



Homeowners Association

Monterra Newsletter

June 2026

Notes From Your Board

Upcoming HOA Meetings:

June Member Meeting:

Thursday, June 4, 2026 beginning at 1:00 PM

June Board Meeting:

Thursday, June 11, 2026 beginning at 2:00 PM

Your 2026 HOA Board Representatives are:

Diane Gemmer, Heather Circle

Angela Perryman, Cypress Circle

Shawn Shepherd, Holley Circle

Stuart Kiehl, Ivy Lane

Dennis Blair, Monterra Drive/Sea Bluff
Lane/Gunn Road

Washington State will institute more laws affecting HOA elections on January 1, 2028, and our Board must bring our bylaws into compliance with them starting soon. Among the most important of these is the requirement for secret balloting. We have to develop new ways of packaging, distributing, collecting, and counting ballots, as well as announcing our election results. Establishing an unbiased committee from within the membership to oversee all aspects of our elections will be part of our deliberations. The Board must also determine whether the membership should continue electing alternate representatives to the Board, or limit its size to just the five representatives.

We must not make major changes like these by ourselves. It is imperative that you the members contribute to our efforts by voicing your views, so come prepared to give your input at the June 4th 1:00 PM Member Meeting. After your comments that day and at future Board Meetings, the Board will create and gradually implement a process that is in the best interest of the community and compliant with the law. Homeowners, please exercise your rights as stakeholders in our HOA by attending this critical session.

Homeowners are also encouraged to attend the 2 pm June 11 Board meeting. Hope to see you there

Ice Cream Social

There will be an Ice Cream Social immediately after the June 4th Member Meeting at the clubhouse. The meeting starts at 1 pm, and ice cream social starts after the meeting ends. Ice cream, toppings, and root beer to make root beer floats will be available. YUM!

England Comes to Monterra

On May 19th there were approximately 20 Monterra residents who enjoyed a spring tea party at the Clubhouse, complete with finger-sized egg salad and cucumber sandwiches, fruit, specialty cookies and desserts. Several of the participants wore beautiful fascinator hats and one even wore white gloves. The tea

was complete with many options of various tea flavors and there was even a free raffle. All in all, it was a fun afternoon and a chance to enjoy a bit of England as well.

In fact, it was such a success that there is a fall tea party being planned. Stay tuned for more details.

CAMPING IN YOUR HOME — SURVIVING AN EMERGENCY

Submitted by Dennis Blair
Monterra CERT Squad Leader

Don't miss this presentation by Jim Buck on June 5th, 10:00 AM at Dungeness Community Church, 45 Eberle Lane, Sequim! His talk will provide many essential steps to take in order to cope from inside our homes with a variety of emergencies that could befall us.

Jim has conducted this seminar many times around Clallam County. He is a leader in emergency preparedness awareness in and around the town of Joyce, and he has received county, state, and federal recognition for his expert presentations.

Jim will discuss the food, water, tools, medical supplies and more that we will rely on during earthquakes, wildfires, and other disasters. He will also teach us how to make our homes livable if we have to shelter in place during disasters, like fixing damaged roofs and using proper waste disposal procedures.

Join Jim on June 5th at 10:00 AM for this comprehensive presentation on Camping In Your Home. You don't need to RSVP, just come!

Reminders:

Fawning Season Is Here

SLOW DOWN ... there are little baby fawns running around the streets of Monterra so please -

- Stay with your dog
- Be aware of where you walk your dog; and
- Avoid areas where a fawn might be hidden.

A mama deer will come after your dog and you if she perceives that you are too close to her fawn. She will chase after you - she is a very protective mother so please do not allow your dogs (or cats) to run loose.

Slow Down, "Kids" Playing

The speed limit for our Monterra community streets is 25 mph. Because we are a retirement community, we have many residents who walk their dogs, walk, as well as riding scooters and bicycles and with summer approaching, we may have guests with children visiting. We also have deer and fawns who wander in and out of our yards. For everyone's safety, please remember to slow down when driving in our community as there are areas where there are blind spots and it's hard to see what's around a corner. We want to keep our community residents feeling safe as they walk around our community.

Clubhouse Flags

The flags at the clubhouse are lowered for various occasions. When a Monterra resident passes away, the Monterra flag is lowered to half-mast. As directed by the Governor or President, the national and/or state flags are lowered to half-mast, and the Monterra flag is also lowered.

A sign will be placed on the clubhouse door or window explaining why the flag(s) are lowered. We appreciate the members of our flag detail who manage this process for us. If you are not a member of the flag detail, or someone delegated by them, please do not raise or lower the flags. Thank you.

Who Doesn't Love a Potluck

We have some great cooks in Monterra. Sample their wares and get to know your neighbors at the monthly potlucks on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 in the Clubhouse. And, if you're not one of those who enjoy cooking, be assured that store-bought goodies are also welcome. What's important is that you come.

Next potluck: Thursday, June 18, 2026 at 5:30 PM.

Upcoming Events

Pool Noodle Volleyball Is Back

Saturday, June 13th at 2:00 PM

Get your team together! Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. Don't have a

team? Not to worry, we will find a team for you.

It's great fun, good exercise, and a great way to work out anything that's frustrating you!

July 4, 2026 Picnic

Monterra residents, homeowners, and guests are invited to the 4th of July picnic sponsored by the MHA. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for details and how to respond. Note, as in the past, there is a \$5 charge for each guest, since the HOA pays for much of the food. Please join us to help celebrate America's 250th

BUT—the picnic takes a lot of work and planning, and so we need to have people sign up to help with setup (setting up tables and chairs the evening of July 3rd), putting out and serving food, and cleanup, or the picnic won't happen. The signup sheet for volunteers is on the counter in the club house. Please volunteer if you can.

Ongoing Event Reminders

In addition to our special events, we have lots of regular activities in our Clubhouse:

Exercise Group

Mondays and Fridays at 10:00 AM

Mexican Train Dominoes

Mondays at 1:00 PM

Book Club

3rd Thursday at 10:00 AM

Potluck

3rd Thursday at 5:30 PM

Game Night

3rd Saturday at 6:00 PM

(Game(s) will be chosen by those who attend.)

Crafting

4th Thursday at 200 PM

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NOTE: 6/22-last day for July 2026
newsletter submissions



Join Us for Our July 4th Picnic

**July 4th, starting at 1 pm
At the Monterra Clubhouse**

What: The HOA will be providing chicken (baked and fried), potato salad, baked beans, and non-alcoholic beverages.

Please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share.

Who: Monterra HOA homeowners, residents, and guests (people who do not reside in Monterra full-time). Because the HOA is paying for the food there is \$5 charge for guests.

How: RSVP

(1) on the sign-up sheet on the counter in the clubhouse or

(2) put your name, how many people will be attending, and what you will be bringing to share in an email to

communications@monterrahoa.com

**BY JUNE 17TH AT 5:00 PM
(so we know how much chicken to order)**

If you plan to sit outside, bring your own outdoor chairs, please