## Shaunessy HOA Fall/Winter 2013 Newsletter

This fall and winter we want to prepare you for the weather changes and keep you updated:

- **Halloween Oct 31** Don't forget to drive safely and watch out for kids. If you are having your kids walk around.. make sure they have a flashlight and have bright clothes on if possible.
- Daylight Saving Time Change Remember to change your clocks November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **Fall /Winter Keep Drains Clear** Now that Fall has arrived and the tree leaves are falling, we encourage every home owner to do their part by picking up the leaves on their front yards as this would help with keeping the street drains clear and also enhance the beauty of our neighborhood.
- Garage doors being left open If you leave your garage door open.... it is an invitation for intruders. People have reported things missing from their garages. When you leave your garage...please don't forget to close your garage doors or if you see it open for an extended period of time please notify that resident.
- **Local Crime mapping link** Snohomish Police department crime mapping local access link....updated every 24 hours.... .http://www.crimemapping.com/
- Outside Faucets It is recommended that faucet covers be installed on all of the outside faucets to avoid having your faucets freeze and pipes break when we get extreme cold temperatures (97 cents @ Walmart or \$2 Lowes).
- Maple trees planted out front Some homes have large maple trees out in front they are asking if they can replace them. The ACC is approving them if they want to replace them with dwarf or miniature trees for easy care.
- Package discount moss removal & windows cleaned we are getting a group discount ...
  - ....need 10 people to sign up... Blow roof, Clean gutter debris out of gutters, Treat roof with liquid Moss agent or Zinc Sulphate. Pressure wash all concrete & Clean all exterior glass. .....Package pricing...\$250+tax.contact...... our property manager...

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- Package discount exterior cleaned we are getting a group discount ...
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- **Shaunessy Community Yard Sale 2014-** To plan ahead...our next community yard sale is scheduled for first Saturday in May from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m...we are buying new community yard sale signs since our old ones we stolen.
- Reminder-Lawns need to be mowed, edged and the tree wells are to be free of grass on a regular basis to meet HOA standards. Also a reminder to trim back trees and bushes around your house. "The Community appreciates a clean and well maintained yard and inspections will be made by management periodically to help insure that basic standards of care are being met."

## **David's Corner.....**

 We encourage you fertilizing/winterizing your lawn this fall/winter to help strengthen it against weeds & moss

- Now that the daylight is getting shorter .... drive slow & watch out for small kids, bicyclists, skateboarders and pedestrians.
- To Keep your garage door motor running longer ....remember to grease the rails to avoid noises and help avoid wearing on the motor.
- To Keep your fan motor running longer ....remember clean out your bathroom fan so the motor lasts longer and quieter.
- To save on your heating bills ..have you furnace cleaned to run to its potential and change filter.
- To save on your electrical bills ..use energy saving bulbs both interior and exterior..they are usually on sale at Costco thru PUD sale program.
- Buy deicer, sand or salt early...preventing a fall can help medical expenses and lost time at work.
- If you need to get exterior new screens.....it can be done as cheap as \$25 / window a good place locally is Tesco-Teen Screen & Window Mukilteo Wa. (425)347-0947.
- Fireplace fans are very energy efficient and can be purchased at Rich's Fireplace in Lynnwood & BOB's Heating will install them.
- Trimming back branches against your house is important to avoid damaging your siding or trim.
- Don't forget to clean dryer & dryer vents to avoid buildup that may cause a fire.
- If you have a battery operated carbon monoxide or smoke detector it is best to test/replace battery as needed to avoid any problems.
- Please email any suggestions you have for any future projects you would like to see done in our community to <u>djcroutworst@comcast.net</u> and I'll present them to our fellow board members for approval.
- Any energy tips or general suggestions are welcome...... please email to <a href="mailto:djcroutworst@comcast.net">djcroutworst@comcast.net</a> and put in the next newsletter.

View our website for Meetings and important information... www.shaunessy .net