



Cascade Connections

CSHA Newsletter • Spring 2022

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President's Message

The Cascade Shores Homeowners Association continues to do well. We have 139 members, below last year's 144. This has been an eventful year for our association. We added another building. Our one storage shed was so packed with necessary equipment that it was a difficult place in which to move about. During the severe snowstorm which occurred after Christmas a large tree near the new shed fell and missed it by about 2 feet. Two other trees were in danger of falling and had to be removed.

The nearly four feet of heavy snow caused a lot of tree damage. Throughout our community roads were blocked and power lines were brought down by falling oak limbs plus other trees falling over or the tops breaking off. Some homes suffered damage and at least one deck collapsed.

Most of Cascade Shores was without power for over two weeks. The propane companies had difficulties making deliveries, partly because of road conditions and partly because of personnel shortages. Some residents, myself included, ran out of propane. As I write this, many residents are still cleaning up storm damage. In spite of all the adversities, I heard no reports of personal injury, and everybody came through it in good spirits.

The storm was followed by an unusually dry and warm January and a Spring-like early February. Daffodils and some fruit trees blossomed. Then, a blast of arctic air moved in, with overnight temperatures down to 22°. It is truly said "If you don't like the weather, just wait a bit."

We can all hope that the Covid epidemic will abate, and we can return to having large gatherings at Lost Mine Lake. It is a beautiful area. Much work has been done to keep it that way. It needs to be enjoyed by our members.

As required by our bylaws, a Nominating Committee was appointed in November to search for members who would like to serve on the Board of Directors. After diligent searching, only one candidate was found, Dave Robson. Since the addition of Dave still leaves vacancies, the Board saw no need to spend the

cost of sending out ballots for an uncontested election.

Due to the Covid epidemic we have had to cancel the annual meeting the past two years. Unless there is a huge upsurge in the epidemic, I look forward to seeing all of you in the Firehouse at 1 PM on April 2nd. Heidi Hall, County Supervisor from our area, will be on hand to talk and answer questions.

Harry Wander, CSHA President

Treasurer's Corner

Receipts: Opening cash balance on 4/1/2021 was \$5,600. Cash received in through 2/28/22 with an estimate for March totals \$21,690 and includes receipts for basic and enhanced membership fees, donations, Lost Mine Lake (LML) rental fees and advertising fees. Cash received in is 104% of budget.

LML Costs: Year-to-date cash expenditures and a one month estimate for March includes \$5,700 for LML maintenance, supplies and labor including installing a Tuff Shed and tree cutting, \$3,100 for liability insurance, \$2,900 for utilities and \$500 for property taxes. Total LML expenditures are 124% of budget due to labor costs noted above.

Administrative Costs: Projected expenditures for administrative costs of \$10,515 includes \$3,000 for home monitoring, \$2,100 for Directors and Officers liability insurance, and estimate of \$1,000 to subsidize the Yard Waste Disposal Project in conjunction with the Fire Safe Council, member communication, LML rental refunds, office supplies and bank fees, firehouse rental, metal folding chairs for the firehouse, domain registry, and a deposit for the holiday party venue. Total Administrative expenditures are 123% of budget due primarily to the Yard Waste subsidy.

Total cash expenditures are 124% of our annual budget.

Ending cash balance on 3/31/2022 is projected to be \$4,630 including a reserve balance of \$4,000.

Cheryl Lester, CPA, MBA, CSHA Treasurer

Lost Mine Lake Spring 2022

Lost Mine Lake survived the winter storm without damage. We were lucky in that a large tree fell, missing the tool shed by 2 feet. There is a tree leaning towards the new shed that is being removed. The storm also resulted in the freezing of the lake.

It has been a quiet year at the lake. We have been fortunate in that we have had no vandalism and hope that continues.



The annual volunteer clean up at the lake will be held Saturday, May 7 at 9 AM. The facility looks a little rough after the winter and is in need of maintenance. Please set aside the time to help. It would be nice to see some new faces as the association can not survive without the participation of our members. Typically, the volunteers have always been the same. Since the majority of them are seniors, their numbers have diminished over the years. These are the people that have made the HOA a success for so many years.

The plans for this year include new fencing around the memorial garden, cleaning the drainage ditch, painting and a new picnic table for the pavilion. As the season progresses there are always new projects presenting themselves.

Andrew Guevel and I look forward to seeing our members enjoy the beauty and privacy of Lost Mine Lake. Be safe and have fun this season.

Doug Gloff, CSHA Vice President
and Lost Mine Lake Supervisor

Cascade Shores FireWise Committee Spring 2022

With another fire season approaching the Cascade Shores FireWise Committee is dedicated to helping the community fireproof their homes and property. If you are new to the community, we have welcome packets for you. These packets include resources that outline steps homeowners can take to enhance the fire safety of their property. We also have members certified to do a free "Defensible Space" assessment of your property and provide feedback on ways to reduce your fire risk.

Being a FireWise Community helps homeowners secure insurance and can also help reduce premium rates. Our local committee is made up entirely of volunteers helping to ensure we maintain our FireWise status.

Are you looking to get more involved in your community? We need your help! If you would like to join our committee or have other FireWise related questions, please e-mail cshafirewisecmte@gmail.com or text/call Christina at 707-484-1918.

If you are interested in receiving local FireWise news and are not currently on our e-mail list, please let us know.

**CSHA Annual
Meeting
Saturday, April 2
1 pm
Firehouse
Guest Speaker: Heidi Hall**

**Supervisor Hall will be present
to answer your questions
and address your concerns**

Come meet your neighbors and CSHA Board
Members and hear what's going on in
Cascade Shores.

Your Hard Work Needs to be Counted PLEASE HELP!

Our Firewise Community must renew its standing each year in order to be re-certified.

Information programs, community meetings, and our advocacy efforts need to be documented for our application. However, an important part is the work that is being done on each property to improve fire safety, something that only the residents can claim. **We need your help to document what you have been doing so that we can complete our firewise renewal.**

We are simply asking for a rough estimate of your time and money spent.

Please take a few minutes to copy and complete this form and mail to:

Cascade Shores Fire Wise Committee
16528 Pasquale Road, Nevada City, CA 95959
or e-mail this information to cshafirewisecmte@gmail.com

Tell us of your efforts for the time period of your own choosing:

_____ to _____
(month) (year) (month) (year)

Name _____

Address _____

Contact e-mail _____

Contact phone _____

Hours spent cleaning your property: Dry debris, limbing trees, felling dangerous trees, burning, hauling, trimming, chipping, etc.	
\$ spent cleaning your property including: Purchase of equipment, gasoline/other supplies, dump fees professional help, etc.	
\$ spent hardening or retrofitting your property to make it more fire resistant including: Enclosed gutters, hardscaping, safer roof, vents, screening, replacement windows/skylights, fire resistant siding, safer decks/rails, etc.	
Miles driven to complete any activity above	

A Brief History of CSHA

Cascade Shores Homeowners Association (CSHA) was formed when Lost Mine Lake and its surrounding acreage were donated by the Boise Cascade Corporation in 1969. Our charter purpose is the care and maintenance of Lost Mine Lake as stated in Article 1 of the CSHA by-laws. Article 1 clarifies why much of our time and resources are focused on Lost Mine Lake. You can find a copy of the by-laws on our website: cascadeshores.org.

Some people have wondered what CSHA has done for the community as a whole. Here is a brief history:

- In 1977 members Lloyd and Dorothy Honey donated a parcel of land to the CSHA. The CSHA then raised enough money to build the firehouse. This land and the building were donated to the Consolidated Fire District on December 2, 1981. The firehouse is still functional, and the Consolidated Fire District maintains a fire truck there for local use if needed. It is one of the reasons Cascade Shores has been designated as a Firewise Community, which increases the safety of all of us and generates a reduction in the fire insurance premiums by some insurance companies.
- In the 1980s, at Lost Mine Lake, the construction of the kitchen, outhouse, pavilion, installation of electricity, water pump and the sprinkler system were added and, with the help of the Eagle Scouts, the hiking trail around the lake was established. In 1990 the Memorial Garden, volleyball court and horseshoe pit were added.
- Pasquale Road is narrow and winding, it used to be even worse. In the 1990's Board Members met several times at various sites on the road with the head of the Roads Department and other county officials and the road was subsequently widened to the extent possible.
- In 1993 the school bus stopped at the top of the big hill. Parents had to drive their children up to the top of the hill to board the bus. Then CSHA President, Robert Crabb, was able to convince the school district to have the bus come down to the store.
- In 2005 the kids play structure was added to Lost Mine Lake.
- In 2006, when the County installed a big iron gate at the top of the big hill and proposed locking it during snowy weather, there was a big outcry from the community. The CSHA hosted a meeting with officials from the Roads Department at the firehouse. It was so well attended that not all attendees could fit in the

building. The result was the removal of the gate and its supporting structures.

- In 2018 the County proposed putting a sewer leach field in an area that was unsafe and would have endangered even more homes than those already damaged by a landslide. The CSHA actively cooperated with local homeowners in getting the project stopped.
- July 2019 saw the addition of the aeration system in Lost Mine Lake, greatly improving the ecology of the lake. The past ten years has seen many improvements to Lost Mine Lake including: lighting of the lawn and parking lot, new toilets, upgrading all of the electrical, water to the kitchen and painting of the buildings.

The CSHA has sponsored many community activities throughout the years including: an annual summer picnic with free food, games and kayak races, Friday evening movies in the summer at the firehouse with free popcorn and soda. Unfortunately these events were not popular with Cascade Shores residents and were discontinued, but we do continue to host Thursday night summer BBQs and the Community Yard Sale and all residents of Cascades Shores are welcome to participate, member or not.

Behind the scenes, CSHA communicates with NID, Public Works and other county agencies on behalf of members. Concerns are addressed with the appropriate agencies as the need arises. When a community hazard arise, such as road hazards, replacing signs, removing dumped furniture, etc. CSHA communicates with the appropriate agency to get the issue resolved. The CSHA has hosted several gatherings of community members for educational sessions on fire safety and they were always well attended. We also negotiate with Suburban Propane on a yearly basis to provide members with the best discount possible.

Volunteering is not for everyone and that is OK, but if you are not happy with the board or how things are going in Cascade Shores then be part of the solution and volunteer to serve on the board. It requires about an hour a month and helping out at CSHA events, mostly in the summer.

Hopefully this will give you a better idea of what CSHA is all about. Hope to see you at the Thursday night BBQs at Lost Mine Lake this summer.

Leslie Grassi, CSHA Secretary

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Home Monitoring Service

The home monitoring service provides weekly checks on your home to make sure that doors and windows are secure, and that no intrusion has been noted. The property is examined for trees or limbs that threaten the home, especially after a storm. Typically, I walk the perimeter of the home and deck for vacation monitoring or unoccupied home monitoring. If an irregularity is observed, I will contact the homeowner. If necessary, law enforcement will be contacted. With occupied home monitoring, or if you are here at your vacation home, I will view your home from the road but will not disturb you. I highly encourage any homeowner who is not a permanent resident to sign up for the home monitoring service. Past notifications have included homes with serious tree damage, water pipe rupture and garage doors left open to wildlife.

Please remember that this service is NOT a substitute for law enforcement. If you have issues or concerns about mail stolen from your mailbox, off-road vehicles being driven on residential streets, offensive noise levels from unruly neighbors, alarms going off at unoccupied homes, suspicious activity, dogs not on leashes, or excessive speeding, contact the appropriate Nevada County authority. They have the legal power to respond and act. Their phone numbers are:

Law enforcement

Nevada County Sheriff's Office: 530/265-1471

Animal Control

Nevada County Animal Control: 530/273-2179

If you are interested in the home monitoring service, check out the CSHA website: www.cascadeshores.org and click on the Home Monitoring Services link on the left side of the screen. The "Authorization for Home Monitoring Services" form is located there. Enhanced Membership is an affordable \$200 per year, which includes weekly monitoring of your home (April 1 to March 31, weather permitting).

Cheryl Lester

Treasurer, Membership Chair and Home Monitoring

Summer Events in Cascade Shores

Lost Mine Lake Clean-up Day

Saturday, May 7 • 9 am

Taking care of our Lost Mine Lake property is all done by volunteers and your help in getting it ready for summer fun is appreciated.

Please bring garden tools if you can: rakes, shovels, weed eaters, etc., and don't forget your gloves, a hat and sunscreen.

Refreshments will be served.

Call Doug at 530-470-8643 with any questions.

Thursday Night BBQs at Lost Mine Lake

June 30 • July 14, 28 • August 11, 25
6pm

The coals will be ready and the utensils, plates, cups, napkins and condiments will be provided. Lost Mine Lake looks great, come check it out and meet the CSHA board members and your neighbors.

Bring something to grill for yourself and a little something to share.

Community Yard Sale at Your House

September 3 • 8 am-1 pm

Again this year we will create a map of participating homes and we'll take care of all the advertising.

Couldn't be easier!

E-mail cshayardsale@yahoo.com with any questions or to add your house to the map.

Everyone in Cascade Shores is welcome to join the event. You have all spring and summer to get sorting!

Lost Mine Lake is available for rent

Go to the CSHA Website, www.cascadeshores.org, and click on the Lost Mine Lake link for more information and availability.

Join CSHA!

Your \$125 Annual Membership Includes:

- **Dues are voluntary and affordable.**
As a CSHA member, you will be part of a community that values safety, quality of life, negotiated low cost propane prices and access and use of the Lost Mine Lake property. The collaboration of the Firewise Committee and the CSHA Board acts in the best interest of the members and whose goal is to provide essential public information updates and announcements.
- **A strong, collective voice heard with county officials.**
Representation at City, County and State venues, and as a conduit to express wishes and grievances of local importance.
- **Full use of our private Lost Mine Lake**
- **Rental Discount of Lost Mine Lake Pavilion for your private events.**
- **Summer events that include:**
Several Thursday Nights in June-August BBQs
The coals will be ready and the utensils, plates, cups, napkins and condiments will be provided. Bring something to grill for yourself and a little something to share.
Everyone is welcome!
Community Yard Sale at your home
Every September. We do the advertising for you.
Everyone is welcome!
- **About 40-50% discount on propane**
The discount varies depending on membership and season.
- **Informative website:** www.cascadeshores.org
- **Private home monitoring patrol with “Enhanced Membership”**
- **Members only Facebook page**
- **Community newsletter**
- **Help with code enforcement, fire safety and defensible space**
- **CSHA membership in the Fire Safe Council offers a chipping consultant to homeowners and scheduled service to chip piles.**

Your dues entitle you to a discount on propane from Suburban Propane. Your dues in turn provide for the improvement and maintenance of the Lost Mine Lake

facilities and to fund the many activities that are available to all residents of Cascade Shores.

Propane

Cascade Shores Homeowners Association has preferred vendor pricing from Suburban Propane. Effective 4/2/2022, the pricing and the offerings from Suburban were refreshed as shown below:

- New competitive pricing (set at fixed margin of \$1.10 above Suburban’s variable cost).
- Same discounted pricing offered for automatic delivery and will-call.
- Annual tank rental fees for newly established accounts waived for two years, a total savings of \$130.00. Subsequent rental fees: \$65.00 per year.
Non-member rental pricing:
250 gallon tank - \$135.00 per year
500 gallon tank - \$150.00 per year
- Reliable 7-10 day delivery window on will-call orders.
- Continued low delivery fees.
- Referral program offers 35 free gallons for each referral (no cap).
- RVs or portable tanks filled at Suburban’s Grass Valley location, 12575 Charles Drive, Grass Valley, OR portable tanks can be filled at the time of delivery to your home for the same discounted price during spring and summer months only.
- 24/7 Emergency service.

During the last ten months (June 2021-March 2022), average member propane pricing of \$2.86 was \$2.78 less than non-member pricing of \$5.64 (a savings of 50%). The new competitive pricing will provide members an even bigger discount and the new offerings will make it easier to select Suburban as your propane vendor.

If you are a member of CSHA, but not a Suburban customer, call them at (530) 273-6113 to change over. They will come to your home, transfer any remaining propane in your existing tank to the Suburban tank, and set aside your old tank so that your old supplier can pick it up.

If you are not a member of CSHA and would like to join to receive the propane discount, just fill out the enclosed application and mail in your check to the address shown on the application. You will then receive a membership card and your name will be submitted to Suburban. Note that you must be a current member to receive a discount.

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Member price is \$25 per year; non-member price is \$30 per year.

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Cascade Shores Homeowners 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.

We welcome and support people of all backgrounds and ethnicity and we depend on each other to create the best possible living conditions in our community. Consideration and respect are encouraged when making decisions that impact our neighborhood and our environment.

Current CSHA Board Members 2022-23

President: Roads	Harry Wander	hjwander@comcast.net	530-300-2126
Vice President: Lost Mine Lake Supervisor	Doug Gloff	dgloff12@hotmail.com	530-470-8643
Treasurer: Membership, Propane Home Monitoring Service	Cheryl Lester	clester4300@aol.com	408-656-9382
Secretary: Newsletter, Website, FaceBook, Lost Mine Lake Rental Contact, Yard Sale	Leslie Grassi	lesgrassi@yahoo.com	530-478-0386
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Board Member: Member-at-large	Terry McAteer	tmcateer@icsos.us	530-273-2776
Board Member: Member-at-large	Dave Robson	dave@robsoncustomhomes.com	913-636-6384
Firewise Committee Contact	Christina Trimble Sloane	ctrimble2@yahoo.se	707-484-1918

Association members are welcome to attend CSHA Board Meetings. Members who wish to present issues to the board shall so advise the President 3 days prior to the meeting. Participation by CSHA Members in board discussions is welcomed. Come meet your neighbors and help us make Cascade Shores a welcoming place to live.

Disappointed in CSHA? If you are unhappy with the Board of Directors or how things are going in Cascade Shores, why not be part of the solution and join the board - **NOW IS THE TIME!** The Cascade Shores Homeowners Association has been in existence for over 50 years because of the commitment from members to lead the organization and work toward the betterment of our neighborhood. Without a dedicated and committed board very little can be accomplished each year. If you are interested, please call or e-mail any CSHA board member or come to any monthly board meeting.

