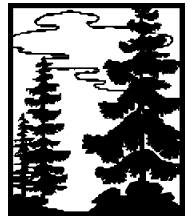


SLEHA GAZETTE



July 2003

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PO Box 217
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Message From the President—*Robert Lloyd Jr.*



The SLEHA Board is acting as a facilitator between the Spirit Lake East Water Company and the North Kootenai Water District because Spirit Lake East Water Co. wants to get out of the water business. Therefore, to protect our property investments, the Board would like to see NKW District take over the water system. They now operate 11 systems and do an excellent job. We know the existing system will need upgrades as more homes are added to the system and these upgrades will have to be paid for by the existing and future customers both here and in Treeport. The Board will keep you posted as things move ahead.

Annual SLE Picnic on August 9, 2003

Hi Neighbors:

The Spirit Lake East Homeowners Association will be having the annual picnic and bar b que this year.

Date: Saturday, August 9, 2003

Time: 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm

Location: At the community barn on Kelso — lot#226

The Association will furnish the hamburgers, hot dogs, buns and condiments.

Please bring a side dish, your own drinks, eating utensils, and chairs. If you have not already signed up, give me a call and let me know how many in your family will be attending by July 30, 2003.

Directions will be posted at the corner of Kelso & CDA and Kelso & Liberty.

See you there,

John Mamuscia

623-4012

661-4992 (cell)

SLE Goes Electronic

The Association is considering switching to an electronic newsletter. This would be accomplished by E mail or members can simply log onto our website at www.spiritlakeeast.org to read or download a newsletter. If any association member does not have access to the internet and wishes to receive a newsletter, one will be mailed to them.

Please check one line below to let us know how you wish to receive receive your next newsletter, and mail this page SLEHA, P.O. Box 217, Spirit Lake, Id 83869

- ____ 1. Receive E mail newsletter. Your E mail address:_____
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* If you do not respond you *will not* receive a newsletter except on our website.
**NEWSLETTERS WILL BE POSTED ON WEBSITE IN JANUARY,
 APRIL, JULY, AND OCTOBER.**

Roads

Road work is mostly done until Fall grading. We will be doing some small drainage projects and clearing brush and trees that are encroaching onto the roadways. We can use all the help we can get cleaning up the roadsides. If you see a STOP, YIELD, STREET NAME, or any road sign being covered by brush or tree limbs please break out your chainsaw or ax. It will be appreciated, and without your help it will not get done.

We still need road committee members! Please contact Jess Blocker at 623-6001 if you are interested in helping out on your community road committee.

CALENDER OF SLE EVENTS

August 5-----Monthly Board meeting at Spirit Lake Community Center at 7PM

August 9-----SLEHA Picnic at SLEHA equipment barn--Lot# 226 on Kelso DR.

September 2-----Monthly Board meeting at Spirit Lake Community Center at 7PM.

Living History: Interview with John and Joyce Holst

I had a wonderful opportunity to sit down with John and Joyce Holst before they moved this past Spring from Spirit Lake East to learn what this community was like 25 years ago and the changes they have helped develop. When the Holsts purchased their property in 1977, there were only 12 other families. Hansen had taken over the community, which was called the National Association Properties, and signs for selling had just gone up in September. The roads were still being built and water was not put in yet. Kelso was the bus route at that time.

The community was developed in phases. Highway 54 to Kelso was Phase I, Newman and Liberty were Phase II, and North of Liberty was the last phase. Since the community wasn't completed, the covenants were still being drafted by Hansen and there were no committees.

The area in Phase III had suffered a fire in 1964 and was grassy fields with no trees in 1977. There was lots of discussion about turning it into a golf course instead. However, when Phase III was ready to begin, the trees had started to grow back (Mother Nature at work!) and the original plan of additional lots began. Of course, people who purchased their lots thinking they would be living on a golf course were not very pleased.

The first road committee started in 1979. The Holsts started building in 1979, with John coming to Idaho from California and spending the summers here. They didn't actually move into their house full-time until 1984.

I also asked the Holsts what they would like to see continue after they leave. They would like the 5 year plan for the roads to continue, an office in the Barn to house the Homeowner's Association documents (some floating at various people's homes) and to have another snowplow.

The Holsts have always been very active in the community and have volunteered so much of their time to start committees and make this community successful. It is greatly appreciated and hopefully continues.

Submitted by Cathy Richardson

Local Artist in SLE

Hi, my name is Mark M. Ford. I am a Western & Wildlife Artist. My family and I built a house here in Spirit Lake East about 2 years ago, so we're new to the area.

I paint and draw using a variety of subject matter such as Mt. Goat, Elk, Horses, etc. just to mention a few. The mediums used are Acrylic, Oil, Watercolor & Graphite etc... My drawings & paintings are then released as Limited Edition Prints of not more than 300 signed & numbered. The prices vary from \$20. to \$85 (print only) depending on the print & whether or not it is framed & matted (extra). In the past I have donated prints & original Paintings to the Ducks Unlimited and the Rocky Mountain Elks Foundation.

I try to keep some of my prints framed & matted and hanging so people can see them. So please feel free to stop by and take a look or call. Thank you.

Mark M. Ford

Creative Brushstrokes

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Posting Home Addresses that are Emergency Friendly

For members unaware, All Kootenai County, including SLE is now covered by the *enhanced* 911 phone system for emergencies such as Fire, Police, Ambulance, etc. However, in driving throughout our subdivision, I have found a wide, wide difference in our addressing and marking our property so an emergency vehicle could service one of us, if needed.

According to the “County Road Naming and Addressing Ordinance No. 301” Published 4/23/01, Section 5.01; addresses are to have letters 4” tall x 1/2” wide and be located 4-6 feet above the ground and of an opposite color as the post or mounting. If the home is more than 75 feet from the traveled road, numbers should be posted at the access driveway entrance.

As you drive through SLE, you see single posts with vertical letters almost the same colors or old pieces of board with spray painted letters lying adjacent to the ground. There are also small letters tacked onto a round wood fence faded to almost invisible or numbers nailed to a tree where limbs almost totally obscure them.

Imagine yourself as the driver of an ambulance, at NIGHT, with limited lights and going at an increased speed to reach an emergency. How many of us feel we have adequately marked our property? Will the driver see a small single vertical post with wasted out, faded or same color lettering? Will he see letters behind a tree limb?

I encourage everyone to look at your own situation and see if you’re satisfied an ambulance, fire truck or other emergency vehicle could reach you in time.

Submitted by Mike Schmidt, Board Secretary

Mailbox Snooping

A Spirit Lake East resident has recently reported to the newsletter that some children were seen looking through people’s mailboxes. It is unknown whether they were actually taking mail that was not theirs, or just being nosy. However, there have been problems here in the past with someone stealing mail and washing checks. (Do you know what YOUR kids were doing for fun today?) Please be aware of suspicious activity involving mailboxes, and report problems to the sheriff and If you suspect anyone is stealing or tampering with the mail, contact your local U.S. Postal Inspectors. It is advisable to mail envelopes containing checks directly at the post office, rather than leaving them in your mailbox.



Remember, even for juveniles tampering with US Mail is a federal crime!

U.S. Code as of: 01/22/02 Section 1708. Theft or receipt of stolen mail matter generally

Whoever steals, takes, or abstracts, or by fraud or deception obtains, or attempts so to obtain, from or out of any mail, post office, or station thereof, letter box, mail receptacle, or any mail route or other authorized depository for mail matter, or from a letter or mail carrier, any letter, postal card, package, bag, or mail, or abstracts or removes from any such letter, package, bag, or mail, any article or thing contained therein, or secretes, embezzles, or destroys any such letter, postal card, package, bag, or mail, or any article or thing contained therein; or Whoever steals, takes, or abstracts, or by fraud or deception obtains any letter, postal card, package, bag, or mail, or any article or thing contained therein which has been left for collection upon or adjacent to a collection box or other authorized depository of mail matter; or Whoever buys, receives, or conceals, or unlawfully has in his possession, any letter, postal card, package, bag, or mail, or any article or thing contained therein, which has been so stolen, taken, embezzled, or abstracted, as herein described, knowing the same to have been stolen, taken, embezzled, or abstracted -Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.

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.

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| 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 Tractor

Tractor work \$35 per hour. Field mowing, landscaping. Brush and slash clearing, low impact logging, snowplowing. Call Bob Max at 208-623-3023 or cell# 208-659-9255

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 762-1335

Building Construction Consultant

John Mamuscia. 8668 Coeur d'Alene Dr. 623-4012 (cell#) 661-4992

Kindling

Taking orders for kindling. Split small for fast fire starting. Generous bundle \$5.00 each. Tony Tarnowski 623-6225

Local Piano Lessons

Beginners and intermediates. Adults welcome! Lois Tarnowski 623-6225

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@spiritleakeeast.org. We will try to include your submission in the next newsletter.

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@spiritleakeeast.org or in writing to the Association address on the front at any time. Thanks!
