

# Cascade Connections

Cascade Shores Homeowners  
Association



**Spring 2002**

## President's Greeting

*Roland Teuber*

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Greetings from The Cascade Shores Homeowners Association (CSHA). This Newsletter is the first of the year 2002 and focuses on plans for the coming fiscal year, which begins April 1, 2002. There will be small changes in the Board of Directors since most Directors were elected for a two-year term in April 2001. Membership applications for the coming fiscal year are enclosed as part of this Newsletter. Our Annual Meeting will take place at the Cascade Shores Firehouse on April 6, 2002 at 1:00 PM.

CSHA has as it's main asset Lost Mine Lake (LML). The Board of Directors is responsible for maintenance and care of LML and provides community functions including a Tri-Tip Barbecue Picnic in August and a Christmas Party in December. There are also plans in process for a Spaghetti Feed on June 15. As part of our care of LML, there will be a cleanup work party in May. Dates and times will be announced as plans are completed.

One of our chief benefits of being a CSHA member is participation in the Propane Alliance Program (see p. 3) whereby members of CSHA receive discounted price on propane from Suburban Propane. We invite all families living in Cascade Shores to join CSHA and become active in making Cascade Shores the best place to live in the Nevada City area.

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## Mark Your Calendars!!

- CSHA Annual Meeting, Firehouse, April 6, 2002, 1 pm.
- Lost Mine Lake Clean-up Day, May 11.
- Spaghetti Feed, Lost Mine Lake, June 15, afternoon.
- Tri-tip Barbeque, Lost Mine Lake, August 3, afternoon.
- Christmas Party, Trolley Junction, December 8, 4 pm.

## ENCLOSED

1. Membership Application/Renewal Form
2. Security Patrol Authorization (see p. 8)
3. Ballot for 2 vacant CSHA Board Positions (see p. 3)

Please return promptly with check for your annual dues in the enclosed envelope.

# Cascade Shores Women's Club

*Barbara Teuber*

We are happy to report our officers for 2002:

President Barbara Teuber 265-9378  
Vice President Jeanie Ferguson 265-0946

Treasurer Dortha Barber 265-3934  
Secretaries Denise Cain 265-8680  
Aelene Oslin 478-9338

After our January planning meeting, we had a Mardi Gras party in February with members and guests in their festive masks. Dortha and Marilyn Troth again excelled in their planning and presentation of this joy filled evening. We welcome women in Cascade Shores to join us. We normally meet on the second Thursday afternoon at 1:30 PM. We post the officers and meeting schedule at the firehouse bulletin board.

Special events included our April luncheon, a visit to the alpaca farm in June, a spaghetti dinner co-hosted by the Cascade Shores Homeowners Association, a picnic for the children visiting Nevada County from the radiation contaminated area of the 1986 Chernobyl disaster, supporting the Women's Triathlon in September and our Christmas celebration. We have special interest groups that meet periodically including: books, walking, yoga, games/cards, massage, crafts, and pine needle baskets. We have supported the beautification of our neighborhood through garden areas at the firehouse, Lost Mine Lake and daffodils on Quaker Hill (to be replanted next fall). We help neighbors in need at Christmas, provide meals as needed and aim to be part of this caring community we call our home.



Barbara Teuber, newly elected president of the CS Women's Club and Roland Teuber, CSHA President.



## **CSHA Welcome Committee** *Shera Banbury, Chairperson*

Winter is not a great time to move into the Shores but people like Nedda Bass (Cascade Loop) don't mind.

New owners on Summit include Stella Price and Jeff Whitaker, and Kevin and Liz O'Connor. Some of our Committee members (Shera, Denise Cain, Isabelle Gruever) visited Arthur and Trudy Roegner on Aurora Close who moved in last July after traveling around for a few years to find the best location (hailing from Austin, TX area) and then building their own home. Arthur's looking for someone to play Chess with; any takers?

If you know of any new neighbors, please call Shera at 470-0553 and we'll set up a visit with information basket and cookies if they'd like to meet with us. We're also helping with a new membership address directory, which we're hoping to mail out to members in the March/April time-frame. We're including a list of service providers in our basket, so any neighbors who want to provide services to other neighbors can also call with their information and we'll add it to the list.

# Candidates for the CSHA Board of Directors

The nominating committee of the CSHA respectfully submits the following names for consideration for two vacant Board positions. Only Homeowners who are CSHA members in good standing are eligible to vote. Renters are not eligible to vote unless they have written approval of the Property Owner to transfer Voting Rights to the Renter. Ballots will be checked for eligibility to vote. Only one ballot per member household will be accepted (CSHA By-Laws).

## Olivia Diaz, Pasquale Road



I am currently the Treasurer of CSHA serving out a vacated term. I would like to be elected for a two-year term of my own. I have experience serving on many non profit boards such as the Aurora Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, SciTech, So. Calif. Rehab Counselors Assoc., South East Center for Independent Living and Friends of Warrenville Parks. My husband and I moved to Cascade Shores from Illinois 1½ years ago and really enjoy it here.

## Trudy Roegner, Aurora Close



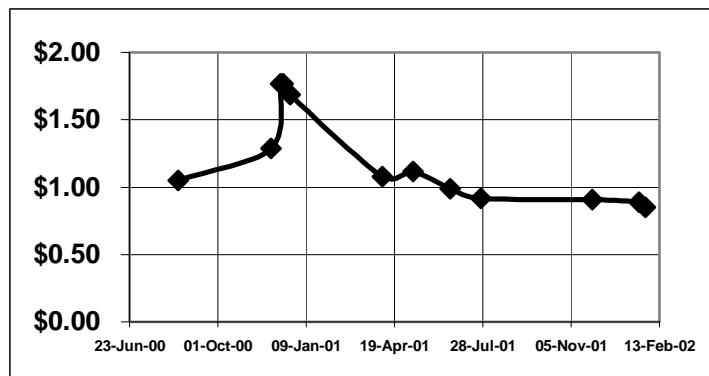
Hi, my name is Trudy " T " Roegner. I am interested in representing you on the CSHA Board. My years of experience include: City Council, Round Rock, Texas; President, Chamber of Commerce; Board of Director, Goodwill Industries; President, Kiwanis Club. My husband Arthur, and I are enjoying living in Cascade Shores and we look forward to meeting you as we ride our bikes throughout the neighborhood.

## Propane Alliance Program

*Roland Teuber (265-9378)*

CSHA participates in the Propane Alliance Program, which is an agreement between the supplier of propane and the CSHA. Our supplier of propane is Suburban Propane. Members of CSHA receive a discounted propane price based on the wholesale price of propane at the producer in Martinez, CA. plus a differential to account for profit and delivery costs. The agreement has been in effect for a number of years and is an important benefit to CSHA members. The past several years has seen large fluctuations in propane prices because of energy price changes in all energy sources. A graph below shows prices per gallon paid by CSHA members. The prices typically change weekly, and only a sample of dates is shown.

From the graph one can see a huge, 37.3% increase a year ago December, and then a gradual decline to prices under \$1 per gallon and by the end of January of this year under \$0.90 per gallon. We have no way of knowing if propane



prices have bottomed out or when they may start to rise again. Since this past fall, propane prices delivered to



CSHA members has been under \$1.00 per gallon; that is certainly a blessing to our budgets. According to Suburban Propane, the price to Cascade Shores residents who are not members of CSHA, is \$1.649 per gallon for annual usage between 451 and 650 gallons; the price is \$1.529 per gallon for annual usage between 651 and 800 gallons. By becoming a member of CSHA, the annual savings would be \$495 for someone using 650 gallons, and \$513 for someone using 800 gallons. The savings in propane costs more than pays for the yearly \$60 membership fee to CSHA. Suburban Propane said they have 163 CSHA members using their services, approximately 80% of our CSHA membership. There may be reasons why someone does not use Suburban Propane; they may be using a different supplier, or they may have an all-electric utility system. In any event, check the prices you have been paying during the year and a half shown in the graph and determine if it would pay you to become a member of CSHA. When you join CSHA, we inform Suburban Propane that you are a CSHA member and eligible for membership propane prices.

# Roads and Environment

*Dave Schrack*

**New Project** A new project in Cascade Shores is in preparation.

- Project Title: Cascade Shores Boat Ramp and Restroom Replacement.
- Project Location: at the boat ramp at the south east side of Scotts Flat Lake.
- Project Description: replace the existing ramp with a 20-foot wide ramp, more parking spaces and a restroom that is in compliance with the American Disability Act.
- Significant Effects on the Environment: none

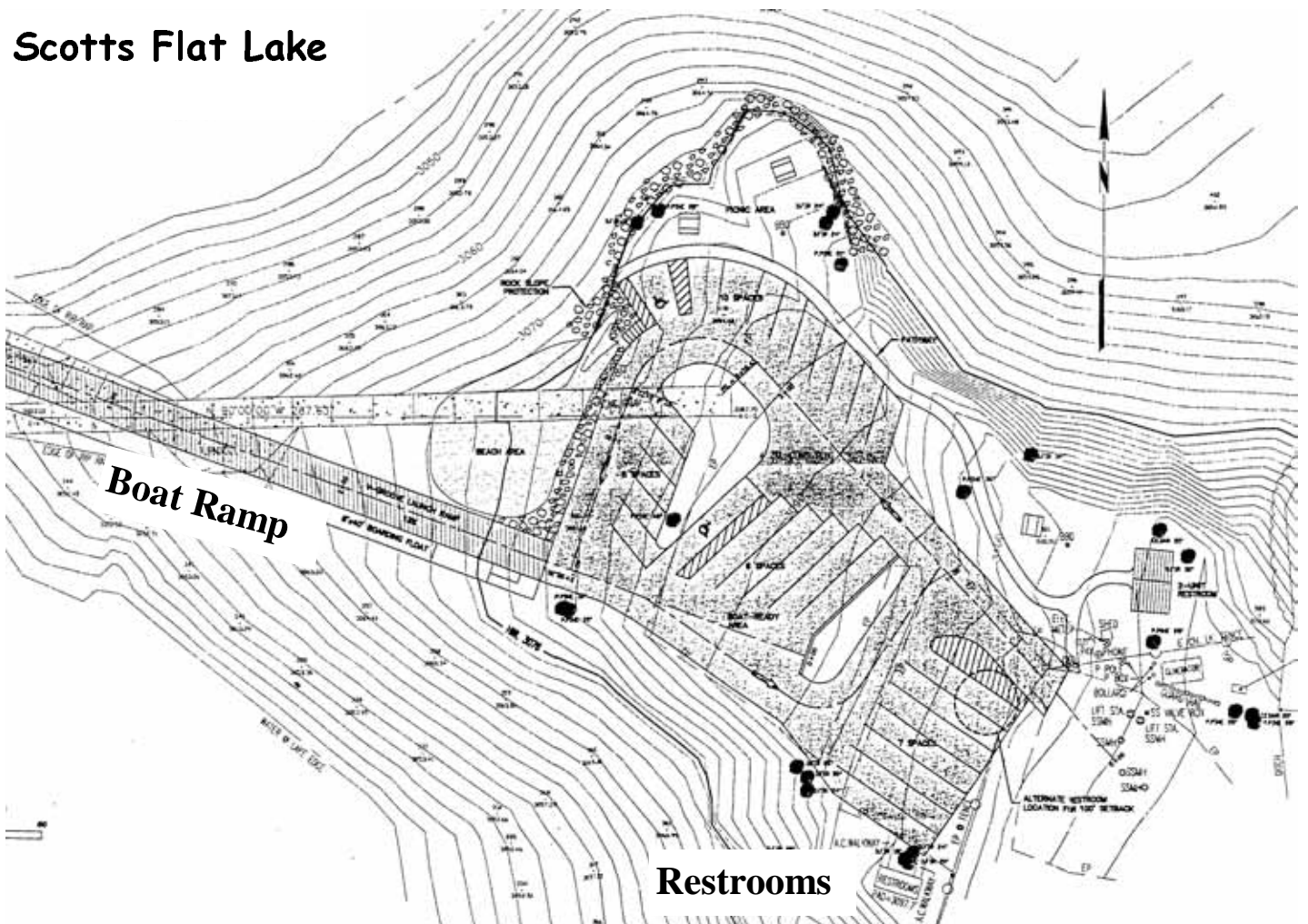
This will enhance and improve the **David E. Southern Recreation Facility** (see story on page 5). The final adoption of the project plan will be considered at the February 27, 2002 Nevada Irrigation District Board of the Directors meeting, which commences at 10 a.m. at the main office

complex. The mailing address for the district is: Board Secretary, Nevada Irrigation District, P.O. Box 1019, Grass Valley, California, 95945. If substantial evidence is presented that the project may have significant effect on the environment, then before proceeding it will be required to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Substantial evidence includes facts, reasonable assumptions predicated upon facts, and expert opinions supported by facts.

**Brush Chipping** The brush chipping program is still in force until May 31, 2002. Prepare your brush for chipping and stack your piles so the cut end of the brush is in line with the chipper to feed easily and no taller than 6 feet high. When you have your brush ready for chipping call Tim Hagan at 256-2678. Tim will be glad to answer any questions and be as helpful as he can.

**Fuel Break** The shaded fuel break program has been postponed for funding reasons and should resume sometime in the fall.

## Scotts Flat Lake



# Dave Southern, Long-time Resident of Cascade Shores

*Mary Jane King*



On December 11, 2001 Cascade Shores lost one of its long-time residents. Dave Southern was born and reared in Nevada County. After serving in the United States Air Force and working for Hughes Aircraft, he retired and returned to make his home here in Cascade Shores. I don't think that I ever heard him say that there was a better place to live. He loved it here.

Dave was elected three times to serve as a Director on the Nevada Irrigation District Board. He was an honest politician and served us well.

In his honor, on September 26, 2001, NID dedicated and named the boat ramp (see improvement project description on page 4) and picnic area the "**David E. Southern Recreation Area.**" He expressed his pleasure and appreciation to NID and Cascade Shores residents for this honor. We in return thank you Dave for all of the work and your dedication to the voters in your district.



## Lost Mine Lake

*Brian Powell*

We are on the verge of another season at the Lost Mine Lake. The women's club donated shade trees so there will be shade along the beach in the future.

Some of the projects at the lake for this year include the installation of a French drain along the edge of the beach to help control the erosion in this area, painting the sheds and bathroom, installation of a message board and standard up-keep of the facility.

We will once again do bacteriological testing prior to the summer swimming season and because of recent reports in

Nevada County and for the information of the users of this popular swimming hole, we will also test for mercury. The results of these tests should be in by the 1<sup>st</sup> of May.

For those who like to plan ahead, the annual Lost Mine Lake Clean-up Day is tentatively set for May 11, 2002. I will post signs in the Cascade Shores area before the clean-up day to remind those who would like to help get the recreation area in shape before the swimming season. Thank you to all who helped with last year's clean-up; it was a great success! The more people who help the faster and easier the clean-up is.

I'm looking forward to another good year at the lake for the families and individuals who use and enjoy our little lake.

## Shade Trees at Lost Mine Lake

*Dot Kain*

A proposal was put forth by the Cascade Shores Women's Club to plant shade trees at Lost Mine Lake. The existing Cottonwood tree that provides some shade is in distress. After consulting with the Homeowners Assoc. the Women's Club decided to plant three trees along the edge of the lawn bordering the beach area. Recommendations were made by a local nursery regarding appropriate trees for the conditions at the lake. The choices were: Silver Maple, Tulip and Sugar Gum. With the ever reliable help of Oneal LeFrancois to dig the planting holes, one of each were planted in the fall. They are small saplings, so it will be a while before they provide ample shade, but it is a start. Planting was done by Myra Stone and myself.



## Winter in the Shores *Matt Logan*

We are blessed with four true seasons. Spring refreshes everything back to life with the oak trees exploding with neon greens and the grasses and wild flowers beginning their journey. Summer arrives in full bloom. The sun again warms our shores inviting us to resume our recreational activities. Fall transforms our landscape into a collage of vibrant gold, amber, crimson and orange. Winter, however, brings us a special kind of magical transformation.

I am always amazed how excited I get with each snowfall. I feel like a kid on the way to Disneyland. I have no desire to go to work and hope for the kids to have a “snow day” so



they can play with me too. We sled, ski, snowboard, and build igloos and snowmen all in our own backyard!

Along with the festivities that accompany winter snowfalls is the serene beauty. We wake up to a pristine, pure white world with a silence that seems to harmonize with the whole event.



With the reward of living in this winter wonderland also comes some sacrifice. Driving in and out of here becomes a hazardous sport. Driveways, roads and walkways need clearing. Then, there is the icy aftermath to contend with.

I am inspired by our resident seasoned citizens who opt to be a substantial part of our community instead of living in Sun City. In spite of the additional challenges that go with living in the Shores, we are rewarded with living in a truly unique environment that only Mother Nature can provide.

## Origin of our Firehouse in Cascade Shores

*Dorothy Honey and Isabelle Gruver*

Between 1977 and 1980 very few people lived here permanently. It was then zoned recreational property, and most of the owners lived out of the Shores only to come here for vacations.

At that time, although we were in the Forest Service area, a great need was felt for more fire protection. The Cascade Shores Homeowners Association formed a Fire Protection committee to look into the feasibility of building a firehouse.

Money was a problem, but Lloyd and Dorothy Honey owned the property on which the building now stands. Because the committee could not pay them, they split the property and gave Lloyd and Dorothy back one of the lots.

In the next three years Cascade Shores has never seen such cooperation and enthusiasm that went into that building. All volunteers, here and away from the Shores contributed to its construction by donating hard work, money and material.

A Women’s Auxiliary, the first Women’s group in Cascade Shores, was formed to earn money for the building. We held our first hot dog sale at Scotts Flat Lake and sold crafts we had been working on all year. We continued raising money for the next three years with flea markets, bou-

tiques and other activities.

Meanwhile, the second phase of Deer Creek Park subdivision on Quaker Hill Road was proposed. In order to build, the developer had to provide a fire station and their building went up quickly. This new firehouse made the Cascade Shores Firehouse unnecessary. With funds to finish it running out, the status of our firehouse was in limbo.

After considering many ideas, the CSHA took a vote of all the members. A majority of yes votes decided to donate the Firehouse to the 49er Fire District. The District would finish it, maintain it, and provide a fire truck. A few of our younger homeowners took the training and became firefighters.

As it stands now, we have the use of the building for community affairs that are approved by the 49er Fire District.

Dorothy Honey, who has lived here for 31 years, strives to beautify the grounds of the firehouse. With some help from others, she has kept the area raked, weeded and planted with flowers. She calls it her friendship garden. Dorothy welcomes all the help she can get.

To us, the building represents what a community can do when they are all working for a common goal.

## Early Days in Cascade Shores *Toni Lenahan*

In late 1965 I came to see Cascade Shores in answer to an ad in a San Francisco newspaper. I was looking at vacation properties with potential for retirement. I had been widowed only 18 months and had no business spending insurance money on this kind of whim. In early 1966 I was lured back by a salesman for a second look. The weather was clear in the Bay Area so I was wearing street clothes. When we arrived at the house used by the realtor I stepped out of the car and sank in the snow up to my knees. I'll never forget the look on the face of the salesman as if to say, "Oh-ah! There goes that sale."

The major way in was from the 5-mile House and across the dam at Scotts Flat Lake. The Shores was built strictly as a vacation subdivision. There was no telephone service available and mail had to be picked up at the Post Office. At one point a county employee stopped by to warn me not to come here in bad weather, as the County would never plow the roads.

Pasquale was a narrow dirt and gravel road and in many spots if you met another car, one of you had to back up to a passing spot.

Lost Mine Lake existed but there was a gate across Gas Canyon and each property owner was given a key to the padlock.

The lake was a beautiful deep blue color and extremely clear. Then the County required the road be widened and in so doing the unstable hillside slid, sending much red dirt into the lake. It has never recovered its beautiful deep blue color.

I remember one New Years Eve – probably '67 – '68 - when everyone in Cascade Shores was invited to a New Years Eve Party at the house next door to me. About 30

## Another Bear Story

*Curt Sutliff*

I was hanging Christmas stockings about 5 am Christmas morning when the motion light in front of the garage went on. Fearing for the safety of the several family visitor cars parked there, I ran to the window but saw nothing at all.

Later, in light of day, there were some impressive bear prints in the snow past the garage along the house and down the side lot. Very impressive prints, I must say, about four inches across, with four big front toes showing. No damage was done, but the bear prints sure provided some excitement for the kids visiting from the Bay Area.



people attended and all the children and young teens assembled next door at my house.

I remember another New Years Eve when all the teenagers went tobogganing at midnight by the light of a full moon. Where else could you send your teens out on a New Years eve without worrying about them?

My first year here Unit 2 (the loop of Pasquale, Mountain View, part of Quaker and Nugget) had no electricity but the developer loaned us generators. There was no garbage pick-up so it all had to be hauled home or taken to the dump.

Yes, things have changed but much remains the same. I'll never forget that when I came home from the hospital after breaking my ankle I found someone at my door assuring me my meals would be furnished for the next week! That was twelve years ago and it's reassuring to know that the system of care and concern still exists. So again, I repeat, why would anyone want to live anywhere but Cascade Shores?



## Security Patrol

*Irv Stark*

That time of year is just around the corner... Yep, Membership renewal time. So, since we will be doing things a bit differently regarding the "Authorization For Security Patrol Check", I will take a moment and cover the change in this newsletter.

We had a fair number of Membership Application forms returned last year with all the necessary information except... the Authorization for Security portion was unsigned. I believe that, in most cases, those unsigned Authorizations were simply an oversight. The homeowner filled in all the other information, enclosed a check and sent it off in the mail. Others looked at it and perhaps thought "Well, I signed this last year. Why sign it again?" I have had requests from members for Security Patrol checks while they went on vacation. Upon checking the files, I find I lack a current signature on the Authorization form. This requires a call to the homeowner to secure the necessary authorization. The common response is "I signed the authorization last year, or the year before." I have missed some people on a return call who have already left on a trip... so we are unable to perform the requested security checks. A note to all.... The Authorization For Security Patrol Check must be signed annually.

In order to reduce missing signatures this year, a separate "Authorization For Security Patrol Check" is enclosed with the membership Application. It is, I hope quite clear. Please check the appropriate boxes. If you do not wish Security Patrol to perform this service, just check that box. Also, please advise if you have a security alarm.

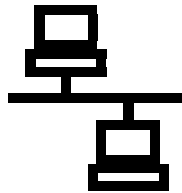
If you are a part-time resident, the Security Patrol will check your home on a regular basis. This is an on-site check. The Patrol Officer will make a perimeter check, looking for any sign of unusual activity. The same applies to the full time residents who will be away for a period of time. Just let us know your preferences. We are here to serve. If you do not wish "on site" checks, we will still do an extra careful drive-by. Just let us know when you will be gone.

A final word... The Security Patrol is made up of volunteers, individuals who give their time to provide a valuable service to the community. Be reminded, however, that if there is a matter of a serious nature, please call the proper authorities first. I will not, nor will I ask the other Patrol Officers, to place themselves in harm's way. For incidents on streets, call the Calif. Highway Patrol. For other matters, call the Nevada County Sheriff's Dept. If you call Security Patrol first, you may be adding delay to the response time of the proper authorities.

## Internet Connection/Voice Connection

*Irv Stark*

I have experienced less than desirable performance on my Internet connection through the phone lines of Pacific Bell. I have tried three different Internet Service Providers, all with pretty much the same results... poor! I have had lengthy conversations with PacBell and they say that, if there enough complaints, they will check into, and perhaps, take steps to correct the situation. Let me know



your experience. Provide me with information about your modem specs (28 bps, 56 bps, etc.), your average connection speed, time of day of worst performance, your name and phone number, or any other information pertaining to your connection via telephone lines. Or for those who have static or other noise on voice connections, let me know. I will compile all the information and take it to Pac-Bell to see if there is corrective action available. Irv Stark: e-mail [starki@netzero.net](mailto:starki@netzero.net), phone - 478-0795.

## From the Editor

*Ernie Malamud (470-8303, [malamud@foothill.net](mailto:malamud@foothill.net))*

Contributions to this newsletter are very welcome:

... the wildlife in our neighborhood, the history of Cascade Shores, stories about community events, . . . .