



The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

April 2013



President's Message

Many of you know I have enjoyed music for all of my life. There are many great songs out there, and several of them came to mind as I worked on this month's President's Message. Some of you will enjoy the references, some of you will scratch your head, some of you will say to yourselves (or others) "just get on with the message." For the latter group, just read past the italicized headings to get to the substance.

Money, it's a gas. Grab that cash with both hands and make a stash. The 2013/2014 Reserve Study has been completed and will be presented to the Finance Committee for their continued work. This is expected to be a vital part of the budgeting process that the Finance Committee is working on now.

Money for nothing (well, at a low interest rate). HMC has paid off KeyBank's construction loan; it was paid down with 92 pre-pays and paid off using \$1,342,000 that HMC borrowed from the USDA. It is more important than ever for each Member to pay their Water Assessments in full and on time. For details on this, look online for the newly revised Herron Island Water Department Financial Policy soon.

Bills, bills, bills. From what I hear, the delinquency rate is pretty low on Herron Island compared to other homeowner associations in the state. Still, there is room for improvement, especially when it comes to paying your water bill. While the General Assessment is fairly easy to remember (since it is substantial and has been billed for many years now), we haven't all gotten used to paying a separate Water Assessment on a quarterly basis. As a result, several Members continue to be delinquent in paying the Water Fees. Please don't be one of them. It is an easy bill to pay on time, so please do so and save yourself a late fee and save the office some work in "reminding" you.

Hey, *Sweet Georgia Brown*! We're getting a new sport court! At this last Board meeting, we decided to go

ahead and replace the deteriorated basketball court that was recently removed near the ball fields. Our new court will be elementary school (larger) sized, and will be able to be used for tennis, volleyball, and basketball. We have budgeted for this and have built up a reserve in the budget for Parks that will be sufficient to pay for this brand new facility. In other words, there will be no Special Assessment needed to make this significant improvement in our facilities.

Ferry 'Cross the [Case Inlet]. We're still getting new ferry engines and transmissions in September! So how do we pay for them? With reserves and a Special Assessment voted in by the Membership. We will be placing our order for the new running gear using reserves, but we will still need to replenish some of those reserves and pay for the balance (thus, the need for a Special Assessment). As to timing, in my last President's Message, I told you that "all Members can expect to see the \$333.00 Special Assessment in their April statement." Well, shiver me timbers, the April statement was silent as to a Special Assessment. The Board decided, for a variety of good reasons, to postpone sending out the billing for the Special Assessment until June 1, with a due date of June 30. This time I mean it!

The Times They Are a Changin'. We now have a new Summer Ferry Schedule! While this took away some midday runs, it added two earlier morning runs on weekends. Now I have no excuse to be late for a Board meeting.

Look what's happening out in the streets. Got a revolution. Got to revolution. We've got Volunteers but we still need Volunteers! Be a Volunteer! Volunteer to be a Volunteer! Great Herron Islanders do it voluntarily! Please read the article on Volunteerism later in this edition of the Beachcomber (of your own volition, of course).

(Continued on Page 2)

President's Message
(Continued from Page 1)

Who let the dogs out? Dogs should keep their owners on a leash when walking them. Seriously, for those of you who have dogs (*i.e.*, of the canine variety, *not* feet), don't let your dog run loose; they chase deer, leave unpleasant "gifts" behind for others to find, and can generally disrupt life for some.

Signs, signs, everywhere there's signs. Blocking out the scenery. Breaking my mind. Members who wish to post signs on their property or that of another must comply with the Pierce County Zoning and Sign Code regulations. Construction signs can be no more than four square feet and must not be placed on HMC property without prior written approval from HMC. If you put it up without permission, we'll probably take it down for you and dispose of it, at your expense.

Look What You've Done (by Muddy Waters!). Not all Members have experienced the new water system because they have been away for the winter. When you come back and before you use your water for the first time, be sure to shut off inside valves and flush your lines using an outside faucet, such as a hose bibb. That way, you won't fill your hot water heater, for example, with any dirt that may have gotten into the water lines on your property.

Splish Splash! Some Members previously had outside faucets that were connected to the old water system very close to the shutoff valve. During the installation and transition over to the new system, any faucets and other equipment in the HMC right-of-way that were connected to the water system were removed. This may come as a surprise to those of you who have not used your system for some time. You may install a utility faucet again, but any such installation needs to be done within the boundaries of your property.

More Smoke on the Water. To address new issues with the Water System as they arise, the Water Committee is developing a "Request for Service" form for Members to use when reporting problems with the system. Please remember, though, that HMC can only address issues with the portion of the water system that is within the HMC road right-of-way (the mains, branches to the meter, the meter itself, and the first few feet of service line leading from the meter); HMC is not responsible to resolve water system problems that are on private property.

Won't you let me take you on a sea cruise? With the boating season approaching, it's time to spiff up the skiff, scoop up the sloop, float your boat, and head to the water. As you break your gear out of winter hibernation, though, take time to review your rules of the nautical road and the Herron Island Rules as well. There, you will find invaluable information such as how long you can keep a trailer on areas other than your own property, how long you can leave your boat parked at the docks, where you can set sail, and how to treat each other well while underway.

On the Road[s] Again. When do we get our roads back? As soon as we have several days of dry weather and some dry days after that in which the contractor for the Water Project can do the work. Until we have this work completed, please watch where you drive (don't drive over any cones!) and drive more slowly than usual so you don't break anything in case you hit a low spot.

There is much more that I hear about Herron Island that is music to my ears, but I must put this to press. Remember to enjoy Herron Island – we've got it good!

Mark B. Anderson
President, HMC Management Board of Directors

Board Candidates Needed!

Please consider running for the Board of Directors. An application is printed on Page 16 of this issue and must be turned in to the office by 10:00 AM on May 12th. Three positions will be filled at the Annual Membership Meeting on June 9th.



IN THIS ISSUE

President's Message.....	1-2
Important Phone Numbers.....	4
Island Manager Report.....	5-6
Notices.....	7-8
Ferry Schedule.....	8
Tansy Removal.....	9
Parks Work Party Report.....	11
Boosters.....	12
Emergency Preparedness.....	13
Water Conservation.....	14
Low Tide Cancellations.....	15
Board Candidate Application.....	16
Commercial Ads.....	17

Assessment Reminder

The Special Assessment of \$333 for Ferry Engines and Transmissions will be billed June 1st. Payments are due no later than June 30th. Payments not postmarked or received by June 30th will incur a \$30 handling fee.

Reminder

Requests for reimbursement must be accompanied by a receipt and received by the office by the Thursday before the Board Meeting to be included in the list of bills to be approved by the Board. Failure to get your bill in on time will result in a delay in payment until the following month.



Important Phone Numbers**Island Manager**

Claudia Ellsworth (253) 884-9350

HMC Board of Directors

Mark Anderson, President (253) 677-3900
 Janet Podell, Vice-President (253) 884-9350
 Dianne DeGood, Secretary (316) 794-8391(H)
 (316) 641-4014(C)
 Pat Zazzo, Treasurer (253) 884-6719
 Sherri Anderson, Member-at-Large (253) 884-3505

Additional Contacts

Washington Water Svc., Water Repair (253) 851-4060
 Judy Greinke, Water Chair (253) 857-5463
 Pat Zazzo, Finance Committee Chair (253) 884-6719
 Jack Wells, Roads Chair (253) 884-0850
 Sherri Anderson, Rules Committee Chair (253) 884-3505
 T. Anspach/T. Chilson, Parks Co-Chairs (253) 588-1921
 Mike Shettlesworth, Emergency Prep. Chair (253) 884-6919
 Land Use Chair, Vacant
 Fred Fath, Technology Chair (206) 246-7016
 Carolyn Snyder, Office Manager (253) 884-9350
 Ken Freeman, Beachcomber/Webmaster (231) 544-2456

**Herron Island Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The office is CLOSED Monday,
 Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday, and after 2:00 PM on Fri-
 days before Board meetings.**

Office Phone: (253) 884-9350
 Office Fax: (253) 884-5047

Website: <http://www.herronisland.org>

Office email: Office@herronisland.org
 Manager email: HMCManager@herronisland.org
 Beachcomber email: beachcomber@herronisland.org
 Parks email: HMCParks@herronisland.org
 Member Input to Board: MemberInput@herronisland.org

Emergency**911****Ferry Cell phone (253) 691-1457**

(Cell phone to be used for scheduling heavy loads, big vehicles or having something in tow, and for information regarding ferry services.)

Ferry Business

- Call ahead if you are planning to use the ferry for a trailer, boat, or large vehicle!
- Only those guests with valid passes will be allowed on the ferry.
- Plan your arrival at the dock at least 5 minutes before the scheduled time of departure.
- Walks-ons are not to be on the dock or ramp when cars are being loaded. Watch crew for permission to board.
- Only service and delivery people may charge fares.

WE HAVE EXPERIENCED GUESTS AND SERVICE PEOPLE EXPECTING TO COME OVER TO THE ISLAND WITHOUT GUEST PASSES. THIS VIOLATES THE ACCESS POLICY THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE FOR ALL OF OUR SECURITY. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR GUEST HAS A VALID GUEST PASS SIGNED BY YOU TO ENSURE THEY ARE ABLE TO RIDE THE FERRY. BLANK GUEST PASSES ARE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AT THE OFFICE, BY MAIL, AND ON THE FERRY.

Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with Federal law this institution is prohibited from discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington DC 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-2372 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).

Beachcomber news items must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the Wednesday after the monthly Board meeting on the second Saturday of the month. Items **MUST** be emailed in electronic format to beachcomber@herronisland.org. Include your name and phone number in case any questions arise. Paid advertisements are to be arranged with the HMC office **PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.**

Island Manager Report April 13, 2013

Administration:

Volunteers:

Thanks this month to the Roads Committee (plus Leslie Sanderson) cleanup and burn crew, who have disposed of much of the vegetation debris from our roadways. The Committee also picked up litter, including beer cans and bottles and water bottles, along the road. (Carrying a litter bag while walking is a good way to volunteer!) Thanks also to the Konkels, who kindly provided a location to burn material within recreational fire guidelines. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact the Office. Thanks also to the Chapins, for their semiannual help with assembling the auto decals....there are many more decals than there are Members, and we really appreciate the help. Judy Greinke deserves appreciation for tending the flower beds at the Community Building. Every hour volunteered helps keep assessment increases to a minimum.

Walking the Dog: A reminder to dog owners is due that dogs must be leashed. Thank you.

Reserve Study: Mike Fleming of Association Reserves has spent many hours reading HMC reports and minutes, interviewing board members and employees for several hours and doing further research. He should have a preliminary report prepared next week to assist the Finance Committee and Board in budget considerations. The final report should be ready with the budget submittal to Members.

Signs: Herron Island lies within the unincorporated area of Pierce County, and is subject to the County's zoning and other regulations. Members or contractors wishing to post signs along HMC roads must first comply with the County's Sign Code, and secondly, with Island Rules, which require that signs placed on island roads or rights-of-way be authorized in advance, and in writing by HMC. Unauthorized signs will be removed by HMC.

Records Retention: In cleaning and organizing the records, all "missing" Beachcombers have been located. Water records retention requirements are defined in State regulations, and we have been working our way through those, along with archiving water system construction materials.

Water System Maintenance and Operations: The most recent coliform tests came back clean! The new system had been plagued with a nagging failure in testing, and the strategy these past few weeks has been to test from the wells outward, in order to isolate the problem. Very likely some material was stirred up during construction, and simply hasn't been flushed out. Northwest Water Systems and WWSC are collaborating in resolving this final issue. The water is safe to drink and is currently not chlorinated.

On occasion, Members will contact the office when they have some problem turning on their new service. Charles Smith has been available to resolve these, and will continue to help at least until we are fairly well into the summer season by the time most Members have turned on their service. HMC, however, will not resolve water service issues on private property. Those are the responsibility of the property owner. Anyone wishing to check for leaks or fix leaks in their water lines can contact one of the service providers on the island.

No offers have been received for the plumbing parts we are ready to surplus. If any Members are interested in making an offer, they should contact the office. If not sold to Members, eventually the parts will be sold as scrap.

Water System Project: Last month, the Board approved by resolution a security agreement with USDA and allowed the President to sign. During the two weeks after the Board meeting, the Board took additional actions in response to requests by the title company. These included authorizing the President and Secretary to sign the Deed of Trust and other necessary documents. All Board Members made themselves available on a moment's

(Continued on Page 6)

Island Manager Report
(Continued from Page 5)

notice to be sure HMC's role proceeded smoothly. Many, many thanks to Mark Anderson especially for his interceding with the title company. These actions, some of which were electronic, are duly noted in the minutes of the March 9 meeting.

At the end of the process, 92 Members prepaid the full amount of \$4,475 (including \$10 processing fee). We have not yet received the recorded Acknowledgement of Payment and Release of Lien from the Pierce County Auditor. When we do, each prepayer will receive a copy for his/her records, and a copy will be placed in the HMC property file.

In the end, HMC entered into a USDA loan in the amount of \$1,342,000, with semiannual payments of \$26,639. The estimate of \$14.85 has turned out to be accurate within 0.3%, assuming 300 Members pay into the loan.

The payments from HMC to the USDA will be due September 22, and March 22 of each year.

One new Assessable Unit has been created since the conclusion of water system construction. According to the Herron Island Water Department Financial Policy, new Assessable Units have to install a Connection within 90 days of membership.

Fire Department Liaison: Nothing to report.

Land Use: We have received a firm purchase agreement for the property located at 317 E. Madrona at the price fixed by the Members. With the Board's approval of a resolution authorizing signature of the deed of trust, this sale will be executed as soon as possible.

Emergency Preparedness: There is a "Friends and Family CPR" class on April 13 (Saturday), following the Board meeting.

Parks: Committee Report: Docks are being installed this Saturday morning (4/13/13), beginning at 8:00 a.m. Estimates have been submitted for sport court replacement and are with the committee.

Roads: Committee Report.

Rules: Board report. The Board met informally to discuss Member comments on the proposed Rules and will produce the final draft incorporating pertinent comments.

Herron Island Ferry: Engine and transmission replacement will be accomplished this fall, probably in September. Final schedule is yet to be determined. The notice of special assessment in the amount of \$333 will be sent out in June with payment due no later than June 30.

Legal Liaison: We currently have 16 delinquencies, of which 7 are with the attorney for action. Eight of the new delinquencies are for small amounts tied to nonpayment of water bills. Delinquency rate of 4.2 %. In April 2012, the rate was 2.8%.

Tide Tables

Plots of the monthly tide tables are available on our website (herronisland.org). The plots are for nearby McMicken Island, which is the NOAA data point closest to Herron Island.



Package Delivery



If you order packages to be delivered to the mainland terminal, please track their delivery so you can be available to pick them up or make other arrangements. It is not the responsibility of the ferry crew.

Concerns or Ideas

All Members are invited to voice their concerns or ideas by using the Member Input email address, contacting the Board Members or the HMC Office:

MemberInput@herronisland.org



FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale: Refrigerator, Armoire, Book cases, Antique desk, twin sleeper sofa, two wicker chairs, coffee table, TV stand, futon, framed pictures (a wide variety), game table & chairs, garden tools, standing lamp. All items are available on the island. Contact Billie & Ted Johnstone. phone: 253 752-9514. email: eleptb@hotmail.com

For sale two lots w/ power & water.
Asking \$27000. negotiable
Call Jose or Jessica @ 253-735-5614

Non-commercial ads of 100 words or less will be accepted for inclusion in this section free of charge. Please email your ad to beachcomber@herronisland.org, Subject: Beachcomber Ad. The ad must be resubmitted for each issue in which it is to be printed.

Website Photos

If you have any photos from island activities that you would like to share on our website, please send them to webmaster@herronisland.org.



Board Member Email Addresses

HMCMarkAnderson@herronisland.org

HMCJanetPodell@herronisland.org

HMCDianneDeGood@herronisland.org

HMCPatZazzo@herronisland.org

HMCSherriAnderson@herronisland.org

Please use these email addresses for all future communications to Board Members. They can be accessed on our website (herronisland.org) under the HMC Board tab.



Are You on the List?

HMC now has 303 Member email addresses on the notification list. If you want to receive updates about the water project, get notice of the online Beachcomber, or get the latest on windstorms, power outages, water line breakages, or other news, please send an email to office@herronisland.org and request that your email address be added. To be used for HMC purposes only.

SUMMER FERRY SCHEDULE (4/1 through 9/30)

MON		TUE		WED		THUR		FRI		SAT		SUN	
IS.	ML.	IS.	ML.	IS.	ML.	IS.	ML.	IS.	ML.	IS.	ML.	IS.	ML.
6:15	7:00	6:15	7:00	6:15	7:00	6:15	7:00	6:15	7:00				
7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00
8:30	9:00	8:30	9:00	8:30	9:00	8:30	9:00	8:30	9:00	8:30	9:00	8:30	9:00
9:30	10:00			9:30	10:00					9:30	10:00	9:30	10:00
										10:30	11:00	10:30	11:00
12:00	12:30	12:00	12:30	12:00	12:30	12:00	12:30	12:00	12:30	11:30	12:00	11:30	12:00
								2:30	3:00	2:30	3:00	2:30	3:00
3:30	4:00	3:30	4:00	3:30	4:00	3:30	4:00	3:30	4:00	3:30	4:00	3:30	4:00
4:30	5:00	4:30	5:00	4:30	5:00	4:30	5:00	4:30	5:00	4:30	5:00	4:30	5:00
5:30	6:00	5:30	6:00	5:30	6:00	5:30	6:00						
6:30	7:00	6:30	7:00	6:30	7:00	6:30	7:00	6:30	7:00	6:30	7:00	6:30	7:00
								7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00	7:30	8:00
								8:30	9:00				

Tansy Ragwort Removal

Tansy ragwort is one of the more serious noxious weed problems in Western Washington. In fact, Tansy is considered #1 on Pierce County's 'Terrible Ten' list!

Tansy ragwort has made beautiful Herron Island its home. Tansy contains alkaloids that can accumulate and cause liver damage in livestock and pets, making it extremely toxic. It also displaces desirable plants due to its aggressive growth and prolific seed production.

The effort and cooperation made by Herron Island property owners in the control of Tansy ragwort has steadily increased, and together we are making progress!

Control methods for Tansy ragwort include:

- Digging up the plant with the roots.
- Applying appropriate herbicide.
- Bagging flowers and throwing them in the garbage.
- Maintaining a healthy, vigorous cover of desirable plants.

Methods that *do not* work:

- Mowing will not control Tansy ragwort. Tansy will re-flower.
- Do not leave flowers on the ground. They can still go to seed.

Licensed Weed Inspectors from the Pierce County Noxious Weed Control Board will begin making routine inspections on the Island beginning the last week in May. If Tansy ragwort plants are discovered on your property, please eradicate them as soon as possible. Any questions concerning Tansy ragwort, control methods, a list of herbicide spray professionals, or compliance with the State Noxious Weed laws please call 253-798-7263. To leave a message with the Weed Inspector, please call 253-798-6844.



**“Let no noxious weed flower and seed.
Nip it in the bud!”**



The Value of a Volunteer

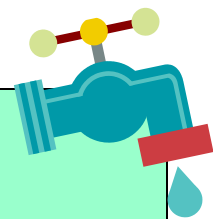
“Not everything that counts can be counted. And not everything that can be counted counts.” - Albert Einstein

Professor Einstein was right, especially when it comes to measuring the value of a volunteer. Studies have shown that the dollar value of a volunteer is worth approximately \$21.36 per hour. And when you calculate that out to the number of volunteer hours that have been donated on Herron Island it adds up to a pretty tidy sum. But another intrinsic element of volunteer value is the combination of time, skill, energy, and enthusiasm that Herron Island volunteers provide every time they step up to help. Volunteers give of themselves for a variety of reasons: to share their expertise, to meet new people, sometimes just for the food; but whatever the reason for their service, volunteers are a very valuable commodity and highly appreciated on Herron Island. Please consider giving some of your time in helping to improve our island resources. The rewards are enormous. Please contact office@herronisland.org to volunteer.



Reminder For Everyone

Now that the Water System is completed, Members returning to the Island for the first time since the completion are reminded to run their outside faucets long enough to clear any debris out of the pipes, before running it inside the home. This should save headaches later.



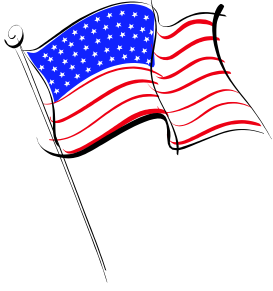
**We had a good turnout for the Parks Spring Work Party
and Boat Dock Installation on Saturday, April 13....
Thanks to our many helping hands....**

Jack and Nancy Wells... Dana Gruber... Kathy Deuster... Mark and Michelle Ackerman... Mike Shettlesworth... Andy Anderson... Wally Semon... John Farris... Terrill Chilson... Leslie Sanderson... Steve Ohlsen... Steve Kramer... Dianne and Alan DeGood... Ernie Shreve... Bill, Josh and Onnika Boender... Tracy and Carolyn Anspach... Don and Judy Greinke... Linda Moren... and Richard Urfer...

We appreciate all who took time from their busy lives to help the Parks Committee with their tasks. Some were able to help install the boat docks, others helped to clean up the high-tide debris on the south end of North Beach and others contributed by providing a delicious lunch. Every HMC volunteer makes a difference and contributes to cost savings for all membership.

We would also like to recognize and thank Terry Fletcher for sweeping the boat docks on Sunday and his promise to apply "WetnForget" to the boat docks and to clean out and paint the fire pit in the near future.

THANKS! MANY THANKS! THANKS! MANY THANKS TO ALL!



MEMORIAL DAY



BOOSTERS EVENTS

Sunday May 26, 2013

North Beach

9:00 AM



Coffee, Cinnamon Rolls, Granola Bars, etc

Junk in the Trunk Sales

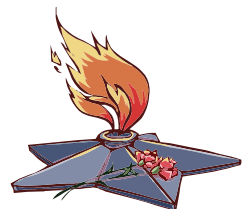
Herron Island Apparel Sales

**Sailboat Race around the Island—Begins at
North Beach**

10:00 AM

Flag Raising honoring the start of Summer

**And don't forget to join us for the next
BOOSTERS Potluck on May 11th!**





EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP OF THE MONTH **EARTHQUAKE READINESS**

Did you feel it? In the wee hours of the morning on Sunday April 7 we had an earthquake. While this one (with an epicenter in Allyn) was very small, it does serve to remind us that we live in an area subject to larger and much more dangerous quakes. To that end, this month we are revisiting the need to be ready to react safely when the shaking starts.

During earthquakes, many people's fight/flight instinct urges them to *run!* – even though they know they should “drop, cover, hold.”

Studies show that people in our country tend to be hurt by falling objects, not collapsing structures. If you are on your feet trying to move, you are in danger from toppling bookcases, breaking windows, flying dishes, falling televisions, collapsing fireplaces, or shifting furniture. Safety comes from quickly getting **under** or **beside** something that is sturdy and taller than you are.

You and your loved ones can learn to resist the instinct to run by ***knowing*** where safe places are in every room and the garage of your home, and by ***practicing*** getting to them.

Practice being safe

Have every household member choose a safe place to go in **every** room and the *garage* and practice quickly moving to that safe place. Be prepared to assist those in your household that can't do this on their own.

Safe places include:

- under** a sturdy table or desk
- beside** a sofa
- beside** a bed
- under** a work bench

Learn to resist the instinct to run. Regularly practice:

- Drop – **under** or **beside** something sturdy and taller than you are
- Cover – the back of your head and neck with one arm
- Hold on – in case the thing you are under or beside moves
- Close your eyes – you'll do better psychologically if you don't watch and you will protect your eyes.



Stop Water Waste

*It's easier
than you think!*

Residential Water Use Efficiency

Water is essential to our health, our communities, our environment, and our economy. As our state population grows, the demand for water will continue to rise. Not only must water systems ensure a safe and clean supply of water, but they also must ensure that there is enough water available to supply their customers every day of the year.

Water is a shared resource. Other uses include agriculture, fish habitat, industry, hydropower, and recreation. All of these uses add up and can put enormous pressure on local water supplies, especially during summer when the demand is highest.

Depleting reservoirs and groundwater can put water supplies, human health, and the environment at serious risk. Lower water levels can contribute to higher concentrations of natural or human pollutants. Using water more efficiently helps maintain supplies at safe levels, protecting human health and the environment.

The tips you'll find within this brochure are designed to not only save water, but also save you money on your water, energy/gas, and wastewater bills. Maybe all three!

Eliminating Waste Makes Sense

Public water systems are the second largest water user in the state. They use about 18% annually of the total amount of freshwater withdrawn from surface and groundwater sources. By comparison, agriculture uses about 60% of the state's water every year, while industry and hydropower use about 8%.

A lot of hard work goes into providing the water that comes out of your tap every day. When the Department of Health adopted new water efficiency regulations in 2007, many water systems took notice and began to re-think just how efficient they can be. Now more than ever, they are taking action to find and fix leaks in their water distribution system, thereby eliminating waste.

DID YOU KNOW?

The average person unknowingly wastes up to 30 gallons of water every day.



Think of “water efficiency” as a way to eliminate wasteful water practices and promote the long-term goal of saving water. Wasteful water practices are unnecessary and costing you money.

By making just a few small changes to your daily routine, you can save a significant amount of water, money, and preserve water supplies for the future.

As a customer of a water utility, think about:

- How much water is necessary for a specific purpose or task.
- How you can help minimize the impact of water use on local water supplies.

Ask yourself what you can do to eliminate wasteful practices and ***use only what you need!***

- ◆ **Is your toilet leaking or faucet dripping?**
If yes, then stop wasting water and fix it right away—or have someone fix it for you.
- ◆ **Do you leave the water on when brushing your teeth or doing the dishes?**
If yes, make a conscious decision to stop wasting water. Change your habits and turn it off.
- ◆ **Are you watering your lawn too often?**
If you're not sure, evaluate how much water your lawn needs and adjust watering times.
- ◆ **Did you really need that much water to accomplish the task?**
No matter what it is you're doing, always ask yourself if you need that much water. Stop wasting water!

Water Waste Adds Up: Drops Turn Into Gallons

Count the number of drips in 30 seconds to see how many gallons is wasted.

	1 Day	1 Year
5 drops	0.8	292
10 drops	1.6	584
15 drops	2.4	876
20 drops	3.2	1,168
25 drops	4	1,460
30 drops	4.8	1,752

2013 Ferry Schedule Low Tide Cancellations and Adjustments

APRIL

Fri, 4/26	12:00 Noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Sat, 4/27	11:30 am -12:00 noon No shuttles 2:30 pm May leave late
Sun, 4/28	2:30 pm—3:00 pm Cancelled 3:30 pm May leave late
Mon, 4/29	3:30 pm—4:00 pm Cancelled
Tue 4/30	3:30 pm—4:00 pm Cancelled 4:30 pm May leave late

MAY

Memorial Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after 12:00 noon – 12:30 pm, Thursday, May 23 through Monday, May 28.

Note: Monday, May 27 the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.

Fri, 5/24	12:00 noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Sat, 5/25	11:00 am—2:00 pm <u>No ferry runs</u>
Sun, 5/26	11:30 am—3:00 pm <u>No ferry runs</u>
Mon, 5/27 Memorial Day	12:30 pm—3:30 pm <u>No ferry runs</u>
Tue, 5/28	3:30 pm—4:00 pm Cancelled
Wed, 5/29	3:30 pm—4:00 pm Cancelled

JUNE

Fri, 6/7	12:00 Noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Sat, 6/8	11:30 am—12:00 noon No shuttles 12:00 Noon May leave early
Sat, 6/22	9:30 am—10:00 am No Shuttles 10:30 am—12:00 noon Cancelled
Sun, 6/23	10:30 am—12:00 noon Cancelled
Mon, 6/24	12:00 Noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Tue, 6/25	12:00 Noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Wed, 6/26	3:30 pm May leave late

JULY

Independence Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported Thursday, July 4 through Monday, July 7.

Note: Thursday, July 4 the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.

Sun, 7/7	11:30 am—12:00 noon Cancelled
Mon, 7/8	12:00 noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Fri, 7/19	8:30 am—9:00 am Cancelled
Sat, 7/20	9:30 am—11:00 am Cancelled
Sun, 7/21	9:30 am—12:00 noon Cancelled
Mon, 7/22	12:00 noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Tue, 7/23	12:00 noon—12:30 pm Cancelled
Wed, 7/24	12:00 noon—12:30 pm No shuttles 12:30 pm May leave early

AUGUST

Sun, 8/18	9:30 am—11:00 am Cancelled
Tue, 8/20	12:00 noon May leave late

Labor Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after 12:00 noon – 12:30 pm, Thursday, August 29, through Monday, September, 2.

Note: Monday, September 2 the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.

Note: No shuttle means only one trip for that time.

Drive Safely!



Please note the SUMMER ferry schedule has been changed.

Always check: www.herronisland.org for the latest ferry schedule updates.

BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

(Please complete and return to HMC office by 10:00 AM, May 12, 2013)

NAME *(as you would like to have it listed on the ballot):* _____

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: _____

EDUCATION OR TRAINING *(including school, military training, and professional courses)*

Institution

Type of Training

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

GOALS: *Please list goals you would have for HMC and Herron Island during your term on the Board.*

CANDIDATE STATEMENT: *Please do not include statements campaigning for or against other candidates.*

Candidate's Signature: _____

Herron Island Real Estate

Water Front Properties are Great Value

- 1) 406 W. Herron Blvd, excellent condition, excellent buy, major price reduction \$219,000.**
- 2) 104 Herron Lane \$227,500, needs some work & updating**
- 3) Lots with water, power, septic, ready to build on or RV**

Excellent prices, visit our new web site, its new and easy to use.

Dallas Amidon & Sheryl Schull

www.Herronisland.com

Cell: 253.606.0972 Home: 253.884.6166

Sheryl Schull, 253.961.0717

Re/Max Town and Country

Email: herronisland@hotmail.com

(Paid Advertisement)

HERRON ISLAND YARD MAINTENANCE

JIM DAVIES

253-432-2365

jada40@att.net

ESTIMATES BY THE YARD

- *Tansy Removal**
- *Appliance Disposal**
- *Deck Cleaning/Restaining**
- *Lot Cleanup/Dump Runs**
- *Hauling Rock/Sand/Bark**

(Paid Advertisement)



Longbranch Community Church
16518 46th Street KPS,
Longbranch WA 98351
253-884-9339
Pastor John Day

Please Join Us For Sunday Services

Sunday School 9:00AM

Church Services 10:30

Longbranch Community Church Invites Herron Island Residents to attend the Blue Grass Gathering every 3rd Sunday at 6:00, bring your voices and instruments and play along. We play until 8:30 but Herron Island residents usually leave early to catch the 8 PM ferry.

God's Blessings to you,

The Amidons & Pastor John Day

(Paid Advertisement)

OWNER: STEVE KRAMER

KRAMER'S EXCAVATING

***HI RESIDENT/MEMBER SINCE 1959 *LICENSED, BONDED & INSURED**

EXCAVATION:

**SITE PREP, SEPTIC REPAIR, WATER &
POWER LINES & CULVERTS**

HAULING:

**DRIVEWAY ROCK, TOPSOIL, SAND MIX &
DRAIN ROCK**

DRIVEWAY MAINTENANCE

DECKS & ROOFING

DECK STAINING

DEMOLITION DUMP RUNS

RETAINING WALLS & STONE/ BLOCK WALLS

HOME REMODEL & REPAIR

**CARPET, VINYL & LAMINATE
INSTALLATION & REMOVAL**

SITE CLEAN-UP

HOUSE PAINTING

PRESSURE WASHING

SPECIALIZES IN WATER LINES

**253.884.3671 or 253.857.9202
P.O. BOX 816 LAKEWAY, WA 98349**

(Paid Advertisement)