT DUES INVOICE!

- ✚ Please keep an extra special eye on your neighbors during the cold weather. If you can, offer a little extra help to those that are inbound due to snow build-up.



- ✚ No parking on the sides of the roads...especially during snow season!!! If you need to TEMPORARILY park on the street pull over as far as you can to leave as much room as possible for drivers to be able to pass your parked car safely

CREATING YOUR EMERGENCY KIT

YOU NEED ENOUGH SUPPLIES TO LAST AT LEAST 72 HOURS



HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED

- non-perishable food
- manual can opener
- water (1 gallon/person/day)
- battery or hand crank radio
- flashlight
- extra batteries
- wrench or pliers
- medication
- first aid kit
- whistle
- dust mask
- local maps
- battery/solar phone charger
- personal toiletry items
- pet food, water & supplies

HAVE ENOUGH WATER



TIP
You need a gallon of water per person for three days. For a family of 4 that's 32 16 oz bottles of water.

... ENOUGH FOOD



Each family member needs enough food for three days. That could be as much as 15 cans of soup, 9 granola bars, and 21 tablespoons of peanut butter.



HINT
Make sure it's food your family will actually eat.

*based on a 2,000 calorie diet

...AND PLENTY OF BATTERIES



You need a three-day supply. Enough for your cell phone, charger, radio and flashlight.

STORING YOUR KIT

TIP
Keep your kit in one or two easy to carry containers.

- camping backpack
- storage box
- storage box
- waterproof bag/container

REMEMBER ...

to rethink your needs every time your family changes.



WHERE TO KEEP IT

TIP
Make sure it's easily accessible in a cool, dry place such as your basement, garage, or closet.



CONGRATULATIONS! YOU HAVE A KIT.
REMEMBER: STAY ALERT, AND STAY SAFE!





HA-HA-HA

Q: When does Christmas come before Thanksgiving?

A: In the dictionary

Q: What can you get if you eat Christmas decorations?

A: Tinselitus

Q: Who delivers Christmas presents to dogs?

A: Santa Paws



SNOWBALL COOKIES

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup butter softened
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups finely chopped pecans
- Powdered sugar....

DIRECTIONS:

- STEP 1---**Heat oven to 325° F.
- STEP 2---**Cream butter and sugar in medium bowl until creamy. Add vanilla, beat until well mixed.
- STEP 3---**Add flour and pecans; beat at low speed, scraping bowl occasionally, until well mixed.
- STEP 4---**Shape dough into 1-inch balls. Place 1 inch apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake 16-18 minutes or until very lightly browned. Cool 5 minutes; roll in powdered sugar while still warm and again when cool.

Please consider joining the Board of Directors. You can also participate by heading up or joining a committee that you would be interested in seeing formed to help our community.

Do you consider yourself a fun person or a great party giver? Join or head a recreation committee...get an activity going that you think would be a great addition to the Gold Ridge lifestyle.

Are you adept at grant writing or would you like to be on a committee to help write a grant proposal?

There could be grants available from the government and private entities depending on our non-profit status. Oftentimes it is not just about asking or applying for the money, but taking the time to work on a proposal and stating your case as to why they should show you the money! If you find a grant that might work for Gold Ridge, ask the BOD for approval.

Not happy about the CC&Rs? There is a committee that needs member support. Remember that the only way to affect change is to participate in that change.....

JOIN

Please do not disturb members who have rented the lodge for a private party!



Gold Ridge members have reserved the Lodge for a private event and have paid \$150 / or \$90 per day AND paid \$100 security/cleaning deposit for **exclusive** use of the Lodge. These private events are typically: Wedding Ceremonies, Celebration of Life, Baby showers, wedding showers, anniversary parties, family reunions, rescue training, Boy Scout and Girl Scout award ceremonies, Etc.