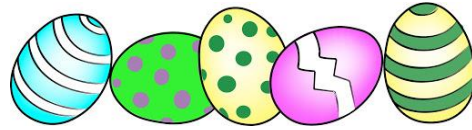




Homeowners Association



Monterra Newsletter

April 2025

Notes From Your Board

A member meeting was held on March 6th and your volunteer Board met on March 13th. Both meetings were well attended. Input by member attendees assisted the Board as it debated several issues that affect our community. The importance of your participation in these meetings cannot be overstated.

The next Board meeting will be on **April 10th at 2:00 PM.**

In response to community input, Steve Cassaboom and Shawn Shepherd have worked to improve the lighting around the clubhouse and in the parking lot. Please join us in thanking them for all their hard work.

The idea of having internet access in the clubhouse is something that has been talked about for years. This is finally going to happen. At first, it will be restricted in use to members of the board. If this goes well, access may be expanded. One idea that was put forward was having watch parties for big sporting events. Let your Board members know your ideas for using this resource in the clubhouse.

The clubhouse will be closed from **April 20-29** for a Spring refresh. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. During this time, new counters will

be installed, the windows will be washed, and Dorrit Jensen will paint the interior. We want to thank Dorrit for her generous offer. Below, you'll find a list of supplies that she will need. If you can contribute any of these, please give her a call at 206-326-8871.

old sheets
plastic sheeting
roller covers
paint brushes
tape, both blue and white

most important: your time as a volunteer moving furniture, taking pictures off the walls, filling holes, taping, cleaning up, and, of course, painting.

We are sorry to announce that Susan Zarit has resigned as Activities Director. Susan spoke about her hope that all the current activities will continue going forward. We sincerely thank Susan for her service.

Clubhouse Volunteers Needed:

- Cleaning Crew
- Landscape/Gardening
- Exterior Care
- Decorating
- Community Outreach

To learn more about these positions, options, and to volunteer please contact: Angela Perryman, Clubhouse Manager
clubhouse@monterrahoa.com

Activities

Saturday April 12th come and join us for **Trivia Night**. Be prepared to laugh and learn something new.

Thursday, April 17th is the **monthly potluck**. Bring a dish to share and enjoy the companionship of your neighbors. Be sure to check your calendar for our ongoing classes and meetings. **The dates for some regular activities have been changed due to the clubhouse closure.** You can choose from **exercise, yoga, book club, Mexican Train, game night, Trivia**, and a **painting group where you can paint rocks or whatever else you wish**.

If anyone has a talent they wish to share or a class they'd like to teach, please get in touch with Angela Perryman so we can get it on the calendar.

A **Port Angeles underground tour** is scheduled for **April 29th**. We already have 12 people signed up, but the tour can accommodate more if you'd like to join in. It is two hours and does involve some walking and stairs. The tour starts at 10 AM so we will meet at the clubhouse at **8:45 AM** to carpool. The price is \$15 for folks over 60. We could have lunch together in PA after the tour. Call or text Judi Norton at 360-670-3464 before April 15th if you want to join in,

Judi is also looking at other group events. Some ideas include trips to Finnrivier Farm and Cidery in Chimicum and Marymere Falls at Lake Crescent. Be sure to let Judi know if you're interested in either of

these or if you have ideas for other outings.

How To Live More Comfortably

On **April 12th from 2-4 PM**, Lily Todd is offering a new installment of her **How to Live More Comfortably** seminars. This one features a speaker on reverse mortgages. This mortgage program is not for everyone but can be a lifesaver for some. Join us in the clubhouse to learn more about this finance option for seniors.



Susan Lucille Willette

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of our friend and neighbor, Susan, on February 28th after a brief battle with cancer.

Susan and her husband of 57 years have been residents of Cypress Circle since 2012.

When asked about his wife, John spoke about how supportive she was. A registered nurse, she traveled all over the country with him as he pursued his career, first in the Navy, and later with Boeing. They stayed together through good times and bad, sometimes working two and three jobs each. She then joined him as he followed his dream to open his own business. When it was time to retire, they knew they wanted to return to the Strait where they had

raised a son and daughter. Fortunately for us, they chose Monterra. Susan enjoyed our potlucks and was an active participant in member and Board meetings.

A celebration of Susan's life will be held at a future time.

We offer our sincere condolences to the entire Willette family. Susan's bright smile and quick wit will be missed by all who knew her.

Protecting Yourself *Submitted by Susan Kirk*

If you discover that your personal information is on the dark web, here are some steps you can take to protect yourself.

1. Change passwords immediately. Update the password for any accounts linked to the compromised information. Use strong, unique passwords for each account. Consider using a password manager to generate and keep track of these passwords.
2. Enable two-factor authentication. Add this extra layer of security to your accounts to make it harder for someone to access your accounts even if they have your password.
3. Monitor your bank, credit card, and investment accounts for any unauthorized transactions. If found, report them to the

4. Freeze your credit to prevent identity theft where new accounts might be opened in your name. Do this online or by phone with all three major credit bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and Transunion.
5. Subscribe to a Dark Web monitoring service to be alerted if more of your data appears online, allowing you to take timely action. Many identity theft protection services include this feature.
6. Check for malware by running security scans on all your devices to ensure that no malware is stealing your information. Keep your antivirus software updated.
7. Contact relevant authorities if your personal information is compromised.
8. Be vigilant for phishing. Be extra cautious with emails, texts, or calls that ask for personal information or direct you to suspicious links.
9. Document and report. Keep records of any actions you take. If you suspect identity theft, consider filing a report with the Federal Trade Commission.
10. Consider getting professional help by consulting with a cybersecurity expert.

Remember, once your information is on the dark web, it's nearly impossible to remove it completely, but these steps can significantly reduce the risk of identity theft or fraud.

Holley Circle

Attention Holley Circle residents! There is a Holley Huddle at the clubhouse on **April 18th at 1:00 PM.**

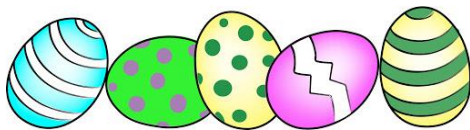
Why is this box empty?

This box is empty because it's waiting for you to send in your pictures, short stories, shout-outs to neighbors, or anything else you'd like to share.

We'll happily consider anything so long as it's not religious, political, or disrespectful. Uplifting content is particularly appreciated.

Submissions for the May issue are due by **April 20th**. Contact the newsletter editor below.

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