

#### OWNER ASSOCIATION INFORMATION OCTOBER 2014 www.svoa-corvallis.org

**BOARD MEETINGS:** For first-hand knowledge of what is happening in Stoneybrook Village, the Board of Directors invites you to attend monthly board meetings held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 9:00 in the Clubhouse. Minutes are provided in the monthly mailings and residents are encouraged to read them in order to be kept up-to-date and well-informed. The next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2014.

### HOW OLD ARE YOU?

This is just a reminder that Age Verification forms are due by November 4, 2014. You can mail them or drop them in the SVOA box in the clubhouse. If you have already submitted proof of age, you only need check the boxes—easy as pie!

### PLEASE READ THE ATTACHMENTS

Sent out with the SVOA Board minutes for September were several attachments, including committee reports. Please be sure to open and read them for the latest committee or group update.



### DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR?

It has been brought to the Board's attention that many owners do not attend Board meetings because they cannot hear what is being said. This is of great concern to the Board. Our goal is that everyone in attendance hears what is being said. While research is being done on assistive technology assistance, we will follow the following procedures:

- Board members will sit so that they face the owners
- Chairs will be set up close to the Board table so that those with difficulty hearing can have preferred front-row seating
- Owners providing input will be asked to stand and face the other owners
- Owners are encouraged to ask Board members, WCM and other owners to repeat themselves and speak up.

#### WE'RE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN...AND WOMEN

Stoneybrook Village is a wonderful place to live. We depend on volunteers...like you...to provide service on the committees and Board of Directors to keep up the standards and quality of life we have come to appreciate and expect.

• Jim Palermo has resigned from the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) after agreeing to stay on longer than he originally intended. We thank him for his years of

dedicatedservice. However, this committee now needs more members. If you are interested, please contact SteveNapack (in the Residents' directory).

 As the end of 2014 approaches, there is the need to fill upcoming Board positions that will become vacant in December. If you have an interest in serving or in learning more about what is required for a Board position, please contact SteveNapack (in the Resident's director). Potential board members will need to write a short biography as part of thenomination process.

# Preparedness Tip of the Month

For those who did not attend the Preparedness Workshop on September 18th, there is still time to join us in a group order of a few important supplies. One is Emergency Water Kits. These Kits have the parts necessary to enable use of your hot water heater as a source of emergency water. They will cost around \$45 or less, depending on the volume we order. We are also ordering Gas Shut-off Wrenches which you can attach to your gas meter to be available in case you have a gas leak and need to shut off the gas. These are only \$5.00 each. If you are interested in either item, please contact Darrel Bibler (in the Resident's' directory). For more detail on the use of these items, see the slides from the Preparedness Workshop which can be viewed on the "Preparedness Committee" page on the SVOA-Corvallis.com website. You can also contact any Preparedness Committee member for more info.

## Any Way the Wind Blows Doesn't Seem to Matter...

Do you smoke, use medical marijuana or have a fire pit on your back patio? Have you ever considered how this 2<sup>nd</sup> hand smoke impacts your neighbors? The Board encourages neighbors to engage in solution-focused discussions if smoke from a neighbor is impacting your quality of life. While there are no rules about smoking within our homes or on our properties, in creating a healthy and collaborative neighborhood we encourage these friendly discussions.

### Willamette Community Management's Review

It is time for the Board to be reviewing WCM's work with our association. We invite owners to offer feedback to Kurt Powell through the Board. We encourage owners to provide constructive criticism and offer solutions when appropriate. Please send your input to Board president, Steve Napack at <u>svoa.steve@gmail.com</u>.

