



## Notes from the Chair

Diane Dendy

**Wow**, it is hot in the High Desert Estates! If you read the Ruralite Magazine, it has some good information regarding **Wildfire Season**. Fire safety should be everyone's priority now with the hot weather and the return of fire season. We are also in the middle of a **drought emergency**. Please do your part to conserve water and prevent fire!

**Be Smart and Be Safe!** Are you ready? Here are some highlights!

- **Create an Inventory** cataloging all important and valuable items that are both inside and outside of your home.
- **Develop an Evacuation Plan** for your family. In an emergency, the Fire Station, Sheriff, or other emergency responders will knock on your door and say, "We are at fire level 1, 2, or 3". They will tell us if we need to evacuate.
- **Be familiar with different routes** in and out of our neighborhood.
- **Prepare a Go-Bag** (a 72 hour kit) that contains food, water, medicine, emergency essentials and copies of important documents, such as credit and identification cards. Pack a change of appropriate clothing. Be sure to include food for your animals.
- **Create a Defensible Space** - A cornerstone of wildfire preparation is the creation of defensible space around your home by thinning or removing trees and brush as well as clearing the ground of pine needles, leaves, and mowed grass. This buffer area will help slow or stop the spread of wildfire and help protect your home from catching on fire.
- **Other Ways to Be Prepared** - Contact your insurance agent to ensure you have the right amount and proper type of coverage for your home and property. Identify the location of your home's natural gas shut-off valve. Have a First-Aid Kit. Know how to open your garage door if power is lost and how to quickly get your vehicles out of the area.

All the Stop Lines on the roads in our community have been completed. Thank You Allen, Diane, Kurtis, and Leah Dendy.

**HOA Monthly Board Meeting:** Our next regular meeting is Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 6:30 pm in the HOA office. **Please call (541)236-7284 and leave a message if you plan on attending!**

End of notes from the Chair - Stay safe!

Warm regards, from your Newsletter Editors, Mike & Petra S. Berger

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