GAMBLEWOOD COMMUNITY CLUB Gamblevood Gazette

A Quarterly Newsletter

GCC Covenants

Participate in updating our community covenants. Page 2

Nuts for Gamblewood

Win a bucket of CB's Nuts. Sign up for the Gazette e-mail or join GCC's Facebook. Page 2

Lost & Found

Have you "lost" a bike recently? Contact the GCC Board by phone or e-mail w/ a description.

GCC Board meetings

Members are invited to attend—held the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Community Notes

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Want to Form a Community Watch? Come to the info mtg with the Sheriff's Office on Sept. 19th. Special Page

Summer 2011

GCC Annual Meeting in Brief

The annual Gamblewood Community Club meeting was held on June 11th (<u>more details</u> <u>on GCC webpage</u>). The meeting was preceded by a tasty BBQ set up and prepared by the Elena family -- thank you Madison and Mason!

Decisions:

- Adopted Amended Bylaws
- Authorized up to \$10K of available funds to repair the Waterfront Park Shelter
- Requested the Board schedule a Block Watch meeting with Sheriff's Department (scheduled for September ____ see insert)
- Requested to add a slide or other equipment to Play Park to make it small child friendly
- Requested board coordinate removal of ivy and other noxious weeds
- Requested contest to improve participation on Facebook group and e-mail list

Board Officers:

President: Tom Moench Vice President: Tom Twigg Secretary: Bob Green Treasurer: Phil Elena Communications: Beth Berglund



Dante Miguel's Waterfront Park Eagle Project completed Summer 2011

Park Projects

We are very fortunate to have area scouts choosing to take on Gamblewood park improvements for their Eagle Scout Projects. Just last month Gamblewood resident and scout Dante Miguel replaced the split log "bridge" that spanned the ravine on the west side of the Waterfront Park with an improved and much safer foot bridge. The land to the west of the ravine is an underutilized part of our park that is too often just a place for youth to gather "out of view". We've tried to open a visual corridor into the area and Dante's new bridge is making the area more inviting to all. Enjoy exploring a new part of the park!!

Stay Connected with the GCC Board and with your Neighbors:

On the web: www.gamblewood.org

By phone message: (360) 362-0148

On Facebook: Gamblewood Community Club

On Twitter: Gamblewood CommClub (@Gamblewood)

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Updating GCC Covenants

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Residents have expressed interest in updating GCC's covenants, available at http://www.gamblewood.org/sites/default/files/Gamblewood-covenants-67_retyped.pdf which were written when the community was established in 1968.

For changing? Against changing? Add or delete? Submit your opinions via e-mail or come to the Board meetings with your ideas.

Nuts about Gamblewood

Help us reduce the cost of publishing our quarterly community-wide newsletter.

The Gamblewood Community Club Facebook Group is up and running and is keeping us connected throughout the year. Join it by searching for "Gamblewood Community Club" and clicking "Join this Group."

Don't want to join the Facebook Group? If you haven't already done so, consider signing up to receive the Gamblewood Gazette by email instead of US Mail. Please send an email to <u>gamblewood.cc@gmail.com</u> with the subject line "Email list paper opt out".

Residents who've signed up for e-mail or Facebook will be entered into two drawings in September and October.

Winners will get a bucket of CB's Nuts.



Thanks to CB's Nuts, a great local business, for their generous support!!

Let There Be Light

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The very new light at the entrance to the Waterfront Park.

Be Bear Aware

This spring and summer, black bear sightings in our region are becoming more common and there have been multiple bear sightings in Gamblewood. Make sure you and your family know what to do if you find yourself confronted with one. Also, as always, manage your trash to avoid drawing in bears, raccoons, and other animals that can become problems when are drawn into residential areas looking for food and get used to being around people.

If you come into close contact with a black bear:

- Stay calm and avoid direct eye contact, which could elicit a charge. Try to stay upwind and identify yourself as a human by standing up, talking and waving your hands above your head.
- 2. Do not approach the bear, particularly if cubs are present. Give the bear plenty of room.
- If you cannot safely move away from the bear, and the animal does not flee, try to scare it away by clapping your hands or yelling.
- 4. If the bear attacks, fight back aggressively.

For more information: http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/bears.html

Vandalism Blues

This summer we've seen more vandalism being perpetrated on our community property. The Waterfront Park porta-potty has been damaged a few times over the last three months. The best way we can protect our community parks is to use them—your presence alone is a deterrent.

If you see somebody treating your community property poorly consider standing up and saying something. If you see suspicious activity at the park, take down the license plate # and call the police. New signs at the parks will alert park abusers of the consequences.

Come to the Community Watch information meeting on September 19th.



Teen Night Free at the YMCAs!

There are now two YMCAs serving our region. Both have events and programs focused on providing youth healthy and safe alternatives to local hangouts on Friday and Saturday nights.

Haselwood YMCA (Silverdale):

678 Nite (grades 6-8) Saturdays from 8:30-11pm **Teen Late Nite** (grades 9-12) Fridays from 9-11:30pm

Bremerton Family YMCA:

Teen Late Nite (ages 13-19) Fridays from 8:30-11pm GAMBLEW OOD GAZETTE

Community Watch Discussion with Deputy Montague of the Sheriff's Office

September 19, 2011

7:30 pm

North Kitsap Fire & Rescue Conference Room

Deputy Montague is scheduled to be present to talk to us about forming a Community Watch and related issues.

If there's no way for you to attend this meeting, but you want to participate in a Community Watch, email us using Contact Us, subject line "Neighborhood Watch" from <u>http://www.gamblewood.org/</u>. The Board will represent those interests at the mtg.

Time	Monday, September 19 · 7:30pm – 9:00pm
Location	North Kitsap Fire & Rescue (conference room) 26642 Miller Bay Road NE
For	Gamblewood Community Club
More Info	The Gamblewood Community Club Board meet on the 3rd Monday of each month at the North Kitsap Fire & Rescue building on Miller Bay Road. The executive session starts at 7pm and

the regular meeting at 7:30.





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Event Calendar:

Upcoming Board Meetings:

The GCC Board meets at 7:30 pm on the 3rd Monday of the month at the North Kitsap Fire & Rescue building conference room at 26642 Miller Bay Road NE, Kingston, WA 98346.

Executive Session starts at 7 pm Public Session starts at 7:30 pm

> September 19, 2011 Special: Community Watch Discussion with Deputy Montague of the Sheriff's Department

October 17, 2011

November 21, 2011

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