

Sunlight Waters Country Club, Inc.  
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Cle Elum, WA 98922



# Sunlight Quarterly



The Taylor Bridge Fire began on Monday, August 13th, and was finally contained at 100% on Monday August 27th. This fire was considered the second worst wild fire in Washington State according to local news reports.

The fire burned a total of 19 structures in Sunlight Waters and led to the evacuation of the entire community from early Tuesday, August 14th to the morning of Friday, August 17th.

Over a half dozen fire districts participated in firefighting and fire clean-up and prevention in our community.

A big thank you to fire fighters, emergency response teams, and all residents who did everything possible to help our community survive and move forward. See page 4 for more info.

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## July 29th Special Meeting



A special meeting of the Sunlight Waters Country Club was called to order at 2:06 pm on Saturday, July 29, 2012 in the clubhouse by President, Teddi

Ryland. To help ensure a fair and balanced discussion, the meeting was facilitated by Pat Simpson. Pat is a Professional Registered Parliamentarian from the National Association of Parliamentarians and led the meeting for the attending members.

The focus of the meeting was to discuss reasonable means to help solve our financial obligations as a community. The special meeting was requested by the membership as a direct result of the outcome of the 2012 Annual meeting held on May 19th. At this annual meeting, the membership was presented with three funding plan to vote on, and two thirds of the voting members approved a measure to institute both a temporary assessment for 2012 and a permanent increase

to regular membership dues starting in 2013. Some possible solutions or suggestions to help resolve the community's financial obligation included the following:

- ◆ Create a Finance Committee involving community members.
- ◆ Consider repair and updates to the clubhouse in phases to meet ADA requirements.
- ◆ Improve communication in the newsletter, a website, and via email, etc.
- ◆ Consider repairs and updates to the road in a phased approach, over multiple years.

*Please see more details on suggestion from the meeting at our new website:*

**[www.sunlightwaterscountryclub.com](http://www.sunlightwaterscountryclub.com)**

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## NEW Community Website Ready to Launch

Our new Sunlight Waters community website is ready to launch! This website will be an additional way for community members to access information on demand. The site will include items such as Board meeting minutes, community maps,

and provide online access to our bylaws, covenants, and policies. The website will also include items such as upcoming events, activities, and other newsworthy community items, and will act as a repository for our newsletters and other documents.

The site was designed in August and will launch the first part of September. If you have items you would like to see on the website, please contact:

**[slwcc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:slwcc.secretary@gmail.com)**

Working together to provide better communication!

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## Volunteers Needed to Review Bylaws and CCRs

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**Volunteer! Make a difference  
in YOUR community.**

The Board is seeking volunteers to form a committee to review the current Sunlight Waters Country Club, Inc. Bylaws and Community Covenants and Restrictions. The purpose of this committee will be to review both documents and bring them into mutual accord to support the governance of our community going forward.

The expected output of work from this committee will be updated Bylaws and CCRs to help govern our community. Board members will participate to support the

work with the committee.

The Bylaws and CCR committee will present their suggested revisions to the full Board by early Spring of 2013, and the final, updated and approved documents will be presented at the 2013 annual meeting.

Please contact:

***slwcc.news@gmail.com*** for more information about participating.

This committee is expected to retire once the intended outcomes have been reached.

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## ARE YOU HANDY???

Can you paint? Are you good at building, landscaping, or odd jobs? Are you a plumber, a carpenter, or a concrete worker? In short, do you have some "handyman" skills that you would like to offer the community at a reasonable rate? The Board is interested in putting together a directory of people

willing to provide work for homeowners or the community areas when a need arises. The office would like to collect names and job related info for this handy-man talent pool in order to use all of the great skills we have in our own community.

Please contact ***sunlightwaters cc@yahoo.com*** to be included.



During the Special Meeting on July 29th, it was suggested that we form a financial committee to better understand the details of the Board's

proposed two-year budget. The purpose of this committee will be to gain an understanding of our community requirements and provide information to community members (via our new website) with those details. **THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO GET INVOLVED!!** Please consider volunteering for the newly formed Finance Committee.

Our overall goal will be to understand our budget details, provide input to the board, and ultimately post information to our community website. Contact ***slwcc.news@gmail.com*** to become a member of the finance committee.

**Get involved, make a difference!  
Keep our community strong and informed.**

Interested in helping to form a new program aimed at assisting our neighbors? Do you have some great ideas to make our community stronger and more connected? We need people from all over our community to help build the Sunlight Waters Neighbors In Need Program. The goal of the committee will be to determine and govern the criteria for this new endeavor by setting up guidelines, policies, fund raising efforts, as well as possible options for bartering or

trading services.

This effort will be governed by the volunteers and information about this program can be published in the community newsletter and on our new Sunlight Waters community website.

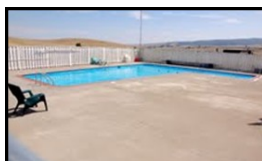
If you have some time and ideas on how Sunlight Waters can build and manage a successful Neighbors In Need program, please contact:

**[sunlightwaterscc@yahoo.com](mailto:sunlightwaterscc@yahoo.com)**



**Get involved, make a difference, help a neighbor in need.**

## Community POOL NEWS



Our pool did not open on July 4th as scheduled due to some required upgrades. Unfortunately, after the upgrades were completed, the pool started losing water. A leak was discovered in a return line so a leak detection crew was employed. After the repair, the pool continued to lose water. The leak detection crew was again employed and

this time two additional leaks were found. One was because of gravel that got stuck in the hydro-static valve of the main drain and the other was a small crack in the corner of the shallow end of the pool. As it turns out, the gravel in the valve was the main culprit all along. All other lines were thoroughly inspected and the pool was then opened.

Please note: The pool generally closes after Labor Day but will remain open for a short extended time past that date to serve the community.



Thank you Letha Ihrke for 10+ dedicated years of taking care of our community pool. We appreciate your efforts and the time investment you have made on our behalf!

## Monthly Membership Potluck—Starting in September

Want to meet more of your neighbors? Interested to know what's going on in your community? Looking for a delicious way to connect? Have input you would like to share with Board members? The newly formed Monthly Membership

Potluck is the place to get all of these things accomplished. Your Board will host a monthly Potluck at the clubhouse set for the last Friday of every month (except Oct. & Dec.). Come mingle, munch, and make merry. It's a great way to stay

tuned into your neighborhood, meet new people, and enjoy good food. Look for a reminder of our first event as the date gets closer. Get out your bake ware, dust off your favorite recipes, and get ready to wow the crowds! YUM! YUM!



### SEPTEMBER POTLUCK

Friday, September 28th at 6PM at the clubhouse. Main dish and drinks provided.

**BRING A POTLUCK DISH TO SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS**



## Community Events Calendar

The following events are designed for all members of our community to come together, enjoy great food and conversation, and share experiences.

Friday, September 28th, 6 pm: Our first Monthly Membership Potluck will double as an APPRECIATION DINNER for firefighters and volunteers who helped support our community during the Taylor Bridge fire. Come and share your stories. Spaghetti and green salad will be provided. Please feel free to bring a salad or dessert if possible. Call the office if you'd like to help with set up or clean up for this event.

Saturday, October 27th, 5 pm: SLWCC annual Chili Contest. Please call the office (509-674-7303) if you plan to participate

in the Chili contest. All other participants, please bring salads or desserts if possible. Halloween costume attire welcome. PRIZES awarded at this event! Everyone is warmly invited to attend.

Friday, November 30th, 6 pm: Monthly Membership Potluck. Bring a potluck dish to share with your neighbors. Can't bring a dish this time? No worries! Please come anyway. We want to see you.

Saturday, December 15th, 5 pm: Holiday Party and Gift Exchange. Meats supplied by SLWCC. Bring a potluck dish and a gift for either a man, woman, or child. Gifts to exchange should be limited to \$5. We look forward to seeing you there!

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## A Message from our Fire District

Fire District #1, would like to remind everyone who suffered personal property loss—no matter how small or how great—to fill out a claim form and submit it to the Sheriff's Office as soon as possible. This includes losses such as damaged pasture land, ornamental shrubs or fences, out buildings, homes, etc. The pur-

pose of collecting this information is to provide a collective picture of personal property damage from the Taylor Bridge fire from our county to FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency). This activity may result in additional funds being made available for our community. You can pick up a copy of the form at the SLWCC office.

Or, you can report your losses directly to the sheriff's office at 509-962-7578 or 509-962-7579.

Thank you for participating. If you have any questions, please call the clubhouse at 509-674-7303.



## Sunlight Waters Community Speed Limit

Please help save our roads and keep our community safe and tranquil. Follow the 15 MPH speed limit set for our safety and please ensure that your guests are fully aware of this requirement too. As we begin the process of rebuilding and repairing our personal property,

please help ensure contractors and other hired companies follow this speed limit and request they observe it at all times. This will help prevent erosion of our roads by the influx of heavy equipment not initially expected, and will help to preserve the condition of the roads we have just repaired for the year.

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## Community Classified Advertisements

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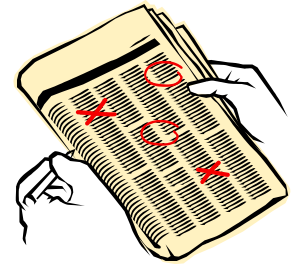
**FOR SALE:** 2 lots combined (.61 Acres). Lots 31 and 32, in Block F, located on Twin Lakes Road. Residential water and electricity stubbed on site. Septic evaluation done in 2005 for a three bedroom home. Both lots offered together for a total price of \$28,000. Please contact John Gilbert at john.gilbert60@yahoo.com.

**FOR SALE:** Free-standing gas fireplace and exhaust vents \$300. Call 509-674-2066 for details.

**WANTED:** Material scraps suitable for quilt pieces. The finished quilts are being donated to Children's Orthopedic Hospital and WIC (Women

with Infant Children).

Please contact Roseann Holdeman at 509-899-4360 or reach her by email at cina@inlandwireless.com



**FREE:** Chiminea (outdoor fireplace) with 360 degree (wrap-around) screen. You haul. Contact Gregg at 425-894-1017.

If you have an item you would like posted in our next newsletter, please send an email to:

***slwcc.news@gmail.com.***



### Help for Uninsured or Under-insured Community Members

Suffering the devastating losses we experienced as a community due to the Taylor Bridge fire has been a painful and stressful time for all of us.

As we now work to rebuild those places in our community that were destroyed by fire, additional help is being offered. If you were unin-

sured, or under-insured, and are facing financial hardship because of fire losses, please feel free to contact Pastor Frank Johnson of the Chestnut Baptist Church at 509-925-2424. Pastor Frank is offering opportunities to people in our community to help rebuild through the generosity of the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief Organization.

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### SLWCC Business Office Hours



The business office at the clubhouse is open from noon to 3 pm Tuesday through Thursday for members to speak with the Facilities Manager. Thank you adhering to these specific times and remaining professional and courteous to all employees and volunteers of Sunlight Waters Country Club. We are there for you. If you have complaints regarding conduct, attitude or actions of any employee, please submit them in writing to the SLWCC Board of Trustees.

### Community Road Work

Roadwork slated for the 2012 season in our community continues to be ongoing through the Fall season. Thank you for observing the posted speed limits to help preserve the work that has been accomplished to date. If you have any questions about our roadwork, please send an email to:

***slwcc.news@gmail.com.***



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## Policy for Addressing the SWLCC Board

Are you interested in addressing your Board during one of its regularly scheduled monthly meetings? In order to assist in the orderly conduct of board meetings, and to ensure that all interested community members have the opportunity to express their concerns, we offer the following on doing so:

Residents should contact the SLWCC office three days prior to any board meeting (Board meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10 am). You can contact the office by one of the following options, or you can fill out

a request form available in the clubhouse and drop it in the mail slot:

By email: [sunlightwaterscc@yahoo.com](mailto:sunlightwaterscc@yahoo.com)

By phone: 509-674-7303

By fax: 509-674-~~7062~~ 7303

By mail to: Sunlight Waters Country Club, Inc.  
150 Clubhouse Road  
Cle Elum, WA 98922

You can also send a letter to the SLWCC office and the Board will address your concern and will respond by mail within 7 days of the next Board meeting if you so choose to use this method.



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## Looking for Volunteers to Fill Open Board Positions

The Board of SLWCC has several openings and is looking for volunteers. Please consider getting involved and supporting our community! Email [sunlightwaterscc@yahoo.com](mailto:sunlightwaterscc@yahoo.com) if you are interested in participating.

Trustees: Attend board meetings, make decisions and work to enhance community efforts. Approx. 6-8 hrs. per month.

Treasurer: Sign checks, run financial reports for the board, oversee accounting matters. Approx. 8-10 hrs. per month.

Vice President: Support president and stand in when president is not available. Approx. 4-6 hrs. per month.

Note: Trustee terms run 2—3 years and elected positions such as VP / Treasurer run 2 years.



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## Key Card Replacements

Key cards to access the clubhouse will be replaced free of charge for any member who lost theirs due to the recent fire. Please contact the office at 509-674-7303 for a replacement.

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## Newsletter by Website

We will begin posting our quarterly newsletter to our new community website starting with the September issue. This process will help us reduce the cost we incur for mailing paper copies to our membership who have internet access. If you are interested in accessing the newsletters via our website, please email: [slwcc.news@gmail.com](mailto:slwcc.news@gmail.com) and let us know you no longer need a paper copy sent to you. Thank you for including your name and mailing address for verification.

