



HDE NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone,
I hope you have all had a Happy Holiday Season! Well, it's a new year, and we all have hopes for a bright future.


The new billing service is working well for us. There were a few problems in the beginning, partly because we had to synchronize our practice with the service's capabilities. It is a very flexible service, and having a lot of options available caused us to rethink what we are doing, and also learn a new way of doing things. All in all, there were actually very few problems, but billing was delayed in the past two months. We hope that things will settle down in the next few months, and become more routine.

One of the things that has changed is that the billing service mails out the bills from another location, so there is an additional delay due to the fact that it is no longer local mail. What this means is, if you change to receiving your bill by email, you will receive it sooner, and it gives you more time to budget your payment. Also, the billing service does not charge for emailed bills, which reduces our cost. If you notice on your current bill, you will find a statement showing how to add your bill to the email list. Here it is again, in case you haven't noticed it.

WATER BILLS VIA E-MAIL

Use the code 490671 to sign-up online at <https://HighDesertEstatesHOA.secure.munibilling.com>

If you prefer, you can also email me at a14roth@att.net, and I will make the change for you. You will receive a confirmation email when that change has been made.

You can also send a note with your water payment. See coupon on right. 

I'd also like to mention the efforts of some of our volunteers. Diane Dendy and her husband, Allen, have done an excellent job of straightening up the interiors of the cisterns to prepare them for an inspection coming up in the next few months, along with identifying and tracking our physical assets.

Bill Huret has been taking care of plowing our streets during the recent snow storms, and an anonymous homeowner has also taken part to help Bill with some of the auxiliary cleanup, including plowing the access to the office, which made it possible to have our December Board meeting with all in attendance.

Thanks to Jim Perrigo and son from Juniper Rock Products for furnishing the snow plowing equipment.

Karlene Richmond has been looking into making sure we have the proper insurance to cover our facilities, and she and Jerri Muir have spent time cleaning up around the office (late last year, well before the snow).

A few neighbors have been trying to make things better around the mail boxes in Phase I, Diane and her husband have been doing the same on David Way and Jerry Drive. Other volunteer efforts: the residents who frequently monitor the cisterns, read the well meters, and those who do the water treatment which includes climbing on roofs.

A big "Thank you" to all our HDE volunteers!

Al Roth, President

TO RECEIVE WATER BILLS VIA E-MAIL

Name _____

Address _____

E-Mail _____

Phone (optional) _____

Send this in with your water bill.

*Happy
New
Year!*

*To leave the old with a burst of song;
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;
To forget the things that bind you fast
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;
To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worthwhile of the days grown old;
To dare go forth with a purpose true,
To the unknown task of the year that's new;
To help your brother along the road,
To do his work and lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Is to have and to give a Happy New Year.*



**HEY EVERYBODY! HOW DO YOU LIKE
GLOBAL WARMING SO FAR???**

HDE WEBSITE

To access our website: hdehoa.com
(for HDE residents only)
User name: owner Password: 172lots

PHASE I FRONTAGE ROAD

The frontage road in HDE's Phase I on Davis Loop is jointly owned by each individual lot. The lot property lines extend out to the highway side of the frontage road. There are easements of 30 feet of the west side of each lot set up in the Bylaws for joint access by the residents and visitors for use of the frontage road. In addition, HDE has to be able to access the water lines and valves that serve the 22 lots in order to fulfill their obligation to furnish potable water to all residents.

There has occasionally been some confusion about the maintenance of this road. In 2009 the HDE Board consulted an attorney who advised them that it was in order for HDE to maintain the road because they need to access the water lines and valves. Last month the Board consulted an attorney on this subject again when the residents of Phase I requested snow plowing on the frontage road. The 2nd attorney echoed the advice of the 1st attorney and added a couple other options such as the lot owners deeding the west 30 feet of their property to HDE.

The Board has asked Bill Huret to plow the snow on the frontage road. Bill has many years of experience and we are grateful to have someone with his qualifications to do our road maintenance.

BE ADVISED!

Plowing the frontage road will leave a small berm across your driveway. Residents on David Way and Jerry DR put up with the berm that plowing snow creates. We are on our own to take care of ours. I for one do not like trudging through a foot or more of snow, sometimes with ice, to go the nearly ¼ mile to the mailbox! The berm is not a problem!

Thanks to Bill in advance!

BOARD MEETINGS

All HDE residents are welcome to attend our Board meetings. Regular time is every **4th Monday at 6:30 pm at the HDE office.** Occasionally we have to re-schedule, so consult the website or call a board member before going.