



Mr. Sunshine

Everyone can use a little sunshine and Sunny is happy to oblige. He doesn't know a stranger and you can often find him walking around our village with his best friend, Evelyn, ready to give you a sniff, lick and a snuggle. Evelyn, who has lived here for six years says Sunny will be five years old on June 17th. She tells us, "He loves people more than dogs, except his sister Dooney. He is very smart and has a list of tricks he will do for a treat. And please don't tell him he is a dog. He doesn't know..."

Say hi to Mr. Sunshine next time you see him. He and you will be happy you did!



Sunny

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Mt. Vernon Village
8600 Onyx Drive SW
Lakewood, WA. 98498
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Evelyn and Sunny



June 2022

By Brian Benedetti

Miscellaneous

- To save money on postage, volunteers are delivering newsletters to everyone's front door. If you know your neighbor will not be home, for security reasons, please pick it up for them.
- Keith Lovell is looking for a few volunteers three days a week to manually turn on the sprinkler system until we have the funds to replace our old system. If interested please call him at 253-882-4216.
- New residents can contact Brian Benedetti at 253-312-3183 and he'll bring over a Mt. Vernon Village welcome packet, which has lots of good info.
- As talented as our maintenance employee Kirk is, he is not medically trained or certified. Asking him to assist with any medical emergency puts him and MVV at risk for liability. If you have an emergency, call 911.
- For the health and welfare of all residents, please be sure you have an emergency contact on file with MVV. You can put it through the mail slot of the clubhouse with your HOA dues. An ideal contact would live close and have a key to your place.

CRIME

As you have seen in the news, property crime everywhere is on the rise. There have been numerous reports of mail thefts, porch pirates, car break-ins, garage break-ins, siphoning of gas and catalytic converter thefts in Lakewood, and our community in MVV is no exception.

What you can do:

1. Be sure to keep garage doors closed when you are not around. Leaving them up to cool things down ... often invites thieves.
2. Check your mailbox everyday. If you are going on vacation, have a neighbor check it, especially if you have packages delivered. You can temporarily stop mail by calling 1-800-275-8777 (then say "mail" so you don't have to listen to the long message), or go online with the post office at <https://www.usps.com>.
3. Parking your car in the garage is the best way to protect it.
4. If you experience a theft that is not a current threat, do not call 911, report it to Lakewood police at their non-emergency phone number: (253) 287-4455, then press 2.

KIRK'S CORNER



Kirk

- Gutter repair is an on-going issue, because of age and lack of repair in the past. Building 8636 recently received new gutters.
- Roofs in 8628 and 8606 have been repaired.
- Pool maintenance is daily work. Kirk pressure washed pool deck and rock walls. Please remember to follow the rules and shower before entering the pools because oils cause havoc to the pool chemistry.
- Kirk and Keith continue to patrol our neighborhood watching for crime.
- Thank you to those of you who have volunteered your time, and a special maintenance thank you to Gary High for putting up alley lights.

SPOTLIGHT



Keith and Kirk

You have likely seen Keith Lovell quietly working on projects around our complex almost every day, such as digging holes, managing the sprinklers, trimming branches, cleaning up spaces, and doing a multitude of maintenance work as Kirk's right-hand man. He also accompanies Kirk on a nightly security watch in our community. Did you know that Keith does all of that for free as a volunteer? Please join us in thanking Keith for his time and effort as he goes the extra mile to make this a better and safer place for us all to live!

Let's all work together to
have a fun and friendly summer!