

RYDERWOOD HISTORY PROJECT

Ryderwood will celebrate its centennial in 2023 (and so will Longview). The local VFW and AMVETS Posts 7010 have begun an information gathering process. The goal of the process is to provide a two-part history. Part one is the logging years from 1923 to 1953. Part two is the retirement community from 1953 to present. This project will be coordinated with the Cowlitz County Historical Museum staff.

Information is being gathered and digitized by the project team. The project goal will be based on the extent of the information obtained. A review of the material will indicate the level of publication and the type(s) of reporting.

Your involvement in this process would be greatly appreciated. A survey questionnaire and town map is enclosed. Please complete as much of the information as you can.

The project is supported by the VFW and AMVETS Ryderwood Posts 7010 (Commanders Gary Bennett and Jon Schmitt). Donations are accepted with checks made out to "AMVETS" designated for the history project. Donations can be mailed to AMVETS at the address below. Please contact the volunteers listed below with any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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RYDERWOOD HISTORY SURVEY

1. Name _____ Date of birth _____

Family member(s), relationship _____ Date of birth _____

Contact Information (address, best phone number, email) _____

2. When did you live in Ryderwood? _____

3. Where did you live in Ryderwood? _____

4. Who were your neighbors and friends?

5. What were your activities? (Examples: job, school, church, hobbies, clubs, organizations, and outdoor activities.)

6. How did you feel about Ryderwood - then and now?

7. What was unusual about living in Ryderwood?

8. What significant events happened during your residency?

9. Are you, or any family members or friends, military veterans?

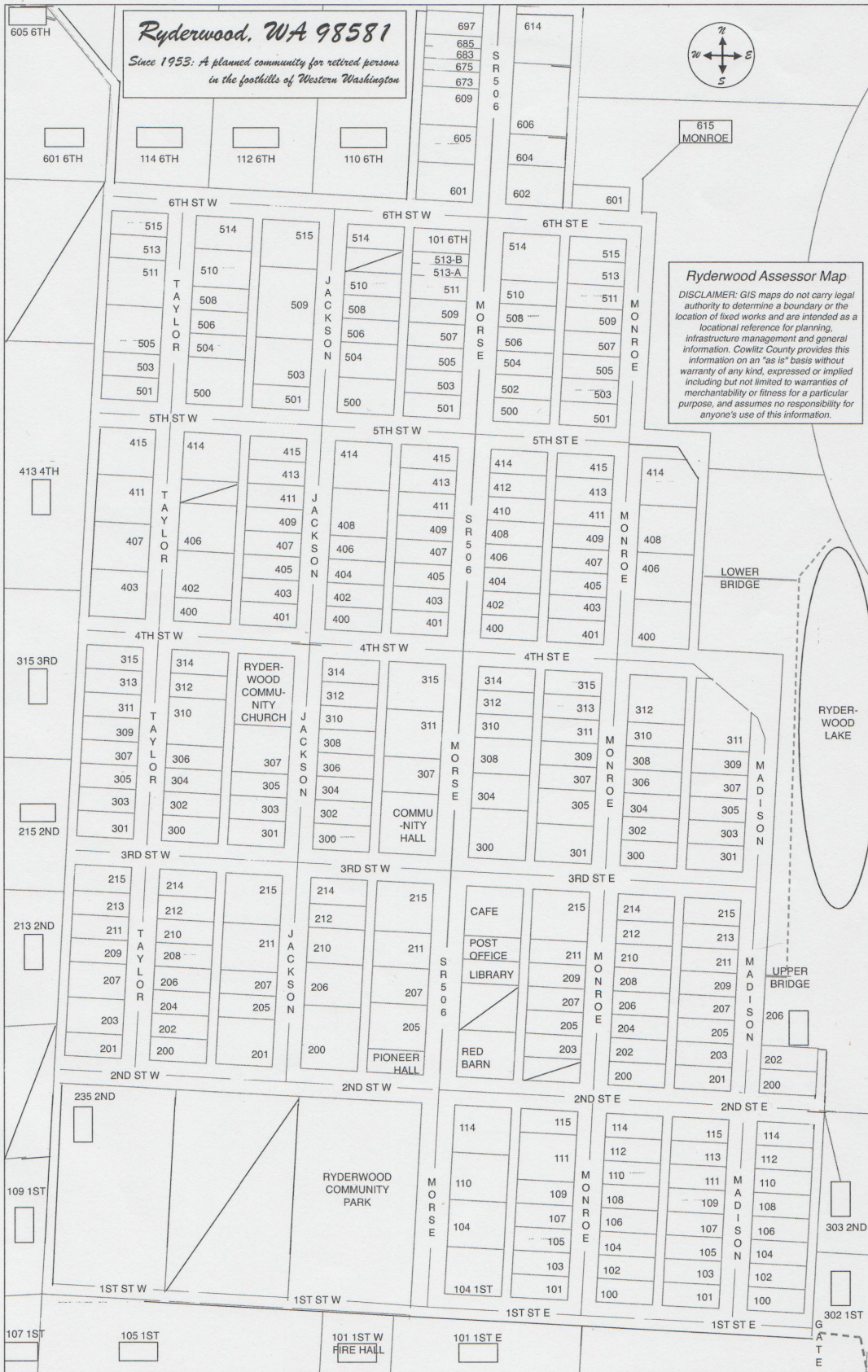
10. If a family member or friend were considering living in Ryderwood, what advice would you give?

Please attach answers to these questions on additional pages. The enclosed map will aid in locating residences. Any photos available for copying will be appreciated and returned.

The above-named individual(s) consent to the release of the information provided for publication in a Ryderwood history. This history is to be developed over a time period to be determined. This consent is evidenced by the signature of the provider:

Signature

Date



Ryderwood, WA 98581
*Since 1953: A planned community for retired persons
 in the foothills of Western Washington*



Ryderwood Assessor Map
 DISCLAIMER: GIS maps do not carry legal authority to determine a boundary or the location of fixed works and are intended as a locational reference for planning, infrastructure management and general information. Cowitz County provides this information on an "as is" basis without warranty of any kind, expressed or implied including but not limited to warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, and assumes no responsibility for anyone's use of this information.

RYDERWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH

COMMUNITY HALL

PIONEER HALL

RYDERWOOD COMMUNITY PARK

101 1ST W FIRE HALL

RYDERWOOD LAKE

LOWER BRIDGE

UPPER BRIDGE

CAFE

POST OFFICE

LIBRARY

RED BARN

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