

Marie's GRAPE Vine



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REMINDER ON SPEED LIMIT

It is a point of pride that our neighborhood is a safe and enjoyable place to live. With the growing number of families and the incorporation of the Margaret McKenny Park, it is increasingly important that everyone observe and obey the 25 mph speed limit.

What

•MVHOA General Meeting

Date

•Monday, March 14th

Time

•7:00 pm

Where

•McKenny Elementary School

MVHOA GENERAL MEETING: MARCH 14th

Marie's Vineyard Homeowners Association will be holding a general meeting on Monday, March 14th at McKenny Elementary School. This is a great opportunity to not only hear about MVHOA business and provide input, but meet your neighbors as well. We look forward to seeing everyone again and hearing your ideas!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO FILE LEINS AGAINST MARIE'S VINEYARD HOMEOWNERS

Annual dues paid to the MVHOA help to maintain the water tracks and the communal landscaping, pay for liability insurance, and help to keep our neighborhood to be one of the most livable in the city of Olympia. However, they are also a legal requirement of living in Marie's Vineyard, and unfortunately, some of our current homeowners have gone years without paying. To ensure equitability, legal recourse is necessary, and we are seeking volunteers to go to the Olympia courthouse to file liens against these homeowners. Interested volunteers should contact the board by email: board@mariesvineyard.com

MARIE'S TREES: CARE FOR MVHOA TREES AND GRASSLAND AREAS

All trees in Marie's Vineyard that are located between the sidewalk and street, at the entrance to our neighborhood, and in the cul-de-sac island are a part of the City of Olympia Tree Plan. These trees help to keep our neighborhood beautiful and the land from excessive erosion.

These trees are owned by the City of Olympia, but are required to be maintained by the homeowners. We are all responsible for caring for and maintaining the trees in front of our homes and no front trees can be removed without permission from the city.

no bushes or other plants. Some homeowners have put bark and plants in these areas and per the City it needs to be removed and replaced with sod. Please contact the city if you have any questions regarding this requirement.

If you have inadvertently removed a tree or your tree has died, you need to replace it. Contact Stacey Ray, the City's Urban Forester, at (360) 753-8046 or sray@ci.olympia.wa.us to assist you in choosing the correct species of tree.



A CALL FOR MVHOA BOARD MEMBER VOLUNTEERS!

It has been both our pleasure and our privilege to serve you as board members of the Marie's Vineyard Homeowners Association for the past ten-plus years. However, as the old saying goes, "All good things must come to an end", and we are currently seeking replacement board-member volunteers. The following is a list of positions that require replacements, and you can volunteer by sending an email to board@mariesvineyard.com

President • Vice President • Secretary •
Treasurer • plus Board Members

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKING

As we leave the winter months behind us, the threat of both crime and fire grows due to the warmth of the springtime and summertime weather patterns. It's important that the traffic on Craig Road and all cul-de-sacs remain passable to all emergency vehicles, including police, ambulance, and wide fire trucks.

Please ensure that this is possible by parking all vehicles (guests included) on the **eastern side** of Craig Road, as marked by road signs.

**IT'S COMMON SENSE,
AND IT'S THE LAW.**



In addition to the trees, the City of Olympia requires that the parking strips (between the sidewalk and street) contain grass only, with