

ASSOCIATION NEWS

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Do You Want to Make Any Changes to Your SVOA Directory Listing?

The Welcome Committee will begin working soon on the *2019 Stoneybrook Single Family Residents' Directory*. Please take a look at your listing in the directory. Have you changed your telephone number, maybe switching from a landline to a cell phone? We can now list one Home and one Mobile telephone number for each household. Has your e-mail address changed? Do you have any other additions or deletions? If you have any changes, please advise Susan Hayes by calling her at 541-752-0498 no later than December 28.

November Board Meeting Highlights

1. **David Stewart** introduced **Clark Williams** who presented the ARC report. The committee met four times in October and completed seven projects. The Board approved the addition of **Summer Stewart** to the ARC Committee.
2. The Pond Committee (**Sheila Coxon**, chair) reported that the fountains will be turned off at the end of November.
3. The Tree Committee (**Logan Norris**, chair) reported a major project with the proposed removal of ten flowering pear trees around the Clubhouse and Lodge area. The reason is that these trees are aging and branches break off. This presents a hazard. The committee proposes to replace the trees with two red maples, four magnolia trees, and four Ginkgo biloba trees. The proposal needs the approval of the ARC. An issue is who owns the trees, the SVOA or the Lodge. The board authorized the committee to start with replacement as soon as ARC approval has been obtained while simultaneously determining who owns which trees. Expected cost is \$2500 for tree removal and \$1800 for new trees. The committee's arborist recommended that planting be done now rather than in the spring.
4. The Annual Holiday Party will be held on December 9, 2018 at the Clubhouse. Food and entertainment will be provided by the Clubhouse/Activities Committee. A New Year Celebration is scheduled for December 31, 2018.
5. **Kurt Powell** reported that bark will be applied to lawns in December.
6. **Steve Napack** reported on the potential for organizing a Neighborhood Association. Such organizations are encouraged by the city of Corvallis. The Board supported the idea of the SVOA joining such an organization but did not make a commitment to join until further information is obtained. **Steve Napack** and **Jan Napack** have volunteered to pursue the idea.
7. The Board thanked **Sheila Coxon** for outstanding service in chairing the Architectural Review Committee.

Next Board Meeting

The Board meets in the Clubhouse every second Wednesday of the month at 2pm. The next meeting is December 12, 2018

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting has been set for December 6, 2018 at 3 pm in the Clubhouse. New board members are elected at this meeting and a budget for 2019 adopted at the November board meeting will be discussed. Several board members will be retiring and the Board requests members to become candidates for board membership. Board members serve for two years and are eligible for re-election. Registration will begin at 2 pm.

At the Annual Meeting the Board will seek an Advisory Vote from the members present about getting a media system for the Club House. Reasons and specifications of such a system are in the attached document prepared by Tony Olsen and Dave Stewart.

Budget for 2019

The budget for 2019 can be found on the SVOA website. The budget does not include a media system (see below) for the Clubhouse nor ARMOR contract updates for 2019. The proposed media system, estimated to cost \$35,000, is not part of the 2019 budget. If we wanted to pay for it in one year it would add \$15/month for 2019 to the total assessment for single family homes. If the system were capitalized over five years the additional cost would be \$2-\$3 per month for the five years.

Stoneybrook Preparedness Workshop #9

On Thursday, November 9, 2018 the Preparedness Committee (**Steve Napack**, chair) held its ninth workshop in the Clubhouse with more than 40 participants. The workshop dealt with four topics (1) hazard review, (2) preparedness planning, (3) how to decide what gear fits a person's plan, and (4) a workshop to build theoretical kits.

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flooding, (2) wind and winter storms, (3) earthquakes. He also mentioned, tongue in cheek, that in a New York Times article in 2011 Corvallis is considered one of the safest cities in the U.S.A. The article seemed to ignore the natural hazard of a Cascade earthquake. He then



mentioned the Physiological Survival Rules of Threes: 3 seconds for damage to the central nervous system after severe trauma, 3 minutes without oxygen, 3 hours for overheating or cooling, 3 days for lack of water, and 3 weeks for lack of food. [I note that I have now at least three rules of threes]. The speaker also stressed the difference between being fearful and being realistic.



Participants were treated to light refreshments, and two tables laden with pamphlets, and suggested equipment for being prepared.

The SVOA homeowners are greatly indebted to **Steve Napack** and his team for organizing these workshops.

SVOA Website

All Committee reports—and other material—are available on the Stoneybrook Village Owners Association website: <http://www.svoa-corvallis.org/>. The monthly Association News is not a substitute for these reports—it only provides highlights and is highly subject (some would say, suspect) to the whims of the editor, the secretary of the Association.

REMINDER: Exterior modifications (with few exceptions) of homes in Stoneybrook Village require prior formal approval by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Please submit ARC Change Request Form for exterior modifications to your home. Exterior modifications include, but are not limited to, retaining walls, drainage changes, lighting, pergolas, awnings, fences, hedges, screens, trellises, skylights, trash and yard debris enclosures, ramps, painting, antennas and TV dishes, tree or significant landscape removal and/or replacement in front and side yards, raised garden beds, railings and hand holds. ARC guidelines are available at: <http://www.svoa-corvallis.org>. Thank you very much, Architectural Review Committee.