

Cascade Connections



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**Cascade Shores Homeowners
Association**

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President's Report

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Thank you donors for making the playset a reality. Board Vice-President Harry Wander was committed to the project from the beginning, provided the initial spirit, ordered and transported the set to the site, and took the lead in assembling it. Kevin Bellato, a new CSHA member, graded the area and Lonnie Hancock provided the expertise, experience and tools to complete the job. Others helping were Harry's grandson, Alex, Olivia Diaz, Annette Murphy, John Jimenez and Mike Inglis.

Speaking of Olivia, she has resigned from the board after many years of service to Cascade Shores. At various times she was treasurer, secretary, membership director, and served on several committees. Olivia is a tireless and devoted worker. Her work on the board will be missed. Soon after leaving our Board, Olivia was elected to fill a vacancy on the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District Board. Way to go, Olivia! Replacing her as Treasurer and Membership Chair is John Jimenez who is a retired Longs executive and new resident of Cascade Shores.

In other movements on the Board of Directors, Denise Cain and Annette Murphy will finish out the terms of resigning members Dane Brinkman and Bill Levitz. Kent Rees, Liaison with CERT also has become a member of the Board.

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The board member who did the most physically hard work, Greg Clark and his wife Shannon, are leaving us as well. Greg's electrical contractor business is booming and neither he nor Shannon can devote the time needed to maintain the Lost Mine Lake facilities. Denise Cain (265-8680) will be the new contact for reservations. Gary Kilday will continue as the site's manager and groundskeeper.

Peggy Davidson, in charge of recreation for NID is taking on the additional task of manager of the Scotts Flat Lake facilities which includes the Cascade Shores boat launching area.

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I have had requests from residents for a price break for access to the boat ramp because we live in the Shores and because years ago, residents got free access. According to Bill Coykendall, whose parents were on the original contract with NID, the agreement stated that members of the association would get free access in return for regular maintenance of the facility. The contract also stated that if the association defaulted, the contract would be void. According to some old-timers who actually worked on the project, for some reason, members quit doing the maintenance and thus nullified the contract.

This year, while the new ramp was being built, I and two other board members approached the NID Board of Directors to reinstate the agreement - we were turned-down. Stay tuned.

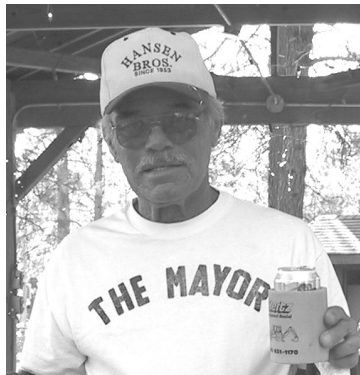
The new ramp will be dedicated to Dave Southern a long

FONA Report

Olivia Diaz

The Federation of Neighborhood Associations (FONA) has formed a Steering Committee that met over the summer and instituted changes in the way FONA operates. FONA members will meet quarterly, rather than monthly, with spring and fall workshops to meet the Educational part of its Mission. It started a Web page FONA-Neveco.org listing its purpose, history and a button for an application for membership. The web page currently has information on the upcoming workshop on Private Roads and Road Associations.

The Private Roads and Road Associations workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Madelyn Helling Library Community Room. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. It is open to



Gary



Denise

time resident of Cascade Shores who was an NID Director for many years.

Please contact me if you have any concerns so that problems can be dealt with before things get out of hand.

Fees for the use of the facility are the same on both sides of the lake:

- \$6 per vehicle
 - \$12 per boat launch
 - \$3 for canoes and kayaks
 - \$1.50 for walk-in users
 - \$1 for pets
- The year passes are \$80 for the rest of this year.
\$150 beginning next year for both boat ramps.



public. The \$25 donation fee includes a book compiled and edited by FONA members Marty Pezzaglia and Nancy Weber.

In another organizational direction, as President I reconstituted a committee to review and update the bylaws of the organization.

Sewer Update *Mike Inglis*

The geologic study was completed and concluded that, indeed, the bluff above the Cascade Shores Waste Water Treatment Facility (CS Sewer) continues to be unstable. Therefore, the insurance company has agreed to rebuild a new Waste Water Treatment Facility in a less vulnerable place.

In other news, the County Department of Transportation and Sanitation plans to repair and increase the size of the

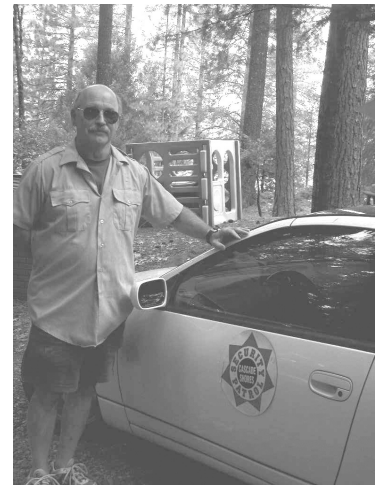
existing culverts to direct rainwater away from the bluff to prevent further erosion. They also will stabilize the pipe carrying the effluent to the Sewer plant and will improve the road from Mountain View Drive to the top of the bluff.

There will be an informational meeting at 2 p.m. on October 27 with the County Department of Transportation and Sanitation at their office in the Rood Center to bring me and other Sewer representatives up-to-date on other issues regarding the facility.

Security Update

Mike Inglis grew up in the Sacramento Area and loves living on Lake Lane in Cascade Shores. Since taking over as security patrol for the CSHA he has had the opportunity to meet many Cascade Shores residents. Mike patrols at various times during

the day and would be happy to accommodate those residents who are only here part time as well as anyone who might be going on vacation. Just call Mike at **265-9147** to discuss any special needs you might have. If you see Mike with the Cascade Shores security patrol signs on his car give him a wave!



Karen Lari organized the successful October 8 Oktoberfest

Update on the Firehouse Book Exchange

Denise Cain

Fall is in the air, leaves are turning color, and we may see rain in the next few weeks. So the book exchange has been packed away. Some books will be recycled, but the really choice ones will be kept for next spring! Thanks for all your donations and for utilizing the exchange. I've already finished 3 books I picked up there, and loved every one of 'em!



Show Pride in your Community

Anna Rees

The Women's Club has designed a T-Shirt for Cascade Shores residents. It has a logo and says Cascade Shores printed in white. The cotton T-shirts are available in different sizes and various colors. They will go on sale starting at the Women's Club meeting on Wednesday, October 12 at 1:00 p.m.

for information on how to order your own T-Shirt and shirts as gifts for others.



The November 9th meeting of the Women's Club will be at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Marvinia Lepianka (265-2982). Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month either at 1:00 p.m. or at 6:30 p.m. in different homes. Membership is for anyone living in the Shores. Currently all the members are women, but we wouldn't turn down a man if he wanted to pay the outrageous membership fee of \$10.

I am coordinating this fund-raising and community-building activity. Check our web site at CascadeShores.org

From the Editor

Ernie Malamud (470-8303, malamud@foothill.net)

Please send submissions for the Spring newsletter by February 1 — neighborhood issues and concerns, Cascade Shores history, activities and events, nature. If you have a story idea please contact me.

I have dropped the "calendar of events" because of recent last minute changes in dates. The best way to find out about the many wonderful events here in Cascade Shores is to consult the website or the marquee.

Advertisements defray a portion of the newsletter costs. Contact Robert Crabb to place an ad.

I will miss submission of articles from Curt Sutliff, who passed away recently.

Many thanks to Olivia Diaz for help in preparing this issue.

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Our “Cascade Shores Evacuation Plan” – Finally!

Kent Rees, CERT Liaison for the CSHA

In September, all homeowners in the Shores should have received a “hot off the press” copy of the “Cascade Shores Evacuation Plan,” published by our Consolidated Fire District. This document, planned and developed over a long period of time with input from CSHA, outlines emergency preparedness procedures, resident readiness plans, and clearly defines our official evacuation routes (maps included). Most importantly, what we should do in a Cascade Shores fire emergency is detailed in this helpful eight-page booklet.

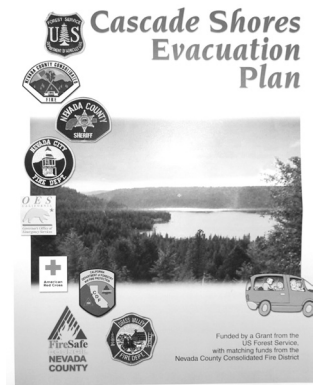
How do we get information? What do we take in an evacuation? Where do we go? How do we best plan for the survival of our homes? What about our household pets? (I can’t help but wonder how things might have been different if the Gulf Coast population had been armed with a stronger preparedness and evacuation plan.)

The most important thing for all of us to do RIGHT NOW is to read the “Cascade Shores Evacuation Plan,” discuss with our families, and assess our own level of preparation. Even if you haven’t done anything so far, there are immediate small steps that you can take that could make a big

difference in an emergency. For instance, clearly post your house address so that it is visible from the street. Clear your driveway so that a large fire truck could safely access it. Remove brush and leaves from around your house, as far out as you can go. Always keep a visible garden hose at the ready. To prevent getting separated, agree in advance on a meeting place and an out-of-area phone contact for all family members to use as a go-between.

In the months ahead, the Cascade Shores CERT members will also review this document and will develop suggestions for improvements. Already, we have been working with the Association Board on a plan to set-up the fire-house as a temporary shelter and first aid station. We also have serious concerns about people being trapped in the Shores without access to a vehicle, and we need to have an alternative plan for these folks.

If the “Cascade Shores Evacuation Plan” did not arrive in your mailbox, please call the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District at 530/273-3158 and ask them to send you a copy.



Tri-tip is a winner *Denise Cain*

If you didn't make it to the August 27th BBQ at Lost Mine Lake, you missed out! Dinner was delightful, and included entrees of Marinated Tri-Tip roasts, Lemon Chicken, and Organic Vegan Rice Santa Fe Casserole, accompanied with fresh local farmers' market heirloom tomato salad, fresh greens salads, crusty garlic bread and spice black beans. Dessert was provided by home made

pie bakers, and prizes given to the winners in 3 categories. The women's club raffled six beautiful gift baskets, and a private plane ride for 2 for one glorious hour over Nevada County was auctioned to benefit the newly installed children's playground equipment. It was a perfect evening by the lake, with beer, wine and soda available to complete your meal.

Don't miss this annual event next year.



Skip Hatton, Bill Hunter, and Royle Leighton judge the pie contest. (photo: Carolyn Inglis)

Cascade Shores CERT Graduation *Kent Rees, CERT Liaison*

On Sept. 13, sixteen Cascade Shores residents completed course work requirements and graduated as qualified CERT (Community Emergency Response Training) members.

The majority of the group also received certification in first aid and CPR. The CERT members were honored by their fire district and Red Cross trainers who presented each graduate with a certificate, emergency vest and helmet. This represented 25-30 hours of work including hands-on experience in fire suppression, search and rescue, first aid, and other first responder skills. This is a can-do group, representing all ages and backgrounds. They share a dedication to Cascade Shores and the hope that they may make the difference to their families and neighbors when a real emergency occurs and first responders stationed in Nevada City or Grass Valley take too long to get here. Or

Website: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/CERT/>



CERT grads L to R, top row: Shera Banbury, Jesse Cappel, Kent Rees, Robert Crabb, Ernie Malamud, Nickole Ortegren, Roland Teuber, John Jimenez. L to R, bottom row: Annette Murphy, Lenore Teuber, Chris Rose, Giovanni Paredes, Olivia Diaz, Anna Rees. Not Shown: Denise Cain, Lisa Harding

Wildlife in our Neighborhood

Beware of the Owl *Karen Lari*

Did you know that the great horned owl can hear a mouse rustle in the woods from a mile away? They possess phenomenally acute hearing. They attack their prey with monumental speed as well. An owl can attack small prey with the same force a human would receive by getting shot at close range. The owl attacks with their talons with intense force and lightning speed. They are night predators, too.

We don't hate them, though, for the following reason. An owl has no sense of smell so they are the only animal that will prey upon a skunk! No other animals will go near the

nasty critters; even mountain lions and bears know better than to pounce upon one. My dog learned that lesson last February when he got sprayed. The smell kept returning every time it rained!

Truthfully, we respect nature's need to balance everything. But, keep your kitties and small dogs in at night for their own safety! They will simply disappear in the night if Mr. Owl decides to stalk them. Let Mr. Owl cart off stinky, instead!



Improvements to Pasquale Road

Harry Wander

The Nevada County Department of Transportation has been quite cooperative with the Cascade Shores Home-owners Association in repairing road damage.

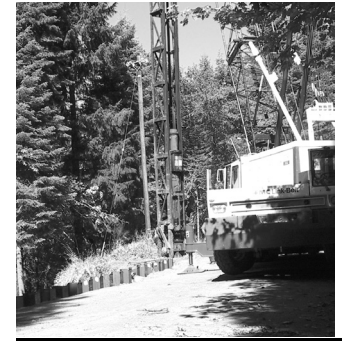
For example, you may have noticed the red "Construction" sign at the entrances to Pasquale Road. When meeting with the President of CSHA, the Chair of its Roads Committee and Michael Inglis in June, Michael Hill-Weld, Director of the Nevada County Department of Transportation (D.O.T.) expressed great concern about the section of road that collapsed during the winter storms. It has funded a repair (hopefully permanent) of this section of Pasquale Road, at a cost of \$233,500.

The question of putting guardrails along certain sections of Pasquale was also discussed at this meeting. They stated this would not be possible due to the closeness of the edge of the pavement to the drop-off. They did promise to put in more of the reflective edge markers.

The D.O.T. also repaired the large pothole in Banner



August 27. Pilings staged for retaining wall



August 29. Retaining wall in place

Quaker Hill Cross Road just east of the store within a day of being notified.

The D.O.T. has also promised to do their utmost to keep the big hill open during and after storms. The major problem there is that the steepness of the grade makes it dangerous for snow removal equipment to work on it during very cold storms.

Women's Club Activities

Olivia Diaz

Women's Club continues to reach out with holiday activities to the children and young families living in Cascade Shores. This year we will add a Halloween event on Sat., Oct. 29 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Fire House. Annette Murphy and Nickole Ortegren are coordinating the fun.

As at our Christmas and Easter events, the party will be free and we will offer party favors and goodies for everyone. The activities include

- Costume contest
- Contest for pumpkin carving or pumpkin decoration
- Contest for the best model of a Haunted House.

We will provide basic building materials (cardboard rolls from toilet paper and paper towels, and a cardboard box bottom to use as the base so everyone builds the same size model.) But the work must be done at home with addi-

tional cardboard from cereal boxes, similar types of materials and your own decorations. Pumpkins also are to be carved or decorated at home. We are looking for imagination and architectural flair! Maybe we can use ideas from the models for a life-sized Haunted House next year.

The Christmas Party with Santa was such a success last year that we plan to repeat it. Save Saturday, December 10 for that party and tell your neighbors, especially if they are new and especially if they have children.

We are eager to meet the new families moving in to the Shores. Our membership is only 26 members so we are looking for volunteers, parents and youngsters, to help in planning and helping on the day of our events. What a great way to jump in and become part of your new community.

The Women's Club held two successful fundraisers this summer to benefit the Play Set and other improvements in the Kids' area: Ruffling Gift Baskets at the Homeowners summer events at Lost Mine Lake and Selling Daffodils.

The Daffodil bulbs have arrived!

Annette Murphy

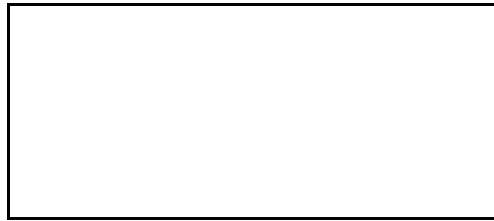
Our residents bought 600 bulbs and started picking them up at the Oktoberfest on October 8. If you haven't heard from me, please call me at 470-1722 to arrange to get your bulbs. Search for the sunniest place on your property now because that's where it will be in the spring. And that's where you want to plant your daffodil bulbs. Now is the

time to plant them. Remind me to give you the written planting instructions.

Since all the bulbs will bloom later than other daffodils, but on the same schedule as those on the big hill, we are looking forward to a blaze of daffodils in Cascade Shores next spring. Let me know if you need assistance in planting the bulbs. There are volunteers from Women's Club to advise and help you.

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Robert Crabb, Lonnie Hancock, Harry Wander and Alex Wilson assemble the playset at Lost Mine Lake on August 14. (photo: *Olivia Diaz*).