



# On the Hill

## Winter Edition

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### New Look for Newsletter and HOA

With over two hundred other homeowners and renters, we have the pleasure of living in one of the most beautiful and peaceful neighborhoods in our city. Your homeowners association board is renewing the practice of sending out periodic newsletters to help keep you updated, point you to on-line neighborhood information, and encourage you to join us in maintaining a beautiful, safe, and high-value neighborhood experience.

The first place to look for up-to-date resident information, including our HOA by-laws and the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs) which regulate our neighborhood life, is our newly revised and user-friendly web site:

[www.SomersetHillsVIII.net](http://www.SomersetHillsVIII.net)

The web site also contains a link for contacting your HOA board, minutes of board meetings, and guidelines for submitting property projects for approval. You can also contact us by sending e-mail to: [board@somersethillsviii.net](mailto:board@somersethillsviii.net)

Thank you for being active and concerned members of a great neighborhood! We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our next HOA meeting (details below).

### Yard Lights

Please make sure your outside street light is working. Replace a burned out bulb. If the lamp post is still not working, then the problem is likely the photocell, which is inexpensive to replace. Thank you for helping keep our streets lit and safe!

### HOA Board Revitalized!

On July 31 of this year, the Somerset Hills VIII Homeowners' Association met and elected a new board of directors consisting of the following 9 members:

Steve Bilynskyj  
Teryl Chala Gentry  
Alexandra Gerrard  
Bob Huffine  
Mike Hurley  
Rod Kimmel  
Claudia McQueen  
Lyn Sampayo  
Barry Stenberg

The election reactivated our HOA board after a couple years without an election. The board is currently meeting once a month, typically on the second or third Tuesday of the month.

### Our CC&Rs

The Somerset Hills VIII Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions are agreements we all accepted by purchasing or renting a home in this neighborhood. They insure that our neighborhood will have a certain character, look and value that we all sought when we moved here.

Every homeowner should consult the CC&Rs before beginning any property project and contact our Architectural Control Committee (through the board) for any project that requires approval.

Every resident is urged to become familiar with the CC&Rs (see our web site) and courteously respect these agreements.

**Homeowners' Association Meeting**  
**January 20, 2015 7:00 p.m.**  
**Valley Covenant Church**  
**3636 W. 18<sup>th</sup> Ave. (Bailey Hill Rd. & 18<sup>th</sup>)**  
All homeowners are urged to attend this important annual association meeting!

**Please Supply Your E-mail Address!**

We would be happy to send you this newsletter and other information by e-mail. For now, you will continue to also receive a paper newsletter.

Please go to our web site:

[www.SomersetHillsVIII.net](http://www.SomersetHillsVIII.net)

and click on the "Contact" link in the upper right hand corner to send us your address.

Ultimately, with a large enough percentage of homeowners receiving newsletters by e-mail there could be a savings to the HOA. However, a paper mailing is still our best way to insure that every home receives communication and sending 200+ pieces allows us to utilize bulk mail which is significantly less expensive than mailing, say, 125 pieces by regular mail.

So providing your e-mail address right now is for your convenience and in hope of future savings for the HOA if enough people allow us to send newsletters via e-mail.

**Street Repairs, Cleaning**

Our neighborhood is mostly private streets not maintained by the city of Eugene.

Your board is working hard to obtain bids and schedule street crack repair and resurfacing next spring for several areas of our neighborhood, especially Ashford, Brighton and the 2925+ area of Timberline.

We also schedule periodic street cleaning, but NOT leaf removal. Your first course for leaf disposal is your yard debris cart. Do NOT dispose of leaves (or other yard debris) in the common area, by the creek, etc., NOR on our private streets. The city picks up leaves from the mainstem of Timberline twice. The first pickup has already happened. Next pickup is January 5-23. The city, and we, ask that you not put leaves out on Timberline until one week before pickup. Check the city web site for more information

**Thank You!**

Thanks for being a good neighbor by reading this newsletter, getting familiar with our CC&Rs, and taking an active part in your HOA. Having a quiet, attractive, and desirable neighborhood is a joint effort in which we all have a part.

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