

Bigelow Highlands Neighborhood Association

Friendly Neighbor

January 2012

www.bhna.org

BHNA General Meeting:

January 10th, 7-9pm at the downtown Olympia Fire Station

Elect a Treasurer, Talk about 2012 plans... Potluck!

Photo: Pat Kilmer (left) and other BHNA residents caroling in December

President's Message

Welcome, BHNA members, to a new year. Did you know that just by living within the BHNA boundaries you are automatically a member, whether you're a homeowner or a renter? There are so many things that could be a new year's resolution for our neighborhood. What are yours?

We need a new Treasurer. If you have questions about the position, contact me or come to the next meeting. We can also use volunteers on committees dealing with: Communication (newsletters, website, listserv); Event Planning; Grants and Finances; Block Watch; Emergency Planning; and Graffiti Documentation and Removal. Any other ideas or concerns? Let us know.
Rus Geh, 705-0862

Help beautify our Neighborhood on MLK, Jr. Day!

On the morning of Monday, January 16, instead of taking the day off, support your neighborhood by donning rubber gloves and picking up trash off the sidewalks and streets. Contact Rus, if you'd like to help with graffiti removal instead. The event ends at 11:30 at BHNA Secretary Jim Burlingame's house (603 Garrison). Drop off your garbage bag, get a hot drink and treats, and mingle with your neighbors. BHNA will take the trash to the dump. If you have questions, contact Jim at 754-5228.

In Other Neighborly News

Website Update:

The BHNA is building a new web site, www.bhna.org. It is under construction, but it can still be viewed. You'll be able to see our newsletter, meeting minutes, and more on there—wow! If you have ideas or appropriate photos to personalize it, let us know. Our Webmaster is Jon Yunker (jonnyunker@gmail.com).

Block Watch (BW) Update:

The BHNA has over 50 households (consisting of renters, landlords, home-owners and churches) participating in the BW phone-tree, representing 21 of our neighborhood's total 31 blocks, since July 2011! As a result of the group's work, two new BW neighborhood signs have been installed on the 600 block of Bigelow St NE., and the 200 block of Central St NE. Neighborhood crime prevention solutions from the BW groups work include; Graffiti busters and a crime free lease addendum. For more information, contact Vice-President Angie Warner-Rein at 705-4359 (angie.warnerrein@gmail.com).

Emergency Planning:

Angie has also done a lot in this area, organizing a group of households near hers under the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) umbrella. Contact her, if you're interested in doing the same in your neck of the woods. Angie, 705-3459.

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Bigelow Highlands Neighborhood Association Voluntary Yearly Dues Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

How I'd like to participate: _____

Return this form, along with the suggested contribution of \$10, to the BHNA Treasurer