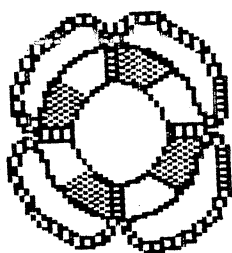


Herron Island BEACHCOMBER



JUNE 1988

ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the 1987-88 year comes to a close and we reflect back, your Board has completed many significant projects this past year for the benefit of us all.

To summarize, recent projects are:

1. Roadway improvements along with ditch cleaning
2. Maintenance on the parks
3. Repairs to the ferry docks and small boat docks
4. Major water system projects of generator and hydrants
5. Community building improvements
6. Improvements in our bookkeeping system
7. By-Law's revamping and updating
8. Set-up of a collection committee to help cut down on legal fees
9. Fire department has a newer fire truck and is looking for more volunteers
10. The formation of the Herron Island Boosters for the betterment of the Island

Please read further for a much more detailed report on these items and other items of great importance.

My sincere thanks to our employees of the past year - their dedication and sincere efforts help to make our Island a better place to be.

Volunteers are so important to our Island because they do the jobs we would otherwise have to pay to get done. Please help - we always need more volunteers because there is a lot to be done. Thank you, volunteers and to those who send in donations because they are unable to be at the work parties!

Thank you, Board members and officers. We have worked well together. We respected each others opinion and worked hard to arrive at the best decisions for all the members.

And the biggest thanks is to you, the members. Your comments and your support have helped to guide the Board in their decisions. Remember, your input and participation can help the Board to make their decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mitchell

ROADS

There are approximately 7 miles of roads on Herron Island. For the past several years road maintenance involved one man--Wilson Gay--filling holes with an occasional grading. Through Wilson's efforts we have very few chuck holes but the overall condition of the roads has deteriorated badly. Grass, brush, and trees have filled some ditches and grown well onto the shoulder of many roads. Because of this growth we have lost the crown on most roads. This allows water to run down the road instead off to the ditch damaging the road surface.

This year the Board started a long-range reconstruction and maintenance program. The first stage involved the most serious sections of road. Members were asked to approve the expenditure of funds for barging 1,000 tons of crushed rock and reconstruction of W. Herron Blvd. and other sections in serious condition. This stage involved opening the ditches, grading the surface, spreading stone, and rolling the surface. About half the stone was used on this phase, the rest will be used on the second phase. To date we have spent about \$4,000 on opening ditches, \$8,254 on crushed rock, and about \$3,000 on road reconstruction. The work involved a larger grader, a tractor with a backhoe, a frontend loader, two trucks, and a ten-ton roller. The next best bids for rock and road reconstruction were substantially higher (\$17,000 for rock alone).

Before further work can be done the ditches must be cleaned. We could have accomplished more if the ditch work had been done earlier or owners had kept the ditches clean.

Long-range planning has identified sections to be completed each year for the next few years. The Board hopes to set up a road fund similar to the drydock fund so that the funds will be available when needed.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. Clean the ditch along your property and keep it clean. Cut the grass, remove the brush, and remove the trees from the shoulder and the bottom of the ditch. Don't stop at your lot line, go a little further down the road.
2. Dig out the ditch and clean out your culvert so that water will flow.
3. Do not throw grass and other trimmings in

the road. While this will reduce the dust for a period of time, it is hard on the road surface.

4. Volunteer for the work parties to help remove trees and clean ditches.
5. Please do not park your vehicles on the roads, they belong on your property. The roads are being widened for safety.

WATER SYSTEM

We have a good water system with high quality water. Water samples are taken monthly, with extensive testing every three years. All tests have met the state purity standards.

Scott Schultz (with a little help from his father Bob) has been maintaining the water lines, repairing leaks, and making hookups. Please report any leaks in the system immediately to the water chairman.

Water lines run under the roads. As repairs are made Scott (and Bob) are improving the access to the shutoff valves by putting in concrete rings that will reduce the amount of digging.

Last year two fire hydrants were installed. The first, on the west side at 1106 W. Herron Blvd., with the cost paid fund raising activities by our fire department. The second, at 517 E. Herron Blvd. at the upper end of the one-way road, was paid for by Ross Whitney. Additional fire hydrants are planned at key points on the Island.

State water regulations require long-range upgrading of our water system. A long-range plan was developed in 1983 by Pak-Tech that called for a second well, an emergency generator, and additional storage. Each member is assessed \$23 per year to improve the water system.

In 1979 we added a 30,000 gallon tank and in 1984 we added a second well. Last year we added an emergency generator to provide water in an extended power outage. A generator building was built at a cost of \$4,800, a used generator purchased for about \$5,000, and wiring and switching cost about \$3,000. The system is not yet on line but will have a total cost of about \$15,000 when complete.

In the early 1990's we must expand the water storage space with the addition of a 80,000 gallon tank.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. Conserve water. During active summer weekends there is a heavy demand on the system. Use water wisely.
2. Report any leaks immediately. Each member is responsible to repair leaks on his or her property.
3. Members who are here only for weekends or away for extended periods should turn off the water leading to their property. Do not forget to turn off the water heater if you turn the water off.
4. Winterize properly. Each cold winter we have a lot of freezeups with extensive damage.

DOCKS

FERRYDOCKS:

An inspection of the docks led to a number of emergency repairs. The inspection showed that several dolphin poles were broken, the mainland side hoist support was in danger of collapsing in a storm, and several ramp planks were in need of replacement. This work was completed by Kimbel and volunteers at a cost of about \$12,000.

Two additional projects were identified which will be undertaken this summer. The first involves replacement of some worn poles in dolphins on the Island side. Kimbel's estimate is \$4,225 for this repair. The permits have been applied for. The second involves bulkhead repair on the Island side. Erosion has removed some of the fill and caused some breakup of the lower part of the road. We do not have an estimate of the extent of repair needed or the cost. A seaside inspection of the piling will also be conducted by SeaForm Systems.

The Board has requested Kimbel to prepare a dock-maintenance schedule setting out what we should do to maintain the ferry docks.

SMALL BOAT DOCKS

While repairing the ferry docks Kimbel replaced or reset pilings for the small boat docks on each side. We were in danger of losing our small boat dock on the mainland side. Piling work cost about \$2,000.

During the winter a storm destroyed the ramp on the small boat dock. A new ramp was built and sections of the ramp were repaired at a cost of \$1,045. Bill and Mary Turpin (in an unannounced work party) scraped marine life from the ramp sections before they were refloated. Thanks to Bill and Mary.

With limited small boat dock space please do not leave your boat moored for long periods of time when the boat is not used. We need more small boat dock space but have no current plans for developing more because of EPA permits and lack of money. A member committee for long-run improvement of small boat dock space would be a good start.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. Make the best use of dock space possible. Take your boat out of the water if you will not be using it for some time. Try to tie small boats to the upper part of the dock if they are to be used.
2. Do not leave your boat tied at the end of the dock. This is for loading and unloading only.
3. Please remove your boat trailer from the North Beach area after you have launched your boat. With the pile of crushed rock we have very limited parking area this summer. Also please remove your small boat from the beach area parking, so everyone can use the facilities.
4. Report any needed repairs.
5. Volunteer for work parties on the small boat docks.

PARKS

The parks are probably in the best shape they have been in the past several years. Bids for mowing were requested. J. D. Michalski (Quartermaster Enterprises) was the only bidder. The contract called for mowing Goodpastor Park, the North Beach area, the South Beach parking lot, around the well site, and the shoulders of Ferry Road. Six mowings, the number required last year were approved at an estimated cost of \$990. With more rain we will exceed the six mowings.

The old burn pile is now an additional parking lot for the community building and Goodpastor Park. The area was graded and covered with crushed rock. Disposal of brush, limbs, trimmings, etc., are the responsibility of the individual property owners. Burning permits are required for burning. J. D. Michalski (Quartermaster Enterprises) will chip your trimmings for a fee.

An additional Sanican has been rented for the summer months.

One of the projects of the Herron Island Boosters will be to landscape and screen the Sanican at the Island side ferry landing. The Boosters are looking for suggestions for park and other improvements. Your support at flea markets, dances, and other Booster activities will fund such projects.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. Pick up your trash (and other trash) at the park areas. It costs about \$100 to clean the areas after the July 4 weekend.
2. Adopt an area of the parks (alone or with a group of your friends) to clean and improve. It doesn't have to be a large area.
3. We need a new volleyball net for Goodpastor Park.
4. Bring your aluminum cans and recyclable bottles to Harry Goodpastor's. He recycles them and uses the money for park equipment.
5. Volunteer for work parties for park projects.

FERRY

Annabelle S. is holding up very well. We have had no major problems since the last drydock. We hope our good luck and good maintenance continues.

FERRY CREW

Everyone knows the ferry crew but there are some recent changes you should know about.

CHARLES WELLS has been the captain of the Annabelle S. since she was put in service over 25 years ago. Charlie is the operator from Tuesday through Saturday.

ROSS MCMENAMIN has been alternate operator and deckhand for several years. Ross is the operator on Sunday and Monday and deckhand Tuesday through Thursday.

WESLEY WILSON has been deckhand and alternate operator for several years. He is the deckhand Friday through Monday and fills in as operator when needed. He also performs maintenance on the ferry.

MARILLA WILSON has been alternate deckhand for several years. When Sara Wilson quit as bookkeeper to take a full time job, Marilla Wilson quit as alternate deckhand to take care of Wes and Sara's children.

KENNETH BEECHIE has been filling in as a temporary alternate deckhand since Marilla resigned.

GUEST FEES

The crew is in the position of not only operating the ferry but also of carrying out the instructions of the board concerning ferry use and collection of guest fees. The crew has been instructed to enforce the following policies:

1. Upon advice of our attorney, fees are not to be collected directly from tradespeople. Members must pay or be billed for tradespeople.
2. All guests must have guest passes issued by members. The crew may collect from guests but members are responsible for their guests and will be billed if the guests do not pay.
3. Members with delinquent accounts must pay the guest fee to use the ferry. If they do not pay when crossing they will be billed.
4. No charge is made for emergency vehicles, utility vehicles, or licensed realtors.
5. Special runs will be made at \$40 per vehicle except for medical and other emergencies.
6. On busy weekends any vehicle not in line at the scheduled time of the last regular run will be charged for a special run.

Unfortunately, unhappy members are often abusive to the crew. The Board ask you to respect the crew and the crew to respect the members. If you have a complaint take it to the Board, don't take it out on the crew. The bumper sticker is the crew's way of knowing if you are authorized to use the ferry. Please display yours properly.

BUILDING

The community building is being improved gradually. During the past year several improvements were made: The parking lot was graded and covered with crushed rock. A sidewalk was laid to the side door. Linoleum was laid in the kitchen and restroom areas. A stainless steel serving and storage counter was placed in the kitchen area. A microwave and chafing dishes were purchased. New tables were purchased. A bulletin board was installed on the side of the building. Marilla Wilson is responsible for the landscaping on the south side of the community building. Thanks Marilla for the beautiful job.

No assessment monies were used for these improvements. All were financed by flea markets, donations, fund raising activities, and volunteer labor.

The community building is available at no cost for any member activity that is open to all members. It is also available at a rental fee (\$50 or an hourly fee plus refundable cleanup and damage deposit) for private parties.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. Volunteer for work parties on the community building and surrounding area.
2. When you attend a meeting or an activity at the community building, help clean it up including the restrooms.
3. Donate plants and other landscaping materials for the community building area.

OFFICE

The office is open for business on Saturdays and occasionally on Friday or Sunday when the bookkeeper is available. During busy periods the bookkeeping work cannot be completed in one day a week. An answering machine has been donated to take telephone messages and to provide messages to members during drydock and other times when information is needed. The Herron Maintenance Company phone number is 884-9350.

In April, Sara Wilson resigned as bookkeeper to accept a full time job in Tacoma. We appreciate her work for the Island and wish her well.

Ads for the bookkeeper were placed in newspapers in Tacoma and on the Peninsula. From the six applicants, Cheryl Lottier was selected. She is qualified technically, she has good experience in sales and other office work, and she is very likeable. Cheryl is completing an accounting program at Pierce College. As an interesting sideline, she has trained horses professionally and traveled throughout the United States with horses to major races. (No your money is safe, she only trains them, she does not bet on them.)

Jeff Songster, a student (and now a May graduate of PLU) who was helping install some accounting software has helped us over the transition and trained Cheryl. Jeff should finish his work very soon. At that point we will have the complete accounting system computerized with much better controls on quality and accuracy of financial information.

We still plan to complete the office with linoleum on the floor, cupboards for storage, and another lockable filing cabinet.

ASSESSMENTS

The general assessment (\$350) is levied in two parts. The first half (\$175) is billed on May 1, due June 1, and delinquent on July 1. If not paid by July 1, the entire \$350 is due and payable on July 1. The second half is billed on October 1, Due November 1, and delinquent on December 1. Your full payment of \$350 is always welcome and appreciated.

The fire and water assessment (\$10 fire and \$23 water) is billed on August 1, due on

September 1, and delinquent on October 1.

Delinquent charges and assessments bear interest at 1% per month. Members with delinquent accounts are not eligible to vote and will be charged the guest fee to use the ferry.

STICKERS

A new two part sticker is being issued. The first part will be issued when the first half the assessment is paid. The second half will be issued when the second half is paid. Stickers will bear the license number of the vehicle. The first two stickers will be issued when you provide the license numbers. If you need more than two stickers you must provide a copy of ALL vehicle registrations. Please help the crew by displaying the sticker on the bumper.

FIREWORKS NOTICE

PLEASE CONFINE YOUR FIREWORKS TO THE NORTH BEACH AREA ONLY, DUE TO THE EXTREME FIRE HAZARD. LET'S ALL HAVE A SAFE AND PEACEFUL 4TH OF JULY. THANK YOU.

During the year an organization of members was created to improve Herron Island (and have a good time doing so). They will work on improving the entire island not just the community building.

Any member is welcome to join. The dues are \$2.50 for individuals and \$5.00 per couple.

On Memorial day weekend, they held a dance and a flea market. A meeting is held every other month with a potluck dinner.

JULY 4 WEEKEND

Sat, July 2 -- Steak feed put on by Fire Department and Boosters

Sun, July 3 -- Games, bake sale, hamburgers and hot dogs at the North Beach.
Fishing Derby

Boosters are also selling raffle tickets for \$1 each to raise money for improvements.

- 1st prize -- VCR
- 2nd prize -- Gourmet food basket
- 3rd prize -- Walkman radio

Drawing will be held at the Halloween Costume Dance, Oct 29. Tickets can be purchased from any Booster member. Good luck.

ACTIVITIES OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY AID -- 17 aid calls, 3 air evacuations, 7 ambulance and 7 transport by private vehicles.

FIRE CALLS -- 2 chimney fires, 1 power line fire, 1 famous Herron Island burn pile fire.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE -- 2 boating assists, 2 welfare calls, 5 burn complaints during burning ban.

TRAINING -- 600 man-hours of drill, 150 on alarm response.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION -- 24 hours per volunteer per year.

SERVICE -- one volunteer on Key Peninsula review board, one volunteer as Fire Fighter Association President.

We have EMT-D qualified for any medical emergency. Certification requires periodic testing.

We now have 2 pressure hydrants on the island (and a hole dug for the third). The first two cost \$3,500 from funds raised by activities of our volunteer fire fighters (4th of July steak feed and games) and some important member contributions.

Our volunteers are:

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|----------------|----------------|
| Tom Ahlers | Ross McMenamin |
| Libba Borslien | Ruth McMenamin |
| Ken Borslien | Marty Pedersen |
| Rudy Kolar | |

Two batches of fish were released on the North Beach--12,000 silvers and 3,000 chinooks. Success was phenomenal with minimal losses. The fish were held long enough that they are local fish that will not migrate. Thanks to Marty Pedersen.

CRIME WATCH

HERRON ISLAND CITIZEN'S AGAINST CRIME

The Pierce County Sheriff's Office is working with Herron Island citizens to organize an island group of Citizen's Against Crime. The purposes are to increase awareness of crime prevention and to protect property.

The Sheriff's Office will post signs at the ferry landing and at the north beach which state the island is a Crime Watch area. Also, free, periodic security checks of property by Citizen's Against Crime members will be available to subscribers (see form below).

Additional volunteers are needed to perform these patrols. Contact Ruth McMenamin at 884-4189 for further information and send signed subscription forms to her at Box 15, Herron Island, Lakebay, 98349.

HMC ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING - 6/11/88 - 2:00

Results of the election of trustees:

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| 1. Shirley Smith - 142 | Alternates: |
| 2. Betty Suttle - 137 | Chuck Gifford |
| 3. Judy Mitchell - 125 | Wilson Gay |
| 4. Bill McClain - 113 | |
| 5. Gordon Borst - 38 | |
| 6. Rudy Kolar - 38 | |

Results of Proposals:

#1. The membership is asked to approve the present GUEST FEE schedule: 162 Yes - 21 No.

#2. The membership is asked to approve the GUEST FEE of \$1.00 for walkon guests. 105 Yes - 72 No.

#3. Effective July 1, guest fees will be charged for any guest or member vehicle without a valid sticker (excepting vehicles such as utilities exempted by the board and vehicles on island business). Yes - 136 - 44 No.

I, _____ of (home address) _____
 _____ hereby give my permission to the Herron Island
 Patrol Division of Citizen's Against Crime (Pierce County Sheriff's Office) to patrol
 my property located at _____ on Herron
 Island for the purpose of doing periodic security checks. I hold the Herron Island
 Patrol Division of Citizen's Against Crime and the Pierce County Sheriff's Office
 free from all liability while inspecting my property for the purpose of these
 security checks.

In the event of an emergency in which I can not be reached, please contact _____
 _____ at (address) _____
 (phone) _____.

SIGNATURE: _____ PHONE #: HOME: _____ ISL: _____
 WITNESS: _____

FINANCIAL REPORT

HERRON MAINTENANCE COMPANY--GENERAL FUND
 STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
 FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1988

TREASURER'S COMMENTS

STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE GENERAL FUND (TO THE LEFT) AND OTHER FUNDS (BELOW) SHOW THAT DURING THE YEAR WE SPENT ABOUT \$18,000 MORE THAN RECEIPTS. THE PRIMARY CAUSE IS THE \$23,000 OF ATTORNEY FEES. THE VARIOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS EXPLAIN THE REASON FOR MOST OF THE EXPENDITURES. PIE CHARTS GIVE A PICTURE OF THE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

RECEIPTS:
 GENERAL ASSESSMENTS \$156,965
 FERRY 12,988
 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS & FIRE 7,595
 CONTRACT PAY., INT., REFUNDS 7,143

OTHER FUNDS:

MONEY MARKET--PART OF GENERAL FUND MONIES PUT IN A MONEY MARKET FUND TO EARN MORE INTEREST.

BUILDING FUND--THE FUNDS FOR OPERATION AND IMPROVEMENTS ON THE COMMUNITY BUILDING. RECEIPTS ARE FROM FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES, NO GENERAL ASSESSMENT FUNDS ARE INVOLVED.

EMERGENCY FUND--A FUND FOR EMERGENCIES. ON OCCASION WE BORROW FROM THIS FUND TO FINANCE THE GENERAL FUND. IN FY 1988 WE BORROWED \$5,000 BUT WILL REPAY IN FY 1989.

DRYDOCK FUND--MONTHLY TRANSFERS OF \$2,000 ARE MADE TO FINANCE THE DRYDOCK REPAIRS ON ANNABELLE S. IN FY 1988 WE PAID AHEAD ON DRYDOCKING TO AVOID PAYING TAXES ON FUNDS ACCUMULATED.

DOCK RESERVE FUND--A FUND TO SELF-INSURE AND PROVIDE FOR UNUSUAL REPAIR ON THE FERRY DOCKS. WE PAID \$12,677 FOR DOLPHIN AND RAMP REPAIRS IN FY 1988.

PENSION FUND--PENSION FUND CONTRIBUTIONS ARE ACCUMULATED DURING THE YEAR AND DISTRIBUTED AT YEAR END.

WATER FUND--YOUR \$23 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT IS PAID INTO THIS ACCOUNT. MAJOR PLANNED SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS ARE PAID FROM THIS FUND.

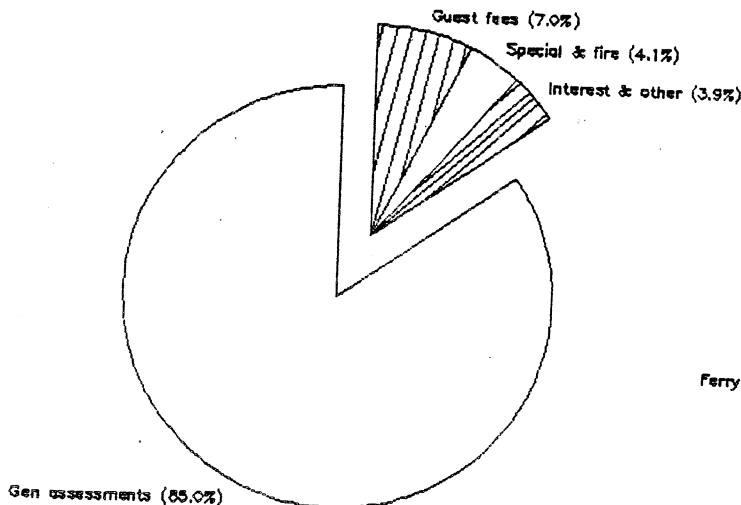
TOTAL GEN FUND RECEIPTS \$184,691

EXPENDITURES:
 FERRY RELATED \$125,077
 FERRY DOCK & RESERVE 9,243
 SMALL BOAT DOCK 3,103
 INSURANCE 7,886
 WATER SYSTEM OPERATIONS 5,846
 PARKS 5,124
 ROADS 4,478
 FIRE AND OTHER GENERAL 7,511
 ADMINISTRATION 11,364
 ATTORNEY 22,999

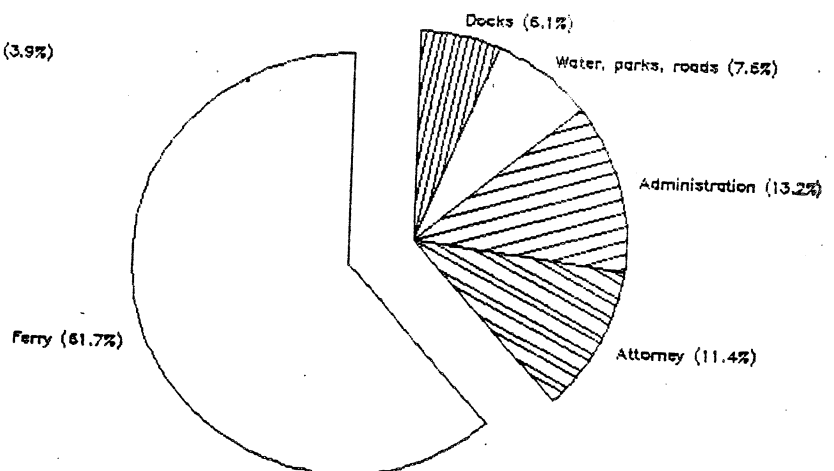
TOTAL GEN FUND EXPEND \$202,631

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REVENUES

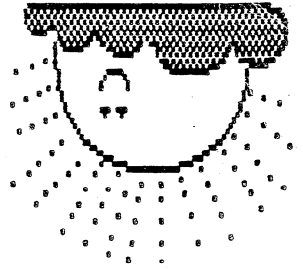
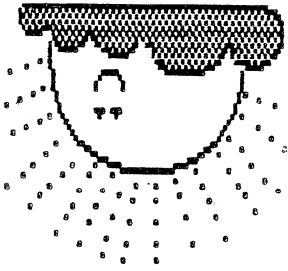


EXPENDITURES



HERRON MAINTENANCE COMPANY (FNDREC88)
 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS
 May 1987 through April 1988

	Money Market	Building Fund	Emergency Fund	Drydock Fund	Dock Res Fund	Pension Fund	Water Fund	TOTAL
Balance 5/1/87	18,665.27	1,300.16	15,500.01	669.20	16,228.23	0.00	24,341.46	76,704.33
Receipts:								
Transfers in	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	29,000.00	9,000.00	6,055.34	0.00	94,055.34
Interest	2,087.01	61.29	764.09	712.12	998.98	61.62	1,358.06	6,043.17
Other revenue	0.00	1,636.72	1,319.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,446.94	13,403.34
Total	52,087.01	1,698.01	2,083.77	29,712.12	9,998.98	6,116.96	11,805.00	113,501.85
Expenditures:								
Transfers out	68,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	73,000.00
Expenses	0.00	2,108.62	0.00	6,000.00	12,677.00	6,117.00	12,429.00	39,331.62
Total	68,000.00	2,108.62	5,000.00	6,000.00	12,677.00	6,117.00	12,429.00	112,331.62
Balance 4/30/88	2,752.28	889.55	12,583.78	24,381.32	13,550.21	(0.04)	23,717.46	77,874.56
Savings account pledged as lease deposit					\$1,000.00			1,000.00



BEACHCOMBER
Herron Island

June 88

HERRON MAINTENANCE COMPANY
 P. O. BOX 119
 LAKEBAY, WA 98349

BULK RATE
 U. S. POSTAGE
 PAID
 PERMIT NO. 7
 LAKEBAY, WA 98349

George R. Newcomb
 2110 N Orchard
 Tacoma WA 98406

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

LOW TIDES FOR JULY 4 WEEKEND

Friday, July 1 LOW 1:00 pm -3.3 (VERY LOW)
 Saturday, July 2 LOW 2:00 pm -2.8 (STILL VERY LOW)
 Sunday, July 3 LOW 2:40 pm -1.7 (LOW)

Due to these low tides, boats, trailers, and other large or long vehicles must be brought over prior to that weekend and at fairly high tides. The ferry cannot run when tides are very low.

A GENTLE REMINDER!

The first half (\$175) of the general assessment was due June 1, and delinquent on July 1. REMEMBER, if the first half is not paid by July 1, the entire \$350 is due.