Thank You Volunteers

The Lakewoods Home-owners Association extends a great big THANK YOU to . . . Curt Green, Mark Cox, Jack Cook, Tom Gallo, Corey Grey, Joe Foley, David Hammonds, Norm Mathis, Jose Rodriguez, Howie Wilcox, Ron Wallace, and Bill Walton for attending FIRE TRAINING. There is still more hard work ahead to build up and train a great team. You may not be a "in the heat" type of person, but you may possess talents needed to fill other equally crucial positions. For example . . .

- Are you organized?
- Do you communicate well?
- Do you have "a way" with people, putting them at ease?

- How are your observation skills?
- Have you ever organized a sit down dinner for 50 people?

JOIN THE TEAM! Everyone is welcome. By donating your time and talent you are protecting the forest-land surrounding your Lakewoods Village.
Upcoming Events - continued

Events taking place in Klamath Falls during December include:
The Trail Band-An Old Fashioned Christmas on December 3rd at the Ross Ragland Theater; Friday, Saturday & Sunday, December 3-5 is the Quota Club Christmas Bazaar at the Exhibit Hall at the Klamath Falls County Fairgrounds – call 541-882-5555 for more information.

Saturday, December 4th is the Tree Lighting at Veteran’s Park – Santa Claus will be in attendance.

Klamath Falls’ Annual Snowflake Festival and Parade is December 9th beginning at 7PM.

Pat Boone will be performing at the Ross Ragland Theater on December 18th at 7:30 pm. Call 884-LIVE for more information.

The traditional Bull Mania and New Year's Eve Sobriety Pow Wow will be December 31st at the Klamath County Fair-grounds.

You can find more information for Klamath Falls on the internet at www.klamathcounty.net/events.htm

Grants Pass Magical Musical Holiday Murals: These holiday murals light up Grants Pass along both 6th and 7th Street annually, mid November to December 31st. Donated by the fine works of Fiber optic Lighting, 20 murals decorate downtown, each 5ft x 10ft uniquely designed giant holiday card, weighing 400 pounds, specializes in its own sound system along with playing its own holiday tune. Who says you can’t stroll through downtown Grants Pass during the holidays listening to Jingle Bells? Visit: www.magicalmurals.com

Historic Jacksonville has their Victorian Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting on December 3rd and their Victorian Christmas Celebration December 4th, 5th, and 11th. The Annual Christmas Ball is December 10th.
This has been a busy building season for us and this month we will see 2 more homes finaled and occupied. The Walton and Wallace residences are in the final stages of completion and inspection and with the utilities finally being connected, occupation of these beautiful homes is not far off.

Not too far behind are residences for the Rodriguez and Montes families, and the Wilcox-Campbell family. Sometime after the first of the year will also see the Gallo’s and Grey’s joining the Lakewood’s family. Ground has just been broken on several more homes so there will be a flurry of construction activity all winter long. So drive around and see how much (and fast) we are growing! It’s very exciting for all of us who work up here!!

Many of the surrounding communities have a number of activities that go on year round. We will try to feature some of these events in this section and will provide you with the web site addresses if you need further information.

The Bill Collier Community Ice Arena at the Running Y Ranch opened for the season on Friday, November 5th. It is a regulation hockey-size outdoor, covered ice rink, complete with fire pit, refreshments, seating and piped in music. Open skating sessions are 2 hours in duration. Lessons are also offered with information available at the rink.

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If you are a new land owner and would like to have your new home constructed and be able to occupy in 2005, now is the time to begin the planning process. There are a number of steps that need to be taken before "breaking" ground.

If you are using Hammonds Construction, the construction staff in the sales office and in the White City office will be more than happy to answer your questions and make this process as easy and trouble-free as possible.

If you are utilizing another builder, please contact their staff for assistance and direction.
Getting Ready for Winter

For some residents, living in the snow is old hat, for others it will be a new experience.

Preparing your house for winter takes more than digging out the blankets and dusting off the snow shovels. With a little extra effort, you can save yourself from costly disaster and chilly inconveniences.

Many homeowners forget to check their heating system before it gets cold and only discover it’s broken during the season’s worst blizzard.

Make sure to check that the thermostat is in proper working order and remember to change the filter before you need to use it. For maximum performance from your heating system, the filter should be changed monthly throughout winter.

Prepare for an emergency such as a power outage during a winter storm, by remembering to stock candles, matches and working flashlights with extra batteries, bottled water, blankets, etc..

If you have a fire-place, make sure the chimney is clear of leaves and nests built by birds, squirrels or raccoons.

Along with your fire-place, checking your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors is recommended.

Lakewoods Wildlife

The parade of wildlife at Lakewoods Village abounds. Watch deer and elk as they move past your windows and into the forest.

Look up to view the graceful flocks of Pacific Flyway geese and ducks, or stand in awe of an American Bald Eagle soaring overhead.

Numerous squirrels and chipmunks will entertain you with their antics as they gather nuts and seeds and chase each other over and around the rocks peppering the landscape.

There are other "four legged, furry friends" that will come to visit as well, raccoons, badgers and skunks to name just a few.

In addition, is the occasional bear and mountain lion that will frequent the Village.

With the area also being designated "open range" we also see small herds of cattle grazing on the native shrubbery.

While all these "critters" are magnificent in their own right, we should remind everyone not to feed the animals. It's in their best interest and your own as well.

"Cute and fuzzy – but do not feed – unless you want permanent guests!"
Lakewoods Village News

Lakewoods Trivia & Regional "Tid Bits"

Lakewoods Village sits at the crossroads of trails first used by Native Americans traveling to and from the Pacific Coast. Later, these trails became roads used by early settlers connecting the Rogue Valley settlements with Fort Klamath.

In 1825, the first white men set foot in Klamath County. They were Hudson Bay Company trappers Peter Skeen Ogden, Thomas McKay and Finan McDonald. Adventure and profit from the sale of beaver pelts drove them into the homeland of the Klamath, Modoc, and Yahooskin Tribes which lived in this region and called the Klamath Basin home.

1848 saw the discovery of gold in Northern California and Southern Oregon. Thomas McKay once again returned to Klamath County, this time as a prospector and guide for the growing army of men infected with gold fever.

However, it wasn't until the early 1900's that a young lumberman from Germany, Clayton E. Burton, homesteaded 140+ acres and built his first cabin in what is now known as Lakewoods Village.

Welcome New Lakewoods Property Owners

Just over the California border in lush, pristine Southern Oregon is a unique opportunity which a limited few will be privileged to take advantage of. It is called Lakewoods Village, located in Klamath County between the communities of Klamath Falls, Keno, Ashland and Medford.

We have sold a number of the 115 lots, so the Village is growing in population at a rapid rate. However, we still have plenty of wonderful lots available to those who desire to live and vacation amid the beauty of Lakewoods Village. Welcome!!!

Planning a Local Road Trip?

There is a lot to see and do within a short driving distance of Lakewoods Village. We plan to feature the different communities and the events going on in each of them, in this section. If there is someplace of special interest to you, please let us know.

If you are interested in finding out what Klamath County has to offer and you have access to a computer, we encourage you to visit www.klamathcounty.net

This site has a wealth of information about attractions, events and the outdoor adventures of this area, along with some beautiful pictures.
Lakewoods Development (541) 949-9426

Lakewoods Village Paving Complete

With winter approaching in the next couple of months, the residents and visitors to Lakewoods Village will enjoy driving on our newly paved roads throughout the development.

For anyone who was here last winter and into the spring, you will recall that the roads, at times, were difficult to maneuver. We now expect this winter to be a little easier when it comes to getting around the Village.

Also completed was the paving of some driveways. For new homeowners, as well as those that weren't ready to pave this season, it will be Springtime before we can do any more paving. If you would like a quote next year for your driveway to be paved, just let the construction office know.

Thank you to Johnny Cat and Panther Paving for doing such an excellent job for us this Fall . . . we really appreciate it!!

Lakewoods Barn Conversion Under Way

"What's going on over at the barn?", a question frequently asked by property owners and visitors alike.

Lakewoods Development is busy with preparations to convert our barn area into Keno Fire District's Station #4.

Fire Chief John Ketchum is an enthusiastic supporter of this plan, which will provide the volunteer fire station with an engine and a rescue rig.

Along with property owners, Dave Hammonds and Norm Mathis have been participating in the volunteer fire department training classes at the Keno Fire District offices.

The focus has been on a broad spectrum of specialty training necessary for any one who responds to emergency calls, whether they be medical aid or fire calls; and has included both classroom and field work.

Over the next few months the full scope of the barn's conversion to Fire Station #4 will become more evident, so keep watching!