

## Island Woods HOA Newsletter October 2023

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## Save the Date:

Referencing the letter mailed out to all homeowners in August, here is the last meeting dates before the vote.

**October 12<sup>th</sup>:** 10:00AM reserve & financial informative meeting in the clubhouse

**October 24th:** 7:00PM reserve & financial informative meeting in the clubhouse

**November 8<sup>th</sup>:** 7:00PM Homeowners vote for proposed dues increase to be held in the clubhouse.

The Board wants to ensure all homeowners have an opportunity to understand the costs associated with maintaining Island Woods' aging assets and the need to build up the Capital Reserve. Please plan on attending one of the listed informative meetings above, so on November 8<sup>th</sup> you can cast a vote backed by facts & data & not rumors. For those of you unable to vote in person on November 8<sup>th</sup> a proxy is enclosed in the October HOA quarterly dues bill.

## It takes a Village, or Neighborhood:

Thank you Mary & Sarah for volunteering your time and efforts in planting and caring for the flowers at both Island Woods' entrances. Nancy, Robert and Ineke thank you for your beautification efforts by the clubhouse. The area looks amazing, and the new bike rack is a great addition. Lastly, thank you to Richard for volunteering and sharing your electrical knowledge trouble shooting and making repairs on HOA electrical issues.



If you are a homeowner with a unique skill and experience and would like to volunteer or head up a committee beneficial to the HOA please contact the Property Manager @(208) 971-5055 or by email <a href="Propertymanager@islandwoodseagle.com">Propertymanager@islandwoodseagle.com</a>. Working together can go a long way to keeping and/or making Island Woods one of the premier neighborhoods in Ada County.

Homeowners/Renters: To avoid being charged a \$25 keycard replacement fee, please remember to collect keycards from tenants when they move. This will ensure the keycard can be used by you or future tenants. Please notify the Property Manager of rental status changes. Propertymanager@islandwoodseagle.com

**Question of the Month:** Can I maintain the common area bordering my yard?



In previous years this was frowned upon, but the stance of the current Board is, Yes, we need your help. Please feel free to maintain the common area bordering your

property. The only criterion for doing so is before cutting or trimming any trees to please contact the Property Manager @ (208) 971-5055. Thank you to all homeowners who have been doing this. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

**HOT TOPIC – LEAVES:** Every year the

question, "Who's responsible for the removal of leaves in residential yards and common areas?" is asked. "Under the eyes of the law, leaves are a natural product of a tree that the owner of the tree cannot be liable for." Therefore, homeowners are responsible for raking and disposing of leaves that have fallen in their yard, and the HOA is responsible for leaves on the common areas, regardless of the tree they have come from. An Idaho Statute states blowing leaves onto public or private property not your own is punishable by a \$150 fine with the fines increasing with each new infraction. Another Statute notes blowing leaves into street gutters is not only a misdemeanor but also punishable by fines. To summarize my research for this section, it's more cost effective to just be a good neighbor.

Social Committee: It's time for the second annual Halloween Yard Decoration contest. So have a spooktacular time decorating for Halloween. All homeowners who have a bootiful yard will be judged after October 22. The winners will win award signs revealing their win and be announced in an email.

September Diana & Shar hosted a fun night of Bunco. The ladies are hoping to keep this game night fun as a monthly event rotating Hosts each month. If you would like to join in on the fun of this fast paced yet easy game please email your contact phone number, noting if it's a cell number or landline, to the secretary at <a href="Secretary@islandwoodseagle.com">Secretary@islandwoodseagle.com</a> to be added to the Bunco Player's List.