

July 2013

# Bills Island Association

## Message from the Board

Spring weather has finally arrived. It was a beautiful winter, but it is nice to have spring here. The snow is pretty much gone and the reservoir is thawed out and full. The roads are in great shape and Walter & Hannah have things ready for a great summer.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our annual activities. The boat parade and fireworks will be on Thursday, July 4th. The parade, annual meeting and dinner will be held on Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup> (see enclosed flyers). We will have BBQ Chicken, dutch oven potatoes, beans, and cobbler w/ice cream. The board works hard to put this on for you so please come and enjoy.

Dust guard will be placed on the roads soon. The gate has been working well this winter. The cameras work well also. The phone system is working better than anyone expected. Please help us with just a couple of problems. First, please don't open the gate until you have it in site. Second, we are having a small problem with people accidentally pocket dialing the number. We do check the numbers when this happens several times and will delete that number from the system. Third, we are not giving out more than five cards per lot. Leave two cards in your cabin for your guests to use. You can let them in with the phone, and then they can use the two cards to come and go as needed. If you have lost a card, we can delete it and replace it for \$20.

We added another snow blower this winter due to breakdowns of the old one during the biggest snowfall of the year. This will allow Walter and Hannah a back-up blower and tractor to get the roads open quicker and also to do more of the member's driveways. We will provide more details about this at the annual meeting.

Walter and Hannah have decided to make the island their home for another year. We ask you to let them know of your positive feelings for the good work and kindness they have given to the people of the island. The board appreciates all they have done these past two years. They have done an excellent job in serving the BIA. They make our job as a board so easy. We can't thank them enough.

The board wishes to express our appreciation to the members of Bills Island Association for the support and help you have given us. We have tried to represent you and your decisions in the way you have asked us to do. The board of directors is hardworking and dedicated to making Bills Island a place you can bring your families to enjoy your vacation and build memories for a lifetime.

Some of our neighbors are having problems with bears. Please be careful and keep your garbage cleaned up.

Con Haycock and the BIA board



Bills Island Association

PO Box 344

Island Park, ID 83429

Please send your dues  
in now.

Improved lot: \$500

Unimproved lot: \$450

User Fee: \$550



# Fire Safety



This summer looks to be a high fire season. So we need to reduce the chance of a fire on the Island. Clean up combustible materials and not build unsafe campfires, better yet, no campfires.

## There are to be NO FIREWORKS on the Island

There will be fire training to run the fire truck so all of us can do our part to put out any fires. The fire drill days are as follows. Saturday, June 8th at 10:00 AM at the boat dock by the causeway. Friday, July 5th at 10:00 AM at the boat dock by the causeway. Saturday, July 27th at 10:00 AM at the Welling Boat Dock. Saturday, August 31st at 10:00 AM at the Rexburg Boat Club boat dock. We need all of you to know how to use the fire truck. You are all volunteer fire fighters for the Island and need to know what to do. With our fire equipment it helps to keep our fire insurance premiums, for our cabins, lower. So make sure you come to the fire drills and learn how to run the fire equipment.

## Phone system

Any member who has not paid their 2012-2013 dues by July 1, 2013 will be taken off of the phone system for gate entry. If you don't want your service disrupted, please submit your payment to PO Box 344, Island Park, ID 83429.



## BEAR SAFETY

On Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, we will have the Idaho Fish and Game Bear Training Trailer at our shop area. They will be here from noon to approximately 6:00 pm. Please bring all your guests to the Bear Trailer and learn how to make your cabin and the island safe from bears. Let's be BEAR SMART!



# Bills Island Activities

## July 6th, 2013

**Parade:** Decorate your cars, bikes, or ATV's and join us for the parade.

Line up at the top of the causeway at 9:00 am. Parade starts at 9:30



## Annual Meeting

**Time: 12:00**  
In the shop by the security cabin.

A dutch oven **DINNER** of chicken, potatoes, vegetables, hot dogs, and cobbler will be served at 5:30 in the shop next to the security cabin. Please bring a large **SALAD** to share.





## Boat Regatta

Line up in Welling Cove at 8:00 pm.

Parade starts at 8:30.

1<sup>st</sup> place prize: 2 child size kayaks

2<sup>nd</sup> place prize: Zero gravity chair

**Fireworks:** Lake Side Lodge  
at dusk.