



## Summerwind Homeowners Newsletter

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**Yeah!!** A new, up-to-date web site for Summerwind at last! Thanks to our new webmaster, David Brownell, for all his hard work. If you missed the announcement at our annual meeting last month, you need to visit the site and see what he's created. Be sure to check out [www.SummerwindRenton.com](http://www.SummerwindRenton.com).

Congratulations to Kate Schafer, a sophomore at Hazen High School this year. She achieved state-qualifying times in all eight individual swimming events and won the State 3A 200 free state title this fall. Maybe you'll be "Ironwoman" next year!! We're all very proud of you! A fish in our midst!

### Calendar

**Christmas Decorating Contest** All you with the beautifully decorated houses, turn your lights on for the contest, Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 7 – 9 PM. Maybe you'll get lucky and win one of the 10 or so prizes donated for the contest from our local merchants. Check out the new website for winners to be posted in January.



**LNO (Ladies Night Out)** First Wednesday of each month. Carpool gathers at 6:30 PM, at 2030 Field Avenue NE. Call 271-6406 for more info and to reserve a spot.

**H.O.A. President** (Donald Schultz, 425-277-9187 or [don@autolegal.com](mailto:don@autolegal.com)) I have recently received several reports from homeowners who have had their holiday decorations either stolen or vandalized. The lights along the paths leading to the Division 3 park have also recently been vandalized. These incidents have all happened at night and appear to be juvenile in nature. The police and our out security patrol contractor have been notified of these events. Please keep a watchful eye out report any suspicious activity to our Traffic & Safety Chairman or myself.

On a happier note, on behalf of the HOA board I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

### Committee Reports

**Architectural Control** (Rob Richardson, 425-793-9702 or [robertr@abkj.com](mailto:robertr@abkj.com) and [summerwind\\_acc\\_rdr@comcast.net](mailto:summerwind_acc_rdr@comcast.net)) The Board and ACC, in particular, would like to extend our thanks to you for making our community more beautiful by investing in your home's appearance. The board considers the "Summer Wind Approved Project" signs a great success in our continued effort to raise awareness that approval is required for exterior projects. I thank everyone who has taken the time to inquire about submitting an application for ACC approval.

Again, I urge you all to contact me for an ACC Application **well before** you start your exterior projects (re-siding, painting, roofing, sheds, etc.) Submitting an application for proposed work **before** you begin your project **is a requirement** (not an option) of the CC&R's. Technically, the CC&R's allow a **30 DAY REVIEW** period for ACC applications, though in my 3 years as ACC Chairman, I don't think I've ever taken 30 days to respond to an application.

A couple of notes that have come to my attention recently: 1) Though not specifically addressed in the Rules or the CC&R's - basketball backboards are to be of the mobile, temporary variety. Applications for installing permanent backboards will be disapproved. Homeowners who have erected permanent backboards without ACC approval will receive letters of non-compliance. 2) There are two criteria for determining the suitability for replacement roofing. One is the minimum warranty period. The other is the aesthetic appearance of the product. Both criteria must be satisfied for approval. The pre-approved laminated asphalt shingles are the basis of comparison for aesthetic appearance. 3) The list of the pre-approved laminated asphalt shingles is as follows: **LAMINATED ASPHALT SHINGLES:** *These materials give an appearance similar to our original cedar shake roofing. Some common commercial products are:*

1. **Pabco** Advantage Premier 45/50 laminated shingle
2. **GAF** Grand Sequoia / Grand Canyon
3. **Celotex** (or **CertainTeed**) Presidential / Presidential TL

**The type and color selection of laminated asphalt shingle must be approved by the ACC before the**

### ***roofing project begins.***

Please note: Even if you are selecting a **Pre-Approved** product, you are still required to submit an application. Your application should include the brand, product name, and color (i.e. *GAF-Grand Sequoia - Weathered Wood*) -- at a minimum. 4) Products that have been submitted for approval and **disapproved** on the basis of aesthetic value are:

1. *Pabco Advantage (Only the **Premiere** line is approved)*
2. *Elk Prestique® and Raised Profile™ Series*

Finally, if you have a SUMMERWIND APPROVED PROJECT sign at your house and would like to return it to me, please call me and I'll be glad to stop by and pick it up.

**Landscaping** No chairman, no report.

**Membership** (Becky Letterer, 425-277-4122 or ralnsg@comcast.net) Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

**Traffic/Safety** (David Brownell, 206-992-8071 or Traffic\_and\_Safety@SummerwindRenton.com. Nothing this time.

**WPI** (Shaun Davis, WPI, 206-522-8172x129 or shaundavis@wpirealestate.com) Mailing address: 9500 Roosevelt Way, Ste 100, Seattle 98115. Fax: 206-522-0725

**Puget Sound Security Patrol (PSSP)** (425-454-5011 24-Hour) Report all incidences to them, our hired security company, after calling 911 as necessary.

**City of Renton Neighborhood Liaison** (Jerry Rerecich, 425-430-6615 or jrerecich@ci.renton.wa.us) Contact Jerry if you have any questions about the various neighborhood programs available to us or if you have general questions for the City and he can help direct you to the right person or department to assist you.

### **Know Your CC&R'S**

**7.1.7** The ACC shall have the right to disapprove the design or installation of a swimming pool or any other recreational structure or equipment visible from a public street, Common Area or other Lot, which is not suitable or desirable, in the ACC's reasonable opinion, aesthetic or otherwise. In so passing upon such design or proposed installation, the ACC shall have the right to take into consideration the visual impact of the structure and the noise impact of the related activities upon all of the properties located in the close proximity. Any enclosure or cover used in connection with such a recreational structure or equipment, whether temporary, collapsible, seasonal, or whatever, shall be treated as a permanent structure for the purposes of these covenants, and shall be subject to all the conditions, restrictions, and requirements as set forth herein for all buildings and structures.

### **Free Annual Credit Report Info**

Q: How do I order my free report?

A: The three nationwide consumer reporting companies have set up one central website, toll-free telephone number, and mailing address through which you can order your free annual report. To order, click on [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com), call 877-322-8228, or complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form and mail it to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. The form is on the back of this brochure; or you can print it from [www.ftc.gov/credit](http://www.ftc.gov/credit). Do not contact the three nationwide consumer reporting companies individually. They are only providing free annual credit reports through [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com), 877-322-8228, and Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281.

You may order your reports from each of the three nationwide consumer reporting companies at the same time, or you can order from only one or two. The law allows you to order one free copy from each of the nationwide consumer reporting companies every 12 months.

Q: What information do I have to provide to get my free report?

A: You need to provide your name, address, Social Security number, and date of birth. If you have moved in the last two years, you may have to provide your previous address. To maintain the security of your file, each nationwide consumer reporting company may ask you for some information that only you would know, like the amount of your monthly mortgage payment. Each company may ask you for different information because the information each has in your file may come from different sources.

[www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) is the only authorized source for your free annual credit report from the three nationwide consumer reporting companies. [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) and the nationwide consumer reporting companies will not send you an email asking for your personal information. If you get an email or see a pop-up ad claiming it's from [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or any of the three nationwide consumer reporting companies, do not reply or click on any link in the message - it's probably a scam. Forward any email that claims to be from

[www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or any of three consumer reporting companies to the FTC's database of deceptive spam at [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov). [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or any of three consumer reporting companies also will not call you to ask for your personal information.

To read the rest of the document, go to the FTC website directly at:  
(<http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/pubs/credit/freereports.htm>)



### **Do Not Call Registry**

The Federal Trade Commission sponsors both a web site and 800 phone number to register phone numbers for the National Do Not Call Registry. If you would like to take advantage of this service or for more information on this service visit <http://donotcall.gov> or call 1.888.382.1222. This registry is good for five years. This now applies for cell phone numbers. Nobody wants solicitations eating up their precious cell phone minutes. You can only submit three numbers per request.

This won't get rid of all telephone solicitations, since political organizations, charities, and telephone surveyors can still call. To file a complaint, your phone number has to have been on the registry for three months. If it has, what they need from you is the date you got the call, and either the name *or* telephone number of the company that called you.

### **Recycled Cards**

For all the new families in Summerwind, we collect the fronts of your holiday/birthday/any event cards to ship off to St. Jude's Ranch for Children every February or so for their fund-raising. Just drop them off on the porch at 5024 NE 23<sup>rd</sup> St. Thanks!!

### **New Home Remedy for Arthritis** (from the *Seattle PI*)

Did this catch your eye? Caught mine now that I'm off Vioxx.

Stir 1 teaspoon of a half-and-half mixture of apple-cider vinegar and honey into a 6-ounce glass of water with a teaspoon of orange powder (Tang?) stirred in and dissolved. Exact measure of the three dosages does not seem to be critical. Within a few weeks of drinking this daily mixture, the writer had regained virtually 100 percent use of his stiff, sore and painful-to-use knuckles.

### **21 Suggestions for Success by H. Jackson Smith, Jr.**

1. Marry the right person. This one decision will determine 90% of your happiness or misery.
2. Work at something you enjoy and that's worthy of your time and talent.
3. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
4. Become the most positive and enthusiastic person you know.
5. Be forgiving of yourself and others.
6. Be generous.
7. Have a grateful heart.
8. Persistence, persistence, persistence.
9. Discipline yourself to save money on even the most modest salary.
10. Treat everyone you meet like you want to be treated.
11. Commit yourself to constant improvement.
12. Commit yourself to quality.
13. Understand that happiness is not based on possessions, power or prestige, but on relationships with people you love and respect.
14. Be loyal.
15. Be honest.
16. Be a self-starter.
17. Be decisive even if it means you'll sometimes be wrong.
18. Stop blaming others. Take responsibility for every area of your life.
19. Be bold and courageous. When you look back on your life, you'll regret the things you didn't do more than the ones you did.
20. Take good care of those you love.
21. Don't do anything that wouldn't make your Mom proud.

# Season's Greetings!!