

HIGH DESERT ESTATES NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

By the Community, for the Community

Volunteers continue to trim tree limbs at the office and two other volunteers rented a chipper shredder and chopped up quite a few piles recently and will continue again in October. If you want to help, which would be greatly appreciated, or want some of the chipped shavings delivered to your place rather than be trucked to the land fill, please let Chris Burk know at 541-362-5162. Most of our volunteers are over age 70

and could use some younger and stronger people!

There is still time to trim your trees for fire prevention and its a good time to rid your property of tumbleweeds now as well.

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS! 🛠️

Email to the HOA for response, hdehoa172@gmail.com or leave a message on the office phone 541-236-7284.

Board Meeting Summary

All regular board meetings are held at 6 PM at HOA Office 5980 SE Jerry Drive

Presented by:

Mike Kruskopf
Board President

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

October 12 November 9

- It was reported by a homeowner of a **possible cougar kill** because of the aggressive mauling of an adult doe over Labor Day weekend. Please be vigilant and report to ODFW any sightings or tracks, watch your animals, and your back when out walking.
- We are **exploring some repairs** to the pavement on some of our roads and those repairs will most likely take place in October. Last year we spent \$25,000 on sealing the pavement in quite a few areas.
- The first annual **HDE Garage Sale** over the September 22nd weekend was a success, and 14 homes took advantage of the time to have a sale. Everyone reported that the best part was meeting and talking with their neighbors. We will plan another sale next late spring before the summer gets busy, and hope more people get into the spirit of a garage sale. Thank you to those who participated.
- **Where do your dues dollars go you may ask.** Each month \$25.00 of your monthly bill is for the association dues. This money covers things like road repairs, maintenance on the community water system, supplies for the office, charges for the Munibilling System we use for your monthly water bill, electricity charges, and monthly and annual water testing and state and county fees and taxes. Since May 1st this year, water testing charges have been \$1602.00, water system repairs \$3,607.00, electricity from four meters, \$2,996.00, Pump septic tank at office \$650.00, and Munibilling \$558.00. We paid off the mortgage on the office building at a cost of \$15,217.00. These are some of the major expenses that HDE has, some are monthly, some are quarterly, and some are annually.

There was a mail key left on the ground at the mailboxes on Jerry Drive. Please call the office to identify it.

Coming Events

Annual Back Flow Testing

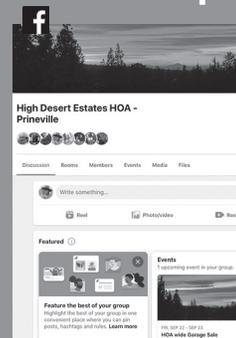
by Burris Plumbing

October on the 19th, 20th, 26th, and 27th.

The charge for this is covered by your association, but any repairs needed will be your responsibility. You will receive a report from Burris upon completion of the testing.

Join Our New Facebook Group

We've started a new PRIVATE Facebook group page. Limited to homeowners in High Desert Estates, with the purpose of better communication between neighbors.



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The monthly HDE HOA Board Meeting takes place at 6:00 pm in the HOA office on the second Thursday of the month unless otherwise rescheduled. Board members will address urgent issues via phone with the Board president.



= VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!