



The Beachcomber



HMC Newsletter

September 2011



President's Message

With Labor Day now behind us, the weather is cooling down, the kids are back in school (well, many of them), and we are settling in to our fall routine. I find myself cleaning up my property to make the trek down the South Beach Trail more picturesque. Like many of you, I'm also working to "button things up" to make my little piece of heaven a better place to be in the winter. So far, so good.

Our Water Project. The work on the water system is still on track and construction is still scheduled to begin by the end of the year. By now, each of you should have received a letter with detailed information about the status of this important project. Please review that letter carefully, as it contains vital information that affects each one of you as Members.

Our Ferry. The new Ferry Trip Ticket Plan goes into effect on October 1. This new Ferry Trip Ticket Plan should save us time and money, and make the collection and accounting of our ferry fees more efficient and accurate. More information on the new Plan can be found later in this edition of the Beachcomber.

Our History. Anita Bray has been spearheading an effort to gather information about island history and to tell us about it through Beachcomber Articles. Drawing on a variety of sources, new articles are being published in our Beachcomber that talk about where we've been as an Island and how we got here. When you get the opportunity, thank Anita and her fellow contributors.

Our BOOSTERS. Alive and well, our Band of Obviously Super, Terrifically Enthusiastic Recreation Supporters continues to move forward in bringing all of us Herron Islanders together for fun and fellowship. More information about BOOSTERS activities can be found later in this edition of the Beachcomber.

Our Committees. Please volunteer! We have immediate needs for members of the Rules Committee and the Emergency Preparedness Committee. I'm pleased to report that Sherri Anderson has stepped up to the plate and has volunteered for service on the Rules Committee. We need more of you who are willing to participate in how we run our Island. I can assure you that your involvement will be well worth the effort.

The President's Soapbox. As peaceful as Herron Island can be, it seems that some people on the Island just can't stand the peace of it all. We have received reports that someone on the Island slashed tires on three cars (there is an article on this later in this edition). We have received reports of thefts and other vandalism. We have received reports of malicious mischief, where small boats have been untied from the North Beach marina and from private mooring buoys and left to drift. Someone has been using the garbage cans at the Community Center to discard their own household trash (this invited a raucous raccoon party – and they don't clean up after themselves). And someone left a junk vehicle in the mainland parking lot for nearly two weeks, expecting it to somehow "go away."

These issues are not unique to Island Members. Recently, right after the ferry left from the mainland dock to shuttle, I saw five mainlanders from the beach – two adults and three teenagers – open the marked gate to the ramp and go down to the end of the ramp. Despite my direction for them all to come back and get off the ramp, I watched in amazement as the three teens jumped off the end while the adults watched. When I confronted them on their way back, the adults didn't really seem concerned that they had just trespassed onto our private property, and into an area that was clearly marked "employees only." (I'm sure they would have been concerned had I jumped on top of their car.) I just hope they got the message and don't do it again.

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Like the issues mentioned in my last message, these all involve a handful of people who lack respect for others. But this recent activity also demonstrates a lack of respect for other people's property, the Herron Island Rules and the laws of the State of Washington.

Unfortunately, I suspect that the people responsible for these acts are not reading this article, even if they are Members. So it is up to us as decent Herron Islanders to get the word out, by whatever means, that Herron Island is not a dumping ground, that Herron Island is not a criminal playground, and that Herron Island is a place where we adhere to the law and to rules of common decency and respect for all.

Who We Really Are. Fortunately, we do have some pretty terrific people on the Island as well, who pitch in to address perceived problems, and who work directly and compassionately with others to make this a better place for all of us. Every day, you see the valuable, *positive* work of our Members in our parks, in our facilities, in our publications, at our parties, at the HMC Office, on the roads, in the ferry line and on the ferry, and wherever else you look on Herron Island. These valuable citizens make Herron Island a *great* place to be. If you are not one already, I urge each of you to become one of them.

Mark B. Anderson, President

Winter Ferry Schedule

The winter schedule will begin October 1st. The only change from the summer schedule is the elimination of the 2:30-3:00 runs on Monday and Friday and the 1:30-2:00 runs on Sunday.

No October Beachcomber (maybe)

The Beachcomber is published 9 times per year; currently it is not published in October, December, or February. With this being the last Beachcomber to be printed (see the article on Page 17), we are now considering publishing the Beachcomber online 12 times per year. Stay tuned.



Burn Rules

With the outdoor burn ban scheduled to expire on September 30th, please take note of the following rules:

- Per the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, it's always illegal to smoke out your neighbors. If they complain, you are required to put the fire out immediately.
- Any outdoor fire must be continuously attended. Abandoning a fire could result in heavy fines.
- Burning of trash is never allowed.
- For more details of island and government burning regulations, please check out the Burn Rules section of herronisland.org.



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 Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday, and after 2:00 PM on Fri-
 days before Board meetings.**

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Emergency 911

Ferry Cell phone (253) 691-1457

(Cell phone to be used for scheduling heavy loads, big vehicles or having something in tow, and for information regarding ferry services.)

Delinquency List as of September 13, 2011

ALONSO - McNALLY - O'NEILL - TGC DEVELOPMENT

Ferry Business

- **Call ahead if you are planning to use the ferry for a trailer, boat, or large vehicle!**
- **Only those guests with valid passes will be allowed on the ferry.**
- **Plan your arrival at the dock at least 5 minutes before the scheduled time of departure.**
- **Walks-ons are not to be on the dock or ramp when cars are being loaded. Watch crew for permission to board.**
- **Only service and delivery people may charge fares.**

WE HAVE EXPERIENCED GUESTS AND SERVICE PEOPLE EXPECTING TO COME OVER TO THE ISLAND WITHOUT GUEST PASSES. THIS VIOLATES THE ACCESS POLICY THAT WAS PUT IN PLACE FOR ALL OF OUR SECURITY. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR GUEST HAS A VALID GUEST PASS SIGNED BY YOU TO ENSURE THEY ARE ABLE TO RIDE THE FERRY. BLANK GUEST PASSES ARE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AT THE OFFICE, BY MAIL, AND ON THE FERRY.

Beachcomber news items must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the Wednesday after the monthly Board meeting on the second Saturday of the month. Items **MUST** be emailed in electronic format to beachcomber@herronisland.org. Include your name and phone number in case any questions arise. Paid advertisements are to be arranged with the HMC office **PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.**

Island Manager Report September 10, 2011

Administration:

Volunteers: Thanks to Judy & Don Greinke and Mike Shettlesworth for their help with street signs, and to the Beachcomber crew for their help with the water project letter, which will go out to all Members this afternoon.

State Aquatic Lands: The State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) visited on August 18. Two marine biologists looked for evidence of marine life at the ferry terminals and North Beach dock, and the contract specialist met with me to discuss the new draft contract. Interestingly, she had scoured our website for lots of information, including the KPFF evaluation of the ferry terminals and North Beach. We will hear soon from them regarding the lease, and should expect no change in the amount they bill us, a pleasant surprise from what we expected.

Derelicts and Nuisances: The popup trailer at 1012 East Herron has been removed. PCResponds has been very helpful with three properties in the past months. The problem properties are located at 1209 East Madrona (code violations); 117 East Madrona (vehicle), and 1012 East Herron (trailer). We asked the owners of three other properties to clean up their properties, and gave them thirty days in which to respond. Because they did not respond, we referred these properties to PC Responds. A significant number of mowers and other items have also been removed from 1301 and 1217 West Herron Blvd. PC Responds can be reached at (253) 798-INFO (4636), or through their website at www.co.pierce.wa.us.

Tree Removal: Jesse Saunders, of International Forestry Consultants, recently volunteered his services to conduct an assessment of two potentially dangerous trees on Fir Lane. His report was well documented and we want to acknowledge his expertise and donation. The removal of these trees was funded by an account within the Administration Budget set aside for removal of dangerous trees on HMC property.

Water System Project:

The Water Project Committee plans to meet later this month to review the bid package with Jester Purtteman of Northwest Water Systems.

We've spent considerable time gathering documentation to apply for interim financing from Columbia Bank, to see if they can offer rates and terms that are better than those offered by Key Bank. Interim financing will become critical once a contractor has been selected.

Additional Requirements. We have completed the "proof of title" requirement and sent these documents on to Northwest Water. Bruce Whittle, Area Specialist for USDA, will visit the Island September 27th with an ADA compliance reviewer to determine if we are in compliance, or if there are work items remaining. One of these might be an ADA compliant parking space at the Community Building.

Island Survey: Baseline Engineering was engaged to conduct a survey of island roads for the water project. This survey included four work items. First, three permanent survey control points have been established with permanent embedded monuments. These points are GPS accessible and are available as control points for other surveys of properties on the Island and thus benefit all Members. Second, existing road edges will be located and mapped, then overlaid on the Island plat map. This map will then be available on the web site and may reveal where significant encroachments have occurred. Third, control points will be set to aid contractors with water system construction. Fourth, the HMC water parcels and North Beach will be surveyed and recorded to establish property boundaries. The water parcels will be fenced at a later time, to satisfy USDA requirements for security of the well site. All of this work is within the USDA project budget.

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Communications with Members: Of our 395 assessable units, we have about 136 Member names on the HMC email list. If you are not on this list, we may not be able to timely notify you about service outages or other events during construction. Please let Carolyn Snyder in the HMC Office know, by email or in writing, that you wish to be added to this list. Members with questions about location of their service meters or hookups for contiguous lots should continue to contact the office, so that last minute changes can be avoided during construction. Look for a letter soon on these and other topics!

Water Utility: The IRS requires that the HMC Water Utility be established as a separate entity, with its own Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. We will work with the island attorney to draft a simple set of Articles for approval by the Membership/owners of the water system. The Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws must be approved by a vote of the Members. We will be looking for volunteers to help label and organize a new set of files, by property address, which will be needed to keep water service records.

Water System Maintenance and Operation: A sanitary survey was conducted last month by the Health Department. The report listed some strong positives: plenty of water, wells deep enough to avoid surface water contamination, plenty of storage capacity, good water quality monitoring. Areas requiring some improvement included reservoir cleaning (recommended every 5 years); valve exercising program (recommended every other year); implementation of a cross connection control program (*i.e.*, backflow prevention); simplification of the piping configuration in the pump house; and a simple update to the Coliform Monitoring Plan. We have asked Washington Water to give us recommendations on these items, so that they can be costed out and scheduled if needed. HMC also received acknowledgement of improvements from the previous sanitary survey: development of cross connection control plan; removal of toxic materials from the area of the wells; installation of check valves; routine operations & maintenance plan, and Coliform Monitoring Plan.

Fire Department Liaison

Nothing to report.

Land Use: No Committee Report.

Emergency Preparedness: We are looking for Members who would volunteer to chair this committee. Steve Ohlsen has offered to give HMC a siren to be used in emergencies. We are currently without a committee to plan to install and oversee use of the siren, but we might still receive it and store in until a determination is made.

Legal Liaison: Current delinquencies include Alonso, McNally, O'Neill and TGC Development. All have been referred the island attorneys for legal action; one owes less than \$100. The current delinquency rate is 1.0%.

Parks: Committee Report:

“We would like to thank everyone for supporting our Parks by using them. It is so rewarding to see so many people enjoying their use. We were told of some overuse of the docks through staying over the 24 hours limit throughout the summer and some boat trailers were parked at North Beach over the holiday weekend. We will work to seek solutions to help get the word out better.

Our final work party of the season will be Saturday, October 8th. The plan is to remove the small boat docks for winter storage plus do some additional projects that have come up over the summer. Due to the tide we will be starting at 1:00 pm. Upon completion of the day's projects, food will be provided. We hope to see you there.”

The email address for the Parks Committee is: hmcparcs@herronisland.org.

North Beach Marina: We are awaiting action by the National Marine Fisheries Service and the Army Corps of Engineers, the last hurdles in the permitting process. We are on target for construction in January 2012.

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Roads: If you wish to be a volunteer driver of the truck, please contact the Office. You will need to be added to the list of authorized drivers in order to be covered by HMC insurance.

Ferry Road shows signs of tree root damage, plus a pothole. We have asked Dick Mowry to make the repairs while the weather is favorable. Because the tall trees will continue to damage the road, either 1) the trees can be removed; or 2) Ferry Road's curve could be moved a little to the north to avoid the trees. Since the trees provide shade to waiting passengers during the summer months, cutting them might be unpopular. The flip side is that the ferry crew's visibility of the ferry line and ability to manage traffic would be enhanced by removal of the trees.

Rules: The Rules Committee is in need of a Chairman and members. Revisions to the existing Rules are pending with the Board.

Transportation: Please note the new Ferry Trip Ticket Plan on the website. Members should not request exceptions to the ticket policy from the crew, but be prepared to pay in cash or by check if they have no ticket.

Technology: Fred Fath continues to work on an iPod application that may help satisfy our electronic ticketing needs.

The Parks Committee would like to specially Thank Dave Skilling for his generous donation of line and buoys to be used to enclose the swim area. We plan to install them with anchors in the spring.

Welcome, New Islanders!

HMC welcomes the following new Members to Herron Island:

- **Christine Sawyer**
- **Brian Puskas**

HMC Email Notifications



The HMC Office has set up an email notification list to alert Members to power outages, ferry service changes and other announcements of general interest. As the water line replacement project gears up, these notifications will become very important to alert Members to water outages, construction detours, and other effects of the project. Please add your email to the list by contacting office@herronisland.org. We promise this list will be used only for HMC business purposes and your address will not be visible to other recipients..

Just like when President Kennedy was assassinated, you often now hear the question: "Where were you on 9/11?"

Some, like me, were driving when they heard the news.
Some were already at work.
Some were just getting off work.
Some were in their first school class of the morning.
Some were sleeping in.

But in New York, some were at work at the World Trade Center.
Some were travelling across Pennsylvania in a plane.
And in Virginia, some were at work at the Pentagon, defending our country.

And in New York, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, and throughout the rest of our country, heroes were born that day.
They showed up in the obvious form of firefighters, police officers, and military men and women.
But heroes also came from the ranks of utility workers, subway motormen, taxi drivers, flight attendants, plane passengers, and just plain ordinary people doing extraordinary things.

All of these people – bystanders, victims, and heroes - one thing all these people have in common – they are all Americans.

Innocent Americans who lost their lives just because they were Americans.
Heroic Americans who rose to the occasion to protect the rest of us.
Devoted, forward-thinking Americans who carry on in the face of adversity; and
Dedicated Americans who continue to defend our rights to be free from oppression and tyranny.

So when considering your answer to the question "where were you on 9/11?" also consider your answer to the question, "where are you now?"

You're sitting here reading this, alive and well as free men and women. For that:

we honor the memory of those who lost their lives on 9/11;
we thank the men and women of America who unselfishly serve us every day; and
we collectively renew our commitment to and thank God for this great country of ours:
the United States of America.

Mark B. Anderson



TIRE PUNCTURES – up to \$500 Reward offered

On Thursday 9/8/2011, there were 3 member's vehicles that had their tires punctured. This happened between the hours 8:30 pm and 10:15 pm at the residence of Dick Kusander, 912 E Madrona Blvd. Member's vehicles vandalized were owned by Dick Kusander-all 4 tires, Gary Soriano-3 tires and Ernie Shreve-2 tires. This vandalism caused approximately \$3,000 in damages.

A reward of up to \$500 has been offered to anyone who provides information that leads to the person or persons responsible being found and convicted. As Members' of this Island, this is an example that we need to watch out for each other. Please, if you hear anything or have information about this matter, come forward and let us know. Dick, Gary and Ernie are in the process of filing this incident with the authorities and, once they have, we can let you know so that you may contact the authorities directly with any information you have.

You may contact me, Sherri Anderson, concerned Member, via phone at 503-860-4888 or a specific email address that has been set up for this matter at tireinfo@centurylink.net. All information provided will be kept confidential and forwarded to the authorities to handle. I hope together we can get to the bottom of this. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Sincerely,
Sherri Anderson
HMC Member

Parks Committee News: **It's that time again... With time turning to fall it's time to roll up our sleeves for the Dock Removal and Project Work Party... This year we plan to pull and stack the docks and do some work to re-**
new the Boardwalk and other N. Beach projects...



Join us!

When: Saturday, October 8th at 1:00 pm

Where: North Beach

Good to know: Nourishment: Hamburger Sloppy Joes plus sides prepared and donated by Dianne DeGood & Co.

B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S.

Thanksgiving Potluck and BINGO Night

Saturday, November 12, 2011 at 5:00 pm

Join us at the Community Center

2012 Herron Island Calendar!
Only \$15 each

Island Member, Janice Ohlsen, has generously agreed to create a 2012 Herron Island Calendar for the BOOSTERS. We have ordered 100 and they will be **sold at this potluck... \$15 each while supplies last.** If you can't make the event—ask your friend or neighbor to pick one up for you!

Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner

Turkeys will be provided...

Sign-up to bring your favorite side-dish to share by emailing HIBOOSTERS@yahoo.com.

We already have some members who have signed up, please let us know what you plan to bring ASAP.

PLAY B I N G O !!!

WIN FUN PRIZES INCLUDING
THE GRAND PRIZE

“HERRONOPOLY”

What is “Herronopoly”? It is a game fashioned after Monopoly, but themed about Herron Island.

“Herronopoly” will be a very desirable prize. Don't miss your chance to make it yours!

Mark Anderson is working on a novelty “Herronopoly” game to offer as the top BINGO prize. Email your suggestions for the names of the properties, and ideas for the “Chance” and “Community Chest” cards by Saturday, October 8th. His email address is: hmcmarkanderson@herronisland.org.

B.O.O.S.T.E.R.S.

BAND OF OBVIOUSLY SUPER TERRIFICALLY ENTHUSIASTIC RECREATION SUPPORTERS

HERRON ISLAND BOOSTERS, A WA STATE NON-PROFIT CORPORATION - INCORPORATED JUNE 12, 2011

Saturday BOOSTERS Labor Day Events Summary

What a wonderful weather weekend. Members, their families and guests came out in great numbers to enjoy the wonders of Herron Island. What a delight to see, feel and experience!

The day started with community trunk sales, apparel sales and cinnamon roll sales... all were well attended. There were treasures and lots of useful items being sold at bargain prices. Hot rolls and beverages were consumed with pleasure.

The BOOSTERS officers presented Anita Bray with a certificate of appreciation for her continual commitment and valued support to our Herron Island community.

At noon it was the start of the sailboat and kayak races. With no discernable wind it was a slow start for the sail boaters. So the kayakers made it around the island before the sailboats could get around Packers Point.

The events then moved to the Goodpastor Park ball field. One young man, who has possibly played every year since he could walk, was the first player to arrive running across the field **towing his baseball gear in a wagon.** **The first thing he asked Dallas was, "how can I help?"** As a spectator one could sense the passion players had for the game when the audience seemed to disappear as the players focused on the game. The enthusiasm of our baseball players is infectious. They love it! They make us love it.

And then in the evening our Tommy Boy did it again. Tom's love of music shows in his ability to play just the right tunes. The dance floor was filled with members kicking up their heels and enjoying the last event of the summer. Thank you Tom Tighe! It seemed few on the island this weekend missed this event.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support of the BOOSTERS and our community. Special thanks to our event chairs and invaluable volunteers: Dallas & Rondi Amidon, Tracy Anspach, Anita Bray, Jan Burdett, Mike Clingman, Carole Crowley, Kathy Deuster, Toostie Duback, John Farris, Chris Mohr, Diane Rohrbach, Carolyn Snyder, Mike Shettlesworth, Tom Tighe, Gary Wanzong and Jack & Nancy Wells.

We appreciate ideas and feedback. Email us at HIBOOSTERS@yahoo.com with your comments and suggestions.

REMINDER: NEW TRIP TICKET PLAN STARTS OCTOBER 1, 2011**SENIOR AND DISABLED PASSES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
AS PAYMENT FOR FERRY TRIPS**

HMC is beginning the new Trip Ticket Plan for ferry passage on October 1, 2011. One method by which you pay for your ferry trip will change for Herron Island Members. As of October 1, 2011, all HMC Members will qualify to use Trip Tickets that will be available for purchase from the HMC office at a reduced rate.

Cost of the Trip Tickets

A book of ten (10) Trip Tickets valued at \$8 each may be purchased for \$67.00. A book of twenty-five (25) tickets valued at \$3.00 each may be purchased for \$66.00. Members may purchase more than one book of Trip Tickets at a time. Guest ferry fee rates stay at \$16 for vehicle and driver; members may pay for their guest using two \$8 Trip Tickets.

Purchasing the Trip Tickets

Trip Tickets may be purchased by mail from:

HMC Management Office – PO Box 119 – Lakebay, WA 98349

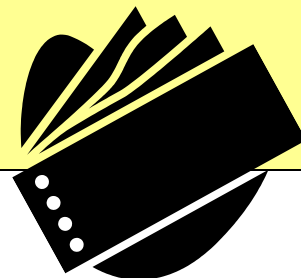
Senior/disabled Members may pre-purchase their Trip Tickets starting September 15, 2011 in person at the HMC Office or anytime by mail. HMC senior and disabled Members may use their credit-exchange for any un-punched squares on their senior/disabled pass when purchasing Trip Tickets.

All other Members may purchase their Trip Tickets at the HMC Office starting September 30, 2011 or anytime by mail.

Using the Trip Tickets

On October 1st, Members who do not use a Trip Ticket to board the ferry must pay either with cash or check at a price of \$8 for vehicle and driver and \$3 for passengers or walk-ons. **All currently held \$8 and \$3 tickets will continue to be accepted; the new Trip Tickets looks the same as the old ones, so no refunds will be allowed if they were purchased before October 1, 2011.**

Starting October 1, 2011, senior/disabled passes and tickets with values less than \$8 and \$3 (\$7, \$2 or lower) will not be accepted by the Ferry Crew as payment for ferry trips. This means that, beginning on October 1, all Members, including senior, disabled, and commuters, must pay for their ferry trip with pre-purchased Trip Tickets or with cash or check for \$8 and \$3. No exceptions will be made.





2011 LABOR DAY WATER REGATTA

SAILBOATS

SIX BOATS STARTED, FOUR FINISHED
THE ORDER OF FINISH WAS:

Paul & Curt Bray	2 hrs & 6 minutes
Joe Lausten	2 hrs & 8 minutes
Michel Sotura	2 hrs & 9 minutes
Dave Monette	2 hrs & 44 minutes
Greg & Helen Hackworth & crew	DNF
Larry & Mike Carreiro	DNF

Thanks to George Newcomb for registration and timing. Many thanks to Tom and Carol Tighe for providing and crewing a rescue boat. It was a slow start with the winds light to non-existent. Winds really picked up around the south end of the island. The boats were moving very fast up the channel to the North Beach.

Good job to all our sailors.

KAYAKS

12' 6 & under

Brandon McNerney	41 minutes
Will Owen	51 minutes

12' 7 & Over

Mike Clingman	32 minutes
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Thanks to Diane Rohrbach for registration & timing.

Tide Tables

Plots of the monthly tide tables are available on our website (herronisland.org). The plots are for nearby McMicken Island, which is the NOAA data point closest to Herron Island.





Labor Day Last Game of the Year

We have had quite the summer baseball games. Memorial Day, East adults won; 4th of July, West adults won; Labor Day, East Adults won. Since the East won 2 out of 3 games, they get the bragging rights for the next 9 months. Then we get to start over. Come on West we need some good baseball players to help us out.

Since most of the junior ball players decided the water and beach was their choice of excitement for the day in 80 degree weather, the junior players that showed up ended up playing with adults. So the Labor Day game was to say exciting. They went for 5 innings and the East won 7 to 1, but fun was had by all.

The adult game was much more intense, they came to play. The West started a new pitcher (age 8 or 9) but very aggressive on the mound that the East got 4 runs. Bottom of the 1st inning, the West got 2 runs, so it went for the next 2 innings. Before we knew it the score was 7 to 3. The 4th inning no one got a run but on the 5th the East scored 2 more runs. Finally the West got 2 runs in the bottom of the 6th. The final score 9 to 5. So the final game was over for the 2011 summer. Everyone had a great and wonderful time.

Where was I? I called balls and strikes, a different spot for me. Ellis was out of town. Thanks to all of you that played and supported the teams. We all have a great time at the old ball field.

See you next year,
Dallas, Robert and Ellis.



Derelict Vehicles or Trash on Neighboring Properties?

Does your neighbor leave trash on their property? Is a collapsing building providing a home for rodents? Is a derelict car, boat trailer or truck rusting away on your neighbor's property? If so, you can file an online complaint with [PCResponds](#) on the Pierce County website, or phone them at 253-798-INFO. They've been helpful with several nuisance problems already and are working on others which are violations of Pierce County Health and Safety Codes. Let's make Herron Island even more beautiful.



HARRY GOODPASTOR HARRY GOODPASTOR PARK

Harry Goodpastor was an original property owner on Herron Island. He designed and built one of the first homes on Herron Island, located at 1315 West Herron Blvd. He was a skilled craftsman, built his own home, and helped many early residents with their building projects.

Harry was the first Chair of our Island's Parks Committee. He devoted much of his time maintaining the playground equipment and developing plots for additional equipment.

Herron Development Co. installed swings, a slide, and a wading pool for the children. The pool required too much time for cleaning and repairs; George and Norma Newcomb spent every other weekend in the summer cleaning and adding chlorine to keep everyone healthy. After years of all the volunteer work on the pool, Harry suggested to the Board to fill it with dirt and gravel. The Board agreed, and the pool was soon turned into a basketball court.

Harry started the first garbage collection service. His green truck had homemade sidebars. Once a week, he filled his truck with trash from the parks and Island residents. It was a needed service, and many residents would chat with him at pickup time. He charged \$2 a week. Some of the summer people would flag Harry down and throw their trash into his truck. All the garbage was dumped at the Key Center dump for free.

Harry also started the first can recycling service. Everyone on the island hauled their cans to his house. Once a month, he took the cans in for recycling and saved the money for the parks. He used the money to purchase a merry-go-round, balls, and baseball equipment.

Harry served on the Board for two non-consecutive terms.

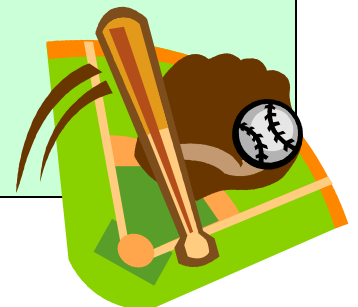
In the 60s, kids started to drive on Island roads in their go-karts and other vehicles. Many fathers built various designs of wheels for the kids. The dust and reckless driving was just too much for Harry. He would chase the kids down, remove the keys, and drive the kids and keys to their house or lot. The kids were always on the lookout for Harry! He did make a difference with this problem.

When Harry's wife fell ill, he had to spend most of his time caring for her. He tried to keep the garbage collection business by doing pickups every other week.

In the 70s, the Board named the playground area HARRY GOODPASTOR PARK in honor of Harry Goodpastor and the special legacy he left behind.

Contributions by: George and Norma Newcomb, Mary Turpin

Anita Bray



THE STORY CONTINUES: “WATER for HERRON ISLAND”

All members have received their Water Project letter by this time. Great questions and important information are being shared with HMC daily.

This is what is needed! Our Water System belongs to all of us “Herron Islanders” and therefore everyone needs to help make the water line replacement and upgrade project run smoothly. Advance planning and communication with HMC saves time and expense in the future.

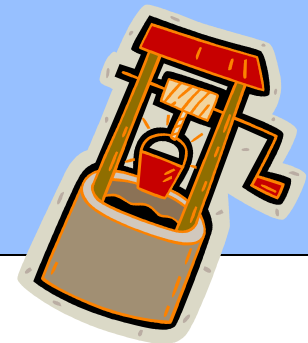
Members are concerned about the many areas where their landscaping or other construction encroaches on HMC road right of way. **The goal is to avoid member’s property improvements** if at all possible but there are circumstances beyond our control that may dictate exactly where the water lines must go. We have many wetland areas that have limitations about how close the new water line will be allowed and other situations where the direction or length of pipe for flow and required space between the fire hydrants has set standards that cannot be adjusted. Every situation is different and will be handled on a case by case basis.

Members have expressed concern about having more choices for paying for their portion of the capital improvement costs. At this time a few suggestions are listed:

- Members may prepay the full amount during a short period of time when the final project costs are complete.
- Members may obtain their own personal financing (line of credit, refinancing, credit union loans, etc.) to take advantage of the prepay option and give individuals different loan terms.
- Members may get financing through HMC and the HMC- USDA loan with 40 year terms.

Please continue to contact us with emails to any Board Member or to hmcmanager@herronisland.org

Thank you - HMC Board



Carole Crowley asked that her message below be read into the record at the last Board meeting, but her request was inadvertently overlooked; we apologize for that.

On August 20th, 2011 a new member and his family moved to 1209 E. Madrona Blvd. Rumors started flying, one being the lot had no power, water, or sanitation. The family stated that they intended to live here as their only residence. Several neighbors emailed Claudia regarding these concerns and she answered us immediately stating she was aware of the situation and was working on a solution. In less than two weeks knowing the system and who to contact the family has moved off the island.

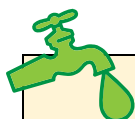
I wish to express my thanks and gratitude to Claudia for the professional manner in which she handled both the family situation and the concerned neighbors. She is a very valuable asset to us on Herron Island and I look forward to her handling the island affairs for a long time.

Claudia saved us thousands of dollars with her knowledge of the USDA application and the follow-up needed to secure our loan for a new water system that will keep us in compliance with the state and federal rules. Just one of many ways she has saved us money which keeps our assessment as low as possible.

I wish to thank the Board of Trustees for volunteering their time. Herron Island is worth every minute of our time.

Carole Crowley
1320 E Madrona

P.S. East Madrona Blvd. held up quite well what with the amount of traffic that is still coming to look at first the family, and now to see what is left on the lot. While composing this letter three cars came down to satisfy their curiosity. Thanks, Dick Mowry for all the work you do to keep the roads in good shape.



Water Leak Problem?

If it's on your property, you'll need to find someone to handle your repairs. Washington Water Service Company is contracted to maintain and operate the HMC water system, but they do not service individual homeowners.

Board Member Email Addresses



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HMC TO STOP MAILING BEACHCOMBERS

In an effort to save the cost of printing and mailing of Beachcomber newsletters, HMC has decided to discontinue the process of mailing Beachcombers to Members. Each edition is published on the HMC website (www.herronisland.org) in a format that can easily be viewed and/or printed. It is anticipated that this will save Members approx. \$4100 per year. Effective with the November 2011 edition of the Beachcomber, the newsletter will only be available on line unless a Member specifically requests in writing that they be mailed a copy. A subscription fee of \$2 per copy will be imposed if Members still want their copies mailed. A limited number of printed copies will also be available at the office. HMC has been developing a master email distribution list to inform Members when the Beachcomber has been published on line. The email provides each Member a clickable link to access the newsletter. The distribution list will also be used to notify Members of power outages, ferry service status, disaster alerts, Water System upgrade alerts, and so on. If you wish to be included on this email distribution list please send a message to office@herronisland.org. Please note that your email address will be kept completely confidential and emails sent from the office will not reveal your personal address to other recipients.

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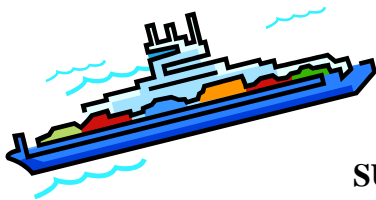
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SUMMER FERRY SCHEDULE (4/1 through 9/30)

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Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day same as Sunday

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