



# Cascade Connections

**CSHA Newsletter • Spring 2014**

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## Fire Safety Year

If there was ever a time we should be concerned about fire safety in Cascade Shores, **this has got to be the year**. We are experiencing a record drought, our vegetation is drier and denser than ever, and we have been warned of a dangerous fire season starting early.

Last April at the CSHA general meeting, we announced the formation of the Cascade Shores Firewise Committee. Since then we have been working toward recognition as a “Firewise” community, but we have a long way to go. Last November, fire officials visited the Shores for the day, surveyed fire safety issues and will soon release an “assessment” report. This document will help guide the work of the Committee. A very important FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION DAY is planned for Saturday, April 5 on the property of the Cascade Shores Firehouse, adjacent to the General Store. This event should be of interest to everyone in the community from children to adults, and we hope for a good turn-out. A free lunch will be provided by Suburban Propane. See the planned SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES also in this newsletter.

We rely on all property owners and renters in Cascade Shores to improve our fire safety. **You need to do two things:**

### **GET INFORMED**

1. Check-out [cascadeshores.org](http://cascadeshores.org) and reference “Fire Safe Council.” The related information will tell you about the work of our Committee, lead you to useful resources, and help you to understand fire issues and requirements in a woodland area. **Keep checking this site for up-dates.**
2. Attend our FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION DAY on Saturday, April 5.
3. Read the “assessment” report ([cascadeshores.org](http://cascadeshores.org) when it becomes available on-line).

### **TAKE ACTION**

1. Take responsibility for cleaning up your own property as per defensible space law. Vacant lots need to comply with guidelines of the county ordinance. Don’t let your lot become a place where fire can get a foothold or

where it can easily spread into the tree canopy. Get started now, before the hot weather and serious danger arrives.

2. Develop an at-the-ready evacuation plan for your family. Know how to prepare your house and assemble essential items for quick evacuation. Decide on a meeting place for all family members.
3. Discuss fire safety with your friends and neighbors, especially property owners who have lots adjacent to your own. Raise awareness and cooperation.
4. Ideas or questions? Call Jan, Firewise Committee, at 530-265-2435.

Thank you for helping to make our community a safer place. Cascade Shores Firewise Committee.

## **FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION DAY**

**Cascade Shores Firehouse**

**Saturday, April 5, 2014**

**10:00 am – 1:00 pm**

No charge – Free Admission – Everyone Welcome

### **SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES\***

#### **OUTSIDE**

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|----------------------------|---|
| Fire Engine on Site        | <i>Rotating 20 minute sessions with speakers on these topics:</i> |
| Extinguisher Use           | Home Insurance  |
| Woodland Burn Simulation   | Safe Burning  |
| Smokey The Bear            | Vegetation Ordinance  |
| Fire Safety Items for Kids | Fuel Reduction Plan   |
| Information Tables         | Firewise & Assessment Report                                      |

#### **INSIDE**

\*Some activities subject to change, including sequence of speakers.

**FREE BBQ LUNCH**  
Provided by Suburban Propane and  
Cascade Shores Homeowners Association

Served from Noon until 1:00 p.m.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, cold drinks.

**Annual General Membership Meeting to Follow  
Fire Safety Education Day Activities 1pm-3pm**

# **Lost Mine Lake**

## **BATTLE OF THE BLADDER WORT PART II - ATTACK PLANS**

As stated in the Presidents Message of Fall 2013, Lost Mine Lake has a problem with excessive growth of Bladder Wort. Bladder Wort grows rapidly during the warm months, continually threatening to take over the lake. Its roots are in the lake bottom. As the plant grows, pieces break off and float freely around the lake, helping the plant spread. Swimming around the island is difficult and not fun in warmer months. In addition to the Bladder Wort problem, the established fish populations at the lake (Largemouth Bass and Bluegill) are very small in size.

Local resident and CSHA Board member Doug Gloff has volunteered to spearhead efforts to develop a plan to evaluate water quality at Lost Mine Lake. Working with a volunteer group of Cascade Shores residents, the plan is taking shape. The management plan will monitor water quality via periodic testing. Chemical treatment will be used initially to eradicate the Bladder Wort. Long term, the group will attempt to control Bladder Wort growth via winter draw down and mechanical removal.

A water sample will be collected and submitted for testing as soon as the water at LML stabilizes after the recent rains. The test results will be reviewed with water and pond experts to determine the need for any additional treatment options.



*Lost Mine Lake*

EPA approved chemicals used to control Bladder Wort growth were applied last Fall, and will be used again this Spring. The treatment chemicals will be used only when excessive growth of Bladder Wort is observed. Ideally, chemical treatment will not be needed once Bladder Wort growth is reduced to a more manageable level.

Thanks to the efforts of Jimmy LeFrancois, the drain pipe was replaced last Fall, to facilitate the winter draw down. Since Bladder Wort grows most vigorously in the shallow water, the winter draw down will minimize growth in the shallow areas of the pond, and will facilitate mechanical removal of the top layer of soil in the shallow areas, removing the Bladder Wort roots in these areas.

The primary goal of the plan is to provide quality swimming opportunities at Lost Mine Lake by controlling Bladder Wort growth. Control of Bladder Wort growth will be achieved through a better understanding of pond water quality, infrequent use of safe and effective chemical treatments to minimize excessive growth, and by mechanical removal of plant roots in shallow areas after a winter draw down of the pond.

The secondary goal of improving fishing opportunities at Lost Mine Lake will be addressed once a better understanding of pond water quality and the effects of Bladder Wort control measures have been achieved.

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

**Saturday, May 17, 2014**

Our Annual Lost Mine Lake clean-up day will be on Saturday, May 17th at 9am. 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 478-0386 with any questions.

Thank you!

# **President's Message**

The major focus of the Board this past year has been lost Mine Lake. The biggest problem is Bladder Wort, a weed that grows exceedingly well in our lake. The plants are large and heavy. They grow so thickly that getting through them is difficult. It has been a problem for many years and last year seemed to be worse than usual. Control of the Bladder Wort has been very difficult. The attempts to control it is covered in a separate article in this newsletter.

Last spring's clean-up day was the best attended of any we can remember. Many thanks are due to all participants. Other work accomplished at Lost mine Lake included repairing the pipes broken by ice in the pump house plus the pipes and sprinklers broken by cars driving over them. The Lost Mine Lake sign was repainted. It was promptly damaged by a vehicle running into it so was repaired and then repainted again. Ground cover was also planted in that area. The rest rooms were repaired and painted. The trail around the lake was improved and made more user friendly. This spring we plan on installing a water line to the hut area so water is available there in case of a fire. The lawn will also be aerated and fertilized.

The sewer treatment plant continues to be a major problem for Cascade Shores. A current proposed plan is to have the effluent go into a drainage field instead of down the creek. It does not have to be nearly as pure that way. Grants to cover the cost are also being investigated. By the time you read this Nate Beason, our representative on the Board of Supervisors, will have attended our Board of Directors meeting on March 12th to discuss their viewpoint of its future.

Chip sealing was done on many of the Cascade Shores roads last fall. Unfortunately, due to a series of delays the job could not be completed before the weather became too cold to lay the sealant. It has been promised to be completed as soon as the weather warms enough.

In December a Cascade Shores resident was cited by the Highway Patrol for going up the 31% grade when the road was posted as closed. He is appealing the ticket. I have written a letter in support of his appeal. If the letters do not result in a favorable ruling he will ask for a hearing and I will testify at that. Our contention is that for many years many residents have used Banner Quaker Hill even though posted as closed because Pasquale is also dangerous and residents have to choose which

is the lesser of two evils. Although he can do nothing about the ticket, Mr. Beason has agreed to also discuss our road access problems. He plans to have with him the head of the Public Works Department to aid in the discussion of both problems and any others which come up. The public was invited and I hope that the meeting will have been well attended. The outcome of this traffic ticket will be posted on our website.

Scott's Flat Lake was very low until the recent rains. As I write this I can see that the beach is much less wide and it is still raining. It appears that our local water problem is resolving nicely. Kayaking and other boating should be good this year.

## **News from Cascade Shores Kids Corner**

The Cascade Shores Homeowners Association has established the "Kids' Corner" to keep with the traditions of our children's Holiday party's previously sponsored by the woman's club.

Our first event this year will be our Easter Egg Hunt held on April 12th from 1 to 3 pm at Lost Mine Lake. Our parties are for all children and families in our community up to the age of preteen.

The Easter bunny will be stopping by for our children to get their picture taken along with a craft corner to decorate cards for your photos. Our bunny will then lead the kids on the Egg hunt followed by goodies and refreshments. We look forward to seeing you in April. CSHA members and nonmembers are welcome to these events.

This spring Kid's Corner is adding an exciting new event. A fishing derby at Lost Mine Lake is being planned sometime in May or June. So please keep checking the Cascade Shores web site for event updates.

Kids' Corner, would like to say a special thank you to the Cascade Shores Woman's Club, for all the hard work and dedication in starting our communities kids holiday parties. All their hard work and planning have given our children fun holiday events to look forward to, while meeting new friends and having a sense of community. The club has left a legacy to continue and build upon for the good of shores.

Kids' Corner needs volunteers and donations of holiday items. If interested please contact Jenny at 265-0886 or email me at [chrisjenshaw@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjenshaw@gmail.com).

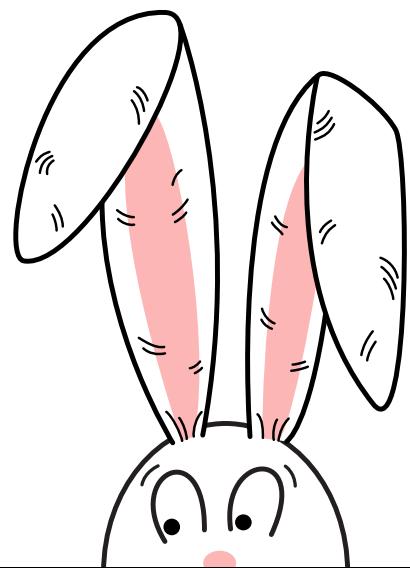
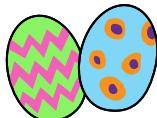
Sincerely, Jenny Kleckner  
CSHA Board Member and Party Planner

# Kids Easter Party and Easter Egg Hunt

**Saturday, April 12 • 1-3 pm  
Lost Mine Lake**

**The Easter Bunny will be there  
with Food, Crafts and Prizes!**

Get your picture taken with the Easter Bunny  
and make your very own card to display it in!



Volunteers are needed. For more information call Jenny at 265-0886.

## **CSHA 2014 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 2</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>April 5</b>	Saturday	Annual Meeting	1-3 pm	Firehouse
<b>April 12</b>	Saturday	Children's Easter Party	1-3 pm	Lost Mine Lake (Weather Permitting*)
<b>May 7</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>May 17</b>	Saturday	Lost Mine Lake Annual Clean-up	9 am	Lost Mine Lake
<b>June 4</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>July 2,9,16,23,30</b>	Wednesdays	Potluck BBQ's	6pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>July 2</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>July 11,18,25</b>	Fridays	Family Outdoor Movies	8:30	Firehouse Parking Lot
<b>August 6</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>August 23</b>	Saturday	Family Picnic	12-4 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>September 3</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Lost Mine Lake
<b>October 1</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>October</b>		Fall Newsletter Mailed		
<b>October 26</b>	Saturday	Children's Halloween Party	1-3 pm	Firehouse
<b>November 5</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Board Meeting	6:30 pm	Firehouse
<b>December 10</b>	Wednesday	CSHA Christmas Party	6 pm	Restaurant TBA
<b>December 13</b>	Saturday	Children's Christmas Party	1-3 pm	Firehouse

\*In the case of rain or snow the Easter Party will be moved to the Firehouse.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TO FOLLOW THE FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION DAY ACTIVITIES | PM-3 PM**

# **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 Wednesday 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!***

- **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 everyone who lives in 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. You can leave your empty portable tank beside your big tank and they will fill it at the same time. Saves a trip to the plant. 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.

**Propane Prices for Members vs. Non-Members Dec. 2012 – Mar. 2014**

Month	Mar 2014	Feb 2014	Jan 2014	Dec 2013	Nov 2013	Oct 2013	Sep 2013	Aug 2013
<b>Member</b>	2.80	2.89	2.52	2.32	2.22	2.03	1.77	1.65
<b>Non-Member</b>	3.70	3.75	3.50	3.25	2.95	2.76	2.70	2.59
Month	Jul 2013	Jun 2013	May 2013	Apr 2013	Mar 2013	Feb 2013	Jan 2013	Dec 2012
<b>Member</b>	1.53	1.64	2.05	2.14	2.36	2.16	2.06	2.10
<b>Non-Member</b>	2.50	2.70	2.90	3.00	3.10	2.88	2.78	2.95

# **CSHA Election Ballot for 2014-2016**

Please vote for 8 candidates for CSHA board members and place the ballot in the enclosed envelope.

**BALLOTS DUE ON OR BEFORE APRIL 5TH.**

Return to: CSHA, 16528 Pasquale Road, Nevada City, CA 95959 or bring to the Annual Meeting on April 5th at the Firehouse.

- Carolyn Fiene
- Doug Gloff
- Leslie Grassi
- Mike Inglis
- Jenny Kleckner
- Larry Marvin
- Harry Wander
- April Watkins

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## ***CSHA Directory Information (Optional)***

Please participate in the Cascade Shores Directory for members and non-members by completing the following information and submitting it with your ballot in the enclosed envelope. Thank you in advance for participating.

Name(s):

Address:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Other mailing address:

# Service Provider List

## Randall's Computer Service

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## Barrett Property Management

Amelia Barrett  
Owner/Broker

POB 85, Nevada City, CA 95959  
**(530) 470-3272**  
ab.barretpm@gmail.com  
[www.barretpm.com](http://www.barretpm.com)

## House Cleaning & Janitorial

Residential and Commercial  
Move in, move out.  
Non-toxic, scent and dye free products  
Bonded. Work Guarantee.  
17 years experience  
Sharon Hess  
**530-265-6286**

## O'Dell Realty

John O'Dell  
Located in Cascade Shores  
**(530) 263-1091**  
DRE 00669941

## Harry J. Wander, MD, FAAP

Sutter North Medical Group  
Yuba City  
Sr. Aviation Medical Examiner  
(All classes FAA Medical Exam)  
**530-749-3530**

## Rose Littau, M.F.T.

Marriage & Family Therapist  
1512 Starr Dr. Suite B  
Yuba City  
**530-674-2438**

## Michael's Personalized Tree Service



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Michael Cotton, Owner  
**530-265-5724**  
[michaelthearboretist.com](http://michaelthearboretist.com)

## Snow Removal & Plowing

Clear driveway \$40  
(including berm and car)  
Berm only \$10 / Car only \$10  
Sean O'Brien, Kabota Operator  
**Home 530-265-0172**  
**Cell 530-277-9179**



To list your business on CascadeShores.org and in the Cascade Shores newsletter contact Larry Marvin at 478-1095.  
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.

### **2013-2014 CSHA Board Members**

<b>President; Roads</b>	<b>Harry Wander</b>	hwander@comcast.net	265-0884
<b>Vice President</b> Lost Mine Lake Supervisor; Message Board	<b>Pam Herrenkohl</b>	pamherrenkohl@sbcglobal.net	265-2363
<b>Treasurer; Membership; Propane,</b> Federation of Neighborhood Association	<b>Larry Marvin</b>	ljmm3@sbcglobal.net	478-1095
<b>Secretary, Newsletter Editor</b>	<b>Leslie Grassi</b>	lesgrassi@yahoo.com	478-0386
<b>Store Liaison; Lost Mine Lake Assitant</b>	<b>Doug Gloff</b>	dgloff12@hotmail.com	470-8643
<b>Security Patrol; Sewer Issues</b>	<b>Mike Inglis</b>	r_mike@yahoo.com	265-9147
<b>Childrens Activities; Member at Large</b>	<b>Jenny Kleckner</b>	chrisjenshaw@gmail.com	265-0886
<b>Members at Large (2)</b>	<b>Open</b>		
<b>Webmaster Editor</b>	<b>Judy Barlow</b>	Contact Leslie Grassi if needed	

The board would like to thank retiring board member Pam Herrenkohl for her dedication and service to the CSHA.