Ripples Snippet 11/01/22

The board has received a request from some members to provide information more frequently and in a timely manner. The Ripples has been a well-received medium, but its production takes about 40 hours of work from start to finish – not a very timely way to get information out to members. So, to fill the information gap, the board will publish a Ripples Snippet when there is important information that members need to know. We promise to keep it short and sweet ©.

Co-President, Pierre Morin has created a group email list to disseminate information efficiently. He is in the process of adding all members with an email address, not just the primary listing of the household. In the meantime, if you received a message from hoaquietwater@gmail.com and your partner did not, please share it with him/her. You might need to add the hoaquietwater address to your contacts so that messages do not go to your junk folder.

Here is our first Snippet:

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership Directories were mailed or delivered in mid-October. If you have not received yours, contact Nan Scott (Nan.Scott@oregonstate.edu)

New members added since June include Katy Elliot at 260 Jennifer Drive, Chris and Amy Madison or 344 Combs Circle, and Sharah and Zak Madrone of 453 Combs Circle. All are included in the new directory. **Former members** who have sold their QW property are Bob and Ann Noble, Clayton and Marta Paulson, Gretchen Armstrong, and Jim and Sally Maxwell.

A sad good-bye – John Marshall of 240 Combs Circle lost his battle with cancer last week in San Diego.

THANK YOU:

We wish to thank these members who have volunteered – **Mike Burke** for staining the kayak racks and getting them ready for winter, **Rebecca Owen** who spends time ridding the river bank of invasives, **Joan Cavin** and **Bob Schwarzhaupt** for taking care of glass recycling, **Katherine Kestler** for putting out and returning recycling bins each week, and the following September Work Party participants: **Mike and Diane Burke**, **Joan Cavin**, **Ginny Hafner**, **Pierre Morin**, **Bob Schwarzhaupt**, and **Nan Scott**.

OUTSIDE LIGHTING:

Be considerate of your neighbors and abide by the city lighting ordinance. Outside lights and porch lights should be turned off by 10:00 PM. If you need to go outside after that time, you can turn a light on for safety, but please turn it off when you go back in. Low path lights in the LCAs stay on all night for safety reasons, but your porch light may disturb the sleep of your neighbors or prevent star gazers from enjoying the beauty of our night skies. It is particularly important that you remind renters and occasional guests of this rule. There have been instances where renters have left the light on all night and then don't notice it in the daytime when they leave so the light may remain on for days. Enforcement of the city ordinance is complaint driven, so don't leave yourself open to the possibility of a fine.

KAYAK RACKS:

Kayak/boat racks were installed this summer to keep watercraft from being left on the river bank or the launch area. With the storm season approaching, it is important for the protection of your watercraft and the kayak racks that you take your boats back to your property no later than November 15th.

COMMUNICATION TO RENTERS AND GUESTS:

Renters and guests who stay in your home are subject to the same rules as you are. We have prepared an updated communication to renters that is posted on the web site

(https://www.gwha.org/uploads/4/2/0/0/42005667/information sheet for guiet water rental units rev22.pdf).

Please download and print a copy to display prominently in your property. If you have a rental agent, please be sure that they have a copy that becomes part of the rental agreement.

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS:

If you intend to do any exterior improvements to your property (roofing, painting, window replacement, etc.) please inform the DRC prior to initiating any work.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Our homeowner's association has many rules and regulations. These might seem burdensome to some, but they are necessary for us to live peaceably as a community. The web site, www.qwha.org, is where you will find minutes, reports, and all applicable regulations. A few are emphasized below especially for those who may be new to Quiet Water.

RIPARIAN AND COMMON AREAS:

You are also reminded that there is only one launch area for watercraft and that is opposite the new kayak racks. Incursions into the riparian area to launch craft anywhere else, will be subject to fines (Community Rules, page 7, rule 7, approved by the membership 6/11/22). There is no "grandfather" clause.

It is expressly prohibited by state law and Yachats City ordinances to remove or alter any plant material in the riparian area, essentially the area between the river and the path and including the river area bordering the swimming pool and tennis court. A permit from the city must be obtained before removing or trimming vegetation. Failure to obtain a permit could result in a fine. The same restrictions are also extended to all Common Areas and Limited Common Areas by CC&Rs Article IV 1.7. Permission must be obtained from the DRC (Design Review Committee).

An exception is allowed for the removal of invasive and noxious species including ivy, morning glory, blackberry, holly, clematis, and scotch broom; however, an indiscriminate tool such as a brush cutter or line trimmer may not be used. We will occasionally have work parties to remove invasives, but members may do so individually after informing the DRC of their intentions. Loren has posted a volunteer chore list on the website (https://www.qwha.org/lorens-chore-list.html). If you would like to receive "work for credit" for any of these tasks, let Nan know and report your hours.

Basically, if the trees and plants are outside your property lines, consult the DRC for permission.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Because of schedule conflicts, the next QWHA Board Meeting has been moved to Monday, December 12th at 2:00 PM at the Scott home – 480 Combs Circle. We have purchased equipment that will allow us to meet in person and have participants via Zoom. You will receive a Zoom invitation a few days before the 12th, but mark your calendar now, and join us if you like.

COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS WELCOME:

Thank you for being a part of Quiet Water. Let us know your comments or suggestions as we strive to make this community even better – together. This email address will reach all board members: hoaquietwater@gmail.com.

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