



Cascade Connections

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President's Message

This has been a good 6 months for the Cascade Shores Homeowner's Association.

Our membership has maintained at about the same level as last year. We would like it to increase, but efforts in that direction have not been very successful. More members would mean more money for maintenance and improvements.

I have heard that some people have not joined because they are worried about having some personal liability if an accident occurred at Lost Mine Lake and the CSHA insurance was insufficient to cover claims. That should not be a concern, as CSHA is organized as a corporation and thus members are shielded from such liability.

The Bladderwort infestation of the lake was not as bad this summer as last summer. It appears that what was done last fall, partially draining the lake for the winter (with much donated help by Neil and Jimmy François) and killing as much of the exposed weed as could be reached, helped decrease this year's growth. We plan on doing the same thing again this fall. Hopefully, that will further decrease next summer's infestation.

The refrigerator in the kitchen shed was dying and was replaced with a new, more energy efficient one.

A two inch water line was placed from the pump house to the kitchen shed. This is NOT drinking water, but was put there so we would have a water supply if there should be a fire in one of our buildings.

Some problems with the electrical wiring were corrected by an electrician, Greg Clark, who gave us a nice discount.

The lawn looks better this year, due to modifications in the sprinkler system and the efforts of Doug Gloff. Fertilizer has not been used, as it would get into the lake and increase our weed problem.

A fence was installed around the Memorial Garden. Hopefully, this will decrease the traffic on it.

Unresolved problems are motorcycles and ATVs driving on the property and people bringing their dogs

into the fenced picnic area. It is amazing how many people can't read the signs we have posted or pretend they can't read by ignoring them. Putting up vehicle barriers is under investigation.

We only have 6 people on the Board of Directors. We are allowed 9 by our Bylaws. If any members are interested in serving, I urge them to contact myself or another Board member.

I hope to see you all at the Annual Meeting, April 4, 2015 at 1 PM.

Harry J. Wander
President

Cascade Shores Family Picnic and Kayak Races

This year's Family Picnic and Kayak Races were held at Lost Mine Lake on August 23rd. The event was free for the entire community and their guests. Throughout the day nearly 100 Cascade Shores residents showed up. The weather was ideal, and those who attended were rewarded with delicious hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, grapes and cookies. Cascade Shores residents spent the day getting to know their neighbors, as well as catching up on the latest happenings in our wonderful community. There are few locations for a picnic that are prettier than our very own Lost Mine Lake. Suburban Propane did a terrific job of supporting our community by providing, cooking, and serving hamburgers and hot dogs. Please remember to thank them when ordering your propane. The youngsters had a blast competing in the kayak races this year. Other games included a crochet tournament, darts, and horse shoes. Throughout the day there were no losers, only winners. All contestants won terrific prizes and had fun, fun, fun! We hope to see more of you at next year's picnic which will be held once again at the end of August.

Fire Safety Celebration and Progress - Fall 2014

Last June, Cascade Shores became an official FIREWISE COMMUNITY. While this means that we are still a long way off from being “fire safe,” we can be satisfied that we have some good procedures in place that should be helpful in beating back some of the risks we face. The CSHA Board and the Firewise Committee celebrated this award on September 10 with a dinner party at Lost Mine Lake. Nate Beason, our area’s County Supervisor, and Joanne Drummond from the Fire Safe Council also attended. Without the vigorous support of the Fire Safe Council and the continuing commitment of the CSHA, we would not be where we are today in responding to the fire threat in Cascade Shores.

Much of the work of the Firewise Committee is guided by the official assessment of our fire issues: Cascade Shores Community Wildfire Hazard Report. This document is available to you on-line at cascadeshores.org when you click on “Fire Safe Council” from the homepage index. Be sure to keep checking this site for matters involving fire safety in Cascade Shores.

In response to the Hazard Report, the Firewise Committee adopted some goals that we are working to implement:

1. Update Cascade Shores’ evacuation plan. Completed with recent mailing to property owners. Didn’t get one? Call Jan at 530-265-2435.
2. Reduce fuel loading on vacant properties. Sponsored two fuel reduction Americorps projects on overgrown properties, removed several encroachments of Scotch Broom, notified vacant lot owners of their responsibilities to ensure adequate fire breaks.
3. Promote the rules and recommendations for keeping 100 ft. of defensible space around buildings. Use of road signs, posters, door hangers, mailings, website.
4. Work with fire authorities on notification and enforcement. Coordinated activities, used Firewise’s “30-Day Clean-up Notice” as appropriate.
5. Maintain good clearance along roads, essential to safe evacuation. A complicated goal with many entities involved including private owners, PG&E, County, NID, etc. No progress to report to date.
6. Provide community information on fire safety issues. Published comprehensive Hazard Report, held a fire safety education day last April at the Firehouse, wrote articles in the CSHA newsletter, developed an expansive website with lots of information including



links to outside resources. Watch for another “education day” next spring.

To be sure, there is no

magic formula to make Cascade Shores safer. If putting the information into the hands of owners makes no difference, we will never get there. Everyone needs to step up and take responsibility for clearing their own properties, talking to their neighbors, and solving fire safety issues. We are encouraged by the number of people taking action over the summer, but there is still much to do.

WANTED --- some residents to volunteer as “section advisors.” Each would take a “section” of Cascade Shores, a street, a few homes, or properties belonging to some friends. Could be just a few places or many, and not necessarily on the same street. The “advisor” becomes the “cheerleader” for fire safety in the section, encouraging clean-up, offering ideas/resources and generally keeping things moving along. Section Advisors would be trained and supplied materials by the Firewise Committee.

If interested, call Jan at 530-265-2435.

Cascade Shores Firewise Committee

**Halloween
Party**

Saturday

October 25

3-5 pm at the Firehouse

Food, Crafts and Prizes!



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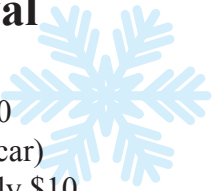
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Member price is \$15 per year; non-member price is \$20 per year.



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Cascade Shores Homeowner's Association

A homeowners organization dedicated to the protection of our commonly held property, Lost Mine Lake, the promotion of community safety, property values, and the overall desirability of living in Cascade Shores.

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There are 3 openings on the CSHA Board

If you are interested in joining please contact one of the members listed above or come to a meeting. The regular meetings of the Board of the Cascade Shores Homeowners' Association generally convene at 6:30pm at the firehouse or in the summer at Lost Mine Lake, on the first Wednesday of each month.