



April 2023

Community Newsletter



HAPPY
Easter



**NEW FUN AT THE CLUBHOUSE!
MOVIE MATINEES!**

YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED THE UPGRADE TO THE TELEVISION IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

WE NOW HAVE A 70" SMART TV!

PARKWOOD WILL BE HOSTING MONTHLY MOVIE AFTERNOONS,
COMPLETE WITH POPCORN & DRINKS.

FIRST SHOWING WILL BE WEDNESDAY APRIL 19TH AT 1PM. VISIONS OF GREECE.

WE HAVE BEEN COLLECTING "ARMCHAIR TRAVELER" TYPE VIDEOS AND OF COURSE
YOU ARE WELCOME TO BRING YOUR OWN. WE WOULD LOVE YOUR FEEDBACK AND IDEAS
OF WHAT YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEEING.



WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN POUR HOT WATER DOWN A RABBIT HOLE?

HOT CROSSED BUNNIES!



Take Me Out to the Ball Game!!!

We are in the process of organizing a Parkwood sponsored community event to a Tacoma Rainiers ball game this summer. The park will provide transportation (bus(es)), game tickets and lunch at the stadium.

There is a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse lobby, so we can have an accurate head count for booking purposes.

We will have transportation (with a restroom!) for the first 53 Residents who sign up.

Sign up deadline has been moved to April 11th. (There will be no exceptions to this date, as all tickets must be purchased in advance.)

Each attendee will also need to sign an event/transportation waiver.

The planned date is Sunday, June 4th. Game starts at 1:35.

Tacoma Rainiers vs the Sacramento River Cats.

Tentative bus schedule: Pick up at the clubhouse 11AM. Return bus leaving the stadium approx. 5:30PM.

Travel time is approximately one hour, forty-five-minutes each way.

Come on up and get on the list!

The Air You Breathe

I expect we all wonder if anything we do makes a difference either way as to the quality of life for ourselves and fellow creatures. As I see it, sometimes it does and maybe sometimes not.

Chances are you and your actions do matter. Some examples:

In London in the 40s and 50s there was smog quite often, especially in the winter. Air was not good to breathe and visibility was poor. The buildings turned black.

The Great Smog was in 1952 and many more people were dying than usual.

At that time most houses were heated with coal-burning stoves and fireplaces.

Soot and industrial pollutants were trapped in the air. Not so good for the lungs!

In 1956 the Clean Air Act was passed which resulted in regulations which included many changes. Check it all out on the internet.

The air is now quite good.

On July 1, 2007 smoking was no longer allowed in enclosed public places in the UK. So now one can breathe inside the pubs and restaurants as well as outdoors.

During the height of the Covid Pandemic there were fewer vehicles on the roads and, surprise, surprise, the air cleared world-wide in cities that usually had poor air quality.

Did you know that more than 10% of our electricity here in Washington is created from coal?

And around 12% from natural gas? Of course, we are fortunate to get much of it from hydro-power...arguments can be made pro and con for all of these.

These figures come from Washington State Dept. of Commerce. Other entities quote different figures.

Jennifer Brodie

P.E.R.T.

Parkwood Emergency Response Team

Living in a manufactured home park has both advantages and disadvantages, being so close to our neighbors we get to know them . How far that goes is up to the individuals but at least we know them by sight. All of us have some special needs and in a disaster knowing some of your neighbors needs can be a life saving event. The number one rule is take care of yourself, then your family living with you. Once you have that done then you can start making contact with your neighbors. Mrs. Smith two doors down uses oxygen you know that . you should head there first to make sure she has her oxygen hooked up. Mr. Jones on the other side of you is a retired firefighter and still in good shape. He can be a valuable asset to help you start searching your close neighbor hood. Hopefully someone close to you has gone through the CERT program and can help you get people organized. Knowing your neighbors strengths and weaknesses can save valuable time when it comes to rescue and recovery. I am not saying we have to be best friends with our neighbors but, in a disaster any information on them can be a goldmine. You should be prepared and communicate with the people who live around you and help them get prepared as well. Community's that are prepared stand a stronger chance of survival in a disaster. The more we do now, the less we will have to do when disaster strikes. Be safe, stay alert and take precautions to make your home as safe as possible. Thanks for reading this. Goose.

AT THE CLUBHOUSE THIS MONTH

Friday April 14th, 10AM Community PERT Meeting.
Sunday April 16th, 12pm—Clubhouse Reserved for Private Event



NEW!

WEDNESDAY APRIL 19TH, 1PM ARMCHAIR TRAVELER MOVIE MATINEE
FIRST SHOWING: VISIONS OF GREECE

Also check into these weekly activities!

MON-Pinocle 11AM

TUES-Fit & Fall Proof Exercise 9AM

Canasta 11AM

Poker 12PM

THUR-BYO Arts & Crafts 1PM

FRI-Fit & Fall Proof Exercise 9AM

Plenty of calendar spaces open for some neighborly fun!



Spring Clean-Up! April 25th, 26th & 27th.

Parkwood will provide a dumpster for Residents to dispose of extra household garbage at the guest parking area on the end of Frederick Drive.

We will NOT accept: Batteries, Paint, E-waste (computers, TV's, printers etc) Oil, Chemicals (strong cleansers, pesticides and solvents) Appliances, Large Furniture or Tires.

Yard Debris will also be accepted by the shop fence.

During the above dates ONLY.

Acceptable yard debris: Leaves, grass, weeds, shrubs, brush, branches, and other organic materials from pruning. Do not leave debris in bags of any kind. (no plastic, eco, paper) They all must be emptied at site and taken with you.

We will NOT accept: Large Tree Rounds, Stumps, Plastic or ANY other Bags, or Garbage of any kind in this area.

Please NO contractor dumping.

This service is for Resident convenience only.

Annual Four-Sided Inspections

May 9th & 10th (as needed)

The Parkwood team will be performing their annual 4-sided inspections of your home's exterior & lot. Access to this property is permitted by law so long as reasonable notice is provided. Parkwood will be reviewing the conditions at your address for compliance to the Rules and Regulations. (I.e. moss on roof, exterior paint needs, disrepair, weeds, overgrowth...) Should any areas of concern be found, a checklist will be left highlighting remedies along with a date for re-inspection. Again, these inspections are only used to mitigate rules violations and help keep the community looking it's best.

We appreciate your consideration while we complete this task.



COMMENT/SUGGESTION:

Thank you so much for the new benches, have used several of them many times