# **OAK CREEK MEADOWS**

#### ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Mark your calendar! The dates for our annual neighborhood garage sale have been confirmed. The sale will run from 9 AM to 3 PM on Saturday (7/13) and Sunday (7/14).

If you would like your home to be included in the advertisement, you can RSVP through the neighborhood Facebook page or contact Samantha Alley at (541) 918-5040 or via email at rsvp@hometeamoregon.com

## **LANDSCAPING ON 53RD**

The dead plants were removed from 53rd. We still have a few Arborvitae trees that are leaning slowly towards the sidewalk. No work is currently planned for the summer.

We received confirmation in February, from the City of Albany, that we were safe to proceed with the irrigation update. The update for the irrigation system was completed in March. The next phases of work is still in the planning phase.

## A MESSAGE FROM PACIFIC POWER

We received a message from Pacific Power. This is due to reports that neighborhood children have been seen playing on, and/or hitting, the green transformer boxes.

"Never sit on, play on, dig near or pry open pad-mounted transformers (green metal boxes most often found in neighborhoods and parks). If you find one that has been unlocked or damaged, call us immediately at 1-888-221-7070."

For more information about safety around your home, you can visit Pacific Power's "Home Safety" page located at https://www.pacificpower.net.

## ARCHITECTURAL CHANGES

Please remember that making visible changes to your home or property may require Board approval. This includes exterior paint, major structural changes to the interior, etc. If you're planning any projects, please take a moment to review the Architectural Change requirements detailed in the CC&Rs. This can be found under Article C. An Architectural Change Request Form is available on the HOA's website, or can be requested by contacting a member of the Board. We do our best to respond promptly.

#### TIPS FOR KEEPING YOUR PROPERTY SAFE

While our neighborhood is a wonderful place to live, we all have to be diligent to protect our property. Here are some helpful tips from the Albany Police Department:

- \* Anytime you are not home, make sure you lock the doors to your home. Most burglaries happen during broad daylight when everyone is at work.
- \* Make sure you lock your car doors and do not leave valuables in your vehicle. Glove boxes and center consoles are car prowlers number one spots to check. If you do become a victim of a car prowl, check the surrounding bushes on your block. Car prowlers tend to stash the items they take in bushes and come back for them later.
- \* Turn your outdoor lights on at night and leave them on until the morning. This extra light is a deterrent to prowlers.
- \* Report all crimes to the Albany Police Department. This will assist them in assigning patrols and knowing what to look for.
- \*APD Community Resource Unit members are available to conduct a free security survey of private residences. They can offer suggestions regarding external and internal lighting, security locks, exterior foliage and fencing, alarms, etc. To schedule a security survey for your home, contact the Community Resource Unit at 541-917-7680.

## RECREATIONAL VEHICLES & TRAILERS

A reminder that trailers, boats and/or motor homes are only on the street, or in a driveway, for up to 48 hours (with consent of the adjacent property owner).

# HOLIDAY LIGHTS COMPETITION

This year, the HOA will be holding a competition for the best holiday lights. A \$25 gift card will be presented to the homeowner that receives the most votes. More details, along with voting instructions, will be included in the meeting notice that is sent every November.

## **CONTRACTOR REFERRALS**

If you're in need of a referral for a local contractor, we maintain a list of licensed individuals and companies. A copy of the list is available on the HOA website, our Facebook Group "Oak Creek Meadows HOA", or a copy can be mailed to you upon request.

## **ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS**

If you would like to receive our newsletters by email, you can sign up at http://www.oakcreekmeadowshoa.org/signup.html.

Invoices and meeting notices will continue to be sent through the US Mail as required by the HOA Bylaws. You can opt out at any time. If you choose not to sign up, you will continue to receive all communications through the US Mail.