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Residents' Association Committees

Association Committees: Association Committees are created by, and report to, the Association.

Audit Committee: In January and February of each year the Audit Committee audits the previous year's Treasurer's reports and the reports and records of all revenue producing committees.

Bylaws Committee: The Bylaws committee reviews the Bylaws annually and recommends changes as appropriate.

Financial Review Committee: The Financial Review Committee is a committee of residents working with management to understand the finances of Emerald Heights. The committee does not have any oversight; rather it is a group of interested residents with applicable backgrounds, who serve as a liaison to help residents understand Emerald Heights' finances.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee nominates qualified candidates from the Association membership for each open position on the Council, the Nominating Committee, the Financial Review Committee, and the Audit Committee. They also nominate a slate of Association officers.

Council Committees: Council Committees are created by the Council as identified and needed. Each of the Standing Committees reports directly to the Council.

Council Advisory Group: The Council Advisory Group reviews issues approved by the Council which fall outside of the Council committee structure, makes recommendations, and provides advice to the Council and to the Association as requested.

Standing Committees: Each Standing Committee is chaired by a Council member. These committees serve as liaisons between the residents and specific departments of Emerald Heights. They also serve in an advisory capacity to both the Council and the staff of their respective areas.

Standing Committees, Subcommittees, and Groups: Subcommittees are in bold and underlined under Standing Committees.

Buildings and Grounds Committee:

Provides a means for communication on concerns dealing with buildings maintenance, improvements and concerns addressing any common area of the interior and exterior of Emerald Heights. Representatives from the Buildings and Grounds Committee are involved with matters related to building and grounds.

Emergency Preparedness: Monitors and helps facilitate all aspects of emergency preparedness at Emerald Heights.

Garden Plots: Provides residents with garden locations for growing produce and flowers for Emerald Heights and personal use.

Garden Railroad: Maintains the railroad, provides train operations and engineer training.

Landscape: Is an avenue of communication for residents regarding landscape concerns and works with EH staff on landscape planning and maintenance.

Trail Crew: Maintains the trail system and provides other grounds services as needed.





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Woodshop: Provides residents with shop facilities on a yearly membership fee basis.

Wooden Toys Group: The toy group is a subgroup within the Resident Woodshop that meets weekly on Monday at 10:00am in the Woodshop.

Communications Committee: Coordinates communications systems and programs for the Emerald Heights Community, interacts with the Administration in planning for future improvements in communications, provides resident input to new member orientation and seeks ways to improve our lives at Emerald Heights.

Archive: The purpose is to capture the rich history, growth and development of one of the premier retirement communities in the Northwest and the people that made it happen.

Emerald Lights: Organizes and prepares content for the monthly Emerald Lights resident newsletter. Functions include editors, reporters, proofreaders, photographers and distribution manager.

KHTS/Channel 1981: This committee seeks to enhance resident reception of audio and visual experiences at Emerald Heights. This includes audio-visual information, performances and what is shown on KHTS/Channel 1981. Organize the sets with audio-visual equipment for performances to record and live stream them. Recordings are edited and stored for current use and archived. Assist Resident Services organize the programming for what is shown.

Library: Open 24/7, the Library operates on an honor system for borrowing/returning books, DVDs, and magazines.

Newspapers like the Seattle Times and Wall Street Journal are available for in-library use only for 2 days after the edition date. Residents Association, Committees, Board minutes and other records of interest are available for restricted use in the Library.

Mentors: Volunteer mentors welcome new residents and assist them in becoming comfortable in their new community.

Residents' Rights: This Committee leads the periodic evaluation of residents' rights. This includes Residents' Expectations found on the Residents' Portal.

Fitness and Sports Committee: Facilitates communication between residents of Emerald Heights and the Fitness and Health and Wellness staff members. It assists with the Summer Games, Fitness Assessments and various other fitness and sports activities.

Lawn Bowling: Coordinates and organizes lawn bowling instruction, practice and tournaments for men and women residents that enjoy the sport.

Pool Players: There are two pool tables for the use of residents. The tables are located on opposite ends of the campus (in Atrium H and Atrium P) and are available to all residents on a first come first serve basis. The men are organized with elected officers who specify rules of play and arrange tournaments, presently one in the spring and another in the fall. Although encouraged to play, the ladies are presently not an organized group.



Food Services Committee: Facilitates communication between residents of Emerald Heights and the Food Service Team by responding to individual dietary requests, considering expressed desires and complaints while striving for quality and enticing meals served efficiently in a pleasant atmosphere.

Fund Development Committee: The Fund Development Committee promotes contributions and gifts from Emerald Heights residents for specific or general use. The Benevolence Fund, the original FDC fund, provides financial assistance to residents who, for reasons beyond their control, are not able to meet their monthly service fees. Starting in 2019, other funds, now referred to as Enhancement Funds (Trail, Workshop, Employee Education Assistance, etc.), have been added to the annual fund drive. Donations to these funds are tax-deductible. The annual Employee Appreciation Fund drive provides a gift to employees for their efforts on residents' behalf. Donations to this Fund are not tax-deductible. In recent years, proceeds from Marketplace activities have been donated to the Benevolence Fund and the Medic One Foundation

Coffee Shop: Serves breakfast and specialty coffees to residents in a friendly atmosphere.

Emerald Market: The Emerald Market's mission is to provide a service to residents. It has groceries, notions, first aid, and gift items. Daily needs like milk, cereal, sugar, toothpaste, drinks, greeting cards and postage stamps are also available.

Furniture Store: Coordinates and maintains the Furniture Store where donations are available for purchase.

Thrift Shop: Coordinates and maintains the Thrift Shop where donations are available for purchase.

Health and Wellness: The Health and Wellness Committee is concerned with the physical, spiritual and emotional life of Emerald Heights residents. It accomplishes this by fostering greater understanding of the continuum of health services provided at Emerald Heights and assists with the identification of community health and wellness through community education, communication, advocacy and emergency response issues. It also forms liaisons with other Residents Association Committees. **Resident Activities:** Plans and coordinates the many varied activities for resident enjoyment and enrichment in three areas; Social, Educational/Intellectual and Spiritual Life.

Display Cases: Organizes and supervises display of items of interest to residents in the display cases near Elevator 6.

Education for Enjoyment: Presents weekly programs on a wide variety of subjects.

Gallery Wall: Plans and prepares gallery wall exhibits located in the hallway across from the Coffee Shop and Library.

Interior Design: Consults with staff on changes to Emerald Heights' common areas. Coordinates, reviews, and approves artwork and floral arrangements for common areas including hallways.

Flower Arrangements - This group is a subgroup within Interior Design. It provides flower arrangements for our hallways.

Wall Art - This group is a subgroup within Interior Design. It provides rotating artwork for our hallways.

Performing Arts: This committee provides the opportunity for residents to participate in and enjoy a variety of experiences in the performing arts.

Chorale/Silver Singers - This group is a subgroup within Performing Arts. They provide holiday and other concerts.





Readers Theatre - This group is a subgroup within Performing Arts. It performs dramatic readings of theatrical works.

Anything Goes - This is a subgroup within Performing Arts. It provides residents with an opportunity to perform original works.

Rise and Dine: Arranges for speakers for a brunch which is held four times each year. **Social Hour:** Provides monthly social hours to meet and encourage interaction between new and current residents as well as organizing the beverage service at the New Year's Eve Gala.

Spiritual Life: Serves as a home for spiritual growth via worship activities, study, discussions, comparative religion programs, enrichment and support.

Bible Study - This group is a subgroup within Spiritual Life. It supports Bible discussions.

Book Club - This group is a subgroup within Spiritual Life. It has regularly assigned book discussions.

Memorial Rose - This group is a subgroup within Spiritual Life. It places commemorative roses on the hallway shelf departed residents.

Memorial Service Support - provides compassionate assistance in planning, organizing, and coordinating memorial services—helping families and communities honor loved ones with care, respect, and meaningful remembrance.

Trips and Events: Recommends outings and excursions to be planned for residents. They remind residents who have registered for all trips and season ticket events.

Tuesday Crafters: The crafters are a group of residents who meet each Tuesday afternoon to work on independent and

group craft projects in a social atmosphere where they can share crafting tips and ideas. The group makes items for sale as well as price and prepare donated items for the annual bazaar. Profits go to the Benevolence Fund.

Technology Committee: The purpose of the Technology Committee is to identify ways in which technological advances enhance independent living and help Emerald Heights residents benefit from these changes. The committee will seek to establish mechanisms to assist residents with current technology, share information about beneficial advances in technology, and provide support to keep Emerald Heights a state-of-the-art community attractive to future retirees in this high-tech geography.

Other Activities/Groups

AI Group: The AI Group is for those interested in educating themselves about the use and impact of Artificial Intelligence.

Bonsai Group: The Bonsai Group involves the growth, care and styling of miniature trees. Instruction and materials are provided for all levels of experience.

Call Girls: Call Girls are responsible for phoning and reminding all residents who are signed up for off-campus trip events when and at what time they should be ready to leave.

Cards For Corwin: Independent living resident volunteers send note cards with messages to Corwin residents on a monthly basis. Cards will be provided along with the names of 3-5 Corwin residents for you to write to that month.

Corwin Mail Carriers: Corwin mail is delivered by IL resident volunteers. The mail is delivered to individual residents in Skilled Nursing, Wild Flower Point and Assisted Living six days a week.





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Croquet Group: Croquet games will be hosted every Saturday from 1:30 to 3:00 pm weather permitting. Residents are encouraged to play on their own at any time.

Monday Painters: The Monday Painters are an independent group of residents who enjoy painting for their own enjoyment. When a teacher is available there are classes Monday afternoons.

Pickle Ball Group: Pickle Ball is currently played weekly on Monday afternoons at a nearby location. It is open to both men and women of all experience levels. Practice equipment is available. This new fast-growing sports activity is currently recreational with no planned tournaments.

Table Tennis Group: The ping pong table is located on the first floor of Building E down the hall from the Thrift Shop. Balls and racquets are available there. It is available for all to enjoy, including family and friends. Games are generally recreational ping pong with an occasional fun tournament. New players are always welcome.

Ukulele Chorus: The Ukulele Chorus enjoys singing and strumming mostly “golden oldies.” We also offer loaner ukuleles and introductory lessons to prospective new members.

