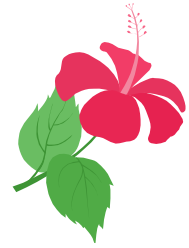




The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

May 2013



President's Message

Looking Back

We've come a long way in the last two years. During this time, we've seen great improvements in our infrastructure and overall quality of life through the work of our professional staff and through the unselfish volunteer work of our Members. Herron Island has grown and evolved as both a business and as a community, while still maintaining its rural, restful roots as a home for some and a retreat for others.

This evolution and steady growth is attributable in great part to our Herron Island Volunteers, who are the backbone of our island community and the heart of its operations. These Volunteers have several qualities in common: they love Herron Island, they are industrious, they show great initiative, and they love to get things done around here. The work of our Volunteers has touched all areas of our life on Herron Island. With the valuable involvement of our Volunteers, we have seen successful, tangible improvements around here:

- We own and are administering our own water system (!)
- The B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S. have been fully revived, creating opportunities to serve the island and its Members through projects and events that are just plain fun - island social events are now bigger, better, more frequent, and more well-attended;
- We now have new roll up doors in the Community Building and are looking forward to a new door at the other end, all thanks to the B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S.;
- Our finances are in better shape than ever before, thanks to the vital work of the Finance Committee – it was Volunteers, for example, who analyzed and reported on our reserves even before it was required by statute;
- Our Parks have been (and are being) upgraded and well-maintained, including the replacement of our sport court in Goodpastor Park, and work parties to maintain our small boats docks (such as the semi-annual removal/installation work parties);
- Through the devoted work of the Roads Committee and all who support its efforts, the roads have stayed passable, safe, and relatively dust-free, despite having most all of them “dug up” during the Water Project;
- The roads are kept clear of storm debris and the roadside areas are being kept clear of “garden variety” 😊 vegetation debris, which makes the roadside not only more attractive, but safer as well;
- The administrative burden on our office staff is eased, through the use of envelope stuffing parties, setting up files, preparing decals for mailing, going through and eliminating literally a ton of records that were stored above the HMC Office, and counting ballot after ballot (after ballot ...);
- We now have a streamlined Ferry Trip Ticket Plan that is more efficient to administer;
- Our Community Building and other facilities are being kept clean, organized, and (where applicable) ADA compliant; we have a new message center mounted on the outside of the Community Building;
- Islanders are better prepared for emergencies, through the diligent work of the Emergency Preparedness Committee in arranging Member training classes and creating heightened safety awareness;

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- Our communications with and among Members are better, through the use of the website, an active email distribution list, a Herron Island Facebook page, and HMC roadside bulletin boards;
- Our Rules and Policies are being updated to reflect our common ideas of how we should treat each other and comply with the law;
- The Beachcomber and website continue to be vital means for Members to stay in touch with the island and all that happens here;
- We have a wonderful Community Garden for use by avid island gardeners;
- We have our own Easter sunrise service on the island;
- We made progress in improving security in the mainland parking lot; and
- We are working together even better as an island "team."

With few exceptions, it was Member Volunteers who made all of this happen. We are fortunate indeed to have some pretty terrific people on the Island, who pitch in to address perceived problems, and who work directly and compassionately with others to make this a better place for all of us. Every day, you see the valuable, positive work of our Members in our parks, in our facilities, in our publications, at our parties, at the HMC Office, on the roads, in the ferry line and on the ferry, and wherever else you look on Herron Island. These valuable citizens make Herron Island a great place to be. If you are not one already, I urge each of you to become one of them.

During these past two years as the President of your Board, I have been blessed to work with a huge cadre of wonderful Herron Island Volunteers to be sure, including fellow Board members who have each given up much of their personal lives to tirelessly serve the Membership. But my expression of gratitude would fall short if I were to not mention some other people as well. Our Ferry Crew maintains our lifeline to the island professionally and reliably. As a former naval officer myself, I appreciate what they do every single day on the Charlie Wells, making sure our passage to and from Herron Island is safe, efficient, and cost-

effective. And Carolyn Snyder, our HMC Office Manager, seems to deftly juggle whatever balls are thrown her way, even as we make our transition to administering a new water system with its associated billing protocol and all that. Carolyn is a gem of an administrator and a delightful asset to Herron Island in every respect.

Last, but certainly not least, I must mention the invaluable work of Claudia Ellsworth, our Island Manager. At every turn, Claudia has exhibited a broad understanding of island management, both from a business and from a community standpoint. She has helped me – and indeed all of us Members – enormously through her steadfast professionalism and her innate ability to just get done what needs to be done for the good of Herron Island.

Through the combined, coordinated efforts of our Volunteers and professional staff, we have accomplished much in these last two years, including two major capital improvement projects: the replacement of the pilings at North Beach and the installation of our new water distribution system. The Water Project in particular required a dedicated, sustained effort on the part of everyone I've mentioned above, and then some. And we've now got a great, modern water system that should last far into the future. We should be mighty proud that we all pulled together as a community and as a team to finally make that happen.

Looking Ahead

There is much to do in the immediate future as well. Here are some highlights:

Now: Board Member Elections. You will soon receive your Ballot Packages for the upcoming June elections to select new Board members. Fortunately, six candidates have submitted their applications to fill three available positions. As always, your vote is not only a privilege but an important responsibility as well. Choose wisely.

June: Vote on the Budget. At its June meeting, the Board will vote on adoption of the General Budget and Water Department Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14. If approved, the two budgets will then be presented to the Membership at the Annual Membership Meeting (held right after the June Board Meeting) and then sent out to the Membership for ratification, with Member votes to be counted at the July continuation of the Annual Membership Meeting.

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June: Vote on the New Rules. In June, we will be mailing out a Ballot seeking your approval of certain new and/or newly-revised Rules that affect your rights and responsibilities on Herron Island. The proposed revisions have already been posted on the website for comment in advance of sending out the Ballot. While the Board has broad authority under Article 16 of the Bylaws to adopt and/or modify Rules, that same Article also specifies that a vote of the Membership is needed for those Rules that "govern the use, occupancy, and maintenance of private Lots." For that reason, the new Rules will be going out for a vote of the Membership.

June: Ferry Special Assessment. Also in June, the Office will be mailing out the Special Assessment for replacing the ferry engines and transmissions. Each Assessable Unit will be required to pay \$333.00 for this Special Assessment, which must be paid to HMC no later than June 30, 2013.

As you come out: Check Your Water. As I mentioned in my last President's Message, not all Members have experienced the new water system because they have been away for the winter. When you come back and before you use your water for the

first time, be sure to shut off inside valves and flush your lines using an outside faucet, such as a hose bibb. That way, you won't fill your hot water heater, for example, with any dirt that may have gotten into the water lines on your property.

A Final Note

As you all are aware, I am leaving the Board following the June elections (term limits, you know). Before I leave, I want to thank you all for supporting me as President of your HMC Board; it truly has been an honor for me to serve you in this role.

While my work as President was many times challenging and sometimes "draining" (and not just with respect to work on the Water Project), I consider it to have been highly rewarding as well. In fact, I will be leaving the Board with at least two continuing rewards: 1) knowing that I will still get to enjoy Herron Island and my friends there, and 2) knowing that I will get to sit at the back during Board Meetings.

As I've said before about Herron Island – we've got it good.

Mark B. Anderson
President, HMC Management Board of Directors

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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 11, 2013

Administration:

Volunteers:

Roads Committee again, for their work in removing debris, fixing potholes, developing plans to make lasting improvements in our roads. Dana Gruber for her hard work along Ferry Road, doing erosion control. Water Committee, for all their hard work in implementing the new system, developing rules and procedures that will improve recordkeeping and service to Members. And to the Finance Committee, for seemingly endless hours scrutinizing expenditures and revenues to develop a tight budget that still addresses short and long term island needs. Every hour volunteered helps keep assessment increases to a minimum.

Island History: A small group of longtime islanders met with authors Ann Irish and Jean Findlay, who are researching and writing a book on islands in the South Sound. Those who attended provided an astonishing array of documents and history. We look forward to publication of the book and its Herron Island chapter.

Reserve Study: The reserve study was received in mid April, as promised, and is with the Board for review prior to dissemination to the Members. Reserve studies are advisory, and do not require funding at any specified level.

Tansy Removal: Time to remove tansy ragwort from private and HMC properties. We have a volunteer to remove tansy from HMC roadways, but may still need someone to remove tansy from HMC-owned properties. Let the office know if you are willing to volunteer to take this walk!

Water System Maintenance and Operations: We continue to resolve service problems where the construction crew faced connection mysteries, at the rate of perhaps one each week, and expect demand to pick up for a short term as Members return for summer weekends and vacations.

The Water Committee has been reviewing the maintenance contract situation, and has proposals from Northwest Water Systems and Washington Water, our current contractor. The Committee will make recommendations regarding what level of service we should contract for, vs. what can be provided in-house, and how to do that.

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

Water System Project: A few items remain to be resolved, the chief one being scheduling of the grading of the roads. We are continuing to work with Casco to schedule this work, and coordinate it with the ordering of gravel for island roads. All contract paperwork has been completed, including the federal A-133 audit.

Fire Department Liaison: Nothing to report.

Land Use: We are working through the sale of two of the HMC lots, and hope to have this completed soon.

Emergency Preparedness:

Parks: In late April the children's playground was vandalized, and one swing set was broken beyond repair. Research on a replacement revealed that the total cost of replacement probably falls within our property coverage deductible, and so no insurance claim was made. Funds will have to come from the Parks budget or reserve account. (One Member offered a donation to help replace the swings, which would also be entirely welcome.)

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A Member reported that piling stubs were visible at the small boat dock at low tide, and asked whether these shouldn't have been removed when the pilings were replaced. We have posed the question to the project engineer, but need to have photo documentation to send along. Photos can be taken Saturday, May 11, at low tide to document the piling stubs.

Roads: Committee Report.

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

We have received a Rules complaint regarding speeding on the island. This is a good time to remind Members and guests that the speed limit everywhere on the island is the same – 15 mph.

Herron Island Ferry: John Farris has arranged for the ferry to go into the Tacoma shipyard September 16 for engine replacement. The work may take 2-3 weeks. The Coast Guard must approve the repowering of the boat and we are awaiting final word from them.

HMC has contracted with Sargent Engineers to evaluate the possibility of replacing timber decking on the ramps with steel. When the ramps are painted in the future, the timbers will need to be removed and reinstalled. In addition, they wear unevenly. It may be more cost effective in the long term to use steel.

Legal Liaison: We currently have 13 delinquencies, of which 7 are with the attorney for action. Delinquency rate of 3.3%. Last year at this time it was 2.5%.

Sales of HMC Properties

A year ago, HMC Members approved the sale of several HMC Owned lots. Some of the lots have pending sales, but there are still others that are available. A map showing those Lots with their corresponding sale prices can be found by clicking the following link: herronisland.org/map.

HMC's published Land Use Policy requires that all saleable Lots be made available to the general Membership for first consideration. Following that, (after approximately 30 days) the Lots will be made available to the general public. Members who are interested in purchasing a lot should contact the HMC Office at: Office@herronisland.org.



The B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S.**(Band Of Obviously Super, Terrifically Enthusiastic Recreation Supporters)**

Many have seen the sign –“Come out to Saturday Night Potluck 6pm ~BOOSTERS”-

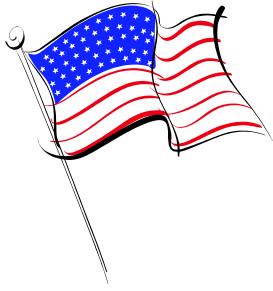
Who are the BOOSTERS?

For those who have not had the privilege or opportunity to get to know the BOOSTERS of Herron Island, I would like to invite and introduce you to a great opportunity for you and your family, to be a part of something fabulous. So many things have been done on behalf of the community by the BOOSTERS. From the community buildings to the events that happen during the holidays, such as the Fourth of July parade, dances in the park, the cinnamon rolls, Thanksgiving feast, and much, much more. I have personally spoken to many about the BOOSTERS and the community, and how it feels like we've stepped back to the "olden days". Please don't get me wrong. Our island is very progressive. What I mean by that statement, is that years ago communities would come together to help each other. When a barn needed to be "raised" or built, the neighbors, friends, and family would come together and help each other. We are a very small population in retrospect on Herron Island, but when we wanna get something done, we are mighty. When things need to get done, volunteers come out to help. I have never met so many giving people, but at the same time those that give so much get burned out easily. The more volunteers we have to spread the responsibilities around, the less likely people will get burned out.

The BOOSTERS took a break for a few years, as they have in the past. And when the BOOSTERS were not active, we had lots of people say that they missed the BOOSTERS events. Many now are thankful that the BOOSTERS are once again back and going strong. And yes (!) we do meet on the 2nd Saturdays of the month. We come together as a community to get to know our neighbors, make new friends, to plan our future projects and events, and to make Herron Island a better place. Please come out and be a part of your Herron Island BOOSTERS. We have many events coming up very soon, so look for those on the HMC webpage.

On behalf of all of the BOOSTERS involved, we look forward to having you all come out and be a part of this wonderful organization!

Carla Vierra
BOOSTERS President



MEMORIAL DAY



BOOSTERS EVENTS

Sunday May 26, 2013

North Beach

9:00 AM

Coffee, Cinnamon Rolls, Granola Bars

Junk in the Trunk Sales

Herron Island Apparel Sales

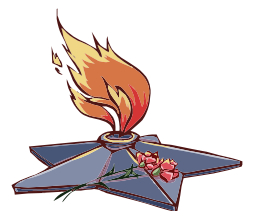
**Sailboat Race around the Island—Begins at
North Beach**

BOOSTERS Membership Drive

10:00 AM

Flag Raising honoring the start of Summer

**And don't forget to join us for the next
BOOSTERS Potluck on June 8th,
6 pm at the Community Center**



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



Welcome, New Islanders!

HMC welcomes the following new Members to Herron Island:

- **Stephen & Joan Rucker**



FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

Waterfront cabin, one bedroom with double bed, double bed in loft and hide-a-bed couch. Large deck, stairs to beach. \$125/night-2 night minimum, \$700/week. Contact Jerry or Christine Palmer, 253 529 1378 or 253 797 9718.

New arrivals to the island are looking for a small sailboat - daysailer anywhere from 14 to 20 feet with centerboard. Call (206) 355-6763 or email legerdeuxmains@yahoo.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.

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.



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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.



Are You on the List?

HMC now has 306 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.



Reminder

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



Office Closure

The HMC office will be closed Tuesday, June 11th for office staff training.



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!”**



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.



Volunteer Opportunities

This is your chance to become involved.

The Roads Committee will be scheduling a cleanup day very soon and is looking for Volunteers to help in removing brush and downed tree limbs along the roads and ditches. Watch for date and times on the web site and on the White Boards. All help will be appreciated.

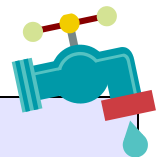
The Herron Island Rules Committee is looking for Members in good standing to serve on the Rules Committee.

The Land Use Committee needs Members to be involved in their work.

If you are interested in helping in any of these committees, please contact the HMC Office or one of the Board Members.

We are attempting to keep track of all of the Volunteer hours donated by the Membership. From February 1st through May 11th, we've saved \$5,361 which otherwise would have been spent by HMC..... and ultimately you.

And as always, "Thank You" to the many Volunteers who are always available to help on getting projects completed around the Island. Each Month the Island Manager has a list of those who have helped during the month in the Manager's report. This saves Members lots of money that isn't going out to paid help.



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.



CALLING 911 **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS** **TIP OF THE MONTH**

How will you respond in an emergency? You know to call 911, but in the moment of crisis, will you do that **first**? At our CPR class last month our Fire District 16 Instructors (Thank you to Claudia, Bill Jones and Anne Nesbit!) stressed the fact that we need to *plan our response* before an actual emergency arises.

In an emergency, instinct tells us to call a trusted friend or neighbor for support and help. This is exactly the wrong move. While you are on the phone with that friend, critical time is lost – time that can make the difference between a good outcome and a sad one.

Here's what to expect and what you'll need to do during a 911 call.

Stay calm. It's important to take a deep breath and not get excited. Any situation that requires 911 is, by definition, an emergency. The dispatcher or call-taker knows that and will try to move things along quickly, but under control.

Say, "CPR in process" if CPR is being administered by you or another person.

Know the location of the emergency and the number you are calling from. This may be asked and answered a couple of times but don't get frustrated. Even though many 911 centers have enhanced capabilities -- meaning they are able to see your location on the computer screen -- they are still required to confirm the information. If for some reason you are disconnected, at least emergency crews will know where to go and how to call you back. NOTE: Cell phones may not reveal your location.

As the call progresses, you will hear clicking - **do not hang up!**

Wait for the call-taker to ask questions, then answer clearly and calmly. If you are in danger of assault, the dispatcher or call-taker will still need you to answer quietly, mostly "yes" and "no" questions.

If you reach a recording, listen to what it says. If the recording says your call cannot be completed, hang up and try again. If the recording says all call-takers are busy, *wait!* When the next call-taker or dispatcher is available to take the call, it will transfer you.

Let the call-taker guide the conversation. He or she is typing the information into a computer and may seem to be taking forever. There's a good chance, however, that emergency services are already being sent while you are still on the line.

Follow all directions. In some cases, the call-taker will give you directions. Listen carefully, follow each step exactly, and *ask for clarification* if you don't understand.

Keep your eyes open. You may be asked to describe victims, suspects, vehicles, or other parts of the scene.

Do not hang up the call until directed to do so by the call-taker.

Assessment Reminder



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



Ferry Dry Dock This Fall For Engine and Transmission Replacement

Our ferry will be going in for Engine and Transmission Replacement this coming fall. It will leave the Island sometime on September 15th and could be out as long as two to three weeks, depending on the extent of the work that needs to be completed. More information will be posted on the HMC website and in the Beachcomber in the coming weeks.



Baseball News

“A Change of the Guard”

This will be my last baseball newsletter after being involved in the baseball games since 1997. I was younger and played in all the games. (It was a good time.) You will have a new baseball chairperson; her name is Deb Kraft, the wife of our weekend captain.

Deb is the perfect fit to come on board and coach, set up the field and sign up players. She has a lot of expertise doing just that. I ask all of you to support and help her, and always enjoy the game. It will always be in my mind and heart when the games start. The first planned game will be the 4th of July holiday weekend.

Thanks for the good times and may your life be blessed.

Dallas

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

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

Memorial Day Holiday Ferry Restrictions

Combinations of any length (vehicle towing anything) and single vehicles longer than 25 feet will not be transported after Thursday, May 23rd through Monday, May 27. Note: Monday, May 27th the ferry will operate on holiday schedule same as Sunday.

Low Tide Cancellations

Over the Holiday weekend there will be no shuttling when the tide is too low. If you are waiting in line when the Captain has determined there isn't enough time to cross to the mainland and back to the island before low tide, you will have to come back later, or wait in line. The ferry cannot load and unload at extreme low tide. It will resume operation as soon as the captain determines it is safe. Low tides are posted on Page 17 of this issue and on the website, and a list of low tide cancellations is also available from the deck hand.

In brief, the low tide cancellations are as follows:

Friday, May 24 - NO FERRY RUNS between 12:00 noon and 12:30 p.m.;
 Saturday, May 25 - NO FERRY RUNS between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.;
 Sunday, May 26 - NO FERRY RUNS between 11:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.; and
 Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day) - NO FERRY RUNS between 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

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.

Herron Island Real Estate

Sales are starting to happen. The foreclosures are getting attention and that is good news, the prices are driving property values down which is not the direction we want to go.

Examples: 1112 West Herron Blvd, W/F \$160,000; 615-616 E. Herron Blvd W/F is now \$239,500. Excellent prices for W/F and great time to buy. Contact me for foreclosures and great price on waterfront homes.

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 Pastor John Day

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

God's Blessings to you,

The Amidons & Pastor John Day

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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 8, 2013 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 are best qualified to help our Herron Island Community go in the direction you want to go. Read through each of the Candidates' 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.**

Copies of the Candidates' Applications are on the following pages.



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): SAM ARGO

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 17

OCCUPATION: MORTGAGE BANKER -

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: _____

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

Institution

Type of Training

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

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

COMMON SENSE MANAGEMENT
REDUCE YEARLY DUES
GET COST SPENDING UNDER CONTROL

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

Candidate's Signature: Sam Argo

BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

(Please complete and return to HMC office by 10:00 AM, May 11, 2013)

NAME (as you would like to have it listed on the ballot): Dianne DeGood

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 4 1/2 yrs

OCCUPATION: Retired Teacher/Technology Coordinator, Property Manager and Community Volunteer

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

Present

- Current Secretary of the HMC Management Board of Directors
- Property Manager for "Degood, Inc." properties - 31 years
- Board of Directors and current Treasurer of Kansas Petroleum Women - 10 years
- Chairman of Spouse Activities for KS Independent Oil and Gas Association Conventions - 12 years
- Chairman of Spouse Activities for Mid-Continent AAPG Conference - October 2013

Past

- Extension Agent at Kansas State University Extension Service and USDA, working for a board of 6 members and serving a county of 3,000 clientele - 5 years
- Finance Committee at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Wichita, KS, with an annual budget of \$4.5 million - 6 years - term ended 4/30/2011
- Stewardship Committee at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Wichita, KS - 12 years
- Wichita Catholic Diocese, Catholic Charities Anthony Family Shelter Board - 9 years
- Sedgwick County Extension Leadership Council - 8 years

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

Institution

Type of Training

Fort Hays Kansas State University - Bachelor's Degree in Family & Consumer Science Education

Wichita State University - Education Endorsement in Computer Science

Friends University, Wichita - Masters Degree in Business Management and Computer Information Systems

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Served the last two years as the Secretary of the HMC Management Board of Directors.

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

- To represent the Herron Island Community and be accountable to the Members
- Respect and be a good steward of Member's assets and resources by eliminating extra spending
- Work with Herron Island Residents by listening and respecting **everyone's** views and comments so that we can all work and have fun together.
- Respect everyone's talents and allow them to be used to help reduce costs in the office and around the Island and not outsource items when we have capable people here.
- Use good judgement and common sense when making decisions.

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

I feel that my work as a Board Member is not completed. I am still working on accomplishing some of the goals listed above and would like the opportunity to keep working on them so that I can feel a sense of accomplishment. I have enjoyed representing the Membership during the last two years and will continue to represent everyone if elected. Living two thousand miles away did not seem to be a problem, since I was able to attend all of the regular Board Meetings during the past two years; and if elected I will do it again. Alan and I are planning to spend more time here after retirement, so it is important to me to get involved and be a active and contributing Member of the Island.

Candidate's Signature: Diane DeGood

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): JONAS RAY

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 2

OCCUPATION: AUTO - TEC

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: _____

SEARCH & RESCUE
BY SCOT OF AMERICA

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

Institution

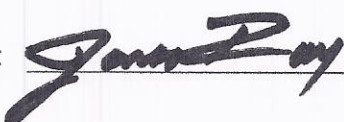
Type of Training

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

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

FAMILY FRIENDLY PLACE TO SPEND TIME.
LOOK FORWARD TO MEET NEW FRIENDS

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

Candidate's Signature: 

BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

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NAME (as you would like to have it listed on the ballot): Tom Ritchie

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 3

OCCUPATION: CEO @

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: _____

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

Institution	Type of Training
<u>BS MANAGEMENT SETON HALL UNIVERSITY</u>	
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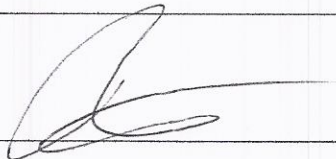
HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

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

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY + COMMON SENSE

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

Candidate's Signature: _____



BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION

NAME: Gary Wanzong

YEARS AS A MEMBER OF HMC: 11

OCCUPATION: Manager, Maintenance Operations

PROFESSIONAL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

Certified Plant Maintenance Manager, Certified Building Operator, Certified Environmental Systems Auditor

EDUCATION OR TRAINING:

University of Minnesota Bachelor degree in business

University of the United States Air Force Associate degree in Avionic Engineering

University of Phoenix OSHA Regulations

USPS Technical Training Center Various electrical, management and safety courses

HMC EXPERIENCE ON THE BOARD, COMMITTEES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES:

I served two years on the HMC Board and currently serve on the Finance Committee.

GOALS:

I would like to see our community remain financially solvent and continue to plan on making improvements to our infrastructures. I feel that planning for future expenses, and building reserves to cover these expenses, will diminish the financial burdens to our members both in the short and long term.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT:

We, as a community, have some important decisions which still will have to be made that will impact all of us financially. I want to make sure that we explore our options, arrive at various proposals and costs, and then as a community make the best financial choice possible so that we can move forward. When a project is undertaken, all options should be explored so that not only the upfront costs are evaluated, but also the hidden costs, current and future liabilities, regulations and regulations being proposed are considered. As a maintenance manager of a large facility, I handle various projects regarding the building and its supporting infrastructure, processing equipment and regulatory issues. Part of my responsibility is to assure that the return on investment is maximized when funds are expended and that funds are not wasted. I would use this same work ethic if elected to the HMC board.

Board Candidate Application

Name: Pat Zazzo

Years as a Member of HMC: 13

Occupation: Retired

Professional or Volunteer Experience:

- Manager family-owned restaurant
- Medical records and transcription
- Elementary music instructor
- Facilitator and teacher for Family Ministries Dept of large church

Education or Training:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| • High School, Morro Bay, CA | General Education |
| • Cuesta College, San Luis Obispo, CA | Business |
| • Mentoring program, Eastside Foursquare Church | Family Heath |

HMC Experience on the Board, Committees or Other Activities:

- Current Board Member
- Chair Finance Committee
- Co-Chair Emergency Preparedness Committee

Goals:

- Identify and eliminate wasteful spending
- Promote good will
- Protect HMC assets

Candidate Statement:

Herron Island is a very special place. I will work diligently to ensure that our Island retains its character and to protect the freedom we have to enjoy this beautiful environment.

I will be ever mindful of the value represented by each and every dollar of assessment levied and will work to reduce spending wherever possible without detriment to our infrastructure or experience.

It has been an honor to serve on the Herron Island Board of Directors and I ask for your vote to continue to represent you for another term.

