

# HIGH DESERT ESTATES NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2024

## By the Community, for the Community

The annual Backflow Device testing will take place in October by Burris Plumbing, and they plan to be here on the 8th, 9th, and 10th. If you have an existing device that has previously been tested, yours will be tested for this year and paid for by the HOA funds. If you have a new device that has NOT been tested, you will need to pay to have it tested after installation and submit results to the HOA, and then in future years the HOA will cover the cost of annual tests.

## 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 MEETING  
September 12    October 10

- **Crack sealing** of several areas within our HOA was done recently by Tri County Paving, LLC, at a cost of \$22,786.00. Your monthly dues help pay for this service, as well as the annual backflow testing. This was possible because of our Reserve Savings Account which everyone contributes to monthly.
- **A new stop sign** and painting on the road has been placed on Morningside and Jerry Drive due to numerous complaints of people failing to stop at the two existing stop signs on Jerry Drive at that intersection. That makes that area an official three way stop. Please obey these signs and keep our community safe, and keep your speed within the HOA at 25 mph. The Board has received several reports of excessive speeding which definitely appears to be over that 25 mph, so please let us know if you see more of that as we would like to know who is exceeding our safe limit.
- Effective with your November 1, 2024 bill, there will be a **\$5.00 a month increase in your water bill you receive**. Our last increase was two years ago. This increase will help contribute to our Reserve Savings Fund for future problems or improvements, such as the recent purchase of the red Dodge Service truck and the snow plow and tool boxes.
- We are now **rounding up our four monthly electric bills** with Central Electric Co Op to the nearest dollar amount and that extra money (which doesn't amount more than five dollars each month for all four accounts) goes into a fund that helps people pay their electric bills that are struggling to pay their electric bill.
- The holidays are right around the corner! Last December we had our first **neighborhood lighted parade** of decorated ATVs and vehicles. We would love to have the parade again and encourage more neighbors to join in. If you have any suggestions regarding this, please email the Board at hdehoa172@gmail.com. Look for more information in next month's newsletter!

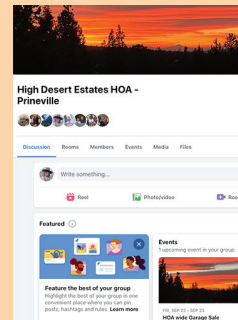
## Coming Events

**Backflow Device testing**  
October 8th, 9th & 10th

**Neighborhood Lighted  
Holiday Parade**  
Date TBD

## Join Our Facebook Group

Our **PRIVATE Facebook group is growing!** Limited to homeowners in High Desert Estates, with the purpose of better communication between neighbors. **JOIN US!**



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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.**