

# NORTH HENRYS LAKE HOA ISLAND PARK, ID

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Hello neighbors,

It's another beautiful fall here at the lake. The leaves are changing and moose are returning. We've even had our first snowfall, reminding us that winter is right around the corner.

It has been a busy year for the HOA.

## Road Improvements

The entrance to Lake Breeze was recrowned in September. Due to its steepness, the road required water diverters and heavier gravel. We also graded the east end of Lake Shore to smooth out the washboards. A special thanks to Steve Pond for coordinating the project efforts. Steve Pond and Gordon Knudsen also donated their labor on the road project to help keep the costs down.

New road signs were ordered for the entrances and boat launch and other signs were re-painted. Justin Wilde also used his tractor to improve sections of Brookie Ln.

Maribeth Alder and Karen Kelly coordinated the Highway 87 road both in the summer and fall.

## Water Improvements

This was a big year for water! We have a new water manager, Mike Kemp. If you notice any leaks in the main water line, please contact Mike Kemp at 716-348-9627. We want to thank Mike Wilson, our former water manager, for his service to the neighborhood this past year.

Bill Hall undertook the project of locating and marking the watershutoff valves on our mainline. Many years of growth made this a difficult project, so we greatly appreciate his efforts. Through careful study of the water maps and a metal detector, Bill was able to locate a crucial missing valve on Teton. It was under about a foot of dirt and hadn't been unearthed in over a decade. We had feared it had been removed like some of the other valves on Teton. Thanks to Bill's efforts, we were able to unearth this critical valve, restoring our ability to shutoff the system without draining the water tanks. It also saved the HOA a pretty penny as that valve was on the docket to be installed. Mike Kemp, our new water manger, is currently working on testing our water system's valves so that we can identify and repair broken valves.

Efforts were also made to clean out the upper and lower creekbeds, improving water flow and protecting our system from contaminants and freeze-ups.

In August the Board mailed a letter to homeowners regarding our water system. We greatly appreciate the feedback from homeowners which we've received thus far. I would like to reiterate that the estimates listed in the letter were not intended as a firm number. This year the Board is focusing on gathering information. We're gathering information from homeowners as well as former water studies, professional water engineers, and plumbers. We are also going to complete more extensive water testing in multiple locations on our water lines. After we gather information, we will then get

## BOARD MEMBERS

President: Rachel Wilde  
VP: Gordon Knudsen  
Sec: Richard Hodge  
Treasurer: Carol Heath  
Water: Bill Hall  
Roads: Steve Pond  
Architectural Review:  
Karen Kelly

## NEW WATER MANAGER

Mike Kemp

For contact information, visit  
[www.northhenryslake.com](http://www.northhenryslake.com)

## HENRYS LAKE HAPPENINGS

To receive NHLHA emails, please contact Rachel at [rgwilde@gmail.com](mailto:rgwilde@gmail.com) to be added to our email list. The NHLHA email list is used to notify about water and road maintance, safety issues, and community events.

estimates for the recommended work. The Board will continue to research and present an action plan at the next annual member meeting which is always held the second Saturday in July at 10am.

### **Annual Assessments**

As voted upon at the 2019 Annual Member Meeting, the annual assessment for the 2019-2020 year is \$241 per lot. The assessment was due on September 30. Any assessments not paid by October 31 will be subject to late fees and penalties. If you have not paid or need a copy of your bill, please contact our treasurer Carol Heath immediately (cechheath@gmail.com, 406-855-9329).

Please keep in mind that the annual assessment includes your water, road maintenance, snow plowing for the main HOA entrances & mailboxes, taxes and insurance for the common areas, and more for the entire year! We're able to keep HOA dues low in large part thanks to volunteer service from Board members and other neighborhood homeowners. Please take a moment to review the recognition listed on the right column of this page. A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who's volunteered this year.

### **Bear Sightings**

This year the neighborhood has had a number of bear sightings, including a male grizzly, a mother grizzly, and two cubs. It is a privilege and a responsibility to live so close to wildlife. As such, there is no garbage or food storage allowed outside. Garbage attracts bears as well as other animals such as foxes, skunks, and rodents. Once a bear learns there's garbage available, it'll return for an easy meal.

Many people in our neighborhood use a garbage service. DO NOT put your garbage out overnight. Please only put your trash out if you know your garbage collection service will be there within a few hours.

If this is not an option, you either need to purchase a bear-proof container or you need to take your own trash to the Island Park Landfill. The bears have been getting into garbages both during the day and at night. It has been a major problem this year.

If you spot a bear in our neighborhood, please contact Kyle Garrett – Senior Bear Technician, Cell Phone: (801) 560-9806, Email: kyle.garrett@idfg.idaho.gov; Chris Johnson 208-390-0629; or Jeremy Nicholson – Bear Biologist, Office Phone: (208) 558-4215, Cell Phone: (919) 538-5561, Email: jeremy.nicholson@idfg.idaho.gov.

### **Thank You**

Thank you for being a part of our community. We live in a beautiful place, but our neighborhood is made great by the people who live here.

As an HOA Board we wish you the best as we close out the year. Have a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season.

Kindest regards,

Rachel Wilde,  
President NHLHA

## **RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

### **Highway 87 Cleanup**

Karen Kelly, John and Maribeth Alder, Linda Malmberg, Jennifer Esch, Rachel Wilde, Sue and Denis Hofflander

### **Upper Creek Cleanout**

Justin and Rachel Wilde

### **Lower Creek Cleanout**

Joanne and Larry Baker, Carl Richter, Janet Ulrey, Bill Hall, Karen Kelly, Justin and Rachel Wilde

### **Retiring HOA Board Members**

Roads: Mary Van Fleet  
Water: Mike Weigand  
Membership: Bryce Johnson

### **Former Water Manager**

Mike Wilson

**THANK YOU!!!**