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Grapeview Community Association
"Where Neighbors Become Friends"

# THE GCA GRAPEVINE

The Monthly Newsletter of the Grapeview Community Association

## MONTH AT A GLANCE

***The Port Commission is meeting in person with a remote option via Zoom – please visit their websites or contact them directly for the information. The Grapeview School Board Meeting is currently scheduled to be held at the School Library or with a Zoom option – please check their website.***

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| Oct 1 | GCA Study Session (Horton Center) 10am |
| **Oct 9** | **Golden Harvest Soirée @ Horton Center (6pm)** |
| Oct 20 | Central Mason Fire Commission Meeting 5:00PM; 122 Franklin St, Shelton |
| Oct 20 | Grapeview Port Commission Meeting 7:00PM |
| Oct 21 | Grapeview School Board Meeting 5:00PM |
| Oct 24 | Men's Breakfast 8:30AM; Burger Claim |

## FROM OUR NEW PRESIDENT'S DESK…

***BOO! SPOOKY OCTOBER HAS ARRIVED!!!***

As I look at the current temperature it says 41 degrees! BRRRRRR Turkey's are starting to get nervous and there are just 86 days before Christmas. Holiday music and of course the holiday shopping ads are upon us very soon. For many of us the weekly garbage brigade across the Stretch Island Bridge is a new reality in our life. Is this an attempt to meet neighbors?? Please fix the bridge before it snows!! The Mariners are done for the year. Yes, a disappointment, and losing Danny but now we have our Super Bowl Champs the SEAHAWKS. The plans are in place for our October SPOOKTACULAR event at the Horton Center on Friday, October 9th. See more info in the newsletter. **Don't Forget To Bring School Supplies for the Grapeview School.** Michele will be collecting at the door.

So Grateful to be here in Grapeview

Respectfully Yours,

Jim

# TAILGATE, TUNES & A WHOLE LOT OF FUN!

## We kicked off Fall in typical GCA-style

**Our annual Tailgate Party at Rauschert Field was a blast! And this year, Mother Nature actually cooperated—no rain! We had a beautiful evening filled with laughter, music, great food, and plenty of good cheer.**

**The food spread was unbeatable, with everyone bringing their favorite tailgate dishes to share. And Jim Hanson cooking up the hot dogs—that was a hit! There was something for everyone—and probably enough food to feed the entire Seahawks roster! There were smiles, music, plenty of laughs, and memories we'll be talking about for a while.**

**A huge thank-you to Bob and Marge Doremus for sharing their gorgeous property with us and their Buckeyes, and to Mike and Linda Fish for being the ultimate hosts—and for providing that all-important amenity: the bathroom!** 😂

**It was one of those evenings that reminds us why we love getting together. Good food, good friends, and just the right amount of laughs made for another Grapeview night to remember!**

**Here's to keeping the tradition going and making even more memories together next year!**

# Golden Harvest Soirée Friday, October 9th 6pm at Horton Hall

## An Evening of Soup, Pies, Bingo & Fall Fun!

Get ready to celebrate the season at our **Golden Harvest Soirée!** We're bringing together all the best things about fall—warm soup, homemade apple pie, cozy drinks, good friends, and a little friendly competition!

Think **warm gold, bronze, and cream**, white pumpkins, eucalyptus greenery, soft jazz, and plenty of autumn charm. It's going to be a beautiful—and delicious—evening! ***This year, as in prior years, we are supporting the Grapeview School by bringing School Supplies for kids. Michele will be collecting your donations at the door.***

## Calling All Soup Makers!

We need **6–8 volunteers to join us in making a delicious assortment of homemade soups!** Bring your favorite recipe, your soup-making skills, and your appetite for fun. Together, we'll create a cozy soup feast everyone can enjoy! GCA will provide **bread, crackers, and salad.**

**Some suggested favorites:**

Broccoli Cheddar

Creamy Tomato

Autumn Squash

Wild Mushroom

Olive Garden Tuscany Soup

**Fall Sips** Our beverage station will feature:

- Warm **spiced apple cider**
- Decaf coffee
- An autumn-inspired cocktail and mocktail

## Calling All Apple Pie Bakers!

Do you make a fabulous apple pie? Have a secret family recipe? Or simply think your pie deserves a little glory? Then this is your chance! We're hosting a **Harvest Apple Pie Bake-Off**, and we're looking for **up to 10 homemade apple pies** for our tasting contest—and, of course, for everyone to enjoy! Each pie will be numbered so our judges can remain completely impartial… or at least *try* to be.

**One lucky baker will take home a special fall prize and, of course, bragging rights!**

Not a baker? No worries! Come enjoy the pies and cheer on our talented contestants.

**Bakers:** There are only **10 spots available!** Contact **Debbie Black at 253-229-8450** to reserve your spot.

**THEN IT'S TIME FOR LOUD MOUTH BINGO!**

Once the soup has settled and the pie crumbs have been swept away, we're getting LOUD! Bring your **quarters and dollar bills** and get ready for **Loud Mouth Bingo**, with our very own **Jim Hanson** taking the microphone.

Jim is witty, quick on his feet, and just the right amount of trouble—so you know the bingo caller is going to be at least as entertaining as the game! **Jim calls the cards. You try to keep up.**

**There may be Loud Mouth Bingo. There may be money won. There will definitely be heckling.**
**And if you're you might even leave with more money than you came with!**

## CALLING ALL GCA MEMBERS – WE NEED YOUR LEADERSHIP!

**Be a part of the GCA Board and support the Community You Love! We have several officers retiring and or stepping down this year. As a corporation, we must have at least the top two open positions filled. Without the last two, our Organization will not be what we have all worked so hard to build and enjoy in this wonderful community of ours. PLEASE TAKE THIS VERY SERIOUSLY AND CONSIDER WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP – We can be creative and those of us in the current positions will be there to help!**

- **President**
- **Vice President**
- **Member Events Coordinator**
- **Community Outreach**

**If you would like to discuss your possible participation please contact:**
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**Bonnie Townsley - 360-801-5040 - townsley.bb@outlook.com**

**COME PLAY A ROLE IN YOUR COMMUNITY'S FUTURE**

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS - IMPORTANT!!!!

**It's just about that time of year**… renew your membership for 2027! To pay by check, just click on the GCA Membership Form. Complete the form, print it and mail it along with your payment to:

**Grapeview Community Association**
**P. O. Box 355**
**Grapeview, WA 98546**

**You can also *pay your renewal online with your credit card*, and** let us know of any changes to the directory information. **THERE IS NO FEE to pay online**. There IS an option to donate to Zeffy (the company who makes this function possible). **When the donation amount comes up, click on "OTHER" and put AN OPTIONAL DONATION AMOUNT in that space. Simply click here right now to make that payment!**

Thank you for your continued support and participation. Dan Peel, Membership Co-Chair

## Bookmark the GCA Website and GCA Facebook

Keep up to date with the latest news and events from the GCA and the greater Grapeview Community by visiting and bookmarking the GCA Website and the GCA Facebook page. Both the website and Facebook page are updated throughout the month as news and information are made available regarding both the GCA and our community.