

# HIGH DESERT ESTATES NEWSLETTER



## Have a Happy Holiday Season!

All of us on the Board wish each and everyone of you a beautiful holiday season, and thank you for being part of our wonderful community. Let's make 2024 another wonderful year in High Desert Estates.



## Board Meeting Summary

All regular board meetings are held at 4 PM at HOA Office 5980 SE Jerry Drive

Presented by:

**Mike Kruskopf**

Board President

### UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

December 14

January 11, 2024

- **A reminder from your Watermaster: PLEASE DO NOT USE FIBERGLASS INSULATION IN THE METER BOXES.** It absorbs water and then it freezes.
- Thank you everyone who received and read their backflow device report and letter from the Board recently, and an especially BIG thank you to those who took action to correct any problems with their own backflow. Of the ten that failed their test in October, all but one homeowner have either fixed theirs or arranged to have Burris Plumbing come out and repair and retest. Your HOA pays for the testing each year, and the cost of that this year was \$7,740.00. Each test costs \$60.00. For the sake of your neighbors and community, it is imperative these backflow devices operate correctly, and since they are on your property, it is your responsibility to make any necessary repairs if something comes up. If you don't assume responsibility for fixing your backflow, we may be forced to terminate your water service, and no one wants that! This is a State of Oregon Law.
- Volunteers continue, weather permitting, to clear the trimmed tree branches at the office, and it is looking good! Another improvement to the office is addition of safety asphalt tarp that was screwed down on top of the ramp and stairs, and a temporary repair of the gutters that were leaking and dropping water and then freezing in front of the doors. Those gutters are in need of replacement; they are PVC material and worn out. That will be a project for next year.
- When driving, be mindful of slick roads when the snow does start falling. Hopefully no one has any accidents. Watch out for deer as well as they are out trying to find food the colder it gets.

## Coming Events

### Parade 12/21 @ 6pm

Join your neighbors for our first annual lighted evening Christmas parade through the neighborhood! The Christmas parade is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. on December 21, 2023. **Parade starts on SE Lauren Drive.**

Anybody with any type of vehicle is welcome. Decorate your vehicle, tractors, side x sides, quads, cars, etc. **Watch for updates on our Facebook page (High Desert Estates HOA - Prineville).** If you are interested, please email what kind of vehicle to [dpdahrens@gmail.com](mailto:dpdahrens@gmail.com). This will give us help in planning this event.

*I am still working on the route because we will need a police escort to the homes on SE Davis Loop if I can get it. — Dennis*

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**We have four drop off sites here in our HOA for your water bill payments or any correspondence, and they are as follows:  
The office at 5980 SE Jerry Drive, black postal box on the home at 4830 SE Jerry Drive, the cistern at the top of the hill on McKenzie Place off of David Way, and at the black postal box on the home at 5060 SE Davis Loop.**