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### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone. Another month has passed and we are OK at this time relative to the water situation at Cistern #2. The State Water Master was not much help advising us as to where to drill. I have had some "water witching" done, but so far there is little consensus as to where to drill. We have met with a representative from the OAWU (Oregon Association of Water Utilities), who mentioned that there is some technology available for finding water, but it is only effective in the Coastal Valleys where the water level is in the neighborhood of 30 feet or so, not 300-500 feet. What this means is: we have to make a best guess and hope for the best.

In other news, we received a letter from Crook County that they will be spraying for the Medusahead Rye weed starting in October. The spraying is supposed to be in the Juniper Canyon and Grizzly Mountain areas. There is no cost to us for the spraying, but because of the late notice we received from the County, it would be best if you contacted Debbie Wood (541) 447-9971 or Kev Alexanian (541) 447-7958 to let them know if you do not want spraying on your property. The herbicide will be Plateau, sprayed at 6oz/acre. Here is the link to get more information about Plateau:

www.cdms.net/ldat/ld2LP015.pdf



### Medusahead Rye (from Crook County)

Recently Crooked River Weed Management Area and Crook County Weed Control received funding to help combat noxious weeds in the Grizzly Mt and Juniper Canyon area for medusahead rye. Once the grass dominates an area, the land becomes unable to support wildlife or livestock.

We will be in the area treating medusahead rye starting this fall. Let your homeowners know if you find medusahead rye on your property and if we have permission to treat this noxious weed. This project includes three years of treatment.

We have more information on noxious weeds in Crook County on our website. crwma.co.crook.or.us/

### Call for more information:

CRWMA Crook County Weed Control

Debbie Wood Kev Alexanian Prineville Prineville 541-447-9971 541-447-7958

Medusahead Rye





## HDE WEBSITE

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

Read the ByLaws and CC&Rs, the latest newsletters, items of interest, or contact the Board.

**Cold weather is coming.** Here are some tips that I found. I haven't tried them all so I can't vouch for how well they work, but they sound like they're worth trying.

## Some helpful winter tips for your car:

## Keep your headlights clear with car wax!

Just wipe ordinary car wax on your headlights. It contains special water repellents that will prevent that messy mixture from accumulating on your lights - lasts up to 6 weeks.

# Squeak-proof your wipers with rubbing alcohol!

Wipe the wipers with a cloth saturated with rubbing alcohol or ammonia. This one trick can make badly streaking and squeaking wipers change to near perfect silence and clarity.

## **Ice-proof your windows with vinegar!**

Frost is on its way? Just fill a spray bottle with three parts vinegar to one part water and spritz it on all your windows at night. In the morning, they'll be clear of icy mess. Vinegar contains acetic acid, which raises the melting point of water---preventing water from freezing!

# Prevent car doors from freezing shut with cooking spray!

Spritz cooking oil on the rubber seals around car doors and rub it in with a paper towel. The cooking spray prevents water from melting into the rubber.

# Fog-proof your windshield with shaving cream!

Spray some shaving cream on the inside of your windshield and wipe it off with paper towels. Shaving cream has many of the Same ingredients found in commercial defoggers.

# De-ice your lock in seconds with hand sanitizer!

Just put some hand sanitizer gel on the key and the lock and the problem is solved!

### More winter reminders:

Wrap any pipes that are vulnerable to freezing with heat tape. Check your existing heat tape to make sure it's working.

Make sure your outdoor faucets are covered with an insulator.

Don't leave hoses connected to outdoor faucets or timers. If the water in the hose freezes it will expand and could break something inside the faucet or timer.

Drain water from your automatic sprinkler system.

Cover the air vents in foundations to keep the cold out and the heat in under the house to protect plumbing.

There are submersible heaters available for your outdoor pet watering dish or birdbath. Amazon.com has a good selection. There are heated pet bowls also.

### Don't forget....

HDE Residents Monthly Breakfast get-together 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month

Meadowlakes Restaurant
Arrive 8:30 – 9:00 am, order as you arrive.

# NEED A LITTLE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY? (Not too strenuous)

## **HOW ABOUT BOWLING?**

Rimrock Lanes has openings in all leagues Check their website for League times. www.rimrocklanes.net

Some HDE residents are already bowling. Monday at 11 am is all ages, mostly seniors. Very low key. It doesn't matter how good you bowl. Tuesday Senior League at 1pm is the same, only all seniors. There are leagues for men, women or mixed, day or evening.

Located in the Baldwin industrial park near Apple. Look for the big American flag. Visit or call us today!

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