



# **HDE NEWS**

4488 SE JERRY DRIVE, PRINEVILLE, OR 97754

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## **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

March 1, 2015

February was a pretty quiet month; no riots on our streets and the cops didn't show up more than a couple of times. O.K, O.K... just kidding, but it was a quiet month.

Work is continuing with documentation of our water system. The water committee, with the help of super-scribe Dave Karikas, is formulating and constructing an "Operators Manual" with which we expect that relatively inexperienced people, in the event that more knowledgeable help is not available, will be able to respond to water emergencies, as well as be able to re-route water to homes if or when necessary and be able to shut off pertinent valves to isolate a water line in the event of a major line repair. Understanding the blow-off valve system, which is quite useful when needing to drain a section of line requiring repair, will also be included.

The manual will include pictures, location descriptions, and functions of all of our more than 30 valves in main distribution lines. And it will include pictures and descriptions of control equipment in our three well houses, their functions, and where pertinent, operating ranges. We'll also include trouble shooting tips to help determine the source of any failure and the names of whom to contact to get a failure resolved.

The intent of this project is to get on paper information now residing in the heads of water committee personnel, so if someone

leaves or becomes unavailable, the information does not go with them, as has been the case on at least three occasions in the past.

Chuck Merriam is wrapping up our county permit requirements for the office project. One relatively minor task remains and the permit requirements will be satisfied.

Dorothy Wills is working with our plumber, Tom Cooper, getting our back-flow reporting requirements in place. Tom is awaiting arrival of his final licensing documentation to finish that project. We are not running afoul of the state with the reporting being delayed. Tom also has some unfinished business with the repair project on Mackenzie. He assures me he has not forgotten... it's been a weather related issue for the most part.

Karlene Richmond took advantage of the offer in last month's newsletter for interested folks to join us at a board meeting. We were glad to have her join us. I urge you to do the same. Some of our board members work so we try to plan meeting times around their schedules.

We will attempt to publish the date and time of our next board meeting in each monthly newsletter. Our secretary, Helen Willis will verify that date to anyone interested as the meeting time approaches. Helen can be reached at [541-362-5009](tel:541-362-5009) or [helen4wheels@gmail.com](mailto:helen4wheels@gmail.com).

Regards,

*Al Phillips,*

541-416-1403

**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 29**  
**1:00 PM**  
At the HDE Office  
4488 SE Jerry Drive

### **SPEAKING OF BOARD MEMBERS.....**

The Annual Meeting of the HDE Homeowners Association is coming up May 20, 7:00 pm at Meadow Lakes. There are two board members up for re-election. Both have agreed to serve another term if re-elected. Chuck Merriam, a big help on the water committee, will run for a three year term and Dorothy Wills, our treasurer, will run for a two year term.

If anyone wants to be considered for election to the board, or wishes to serve as a non-voting board member-at-large we need to know by April 20<sup>th</sup>, one month prior to the election on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

This will allow us to publish the candidates' names in the May newsletter before the Annual Meeting.

Board "at-large" members are expected to attend the board meetings and are encouraged to enter into discussions and voice their opinion, but cannot vote on the issues.

## **FREE STUFF**

*Got anything good to give away?*

If you have anything to give away at no charge, contact any board member. The Newsletter comes out in your water bill the first week of every month, so we would need your listing no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> of the previous month.

### **NOTICE! WEBSITE**

Due to a security issue, you now need to input a user name as well as a password to access our website (for HDE residents only):

**hdehoa.com**

User name: **owner** Password: **172lots**

### **DAVIS LOOP FRONTAGE ROAD**

Our roadmaster, Bill, is looking to add more gravel later this fall to the south end of the frontage road. However, more gravel, similar to what is on the north half, is not necessarily better. The south end gets more traffic than the north end and heavy gravel there would result in a wash-boarded roadway and not much, if any, other improvement.

The 3/4-minus rock from Perrigo's pit packs much better than the same rock the previous owner offered.

### **WEED SPRAYING**

This is our second year of contracting with Central Oregon Weed Control to spray for weeds along our roads. Our secretary has used them for three years and is very pleased with the results. They spray the driveway, walkways, and shrubbery beds and NO WEEDS come up. (Well, maybe one or two). Very effective!

**Central Oregon Weed Control: 541-788-2009**

Sid Robinson

### **HDE BREAKFAST GET-TOGETHER** **1<sup>ST</sup> WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH**

#### **Meadow Lakes Restaurant**

(At Meadow Lakes Golf Course)

**Arrive 8:30 – 9:00 am**

Everyone orders individually as you arrive.

### **THURSDAY BREAKFAST**

Some of our HDE residents have discovered "Senior Thursday" at Richi's Place Restaurant, 14749 SE Juniper Canyon Road (on the way to the Prineville Reservoir). They give seniors 60 and over a 20% discount on Thursdays. We usually go around 9:00 or 9:30, not necessarily every Thursday. Very good chicken fried steak! Discount applies at lunch time also.

Anybody got any other suggestions for good eats?