



High Woodlands Herald



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Swim Team

Don't miss out . . . now's your chance to join the swim team!

Registration is still open to all homeowners for the summer swim league. Our swim team has been the Midlakes Division 5 Champions for the last 2 years and we hope to do it again this year but we need your help! We swim one meet a week from Kirkland to Bellevue. There are 4 regular meets and 2 championship meets for qualifying swimmers. All swim team applicants MUST be able to swim 25 yards of crawl stroke without touching the bottom of the pool or holding on to the lane lines.

The Parent Meeting and Swimmers Social is on Mon. May 16th. For more information about practices, registration forms, dates, etc. please go to the swim team web site and just follow the link on the High Woodlands Homeowners web site: www.highwoodlands.org

Come root our team on at this years home meets:

Thursday, June 23rd

Tuesday, July 12th



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Pool Opening Soon

Opening Memorial Day Weekend

May 28 - June 22 Weekdays 4-7pm Weekends 1-8pm

Manager: Crystal Lee Assist. Manager: Kaila Lee

Head Guard: Tara Bandel

Lead Guards: Mikko McFeely & Alyse Wabaunsee

Guards: Crystal Lindberg, Morgan Olsen, Connor Peasley

Information regarding pool rentals, swim lessons, swim team, rules and hours are on the Pool Page of the website.

Dues must be current to enjoy the pool!

Graduating Senior?

Please let us know the name, school and future plans so we can recognize them in the next newsletter.

Send information to Cystal.ice1@gmail.com

Board Meetings

Board Meetings are generally held the first Monday of the month at 7:30 PM . Homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Jun 6 - @ the pool/shelter

July 11 - @ the pool

Aug 1 - @ the pool

Sept. 12 @ Frost Elem.

Annexation is Here!

As most of you know, High Woodlands is about to become part of the City of Kirkland. On June 1, the Finn Hill, North Juanita and Kingsgate areas will officially be incorporated into Kirkland. This largely residential area will add over 31,000 people to the City's current population of 48,000. The annexation will make Kirkland the 12th largest city in Washington and the 6th largest city in King County. Our police, fire, zoning, building code, and utility services will now be provided by Kirkland.

Answers to frequently asked questions can be found at <http://www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/CMO/Annexation/AnnexationQnA.htm>, or Google 'Kirkland WA Annexation.'

You are invited to two celebrations:

Wednesday, June 1, Open House, Kirkland City Hall, 4-7 pm

- Welcome by city and other officials, 5:30 pm
- Light refreshments, 6:00 pm
- Meet staff, advisory board volunteers, and neighborhood association members

- Visit information booths to learn about the city and other services

Friday, June 3, Community Celebration, Juanita Beach Park, 6 pm

- Welcome by City and other officials, 6 pm
- Enjoy a free dessert, 6:30 pm
- Musical performances by Kamiakin Jr. High School Jazz Ensemble, Juanita High School Pep Band, and Back Burner (Bluegrass), 7-9:00 pm
- City information booths and Police and Fire Department vehicle displays



Neighborhood Safety



The board has received several phone calls and emails over the past month about incidents in the neighborhood ranging from aggressive solicitors, to speeding cars, to trespassers in a vacant house. There have also been reports of a suspicious person in the vicinity of 117th Pl. We appreciate you communicating with us, but it is very important that you call 911 immediately when you experience or see anything unusual. Even if it does not amount to anything, contacting the police is needed. Police patrol patterns are based on 911 calls. If we don't say anything, they will assume everything is fine and not provide stepped-up coverage.

We appreciate those of you who have notified us about a burned cedar tree in the ravine near the bridge. This actually happened way back on April 2. The board worked from the very start with the Fire/Arson Investigation Unit of the King County Sheriff's Office. Two juveniles were arrested and charged with reckless burning in the 1st Degree. The cost to HWA of

taking this tree down and replanting is over \$1,000. The case is being submitted to the prosecutor by the police and the board is seeking to have restitution part of its resolution.

On April 8, someone moved the large boulder next to the park entrance and drove a car over the ball field leaving deep tread marks and ripping up the turf. The board immediately notified the police who came out and took a report, but have no leads on the culprits.

We need you as individual homeowners to be alert and, we cannot emphasize this enough, to call 911 immediately if you observe suspicious activities such as people lurking in vehicles, prowlers, peepers, vandals, etc. We ask that those of you who live near the park to watch for anyone in the park late at night. With the warmer weather, more young people are frequenting the picnic shelter. Property damage costs all of us money. Your quick call to the police can deter future incidents.

