Vuemont HOA Autumn Newsletter 2024



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BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED!

We are always in need of more help on the Vuemont Homeowners' Association Board. *Please consider getting involved in your neighborhood.* We truly value fresh ideas and input! Our meetings are in-person only <u>quarterly</u>...the rest of the year we handle neighborhood business via email and occasionally via Zoom meetings. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to Katie Teplicky <u>president@vuemont.org</u>.

CC&Rs:

Please remember that we all legally agreed to Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions as part of our purchase documents. These CC&Rs require several things that help enforce maintenance of the beauty and desirability of living in Vuemont, *as well as our property values*! These can be found at www.vuemont.org by clicking on the Documents tab and include provisions that:

- The owner or occupant of each residential site shall maintain their hedges, plants, shrubs, trees and lawns in a neat and trim condition at all times.
- No trash, refuse pile, vehicles, underbrush, weeds, compost pile or other unsightly growth or
 object shall be allowed to grow, accumulate or remain on any residential site, including failure
 to maintain landscaping...
- All material changes to driveways, paint colors, roofing and landscaping must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee. The form for applying to the Committee can be found at the website above. Please consult the Design Guidelines on the website for more information prior to designing/beginning an exterior home or major yard improvement project.
- All vegetation must be kept trimmed away from the sidewalks to improve pedestrian accessibility.
- Please be aware of chipping, peeling and faded paint and make repairs/repaint in a timely manner.

See page 2 for reminders and helpful links...

A FEW REMINDERS and LINKS:

- Halloween is just around the corner! The areas we drive through will be crawling with adorable little goblins and witches on Halloween night. Please drive slowly and carefully on October 31 (and every day!).
- Winter Weather is coming! It's best to be prepared in the event of snow events and weather that make living on our beautiful mountain a bit more difficult. Here are a few links to help everyone stay safe!
 - o https://bellevuewa.gov/winter
 - https://trafficmap.bellevuewa.gov/ THIS LINK HAS REAL TIME CAMERAS AT THE TOP, MIDDLE
 AND BOTTOM OF LAKEMONT (as well as the rest of the city) so you can check the roads
 before you go!
 - The City of Bellevue asks that all homeowners "adopt" the storm drains in front of their houses. While they do clean up after storms and the fall leaves dropping, they can't be everywhere at once. If we keep our storm drains cleared of debris, the underlying system works better and there will be less surface water on our neighborhood streets (which means less ice in the event of freezing weather). Please check this link below for more:.

https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/utilities/manage-your-utility-services/adopt-a-storm-drain

- It's not too early to start thinking about repair projects for next Spring! Many contractors book ahead for work to be done over the summer. Now is the time to plan your improvement and maintenance projects!
- Here is a link to the City of Bellevue's advice for "Low Maintenance Lawns":
 - https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/utilities/conservation-andthe-environment/natural-yard-care/practice-natural-lawn-care
- It is illegal to park your car on City of Bellevue streets for over 24 hours in a row. Please keep your vehicles in your driveway and garage when possible. Click on this link for more information:

https://bellevuewa.gov/sites/default/files/media/pdf_document/2020/GuideToParkingLaws.pdf

- If you are a non-resident owner (landlord) you are still responsible for your tenant maintaining your property as required in our CCRs. Please ensure that you do regular inspections and that your tenants are maintaining your property.
- We live in an area rich in wildlife. Please review these two websites for information about how to "co-exist" peacefully.

https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/living/species-facts https://bellevuewa.gov/city-news/bear-mind-tips-living-wildlife