



# Cedar Ridge

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Cedar Ridge Home Owners Association P.O. Box 7403 Bonney Lake, WA 98391

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## FROM THE BOARD

### Homeowner's Dues for 2017

In order to not be assessed a late fee, payment of your homeowner's dues were to be received no later than February 28th, 2017. In accordance with 4.2 of the CRHOA By-laws... any dues not paid within 30 days of the due date shall incur a late charge of 5% (\$5.50) per month. Late fees will be assessed starting April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

If you need to make other payment arrangements, please contact Lillian McGinnis at [mugzymac@aol.com](mailto:mugzymac@aol.com) or Eugene Pfaff at [happydogsx2@msn.com](mailto:happydogsx2@msn.com) immediately.

### Car Prowls & Break-ins

The neighborhood has again had several incidents of cars in driveways being broken into and items stolen. If this has happened to you - immediately contact the Pierce County Sheriff's Office at 253-798-4944 and file a report.

### Adopt a Street

Kirsten Pollack is our new Adopt a Street Chairman. She will be working with the Board to plan future activities.

## Events Calendar-

All Board Meetings will be held the last Wednesday of each month.

**Next Board Meeting**  
March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm ~  
20306 – 108<sup>th</sup> St Ct. E.

### Newsletter Distribution

Kirsten Pollack will be posting our newsletter to Face Book.  
Thank You Kirsten

### East Pierce Fire and Rescue Burn Guidelines

The East Pierce Fire Department felt it would be a good idea to review their neighborhood burn guidelines. Please note that if they respond to your home for illegally burning the fire department is required to report infractions to the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. Non-compliance with these regulations can result in a civil penalty of \$10,000 or more per day. Attached are their guidelines.

### **Monthly Treasurer Report**



**TREASURER REPORT**  
**No Report in February**

Architectural Control Committee (ACC) John Sellmann (253-862-2680) [jrsellmann@msn.com](mailto:jrsellmann@msn.com); Adopt a Street (Street Cleaning) Kirsten Pollack (602-790-4853) [kmpollack@yahoo.com](mailto:kmpollack@yahoo.com); Welcome Committee Sherryl Pfaff (253-862-6789) [happydogsx2@msn.com](mailto:happydogsx2@msn.com)

**A Big Thank You to the Following:**

A very big thank you to the Stewart boys for shoveling Rick and Uretta’s driveway during the last big snowstorm.

**Wild Animals**

A coyote was recently seen on 112<sup>th</sup>. Please be reminded that these animals are attracted by open containers of pet food left outside and garbage on our properties.

**Pierce County Sheriff**

To contact the Bonney Lake Pierce County Sheriff’s department for non-emergencies, please call 253-798-4944.

For non-emergencies outside of Bonney Lake you may contact the Pierce County Sheriff’s department at 253-798-4721

**Street Lights**

To report street light outages contact PSE at <https://pse.com/accountsandservices/ServiceAlert/Pages/Street-Light-Problem.aspx> and submit an email to PSE to report the problem.

**Yard Maintenance**

Hopefully winter is leaving and Spring is about to be sprung. It is the homeowner’s responsibility to maintain their property and landscaping. Per our CC&R’s Article IV - 4.2 MAINTENANCE OF STRUCTURES AND LANDSCAPING. All structures upon a Lot shall at all times be maintained in good condition and repair and be properly painted stained, or otherwise finished. All trees, hedges, shrubs, flowers and lawns shall be maintained and cultivated so that the Lot is not detrimental to the neighborhood and maintained by the owner thereof. Lot owners shall be responsible for maintaining any "landscaping theme" set forth by the Board or ACC with respect to individual cul-de-sacs and/or streets.

**Before you Dig**

Two days prior to any digging you must to contact Puget Sound Energy at 811 for free pipeline locations on your property. When you dig use only hand tools when digging within two feet of the utility locator marks. For easy identification, underground utility pipelines are marked using the following color code:

| Color  | Utility Type                  |
|--------|-------------------------------|
| Red    | Electric                      |
| Orange | Telephone/CATV                |
| Yellow | Gas/oil                       |
| Green  | Sewer                         |
| Blue   | Water                         |
| Purple | Reclaimed water (not potable) |
| Pink   | Survey                        |
| White  | Proposed excavation           |

**Volunteers Are Needed**

**Yard of the Month**

**Objective:**

To provide Community Recognition that engages Homeowners to maintain and enhance their yards and landscaping for the ultimate benefit of all Cedar Ridge Homeowners.

**Qualifications:**

The committee will consist of a maximum of three homeowners in good standing. One homeowner will Chair the committee and will work closely with the Board Liaison to the committee.

**Responsibilities:**

The Committee is responsible for awarding Yard of the Month to selected homeowners in the months of May-thru September. The committee will make contact with each winner by a home visit to announce they are that month’s winner, presenting them with the yard of the month sign in their yard for one month and small gift basket or other gardening gift.

**Board of Directors**

Terms of elected Board members are for two years. If a Board member resigns his/her term the remaining Board members may appoint a volunteer for the remaining term of that Board member. If no homeowner comes forth to have his/her name placed on the ballot for consideration to becoming a Board member the Current Board members may appoint a volunteer for a one year term to serve as a Board member.

There will be three open positions that will need to be filled for the 2018/2019 term. Elections will be held in November 2017.

If you are interested in becoming a Board Member for 2018/2019 please contact any Board member.



## Burn Guidelines And Permits

TO BURN OR NOT TO BURN? In Washington State, it is...

- Illegal to use a BURN BARREL.
- Illegal to burn prohibited materials including:
  - Garbage or refuse
  - Cardboard and paper
  - Building materials including paints, vinyl flooring, roofing and scrap lumber
  - Rubber products, including tires
  - Plastics or petroleum products
  - Material that produces smoke that is offensive or harmful to your neighbors
- **Illegal to smoke out your neighbor. If they complain, you are required to put the fire out immediately. You can be fined for causing a nuisance, and you may be held financially liable for damages caused by your fire.**

Depending on air quality and the severity of seasonal fire activity, [burn bans](#) may be declared by the [Puget Sound Clean Air Agency](#) and/or [Pierce County Fire Marshal's Office](#).

### Recreational Fire Guidelines

Recreational fires are allowed (without a permit) throughout East Pierce Fire & Rescue's jurisdiction only after the following regulations have been followed:

- Limited to burning dry, seasoned wood or charcoal briquettes only (no garbage, yard waste, etc.).
- Not to exceed three-feet in diameter by two two-feet in height.
- Must be for the purpose of cooking, pleasure, or religious ceremonies.

### Residential Fire Guidelines

**Residential Fires are allowed within East Pierce Fire & Rescue's jurisdiction by permit in designated areas from October 1 - May 31 when the following regulations have been followed:**

- Permit obtained.
- Limited to natural vegetation consisting of leaves, pruning's, and other yard and garden refuse. Grass clippings are NOT allowed.
- Not to exceed four-feet in diameter by three-feet in height.
- Setback from structures at least fifty-feet.
- A competent person, at least 18 years of age, shall be present at all times.
- A garden hose connected to a water supply, or a shovel and five-gallons of water shall be provided a the burn site at all times.

### Rather than burning, consider these alternatives...

**HAUL IT!** Rake up your excess material and haul it to your nearest [Recycling/Transfer Station](#). Also, check with your local waste disposal company for curbside yard waste recycling availability.

**COMPOST IT!** Composting yard and garden waste protects the air, land, and water resources while providing a rich garden fertilizer.

**CHIP IT!** Some residents are choosing to chip their debris. Chippers may be rented or a chipping service hired to take care of your material. Wood chips make excellent mulch around trees and shrubs and can also be used to soften garden paths.

**MULCH IT!** By mulching, we can easily put nature's recycling system to work in our own backyard. Spread yard and garden debris around shrubs, trees, and other plantings. Mulching keeps the soil loose and moist, smothers weeds, prevents soil loss, and releases nutrients as it decomposes.

**Prairie Ridge Transfer Station** 11710 Prairie Ridge Drive E. South Prairie, WA 98391  
(253) 847-7555 [www.lriservices.com](http://www.lriservices.com) **Open:** 7 days a week 9 a.m.–4:45 p.m. Residential trash  
[Residential yard waste](#) Recycling center 1 ton total maximum

# **East Pierce Fire & Rescue**

## **Recreational Fire Guidelines**

Recreational fires are allowed in East Pierce Fire & Rescue in a fire pit only after the following regulations have been followed. Due to the “Washington State Clean Air Act”, revised in 1991, it is mandatory that recreational fires meet these requirements.

1. Recreational fires are limited to burning of dry, seasoned wood or charcoal briquettes, with a total fuel area of three (3) feet or less in diameter and two (2) feet in height, for the purpose of cooking, pleasure or religious ceremonies.
2. No garbage, dead animals, asphalt, petroleum products, paints, rubber products, tires, plastic, paper products, plywood, finished lumber, or particleboard may be burned.
3. Burning of residential yard waste in a recreational pit is prohibited, including grass clippings, leaves, needles, and brush.
4. Recreational fires shall be allowed year round EXCEPT during any stage of an air pollution episode or impaired air quality, as directed by the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency.

The fire department is required to report infractions of the above regulations to Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. Non-compliance with these regulations can result in a civil penalty of \$10,000 or more per day.

### **Location:**

- Recreational fires must be 25 feet away from any structure.
- Recreational fire pits shall be located not less than ten (10) feet from adjoining property lines, fences, or docks.

### **Construction:**

- Recreational fire pits shall be constructed of concrete, stone, or approved non-combustible material.
- The bottom of the pit may be of sand, or mineral earth.
- The recreational fire pit shall not exceed three (3) feet in diameter. The depth of the pit shall be a minimum of four (4) inches and capable of containing all burned material.

### **Maintenance:**

- Recreational fire pits shall be maintained in good condition at all times.
- Fire extinguishing equipment such as buckets, shovels, or garden hoses shall be readily available for use at recreational fires.

### **Attendance:**

- Recreational fire pits shall be constantly attended by a person knowledgeable in the use of fire extinguishing equipment required by this section. An attendant shall supervise a recreational fire until such fire has been completely extinguished.

### **Discontinuance:**

- The fire department may require a recreational fire to be extinguished if atmospheric or local circumstances make such fires hazardous or if it is required by Puget Sound Clean Air Agency.