



# Cascade Connections

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[www.cascadeshores.org](http://www.cascadeshores.org)

## President's Message

This past year has been an eventful one. Much has happened to keep the Board busy. There has been both good news and bad news.

Financially we are stable, with no need for a dues increase. The details will be given by Larry Marvin, our Treasurer, at the annual meeting on April 4th.

Lost mine lake and its picnic area has, as usual, been the major focus of activity. Quite a few improvements, as well as many significant repairs, have been accomplished. Vice President Doug Gloff is the person in charge of LML and has devoted much time and effort to its welfare. He will detail what has been done there, what jobs are still in process and what are planned. Jobs to do and improvements to make seem never ending, but rest assured that your dues dollars are being put to good use.

Leslie Grassi, who had been our very able Secretary of the Board for a long time, resigned from the Board when she moved from the area. Justine Riley has been appointed to the Board as her replacement and also as the Secretary.

As many of you know, the Cascade Shores Women's Club has disbanded. One of the activities they did was to put on functions for children. Jenny Kleckner proposed that the responsibility for doing that be assumed by the CSHA Board of Directors and volunteered to head up the effort. The Board agreed and also appointed her to fill one of the vacant Board positions. Jenny will report on the progress with the children's activities.

Pam Herrenkohl, who was in charge of rental functions at LML, resigned from the Board due to pressures from her job. Jenny Kleckner volunteered to also take over that duty.

After many years as the CSHA Security person, Mike Inglis has resigned. His replacement is Tom Bennett. He is new to the area, but rapidly becoming acquainted with it.

Jenny Kleckner and Larry Marvin have done a lot of work on improving our website. Any suggestions for improvement should be directed to them. If you have not viewed the website, please do so. There is a lot of good information there.

The Firewise Committee is a sub-committee of the



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Board of Directors. Under the leadership of Kent Rees it has been instrumental in achieving the designation of Cascade shores as a Firewise Community. Their efforts have not only increased our safety margin, but may help residents who are having problems obtaining home owners insurance do so.

Numerous persons who are not Board members have contributed significantly to our organization. To name a few: Charlotte Starn has continued her excellent work on our sign boards; Leslie Grassi continues to edit our newsletters; Judy Barlow maintains our website and the turnout for the cleanup last Spring was the largest I have ever seen. If I have missed any, I apologize. We owe all a hearty "Thank You".

Two Celebration of Life events have recently been held at the Firehouse. If there should be a need for the use of the Firehouse for such an event, the President should be called for permission. There is no charge to CSHA members for such events, but there would be for non-members.

An increasing problem is that of dirt bikes and other off-road vehicles riding on LML property. Not only does this damage the landscape, but it raises concerns about liability. The Board is putting up barricades and signs on some of the access points, in hopes of decreasing this activity.

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# President's Message

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Many people seem to be unable to read signs, such as the ones stating dogs are not allowed in the picnic area. This seems to be a never ending problem. Most of the offenders seem to be non-members, who apparently also cannot read the "Members only" signs.

There have been problems with squatters moving in to vacant houses. If you are suspicious that such may be occurring, please call the Sherriff's office so they can check on whether the people are valid residents.

There have been some reports of "Peeping Toms" in the area. For example, somebody scraped off the paint from the outside of the window of the women's restroom in the firehouse (since repainted on the inside). If you see any "Peeping Toms" or other prowlers, please call the Sherriff's office and report it.

Our membership remains at about 132. Please encourage non-members to join. The Propane discount should more than cover the dues. The more members CSHA has, the more money is available for repairs and improvements at LML, as well as more money for community events, to promote community safety and to develop community resources.

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as your President this past year. I am looking forward to a year of growth with no major problems.

Harry Wander

## Cascade Shores Firewise Committee

Dear Cascade Shores Resident or Owner,

Cascade Shores is an official "Firewise Community" and is part of the national FIREWISE movement. Supported and guided by fire officials, FIREWISE seeks to reduce the risk of devastating wildfires in wooded areas. We work with the direction of the Nevada County Fire Safe Council which sponsors numerous FIREWISE communities within our county. Our standing is subject to review and renewal each year.

Does FIREWISE mean that we are fire safe? **ABSOLUTELY NOT!!** Instead, what it means is that we have acquired needed information and put into place some practices which can help us to become a safer place as we move forward. We have a dedicated Firewise Committee. We have worked closely with the Fire Safe Council and

with fire officials to learn about hazards and mitigating dangers. A professional assessment, Cascade Shores Community Wildfire Hazard Report, was published to pinpoint specific risks and issues in Cascade Shores. Our annual fire safety education days and our efforts to remind residents with various road signs have helped to raise awareness. Our Committee sponsors Americorps fuel reduction projects in Cascade Shores. We partnered with emergency services to update evacuation plans. We try to coordinate "30-day Clean-up Notices" with fire officials who are stepping up their property inspections. The Hazard Report and other information is available to you at [cascadeshores.org](http://cascadeshores.org) where you can also find out about clearance rules and tap into local resources for fire prevention. Click on "Fire Safe Council" at the homepage's left index. Look there for future postings and updates.

How can we protect ourselves and our property from a forest fire bearing down on Cascade Shores? The most important thing is to have a family evacuation plan in place. With enough warning time, you can also take steps to prepare your property. Make a list of essentials to take with you. Decide on a emergency meeting place for your family members. Refer to our publication, Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation Guide.

Nobody is being asked to fight a fire that has gotten into the tree canopy. However, we are asking you to check your property for places where a small fire might find its way into the big trees. Surface areas on your lot or on your house or deck can become footholds for the ignition of a larger fire. Please be aware that wind blown burning embers, or firebrands, can pelt your property well ahead of the main fire front, potentially causing numerous spot fires. To quote from the Hazard Report, "these tiny firebrands may represent the most significant threat of fire within the community." No, we can't defend against a forest fire bearing down on us, but we can reduce our risks from these burning embers by taking away the obvious dangers presented by surface debris and thick brush. The facts are that nearly half of homes lost to wildfire each year in this country are not consumed by the fire front. Instead, they burn because of these embers, even when the main fire may have been stopped miles away. Do your part and clear your property (out to 100 ft.) of serious fire "footholds." Vacant lot owners should thin out overgrowth and deadfall to provide ample firebreaks.

### **How can we help?**

1. If you are unsure about how to make your property safer, ask for a "Defensible Space Advisory Visit" from a Firewise trained volunteer. No charge.

2. If you are having trouble clearing out 100 feet from your home because of an adjacent property, we may be able to advise.
3. If you are low income, elderly, or handicapped, we may be able to secure assistance in clearing your property.
4. Refer your fire insurance agent to our website and mention our “Firewise Community” designation. Some companies are starting to give policy discounts to these safer communities.
5. Contact us if you need an extra, current Evacuation Guide.
6. If you have any ideas or want to help us in supporting this work, please let us know.

Call Jan with the Firewise Committee at 530-265-2435.

## **Save The Date**

### **CASCADE SHORES FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION DAY**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 10 AM - 1 PM  
CASCADE SHORES FIREHOUSE**

Our second annual “education day” is set for June 20, and we anticipate a number of informative mini-events to hold your interest: speakers, displays, information tables, fire department exhibits, give-a-ways, etc. Last year, we had an excellent community turn-out, and we are hoping for a similar response this year. Consider this your “one-stop shopping” experience for everything having to do with wildfire safety and property protection in Cascade Shores.

Even though we were awarded the distinction of being a “Firewise Community” last summer, we are by no means “fire safe.” We have a lot of work in front of us, but we have learned much about what we need to do to become safer. Every owner, resident, and renter has a job to learn about fire safety and to put things into practice to make their places less vulnerable to fire. Doing your part and taking responsibility for cleaning up dangerous properties – this is our constant message. It only takes one negligent owner or resident to put the rest of us at risk.

As June nears, check our website, [cascadeshores.org](http://cascadeshores.org), for more information about the Fire Safety Education Day.

In the meantime, if you plan to burn on your property, you’ll need an active “burn permit.” Burning is allowed on “burn days” only. Be sure to clean down to base soil 10 feet out from your burn pile and have a water hose on site. Never leave a burn pile unattended and make sure that it is dead out when finished. If burning or hauling yourself

is not possible, consider contacting Waste Management for a large container that can be delivered to you. A couple of neighbors could split the cost of a 20-40 cubic ft. container and have a clean-up weekend.

Cascade Shores Firewise Committee

## **Why Not Join?**

Unlike most homeowners’ associations, the CSHA is made up of volunteer supporters. No one in Cascade Shores is forced to join, but everyone still benefits from the dues (\$100/yr.) coming from dedicated members of the community. When we lobby the Board of Supervisors for services such as improved roads and snow removal, we speak on behalf of our entire community – and they listen to us. But let’s say that you are not a member of the CSHA, and you really don’t care about this, and you really don’t care about the other services provided by the CSHA, such as:

1. Holiday children’s parties.
2. Cheaper propane from Suburban Propane.
3. Recreation at Lost Mine Lake.
4. Social events.
5. Newsletters and website information.
6. Security patrol.

Then, how can you say that you don’t care about FIRE SAFETY, a critical service of the CSHA and its Firewise Committee??? Fire safety cuts across all properties, members and non-members alike. If we get a wildfire in Cascade Shores, it will impact all of us! Your dues help us to get out the information about clearing lots, making inspections, and providing education on how to reduce the overall risks of living in a wooded area during an historic dry spell. Our work includes annual education days at the firehouse, a comprehensive, professional assessment of our fire hazards (available at [cascadeshores.org](http://cascadeshores.org)), clearing out areas of dense brush and Scotch Broom, and providing an updated evacuation plan that everyone should have received. We coordinate goals and activities with local fire officials.

If you haven’t been motivated to join the CSHA in the past, consider the importance of fire safety to ALL OF US, and write your check today for \$100 - that’s no more than \$8.33 a month (the price of a couple of coffees at Starbucks) to help us get the word out and improve fire safety in Cascade Shores.

Please remember that renters are also eligible to join. We are all in this together! Please get onboard.

Kent Rees, Past President, CSHA

# Lost Mine Lake Report

There have been many improvements at Lost Mine Lake in the past year and future projects are in the works.

**The following are projects that have been completed:**

- New refrigerator
- A maple tree, donated by the Hogan family has been planted on the lawn.
- Lake water has been plumbed to the kitchen for fire prevention. (NID is not available)
- The lake has been sprayed, drained and refilled.
- New padlocks have been installed.
- Solar lighting for the parking lot.
- New fence around memorial garden.
- New sand for the volleyball court and beach.
- New signs advising motorize vehicles prohibited on property.
- Minor electrical problem fixed.
- Kitchen floor repaired
- New linoleum installed.

**Projects that are a work in progress for the spring:**

- Upgrading the kitchen

- Improving BBQ pit.
- Installing barricades to discourage the dirt bike and ATV riders from trespassing on our property and to keep members safe when walking the trails.
- Repairing the horseshoe pit.

Our last LML cleanup day was successful and we have a day scheduled this spring. I would like to encourage anyone with extra ground cover or plants to bring them to cleanup day.

The biggest issue we have is controlling the weed growth in the lake. We are continuing our efforts to improve the quality of the lake.

I would like to thank all of the members that have shown up when we have asked for help and hope that we will see some new faces at our next project. I have enjoyed serving as vice-president and LML supervisor and the board appreciates the support of our members.

Doug Gloff

## CSHA 2015 Calendar of Events

CSHA Board meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Firehouse.

June through September board meetings are held at Lost Mine Lake.

<b>April 1</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>April 4</b>	Saturday	<b>Annual Meeting</b>	1 pm	Firehouse
<b>May 6</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>May 16</b>	Saturday	<b>Lost Mine Lake Clean Up</b>	9 am	Lost Mine Lake
<b>June 3</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>June 20</b>	Saturday	<b>Fire Safety Day</b>	10 am-1 pm	Firehouse
<b>June 27</b>	Saturday	<b>Community Yard Sale</b>	9 am-3 pm	Firehouse
<b>July 1</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>July 2,9,16,23,30</b>	Thursdays	<b>BBQ's at the Lake</b>	6 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>July 3,10,17,24,31</b>	Fridays	<b>Movies at the Firehouse</b>	8 pm	Firehouse
<b>August 5</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>August 22</b>	Saturday	<b>Family Picnic</b>	12-3 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>September 2</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>October 7</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>October</b>		Fall Newsletter Mailed		
<b>October 24</b>	Saturday	<b>Kid's Halloween Party</b>	3-5 pm	Firehouse
<b>November 4</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>December 9</b>	Wednesday	<b>CSHA Christmas Party</b>	6 pm	TBA
<b>December 12</b>	Saturday	<b>Kid's Christmas Party</b>	1-3 pm	Firehouse
<b>January 6, 2016</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse

*\*Weather permitting. Easter Party will be moved to the Firehouse if necessary.*

# Benefits of Membership

- **Voluntary and affordable (\$100.00 per year)**

- **About 20% discount on propane**

*The discount varies depending on membership. More members means bigger discount.*

- **Summer events that include:**

Family Outdoor Movies at the Firehouse

*Every Friday night in July in the Firehouse parking lot. Popcorn and drinks provided.*

**Everyone is welcome!**

Every Thursday Night in July BBQ's

*The coals will be ready and the utensils, plates, cups, napkins and condiments will be provided. Bring something to grill and a little something to share*

**Everyone is welcome!**

Family Picnic

*Includes free food, games and prizes.*

**Everyone is welcome!**

Fishing Derby

**Everyone is welcome!**

Community Yard Sale

*We do the advertising for you.*

**All residents can participate!**

- **Full use of our private Lost Mine Lake**

- **Kids' holiday parties at the firehouse**

Halloween, Christmas and Easter

*Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny will be there with games and prizes, crafts and food.*

**Everyone is welcome!**

- **A strong voice heard with the county officials**

- **Informative website**

- **Community newsletter**

- **Help with code enforcement, fire safety and defensible space**

- **Private security patrol with "Enhanced Membership"**

Your dues provide a discount on propane from Suburban Propane (see the chart below for a comparison of member to non-member pricing), provide for maintenance of the Lost Mine Lake facilities and to fund the many activities that are available to all residents Cascade Shores.

## PROPANE

In case you haven't heard, you can save big bucks on Suburban Propane by joining the Cascade Shores

Homeowner's Association. The difference in the non-member and member price is usually around \$1 a gallon. One tank alone would more than pay for your membership for the year. So, what are you waiting for? Also, you can go down to Suburban's station at 12575 Charles Drive in Grass Valley and fill your portable tanks or motor home for the same great savings. Who doesn't want to save that kind of money on fuel these days?

If you are a member but not a Suburban customer, it is easy to switch. Just call Suburban at 273-6113 and tell them you would like to change over. They will come out to your house, transfer any remaining propane in your existing tank to a Suburban tank, and set aside your old tank so all you have to do is call your old supplier for pick-up.

If you are not a CSHA member and would like to join, just fill out the enclosed application and mail in your check. You will receive your new membership card and your name will be submitted to Suburban for your discount. You must be a current member in order to receive the discount.

<b>Propane Prices for Members vs. Non-Members</b>			
<b>May 2014 – February 2015</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b>Feb 2015</b>	<b>Jan 2015</b>	<b>Dec 2014</b>
<b>Member</b>	1.77	1.82	2.11
<b>Non-Member</b>	3.03	3.12	3.08
<b>Month</b>	<b>Nov 2014</b>	<b>Oct 2014</b>	<b>Sep 2014</b>
<b>Member</b>	1.97	1.90	1.80
<b>Non-Member</b>	3.03	2.95	3.10
<b>Month</b>	<b>Jul 2014</b>	<b>Jun 2014</b>	<b>May 2014</b>
<b>Member</b>	1.83	1.65	1.82
<b>Non-Member</b>	2.69	2.75	2.90

## Fire Safety Education Day

**Saturday, June 20, 2015**

**10:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Cascade Shores Firehouse**



# News from Kids Corner

Our 2014 Easter Egg Hunt and party was held at Lost Mine Lake for the first time. We had a huge turn out with over 30 kids that joined in the fun. The kids had their picture taken with our Easter bunny and the kids designed a card to put their picture in. The race was on to hunt for the prized eggs. Our volunteer's, hid over 250 plastic eggs with colored coins that were exchanged for prizes. This year we will be continuing our Easter egg hunt and party at Lost Mine Lake Saturday, March 21st from 1pm to 3pm so bring your Children and Grand Kids and watch them hop around and have fun.

The Halloween party with witches, goblins and princess was spooky fun with games and prizes for all. CSHA children and grand kids got to paint mini coffins and make monster masks. This year we hope to do the haunted glow in the dark forest, last year we we're rained out and had to keep the fun inside.

I have learned so much this year after taking over for the Woman's Club. They have done so much for the kids in our community, it has been at times overwhelming with all the work and dedication they put forth for our Cascade Shores members. They have left big shoes to fill.

This Summer we are adding our first Fishing Derby at Lost Mine Lake. The kids will catch and release fish, win prizes and have fun. All they need is a fishing pole. We will supply the wiggle worms. The date is not yet set but will be sometime in July or August, so keep checking our website calender at [www.cascadeshores.org](http://www.cascadeshores.org) and our Facebook page at [CascadeShores.org](http://CascadeShores.org) for up to date information on events in our community.

Movie Nights at the fire station will be in the month of July every Friday night at dusk or 8pm. We will have a fun kids or family movie with popcorn and drinks provided, so come join us for movie night. Check your CSHA calender for the dates posted.

Community Yard Sale at the fire station will be June 27th. Set up time is from 7am to 8:45am. We will be advertising in The Union paper, on our Website and Facebook. We are also thinking of adding a map for those that wish to hold a yard sale at Home. Only If there is enough interest. If you would like to participate call and reserve a space at the Fire Station or let me know if you would like to be added to the Map. Please contact Jenny at 265-0886 or by email at [chrisjenshandrew@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjenshandrew@gmail.com) the deadline to be placed on the map is June 22nd so please mark your calenders.

Lost Mine Lake is a Beautiful place. Our home Owners and Non Owners can rent for Birthday Parties, Graduations, Family Events and Weddings. We have added many improvements to make Lost Mine Lake more of a special little gem. We have also extended our rental hours form 8am to 10pm for your convenience. If you would like to make a reservation for your party please check out our new website at [www.lostmnelake.com](http://www.lostmnelake.com) and print out a form, and contact Jenny at 265-0886 or by email at [chrisjenshandrew@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjenshandrew@gmail.com)

On the last little note, We really need volunteer's to keep these amazing events for the Kids to have fun and interact with other children in our neighborhood. This is how we can build a sense of community for our Children and Grand Children. All our Cascade Shores Community Events, are paid for by your Membership and Donations. Thank you, to all that have helped and continue to be so generous with your time and dedication.

Sincerely, Jenny Kleckner, Board Member,  
Lost Mine Lake Assistant and Event Coordinator

## **CSHA Annual Meeting**

**Saturday, April 4, 2015 • 1 pm**

**Cascade Shores Firehouse**

***Nate Beason will be our guest  
speaker who will address issues  
affecting Cascade Shores.***

Everyone is welcome!

## **Lost Mine Lake Clean-up Day**

**Saturday, May 16, 2015 • 9 am**

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

Lunch will be served.

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

Call Jenny at 265-0886 with any questions.

# ***Service Provider List***

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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.

### ***2015-2016 CSHA Board Members***

<b>President; Roads</b>	<b>Harry Wander</b>	hjwander@comcast.net	530-265-0884
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<b>Member at Large</b>	<b>Carolyn Fiene</b>	carolynfiene@gmail.com	530-273-1481
<b>Member at Large (2)</b>	<b>Open</b>		

Association members are welcome to attend CSHA Board Meetings. If you would like to ask questions or make comments it is helpful, but not necessary, to contact one of the officers at least one week before the meeting.

Come meet your neighbors and help us to make Cascade Shores a welcoming place to live.