

BAYCREST PLAT OWNERS ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER
May 2013



The BayCrest Board would like to welcome all new owners and tenants. We thank everyone for continuing to work to make BayCrest a great place to live. Without your help, we cannot fulfill the mission of the Association, which is to follow County, State and Federal laws along with our CC&Rs which is to legally serve all 131 homeowners. Each owner signed off on the CC&Rs when you purchased your homes, but you may not be up to date with them. They may be found on the website www.baycrestbirchbay.com. under members info.

Any owner is welcome to attend the meetings normally held the 2nd Tuesday of each month except August. The dates are posted on the website. Owners are also encouraged to attend the Annual General Meeting in January. Below are some informational tools which we hope may be helpful. We look forward to working with you.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS-2013

PRESIDENT- Ginny Benton 371-7102

ginnybenton@comcast.net

VICE PRESIDENT- Susan Langner

TREASURER- Michelle Cavadini- 303-5732

SECRETARY- Connie Gitter 656-6796

kennethgitter@comcast.net

DIRECTORS- Natalie Pacheco

Tracy Roemer

Becky Tomlinson

Janann Thompson

GARAGE SALE ***

Join in with BayCrest's First Annual Homeowner's Association sponsored Garage Sale. Saturday, June 15 from 9 to 3 p.m. Your Association is taking care of all of the advertising. All you need to do is put your treasures out. Your HOA will be placing a newspaper ad, Craigslist ad and putting out road signage, making this the easiest Garage Sale you can participate in. If you would like your address to be added to a hand-out list for shoppers, please email Tracy Roemer at wtroemer@yahoo.com, or just mark your items and put it out the morning of the sale. Join in the fun and make money while cleaning out your house!

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F.Y.I. - CSA

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Did you know that a new drop-off point for a CSA Food Box is available in your neighborhood? CSA stands for Community Supported Agriculture. And a CSA Food Box is an excellent opportunity to support local farmers and receive a weekly box of ultra-fresh and local vegetables. To learn more about the program available here; go to www.growingwashington.org and for more information about our local neighborhood drop spot please contact Karri Neuhauser at karri.neuhauser@comcast.net.

CHILDREN ON TOP OF MAILBOXES

Please insure that you keep your children off of the mailboxes at all times. You are responsible for your children's actions.

TRAILERS of any kind AND BOATS

Trailers and boats are only to be in your driveway or street to ready for trips and for cleaning, not for storing or spending time in the area unless you adhere to CC&R 5.1.4 and approved by the Board. Owners, please make sure your tenants are aware of the CC&Rs.

VEHICLES PARKED ON THE SIDEWALKS

Please make sure your vehicles are parked completely on your driveway, in your garage or on the street not impeding pedestrian or automobile traffic.

INOPERABLE VEHICLES /EXPIRED TABS

CC&R 5.1.4 covers Inoperable vehicles. Please make sure your vehicles have current tabs. Please see 5.1.4 for exclusions or contact the Board.

EXTERIOR CHANGES OR IMPROVEMENT TO HOMES

Any exterior changes or improvements to your home such as fences, structures, construction material, paint/stain, contact the Design Review Board at our P.O. Box 1928, Blaine, WA 98231-1928 for approval or clarification. A complete list can be found on our website.

PETS

Please, when walking your pets, be courteous and clean up after your pets at all times. **Keep your pets on a leash at all times** while outside your home or backyard (CC&R 5.1.6). Whatcom County also requires that you leash your pets.

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RECYCLING

On windy days, as a courtesy to your neighbors, please place your secured recycling items out in the morning to reduce the amount of unsecured trash that would be blown throughout the neighborhood.

TRAMPOLINES

Please make sure that if you have a trampoline, it is secure in high winds. We have had trampolines fly into other yards and they can be very dangerous.

OWNERS WITH THE INTENT OF RENTING

If you move from here and rent your home, please notify the Association of your new contact information including address, phone number and email.

TENANTS

Tenants are responsible to adhere to the CC&Rs and State of Washington statues. If you have not received a copy, the CC&Rs can be found at our Website- www.baycrestbirchbay.com under Member Info.

As a courtesy, if you receive any important mail for the owner, please forward it to them ASAP.

DUES

All Homeowner's dues are due and payable by January 31st of the applicable year. Failure to pay dues in a timely manner will result in an additional late fee of \$25.00 being applied 60 days after the due day. The Association has many responsibilities and we must stay viable to meet these responsibilities. We can't emphasize enough the importance of paying your dues on time. Dues must be paid by May 30th or your property will be subject to a lien. If there is a problem, please contact the Treasurer.

MAILBOX KEYS

The Association is responsible for the Mailboxes and the Master keys. Please make sure that if you have changed out the locks to give a copy to the President of the Board.

LIGHTS

The Association is responsible for the cost of the lighting, not repairing the lights. We have not had any problems lately with them, but if you see that the lights staying on during the daytime or not going on at night, please call the Association. You will need to give the house address closest to the light on the same side of the street as the light and the light number. Each light has its own identification number.

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BLOCKWATCH

The coordinators for the Block Watch Program are Ken Gitter 656-6796 and Paul Baker 927-1315. If you would like to be a member of the Block Watch, please contact Ken or Paul with your name, phone # and email and those of you who are please update your information with them at kennethgitter@comcast.net

VOLUNTEERS

We look forward to owner's participation and would encourage anyone to volunteer to join the Board, Design Review Board or Budget Committee.

To view upcoming Birch Bay events

<http://www.blainechamber.com/events.html>

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IMPORTANT LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911
WHATCOM COUNTY SHERIFF	384-5652
FIRE DIST # 13	371-2533
HUMANE SOCIETY ANIMAL SHELTER	733-2080

IF YOU ARE AWARE OF AN ANIMAL BEING ABUSED OR NEGLECTED, PLEASE CALL THEIR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICE EXT# 3017

COMMUNITY GROUPS

BIRCH BAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	371-5004
BIRCH BAY STEERING COMMITTEE	371-0171

UTILITIES

BIRCH BAY WATER SEWER DISTRICT	371-7100
BLAINE-BAY REFUSE IN.	332-5443
CASCADE NATURAL GAS	(888)522-1130
PUGET SOUND ENGERY	(888)225-5773
SANITARY SERVICE CO. INC.	734-3490

Birch Bay Recycle Center
& Transfer Station
4297 Birch Bay-Lynden Road
(360) 371-7111

Hours: Sundays Only 9AM - 5PM

SCHOOLS

BLAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT	332-5881
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