### **Presidents Message**

# Call for candidates - a Directorship position on the RECOA Board

A brief period for self-nominations is now open for a Temporary Director position on the RECOA Board. Only owners in Voting Group 3 are eligible for this position. Voting Group 3 includes Desert Sky, Eagle Creek, Highland Parks, and Vista Rim neighborhoods.

A <u>Candidate Form</u> has been posted on the RECOA homepage. Email the completed form to Janet Skaggs at <u>skaggsRECOA@gmail.com</u> or to <u>Liz.Lopez@eagle-crest.com</u> -or- deliver to the Eagle Crest Management office at 8300 Coopers Hawk Drive. The deadline for accepting self-nominations is <u>next Wednesday</u>, <u>July 13<sup>th</sup> at midnight</u>.

This is a rare opportunity for RECOA owners in Voting Group 3 to serve on the Board of Directors for a short stint, now through the November election. The next five months are a very busy time for the RECOA Board. Our activities will include:

- Reviewing and voting on recommended campaign rules and election procedures
- Monitoring summer and fall vendor schedules and performance
- Reviewing the Level 1 Reserve Study in detail
- Participating in the 2023 Budget cycle meetings
- Approving the 2023 Budget
- Preparing for the Annual Meeting in November
- Monitoring the November election for new Board Directors

This Temporary Board position comes in response to the June resignation of Monty Knittel, who has been a Director since November 2020. Monty served during a difficult period of the RECOA Board, and I trust owners will appreciate his efforts and accomplishments while serving as the President in 2021 and as a dedicated Director during the first half of 2022.

Last year Monty was integral in negotiating the current Joint Use Agreement between RECOA and the Sports Centers' management group. This year, Monty coordinated the Thornburgh FAQ's which will be posted on the RECOA website very soon. He also served as point person on the Deschutes County Pre-Enforcement issue.

In the future, Monty indicates that he will pursue dialogue with owners regarding RECOA issues and advocate for transparency and policies that benefit the Association. His desire to make a positive impact will continue. Please join me in thanking Monty for his significant service.

#### **Trash Notification**

We have been notified by Republic services that they are experiencing a shortage in staffing and that this can cause delays in pick-up. Please be patient with them as they work through these hard times.

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

We welcome your participation! Please join us for the following meetings:

**Communications Committee Meeting -** Tuesday, July 12, 2022, 1pm to 3pm Click here to join the meeting

**Finance Committee Meeting -** Monday, July 18, 2022, 10am to 12pm 7555 Falcon Crest Drive

**RECOA Rules Review Committee Meeting -** Tuesday, July 19, 2022, 3pm to 4pm 7555 Falcon Crest Drive

# **Committee Messages**

#### **Rules Review Committee**

**Modifications to Rules** - There still seems to be some confusion over the authority and work of the Rules Review Committee. First, the Rules Review Committee is tasked primarily with reviewing the process currently used by Eagle Crest Management (ECM) to enforce rules compliance. Second, the Rules Review Committee may make recommendations for process improvements (if any) for the RECOA board and ECM to consider.

The Rules Review Committee has <u>no authority to enforce</u> any of the CC&R's. Enforcement is the sole responsibility of Eagle Crest Management. In addition, the Rules Review Committee <u>cannot add, modify, or delete</u> any existing CC&R's. That would require owner and Board input.

**Committee Process** - The Rules Review Committee's first tasks were to:

- 1. Determine which rules were being violated, how often, and in what neighborhoods (owner confidentiality was maintained)
- 2. Understand owners' areas of concern and their attitude toward enforcement of each of the CC&R's (this is where the survey was most helpful)

**Survey Update & Findings** - The Rules Review Committee had 199 owners participate in the survey. Thank you to the respondents for taking the time to help us highlight concerns and areas for improvement. We appreciated the positive comments on what a great place this is to live and accepting that the CCR's are necessary for maintaining property values and the quality of life here at Eagle Crest.. The main areas of concern that were consistently repeated in the survey results were related to: parking, landscaping, signs/flags, and inconsistent enforcement. Comments related to garbage bins/cans, hot tubs, and pets were also received.

**Next Steps** - The Committee's next steps will be to review and evaluate the process by which violations are noted, recorded, and responded to. This will include a review of the documentation kept (as well as any received from owners), and the timeliness of responses of notices to and from owners.

**Enforcement** - It is important to remember that many of us moved to The Ridge at Eagle Crest precisely because it had CC&R's that we all agreed to abide by. CC&R's help keep our community looking neat and consistent. RECOA is comprised of over 1,700 owners in 8 separate neighborhoods. To task one or two persons with documenting all CC&R violations

throughout RECOA is a monumental job! Many on the Rules Review Committee know this first hand from recent "ride-a-long" trips with ECM personnel!

If any owner wishes to report a violation, they are invited to complete a confidential <u>Owner Non-Compliance form</u>, available on the <u>RECOA website/Owner Resources/RECOA Forms</u>. Send the completed form to Eagle Crest Management so they can take the necessary action to remedy the condition.

The next meeting of the Rules Review Committee will be Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 3pm-4pm in the Administration building. Please direct any questions you may have to:

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