



HDE NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,

We're now firmly into our Summer season, so be sure you have your sunscreen handy. I wish I could start out with good news, but as some of you already know, there has been a break-in at the new house on the corner of Morningside and David Way. The occupants were away, still in the process of moving in, and their car was stolen from the garage. The Sheriff's Department took a report, and that's about all. We have Neighborhood Watch signs up in various places, but unless someone in the neighborhood is actually paying attention, it is just window-dressing. Please, if you see some suspicious activity, like a garage door open and no car inside, take the time to call the Sheriff and report it. If you are going to be away, let your neighbors know, so they can keep an eye out. **The Sheriff's number is: (541) 447-6398.** Of course, if you actually see a crime in progress, call **911**, and don't attempt to intervene.

This summer we'll be seeing a lot of tourists in town and other places, so please be observant here in High Desert Estates, and take the time to look at your neighbors' places while you go about your business. Page 2 of this newsletter will have some information on how to prepare for the projected influx of "lack of sun" worshipers, and thanks to Helen Willis for compiling this information.

The new well has been drilled, and there is water in it, but the assessment by the driller and the pump service is that the yield is going to be very low, so the Board is taking the time to consider alternatives before going forward with the process. The "well witcher" we hired to find locations can claim that we found water, but the well driller's opinion is that additional wells on Lot 139 are likely to produce similar results because of the geology of the area. I asked the State Water Resources Department geologist for help locating water in the beginning, but basically, the answer from WRD was "we don't know, either", so "good luck".

HDE's purchase of Lot 139 has gone forward, and by the time you read this, the closing should be complete. We have to thank Mark and Juanita Fleming for granting us easements to use the property all these years at no expense to us. As mentioned at the Annual Meeting, the property is almost 4 acres, the purchase price was \$40,000 @ 5% and they agreed to carry the note. Cistern #2 plus 3 wells are on the property, although one is failed at this time, and the new one is doubtful. That being said, I still think the purchase was the right thing to do, and the Board was unanimous in that decision.

The Board has responded to the concerns of some homeowners relative to the coyotes which have taken up residence in the canyon east of Phase I. One of our homeowners is a professional who has been dealing with predators for years, and we have authorized him to use his best judgement in how to deal with the problem.

As usual, there is still a need for volunteers to help the Board manage this development, and we encourage you to help where you can.

Regards,

Al Roth, President

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BOARD MEETINGS

The meeting time is the 3rd Monday of the month, still at the usual time and place: 6:30 PM at the HDE office, as posted on the HDE website.

All HDE residents are welcome to attend our Board meetings.

ECLIPSE TIPS FOR RESIDENTS

Eclipse Begins 9:06 AM, August 21

Total Eclipse Occurs 10:20 AM

Total Darkness for 1 minute, 7 seconds, Prineville



Prepare 7-10 days ahead...

- Purchase your solar eclipse glasses.
- Get your grocery shopping done. Not only will you beat the crowds, but this gives the stores time to restock.
- Fuel up your tanks (gas, propane, etc.)
- Pick up your prescriptions and/or medical supplies.
- Get doctor/dentist appointments out of the way. Traffic will start getting heavy the Thursday prior to the eclipse and could remain heavy until the following Wednesday.
- Get Cash (ATM's may run out of cash or be hindered by slow internet).
- Make sure your property is fire safe (i.e., you've created defensible space and dry grasses are cut low).

During the weekend...

- Conserve water by not watering your lawn or using "extra" water.
- * Conserve energy by doing laundry, running the dishwasher, etc. at low peak hours.
- Be prepared for slow internet - you might not be able to stream your Netflix at peak times!
- Trash service, U.S. mail, and other delivery services may be delayed.
- Traffic will be heavy and lines in stores and restaurants may be long.

Overall, supplies will be limited and high demand may mean you can't get all the things you need or want.

HDE RESIDENTS' BREAKFAST

First Wednesday of every month
Arrive 8:30 or 9:00am
Meadowlakes Restaurant
Order individually as you arrive.

HDE WEBSITE

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

REMEMBER WATER CONSERVATION! June thru September

Odd number lots, water on odd number calendar days. Even lots, even days.
Lot number, not address number!