



BULLETIN

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PRESIDENT'S AND RECREATION

REPORT

We have made it through another Holiday Season. It has never ceased to amaze me that after I retired, fully planning on having a lot of spare time, how busy we are doing the things we do. I had envisioned that my retirement years would be filled with spaces of time to just sit and watch the grass grow. Never has worked out just that way. Recently I was required to do some research in the old SunLand files and reading through the minutes from the 1990s and early this century, we seem to be going through the same issues, complaints, and pest control issues that went on during the early stages of SunLand. During that period, we had numerous skunk issues along with the ever-present raccoons that we have now. It seems to me that getting rid of the skunks would have been a top priority.

A lot of the questions during that time frame revolved around building new housing on the vacant lots. Obviously, there were fewer finished homes at that time, but the same problems existed with the Architecture Committee that we are going through now, just with different people and sites.

One of the thoughts that were obvious to me in reading all this was that even back then, the common ideal was to protect the area where we have chosen to live.

There were numerous references to making someone clean up their yard, quiet the barking dogs, control cats that run loose etc., just like we have today.

The single belief that came out of the research is that your current Board, in being very proactive in enforcing the CC&Rs and Rules and Regulations, is doing the right thing. We all want pride in the appearance of our homes, to hold the value of our homes, and to provide a positive atmosphere for our retirement years and also a place to raise kids. We have more and more of our residents moving in that are still in the work place and are raising families. This is a good thing for all of us. The diversity that we have in our neighborhoods make all of us better people just being exposed to it.

So, this year when the Landscape Committee representative asks you to do a little clean up, the Architecture Committee wants to change your plans for a shop next to the house or any of the other things that come up, remember that we are only doing it to make sure we keep SunLand looking great.

Along those same lines, to continue the process started, we need active people that want to get involved in doing the jobs required insuring that the progress we have started keeps going. Elections for a new Board are only eight months away and you need to consider running for one of the seats coming open. If you have any questions on how to get started, please contact me, or any of the other Board members, to help you along.

Fred Smith, President

ERIC MARTENSON
FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER

On January 15, 2018, Eric Martenson joined the staff of Sunland Golf & Country Club. Eric was born in Seattle and grew up in Kirkland, Washington. He began his food service career very young as a fry cook at a fish & chip café. He worked part-time while attending Bellevue College, with experience at an Elks Club and the Velvet Turtle, a white tablecloth fine dining restaurant. He then joined Schwartz Brother's Restaurants in Bellevue and Seattle Washington, Portland Oregon, and San Diego California. He began as a dinner lead cook and finished ten years later as Corporate Executive Chef. The next career move was on to the now defunct chain, Magic Pan in San Francisco, as International Director of Food Services. Being away from the Northwest and extensive travel was a poor fit. He then returned home to the Northwest as General and Kitchen Manager at Von's Grand City Café in Seattle's Roosevelt Hotel.

The next step was ownership of a profitable full-service café in Bellevue, Washington, for ten years. After selling the business, he and his wife bought a boat and sailed the San Juan and Gulf Islands for several months. He returned joining the Lake Washington School District as catering coordinator and multi-unit manager.

Eric has Bachelor Degrees in Communication and Community Public Health. He is married, loves the saltwater, fishing, foraging, walking and relaxing on the beaches.

He is now happily ensconced at Sunland Golf & Country Club as *our* Food and Beverage Manager. He looks forward to visiting with all of you and providing many happy events and memorable meals.

Remember that the Sunland Cafe is open to all. In addition to breakfast and lunch, take home dinners are available daily. Call 360-683-6800, ext 14, by 10 am to order for pick up at 3:00 pm.



OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS OF SUNLAND

SAVE THE DATE

Scrumptious Easter brunch buffet at Sunland Golf & Country Club

April 1, 2018 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

The sign-up sheet will be posted on the Social Bulletin Board, outside the pro-shop

Reservations are being accepted

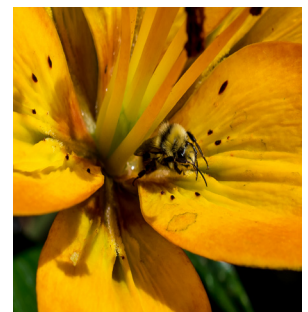
Menu

Carved Baron of Beef
Eggs Benedict & scrambled eggs
Sunland Roasted Potatoes
Assorted freshly prepared salads
Strawberries Devonshire

Antipasti trays
Bacon & Sausage
Pasta Bar
Fresh Fruit
Pastries & Sweets

Special Pricing \$19.95

\$5.00 Special Holiday Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers and Mimosas



ROADS AND SECURITY

Fred Smith and Fritz Field are working with the county to get more cross walks in SunLand.

There have been a number of traffic accidents at Sequim Dungeness and Woodcock, so be careful there. Most are eastbound traffic turning right on to Sequim-Dungeness.

The SunLand Cert team still needs more volunteers. Contact the County Fire Department.

While SunLand is a very safe place to live, please make sure to keep your house and cars locked. Last year we had thefts from unlocked cars and homes. If leaving your car parked outside, remember to not only lock it, but also remove the garage door opener. Garage door openers left in cars are an invitation to criminal mischief.

Phil Merlin, Chair, Roads and Security

Sunny Shores

The Sunny Shores Beach Club cabana remains closed for the winter months from December 1st through March 31st. Re-opening April 1st.

SSBC Board of Directors

RV LOT

The recent cleanup of the RV lot has left it looking much better, and we hope to maintain that appearance.

To help achieve that, any material or items found lying on the ground will be subject to removal without warning. As per the regulations, the lot is basically for insured, licensed, and operational items on wheels (travel trailers, motorhomes, boats on trailers, etc.).

There are a number of spots that don't meet that requirement, and those will have to be corrected or cleared in the near future to make way for active users with compliant vehicles. Also, I hope to do a little rearranging soon to move a few of the large trailers out of the southwest corner and into locations easier to access.

Finally, the gate continues to be somewhat difficult, so use the hanging broom to sweep gravel off the cement roller area and be sure to close and lock the gate after you enter and again after you exit. Don't hesitate to call or email me if you have any questions.

Michael Gawley, Chair, RV Lot
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One of the many ways *Soroptimist International of Sequim* contributes to our local community is through the **Medical Loan Closet**. New and used equipment is loaned on a short-term basis to those living within the Sequim school district free of charge, however donations are welcome.

For more information: <http://sisequim.org/what-we-do/medical-loan-closet/>

To borrow equipment: call **360.504.0231**; leave a message and a *Soroptimist* member will contact you to set up an appointment at the **Medical Loan Closet**.

TREASURER'S REPORT

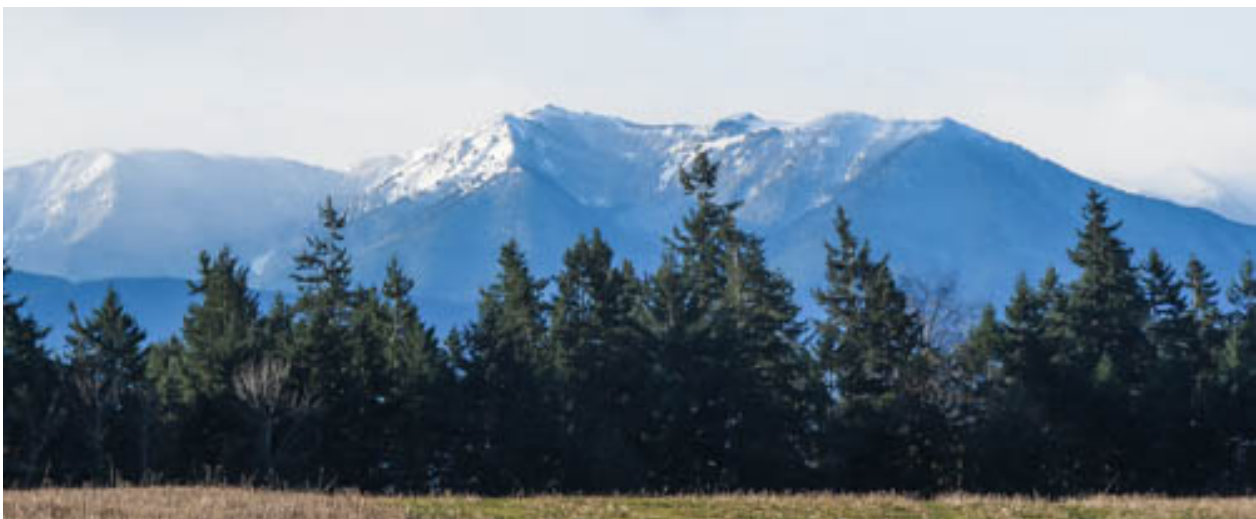
As I count down the months to my retirement from the SunLand Board, I am thankful for the volunteers and staff who help make this community the best in Clallam County. I know I made the right decision in moving to SunLand when I was just 22. I have seen many positive changes in how SunLand is governed and the Treasurer position has grown leaps and bounds. We have officially updated QuickBooks and removed all of the old data that was slowing the program down. I have spent approximately 120 hours in the last month upgrading our system and it is beautiful.

Our 2017 books are reconciled and the data is shown below. I have also shown the 2016 actual figures as a point of reference. Some of the departments are over budget, but compared to last year we have reduced our spending almost 6%. Some key points regarding the numbers are:

- We nearly doubled our transfer fee income. Thank you to all the new Association members.
- The Sunland Water District has moved out and some income was lost.
- Our CC&R fines decreased from \$4,250 in 2016 to \$500 in 2017. That is a good loss.
- Greenbelt expenses increased due to our raccoon population (approx. \$1,500 over anticipated cost).
- Office Services had originally planned for a HOA management firm for \$12,000.
- Professional Services would have been under budget but we spent \$6,300 on the forensic audit.
- The RV Expenses is deceiving. We collected just under \$17,000 in income and spent approx. \$15,500 in normal expenditures. The remaining \$6,200 are from the reserves for the new gate and concrete pad.
- The Swimming Pool has increased due to approx. \$1,400 in additional heating costs. The remaining \$1,700 increase is spread across payroll, supplies/chemicals and contracted work.

In total, we had 6.2% in additional income and spent only 98.2% of our budgeted expenses. As of December 31, 2017, our contingency account has a balance of \$35,014; the reserve account has \$64,437 (soon to be \$87,112); the savings account has \$55,274 and the checking has \$6,429. SunLand is financially healthy and look towards a bright future. (see BUDGET, page 5)

Jennifer Sweeney, SLOA Treasurer



BUDGET (from page 4)

	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
Revenues			
Dues	\$204,075	\$208,416	\$205,029
Interest	\$200	\$405	\$585
Reimbursements & Misc	\$7,250	\$3,101	\$7,623
RV Storage	\$15,350	\$16,959	\$16,630
Transfer Fee	\$10,000	\$19,200	\$15,000
Swimming Pool		\$3,590	\$1,485
	\$236,875	\$251,671	\$246,353
Expenses			
Gathering Place Room	\$1,000	\$751	\$1,045
Greenbelts & Maintenance	\$39,117	\$41,145	\$38,401
Landscaping	\$3,000	\$1,110	\$358
Office Services	\$48,414	\$30,803	\$47,433
Office Supplies	\$4,726	\$6,306	\$5,581
Professional Services	\$5,000	\$10,291	\$11,854
Publications	\$9,645	\$8,000	\$12,487
Reserve Account (915 units x\$25)	\$22,675	\$22,675	\$22,675
RV Storage	\$15,309	\$21,773	\$14,589
Security	\$19,650	\$18,939	\$19,456
SLOA Center	\$9,008	\$9,398	\$9,702
Swimming Pool	\$38,000	\$41,239	\$39,406
Taxes & Insurance	\$10,335	\$10,981	\$11,081
Tennis Courts	\$2,809	\$1,974	\$2,608
Welcoming & Nominations	\$1,000	\$169	\$2,646
Other (Bank Fee)			\$30
	\$229,688	\$225,553	\$239,352

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

A little wind and a little rain and throw in some snow and you have the winter weather for SunLand.

No major problems for your AC. We had 39 applications since the October report. All were approved with the exception of two. Good news, the AC has expanded with the addition of five, yes five, new Committee Members: Greg MacDonald, Stuart Koop, Larry Bruback, John Anzalotti, and Joe Rees. These gentlemen will be assisting me with all the new applications we will be expecting in the spring.

Just a friendly reminder.....again.....ALL CONSTRUCTION AND HOME IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING TREE REMOVAL no matter how minor or major must have an application filed with Ricki at the SLOA office. Once the Application is submitted by you (the member), Ricki will forward it to me. I, in turn, will either take care of it myself or forward it to one of the five committee members for verification and approval. Once your project is completed, you must return to the SLOA office and sign the bottom left corner of the original application. Once this has been completed, one of the AC members will visit your home and verify that the application is in fact completed as you requested and as it was approved. Remember to review the CC&Rs and the Rules and Regulations to make sure that your application is in compliance before you submit it.

To ignore this application process could result in having you remove your home improvement and be subject to a fine.

Your six person Architectural Committee is here to help guide you through this process. Give us a call; we're in the address book. Stay warm and dry and we'll talk again in the spring, if not before.

Jac Osborn, Vice President

Chair, Architectural Committee

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

SunLand Owners Association

<https://sunlandhomeowners.com/>

Launch of the password protected *Members Only site* is planned within the next few weeks; once this section of the website is live, the password will be sent to all owners. An updated **2018 Roster** will be posted to provide accurate contact information in a timely manner.



SLOA will soon test a new communications system, *One Call Now*, to ensure effective and efficient communication among all SunLand owners. The system offers multiple modes of contact to meet each resident's needs--via telephone, text, e-mail or a combination of methods. Following a successful *dry run*, Ricki (SLOA Administrator) will contact every owner to determine preferred contact method(s).

This comprehensive service will be a vehicle to provide a range of information--from emergency messaging, to items of interest to specific Divisions, to leisure activities, and so much more. The owner database may be sorted by interests/divisions to select recipients. More information will be forthcoming.

Thanks to all of you for working with us to improve not only communication, but also quality of life for all of us who call SunLand home.

Missy Church-Smith, Chair, Communications



WATER NEWS

Thank you! SunLand used three million gallons less water in 2017, as compared to 2016.

Thank you too for updating your emergency contact information. Please let both the Water District and SLOA know of any changes to your contact information.

Heads up, it's still cold outside and we're receiving calls about frozen/broken irrigation pipes. Please remember, the Water District can come out and shut off your water at the street but we can't repair irrigation systems or household plumbing. If you have a broken irrigation line, you should contact an irrigation specialist or a licensed plumber and, of course, a homeowner may choose to make repairs themselves.

A number of SunLand Water District customers have requested that a drop box be installed at the new District Office. The state auditor's office has informed us that a drop box like the one SLOA has does not meet the Best Business Practices Guidelines for security. Sorry! We do have a locked mail box across the street from the new office and remember Judy is in the office 9-1 M-F to take your water/sewer payment, not SLOA dues. Regular mail works, too. Our address is 5762 Woodcock Road. The Water District also has a credit card payment option now. This payment method has an extra fee for processing.

The Water District will be reading water meters very soon, so look for Scott or Dutch in your front yards.

We will read meters for a year, then, using that data, set rates for consumption based billing. It'll be 2019 or later before billing by consumption is actually implemented at SunLand. We're trying to set up a program where we let folks know how much water they're using before we actually go to billing by consumption.

Help!

The Water District has been asked to let the SunLand community know how they can help folks in the most impoverished country in the western hemisphere (Venezuela) with some basic commodities.

The following is a brief list of current needs:

Soap (bars), shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, non-perishable foods (lightweight), powdered milk, baby food, sanitary napkins, and money for shipping. The Water District has volunteered to be the receiver and shipper, so please drop off any items at the office on Woodcock Road and we will get it to our contact in Venezuela. Thanks.

DEER WARTS

I spotted a young buck in the SunLand North area that had multiple growths on his skin that were black or gray in color with the largest one about the size of an egg. At first I thought the deer had been in a fight but, after doing some research, I believe the growths may be Papilloma or warts.

According to the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, these warts are common in bucks less than 2 years old and are caused by a virus. They are transferred from animal to animal by biting insects, direct contact or shared bedding sites.

The viruses are NOT CONTAGIOUS to humans and pets/livestock are NOT SUSCEPTIBLE to it either.

The growths do not usually cause the deer any harm unless it impedes their ability to walk, see or eat and typically the warts will eventually outgrow their blood supply and fall off on their own.

I am posting this information so people won't be as alarmed as I was when I first spotted this buck and people will also have the peace of mind that these growths will not harm the deer or us or our pets.

Courtesy of Jann & Doug Hale





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*THE
GATHERING
PLACE*

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL:

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<i>March</i>	Dawn Kerns 406-370-2984 Dawnie_59808@yahoo.com
<i>April</i>	Patty Lavelly 360-477-4252 splavelly@gmail.com
<i>May</i>	Gail Nelson 360-582-3770 ghnelson@live.com

The volunteers listed above have charge of *The Gathering Place* reservation book for the months listed.