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HIGH WOODLANDS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

High Woodlands Herald

Heads-Up

As many of you know, an individual assaulted several of our neighbors and broke into homes on Monday, November 9. This appeared to be totally random since the person with apparent mental health issues had left Evergreen Hospital while being treated just prior to entering our neighborhood. This person was apprehended by police and taken to Harborview with serious injuries. Our hearts go out to those neighbors who were injured and traumatized by this event. Although it looks like there was nothing our neighborhood could have done to prevent these attacks, it is a reminder for all of us to be watchful of our neighborhood and take care of each other.

Please come to our next board meeting, December 7, 7:30 pm at the Robert Frost School Library. Former Police Officer Derrick Dotson and owner of Prodigicon Security Consultants has agreed to come and speak for 15-20 minutes on how to make your home safe and keep unwanted intruders out. Alarms are only good after they get in your home and the key is to keep them out. If you have specific ideas on improving neighborhood safety, and any role you are willing to take to help out in this effort, please join us.

We have also been alerted to some other incidents in the area where thieves have broken into vehicles parked in driveways or on the street, and stolen the remote garage door opener. Of course this gives them easy access to the home (likely at a later time when you're not home). There was additionally a report of a car broken into and a wallet stolen. Please don't leave these things in your car.

And we can't say it often enough. If you see something, say something. If for some reason you don't want to call 911, feel free to call the Kirkland Police Department non-emergency line at 425-577-5656.

First Annual Caroling Fest

Join us Friday evening, December 18 for a wandering carol through the neighborhood! We will meet at the High Woodlands sign (NE 140th St across from Robert Frost School) at 6:30pm. Song sheets will be provided, as well as refreshments afterwards. Bring your own flashlights/headlamps, warm coats and good cheer. All ages welcome! If you want to help with refreshments or have questions, please contact Suzannah Calvery at svcalvery@gmail.com.



Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting will be Monday, December 7, 7:30 pm at the Robert Frost School Library. We will adopt the 2016 budget at that meeting. Please join us and bring any questions or concerns.

New Board Member

We'd like to welcome Dulcy Hernandez to the Board as the Vice President and Hospitality Chair. As you saw in the last newsletter, we are reviving the Hospitality Team to welcome new homeowners to the neighborhood and later expand to other ways of caring for our neighbors.

Dulcy and her husband, Alejandro, have lived in the High Woodlands neighborhood for 6 years now, but have more recently begun to know their neighbors and the blessing of this enriching community. Dulcy enjoys hearing neighbors' stories and being a part of their lives as she feels that loving our neighbor is a strong calling in her life. She enjoys walking the great sidewalks and trails, chatting in the garden, or visiting over a game or cup of tea with community members. Dulcy cannot wait to share with High Woodlands in the growth of the team to welcome new and old neighbors to share life together. Please join us in welcoming Dulcy to the board.

From the Hospitality Team

Hello, High Woodlanders and happy autumn! New neighbors are moving in left and right! Additionally, those who live in our community often need our support. Are you interested in helping out neighbors in simple ways that have great impact, but minimal time required? Please contact Dulcy at dulcylinne@gmail.com if you are interested or have ideas to share for our revived Hospitality Team.

Mystery Magnets

Last month a magnet with some important High Woodlands information went out with each newsletter. This magnet is a small gift from the Hospitality Team to each home so we can stay connected and communicative! Enjoy!

Storm Drains

Please keep the drains in front of your homes clear of leaves, pine needles, and other debris. It sure does help with controlling the run-off during major rain storms.

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