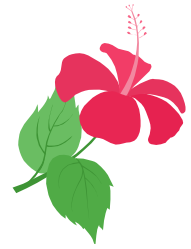




The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

May 2012



President's Message

As some of you may know, on May 5, I got married to my lovely bride Jena and went on a honeymoon in Sedona, Arizona. As I quickly learned upon my return, however, life doesn't stop on Herron Island. The only thing that did change while I was away was the scope of my duties and responsibilities, which now include enjoying the rest of my life with Jena and raising a teenage boy (!). That said, the honeymoon is over and here I am, "back in the saddle" with my President's Message for May 2012.

Our Water Project. By now, many of you have seen that a tremendous amount of work has been done around the island on the Water Project. All in all, the Water Project is proceeding well. As was fully expected, we've experienced traffic detours and delays, soft spots and potholes in the roadways, breaks in the old system (very brittle pipes), interruption of water service, and unexpected interruptions of certain utilities (phone, internet, cable). In each instance, our Island Manager, Claudia Ellsworth, our contractor, Massana Construction, and our project engineer, Jester Purttman of Northwest Water Systems, have been fully involved in the swift and professional resolution of each problem as it has arisen, and have taken steps to avoid these problems as work continues. For example, some of the trenching for the water pipe is now being dug by hand rather than by an excavator, in areas where the more "delicate touch" may help to avoid damage to existing systems.

Whenever we experience these challenges in the Water Project, the Island Manager and the HMC Office have been sending updates to all Members via the e-mail notification system. Many of you who have received these e-mails have responded positively to receiving the news, even though the news itself may not be so good. If you have not done so already, I urge you to sign up for e-mail notification with the HMC Office,

not only for Water Project information, but also to receive other important information as well.

We are also taking advantage of the room that we have in the budget for the Water Project to make some highly desirable upgrades to the basic water system and infrastructure. Already, we have authorized two changes: one to upgrade the piping and one to install a person gate in the fence surrounding the well site. We expect to make additional upgrades, including the installation of new well pumps and a new hydropneumatic tank, as well as refurbishing the well house. We're also planning on installing water meters that can be read electronically; the data gathered should be easy to integrate into our bookkeeping system for ease of billing and reduction in the overall administrative costs for the system.

Cross Connection Checklist. Each of you has been sent a Cross Connection Checklist, either in the mail or via e-mail. As required by the Washington State Department of Health (under WAC 246-290-490), HMC Management has a Cross Connection Control Program, the purpose of which is to protect our water system from contamination from individual end-user systems. For example, if the island water supply is directly connected to your landscape irrigation system, there is a risk that, under certain circumstances, water in that irrigation system could flow back into the island water system. (One way to prevent this particular "cross connection" is to install one or more backflow preventers in your system.) To comply with the provisions of the Cross Connection Control Program, you are each required to complete the certifications contained on the Cross Connection Checklist and send it back to the HMC Office by May 31, 2012.

Our Water Truck. We are looking into a replacement for our water truck, which we have determined is currently both unserviceable and unsafe. We use this

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truck to apply salt water on our island roads for dust control. The frame of our current truck is nearly rusted through (a hammer can easily poke holes in it) and the driveline and braking systems have been heavily corroded by the salt water we apply to our roads. Because of the unacceptable safety issues involved, we have taken the truck out of service for now and are making plans for extensive repairs or to dispose of it after taking off the "good parts." If we dispose of the old truck, we should be able to at least receive salvage money for it. We will also be able to cancel our insurance on the old truck - this will save us some money until we get a new truck.

Our Finances. The Finance Committee has been working on the proposed budget and has presented it to the Board for review and approval. The new proposed budget for fiscal year 2012-2013 was developed after a detailed examination of our historic budget practices over the past five years and in consideration of new laws that require us to further develop and implement our plan for the maintenance of adequate reserves going forward. These laws are set forth at Chapter 64.38 RCW regarding homeowners associations such as ours. To provide more information about our island finances, we are revising the website so that it has an easy link to our current and proposed budgets, as well as the new laws regarding reserves.

Our Committees. The Herron Island Water Committee has officially been formed and the Roads Committee is now fully functional. If you are an HMC Member in good standing, you are welcome to join these committees. Even if you are not an HMC Member in good standing, you are welcome to attend the committee meetings. To provide more information about these and other HMC committees, we are revising the website so that it has an easy link to committee webpages.

Assessable Units and Contiguous Lots. The Board is re-examining the definition of an "Assessable Unit." Over the past several years, the purchase and sale of various Lots here on Herron Island has, in some cases, reduced the number of Assessable Units on the island. Each time that the number of Assessable Units is reduced, this raises the share of Assessments that each of you must pay. Also, some Members see it unfair that some Members who own only one Lot are paying the same amount in Assessments as those who own two or more contiguous Lots. Right now, we are not contemplating that any existing Assessable Units would be affected by any proposed

changes to the Bylaws, but think that existing Assessable Units would probably be "grandfathered" in. To help us produce a Ballot Measure for presentation to the Membership, we ask for your input on this issue. Please put your comments and questions in writing and submit them to the HMC Office or to the Board at memberinput@herronisland.org.

Sale of HMC Lots. The Land Use Committee and the Board are currently considering updates to the policy regarding the sale of HMC Lots; this policy was last updated in 2006. Several factors are considered in determining 1) whether or not to sell an HMC-owned Lot, and 2) the terms of any such sale, such as price and financing. You should hear more about this shortly.

Our Roads. HMC Management owns our island roads and the right-of-way in which they are located. Any street signs, dirt, rocks, or other materials on the roads or in the right-of-way belong to HMC Management, and not to individual Members. So, unless you have express (*i.e.*, written) permission from HMC Management, don't remove any items from the roads or the right-of-way (except for tansy, as discussed below).

At its May meeting, the Board approved the creation of two short-term parking spaces at the bottom of Ferry Road next to the ramp. These two spaces will be dedicated for the use of people picking up or dropping off foot passengers for the ferry, and for people picking up newspapers or packages. Once they are marked, please do not park in these designated spaces for more than fifteen (15) minutes at a time.

Keeping Our Island Clean. The HMC Board has decided that will no longer conduct community burns at North Beach because of environmental and cost concerns. You are still encouraged to clean up dead wood and other debris on your individual properties. And you may still conduct your own individual burns on your own property, subject to any burn ban or other rules or regulations in effect, or you may choose to rent a chipper-shredder or simply haul your debris off the island.

HMC will still strive to keep the HMC properties and the road right-of-way clean and clear (which is really hard to do during construction on the Water Project). One area in which we could use some help is the removal of tansy from the island roads; if you happen to see tansy on island roads, we ask that you please pull it and dispose of it

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properly. Please see the article on tansy later in this edition of the Beachcomber.

Our Rules. Several Members have expressed concern that the Rules are ineffective in that it seems they are not being enforced by anyone. While some Rules violations are so egregious that they warrant the immediate filing of a Rules Complaint, this is not always necessary. Many times, you can resolve the issue simply by talking to each other and reminding each other of the Rules and why we have them. If that doesn't resolve the issue, you are encouraged to informally report the matter to the Island Manager and the HMC Office. Depending on the circumstances, the Island Manager then has the authority to write to the "offending party" to notify them of the violation, and to direct that they comply with the Rules. If the matter remains unresolved, the Member observing the violation will typically be invited to file a written Rules Complaint, at which point the Rules Committee and the Board of Directors will become involved.

As you can see, the initial steps to address a violation of the Rules do not involve the Rules Committee or the Board. Please remember that the Rules are not self-enforcing – their effectiveness depends entirely on the involvement of our Membership – each of you.

Our Board Member Elections. You should soon receive your Ballot Packages for the upcoming June elections to select new Board members. Fortunately, four candidates have submitted their applications to fill three available positions. This next year (2013), we may again have three positions to fill on the Board (because I was brought onto the Board in the middle of an election cycle, I can only serve a one-year term if elected). Overall, the quality of our candidates is superb and your choices may be tough. Good luck.

Mark B. Anderson
President, HMC Management Board of Directors

Are You on the List?

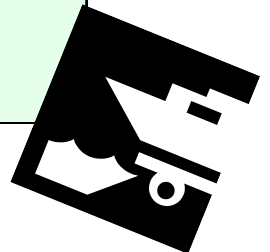


HMC now has 228 Member email addresses on the notification list. If you want to receive updates about the water project, get notice of the online Beachcomber, or get the latest on windstorms, power outages, water line breakages, or other news, please send an email to office@herronisland.org and request that your email address be added. To be used for HMC purposes only.

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 24th through Monday, May 28th.

Note: Monday, May 28th the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.



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**Herron Island Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
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 days before Board meetings.**

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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 May 12, 2012

Administration:

Volunteers: We'll defer this to Parks and to all the island volunteers who installed floats, cleaned parks, built fences and helped with other projects.

Scotch Broom is growing on the island rights of way. This is classified as a noxious weed, and we welcome the efforts of any volunteer who wants to eradicate the pest, along with Tansy Ragwort.

Insurance: We received our renewal premium notices, and were please that the insurance on docks was reduced by \$1159, as a result of the piling replacement. Other premiums were unchanged.

Island Cleanup: The Health Department has informed me that the property at 117 E. Madrona is now in compliance. 1015 West Yew is not. At the April meeting, Members asked that the owner of properties at 1110, 1112 and 1114 East Herron be asked to clean up piles of trash on those lots. The owner has responded, and promised cleanup in June. A second issue concerned a van parked in the HMC right of way; the van has been removed.

Water System Maintenance and Operations: Earlier this month a Member accidentally cut through a service line. Instead of phoning Washington Water at 253-851-4060 to repair the break, another Member voluntarily closed off the broken line. At about the same time, the construction crew broke through another line to the west of the first break. Both breaks were repaired and tested for coliform bacteria. Coliform was found, but it was not fecal or E. coli contamination. The water was, and has been consistently, safe to drink. WWSC has performed all the follow up testing required.

A third leak at 920 West Herron was in the old system and was repaired on Wednesday.

Other leaks are occurring in the old system, which need repair. These couldn't be detected during the winter rainy season. Please see the engineer's report below, and remember to phone WWSC if a leak occurs.

Water System Project:

From the Project Engineer:

"Water main installation for Loop one was completed on Friday, May 4 and construction appears to be accelerating with improving weather. A hydrant has been installed on West Madrona (about 50 feet north of the old hydrant location) so that the water truck and fire truck can be filled if necessary. The pipe install is going well from a technical standpoint: the material excavated so far has been excellent for installing water mains, with easy compactable sands and clays, few large rocks and virtually no sharp ones rocks, good soil density supporting the pipe, and excellent cover material. These are very in-line with both our specifications and the pipe manufacturer's instructions for pipe installation. (As required by construction standards, the inspectors perform compaction testing on regular basis and document the results in their log books.) With a little luck this will be the course of the project!

We have experienced a couple of line breaks and leaks in the past two weeks, and Washington Water has done a superb job of getting on site quickly for samples, and chlorinating the reservoir as necessary. We can unfortunately expect this to continue for another two months, because the old system is almost impossible to find and is very brittle when it is "located by excavator". The contractor has gone to great lengths, with several days of hand digging logged so far, trying to minimize breaks. This week we have made several improvements to our process for locating water main, which will hopefully reduce the frequency of these breaks.

This week the construction crew will be moving along West Madrona to Maple, and then will continue clockwise along Loop 5 (Maple to West Herron Blvd to East Herron Blvd and back to Maple Dr.). The portion along Maple Drive has the highest density of underground phone and power lines, so if something is going to go wrong this will probably be

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when it happens. Hopefully the locate services are accurate and the one Century Link break experienced so far is the only failure. If a second crew hits the ground this week, or if locating services are delayed, it is likely that they will start work at Herron Lane or West Yew Blvd.

We have fielded a couple questions on how the process will work and when the system will be transferred that deserve an answer so that everyone is on the same page with what to expect. The main line installation requires more large equipment and the most disturbing to normal island life, and is being completed in a first phase between now and late June or early July.

In a second phase the crews will make a second “lap” around the island installing service laterals (the pipe from the mainline to your meter) and meter setters (the little box that the meter sits in), which can be accomplished with smaller equipment and is less disruptive, probably completed in July. Once the system is flushed and purity samples show the new lines are clean and ready to go, meters will be installed and service lines connected, and you will be on the new system. Once the final work has been done the contractor will pick a clear day and give the roads a final grade to restore them to their previous state. The reason for this phasing is to get the work that requires the heaviest equipment and is the most disruptive to island life done before your island gets busy this summer.”

Three Phase Power Installation:

(Emailed to Members on Thursday, May 9) *On Friday, May 10, Pen Light moved trucks to the island to begin installation of three phase power to the pump house. This change will "smooth out" the startup demand for power from the pumps, and hopefully reduce our power demands long term. It might also be an answer to the occasional "brown out" that could be attributable to the pumps starting up. Expect the installation to take a few weeks.*

Changing the power supply and pumps could result in reduced power demand and, for those of you who are interested in green power, reducing our demand for power is a positive contribution to global warming. It should reduce HMC's power bills and have a positive effect on water rates.

This work will be occurring along Ferry Road (from the ferry dock) along East Herron Road, and crossing over to East Madrona to the pump house. The lines will be strung overhead.

This is a very important piece of the project, but once again, it could cause difficulty with traffic. Our goal continues to get through a large part of the inconvenience before Memorial Day and the beginning of summer festivities.

ADA Compliance: Gary Wanzong has drawn a plan for the ADA restroom that will be reviewed by USDA. This work, along with repair of the threshold to the community building side entrance, and the ADA parking space, will be separately contracted.

Water System Modifications:

The construction contract as originally bid was “bare bones” with only the minimal standard meters and no upgrades to the well site other than replacement of the pumps. On the recommendation of our project engineer and contractor, following further review of the system, the following modifications will be reviewed by the engineer and submitted for approval:

Replacement of well pumps: These are aging pumps, and without replacing them Pen Light will require us to install a “soft start” mechanism which costs \$6-\$9,000 per pump. Replacing the pumps at this time is cost effective, especially in extending the life of the system.

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Hydro pneumatic tank (the big silver thing): Generally these have a life of 50 years, and ours is nearly 60 years old. It will be removed and replaced with a bladder tank at a cost of \$800.

Replace old yard piping: Lower priority, will explore costs to replace; again, old system components should probably be replaced as part of entire project.

Explore using old reservoir as storage for system repair and replacement parts.

Repair/refurbish old pump house: this structure has seen better days and could be repaired/replaced at low cost.

Selection of Meters: Standard meters are in the original bid. Judy Greinke and the Water Advisory Committee have been working on meter selection, with preference for a radio read meter that could integrate with our QuickBooks system to produce bills, as an efficiency measure.

This addresses all major system components. Decisions on these items will be made on a priority basis, with the first item being the well pumps. Once the well pumps are spec'd, Pen Light can install the three phase power from the ferry dock to the pump house. Even with all the modifications above, the project should still remain about 25% under the budget of \$2,308,700.

Second Crew Begins Monday: We've been notified that a second construction crew will be on the island Monday, May 14. With good weather, the pace of construction could more than double.

Herron Island Water Committee:

The committee met for the first time on April 20th, and again on May 11, and will submit its report at the Board meeting.

Fire Department Liaison: The Fire Department was advised that the hydrant has been restored and is functioning.

Land Use: The Land Use Committee's draft policy and procedure regarding sale of HMC lots has been thoroughly reviewed and is near completion, following a lot of hard work and careful thought by committee members.

Emergency Preparedness: Committee report.

Although I did not attend the most recent Hazard Mitigation meeting at Pierce County, I did provide an update of some materials to the coordinator. PCDEM is asking that we confirm the update and return it to the coordinator, Katie Gillespie, and so I will be forwarding that document to the Emergency Preparedness Committee for review.

Legal Liaison: There are currently 10 delinquencies, of which seven are with the island attorney. This is a delinquency rate of 2.5%.

Parks: Committee Report

"May 2012 Parks Report: All-in-all a job well done! Parks Appreciation Day was a success! Numerous Members began working on projects earlier in the month. Thirty-eight showed up on April 28th. Some are still working on, or planning to work on, projects still in progress. Much was and is being accomplished. Thanks to each who participated! Special thanks to those who volunteered their equipment (boats, trucks, post-hole digger, trailer, chain saw and special tools) and to everyone who provided food – it was a delicious lunch.

Please remember the docks are here for all Members and guests. The 24 hour rule applies and spot checks are being performed and rules complaints will be filed. It's about respect! Respect the rules! Respect others! Gain respect back!"

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Roads:

Committee Report.

Gravel, rocks or dirt are not to be removed from HMC road rights of way without permission from the HMC Office. Roads, and the materials that comprise them, are the property of HMC and if removed, should be first used by HMC to serve all Members.

Rules: There are no pending complaints. The redrafting of the Rules continues. The Committee has reviewed the most recent draft and made some additional edits.

Transportation:

Paul Jensen, relief captain and deck hand, has resigned. He has accepted fulltime employment on an Arizona tour boat.

Pierce County Wharf Easement Inspection:

We have received two responses to our request for proposals for routine maintenance of the ferry ramps. American Construction's proposal to replace the two life cables, two deck planks and repair the tower pedestals (and clean them) is \$16,500; Quigg Bros proposal is in terms of cost per day for equipment, materials and labor. American previously worked on the terminals and paid a site visit to determine what work needed to be done. Both proposals require a little more scrutiny before we can make a proposal to the Board. Neither of them proposed a price for spot sanding and painting.

Technology: No report.

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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.

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.





Helpful Tips to Get Us Through the Water Project

1. If you see signs about construction or work in progress, please avoid these areas. There are times when you can cross the road safely and when you should not cross the road at all - we will let you know.
2. Please do not approach any construction work zone closer than 50 feet.
3. Please don't attempt to drive through the construction zones, especially when there are any workers or equipment there – go around whenever possible.
4. Please drive in the center of the roads when possible and, in any event, avoid driving on areas that look like they have been “dug up” by the contractor. Please do not drive on the edges of the road where it appears that any construction has been completed.
5. Please plan ahead to arrive at the ferry well in advance of your intended trip. This way, you minimize the chance that you will miss the ferry because you are caught behind the contractor's equipment or trucks.
6. Please don't call the Project Engineer or talk directly with anyone on the construction crew. So they can concentrate on their work, please talk to the Island Manager instead.
7. If for some reason you still want to get attention of the jobsite supervisor, please talk to the Resident Inspector first. Our Resident Inspectors are willing to answer your questions, but please cooperate with them to keep yourself safe, and don't be offended if they can't answer everything.
8. If you have questions that are more project-related, please talk to the Island Manager. The best way to reach our Island Manager is to email her at hmcmanager@herronisland.org. If you are not “email friendly,” then please contact the HMC Office at (253) 884-9350.
9. You will periodically find cones in the middle of the roads - these identify locations for the new system valves. Please do not run down these cones, as they are meant to not only locate the valves but also protect the tops of the new valves.
10. You will probably find soft or squishy areas on the road and those areas will continue to be soft or squishy until the final compaction, especially if we get rain. Until the contractor gets the full compaction done, some people might get stuck. *See items 1-4 above.*
11. If you have to go to work or leave your driveway for other reasons, and we are digging right in front of you, contact us at least thirty minutes ahead of time so we can help you cross any ditch safely. If you know that you will have a problem getting a car into your driveway, you may consider parking further down the road until your driveway is accessible.
12. Don't pull green retaining straps out of the roadway or roadside! These green straps mark future service meter locations! If these spots are no longer marked, the contractor will have a good reason to charge us for the time it takes to find the service location again, and this will cost us all money.

HERRON ISLAND “ROADS” COMMITTEE

Your Herron Island ROADS Committee is getting organized with a Mission Statement and Charter and would welcome additional members. The Board approved our recommendation to designate 2 parking spaces at the bottom of Ferry Hill next to the ferry dock. These 2 parking spots will be reserved for 15 minute parking for people to get their newspaper, drop off ferry passes, or drop off walk- on passengers for the ferry.

Our roadways will be disturbed to some degree for awhile longer as the water project is making progress. Thanks for member's patience and to keep roads usable, you can help:

Clean out your culverts and ditches. This keeps rainwater flowing and avoids overflow onto the roads causing more mud and potholes.

Pick up litter and cut tall grass along ditches and sides of road

Remove and/or cut back huckleberry and overhanging branches for better visibility and safety for people and vehicles.

Take no rocks or dirt from sides of roads. The contractor or HMC may use this in the future.

Can't do your own clean-up work? Ask Merry Kogut (253-884-8484) for the referral list.

Want to place your name on the “for hire list” contact Merry Kogut - mkogut@lawyer.com

Removing Tansy Ragweed from Herron Island is a Pierce County requirement. Yes, we see it everywhere off the island, but it doesn't keep the inspectors from visiting us 2-3 times each summer and issuing fine warnings. It is growing now... let's get it pulled out before inspection.

The Herron Island Water Truck has just been proclaimed – **dead!** Many years of good service and constant work of watering our island roads will always be remembered and appreciated. We are already missing the benefits that truck provided because of our construction and a very dry spring. **PLEASE!** Drive even slower than usual! **At 5 miles per hour – you stir up very little dust. It can be hard to do but try it and see. Your fellow islanders will thank you.**



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIP OF THE MONTH

DOWNED POWER LINE ON YOUR VEHICLE

Wet pavement...your vehicle skids out of control...you strike a power pole. Or, during a wind storm...a falling tree drops a power line onto your vehicle. When an exposed power line rests on your vehicle, your vehicle is charged with the same voltage carried in that line. In the movies, a downed line sparks and jumps around. That sometimes happens, but usually power lines just lie there. Don't be fooled by this inactivity. That live wire can still contain enough energy to power an entire neighborhood.

What to do?

If you are not in your vehicle when a power line comes in contact with it, **DO NOT TOUCH THE VEHICLE** (for obvious reasons) and do not even approach the vehicle. Make every effort to notify emergency personnel of the situation immediately, but stay in the vicinity to warn others away.

If you are in your vehicle when a power line comes in contact with it, **STAY INSIDE YOUR VEHICLE** if at all possible. As long as you remain in your vehicle, you should be relatively safe. Crack your window (do not open it fully) and tell anyone approaching your vehicle to **STAY BACK**. **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DRIVE AWAY** from the downed line. You can make matters worse because you don't know the path the line will take and you could endanger other people in the area. **WAIT FOR HELP TO ARRIVE!**

If you *must* exit your vehicle due to fire or other peril, follow this procedure:

- Remove your seatbelt and open the door.
- Stand at the edge of the door without making any contact with the ground.
- Cross your arms in front of you.
- Jump with both feet at once and land on the ground on both feet.
- As you jump, remove all contact from the car. It is important that you **DO NOT TOUCH THE VEHICLE AND THE GROUND AT THE SAME TIME**.
- The ground around you may be charged with power. As you move away from the area, try to hop with both feet together. Keeping your feet together limits your exposure to the charge around you.
- Once you are away from the area, do not approach it again until the power line is removed.

PRACTICE THIS PROCEDURE
Be Prepared!



RESIDENTIAL FIRE PIT ETIQUETTE

(Note: We are including this article again, because it is so close to the Holiday weekend and many of you will be having small residential fires.)

Now that summer is just around the corner, we're dreaming of those balmy evenings with family and friends gathered around our fire pits. The air is full of laughter, shared memories, and the aroma of S'mores. While all this is wonderful, legal, and fun, we need to remember that our "good times" may be a nuisance and, in some cases, a hazard to our neighbors. Here are some simple suggestions so that you can be a "good neighbor" while enjoying your fire pit.

- Burn only dry firewood. Generate as little smoke as possible.
- Check the wind direction.
- Notify your neighbors in advance.
- **Better yet ... invite your neighbor.**
- Be sensitive to the neighbor who may have asthma or other breathing difficulties.
- Even a "hot" fire emits the smell of smoke so consider how frequently you have a fire.
- Remember to refrain from loud voices, loud music, etc. between the hours of 10 pm and 8 am.



Per the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, it's always illegal to smoke out your neighbors. If they complain, you are required to put the fire out immediately.

Additionally

- Any outdoor fire must be continuously attended. Abandoning a fire could result in heavy fines.
- Burning of trash is never allowed.

For more details of island and government burning regulations, please check out the Burn Rules section of our website at www.herronisland.org.

Bottom-Line

It's been a long, long, rainy, winter. We're all looking forward to a fun, safe, and harmonious summer. Let's do everything we can make that happen for ourselves and our neighbors.

HERRON ISLAND WATER COMMITTEE (HIWC)

Our Herron Island Water Committee is established to provide continuity in the administration and operation of our Water System as the advisory committee to the Island Manager and the HMC Management Board of Directors.

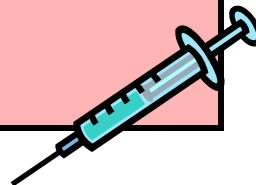
The committee is assisting with setting up HMC Water Files and organizing them by connection address in preparation for the new water metering system coming soon. The Washington State Department of Health requires HMC to have a Cross Connection Control Plan. The first step is to document all HMC connections that may require a backflow prevention device. If you have not already done so, please fill out the Cross Connection Checklist, published in this Beachcomber, and return it to the HMC office as soon as possible. Returning your completed form in a timely manner saves office time and money for remailing.

Setting up procedures for water system breaks on Herron Island is another task this committee is researching to recommend to the Island Manager. We are all looking forward to fewer water leaks and water line breakage with our new distribution lines, but procedures are still necessary. With our new connection base water system, there will eventually be some changes in water fees and policies.

This newly formed committee welcomes additional members. Watch for the next meeting date to be posted on line and consider joining this important committee.

Mark your calendars now to take advantage of this offer:

Dr. Roes of Key Center will be on Herron Island on October 15th at about 4:20 at the Community Center to provide flu shots for our membership.





HMC MANAGEMENT

HERRON ISLAND WATER - Cross Connection Checklist

Cross Connection Control Program is required by Washington State Department of Health (DOH) WAC 246-290-490

All owners of properties connecting to the water system are required to certify the following. Your prompt completion and return is appreciated.

Name_____

Herron Island Address_____

Mailing Address_____

Contact number(s)_____

Does your Herron Island property have any of the following?

Landscape irrigation system	Yes___ No___
Swimming pool	Yes___ No___
Residential fire sprinkler system	Yes___ No___
Hot Water Radiant floor heating system	Yes___ No___
Solar heating	Yes___ No___
Greenhouse with misting or watering system	Yes___ No___
Decorative or fish pond with water connection	Yes___ No___
Grey water "treated wastewater effluent" system	Yes___ No___
Hot tub or spa with direct water connection	Yes___ No___
Water treatment system (i.e. water softener)	Yes___ No___
Medical equipment connected to water supply	Yes___ No___
Photo developing lab	Yes___ No___
Water supply to boat or dock moorage	Yes___ No___
Currently have a backflow prevention device installed?	Yes___ No___
If yes, what model? _____	
Any other device connected to potable water supply?	Yes___ No___

If yes, explain, _____

I certify that the above is true.

Date

Please return this form when paying your water bill by MAY 31, 2012.

Mail to: PO Box 119, Lakebay, WA 98349

Fax to: 253 884-5047

Email to: Office@herronisland.org

All-in-all - a job well done!

Parks Appreciation Day April 28 was a success! Individuals take time out of their busy life to contribute to getting the Parks ready for summer! Each year we get a different mix - sometimes the date of the event presents a conflict and those **who came the year before don't make it. We are always happy to have all the help** we get. Numerous members started working on projects prior to the event. 38 showed up on April 28. Some are still working on, or planning to work on, projects still in progress. Much was, and is being accomplished. Thanks to all who were able to participate!

Special thanks to those who volunteered their equipment (boats, trucks, post-hole digger, trailer, chain saw and special tools).

Special thanks to Dick Mowry - once again he provided his experience and equipment to move the small boat docks. Dick takes on this job with a bunch of volunteers and year after year the docks are moved safely and without incident.

For the past several years the Parks Committee prepared and provided lunch. This past fall and for this event, an effort was spearheaded by Dianne DeGood, to promote community members to support the Parks volunteers by providing lunch. We thank Dianne and all who provided food - it was a delicious lunch!

Take time to personally thank our volunteers! Each one made a difference!
(The names are not listed in any particular order—and as always we make every effort to include all participants—if your name was left off we apologize.)

Carol Crowley. Philip Foster. Dick and I pun Mowry. Mike Shettlesworth. John Farris and Terrill Chilson. Andy and Sherri Anderson. Anita Bray. Kathy Deuster and Dana Gruber. Jack and Nancy Wells. Pat Zazzo. Gary and Beth Wanzong. Wally and Bev Seamon. Max and Opal Hochanadel. Merry Kogut. Steve Kramer. Leslie Sanderson. Mike and Judy Gage. Nancy Broege. Jim Davies. Janet Podell. Steve and Vicki Drury. Mark, Michelle and Ashley Ackerman. Kim Oo. Dallas Amidon. Frank VanRavenswaay. Dianne DeGood. Tracy and Carolyn Anspach. Judy Greinke. Donnie Surratt.

Thank-you! Thank-you! Thank-you!

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HERRON ISLAND BOOSTERS, A WA STATE NON-PROFIT CORPORATION - INCORPORATED JUNE 12, 2011

The Herron Island BOOSTERS are in full swing again this year. Please check the Herron Island website (www.herronisland.org) for important BOOSTERS notices and upcoming projects.

Election of BOOSTERS Officers – Join your neighbors and become an active part of this island support system. Three new Co-Officers are needed for this coming year.

BOOSTERS Bylaws – Read these on-line and send any questions or suggestions to hiboosters@yahoo.com.

Proposed BOOSTERS Projects – A variety of upcoming projects is presented on the HMC website for a June approval vote.

Memorial Day Weekend Activities: Check out the great flyer describing the planned events for Memorial Day weekend on Herron Island. Come and join your friends and fellow BOOSTERS and participate in all of the planned activities.

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New women's designer purses, shoes, clothing, jewelry, jewelry boxes, lamps, furniture, fishing, bone hunting knives, elkhorns, collector books, maps, tools, building materials, bedding, Aladdin oil lamp, Brass El Camino Real Mission Bell, lithographs, C. M. Russell Indian pictures, rock and mineral collection, cement bear collection, temporary breaker box, pressure washer, Craftsman riding mower, much more. Helen Provencal, 22608 So. Herron Blvd., (Near South Beach trail) 253.884.2571. Anytime. Sale both inside and outside the house.

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BOOSTERS Memorial Day Weekend Fun

Saturday, May 26—Goodpastor Park

Let's play ball! East vs. West...

10:30 am

Registration—All Players

11:00 am—1:00 pm

Youth Game (ages 5-12 play)

1:30 pm—3:00 pm (or 7 innings)

Adult Game (ages 13 and up play)

Tailgate Party Support your team! Join others and cheer them on! Have open tailgates - meet your neighbors and share your snacks.

Sunday, May 27—North Beach Park

Start your day at 9:00 am with a Cinnamon Roll and something warm to drink. Then stop by the Apparel table, buy the latest Herron Island T-shirt and sign-up to become a BOOSTER member! (\$3.00 per person.) **Next explore the “Community Junk in Your Trunk” event to find** hidden treasure. Enjoy a fun morning on Herron Island - have breakfast, get the latest logo design, help build our community and go shopping - A perfect start to the day!

10:00 am Flag Raising

12:00 Noon Sailboat Race Mono-hull/Multi-hull

The start and finish point is the line of sight between North Beach flag pole and the outboard end of the mainland ferry dock. Note: Racers please plan to return your trailers to your property during the race or make other arrangements per HMC Rule E-4.

6:00 pm **Kayak “Paddle-Round” Leisurely paddle around the island.**

Upcoming Events

Join us on June 9 for our First BOOSTERS Annual Meeting. Members will be voting on our Bylaws, Project Proposals and the election of three new Officers. Mark your calendar for the BOOSTERS 4th of July events on July 7 and 8. “Jack Smack and Celiacks” are returning for a musical fun filled evening in the Park.

Our Amazing Volunteers

What is a vol·un·teer?: A person who performs or offers to perform a service **voluntarily (of one's own free will); a person who renders aid or assumes an obligation voluntarily; a person who does charitable or helpful work without pay.**

Volunteerism provides a rich and valuable resource for the Membership of Herron Island. Many Volunteers give their time, performing tasks or services on behalf of the island. Please take time to appreciate the work and service of our Volunteers.

Around the island, we have Volunteers who step up to be Board Members and Committee Members (if you don't know already, we have committees for Finance, Parks, Water, Land Use, Roads, Rules, and Emergency Preparedness). We have Volunteers who help year-round and those who help only on Parks Appreciation Day. We have Volunteers who help any time there is something that they can do that will help all of us on the island. We have Volunteers who clean up limbs along the roadways, and Volunteers who take on tasks working on dock repairs, help with Membership mailings, install fences and posts, do carpenter work, and research grants. We have Volunteers who get the garbage out at the Community Center every week and others who see that the garbage is put out for pickup at North Beach. We have Volunteers who move the Fire Truck out of the Community Center for all meetings and events. We have Volunteers who pick up garbage thrown in the ditches. We have Volunteers who review and update HMC documents/policies etc., and Volunteers who update the bulletin boards around the island and update the **ferry brochures... the list goes on and on and on.**

We depend on and are grateful for all of our Volunteers here on the island. Volunteers save Membership money. We would not have such a lovely wonderful island without the work of our amazing Volunteers.

If you see something you can do for the island in an area where you have experience, please consider stepping up to volunteer your time and services.

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!”**



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

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

**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.

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.



2012 Ferry schedule Cancellations/Adjustments

April

<i>Sun, April 8</i>	<i>1:30 pm -2:00 pm cancelled 2:30 pm may leave late</i>
<i>Mon, April 9</i>	<i>2:30 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Tue, April 10</i>	<i>3:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Wed, April 11</i>	<i>3:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled 4:30 pm may leave late</i>

May

<i>Sat, May 5</i>	<i>10:30 am – 12:00 noon cancelled</i>
<i>Sun, May 6</i>	<i>11:30 am – 2:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Mon, May 7</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 3:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Tue, May 8</i>	<i>12:00 pm -12:30 pm no shuttles 3:30 pm may leave late</i>
<i>Wed, May 9</i>	<i>3:30 pm -4:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Thu, May 10</i>	<i>3:30 pm -4:00 pm cancelled</i>

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 24th through Monday, May 28th.

Note: Monday, May 28th the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.

JUNE

<i>Sat, June 2</i>	<i>9:30 am – 12:00 noon cancelled</i>
<i>Sun, June 3</i>	<i>10:00 am leaves early 10:30 am – 12:00 noon cancelled</i>
<i>Mon, June 4</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Tue, June 5</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Wed, June 6</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Thu, June 7</i>	<i>3:30 pm – 4:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Mon, June 18</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Tue, June 19</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Wed, June 20</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Sat, June 30</i>	<i>8:30 am – 10:00 am cancelled</i>

Independence Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported Wednesday, July 4th only.

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

Please note cancelled runs over this holiday week.

JULY

<i>Sun, July 1</i>	<i>8:30 am – 9:00 am no shuttles 9:30 am – 12:00 noon cancelled ADD: 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm</i>
<i>Mon, July 2</i>	<i>9:30 am – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Tue, July 3</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Wed, July 4</i>	<i>11:30 am – 2:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Thu, July 5</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Fri, July 6</i>	<i>2:30 pm – 3:00 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Wed, July 18</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Thu, July 19</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Sun, July 29</i>	<i>8:30 am – 10:00 am cancelled</i>
<i>Mon, July 30</i>	<i>8:30 am – 9:00 am no shuttles 9:30 am – 10:00 am cancelled</i>
<i>Tue, July 31</i>	<i>12:00 noon leaves late</i>

AUGUST

<i>wed, August 1</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>
<i>Thu, August 2</i>	<i>12:00 noon – 12:30 pm cancelled</i>

*No shuttle means only one trip for that time

Labor Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after Thursday, August 30th through Monday, September 3rd.

Note: Monday, September 3rd the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.

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Longbranch Community Church

16518 46th Street KPS, Longbranch, WA

Pastor John Day

253.884.9339

We are an inter-denominational community of faith, welcoming all who seek Christ.

Longbranch Church would like to invite all our friends on Herron Island to join us for Church services on Sundays starting at 10:30 AM, giving residents plenty of time to catch the noon ferry back to the island if wished.

On the 3rd Sunday of every month we hold a Bluegrass Jam session. Bring your instruments or voices and join us for a evening of playing or singing along. Refreshments are served, or bring your favorites to share. Starts at 6 PM till you need to leave to catch the last ferry or 8:30 PM for the diehards.

Longbranch Community Church is the oldest church on the Key Peninsula. The little White Church on the hill represents over 100 years of Christian service to the community.

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Notice of Annual Membership Meeting of HMC Management

You will be receiving a **Notice of the Annual Membership Meeting** to be held on Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 12:00 Noon at the HMC Community Building. At the meeting, the membership will be voting to fill the three (3) vacancies on the Board of Directors. This is your opportunity to vote for those candidates who you believe will best help our Herron Island Community go in the direction you want to go. All of the candidates have strong qualifications, so read through their applications before you make the decision. **It is important that everyone takes the time to vote. Be sure to cast your ballot properly so it can be counted.**

Résumés of the candidates are contained on the following pages.
Mark Anderson and Sherri Anderson are not related.



BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

(Please complete and return to HMC office by 10:00 AM, May 12, 2012)

NAME (as you would like to have it listed on the ballot): MARK B. ANDERSON

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 11

OCCUPATION: Attorney

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: Attorney (15+ years)

U.S. Navy Nuclear Submarine Officer (21 years total naval service)

Rotary Club of Tacoma No. 8 (9 years, with 2 year term as Board Member)

Breath of Aire (not-for profit faith-based choir - 8 years - Board Member)

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

Institution	Type of Training
<u>U.S. Naval Academy (Annapolis)</u>	<u>B.S. 1977 -- Operations Research</u>
<u>U.S. Navy Nuclear Engineer School</u>	<u>Certification 1982 -- Nuclear Propulsion Plant Operation/Maintenance</u>
<u>Seattle University School of Law</u>	<u>J.D. 1995 -- Law</u>

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Board President June 2011 to present; Board Vice President June 2010 to June 2011; Board Member January 2010 to present; Land Use Committee Member 2003 to present; legal service provider 2006 to 2009.;

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

- 1) Streamline administration of the new water system, and evaluate and update HMC Bylaws and Rules as needed,
- 2) continue to improve Board/Membership relationships for a more cooperative environment, 3) continue to exercise sound fiscal responsibility and accountability, and 4) get more Members involved at every level of Island operations.

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

Our community has grown tremendously in many areas: more dedicated volunteers, greater fiscal sensitivity and accountability, more neighborly relationships, and overall improvement in the quality of our Island life. We have applied ourselves tirelessly to finally accomplishing ambitious improvements to our infrastructure, the most notable example of which is the new water distribution system. I consider it an honor to have been a member of your Board during all of this, and am looking forward to an opportunity to continuing serving you, our Members.

Candidate's Signature:



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BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

(Please complete and return to HMC office by 10:00 AM, May 12, 2012)

NAME (as you would like to have it listed on the ballot): Sherri Anderson

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: One

OCCUPATION: Accountant-Financial Analyst

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

I have over 25 years experience in Finance, of which 21 years has been working for Providence Health & Services (PH&S). I managed the Accounting Department in Oregon for over 8 years. In 2011 transferred up to Washington to be part of PH&S Corporate Financial Reporting which consolidates financials for 6 states. Some of my volunteer experience includes being nominated as President and Secretary of bowling leagues, volunteered on work committees such as Employee of the Month, Mission and Team Building Committees. I have received two Employee of the Month awards with PH&S.

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

Institution	Type of Training
<u>Portland State University</u>	<u>Bachelor's Degree of Science with Business/Accounting Major</u>
<u>Providence Health & Services</u>	<u>Leadership/Management and Crucial Conversation trainings</u>

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Volunteered for Rules Committee and nominated as Secretary. Actively attends and participates in monthly board meetings. Volunteer for Parks Cleanup, 2011 and 2012.

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

Reduce assessments. Resolution on mainland security issues/concerns. I would like to see a change in the reputation of the board to be perceived as working with the members and not against them.

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

As a board member, with my many years of financial experience, I intend to get a handle of the expenses and to work on reduction of assessments. With the economy the way it is there must be ways to cut down on costs. I know that several members are on fixed incomes and the increasing assessments are driving these and other members away from the wonderful Island life. This must stop. I want to be sure that mainland security issues and concerns are resolved satisfactorily. You can feel at ease in expressing your concerns, ideas, comments, feedback or anything else as I will listen. Being part of the board I work for the members, which is you.

Candidate's Signature: 

BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

(Please complete and return to HMC office by 10:00 AM, May 12, 2012)

NAME (*as you would like to have it listed on the ballot*): Lita O. Monaghan

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 5

OCCUPATION: Senior Manager, Business Analytics at OpenMarket Inc.

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: My professional career is rooted in high-tech, focusing on continuous process improvement and quality. My passion for data led me to become a Certified Six Sigma Black Belt, where I have pursued statistical, analytical and operational roles in recent years. I have extensive experience implementing and managing large-scale capital projects, improving efficiency and costs and participating on various global cross-functional teams. I am an active member of the Grant PTA, where a volunteerism essay about an application I developed for the annual school auction awarded me a Milgard Scholarship (\$6,500!) through my MBA program. Most recently, I was appointed by the Tacoma City Manager to the Parking Management Advisory Task Force, whose mission is to advise and assist in the successful management of the on-street parking systems in downtown Tacoma.

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

Institution	Type of Training
<u>University of Washington</u>	<u>MBA, Beta Gamma Sigma (August 2012)</u>
<u>University of Michigan</u>	<u>Certified Six Sigma Black Belt (2006)</u>
<u>Linfield College</u>	<u>BA, Mathematics, Physics Minor, Cum Laude (1997)</u>

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES: As a property owner for five years, I have primarily stayed on the sidelines, dedicating my time spent on the island to my young children. I have participated and encouraged my children's participation in various Booster events, with my fondest memory being the elder generation of the islanders coaching and mentoring the youth, specifically my son in his first ever softball game last year.

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

Change is hard and people are naturally resistant to it, but it is often necessary. As such, one goal I have would be to provide transparency and rationale for my decision-making in hopes of facilitating high adoption rates of any proposed changes aimed to improve the community. Another goal is to protect the assets of Herron Island, which can be physical in nature, but an often overlooked asset of HMC is our people. We have processes and structures in place because of our people—volunteers and professionals—and it would be my goal to enhance the level of support and guidance to ensure that our people have the tools and resources they need to be successful, which ultimately benefits all stakeholders of Herron Island.

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

While there are many tactical decisions that are critical for assuring equitable enjoyment of the island for everyone, I feel it is also of great importance to focus on the strategic decisions that add the most value to the island, protect our assets and generate revenue streams to adequately fund future outlays. I will be dedicated to leaving a positive legacy for the next generation of islanders, which requires minimizing myopic views that only seek short-term benefits. This approach may not always be ideal for a few, but hopefully serves to positively impact every person for long-term gains. Herron Island has provided a special sanctuary for me and my family and I am passionate about giving back to the community to continuously improve conditions for all. Learn more about me and my candidacy at <http://hmc.lmonaghan.com>.

Candidate's Signature: _____

BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

NAME: Janet Podell

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 13 +

OCCUPATION: Procurement Agent for The Boeing Company (Boeing Research & Technology Division)

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: I have been employed by The Boeing Company for the past 25 years in various Procurement positions around the company. My responsibilities have included managing employees who were responsible for purchasing supplies and services that contributed to running the daily operations of the entire Boeing Company. This computed to more than \$150M/year over which I had direct contractual responsibility. Prior to Boeing, I had 13 years in procurement, bringing a total of 38 years of business experience to the table. Over the course of my career I have also managed process improvement teams and developed employee recognition plans. I have strong communication skills and pride myself on being organized.

EDUCATION OR TRAINING: I grew up in England, attended and graduated school there. I regularly attend professional and continuing education classes (UCLA, Cal Tech, UW) and seminars related to my field.

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES: I have served three 2-year terms on the HMC Board of Directors (2001-2003, 2007-2009 and 2009-2011). I have also served on the Transportation and the Finance Committees. My exposure to island operations has provided tools and experience I can draw from to help keep our island moving forward. I know how much work it takes to keep the island running on a daily basis. I have been a contributor to many of the major decisions the Island has faced over the past several years. (i.e. Capital improvements, including the new water distribution system, and upgrade of the North Beach Marina, to name just a couple.) With this experience I believe that I can effectively contribute to the successful running of island operations for the benefit of the whole community.

I am currently Co-President of the New BOOSTERS organization and, together with my fellow BOOSTERS officers have been instrumental in restoring positive community spirit to the island over the last year.

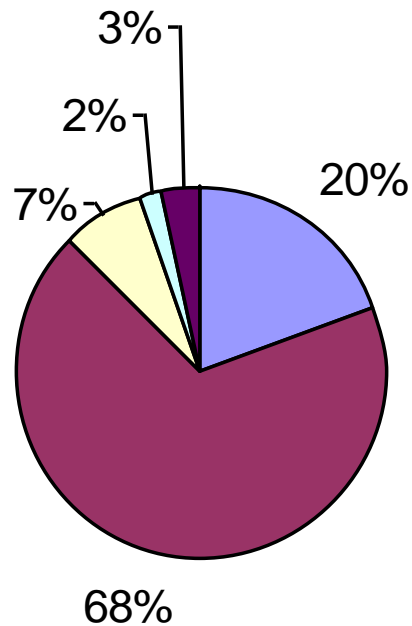
GOALS: We continue to face challenges in our community and I intend to work towards improvement both in our successful operations and membership goodwill. I will work diligently to control costs without sacrificing necessary services. (It was at my suggestion that the island saved \$4100/yr by moving the Beachcomber to online access only.) I am hoping that the next couple of years bring continued progress towards the betterment of our community. I would also like to see improved communications between the Board and the membership through increased membership attendance at the monthly Board meetings. I will soon be a permanent resident on the island and available for hands-on day-to-day contributions.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT: I believe that Herron Island is a beautiful and unique place that continues to need the stewardship of people who are committed to maintaining its assets and viability. Herron Island is not just a Homeowners Association. It is the equivalent of a small city that must be managed as a city with all of the necessary governance and foresight that goes into keeping the community viable for this and future generations. I feel that a Board member must serve the community with skill, commitment, and integrity. But most importantly, with a high degree of common sense. Politics must not drive Board decisions. Moreover, a Board member must operate with complete objectivity towards the betterment of the community as a whole. I believe that I possess the necessary attributes and would be honored to serve again as a Board member. I welcome your questions and thoughts. I can be reached via email at jgpodell@earthlink.net.

FY 2012 - 2013 Budget

The following pages contain the current budget and the proposed budget for FY 2012-2013. Ballots will be sent to Members in June seeking ratification of next year's budget, with votes being tabulated at the continuation of the Annual Meeting on July 14, 2012.

2012-2013 Budgeted Expenses Per Member Assessment



- HMC Regular Operations
\$329.93
- Ferry Operations =
\$1,130.88
- Piles, Dolphins, Ferry
Ramps = \$120.89
- Parks and Small Dock
Floats = \$32.83
- Roads = \$56.73

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HMC Management Profit & Loss Budget October 2012 through September 2013

	Oct '11 - Sep 12	Oct '12 - Sep 13
Assessable Units	395	394
Units minus delinquents	390	389
Total Income minus Assessments	180,500.00	881,928
Total Expenses	794,671.00	881,928
Assessment per member	1,575.00	1,672.00
Total Assessments	614,250.00	650,408.00

	Current Budget	Proposed Budget	Percentage of Budget	Cost Per Member
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Assessments	614,171.00	650,408		
Ferry Fees	170,000.00	165,000		
Other Income				
Beachcomber Ads		600		
Renter's Fees, Copy, Fax and Notary		2,000		
Refund of Fees from Intuit/QB		0		
Nsf Fees		200		
Postage		20		
Property Transfer fee		1,000		
Research Office Time Fees		500		
Rules Fine		0		
Interest & Handling (Delinquent Accounts)	4,000.00	4,800		
Member Credit Card Fees	6,000.00	1,000		
Other Income		0		
Attorney Collections (see note 7)		10,000		
Total Other Income	10,000.00	20,120		
Reserve Transfer				
Dock Piles and Dolphins	0.00			
Ramp Inspections - every 2 years	0.00			
Ramp Cable Replacement - every 5 years	0.00			
Ferry Engine Overhaul/replacement (3 years, next 2013)	0.00			
Ramp Painting	0.00			
Community Building Renovations	0.00			
Ferry Replacement	0.00			
Water Truck Replacement	0.00			
Shipyard (2 Years on even years)	0.00	46,000		
Park Reserves	0.00			
Road Reserves	0.00			
Total Reserve Transfer	0.00	46,000		
Interest Earned				
HMC Management Reserves		180		
General Fund		220		
Interest Earned - Other	500.00	0		
Total Interest Earned	500.00	400		
Total Income	794,671.00	881,928.00		
Gross Income	794,671.00	881,928.00		

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HMC Management Profit & Loss Budget

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	Current	Proposed	Percentage	Cost Per
	Budget	Budget	of Budget	Member
Expense				
HMC Regular Operations				
Accountant/Auditor	6,000.00	6,000		
Reserve Analysis		2,000		
Bad Debt Write Off		0		
Bank Fees	500.00	350		
Amount of Check that was returned for NSF		0		
Community Building Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000		
Community Asso. Institute	150.00	150		
Contract Svcs for Junk Removal	500.00	500		
Credit Card Fees - Member Payments		1,000		
Emergency Preparedness	500.00	500		
State and County Taxes	4,500.00	6,500		
HMC Property Pre-Sale Expense	1,000.00	200		
Removal of unsafe trees	2,250.00	2,500		
Insurance (see note 6)				
Directors/Officers Ins	2,600.00	2,700		
Crime (Break-ins and Theft)	100.00	460		
5 Million Excess Liability	7,000.00	10,500		
14 Million Excess Liability		9,500		
Total Insurance	9,700.00	23,160.00		
Legal Fees (see note 7)				
Collection Costs	8,000.00	18,000		
General	9,000.00	12,000		
Total Legal Fees	17,000.00	30,000.00		
Office Equipment	1,500.00	1,500		
Other				
Education and Training	100.00	100		
CrystalTech-Web hosting	125.00	100		
Mileage		200		
Background Checks		200		
Miscellaneous & copier contract	2,455.00	500		
Total Other	2,680.00	1,100.00		
Payroll Expenses	800.00	1,000		
Pension Administration Ferry Crew	550.00	550		
Postage				
Box Fee		80		
Stamps & Postage	2,500.00	2,500		
Total Postage	2,500.00	2,580.00		
Printing	2,500.00	1,000		
Admin Salaries				
Aflac				
Medical Insurance	7,176.00	10,000		
Retirement	2,072.00	2,105		

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Payroll Taxes	5,912.00	6,173		
Gross Wages	64,107.00	67,051		
Total Admin Salaries	79,267.00	85,329.00		
Island Security Costs	2,000.00	500		
Office Supplies	1,200.00	1,200		
Telephone/Fax	2,500.00	2,500		
Utilities/Electric	2,600.00	2,000		
Reserve - Legal (Cap is \$35,000 - Balance is \$34,550)	0.00	0		
Reserve - Community Building & Sheds (Cap is \$15,000 - Balance is \$0)		1,000		
Total HMC Regular Operations	141,197.00	174,119.00	19.74%	\$330
Piles, Dolphins and Ferry Ramps				
Garbage - Ferry		225		
Insurance - Docks and Piers (see note 8)	14,200.00	13,200		
Ferry Ramp Generator Maintenance and Fuel		1,000		
Other				
Annual DNR Lease	1,400.00	500		
Parts and Supplies	1,000.00	1,000		
Other/Inspection	1,000.00	1,000		
Total Other	3,400.00	2,500.00		
Repairs/Maintenance	5,000.00	3,000		
Sanikans	2,800.00	3,000		
Utilities	1,200.00	1,900		
Reserve Account for Piles, Docks & Ramps	30,000.00	28,000		
Dock Piles and Ferry Dolphins (Cap is \$768,000 - Balance is \$89,300) \$9,000 allocated this budget cycle				
Ramp Painting (Cap is \$212,000 - Balance is \$0) \$19,000 allocated this budget cycle				
Reserve - Inspection of Ramps (Cap is \$12,000 - Balance is \$0) Required by Pierce County. Not previously budgeted.		6,000		
Reserve - Ramp Cable Replacement (Cap is \$25,000 - Balance is \$0) Recurring 5 year expense cycle previously not budgeted.		5,000		
Total Ferry Docks and Ramps	56,600.00	63,825.00	7.24%	\$121
Ferry				
Engine Overhaul				
Equipment	2,500.00	2,500		
Fuel	90,000.00	90,000		
Insurance (see note 6)				
Marine Package		19,000		
Vessel Pollution		1,100		

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Commercial Package		6,500		
Total Insurance	40,000.00	26,600		
Repairs	5,000.00	6,000		
Other				
Rentals for fill in Captains/Deck Hands		500		
Sheds (waiting, oil and school)		300		
Cellphone	600.00	600		
Drug Testing	600.00	600		
Inspections and Licensing	1,200.00	2,300		
Miscellaneous	1,500.00	2,000		
Tickets & Passes & Stickers		1,100		
Uniforms	1,000.00	1,200		
Legal Fees - IBU Attorney		500		
Total Other	4,900.00	9,100.00		
Passenger Vessel Asso.	400.00	450		
Routine Maintenance & Supplies	7,000.00	5,500		
Ferry Salaries & Benefits				
Employee Paid Supplemental Insurance - Reimbursed by Employee		0		
Medical Insurance	33,350.00	40,000		
Retirement-Employer	14,811.00	15,545		
Payroll Taxes	22,331.00	23,721		
Gross Wages	254,190.00	267,168		
Total Ferry Salaries & Benefits	324,682.00	346,434.00		
Ship Yard		92,000		
Supplies, Paper Products, Water	2,000.00	2,000		
Personal Property & Excise	3,000.00	3,000		
Reserve - Shipyard (Cap is \$92,000 - Balance is \$35,600) Note 1	46,000.00			
Reserve - Engine Overhaul/Replacment (Cap is \$200,000 - Balance is \$10,000) Note 2	20,000.00	12,000		
Reserve - Ferry Replacement (Cap is 1,000,000 - Balance is \$0)		1,000		
Total Ferry	545,482.00	596,584.00	67.65%	\$1,131
Parks				
Maintenance				
Lawn Equipment	2,500.00	200		
Parks Shed (lawn shed)		0		
Pavilion Building and NB parking		0		
General upkeep including park parking		2,800		
Total Maintenance		3,000		
Other				
Garbage Pick Up	1,000.00	600		
Misc		0		
Sanikans	3,300.00	3,600		

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Total Other	4,300.00	4,200.00		
Parks Development	2,000.00	0		
Playground Improvement	500.00	0		
Parks Salaries				
Payroll Taxes	242.00	300		
Gross Wages	1,472.00	2,250		
Total Parks Salaries	1,714.00	2,550.00		
Small Boat Dock Floats				
Removal and Installation Equipment Rental - \$1,000 for each rental of equipment		1,000		
Maint & Improvements	500.00	750		
Total Small Boat Dock	500.00	1,750.00		
Supplies & Equipment Repairs	1,600.00	1,000		
Utilities	650.00	900		
Reserves - Parks (Cap is \$36,000 - Balance is \$23,700) For new basketball court and riding mower	6,000.00	4,000		
Total Parks	19,764.00	17,400.00	1.97%	\$33
Roads (ferry island/mainland lots)				
Auto Insurance (water truck)	920.00	850		
Dust Control Truck	1,000.00	1,700		
Road Maintenance	2,000.00	5,000		
Road & Ditch Labor	16,000.00	10,000		
Road & Ditch Materials	8,000.00	8,000		
Salaries				
Payroll taxes	108.00	150		
Wages - Tansy Control	600.00	800		
Total Salaries	708.00	950.00		
Reserves - Roads General (Cap is \$50,000 - Balance is \$20,740)	3,000.00	3,000		
Reserves - Water Truck (Cap is \$30,000 - Balance is \$0)		500		
Total Roads	31,628.00	30,000.00	3.40%	\$57
Total Expense	794,671.00	881,928.00	100.00%	\$1,672

General note: This budget was generated based on analysis of the last five years of actually expenses. This budget follows the accounting requirements and format used by HMC.

Note 1: Ferry goes into dry dock every two years on the even year

Note 2: New engines go into yard for rebuild every six years. Estimated cost is \$72,000 for both engines. Next yard service is 2019.

Note 3: Repayment of HMC funds from Water Project Expenses - 50% goes to new engines, 30% for ramp repainting reserves and 20% for dolphins reserves.

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Note 4: Reserve accounts now must total 10% of operating budget per RCW 64.34.010, 64.34.020, 64.34.308, 64.34.380, 64.34.382, 64.34.384, 64.38.010, 64.38.025, 64.38RCW and 2008c115s8.

Note 5: Repayment of HMC funds from the Water Project Expenses plus budgeted reserve contributions will meet the 10% reserve requirement for this budget cycle.

Note 6: Insurance was broken down per actual policy and allocated to appropriate departments for the 2012-2013 budget cycle.

Note 7: Legal fee expense is partially off set by legal fee income. This allows for accounting requirements.

Note 8: Piles, Dolphins and Ferry Ramps insurance dropped in cost due to new piles being installed.

HMC WATER

	Oct '11 - Sep 12	Oct '12 - Sep 13
Assessable Units - Note A	395	399
Units minus delinquents	390	394
Base Fee per Member	158.73	155.52
Reserve Fee for Member	83.08	83.76
Assessment per Member - Annual	241.81	239.28
Assessment per member - Monthly	20.00	20.00
Total Assessments - All Members	94,305.00	94,276.00

Water

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

Base Fees	61,905.00	61,276
Handling Fee		0.00
HIWU Interest		0.00
NSF FEE		0.00
Water Hook Up fee		0.00
Water Usage		
Reserves	32,400.00	33,000
USDA Loan Repayment Funds		
Total Income	94,305	94,276

Expense

Accountant/Auditor	2,000.00	1,000
Bad Check		200
BANK FEE		50
Contract Manager - WA Water	15,000.00	15,000
Insurance	1,794.00	1,800
Legal	2,000.00	1,700
Mailings	1,000.00	1,000
Membership Fees	200.00	200

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	Current	Proposed	Percentage	Cost Per
	Budget	Budget	of Budget	Member
Mileage Reimbursement	0.00	100		
Other Expenses				
Excise Tax	1,000.00	1,000		
Miscellaneous	300.00	400		
Permits & License	600.00	1,000		
Water Samples	400.00	500		
Total Other Expenses	2,300.00	2,900		
Printing		0		
Repairs - Parts	4,000.00	2,000		
Supplies & Repairs - Contractors	5,500.00	3,000		
To Water Reserve (Cap is cost of project - Balance is \$52,800)		0		
Utilities	3,500.00	3,000		
Wages - Administrative and Meter Reading	21,826.00	24,400		
Taxes	2,267.00	2,420		
Insurance		1,980		
Pension	518.00	526		
USDA Loan Repayment		0		
Total Operating Expense	61,905	61,276		
To Water Reserve (Cap is cost of project - Balance is \$52,800)	32,400	33,000		
Total Expense	94,305	94,276		

Note A: Connections is equal to 399 connections minus 5 delinquencies