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# SCENIC SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (SSCA)



## Presidents Corner

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The Association's Annual meeting in July was well attended and there was plenty of feedback from the membership regarding several issues we had to deal with. The membership whole-heartily continued the Boat Races, Easter-Egg Hunt and Trash Daze for the coming year.

If you watched the news on hurricane Florence: it is one thing to follow national disasters on TV but it's quite another to experience one in person. Take a minute and take stock in your personal situation here at home. Are you prepared? Nancy has posted several good ideas in her article. Look it over.

It is with a heavy heart I have to announce the passing of another long-time resident of Scenic Shores. Marie Alja Davalos used to be a frequent walker on our streets and vocal proponent at our meetings. She passed this last month and we wish her family condolences. Alja will be missed.

#### **Architectural**

Lately, I have been called several times about dogs... First... if you have any complaints they need to go to the folks on the Architectural Community. All complaints I get I pass along to them. Second... if you are being bothered with a nosy dog... start a log, this is important... Thurston County does have an ordinance about nuisance pets, but without a log and a willingness to step up and complain there is nothing the County is willing to do.

On another Architectural note... if you have a project... give Denise a chance to get back to you... Yes, she has a job... so give her a little time. They keep getting requests (thank you) but for jobs beginning in a couple of days... That's not fair to you or the community... you need to give them a couple of weeks to get in touch with you...

**Keys**, is your key not working? If so, first... are your dues up-to-date? That could be the culprit... if you dues are paid, call the key hotline 360-232-4179... and leave a message, (speak slowly). Corey will get back to you... but remember he is working also... give him some time...

Finally, is there anyone out there who like to lend us a hand? Got a few minutes? Anything will do... give us a call or email: [sscamember@comcast.net](mailto:sscamember@comcast.net)... thank you

## **School is in Session**

Now that the kids are back in school please take time to remember they are out there getting on and off buses. Let's all do our part in keeping our neighborhood safe and keep our speed at 15 mph while traveling through our community during bus stop hours. You may even want to leave a little earlier for work in the mornings.

Thank you.



# What's Happening, What's about to Happen and What

## SEPTEMBER IS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH

Disasters can strike in any shape or form at any given time, it is important to prepare in advance to help yourself and your community. Follow these tips to be ready:

### **Make and practice your plan**

First, it is important to know which types of disasters could affect your area.

It is also a good idea to know how you'll contact your family and reconnect if separated.

Learn how to sign up for and receive emergency alerts and warnings for your area. Know your shelter plan and evacuation route as well.

Customize your plans and supplies to you and your family's specific daily living needs and responsibilities such as dietary needs, care of children, business, pets or other specifics, like the operation of durable medical equipment.

### **Learn life-saving skills**

Know basic home maintenance to protect your family and home. Learn how to mitigate your home against flood damage or protect against the impacts of earthquakes.

Attend a class or get involved with the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program, which trains volunteers in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations.

Be prepared for a power outage by having enough food, water and medications to last for at least 72 hours. Learn how to turn off utilities like natural gas in your home and put smoke alarms on every level of your home.

Carbon Monoxide is another danger to be prepared for. Protect your family by installing a carbon monoxide detector.

### **Check your insurance coverage**

Having insurance coverage means one less thing to worry about when the unexpected occurs.

Insurance is the first line of defense, so make sure you are aware of what your specific policy covers.

Standard homeowner policies may exclude covering losses due to landslides, earthquakes, power failures and certain types of water damage.

### **Save for an emergency**

Plan financially for the possibility of a disaster so you and your family are able to bounce back easily and quickly. This includes maintaining an emergency savings fund.

Consider saving money in an emergency savings account that could be used in any crisis. Keep a small amount of cash at home in a safe place. It is important to have small bills on hand because ATMs and credit cards may not work during a disaster when you need to purchase necessary supplies, fuel or food. It is also vital to compile financial and critical personal, household and medical information.

**BE READY, BE PREPARED!**



### **Burn Ban Until Oct. 15th**

It's very dry out there so please help keep our neighborhood safe!

## What's Happening, What's about to Happen and What Has Happened!



We all love our pets but sometimes we forget to take into consideration they might be annoying our neighbors. Complaints of barking, whining, howling and too many dogs, have become a big issue in our community this past summer.

If complaints of a nuisance dog or dogs are lodged in writing to the Architectural Committee a letter will be sent the owner to correct within ten days of receipt of letter. If action is not taken then a fine will be imposed.

Thurston County only allows three dogs per lot. If someone has four dogs or more, a Hobby Kennel license is required by the county. However, Scenic Shores is zoned a NO KENNEL ZONE. Therefore, in accordance with the Thurston County Ordinance, Scenic Shores only allows **three dogs** per lot.

**If a problem continues after the owner was given notice, then several community members must file a complaint with Thurston County Animal Control to resolve the problem.**

### Architectural Business

Welcome to Fall, Scenic Shores. Hope everyone has enjoyed their summer and is ready for sweater weather!

Please keep in mind the kiddoes on your way to work, and be aware of the school bus pick up and drop off points. You may want to leave for work a little earlier in the morning to avoid some of the buses.

With the leaves falling new challenges present themselves - the wind for one. It may be time to take down those windchimes—unless you like playing hide seek with the wind. Also, check around your home for branches that need to be cut back before they cause damage to property.

The burn ban is still in affect but will be lifted the 15th of October. After that date, yard waste, such as leaves, clippings, pruning and other yard and gardening refuse, are fine to burn. Burn piles should be no larger than three feet wide and four feet high and at least fifty feet away from buildings. **NO TRASH** should ever be burned in Scenic Shores. If you have any questions regarding burning, please contact Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA), at 360-539-7610 or go to their website; orcaa.org. You may apply for burning permits as well.

The Architectural Committee will be continuing the drives around the community. If you should have an issue please don't hesitate to give us a call at 360-742-9348. Leave a message and someone will get back to you.

As always, we are looking for volunteers. We do the best we can and another smiling face is always welcome!

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## Water Company

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### Water Works

We want to begin by once again thanking all of our water customers within the Scenic Shores community, as well as those outside the community who purchase your water. All of you were so very patient and cooperative back in early July when we experienced those three back to back water leaks and repairs, all due to intrusive tree roots. We particularly want to thank those three customers who noticed unusually soggy spots in their yards and water in the ditch along 153rd, and immediately contacted us to investigate. If it wasn't for your alertness and response, we might still have those leaks.

The first two leaks were service line breaks, one on 154th Way, the other on 155th. We did unfortunately have to isolate a dozen or so customers to do the repairs, so again we thank them for their patience. The third leak was a three inch water main break on 153rd. That was a real serious one. All three of our wells were pumping at the maximum (200 gallons per minute), and the water tower level continued to drop. We were extremely concerned. But thanks to that customer who noticed a ditch full of water and called us, we were able to find the leak and isolate it. Fortunately, we were able to shut down only one customer overnight, to do the repair. During all leaks/repairs, albeit very low at times, positive pressure was maintained.

All required and immediate, follow-up water lab tests after the repairs, as well as August's routine test came back satisfactory. Also, our lost/'unaccounted for' water, dropped dramatically from around ten percent the last several months to less than one percent. Those leaks had apparently been going on for several months, and eventually broke wide open - "thank you", tree roots!

On monitoring- July's lead/copper and herbicide water lab test results came back fine. Lead/copper tests are done every three years, and all ten samples came back well below the level of concern. "Thank you", to those ten specific customers who provided the samples. Herbicides are done every eight years, and nothing was detected from all three wells. BTW, all of our water monitoring results, past and present, can be found on our website; scenicshoreswater.com.

Lastly, we'd like to let you know we'll be doing the fall blow-offs/water main flushing, sometime in October. We will send out a notice to all customers whose e-mail addresses we have on file, prior to the flushing.

THANKS AGAIN and ENJOY THE FALL!!!!

Your Water Team

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