

**CHARBONNEAU COUNTRY CLUB EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE
NEIGHBOR CARE BULLETIN
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GOOD NEWS and ONGOING NEWS

As we prepare this bulletin for you, the air quality in Wilsonville is vastly improved, at times we can see some blue skies and clouds! We have lived through another stressful, life-threatening emergency. We were lucky, some will say blessed, to be have these fires come under control just a few miles from our homes. Even as we note our good fortune, we also mourn the loss of life, the many hundreds of displaced families and the destruction of large swaths of our beautiful state. Once more we owe so much to the brave men and women of our emergency services, many of whom lost their own homes while fighting to save other's.

There are lessons to be learned. At the state and county level there will be reviews of all the things that went right and all the ways things could have gone better. One of the biggest issues being reviewed is emergency alerts and we want you to know that your Charbonneau Emergency Preparedness Committee is also looking at how we can improve spreading vital alerts throughout our community.

Do we all now realize how important it is to have a "GO BAG" ready?? Medications, copies of important documents, water, flashlight, etc.? When these basics are in your car at all times, it is one less thing to worry about while in panic mode. Go to <https://www.ready.gov/>

This most recent event happened during a pandemic so we have learned that nature is not afraid to throw at us more than one crisis at a time! On October 15th, during the Great Oregon Shake Out, we will all be practicing what to do when the Cascadia Subduction zone moves and we are hit with a possible 9.0 earthquake. This annual drill is VITAL practice to prepare us for this event. In the next few weeks, you will receive information from your HOA's teams on how to take part. Watch for the October Villager! And remember: **Don't be scared, Be Prepared!**