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Reminders:

Your Homeowners Association Board

Your current Board Members are: Morten Haastrup (treasurer), Larry Boitano (VP), and Jeff Shaver (Pres). You can contact the Board any time; see below.

Want to Contact the HOA Board?

Visit our website at www.hillcreekhoa.com or contact the association manager Lori Nicolaus at 253-202-2673

Get ACC Approval for Projects

Please remember to get approval from the Architecture Control Committee (ACC) for your projects (this includes exterior painting and roof replacement). Download or copy the application form and submit it to the ACC as directed. If you are unsure whether or not you need approval, e-mail the ACC at acc@hillcreekhoa.com or call the association manager.

Review the Regulations and Covenants

If you are unfamiliar with our rules and regulations and have questions, you can download them from our website or contact the association manager to request a paper copy.

Holiday Decorations

Thank you to everyone who decorated their home to celebrate Christmas or Hanukkah in December. You are permitted to keep them up until January 31, which is a firm deadline.

Hill Creek Block Watch

A recent auto theft in Hill Creek is a grim reminder that we are open to criminal activity in our neighborhood. Board member Larry Boitano is working to organize a Block Watch. To that end, he has been in contact with some other local block watch neighborhoods that are working. If you are interested in participating, send your contact info to board@hillcreekhoa.com

Garbage Cans

This is a reminder that garbage cans, recycle bins, and yard waste containers are required to be stored out of sight except on collection days. As the number of visible cans has been rising, we must all be diligent to move the cans out of sight after they have been emptied. We will be spot-checking for cans. A good self-check is to drive by your home: If your cans are easily visible, they need to be moved.

Dues Increase for 2016-2017

At the HOA Annual Meeting in 2015, an increase to the homeowner dues was approved. Your next assessment in June 2016 will be for \$250. It has been \$225 for over 12 years. The increased income will cover increased costs.

Our dues pay for common area maintenance, park costs, street lighting, and administrative costs.

Pet Protocol (Doggie Doo-doo)

Our beloved canine pets have just one disgusting habit: using outdoor bathrooms. But your neighbor's lawn, trees, and bushes is NOT the place for your dog to relieve itself. Also note that the children's play area at the Park is off-limits to dogs at all times. The only place for Muffy's muffins and Penelope's piddle is their own yard.

Nextdoor

Have you signed up yet? Go to nextdoor.com real soon to become part of our virtual neighborhood. It is a great place for posting notices, reporting news... it's like a bulletin board without the staples. Nearly 40 of your neighbors are already members, so please add your name! The Board is making use of Nextdoor to post alerts about Hill Creek happenings.

Welcome Baskets

A few years ago we began delivering a Welcome Basket to each new resident. It's a great way to introduce ourselves and let our new neighbors know that they are part of a community. We would like to have a few new volunteers to help with this. Just purchase the baskets & contents, assemble, and deliver them. Your costs are reimbursed. Contact the Board for details.