# Silver Firs II Homeowner's Association

Annual Homeowner's Meeting Gateway Middle School 7:00 p.m.

October 23, 2006

# Agenda

- Introductions
- Proof of Notice of Meeting
- Announcements
- Announcement of Quorum (40% of members entitled to vote)
- Report of Committees
- Budget Confirmation
- Election of Board of Directors (if quorum is present)
- Question and Answer Period
- Adjournment

# Introductions – Board Members

- President Twila Schamer
- Vice President Open Position
- Secretary Erin Thomsen
- Member at Large Leonard Ross
- Member at Large Open Position

# Introductions - Committees

- Communications Committee
  - Erin Thomsen
  - Open Position
- Operations Committee
  - Open Position
  - Open Position
- Landscape Committee
  - Open Position
  - Open Position
  - Volunteer Arborist Suzy Irmen

# Committees – Continued

- Rules Committee/ACC
  - Leonard Ross ACC/Rules
  - Clelia Bock ACC/Rules
  - Dr. Robert Baah ACC
  - Jeff Rogers Rules
- Finance Committee
  - Bill Duncan Treasurer
  - Open Position

# Introductions - Volunteers

- Volunteer Coodinators
  - Jessica Gould
  - Dana Hendricks
- Special Projects
  - Kathy Thomas
  - Dana Eng
  - Roger Grayson
  - Jim Gutterman

# Proof of Notice of Meeting

- 1. Mailing of Annual Packet September
- 2. Posting of 3 Signs
- 3. 3 E-mail Notices
- 4. Hand Delivery of Meeting Notice

# Announcements - President

- Current Conditions
- Goals for 2007
- A Few Definitions
- Purpose of Rules & Restrictions
- Volunteers Needed

# **Current Conditions**

- The Association is financially stable although the Reserve fund is severely lacking
  - Tree removal
  - Lack of volunteers
  - Minimal assessment increase allowed
- Neighborhood improvements
  - Clear-cut Hemlock trees
  - Replanting Project

# Goals for 2007

- Encourage Volunteerism
- Improve Compliance with CC&Rs
- Reduce Delinquent Accounts
- Cut Administrative Costs
- Increase Reserve Contribution
- Maintain Assets & Improve Amenities

# A Few Definitions

- Bylaws define how the Homeowners Association conducts business.
- Covenants are restrictions written by the community's developer.
- Neighborhood Guidelines are written by the board to help clarify rules stated in the CC&Rs and establish expectations for the use of common areas.
- Board Policy deals with how the board agrees to operate and defines behaviors of the Board and Committees.

# The Purpose of Rules & Restrictions are to...

- preserve, protect, and enhance a community's property values and assets;
- promote harmonious living; and
- ensure that residents can use and enjoy the property

# Volunteers Needed!

- Landscape Committee
  - Trail monitoring
  - Landscape requests
  - Work with Total Landscape
  - Hemlock Tree removal
  - Tree replanting
- Operations Committee
- Mailbox Hutch inspection (110 hutches)
- Basketball Court inspection
  - Nets or other maintenance needs
- Electrician to rewire/replace photo cells
- Repair of mailbox hutches, fences, lights
- Graffiti monitors
- Painting/Staining
- Detention Pond Fence monitoring/repair requests

# Committee Reports

# Communications Committee

Erin Thomsen – Board Secretary & Communications Committee Director

# Communications

- Welcoming Committee
- Website
- Classes
- Volunteer Registration
- Quarterly or Semi Annual Newsletter

# Website

- www.silverfirs2.org
  - Official website
  - All Association information is available
    - Meeting Reports & Minutes
    - Rules & Regulations
    - Calendar of Events & Meetings
    - What's New
    - Classified Ads
    - New Lost and Found (On classified Ad page)

# Locking Type Mailbox Offer

Exclusive discount available <u>only to Silver Firs II</u> <u>residents</u> is \$119 including shipping right to your doorstep. (\$46 savings off retail/shipping)





# Rules / ACC Committee

Leonard Ross – Board Member-at-Large Rules / ACC Committee

# **Common Rules Violations**

### Architectural Complaints

- Paint Color Approvals
- Paint Maintenance
- Shed Approvals
- Siding Approvals
- Deck Approvals
- Fence Approvals

### Landscape Complaints

- Yard Maintenance
- Retaining Wall Approvals
- Tree Cutting in Common Area

### Land Usage Complaints

- Inoperable Vehicles
- Garbage Cans
- Barking Dogs
- Illegal Home Businesses
- Noise

### Vehicle Complaints

- Illegal Boat/RV/Trailer/Car/Truck Parking
- Basketball Hoops Complaints
  - Illegally located on Sidewalk/Driveway

# 2006 Rules Committee Goals

- Increase homeowner awareness of Association Rules and Guidelines through improved communication:
  - Written (Flyers, Annual Homeowners Packets, Mailings, etc.)
  - Electronic (E-mail)
  - Personal (Word of mouth by phone or in person)
- Reduce costs of Rule Enforcement activities:
  - Improved Communication (Rule and Guideline awareness)
  - Improved understanding and application of Snohomish County Laws and Ordinances regarding issues such as:
    - On street parking (Cars, RV's, Boats, etc.)
    - Greenbelt (NGPA) usage
    - Homeowner Land Usage Rules
  - Recruit and utilize more volunteer services
  - Streamline Rule Enforcement Processes where possible
- Continue to support the fair and consistent application of all rules and guidelines to all homeowners.
- Solicit and incorporate homeowner feedback whenever possible.
- Develop and Implement a "Welcoming Committee" for new homeowners.

# Common ACC Requests

Screen Door

**Fences** 

Cement Driveway Widening

**Playset Structures** 

Air Conditioning

Window Replacement

Sheds

**Decks** 

**Exterior Paint** 

Landscape/Tree Removal

**Deck Cover** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Story Additions

Satellite Dish

# Landscape and Operations Committee

Twila Schamer
President
Silver Firs II HOA

# **Operations**

- Vandalism acts
  - Graffiti
  - Fence destruction
- Safety & Security
  - Off-duty Police Officer
    - Coordinate with other Associations
  - Traffic Calming Devices

# Landscape

- Total Landscape contract negotiated and renewed
- Volunteers needed
- Trees
  - Dangerous tree removal
    - Condition of current trees –
       Volunteer Arborist, Suzy Irmen
    - Liability to Association –
       Insurance Agent Linda Larsen
  - Replanting program



# **Mondo Pond**

- Mondo Pond SpillwayCleanup Order byCountyRFP is out
  - •First Bid at \$7,500



# Mondo Pond





# Finance Committee Report

Bill Duncan - Treasurer

# Finance Committee Agenda

- Review 2006 Budget
- Review Proposed 2007 Budget
- Unexpected Expenses

# 2006 YTD Budget to Actual through 8/31/06

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenue	\$224,400	\$233,408
Operating Expenses		
Administration	\$ 42,408	\$ 40,796
Utilities	\$ 6,200	\$ 7,755
Maintenance & Repair	<u>\$ 71,483</u>	\$ 72,540
Total Operating Expenses	\$120,091	\$121,090
Replacement Reserve Fund	\$ 35,364	<u>\$ 35,364</u>
Total Operations & Reserve	\$155,455	<b>\$156,455</b>
Net Operating Revenue	\$ 68,945	\$ 76,953

# 2006 Annual Budget to Actual Annualized through 8/31/06

<u>Budget</u>	<b>Actual Annualized</b>
\$224,400	\$233,408
\$ 63,611	\$ 61,194
\$ 9,300	\$ 11,632
<u>\$107,223</u>	<b>\$141,310</b>
\$180,136	\$214,136
<u>\$ 35,364</u>	\$ 35,364
\$224,400	\$249,500
	\$(16,000)
	\$ 35,000
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# 2007 Proposed Budget

Revenue	\$240,840
Operating Expenses	
Administration	\$ 84,837
Utilities	\$ 11,140
Maintenance & Repair	<u>\$122,742</u>
Total Operating Expenses	\$218,719
Replacement Reserve Fund	\$ 22,121
Total Operations & Reserve	\$240,840

# **Unexpected Expenses**

"Mondo Pond" Dam cleanup \$7,500 first quote – Obtaining other quotes Special Case Rules Violation \$6,000 – negotiated and written off Vandalism - Graffiti – \$1,800 - 2,300 Dead/Rotting Tree removal

Estimated Total \$35,000 from **RESERVES!** 

Election of Board of Directors

## Election to Board of Directors

- There are 5 Board positions.
  - Taking names of interest from the floor
  - Re-election of Leonard Ross
  - Re-election of Erin Thomsen
  - Re-election of Twila Schamer

# Questions and Answers



Thank you for taking an active part in YOUR Community by joining us today.

Volunteers are needed and welcomed!

Please take a few minutes to complete the volunteer registration form.