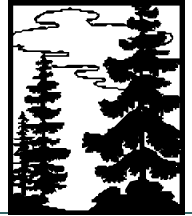


SLEHA GAZETTE



April 2003

Contact Information

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President— Bob Lloyd 623-6070
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 John Hayes 623-2064
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 Kris Kramer 623-6006

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Architectural Review
 John Mamuscia (Chair) 623-4012
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 Dave Haught (Chair) 623-6180
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Roads
 (Chair) VACANT
 Temp is Jess Blocker 623-6001
 Vacant Vacant
 Vacant Vacant

Timber
 Lowell Hayes 623-2064
 Vacant Vacant

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 Spirit Lake East
 Homeowner's Association
 PO Box 217
 Spirit Lake, ID 83869

Message From the President—Robert Lloyd Jr.



Spring is here and all is well except for the need for volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors and the Road Committee. So please plan to attend the May 13th semi-annual membership meeting to vote and/or volunteer.

We are continuing to grow at approximately twelve new homes a year. This growth is starting to put a strain on our water system. The Board and the Spirit Lake Water Company are looking into ways to handle the future water needs.

In the near future we will have to look at increasing our dues because the continual increase in traffic adds costs to the road maintenance budget. We need ways to fund additional equipment and man hours.

Due to a work conflict, I will not be able to attend this meeting, but the rest of the Board will be at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Robert Lloyd Jr., President, SLEHA

Spirit Lake East Homeowners Association Membership Meeting Tuesday, May 13th, 2003

AGENDA

Call to Order
 Minutes
 Treasurer's Report
 Committee Reports
 Audit
 Architectural Review
 Timber
 Roads
 Visitors
 Old Business
 Speeding on Association Roads
 Let's put a stop to it before
 someone is hurt or killed
 New Business
 Election of Board Members

Please see page 3 of this newsletter for a proxy. If for any reason you can not attend the Tuesday May 13th semi-annual membership meeting, please be sure to mail in your completed proxy to the Association with the word "PROXY" written on the envelope front. Your vote is very important.

ELECTION May 2003

At next month's meeting we will be electing three members to the Board of Directors. Board positions 1, 2, and 3 terms will expire in May 2003. These positions are currently held by Jess Blocker, Lowell Hayes, and Kris Kramer. Lowell and Kris have volunteered to serve, if elected, for another term. That leaves at least one vacancy to be filled by a yet-unnamed volunteer.

Any member wishing to be a candidate, or nominate another volunteer, should contact Jess Blocker at 623-6001 for information. Nominations will also be solicited from the floor at the MEMBERSHIP meeting on May 13. Each candidate will be given an opportunity to introduce themselves and share their goals for Spirit Lake East's future. We are also allotting time for the SLEHA members to ask a question or two of the candidates.

The qualifications for a Board member or Candidate, as stated in Article III of our by-laws, are:

“ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD, ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE PAID THEIR DUES FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS, OR HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT FOR ONE YEAR, NOT CURRENTLY IN LITIGATION AGAINST THE ASSOCIATION FOR ANY MATTER INVOLVING BY-LAWS OR THE CC&R's, AND AT LEAST ONE TRACT OWNED BY THE MEMBER SHALL NOT BE FOR SALE OR IN FORECLOSURE. A BOARD MEMBER IN CONFLICT WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE CONDITIONS SHALL FORFEIT THEIR POSITION ON THE BOARD.”

“AT NO TIME WILL THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS INCLUDE MORE THAN ONE(1) INDIVIDUAL FROM A MEMBERSHIP PROPERTY.”

The following individuals have volunteered to serve on your Board of Directors:

LOWELL HAYES

KRIS KRAMER

WE WILL HAVE AN ELECTION WITH OR WITHOUT A QUORUM! THE MEMBERS WHO ATTEND IN PERSON OR BY PROXY WILL HAVE A SAY IN THEIR BOARD MEMBERS ARE.

COME OUT AND MAKE YOUR CHOICES KNOWN !

Board Meeting Dates

Please note our Homeowner's Association Board meetings will be held the first **TUESDAY** of each month, at 7:00 p.m., in the Spirit Lake Community Center (at the old school building). All members are welcome and encouraged to attend the meetings.

"The significant problems we face cannot be solved at the same level of thinking we were at when we created them."

-Albert Einstein

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ASSIGNMENT OF PROXY

ARTICLE II., Paragraph 6, of the Spirit Lake East Homeowner's Association By-Laws state: "Any membership may be represented and voted by the owner or by a proxy given by the owner to some person other than the owning member. All proxies shall be in writing, shall define the tract or land portion to be represented by the proxy holder, shall refer only to a particular meeting, shall be dated no longer than three months before the meeting and shall be available and presented at the meeting where exercised."

For the purpose of any Association business wherein a members vote is required:

I, _____, being the owner of record of
 (print name)

Tract number _____, Spirit Lake East Development do hereby execute
 (your lot number)

and deliver an assignment of proxy to _____
 (print name)

for the following:

1. Proxy to be executed for the election of the board of directors only. _____
property owner initials
2. Proxy to be executed for any voting that may be required at the semi-annual meeting to be held on or about May 13th, 2003 meeting. _____
property owner initials

The assignment of this proxy is for the meeting to be held on or about May 13th, 2003.

Homeowner
 Signature _____ Date _____

Witness
 Signature _____ Date _____

Road Committee

We are planning to repair some of the mud holes on Liberty Drive this spring. In fact, work will likely be underway by the time you receive this newsletter. That will probably be all the road improvement we can afford to do this year.

We ask all property owners who are able to assist us in clearing trees (large or small) that are encroaching on the roadways. The road committee simply does not have the time to do this badly needed chore.

We still need volunteers to serve on the road committee.

Road Oiling

For those residents planning to oil the roads, please contact the Road Committee prior to oiling. If needed and possible, we will grade or touch the roads prior to oiling. Consult with your neighbors. Maybe you can have long stretches done at the same time. Might even get a better rate. Contact Jess at 623-6001 for road info.

Roadside Weed Spraying to Begin in May

The road committee plans to spray the weeds along our roadsides sometime in the last half of May. Signs will be posted at the entrances ahead of time, so that those of us who prefer not to have our property sprayed will be able to post No Spraying signs. Some people have asked whether there is an additional fee to the homeowner for weed spraying, and the answer is "no." It has come out of the road committee budget in the past. However, some folks have chemical sensitivities, or gardens close to the road, and don't wish to have those chemicals applied in the vicinity of their home. If you have questions about how to post signs, please call Lois Tarnowski at 623-6225.

We welcome John Mamuscia back to the neighborhood after his winter absence! He is back at the helm of the Architectural Review Committee now, and available to help those with plans to build. Thanks to Jess Blocker and Lowell Hayes for filling in during John's absence.

From the ARC

The ARC has received and reviewed 4 new home construction/additions applications and 2 barn construction applications since the beginning of 2003. It looks like it will be a busy construction season this summer and fall. We have a new Committee made up of Larry Brotzman and Gaylord Thompson. John Mamuscia will chair the committee when he returns this month.

Lowell Hayes for the ARC

From the Timber Committee:

We have received several applications for thinning since the first of the year. There should be several more since they have asked for applications for timber removal.

Now is the time to be cleaning up and burning slash. The slash is starting to dry out and will burn with a little help.

Also remember the FireSmart program is still available to those of you that haven't taken advantage of it. The crews do an excellent job of clearing and piling the slash for you to burn.

Lowell Hayes for the Timber Committee

Editorial

Various Board members, committee members, and I have received complaints from SLE residents regarding speeders and misuses of ATV's and dirt bikes in our neighborhood. I was asked to address this issue in the newsletter. What I am hearing from the complainers is basically this: "Can't the people on the Board do anything about it?" And what I am hearing from the "complainees" is basically this: "If you have a complaint, the best thing you can do is show up at the Board meetings and the semi-annual homeowner's meetings—we have one coming up on May 13th! The Board is limited in what it can do without the vote of a quorum at the semi-annual meetings. Some of the current concerns may not be solved without changes to our CC&R's, which would require a record-breaking turn-out. Very little is going to even change in SLE until people start showing up for meetings and being a part of the process. (It is the opinion of some in the community that if you refuse to be involved, you should lose your right to gripe). So... if you are unhappy with how things are going in SLE, *please* take the time to come to the meeting!

L. Tarnowski

Library News

Our local public library, the Spirit Lake Branch, hosts a book discussion group which meets from 6-7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. On May 13 they'll be discussing "East of the Mountains" by David Guterson. On June 10 it's "The Dive from Clausen's Pier" by Ann Packer.

There is also a Gardening Series at the library. Speakers will be master gardeners with the U of Idaho extension service.

April 24 (7-8 p.m.) —Romantic Gardens.

May 1 (7-8 p.m.)—Attracting Wildlife and Birds to the Landscape.

Many other programs are also available.

If you need any additional information, please call the library during the above business hours at 623-5353.

Hours of operation are:
 Monday 12-5 p.m.
 Tuesday 2-7 p.m.
 Wednesday 2-7 p.m.
 Thursday 2-7 p.m.
 Friday 12-5 p.m.

Aunt Teen's Creamy Chocolate Fudge

Prep Time: approx. 10 Minutes. Cook Time: approx. 20 Minutes.
 Ready in: approx. 30 Minutes. Makes 3 pounds (48 servings). Printed from **Allrecipes**, Submitted by **Kelly Phillips** www.allrecipes.com

- 1 (7 ounce) jar marshmallow creme
- 1 1/2 cups white sugar
- 2/3 cup evaporated milk
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups milk chocolate chips
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions

- 1** Line an 8x8 inch pan with aluminum foil. Set aside.
- 2** In a large saucepan over medium heat, combine marshmallow cream, sugar, evaporated milk, butter and salt. Bring to a full boil, and cook for 5 minutes, stirring constantly.
- 3** Remove from heat and pour in semisweet chocolate chips and milk chocolate chips. Stir until chocolate is melted and mixture is smooth. Stir in nuts and vanilla. Pour into prepared pan. Chill in refrigerator for 2 hours, or until firm.

Helen's Apple Cake

- 4 cups apples (Granny Smith)
raw, diced
- 1 c. chopped walnuts
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 2 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tsp cinnamon

Place apples in large bowl-add sugar and stir. Sift dry ingredients over apples and sugar, mix well, stir in oil, unbeaten eggs and vanilla, add nuts, bake at 375 for 45 minutes in greased and floured metal pan, frost with thin powdered sugar icing

Neighborhood News and Exchange

Several SLE-based services were advertised in the previous issue of this newsletter, along with a request for your input regarding this column. This column will continue to be a place where you can let your neighbors know what local services you have to offer. Unless some other policy is adopted, short ads will be included as space permits.

Pampered Chef Consultant:	Lois Tarnowski	623-6225
Stampin'Up! Supervisor:	Randi Malloy	623-5087
Mary Kay Consultant:	Vikki Malloy	623-5101
Wilton Cake Decorating Instructor:	Debbie Lawson	623-4090

Max's Truck & Tractor

37 HP 4X4 Kubota Tractor. 6 yard dump truck. Landscaping, retaining walls, ponds, forest cleanup. Topsoil, rock and gravel delivery. Snowplowing \$35 per hour for all SLE Residents
Bob Max, owner/operator 33038 N. Sand Creek Dr. Spirit Lake, ID

Laborers, etc. Available

Are you planning a vacation this summer? Do you need someone to feed your animals, water your houseplants, pick up your mail while you are gone? The Tarnowski children have experience doing these things, and would be pleased to help out for a small fee. Joanna, age 14, is interested in babysitting too. Please call them at 623-6225

P.C.M. Builders

Custom homes, Remodels, Framing, Siding, Decks, Specialized interior log finishing. Free Estimates!
Pete Sell, Builder 32926 N. Sand Creek Dr. Spirit Lake East, ID 208-623-4309 or 208-660-9352

Submissions and Comments Needed

It's difficult to update our community website and write a community newsletter without any input from the community. Please, please, please submit your comments, concerns, gripes, hopes, anecdotes, ANYTHING (tasteful, of course!) to the newsletter editors via e-mail at newsletter@spiritlakeeast.org or in writing to the Association address on the front at any time. Thanks!

Are you affiliated with a business that could benefit residents here in SLE? If so, we'd love to add you to our exchange. Please e-mail us with your brief text advertisement at newsletter@spiritlakeeast.org. We will try to include your submission in the next newsletter.

Community Comment Question

What would it take to get more people involved with our community?

Send your comments to SLE Newsletter Headquarters by contacting either Debbie Lawson or Lois Tarnowski via e-mail at newsletter@spiritlakeeast.org, or by mail via the Association.

"I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; I will not refuse to do something I can do."

-Helen Keller