Sherwood Forest Community Club

April 2023



Hello Neighbor. The SFCC board wishes you a very happy spring and we look forward to seeing you at our events this year. This newsletter contains information about some of the activities we have planed for this year. We hope you can join us for another community -building year.

Block Party - Save the Date!

Mark your calendars, this year's block party will be held on **Sunday**, **August**, **20**th. For those of you who attended last year, we thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you again this year.



Message from the President

I am happy to have served as your president for the last 4 years. It has been a wonderful experience. Who will be next? We are always looking for good ideas! We need you. You'll get the chance to meet your neighbors. You can learn about their concerns, your shared interests, and find a way to help each other. It's an opportunity to stay informed and get involved in municipal issues that matter to us.

— Lee Sargent



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Annual Dues 2023

SFCC annual dues remain \$10.00 per household. Dues pay for basic resources that allow SFCC to operate and implement goals, plans, and organize events for the neighborhood. This year, your contributions allowed SFCC to fund our block party, newsletters, zoom account license, annual meeting room and PO box rental.

As always, a sincere "thank you" to the SFCC members who have already cent in their annual

- members who have already sent in their annual dues. Residents who have yet to remit their payment have several options:
- Send a check to:
 - Sherwood Forest Community Club. P.O. Box 7344, Bellevue, WA 98008

- Pay via Paypal or Venmo to: <u>sfccbellevue@hotmail.com</u>
- Setup automatic payment for SFCC through your checking account "Bill Pay" service.

If you would like to earmark an additional donation to a specific issue, please just note the issue on you donation check.

Our Treasurer's Reports are part of our Meeting Minutes which are available for review online at SFCC website: www.sherwoodforestbellevue.org

John Haro - Treasurer 2023

Sherwood Forest Entrance Sign Maintenance

This summer our neighborhood signs will need safety maintenance which will require hiring a licensed contractor.

We ask SFCC members if they wish to add a separate donation directly to the "SFCC Sign Fund", just note it on your donation.

The Sherwood Forest Entrance Signs at the corners of NE 24th/160th Ave. and NE 30th/164th Ave. were carved in the 1960s specifically for the Sherwood Forest neighborhood by world renowned Northwest wood carver Dudley Carter. Mr. Carter was a Sherwood Forest neighbor who lived off Bel Red Road where the southern portion of the Microsoft campus is now located.

Find out more about Dudley: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dudley C. Carter



Remembering Ken Schiring

Ken and Lee Schiring moved to Sherwood Forest 54 years ago. For anyone who ever traveled along NE 28th St., Ken was a neighborhood fixture out working in his front yard, wearing his signature wooden clogs!

Almost immediately upon moving in, Ken became involved in our community club and its activities designed to make life better for all of us. He participated in our transitioning from septic tanks to a sewer system, from 300-gallon oil tanks to natural gas heating, from weak and sparse incandescent street lighting to modern LED lighting, and perimeter sidewalks. He worked to prevent what is now the Microsoft Campus from initially becoming a huge shopping center like Southcenter, and to turn what is now the Bellevue Technology Center into a Planned Unit Development, with its limited number of buildings in a park-like setting, instead of a 50-acre apartment complex. Ken held several board positions in SFCC including President and Honorary Trustee.

Sadly, Ken passed away on February 26, 2023. His memory lives on in all he's done for the neighborhood and we will forever be grateful for his contributions.

Donations in Ken's honor can be made to Northwest Harvest: https://www.northwestharvest.org/?form=donate, or King County Library System Foundation: https://www.kclsfoundation.org/donate





Mailbox Theft and USPS Informed Delivery Service

There has been a rise in mailbox break-ins in the neighborhood. Having a locking mailbox is a good start, yet these are not immune to break-ins. The Postal Office has a service that will send you photos of your mail before it arrives. This service is free, just sign up at: https://www.usps.com/manage/informed-delivery.htm

With this service, if your mail does get stolen, you'll have a record of what was in the box.

For much more neighborhood information and resources including:

- Emergency preparedness
- Past newsletters
- Minutes and documents
- Neighbor history
- Block watch
- And more ...

visit our web site:

www.sherwoodforestbellevue.org

Garden Club Report

The Sherwood Forest Garden Club kicked off its second season with a trip to Molbak's Home & Garden Center. We had a nice tour of the facility and learned about their relocation plans. Several people bought some new plants and all of us left with ideas and inspiration for Spring gardening projects! In April, the garden club returned to the Bellevue Botanical Garden for another tour of this wonderful location on the edge of downtown. We have some other fun events planned for the year such as: touring the Bellevue Demo Garden with a member of the Master Gardeners; visiting a pumpkin patch or farm in the Fall and a talk on sustainable gardens. We typically meet at 1 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month. Come meet some neighbors and join the fun! Any questions, email us at sfccbellevue@hotmail.com. You can also find information about upcoming meetings on Nextdoor and the Sherwood Forest website.

NOTE: The Interlake High School Horticulture Department is having their Spring plant sale April 26th-29th. Mark your calendars and support our local school!





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