

# Taylor's Ridge News

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## Mailbox Options in our Future

We have all received the notice from the Duvall Post Master requesting that our mailboxes be moved out and up on our stands. Due to this request as well as recent interest in locking mailboxes, Rob Parnell, President has done research to determine what our options are and the costs that will accompany these options. The neighborhood will be presented with three options to vote on via a special letter that will be mailed out shortly. The letter will be complete with a voting response card and will go over the three options and the pros/cons of each including costs. The first option is central box units (CBU's) and removal of our current mailbox stands. The second option is to use our existing stands and purchase individual locking mailboxes for each home. The third option is to modify our existing stands and mailboxes to comply with the Postmaster's placement request. Each option has benefits and drawbacks so please watch your mail for the letter from the board of directors. A simple majority of the returned ballots will determine the action taken by the board of directors. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance.

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### Future Meeting Dates

**The Board of Directors meet on a quarterly basis. Please see the neighborhood website for dates and locations. TR home owners are welcome to attend the BOD meetings.**

[www.taylorsridge.net](http://www.taylorsridge.net)



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## Recent Board Member Changes

At the end of 2005 our former president resigned. Roger Porter and Rob Parnell both stepped up as volunteers. At that time there was also a discussion about expanding the Board of Directors so that the Board could have a broader prospective and more helping hands. So at the annual meeting it was announced that Rob Parnell will sit as the president for the remainder term of the current presidency. Also, Roger Porter was appointed the role of vice president. He will also be helping with improving our website and communications. We are excited to have both of them on the board. They have already proven to be extremely pro-active and helpful. At this time we are looking for a replacement for the Treasury position. Roger Porter will manage this task until a new replacement can be found. If you would like to know more about this role, please contact either Kim Harrington at 206 579-8147 or Rob Parnell at 788-4216.

President: Rob Parnell 788-4216

Secretary: Christian Gunther 788-4001

Vice President: Roger Porter 788-5165

Member at Large: Kim Harrington 788-0279

Treasurer: Roger Porter (temporary)

Member at Large: Jan Buchthal 788-1234

## Neighborhood Reminders

It is summer and we are all excited!

Please remember to....

- Honor the CC&Rs in regards to trailers, boats and recreational vehicles
- Honor your neighbors when it comes to your family noise including, but not limited to, music, kids & dogs
- Bring your garbage cans in on garbage day
- No parking on sidewalks
- Don't speed
- If making any changes to your home submit them to the architectural committee
- If you have a disagreement with your neighbor please try and resolve the problem by first speaking to them directly

## Budget Update

Currently 98% of our homeowners have paid their annual dues. If you have not paid at this time please submit your payment as soon as possible. We are on track in regards to our 2006 budget. You can view the budget to date on our website. Due to the expense of the fence project we are proceeding cautiously with the remaining reserve funds. After the mailbox project and fence painting are accomplished we may consider seasonal plantings if the funds are available.

## Fence Project on 150th

As many of you have noticed the dilapidated fence along 150th was replaced recently. Much of our reserve funds were used to accomplish the replacement. Now we are looking at options to finish the new cedar fence. The three options that have been suggested are, to leave natural, stain the fence or paint the fence the original color. There will be an added question in the mailbox voting letter. Your feedback will help guide the decision process. Please indicate your preference in this matter.

## Trees and Sidewalks

What a wonderful time of year, our trees and yards are flourishing. As we walk around the neighborhood it is a bit difficult in some areas. Our trees are maturing and look beautiful but some limbs are low enough along the sidewalks that people have to duck. If you own trees along the sidewalks please trim your tree limbs as well as keep the sidewalks clear of personal belongings so that our friends and family can walk along our streets safely without ducking and dodging.

### Committee Members

#### Landscape

Dave Buchthal (425) 788-1234

#### Architectural

Jim Henderson (425) 844-1510

Val Morrell (425) 844-8301

The welcoming committee has dwindled. The Board of Directors would like to rebuild this group. If you are interested please let a board member know.

### New and Improved Neighborhood Website

[www.taylorstridge.net](http://www.taylorstridge.net)

Current meeting minutes and budget status

Please visit and enjoy!