

# Sherwood Forest Community Club



## ANNUAL MEETING—OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup> 7:00 PM

We are pleased to invite you to the annual Sherwood Forest Community Club meeting on **Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**. This will be a hybrid meeting to be held at the Interlake Highschool Library. Simultaneously, we will also have a “Teams” video conference. Please join us to learn more about our club, review our achievements, participate and provide guidance on future activities.

We hope to see you in person but if you prefer to join remotely visit our web site at [sherwoodforestbellevue.org](http://sherwoodforestbellevue.org) to connect to “Teams” and access other online resources. You can also use this link to connect directly to the annual meeting:

<https://bit.ly/SFCCBellevue>

Please consider becoming part of the board this year, we are always looking for new volunteers and strongly believe that you and your neighbors will benefit from your involvement.

Also note that a mail in ballot for election of officials, including space for write-in candidates, appears at the back of this newsletter (page 4).

## ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY

The third annual Sherwood Forest Block Party was held under smoky skies on Sunday, August 20th. We had a great turnout. It was wonderful to see old friends and meet some of our new neighbors. Along with the hot dogs and ice cream provided by the Community Club, a number of people brought some delicious and exotic dishes to share. For those of you who attended, we thank you for your support. For those who missed it, we hope to see you there next year at this and other community events.



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## GARDEN CLUB

The Sherwood Forest Garden Club is wrapping up its second season. This year, we visited some neighborhood gardens, toured the Bellevue Botanical Garden, The Lake Hills Demo Garden and took a trip up to Molbak's Garden + Home. We typically meet at 1 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month. We're looking forward to more field trips and informational sessions in 2024, so come join the fun! Any questions, email us at [sfccbellevue@hotmail.com](mailto:sfccbellevue@hotmail.com). You can also find information about upcoming meetings on Nextdoor and the Sherwood Forest website.

As a side note, the Interlake High School Horticulture Department is having their winter sale on December 1st & 2nd. Mark your calendars and support our local school!

<https://interlakehorticulture.com/the-plant-sales/>



## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



This committee usually meets the 2nd Thursday of each month and works to connect people with tools, ideas, equipment, etc. that constitute answers to the unexpected and expected situations that can occur. Charlie and Joseph relied on multiple national, regional and local resources to guide us. John, Joseph, Diane, Charlie and Lee have enjoyed neighborhood walk-a-bouts to get to know you and to share what we are doing in practical examples. Please help us prepare!

We will continue to spread the preparedness information before the unexpected happens so that the results are better for everyone in our family and neighborhood. You will find upcoming events posted on Nextdoor and in our community website.



## SHERWOOD FOREST SIGN MAINTENANCE



This summer, SFCC had both entry signs inspected and restored by a wood restoration company. Bottom and tops of north and south sign posts were treated to prevent wood rot. Both of the sign post arm were lifted and re-shimmed with pressure treated wood.

These signs were carved in the 1960s, specifically for the Sherwood Forest neighborhood by world renowned Northwest wood carver Dudley Carter.

## SFCC ACTIVITIES LAST YEAR

Thank you all of you for being part of this great community. This was another good year of community building and engagement. The **annual party**, **garden club** and **emergency preparedness committee** were well attended and continue to be popular amongst activities.

We continued to participate and **represent our community in the City of Bellevue** and other local organizations. **Work to preserve our trees, neighborhood character and open space at BTC** remain top priorities for the board. Last Christmas we **decorated the neighborhood signs** and will continue to do so for some other holidays.

We continue to learn, look for new perspectives and energy in the board. Almost all the board position are open this year and we invite you to participate and become part of the SFCC leadership group. Please bring your ideas and help us build an even better Sherwood Forest Community Club.

The whole board is grateful for all of your support. We hope to see you soon!

## SFCC COMMITTEES

**Community connection** - Connecting the many neighbors with fun, engaging, relevant events that will promote community building and opportunities to work together.

**Communications** - Develop and maintain an electronic communication system. Help with publication of SFCC newsletters and any other community materials.

**Emergency Preparedness** - Develop and implement a block-by-block preparedness program to address impacts from severe storms, earthquakes, and other disasters.

**Land Use** - Monitor Bellevue and Redmond land use development proposals affecting the Sherwood Forest neighborhood. Have contact with City of Bellevue officials on Land Use. Be involved with City of Bellevue Land Use events, send summary of event back to SFCC Board

**Traffic & Transportation** - Monitor Bellevue and Redmond transportation plans, proposals, and projects with the potential to impact the SF Neighborhood.

**Block Watch** - Develop and implement, block-by-block, the City of Bellevue Block Watch program to promote residential awareness, safety, and security.

Find the right match for you and get involved by selecting a committee below.

- Traffic       Block Watch       Community Connection  
 Land Use       Communications       Emergency Preparedness

### FALL MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

- Check or Replace batteries in smoke detectors.
- Replace furnace/AC filters.
- Check the heating system, chimney, and fireplace.
- Clean gutters and downspouts.
- Inspect windows, doors, weatherstripping, and trim.
- Inspect the insulation and ventilation.
- Landscape the yard and prune as needed.
- Fertilize and aerate your lawn to prepare for next year.
- Overseed the lawn and attack perennial weeds.
- Clean and pressure wash walkways and driveways.
- Seal the deck, fix gates, and store or cover outdoor furniture and equipment.
- Repair any drainage issues.
- Winterize your sprinkler system

Contact us at [sfccbellevue@hotmail.com](mailto:sfccbellevue@hotmail.com) or return the attached ballot with your contact information.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Four years ago, I stepped forward in the SFCC annual meeting and offered to be President of the SFCC. I remember all the ups and downs, but most of all, the efforts given by each board member to try to help our neighbors by engaging with the city, updating the bylaws, monitoring BTC, property covenants, creating newsletters, etc. It truly has been a team effort from the board to the block reps to the neighbors who attend, share food, ideas, etc. I am proud of Anne, Janet, Emmanuel, Patrick, John, Nate, Ken and Kurt in our efforts and successes. **Thank you!**

We need a new president. The bylaws and need for new ideas mandate it. SFCC is not just a board or a group of houses, it is neighbors working to help neighbors. Former presidents have shaped our club - Emmanuel, Regi, Cindy, John, Linda, Kurt, Ken, John, to name few. Each one has worked to address needs that arise. There is an opportunity for you or someone you know to step forward and help us as president, treasurer, etc.

I will support you as you have supported me. You will not be alone.

— Lee

### SHERWOOD FOREST COMMUNITY CLUB

To cast your vote, please  
complete your ballot and  
transmit it by **October 19th**

Mail to:

**Sherwood Forest  
Community Club, P.O.  
Box 7344, Bellevue WA  
98008**

Or Email your vote to:

**sfccbellevue@hotmail.com**

### Remaining Term of Elected Trustees

Janet Castaneda     1 year  
Emmanuel Solis     2 years

## SFCC BALLOT

### Election of Officers and Trustees to Board of Directors

#### Sherwood Forest Community Club 2023 – 2024

A Board of Directors consisting of four (4) Officers, each of whom will hold office for a term of one (1) year, and one Trustee who will hold office for the term of three (3) years, will be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Sherwood Forest Community Club on Thursday, October 26th, 2023.

PRESIDENT            (OPEN)            \_\_\_\_\_            (write-in)

VICE PRESIDENT    (OPEN)            \_\_\_\_\_            (write-in)

SECRETARY            (OPEN)            \_\_\_\_\_            (write-in)

TREASURER            (OPEN)            \_\_\_\_\_            (write-in)

TRUSTEE                (   )                **Patrick Tousignant**  
                              (   )                \_\_\_\_\_            (write-in)

### Update your contact information

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