



FERNAN LAKE VILLAGE

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From the Mayor & City Council

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**MAYOR
HEIDI
ACUFF**

Our Fernan Picnic was a great mingle of friends, food, music and fun. It was gratifying to see so many residents and

their families attend. With winter coming up, remember we do not have a leaf clean

up. If you do bag your leaves remember our dump station on Ramsey is FREE!!

Please get RV's & boats back in storage and keep vehicles parked in your driveway. Fernan has a city ordinance under Health & Safety; Nuisances section 3-2-2 stating driveways or front yards shall not become a storage area for the collection of vehicles whether operable or not. Recreational equipment may be parked in driveways

May 1 to October 1. Boats and other recreational equipment must be put into

storage after October 1. Vehicles that are enclosed are exempt.

School is back in session and we have Halloween coming up creating additional children activity. We need the streets clear of parked vehicles for street cleaning, plowing and for the safety of our children and pets. We would like to wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving!

City councilman Pete Job moved away and is enjoying his 15 acre new home! Ray has been appointed to fill Pete's city council seat and will be up for re-election on this ballot. Ray's engineering and business expertise will be greatly utilized and appreciated for the council. We are lucky to have him! Please remember to Vote Nov. 5th!



**CITY COUNCIL:
RAY WATKINS, DORIS HOFFMAN,
PAULA BUECHS & GENE MORANO**

**ELECTION TIME
COMING UP
NOVEMBER 5**

There are 2
Fernan City Council seats
up for election & Mayor



PLEASE EDUCATE YOUR GUESTS & CLEANING PROFESSIONALS!

No Wipes In Pipes! **Fernan Sewer Dept.**

NO WIPES IN OUR PIPES! EVEN IF THEY SAY FLUSHABLE, THEY ARE NOT FLUSHABLE IN OUR SEWER SYSTEM!

PATTY POTTY'S DO NOT FLUSH LIST

**DIAPERS
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IF SEWER ALARM GOES OFF CALL:

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2ND) BOB CHANDLER (208) 691-3428

3RD) WORST PLUMBING (208) 661-2433

Bob Kuchenski is our Integrity Water System specialist contact. In the event your septic alarm sounds, call "Kuch" first. If he does not answer please leave message after the recording. He will call back! If you do not receive a call back in a few minutes, then call in the order provided above. Thank you.



Meet
Ken Souza
Fernan's City
Maintenance
Man



***** Snow Plowing *****

Depending on the forecast, we use a rule of thumb to plow our streets when we have approximately 4 or more inches of snow on the ground. It is important that you keep your cars off the street so the plows can clear the road without plowing you in. As an addi-

tional service, we also have the driveways cleared of the plowed snow. Normally, this is the responsibility to the home owners but Fernan realizes this is a hardship to many of our residents and chooses to include this service when street plowing. If you have a

car parked on the street and are plowed in then it is your responsibility to clear yourself out where you were parked. Please KEEP CARS PARKED OFF THE STREET FOR OUR SNOW PLOWS. THANK YOU and Merry Christmas!

FERNAN PICNIC - Fun had by all!

We had a wonderful turnout for our 2019 Picnic. If you couldn't make it this year, we hope you can next year! A special thank you to Rus-tler's Roost for providing delicious food and Bill Bozley for playing great music.



Ryan, Stefani and the Curry Gang

By Stefani Curry



Hello Fernan Neighbors! We are the Currys! Our first names are Ryan and Stefani, and our four children are Mason (12), Aubri (12), Jackson (9) and Griffin (5). We moved here about a year and a half ago looking for that North Idaho lifestyle, and we

have completely fallen in love, not only with north Idaho in general but with Fernan Lake Village especially! We are loving the changes of the seasons, the wildlife, the lake life, the trees... we could go on and on about all the things that you yourselves love about living here too!

You've probably seen us wandering around the neighborhood, playing out in our yard (we live at 306 N Fernan Lake Road- also known as the corner house with the pool!), or perhaps you stopped by one of the many lemonade stands the kids ran with their neighborhood friends! Last year we were around quite often as Ryan works from home as a software engineer for Tapestry Solution (a subsidiary of Boeing) and Stefani homeschooled the kiddos. We loved taking our learning outdoors. Stefani was especially ob-

essed with observing the eagles with the kokanee salmon, much to the chagrin of the children. I guess observing Eagles in 30* temps for hours at a time gets old? These kids don't know how good they have it!

This year, we have all the kiddos in school and our lives have become quite busy. Mason is involved with the



MEET THE VILLAGE PEOPLE

This is a section of our newsletter where we will be featuring our City residents. If you would like to suggest someone to be featured we would appreciate a quick email or call to Doris Hoffman Doris Hoffman (509) 994-1998 doriskhoffman@roadrunner.com

PAGE 6 local water polo and swim team and plays the trumpet for CDA Charter Academy (sorry neighbors), Aubri just finished a very successful season with CDA Charter's Middle School Cross Country Team, and is enjoying her newest passion; dance! Jackson and Griff are both loving their new school at North Idaho Christian and are making lots of friends. With all the kiddos busy in school, Stefani found a way to stay active by joining the team at a local online clothing company called "Onyx and Oak" The hours are flexible and allow her to still be with her kids before and after school, and shuttle them around to their various activities.

to us, and our kiddos are going to be so spoiled to live down the street from their Oma and Opa! You will all love Ryan's parents as your neighbors. Ryan's mother is an excellent cook



**Griffin Curry (5)
Happy Thanksgiving!**

and published chef, and Ryan's dad is always up for a mountain biking or boating adventure. We are very excited to welcome them to our neighborhood.

here. We have a passion for where we live and helping to keep Fernan special, so much so that Ryan has become involved in the city workings by doing what he does best.... nerdy computer stuff! Ha! He has been working with Heidi Acuff and the City Council to redesign and update the website to make it more user-friendly and accessible.

We look forward to spending many wonderful years here building community. We love to host people in our home, and wouldn't mind meeting more friendly neighbors over a game of basketball or a dip in the pool (in the summer of course) or perhaps over a glass of wine by the fire this winter. We also would love to share from our robust cherry trees, or our grape vines (side note: we are so impressed with the Browns beautiful landscaping. We have a steep learning curve in our attempt to keep it up) so please, stop by and say hi!

We feel like

We are very close to Stefani's family who is all here in North Idaho in various places and we feel especially grateful that Ryan's parents will be joining us shortly right here in Fernan! Family is very important

we stumbled upon the greatest secret by finding this home and feel so fortunate to be a part of Fernan. The Browns were so gracious to work with us to purchase their home, and we are just loving living

Warmly, The Currys

NEWSLETTER CORRECTION... *MEET THE KINGS!*



The KING Family recently moved into their new Fernan Village home on

Our apologies for having the King's name incorrect in our last newsletter!

We are delighted to have the King Family in our neighborhood!

Bruce and Brady have three young children: Ward, (4), Windslow (3) and Gerrity (1). They also have a mixed black lab named Fleishman.



Dr. Bruce King is the owner of and primary veterinarian serving the

patients and their owners at **Lake-wood Animal Hospital.**

Bruce attended the University of Idaho and graduated summa cum laude in 1991. He was the youngest candidate to be accepted into the veterinary medical program at Washington State University and graduated first in his class in May 1995. He was chosen by the veterinary faculty at WSU to receive The UpJohn Clinical Proficiency Award for recognition as being the top overall student clinician for both the large and small animal components of the veterinary program.

WELCOME THE KINGS!

THE CITY OF FERNAN LAKE VILLAGE

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING OUR OWN CITY

When issues come up we sometimes hear the question of why we do not annex into the City of Coeur d'Alene? I think it is important for all of us to know what a gem we have in our own city.



Our taxes are lower than Coeur d'Alene yet our property values remain strong. Our city council and leaders are approachable and will listen to residents if requests are reasonable.

The best part of being our own city is being able to protect and decide how we preserve this wonderful neighborhood. City living in Coeur d'Alene is condensed compared to us. We have large lots, wide streets and ample parking on our lots so that it is not necessary, for the most part to park on the streets. Our ordinances provide that we have extra wide streets, no 2 story homes to block views (unless they were grandfathered in), nice front yard setbacks and no front yard fences giving us a large open space feeling. Fernan has always been a highly desirable place to live. The beauty, proximity and access to the lake along with the convenience of in-town living and only seconds from freeway access make our location superior. The sprawling ranchers on large lots create a wide open feel of having space.

Our services are contracted. We contract with the Sheriff Dept to patrol our streets and boat launch

park. We have a very low crime rate and I think the sheriff office takes good care of us.

Our snowplowing is contracted and although not perfect, we go beyond and plow your driveway snow burms out from what the snowplow creates. Our rule of thumb is to plow when we have 4" or more. This is not always textbook but watching weather forecasts and temperatures we due our best to properly maintain with out unnecessary spending. The fact that they come out on call is AMAZING for the speed in which we can get our streets plowed.

As a city we can also sponsor our picnic. Our community is special and it is nice to have neighbors gather once a year to enjoy.

We also control of the Fernan Dam that allows us to control the level of Fernan Lake for the good of Fernan residents.

It is true we do not have a lot of revenue to re-pave our streets and replace sewer systems but we are consistently working with Coeur d'Alene and other entities to best manage our monies and resources. The city truly has your best interest at heart. It is in all of our best interest to maintain this city, and manage our money to get the most benefit for protection of our value and safety. We have a good system in place and would rather be part of our own system that a small part of some other BIG system. Fernan has been here since the 50's. Many families have resided here 50 plus years. We are seeing some of these legacy properties change hands now due to the property values and changing living situations of families. I do hope you read this and if you ever questioned why we are not part of Coeur d'Alene, you have a better understanding of why Fernan is unique and special to be it's own city.

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