



Sherwood Forest Estates Newsletter

Spring 2019

<http://sherwoodforestestatesaz.com>

From the President

Notes from the SFEPOA President:

I hope this newsletter finds you well and warm. It has been a “chilly” winter in SFE and snowy. Wish it were more snow, we can use the water, but I am happy to take what is given to us.

As Spring approaches, people are becoming active or thinking about becoming active again up here. The SFE Auxiliary is starting to make preparations for the Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast. The date will be **May 25th**, a Saturday from 8 am till 10 am and everyone is invited. No set charge, but donations will be accepted as well as our shirts and hats for sale. It is a great time to meet the new property owners as well as say “hi” to the old standbys.

Saturday, July 6th at 9:00 a.m. will start our Property Owners Meeting. Coffee and treats will begin at 8am and ALL property owners are invited to attend and to find out what is going on in SFE. There will be an election to fill 2 seats on the Board. If you even think you might be interested in serving your community in this way, please call me Doris Allen 480-391-2214. I will fill you in on the responsibilities of being a Board member. The Board has two meetings a year, one in the middle of June to plan the annual meeting and a meeting immediately following the annual meeting. Any other business that may arise is usually done via email. You can be as involved as your time permits. Think about it. AND it is a great way to meet your neighbors.

We have a new fire board President, Bruce Speirs. Along with Sue Hamilton and Debbie Hamby the board is continuing to look out for the best interests of our subdivision. Say hello to them the next chance you get. There is a fire board meeting, usually, the 3rd Tuesday starting at 7 pm, every month. All are invited to attend.

Looking forward to seeing everyone again, this summer. Hope you are able to join us for the activities planned (see more in this newsletter).

APS is now installing new poles and service lines to homes that have the power lines attached and running through the trees. In the past, if you wanted new poles and lines that were not attached to the trees, you were responsible for the costs. The costs of the poles and new lines could be in excess of \$2000.00. APS has decided that it is not cost effective/fire safe to have those lines attached to trees that are still growing and pulling the lines up higher and stretching them. You can now call APS Construction Office in Flagstaff at 602-371-6140 and get you name on a list for FREE pole and line installation. Really, FREE. Several people have already taken advantage of this service. I know the SFE Fire Dept will be happy to see those lines removed.

Doris Allen

POA President

SFEPOA Annual Meeting

July 6th, 2019

Our Annual SHERWOOD FOREST ESTATES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION meeting will be held on Saturday, **July 6th, 2019** at the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire House. Refreshments and sign-in starts at 8:00AM. The official meeting starts at 9:00 AM.

2018-2019 SFEPOA Board

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Did you know??

Sherwood Forest Estates Property Owners Association has voluntary dues. It is \$ 20 per year per lot that you own. Yes, it is \$ 20 annually for each lot that you own. We are happy to accept more, if you want to give us more! We do work to keep this at a minimum for the property owners. We also recognize the importance of this dues being voluntary. We appreciate the support of each of our property owners. You can mail your payment to us at PO Box 211, Williams, AZ 86046-0211. Please complete and include the dues form attached so we have your current contact information. You may also pay at any of our events throughout the year; we always have a table at those events.

So, what do we do with the money?? Over the years we have contributed greatly to the fire department. We purchase hats and shirts for the volunteers. We provide food for the volunteers during training events. We help support the fire department since they help protect our homes and property. We offset the cost of items the fire department needs but cannot be purchased through their regular budget. We do numerous things for the community, such as purchasing the reflective signs needed in the neighborhood. We also provide the gloves and garbage bags for our annual neighborhood clean-up, and food for the volunteers that do the trash pick-up. We sponsor annual social events such as chili cook-off, taco bar night, Firewise events and information for the property owners. We do also accept donations to offset the cost of each of these events.

Recently we have started putting together Welcome packets for new people purchasing homes or property for either year around, or seasonal occupation. The packets provide information about laws for ATV's, local services and resources, where things are in our area and lots of other great information. Much of this information is available on our website, but not everyone has internet, so we feel this is a great way to meet our new neighbors and welcome them to the area.

Jeanna Roush, Treasurer SFEPOA

SFE Fire Auxiliary

What's going on with our Auxiliary?

Your SFEFD Auxiliary is going to be pretty busy this summer offering several fun events for our community to participate in throughout May, June, July and August. We will be starting with our Memorial Day Breakfast on May 25th serving from 8 AM to 10 AM. This is only the beginning with other activities throughout the summer months, like Movie Night, Ice Cream Social, Cake Walk, Auction, Quilt and Craft Show, Raffles and concluding our summer with our Labor Day Breakfast on August 31st from 8 to 10 AM.

The auxiliary will have its first meeting on April 6th at 1 PM at the fire station to put our calendar together. We invite all Sherwood Forest and Mountain Rose residents to come and help us plan for this summer activities that not only benefit our community but help in donation to our fire department.

Hope to see a lot of our residents this summer at the several activities that will bring our community closer. Come out and meet your neighbors while having a great time.

Sue Hamilton

SFEFD Auxiliary President

Neighborhood Watch

SFE/MRR Neighborhood Watch

Future meetings:

April 11, 2019 – TBD Contact Mary Anderson with topic requests. Abamary2016@gmail.com

July 11, 2019 – TBD

September 12, 2019 – TBD

Neighborhood Watch held meetings in April, July and September 2018. Topics included Ready-Set-Go, Code Red, Situational Awareness, Woods Watch and Rabies.

The September meeting was a “Meet Your Block Captain” Pot Luck. Block Captains and Neighbors met at the Sherwood Forest Fire Station and socialized while enjoy great food.



Block Captains were introduced with a welcome to Liz Oldham who is the new captain for the West side of E Long Bow Dr. **A new Block Captain is still needed for the East side of E Robinhood Rd.**

A special thanks to Jon Paxton, Coconino County Sheriff's Office Community Programs Planner and Public Information Officer for all his assistance.

Please note that Code Red (Coconino.AZ.Gov/ReadyCoconino) and Ready-Set-Go (coconino.az.gov/207/Emergency-Management) are two separate emergency alert systems that need to be updated with your current information.

SFE/MRR Neighborhood Watch Meeting Minutes are posted on the SFE website at www.sherwoodforeststatesaz.com, where additional information is available.

Sherwood Firefighters Foundation



Sherwood Firefighters Foundation

450 S. Little John Road · Williams, AZ 86046

TIN 81-5070779

sherwoodfirefightersfoundation.org

Letter to the Community
Spring 2019

Thank you for all the support and contributions you have made to the Sherwood Firefighters Foundation! We need and appreciate your donations to accomplish our goals. We are looking forward to a constructive year of helping to make a safer community.

The Sherwood Firefighters Foundation is a registered Arizona non-profit corporation with IRS 501 (c)(3) status. Our administrators and officers are all volunteers and receive no compensation for their work on behalf of the Foundation. The Foundation is dedicated to assisting local firefighters, rescue, and emergency medical service personnel perform their jobs safely and effectively. One of our goals is to support the dedicated and skilled firefighter and EMS volunteers within local communities by providing some of the essential resources not available within their limited budgets. If you choose to donate, you will help us to accomplish that goal. Your donation can be earmarked for a specific project or purpose.

The current fire facility in the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District is approaching its fourth decade of use. SFEFD has outgrown the facility's optimal capabilities to provide fire and EMS services expected by the community. The District's Fire Board has been considering goals to update and modernize the fire facility with better equipment space, crew space, and improved community meeting and activity space.

The Sherwood Firefighters Foundation is diligently attempting to raise funds in order to assist the SFEFD District Board in achieving their goals. To that end, the financial support from community members like you is greatly appreciated. PLEASE DONATE TODAY by visiting our website listed above or mailing a check to the address shown.

Bob Simoneau, President
Sherwood Firefighters Foundation

A donation to the Foundation is an investment in your community!

SFEFD Auxiliary



Hey before you put those coats and blankets away or donate those that don't fit or blankets that are no longer usable donate them to your SFEFD Auxiliary. We have great use for them in the community. Bring your items to the Memorial Day Breakfast on May 25th.



Our jacket and blanket drive will go on all summer so if you don't make it to the breakfast bring them by the station and we will take your donations. Call Sue Hamilton at 928-303-4584 for more information.

Summer Events, SFE & MRR

Summer Events Spring 2019

To Our Community of Neighbors in SFE and MRR,

1. Annual Neighborhood Cleanup

Again, this year Danny and Vicki Hunter, Walt and Kathie Krushinsky will be co-chairing the Annual Neighborhood Cleanup. A date has not been set but will probably be in mid-June. We will meet at the Firehouse at 9:00am with coffee and donuts provided. We will have the plastic bags and plastic gloves for you but you might want to bring heavy work gloves. Danny has once again volunteered to bring his trailer and then take the collected items to the Williams transfer station. We are usually done in less than 2 hours. Bring your ATV/UTV or just come. We will find someone for you to ride with. This is a great way for you to get to know your neighbors and help make our Community a cleaner, nicer place to live. A BBQ lunch will be provided for all of the hard workers. At this time this will be held at the Doubs home on Longbow. Time and address will be coming closer to Cleanup.

2. 2nd Annual Community Yard Sale

We will be putting on the 2nd Annual Community Yard Sale in late June or early July, 8am-2pm. This year the Doubs on Longbow have offered to BBQ burgers & dogs to sell to hungry shoppers. We will also have donuts and coffee in the morning.

Again, this year Yard Sale participants will be requested to donate \$10. These funds will go towards balloons/banners letting shoppers know where the sales are, advertising and propane for the grill. Last year when a yard sale participant donated their \$10, they were given a ticket and at the end of the sale we held a drawing for \$20. All remaining funds and funds collected from the BBQ will be donated to the SFEFD. Any

funds the participants collect for their treasures is theirs. At the end of the day it's a win/win for everyone. Participants send their treasures off to new homes, shoppers have new treasures and our SFEFD will receive funds for extras they need. We will also have ways for you to send off any items you did not sell. More information on this will be coming.

3. Chili Cook-off Contest

The "Annual Chili Cook-Off" hosted by Sherwood Forest Estates' Property Owners Association (POA) and Mountain Rose Ranch's Home Owners Association (HOA) is the Labor Day weekend on Sunday, at the Firehouse. **We need your chili!** If you are interested in entering the Chili Cook-Off and sharing your favorite chili recipe please email Kathie Krushinsky at krushinskywk@gmail.com with "Chili Cook-Off" in the subject line. Additional information will be emailed to you closer to the date of the Cook-Off. Dinner will include chili, condiments, cornbread, dessert and a beverage. Everyone who comes to the 'Chili Chow Down' will receive a ticket at the door and will be able to vote for their favorite chili. The day's events are free but, we will again have extra voting tickets and tasting tins (muffin tins) for purchase and the 'boot' will be out for much appreciated donations. All will go directly to the SFE Fire Department. Plan to come hungry. More information coming soon.

3. Taco Dinners

We are planning 2 Taco Dinners this summer. These will be held at the Firehouse. We are still working on the date/time. The day's events are free but, we will have the 'boot' out for much appreciated donations. We will also try to schedule these on a weekend that will not conflict with the "Moonset Pit" dates.

If you have suggestions or, even better, would like to volunteer, please contact:

Kathie Krushinsky
krushinskywk@gmail.com
405-919-4363

From the Fire Chief

2019 Spring Newsletter From the Fire Chief

Our community has seen many changes since the first lots were offered for sale 50 years ago. At that time, you could buy an acre parcel in Sherwood Forest Estates for under \$2,000 and, on top of that, you could pay for it on an installment plan. Houses slowly started to dot the landscape and over the next 20 years a true community started to form.

I believe it was in the summer of 1987 that a child playing with matches caught a cabin on fire with tragic results. The cabin was destroyed and the child died. This was the cruel awakening to the fact that the neighborhood did not have adequate fire protection. Through the efforts of the families who had started establishing the neighborhood a Fire District was formed and dedicated in the summer of 1988.

Over the years there have been many changes made to keep up with the growing needs of the community. Most notably there has been a steady increase in the amount of specialized firefighting equipment and an even greater need for trained personnel to use it. There are part-time residents who help when they can, full-timers who are the true backbone of the district, an auxiliary and now we have both a Property Owners Association (POA) and a Home Owners Association (HOA) within our boundaries. With this organizational structure well established there is only one thing needed to make it run smoothly and that is people.

Historically speaking there always seems to be a small core of folks who are good at working within a community like ours to keep things running smoothly. It is easy to overlook their contribution of time and talent just because things roll along so well. Unfortunately, this core is slowly shrinking through age and attrition. We need new blood to keep the system running smoothly.

Nowhere is this more important than in our Fire and EMT service. Through the 18 plus years I have been on the department I have seen our ranks swell to as many as 24 people on the roster and seen it where, during the winter season, there were as few as 3 people available to respond to calls. Currently there are 11 on the roster but some are part-time and some of us are getting a bit long in the tooth, if you get my drift. We need more volunteers and we are especially looking to the new folks entering the neighborhood or the established residents who may have recently retired.

If you are thinking that firefighting and emergency medical positions are only suited to the 20 to 40-year old's, you're wrong. We do enjoy having younger people on the crew but common-sense dictates that these folks need to be out in the workforce earning a living. With that challenge in mind we have adapted our equipment, training and strategies to suit the age of people we have in our community.

The Fire Department needs all kinds of talent from dispatchers and radio operators to the folks who put water on the hot stuff. We need firefighters and qualified EMTs or people willing to go through department paid training. Going further, we also need truck drivers and people willing to do things around the firehouse from time to time like maintenance, inventory, safety checks, etc. If you have the time and a willingness to volunteer, I'm pretty sure we can find a place for you.

Enough on recruiting for now. I just want to fill everyone in on a few new things going on. We have formalized the contract for providing emergency services to the IKRC Buddhist Retreat Center and have opened talks on consolidating with the Woods Fire District near us. Our little Fire District isn't quite so little anymore. However, you shouldn't become complacent and view your FD as being the same as a large city would have.

At this point we do not have personnel at the station 24/7 and, unless we investigate future mergers with larger departments, it is unlikely we ever will have. We do, however, have mutual and automatic aid agreements with neighboring departments and have an excellent reputation for responding to calls in a timely manner. We are providing the highest quality protection we can, given our limitations.

I would like to encourage everyone to become more involved with how things run in a small community like ours. This could be done by attending events such as our pancake breakfasts or chilly cook offs, sitting in on POA or HOA general meetings, attending the monthly Fire Board meetings or just by calling the firehouse and chatting. These are your tax dollars at work; you might as well be in the loop and know how we are spending your money.

Have a great summer,
Wayne Marx
Chief, SFEFD

SFE Contact Info

Keep Your Contact Info Changes Coming!

We have implemented a new method of storing SFE Property Owners contact and related information. BUT we need YOUR HELP to keep this information up-to-date. Additionally, we are striving to have an EMAIL address for all Property Owners to facilitate an economical distribution of various periodic communication from the SFE Board: newsletters, special events, meetings, etc. Currently we only have EMAILs for about 55% of the property owners. This means we physically mail any communication out to the NON-EMAIL property owners at the ever increasing first class postal rate, costing us on the order of \$70 per mailing. We understand there are several property owners that are not compatible with computers and EMAIL.

Also as a reminder the voluntary annual dues of \$20 per LOT supports our SFE board operating costs and supports our Voluntary Fire Department expenses.

Please send your contact change information to: SherwoodForestPOA@gmail.com .

Thank you,

Dennis Moore

*Fire Alert – Evacuation Plan

Continuous honking of horns of the fire trucks is a warning that there is a forest fire and evacuation is necessary. Please follow any directions given to you by firefighters as you leave the neighborhood. Details of the evacuation plan are available at the firehouse.

Mail or Email - a choice you can make now!

If you are ready to go paperless, please send an email to SherwoodForestPOA@gmail.com or a message using our website's guest book (found in the website's *Contacts* section) and tell us "Yes, email, please," and provide the following information:

- Your full name
- Lot number or full SFE address
- Your email address

We will send you an email notice whenever a key event or the latest Newsletter is posted on the SFEPOA website.

Remember, the web's guestbook is the perfect place to share your thoughts and concerns with your POA board and the SFE community. Check it out!

<http://www.sherwoodforeststatesaz.com>

*Important Phone Numbers

- Call 911 first with your emergency. This will reduce delays and get the proper resources responding.
- Emergency911
- SFE Fire Dept928 635-9837
- Chief, Wayne Marx.....928 607-3005
- SFE Fire Board Chairman
Bruce Speirs...bspeirs1055@gmail.com
- SFE Auxiliary President
Sue Hamilton 928-303-4584
- SFEPOA President
Doris Allen.....480-391-2214
- Coconino Sheriff.....928 635-4487
- Forestry Service928 635-5600
- Coconino Animal Management
.....928 228-2717
- Coconino Community Service
(Building Inspection & Zoning)
.....928 226-2700
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Sherwood Forest Estates Property Owners Association

SFEPOA 2019 Annual Membership Dues Form

Please PRINT, fill out and mail this form along with \$20 to:

SFEPOA, P.O. Box 211, Williams, AZ 86046-0211

Make checks payable to: SFEPOA

Please fill out the entire form. Providing all information allows us to properly update and maintain our database and is very much appreciated.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Lot Number(s) _____

SFE Address _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (s) _____ or _____

Email Address _____

Additional Preferred Contact info: _____

If you are not already receiving your newsletter via email, would you like to?

Leave name and email info at SherwoodForestPOA@gmail.com

Please print, fill out and mail this form along with \$20.00 per lot

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