



The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

March 2013



President's Message

How Are You Doing on Your New Year's Resolutions?

Okay, I'll say it right up front. Here we are, three months into 2013, and by now everyone has probably forgotten if they even *made* New Year's resolutions. I urge you to take another look at the resolutions I suggested in my January 2013 President's Message and adopt at least one.

Aren't We Done Yet?

As you all know, our new Water System was dedicated at a formal ceremony held at the Community Center (with press coverage!) following our last Board meeting on February 9. And, on February 28, the Board formally adopted a Resolution to accept the Water Project as completed. But that is not the end of this transition. Now that the system is installed and fully operational, there are a few "clean up" tasks before our new Water System is "cruising on auto-pilot."

First we need to pay off the KeyBank interim loan – we have already paid down that loan using money received from 92 Members who chose to pre-pay their Special Assessment for the Water System. That leaves roughly \$1.34 million to be financed through the USDA. Our Island Manager is working hard to swiftly finalize the payoff of the KeyBank loan and transition the project costs over to the loan from USDA.

In parallel with our efforts to get the ultimate financing in place, our Office Manager and our Water Committee are working together to set up systems and protocol for the repayment and administration of the new system. Our new system has meters, for example, that can be read using a radio wand; the data gathered will then be able to be automatically entered into our billing

software so we can charge per unit of water actually used. All of this requires the establishment of clear procedures that can be consistently and reliably applied in the future.

All of you Members also play a critical, ongoing part in making a successful transition to the new Water System. While great pains have been taken to flush every last accessible portion of the system to ensure high water quality, the extensive work on the system necessarily stirred up the water in existing service lines to your properties. For those of you who have not already done so, flush your system before using it. To do so, shut all faucets and spigots *inside* your home, cabin, etc., and then flush your service lines through an *outside* spigot (like a hose bibb) until you see clear water coming out. That way, any suspended solids are far less likely to get into your house and clog the delicate innards of your hot water heater, washing machine, dishwasher, etc.

Finally (well, not really), we also need quality continuity in the management of our water system and for our island community as a whole. I encourage each of you who are Members to consider becoming a candidate for a position on the HMC Management Board of Directors. Even if sitting at the "front table" is not your thing, you can also contribute to improving Herron Island by attending Committee meetings and getting otherwise involved as a volunteer. Check out the new "Committee" link on our website (on the left side of the Home Page) to see where you might fit in and get started.

Did You Hear the One About the Ferry Schedule Change?

No joke here. With good support from Membership feedback, the ferry schedule has changed beginning with the Summer schedule. There will no longer be a Sunday 1:30-2:00 pm run or a Monday 2:30-3:00 pm

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run, but we are adding new early runs on both Saturday and Sunday mornings. The new schedule starts April 1, and is posted on the website and on Page 18 in this edition of the Beachcomber. If it looks like this schedule change is working out, we will consider changing the Winter schedule as well.

More about the Ferry - New Engines and Transmissions on the Horizon

The Charlie Wells' September drydock availability is approaching fast (only six months away), but the Special Assessment to replace our ferry engines and transmissions is approaching even more quickly. Back in July 2012, the Membership voted to purchase new ferry engines and new ferry transmissions using \$70,500 from Ferry Reserves and \$333.00 per Member by Special Assessment. To permit us to place the order in time for installation in September, all Members can expect to see the \$333.00 Special Assessment in their April statement. Please pay promptly.

Spring Cleaning

With St. Patrick's Day here, limericks somehow came to mind. Here's one I just have to get off my chest:

*There once was a woman from Herron
Who for spring house cleaning was preparin'
She used island water
But not more than she ought'r
For the worth of conservin' was apparent.*

As you're thinking of spiffing up the place this spring, make sure that beforehand you review the Emergency Preparedness article later on in this edition of the Beachcomber.

Please keep those cards and letters (and emails) coming. And remember to enjoy Herron Island – we've got it good!

Mark B. Anderson
President, HMC Management Board of Directors

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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.

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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 March 9, 2013

Administration:

Volunteers:

Our monthly thanks to those hard workers who removed tree stumps, limbs and other debris left by the construction project and the winter weather: Steve Kramer, Andy Anderson and Jack Wells. Others helped to burn these limbs – Don Greinke, Kathy Deuster, Leslie Sanderson, Mike Shettlesworth, and again, Steve, Andy and Jack. Still others helped stuffing envelopes to mail the “water payment” letter – Pat Zazzo, Nancy Broege, Nancy Wells, Kathy Deuster, Jean Mellor, Linda Crowe and Dianne DeGood. And thanks to Deb Kraft for helping with community building cleanliness. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact the Office. Every hour volunteered helps keep assessment increases to a minimum.

Community Building and Pump Station Security: During the water project, the codes to both the Community Building and Pump Station became known to a wide number of persons, and have now been changed. If you need regular access to the building outside office hours that requires you to have the code, please contact the Island Manager.

Reserve Study: Janet Podell and the IM met with Mike Fleming, of Association Reserves on February 19th to complete the required site visit prior to drafting the reserve study. He will attempt to have the report ready for review at the end of the month. This review will assist the Finance Committee in its budgeting process.

Water System Maintenance and Operations: The O&M Manual is receiving its final touches from NWS. Judy Greinke and the IM met with Mike Ireland of WWSC and Jon Wiley, of NWS, regarding contracting.. Both organizations are flexible in developing a contract that would provide for substantial “on island” services while maintaining their legal responsibilities for oversight. One proposal has been received; the other should arrive soon. These proposals will be discussed at the next Water Committee meeting and used to develop a budget proposal.

A letter from WWSC explained our chemical testing requirements for next year. Our water system has been exempted by DoH for nine years from a 28-chemical IOC (Inorganic Chemical) test. Nine years have elapsed and so we must be tested this year at a cost of \$378. We have indicated to WWSC that HMC prefers to keep the 9 year waiver, if the test is satisfactory.

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, eventually the parts will be sold as scrap.

Water System Project: We are moving through the mountain of paperwork towards closure of the loan with USDA. The Engineer has formally accepted the project as complete (one year warranty on work) and the Board, having recessed the previous meeting, adopted the resolution approving the project as complete by electronic vote. We have received a letter from the Department of Health formally approving the project and placing it into service! (Board correspondence)

A second resolution, the “Loan Resolution Security Agreement” needs to be signed prior to closing with USDA. This resolution is before the Board, so that the Board can authorize its President to execute the resolution, and its Secretary to certify it, prior to the next meeting in April.

NWS also completed a CIP report, estimating the cost of maintaining the water system over the long run. The monthly obligation for those who have prepaid would be about \$21 (excluding any charge for water usage) and for those who have not prepaid, \$35.44. A typical water system rate is \$40-\$60 per month. NWS also advises setting a flat rate for the first year, until HMC has been able to gather data to set metered rates for consumption.

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As of Thursday afternoon, we had received 91 prepayments, (Note: Final Count was 92.) excluding any first class mail delivered that day. We have processed the final payment request to KeyBank and will immediately pay down the loan principal from the prepayments. USDA will then have the “real” principal amount of our loan and will be able to prepare closing papers.

Fire Department Liaison: We have advised the fire department of the new community building code. Many thanks to Chief Lique for his nice words in the Herron Island Water story which appeared in the Key Peninsula News.

Land Use: Interest continues in HMC’s lots for sale, but as yet, no firm buyers. Hopefully the improving real estate market will boost the marketability of these lots.

Emergency Preparedness: Meeting following Board meeting. There will be a “Friends and Family CPR” class on April 13 (Saturday), following the Board meeting.

Parks: Committee Report from Tracy Anspach: “The process for installing the Small Boat Docks will be changing as Mr. Mowry’s services are no longer available. We will be renting equipment this year and at this point can’t anticipate the impacts to the installation time. Planning is also being done to determine what replacement dock pieces may be required prior to installation. A work party is scheduled for April 13, and we’re hoping for volunteers. We’d also like to say “thank you” to Dick for his many years of assistance.

I want to also thank Steve Kramer, Andy Anderson and Mike Shettlesworth for assisting in the removal of the basketball court. We have been getting bids and design ideas and will be presenting them to the Board to begin discussion for the replacement court.”

Roads: Committee Report.

Roads Committee discussed proceeding with the high priority improvements along South Herron and East Madrona in two areas. The first is the abandoned end of South Herron where the Committee is working with a Member on his plan to improve drainage by installing a culvert. Some of this work was done, but ruined by heavy equipment going over the drainage pipe. This work will be completed in the spring.

The second roads project on the south end is the realignment of HMC roadway from Member properties at South Herron and East Madrona. In 2010 Baseline Engineering prepared a plan to move the roadway by increasing the impervious surface only 1000 sq feet, which should not trigger a permit requirement at Pierce County. During the water project, stumps were removed, hydrants installed and some vegetation removed in this area. Work is estimated to cost less than \$10,000. The project design is attached to this report.

Rules: Board report.

Herron Island Ferry: For the past several weeks the Board has been taking comment from Members regarding a proposed ferry summer schedule change to take place April 1. This change would add a morning run on Saturday and Sunday and remove the first afternoon run on Sunday and Monday. The change was proposed after reviewing the traffic patterns reflected in the ferry log books, and would make Sunday and Saturday schedules identical without increasing costs.

As of Thursday, 62 Members had weighed in with their opinions – with 36 in favor (58%) 19 opposed (31%) and 7 (11%) proposing alternative schedules.

Legal Liaison: We currently have 13 delinquencies, of which 11 are with the attorney for action. Delinquency rate of 3.3%. In March 2012, the rate was 2.2%; in 2011, 1.5% and in 2010, 1.8%.

Spring into Action!

Mark your calendar...

Plan to lend a hand...



Parks Spring Work Party Boat Dock Installation & N. Beach Clean-up

*Saturday, April 13
8:00 am meet at North Beach*

We can use extra hands! We plan to install the boat docks using a different new method this year and cleanup debris left at N. Beach from the extreme high tides.

Dress warm, bring your gloves and community spirit.

Join the activities. Enjoy lunch following.


Potluck style lunch...for all participants...

11:30 am—12:15 pm

Volunteers have committed to provide homemade meatballs, macaroni and cheese, French bread and fresh coleslaw... other volunteers are invited to help by preparing a side-dish, salad or dessert to share!

All are welcome!

Questions—comments etc email: HMCParks@herronisland.org



Assessment Reminder

Second half general assessments will be billed on April 1st. Payments are due no later than 4/30/13. Payments that are not postmarked or received by April 30th will incur a \$30.00 handling fee.



Board Candidates Needed!

Please consider running for the Board of Directors. An application is printed on Page 20 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.

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

Looking for cabin for rent on the island July 26, 27, and 28th, 2013
Please call Helen at (425)445-1822

Cozy 2 bedroom, 1 bath cabin nestled amongst old growth Maples and Cedars on one of the quietest roads on the island. Two large decks, one facing west, one facing east for relaxing, outdoor dining etc... Two shady hammocks to pass away those warm summer afternoons. Rental includes cooking utensils, appliances (sorry no microwave or dishwasher) bedding and linens. Dogs welcome but must be kept on leash per island rules. No smoking. Rates: \$150 per night, 2 night minimum. Weekly discount available. Please call Diane or Paul at 206.284.9290 or email at raincity@msn.com

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.

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



Easter Sunrise Service

On Herron Island North Beach

Sunday, March 31, 7:00 AM

No charge Special Ferry Run from mainland at 7AM for folks coming to the service.

Longbranch Church Pastor John Day will be our special guest speaker. Maryann and the Keypen singers will again grace us with leading hymns.

Looking forward to our Islanders coming and enjoying this special Easter Service.

Your Hosts
Dallas and Rondi Amidon

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.



Welcome, New Islander!

HMC welcomes the following new Member to Herron Island:

- Dave LaLonde



Are You on the List?

HMC now has 295 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.



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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.



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:

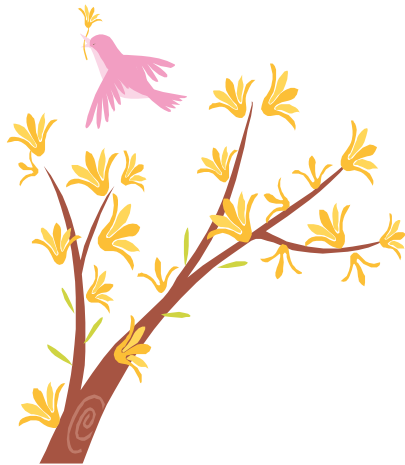
- Mowing will not control Tansy ragwort. Tansy will re-flower.
- Do not leave flowers on the ground. They can still go to seed.

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!”**





Next B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S
Meeting & Potluck
April 13th — 6:00 pm
Community Center

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Join us and get a chance to win prizes! We will be raffling off **2 Books of Ferry Tickets, HI apparel, and 2013 HI Calendars!** Come join the fun!

Meeting agenda will include:

- Planning for upcoming Holiday and Summer BOOSTERS events
- Island Improvement Projects
- New BOOSTERS Officers



Community Garden News

Time to get out your tools and put on your work gloves – it's the start of the 2013 growing season. Mid-March is an excellent time to be planting peas, lettuce, potatoes, broccoli, and kale; as well as other cold weather crops. If you are like us, your mouth is already starting to water in anticipation of the taste of FRESH VEGETABLES.

We are hoping you will consider requesting a Community Garden plot. Returning gardeners must confirm their desire to use their last year's plot by calling or e-mailing Betty or Stephanie (contact information below) by April 15, 2013. Any gardener not returning should clean up their plot for the next gardener. New gardeners will be assigned a plot on a first come basis. Multiple plots will be assigned when there are less than 20 requests. Consequently, no one will have multiple plots when there are 20 requests.

Like all organizations, there are common responsibilities. These include: keeping your garden weed free, maintaining the paths that abut your plot (keep them clear and weed free), cleaning and maintaining garden equipment and tools you use and returning them to the sheds; locking the gates and tool sheds, and sharing annual expenses as they occur.

This amazing garden benefits our Community in so many ways:

- *Improves the quality of life for all who are part of it
- *Stimulates Social Interaction
- *Encourages Self-Reliance
- *Beautifies our wonderful Island
- *Produces Nutritious Food
- *Reduces Family Food Budgets
- *Creates opportunity for recreation, exercise, and therapy
- *Gives us a connection to the environment
- *Creates a Sense of Community

Wow, how can you not want to be part of this?!



Call or e-mail to reserve your plot.
Happy Gardening to all of us in 2013,

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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP OF THE MONTH

SPRING CLEANING SAFETY

Ah, Spring! Those lazy days of summer are just around the corner but there's much to be done before we can relax and play. This month we are featuring Spring Cleaning Tips. Before we list those tips, however, we want to highlight a couple of chores that create dangerous hazards if left undone. Put these "Spring Cleaning" chores at the top of your "To Do List."

Moss Removal

Did you know that Mother Nature grows moss at her fastest clip as we transition from cold, dark, and wet days to warm, sunny and dry ones? Nothing is more slippery than a mossy, wet deck, staircase, or roof. Don't *fall* victim to moss.

Chimney Cleaning

Have your chimney or stove pipe inspected and cleaned. This is best done by a certified professional. It's not a fun thing to spend money on, but doing so can save your home and even your life. Fall is the busiest time for Chimney Cleaners so scheduling this now can give you more flexibility and possibly save you a few dollars.

SPRING CLEANING SAFETY TIPS

Chores such as cleaning dirty windows and moving patio furniture are hard work. Here are some tips to keep you safe as you brush off the winter doldrums and get ready for

Don't rush or work when you are tired. The work will wait for you. When you are tired or rushing to get done, safety gets forgotten and the risk of injury escalates.

Prevent falls.

- Keep stairs, walkways, and floors clear of clutter.
- Carry loads so that you can see over them.
- Use the handrails on stairs.
- Make sure that area rugs are secured with non-skid pads.

Protect your back.

- Plan your lift. Look at both the starting and ending point.
- Bend at the knees, not at the waist and keep your back straight. Lift with your strong leg and thigh muscles.
- Keep the object you are lifting close to your body. Do not twist at the waist.
- Move your feet to turn your body when moving objects.
- Wear shoes when moving heavy objects so you don't hurt your toes.
- Get help when lifting very heavy objects.

Use Chemicals Safely.

- Read labels carefully.
- Ventilate by opening windows, turning on the exhaust fan, or place a fan in the room.
- Do not mix chemicals. Ammonia and bleach create toxic fumes when combined.
- Wear rubber gloves and safety glasses.
- Store chemicals in their original containers safely and securely away from children.

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Emergency Preparedness
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Use Ladders Safely – When you need to climb, use a ladder (not a chair, table, or box).

Place stepladders on level ground and open them completely. Make sure all locks are engaged.

Before using a ladder outdoors, choose a location that is at least 10 feet away from all power lines.

Use the 4-to-1 rule for extension ladders: for each 4 feet of distance between the ground and the upper point of contact (such as the wall or roof), move the base of the ladder out 1 foot from the wall.

Always face the ladder when climbing and wear slip-resistant shoes.

Keep your body centered on the ladder and gauge your safety by your belly button. If your belly button passes beyond the side rail of the ladder, you are overreaching and at risk for falling.

Make sure the rungs are dry before using the ladder.

Stand at or below the highest safe standing level on a ladder. For a stepladder, the safe standing level is the second rung from the top. The safe standing level for an extension ladder is the fourth rung from the top.

REMINDER:

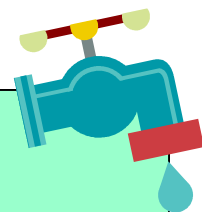
Your Emergency Preparedness Committee and Fire District 16 are presenting a CPR Class in April (see flyer on Page 15).

Contact Mike Shettlesworth 884-6919 or Pat Zazzo 884-6719 to reserve your spot.



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.





FAMILY & FRIENDS CPR CLASS

**Presented by the
Key Peninsula Fire Department**

APRIL 13, 12:30 PM

**Herron Island Community Building
An Emergency Preparedness Community Event**

An Emergency Preparedness Committee Event “Family & Friends CPR” is for people who want to learn CPR but do not need a course completion card in CPR for their job. This course is ideal for new parents, grandparents, babysitters and others interested in learning how to save a life.

“The Family & Friends CPR” Course teaches the lifesaving skills of adult Hands-Only CPR, child CPR with breaths, adult and child AED use, infant CPR and relief of choking in an adult, child or infant. This course does not provide a course completion card; however, you will receive a tear-out participation card in your manual. Class will take between 2 to 4 hours depending on class size.

Offered Free of Charge

**For more information and to reserve your spot, call
Mike Shettlesworth, 884-6919 or Pat Zazzo, 884-6719**

Protect Yourself When Hiring a Contractor

Be an informed consumer - before you hire a contractor, make sure the contractor is registered, actively licensed, with a bond and insurance; for an electrician, plumber, or manufactured home installer, make sure they are certified (licensed) in Washington.

You can search for this information at <https://fortress.wa.gov/lni/bbip/> or by calling the contractor information line at **1-800-647-0982**. Your search will also show how long they have been licensed, if they have any lawsuits against their contractor's bond (construction only), and if they have been cited for violations of the various construction laws governed by the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I).

Unregistered contractors are a threat to both consumers and legitimate contractors.

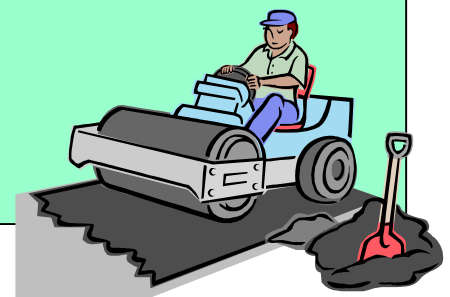
Unregistered contractors carry no bond or insurance to protect consumers.

Consumers can face serious issues if anything goes wrong on a job, including the potential for increased personal liability if the contractor violates state laws or county code while doing the work. Because unregistered contractors skip the expense of protecting the consumer, they also have an unfair bidding advantage over legal contractors in competition for jobs.

L&I has a handy checklist you can use to help start your next project off right by hiring the right people. That checklist can be found at

<http://www.lni.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Contractors/HireCon/Checklist/before1.asp>

HMC Members who contract for work that may affect HMC property, roadways, or right of way must use a licensed and bonded contractor registered with the State of Washington. HMC Management reserves the right to refuse permission for any contractor to work on HMC property unless they are properly licensed and bonded.





Upcoming Ferry Schedule Change

Many Members responded to the Board's request for feedback concerning a proposed change to the Summer ferry schedule.

There were a total of 62 responses and of those, 60% were in favor of the change, 30% were opposed, and 10% said they liked part, but not all of proposed changes.

Our Bylaws do not require a vote of the Membership to implement a change to the ferry schedule, but your Board felt it was important to seek Membership input before making a decision. It is clear that the majority of those Members who responded were in favor of the change so at the March Board meeting the Board voted to adopt the changes with the upcoming Summer schedule effective **April 1, 2013**.

At this point, the Winter Ferry Schedule remains unchanged but may be reviewed for consideration at a later date.

This change will not generate any additional cost to HMC.

To view the changes see the new Summer Schedule on Page 18.

Reminder: It's that time again. Our Summer Ferry Schedule begins April 1.

WINTER FERRY SCHEDULE (10/1 through 3/31)

MON		TUE		WED		THUR		FRI		SAT		SUN	
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Thanksgiving and
New Years:

Lv. Island 8:30, 11:30, 6:30
Lv. Mainland 9:00, 12:00, 7:00

Christmas: Lv. Island 8:30, 6:30
Lv. Mainland 9:00, 7:00

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

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Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day same as Sunday

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

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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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: _____

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