Bauer Highlands' Committees Come on BH Residents! We Really Need You!!!

Common Area Committee

We are in the process of organizing a Common Area Committee to assist in planning the future development of our common area at the end of NW 125th Avenue. Jack Burri is currently the Chair of this committee and is working with our landscapers to maintain this area. We would like to determine how to improve this area and make it more useful for our homeowners. The Board needs to start planning next year's budget and will need to take into consideration proposed projects for that common area. If you would like to get involved with the Common Area Committee, please contact Jack Burri at jack.burri@bauerhighlands.org.

ARC Committee

The ARC Committee is still looking for a homeowner candidate that has some landscaping, contracting or architecture background that can consult on an asneeded basis. If you are interested, please contact Wendy Clifford at wendy.clifford@bauerhighlands.org.

Watchdog Committee

We would really like to implement a Watchdog Committee to help monitor the neighborhood in a joint effort with all homeowners. In the past few years, we have experienced some criminal activities in the neighborhood that include package, car and garage thefts. We would all like to make Bauer Highlands a safer place to live and in order for that to happen, we need to work together as a community. We are seeking someone to chair this committee and recruit street captains for every street in the neighborhood. Ideally, we would welcome any homeowner with a law enforcement, security or even military background to take on the role as Chair; however, it is not necessary. Please email watchdog@bauerhighlands.org if you are interested in chairing this committee or would like to be involved with this project.

We need homeowner support and participation to help make this community a wonderful place to live. Please consider getting involved!





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Groovin' at the Luau!



Thanks to all the homeowners who attended this year's Bauer Highlands Luau! It was a raging success with Dr. Groove and the Hit Machine rockin' the neighborhood while everyone enjoyed great food from Roxy's Island Grill and quenched their thirst with Taylor's deadly Mai Tais and beer from Vertigo Brewery. The kids danced to the great music, bounced in the Island Bounce House, and stayed cool with Island Snow Cones!



We'd like to thank ALL the volunteers who helped make this event go smoothly:

Amanda Rotton Bridgett, Kevin & Sheila Corbin Martha Narayanan Camille Rushanaedy Eric Peng George & Debbie Kyler JJ Gattuccio Jack Burri Jason & Julie Martinez Julie Fleischer **Kendall Tarbell**

Martha Beaves Mary Jo Peterson Matt & Michelle Schulz Rajeev Sikka Reema Arora **Sue Carey Susie Axelrod Ted & Taylor Pappas Wendy Clifford**



Bauer Highlands BBQ Cook Off 2011

Remember, next year's BBQ will be a Bauer Highlands BBQ Cook Off! For all you self-proclaimed BBQ masters, this is your time to show off your BBQ skills. The HOA will provide the ribs, chicken, and pork shoulder, and it will be up to the chefs to master these meats on the BBQ with their recipes. Each category will be judged by a selected panel of judges as well as the entire Bauer Highlands community. The Best in Show will be crowned the Bauer Highlands BBQ King/Queen! All homeowners have until next summer to perfect their recipes and show us what they got! Stay tuned for more details!

A Brand New Board

Bauer Highlands has recently experienced quite a turnover on the Board of Directors. Back at the April 2010 Annual Meeting, Taylor Pappas and Jack Burri were elected onto the Board as new members. Since then, three existing Board members have had to step down due to other obligations resulting in the Board appointing three new homeowners onto the Board of Directors. Please welcome *Sheila Corbin, Wendy Clifford* and *Reema Arora* onto the Board. Sheila Corbin has come onto the Board as the Secretary, Wendy Clifford is now the Treasurer and ARC Committee Chair, and Reema Arora is chairing the

Welcome Committee. All three ladies are wonderful additions and bring new enthusiasm and ideas to our Board. In addition, *Taylor Pappas* is the new President and Social Committee Chair and *Jack Burri* continues on as the Common Area Committee Chair. You can read the bios of any of our Board members on our website at *www.bauerhighlands.org* and for any future inquiries or comments, please email the Board at *info@bauerhighlands.org*. We'd like to thank David Gorman, Matt Schulz and Eric Peng for all the hard work they have done for Bauer Highlands!

Lights Out on Your Street?



Street lights on all streets (except on NW Moretti Terrace, NW Corazon Terrace, NW Dresden Place, and NW 126th Place) are maintained by Portland General Electric. If homeowners see a problem with any of their lights, please send the map and pole number (these are found at eye level on the pole) along with the address at the cross street to: <code>lightout@pgn.com</code> or call <code>503-228-6322</code> with the same information.

Street lights on **NW Moretti Terrace**, **NW Corazon Terrace**, **NW Dresden Place**, **and NW 126**th **Place** are privately-maintained by the HOA. If any of these are malfunctioning, please contact our management company at **info@capartners.net** with the exact location of the light and details regarding what the light is doing (off all the time, flickering, etc.).

Send us Your Email Addresses!



The Board is Only a Click Away!

Just a friendly reminder that you can access all of Bauer Highlands HOA and Board information on our website at www.bauerhighlands.org. You can send inquiries or comments to the Board directly from the website or email us at info@bauerhighlands.org. When inquiries are sent via the website, it is crucial that we have an accurate email address from the sender so that we can appropriately respond. We look forward to hearing from you!



How to Winterize Your Lawn

The key to a lush, healthy spring lawn is proper preparation for the winter. When the weather turns cooler, turf grass needs to be primed and ready to go. Because grass goes dormant during the winter, any preparation for a healthy spring must be made in the fall. For the most part, lawn winterizing is needed for cool season grasses that grow in the northern United States. It is beneficial to ensure that the grass has a good, healthy root system going into the fall and winter.

Fertilize

The purpose of fertilizing a lawn to prepare it for winter is to fertilize at the right time for the lawn to build its root system up for the winter. For that reason, a winter lawn fertilizer with a high potassium ratio is best, because that will stimulate root and rhizome growth, not growth of leaves and flowers. You will most likely not want to fertilize past September or October. Fertilizer too late in the season will cause the grass to keep growing, and could leave it susceptible to frost damage.

Aerate

The summer is both a time of growth and harm for turf. With people outside, enjoying their yards, playing sports and gardening, grass takes a beating. Compaction is one of the worst problems inflicted on lawns with lots of foot traffic. Compaction compresses the spaces in the soil where oxygen can be available to the roots. Without oxygen, the plants cannot complete their metabolic processes (breaking down the sugars they have stored from photosynthesis) and will die.

Aerating helps overcome compaction. A punch-core aerator is best. That is the type of aerator used at golf courses, and leaves the little soil cores all over the soil. That opens up spaces within the soil that can be top dressed with compost, which will improve soil fertility, and aeration.

Seed

The early fall is a good time to over seed a lawn that might need renovation. Warm season weeds will be dying off, opening up space for grass and reducing competition. Grass that can establish itself in the fall will come back in the spring, more vigorous. Before over seeding, aerate and top-dress with compost. This is an easy way to ensure a more lush lawn in the spring.

Be sure to turn off your sprinkler systems and shut your sprinkler water valve off as the temperature starts to drop outside.

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