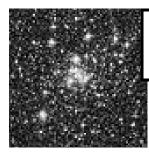
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President's Report

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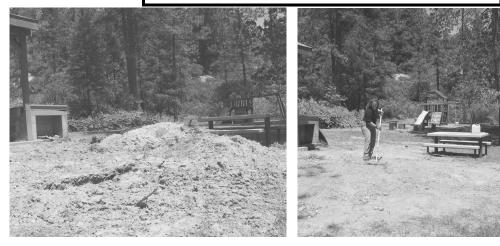
Fallen trees, sand and mud build--up, sand washed from the lake's beach, huge holes left as roots pulled from the ground, and there is still the brush and tree debris to be chipped. This was not the normal stuff of the annual Lost Mine Lake Clean-up on June 3, but the result of the record-breaking rain (over 90") this winter. Led by Denise Cain and Phil Cichon, over 25 people armed with picks, shovels, hoes, rakes, tree-trimmers, weed wackers and chain saws went to work. Grounds were cleared, holes were filled, pine needles raked, the fence was repaired and a new floored was installed in the kitchen. Tiny of Packard Flooring in Grass Valley donated flooring for the shed. Everything except chipping is ready for the opening activity, which is the Luau on Saturday, June 24, from 4-7. Please attend and support our unique recreational area.

The free chipping program is in full swing for the summer sponsored by the Fire Safety Council of Nevada County. The Bureau of Land management, Nevada County and the Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District provide funding for the project. Certain conditions and restrictions apply, so call for a registration form at 272-1122. My experience has been nothing but positive for this program.

Some homeowners have not sent in their annual dues. Please, this is our primary funding for the Lost Mine Lake activities and CSHA ordinary expenses. Our dues have been increased this year by \$10 due to the increase in liability insurance premium for the Lake. Remember, the real savings for the cost of propane more than pays for the dues. So return your registration and check to CSHA, 16528 Pasquale Road.

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(Left) May 29. Lots of slash and chips from fallen trees. (Right) June 3. Cleaning up to prepare for the June 11 party for retiring mail lady Terry Athanasopulos. Carolyn Inglis is in the photo



Waste Water Treatment Plant

Nate Beason, Supervisor, Nevada County District 1 Nate.Beason@co.nevada.ca.us



We continue to negotiate with the insurance company in hopes of reaching a settlement of the May 2005 damage. We are hoping to have this wrapped up by August, but it's a very slow process.

There are 3 central factors involved in rationalizing the waste water issues and associated costs at Cascade Shores:

1. The cost of upgrading the plant to meet the new quality standards

2. The outcome of negotiations with the insurance company.

3. The current debt remaining from the 1996 plant construction. The debt consists of three loans, two county loans and one state loan, totaling \$310,000.00. The county has deferred payment on one loan until 2007.

I continue to work with state and federal officials to find ways to control the costs of increasing waste water quality standards. We all want clean water. How we pay for it continues to be the challenge. In my capacity as a member of the Board of Directors of the Sierra Economic Development District, I will facilitate a Waste Water Forum at the Nevada City Elks Hall on July 12th, beginning at 9:00. I am trying to arrange for state and federal officials who will be in attendance at the meeting to visit Cascade Shores for an orientation. I encourage as many residents as possible to attend.

So far, we have been able to raise \$2.5 Million in grants for the plant upgrade. I believe that escalating construction costs will drive up costs relative to that figure, and I continue to look for additional sources of funding. Waste water treatment issues are my most difficult challenge as a supervisor because of the very rigid government standards and the absence of funding to meet those standards.

Janis Johnson and Mike Inglis are your representatives on the Sanitation District Advisory Committee.

Notes from the CSHA Annual Meeting

The CSHA Annual Meeting was held April 1 at the Fire Station. Guests included Nate Beason (who reported on the state of the county budget, sewer, fire safety and water quality), Vern Canon (Consolidated Fire District update), and Ken Ribble (county roads and snow removal update).

CSHA president Robert Crabb addressed the state of the Shores, introduced the Board members, took a vote electing John Jimenez CSHA Treasurer, spoke of the dues increase to \$70 (voted on at 2005 Annual Meeting), spoke of the proposed CC&R changes, and introduced Michael Cotton who will be our adjunct member and resident arborist. Carolyn Inglis, CSHA Board Secretary

Vice President Harry Wander gave an update on the guardrails on Pasquale; Secretary Carolyn Inglis gave an overview of all the communication channels currently in place; Treasurer John Jimenez gave an overview of the CSHA finances; Kent Rees gave a CERT update; Denise Cain gave an update on Lost Mine Lake, Olivia Diaz reported on the Women's Club; John Jimenez reported we currently have 52 members with membership forms coming in daily (we had 190 members last year and need to bring more members in this year); and Mike Inglis gave an update on our Security Patrol.

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Nevada County Consolidated Fire District New Fire Engines *Tim Fike, Chief*

The photos show one of our 3 new PIERCE fire engines that will serve the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District. (http://nccfire.com)

Each engine can seat 6 firefighters, are four-wheel drive with on-spot chains. They carry 700 gallons of water with 1,500 gallon per minute (GPM) pumping capacity and a separate smaller 250 (GPM) pump for mobile wildland firefighting and a 40-gallon class A foam tank to supply our compressed air foam firefighting technology.



Each engine is fully equipped for wildland and structural applications. They carry the Jaws of Life, basic medical life support with defibrillators and a laptop computer with a mapping program loaded with all the county road data. One of these new engines will be stationed at our Banner Mountain station and one at the Coyote street station. They will serve the Cascade Shores area as well as the rest of the North end of the District. *Photo Credit: David Ray, Battalion Chief*



Fuel Reduction

Kent Rees, Cascade Shores CERT Coordinator

As we look around in The Shores, we can see a number of vacant lots that have had recent "haircuts." Dry brush and dead trees have been cleared, leaving a landscape that is much safer than before. Some of our good neighbors are stepping up and doing this on their own.

For other people, coaxing and enforcement is needed. That's where our Consolidated Fire Department comes in to fill the gap. If you notice a vacant lot in The Shores that is a fire hazard, you can give Vern Canon (he spoke at our last General Meeting) a call at Consolidated Fire. His number is 273-3158, and the best times for catching him at his desk are between 8 and 9:00 a.m. Vern can look up the property and walk you through the process of getting compliance from the property owner. Essentially, if the owner of a "dirty" lot will not clean it up in a specified period of time, Consolidated Fire will enforce compliance and arrange the cleanup. Then, the property owner can expect a bill or a possible lien on his lot.

All of this is good news to those of us who keep picking up pine needles on our own lots but get discouraged when we see nothing going on right across the property line. We all need to support and congratulate Consolidated Fire for

getting behind this program, made possible through some grants and on-the-books codes. But remember, this program is for VACANT lots only.



Dedication of the David E. Southern Recreational Facility *Terry McAteer*

The recent dedication of the David E. Southern Recreational Facility (the new name of the Cascade Shores Boat Ramp) gave everyone a chance to reflect on the impact of Dave Southern and other long time residents of the Shores. Sue and Dave Southern returned as retirees to their native Nevada County in 1977 to have their retirement home built on Artic Close. A few years later two friends from the Bay Area, Jim Fitzgerald and Terry McAteer, decided to build a vacation home next door to the Southerns and a beautiful friendship of next-door neighbors developed. The friendship truly blossomed over the next few years as the neighbors, along with other Shore residents, joined together to fight a 220 condominium and yacht harbor planned for the north side of Scotts Flat Lake.

Fitzgerald, McAteer and Southern soon founded the Scotts Flat Lake Preservation Society (SFLPS), designed to preserve and protect the lake from this Los Angeles-based developer and bank. The team went out and enlisted locals to help in the fight, including citizen activists Mary and Dick Ventres, Barbara and Herb Guidry, Mary and Jack King, Dorothy and Lloyd Honey, Isabelle and Harry Gruver, Liz Everett, Pete "The Greek" Athanasopulos and others. Through donations, bake sales and raffles, SFLPS waged the fight at NID and Board of Supervisor meetings. Dave Southern became the chief investigator and attended all meetings over the two-year battle. He then realized that the best way to defeat the project and save the lake was defeating the incumbent NID director—Carol Friedrich, who was a strong supporter of the project. Dave walked and knocked on each door and easily won the election. Moreover, the condominium project soon thereafter went bankrupt and the lake was saved. Dave went on as a NID director for 12 years to help protect the lake and our community by banning jet skis and helping to create a new water treatment plant for the Shores.

Due to a small group of citizen activists led by Dave Southern, the pristine nature of Scotts Flat Lake and our community was saved. Therefore, it is only fitting that Dave's memory be preserved in the naming of the new NID recreation facility. It shows that one person can make a difference.



This year's fees: Car with up to four people—\$6.25 Boat and car—\$12.25 Kayak or canoe—\$3.00 Walk-in person—\$1.50 Season Pass with gate key—\$165 Renew gate key—\$150

(L to R) Sue Southern, NID Directors Nancy Weber and John Drew, NID General Manager Ron Nelson.

Photo credit: Dave Carter

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From the Editor Erm

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Please send submissions for the Fall newsletter by October 1 — neighborhood issues and concerns, Cascade Shores history, activities and events, nature. Advertisements defray a portion of the newsletter costs. Contact John Jimenez 265-3736 to place an ad. I edited my first issue of *Cascade Connections* in Fall of 2001, shortly after moving here. This will be my 15th issue. Due to the press of recent new responsibilities I am looking for someone to take over from me as the *Cascade Connections* Editor. Please contact me or Robert Crabb if you are interested. Many thanks to Olivia Diaz for her help in preparing this issue.



Cascade Connections



Check our website at www.CascadeShores.org

Saying Good Luck To Terry The Mail Lady

If you have lived for any time in Cascade Shores or Deer Creek Park, you have had the pleasure of an exchange with Terry the mail lady. Terry delivered mail in Nevada County for 35 years, 25 of them on the Quaker Hill/ Cascade Shores route. On June 1 she retired from the Postal Service, having driven over ONE MILLION MILES over those years. On June 11th, more than 100 local residents, former residents, friends and family gathered at Lost Mine Lake to celebrate Terry's career and the first day of the rest of her life at a bountiful BBQ she planned for herself.

You probably already know that Terry is cheerful, thoughtful, helpful, considerate, caring, and downright wonderful, but you may not know much more. So here is a little bio on her. Terry is the oldest child of 7, born to Eric and Alice Leffingwell in Redding, Ca. Eric was a State Park Ranger, and Terry and her siblings lived in State Parks her entire childhood. Her father's life as a Ranger meant the children were raised in the forest and on beaches, including Humboldt County, Mt. Diablo, Stinson Beach, San Diego Beaches, and Bethel Island. Her mother often took in orphaned fawns, and Terry remembers them ambling through the house like stray dogs. Terry spent her high school years in No. Bloomfield, and is proud that her father was the brain and brawn behind lovingly restoring that town, board by board. At one point he even pieced together 2 churches to make one beautiful living relic.

Terry has three beautiful daughters, Charmayne, Molly and Emily. Her first route was the Graniteville/Star delivering from May 1st-Nov. 1st, 3 days a week, to a whole 12 residents and she made a whopping \$10 per day. She began the Banner Mt/rural Nev. City route on Saturdays. In 1975 she acquired Deer Creek Park, Gracie Rd, and the TEN full time Cascade Shores residents. Eventually they became her exclusive routes. When she retired on June 1, 2006, she was delivering to 580 addresses, 400 of which are Cascade Shores, taking 9 hours daily, 12 hours on snow days.

Oddest thing she ever delivered? Easy. That was the baby alligator mailed from Florida that escaped his container and terrorized the post office before being caught. Also motorcycle tires, a local's remains (ashes), pet ashes, live chickens and ducks. The chicks had to go home with her once, as no one was there to receive them. Most times stuck in the snow in one day: three. Accidents: ZERO. For that accomplishment she received a generic brass pin. Boy, that's thanks for ya.

As to her plans for the future, Terry is anxiously awaiting her first grandchild from Emily early in July. She will be cruising to other countries with her husband of 3 years, Pete Athanasopulos, traveling in their 5th wheel with border collie Josie. She also plans to kayak local lakes, fish, do volunteer work, and take it easy for a while. What ever she does, we know she will do it with the same caring and sharing attitude. We'll miss you, we love you and we wish you all the best Terry.

Your friend and fan, Denise Cain



Former "deliverees" who came from far and wide to honor Terry. From L to R: Pete and Terry, Anna & Bob Brennan, Dot & Jim Kain, Bill Hunter, John Flynn, Myra Stone, Jere Hunter, Bob Stone

May 20 bus trip to River Cats Denise Cain

Thanks to all of you that called about River Cats tickets. Unfortunately, we needed 50 people to break even on that trip, and only got 25 reservations.

Therefore, the planned bus trip had to be cancelled. However, 9 baseball lovers packed into our new/used motor home (maximum capacity) and we traveled to Raley Stadium for a fun packed night. We enjoyed pizza and sodas on the way, and watched an exciting and close game ending in a 2 to 1 victory by the Omaha

Royals over the Cats. We were treated to a children's choir singing the national anthem, kid cheerleaders, a super-hero named "Roof Man" who threw baseballs to spectators from the top of the stadium, and a SPECTACULAR fireworks display after the game. We then rolled on back to Cascade Shores enjoying dessert and lively conversation en route. Every one on the trip commented on the beautiful and family friendly atmosphere of Raley, and Anna Rees of our group won an RC baseball hat! The only way it could have been better would be to have shared it with 41 others! Maybe another time baseball lovers!



Gary Kilday barbequing beautiful tritips for Terry's June 11 retirement party.

A Gem In Our Backyard Trudy Roegner

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Something that never ceases to amaze me is the uniquely beautiful and historical places we have to enjoy in our very own backyard of the "Shores".

One such treasure is the Sierra Club's Clair Tappaan Lodge, located a short conversation away to a forested hillside near historic Donner Pass. This is a premier area for winter skiing and summer hiking making it the perfect get-away retreat. In 1934 a dedicated group of Sierra Club volunteers built Clair Tappaan Lodge. Today the timehonored Lodge is still thriving thanks to the efforts of Ernie Malamud and Olivia Diaz. Ernie has enjoyed staying at the Lodge ever since his college days at Berkeley. He has long-standing memories of meeting interesting people from all over the world while hiking and enjoying the rustic charm of Clair Tappaan Lodge. Recently the Mother Lode Chapter of the Sierra Club recognized and honored Olivia and Ernie for their dedicated efforts to make certain that this gem of the Sierra continues to thrive well into the future.

Many times we fail to take advantage of our near-by surroundings because, we are busy and those things will always be there...Well, who knows? I encourage you to pack up the family and experience our beautiful surroundings, explore the charm of Clair Tappaan Lodge...Just ask Ernie and Olivia!

Check our website at www.CascadeShores.org

The Lodge is only a one hour drive from Cascade Shores along beautiful Highway 20 and then a short piece on I-80 to the Soda Springs exit. A calendar of activities, a description of recreation opportunities, directions and contact information are on the Clair Tappaan web page: **ctl.sierraclub.org.**

August 11-13 will be our annual "Sustain Clair Tappaan Lodge" fundraiser. All are invited to this action packed weekend, which will include theme hikes of varying difficulty, a wine and cheese reception and silent auction, a barbeque and much more. See **motherlode.sierraclub. org/SierraNevada/sustain.html** for details.



Wildlife in our Neighborhood

Don't Forget The Mosquitoes

from Cascadeshores.org

It's warm outside but don't forget that just one mosquito bite can transmit West Nile virus or other diseases. To prevent illness remember:

Use Mosquito Repellent (don't forget behind your ears and the back of your neck) Eliminate Mosquito Breeding Sites

Install or Repair Window and Door Screens

Support Community-Based Mosquito Control Programs



We can each make a pass through our property looking for standing water. Common sources are unused planters, shovels lying upended, wheelbarrows, and ponds with still water. Mosquitoes need only an inch or two of water to

Bats Karen Lari

Have you noticed the population of



bats in Cascade Shores? If you are like me and get visited by a pair of bats every night in the summer, here are some interesting facts about them.

They like water and this is why they like Cascade Shores. They also like to live in places where there are plenty of insects, including mosquitoes. Established areas with large trees make a nice habitat for bats.

Due to bat lore and the fact that bats are nocturnal, bats are highly misunderstood. They are mostly harmless. They are not blind or dirty. They do not get caught in people's hair nor do they spread rabies. Just like other mammals, less than one-half of one percent of all bats contracts rabies lay their eggs.

Something to remember: The chance that any one person is going to become ill from a single mosquito bite remains low. The risk of severe illness and death is highest for people over 50 years old, although people of all ages can become ill.

Use Insect Repellent on exposed skin when you go outdoors such as those with DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Even a short time being outdoors can be long enough to get a mosquito bite. For details on when and how to apply repellent, see **CascadeShores.org** for links to the EPA with further information.

Denise Cain, coordinator for Lost Mine Lake, advised that she has obtained Mosquito Fish for our little lake. We are on a rotation basis for more Mosquito Fish during the summer from the Resource Conservation District.

The reason we like them is because they are highly beneficial for insect control. They will pollinate fruit flowers, disperse seeds in rainforests, and they are valuable in medical research, contributing to the development of navigational aids for the blind.

I have discovered that we can purchase bat houses in some local stores in Grass Valley, along with birdhouses. It is best to mount them high up in your trees so they can receive maximum heat; this is why they like to live in attics.

So, next time you see local Batman and his family, give him a big "thank you" for keeping the mosquitoes away, and if you get bats to breed in a bat house, contact the Organization for Bat Conservation and they may decide to visit you and perform research on them.

I am happy to live in such an extraordinary place.

"I'm outa here!" Bear emerges from Lars Ortegren's truck after a traumatic experience for all concerned, including the bear. (Story in the CSHA Spring 2006 Newsletter)

"Living with Bears"

The local group of the Sierra Club presents a program we in Cascade Shores who live with bears don't want to miss. Ann Bryant, Founder of the Bear League will present a PowerPoint presentation and may even bring her bear dogs to the meeting! Mark your calendars: Friday, September 15 at Seaman's Lodge in Pioneer Park, Nevada City. Potluck begins at 6:30, program at 7:30. All are welcome. More details at **motherlode.sierraclub/org/SierraNevada**



Women's Club Activities Olivia Diaz, President

Members voted for fewer business meetings and more chances to interact so we are having three socials this year. The first one was a chili supper on a snowy evening in March. The next one will be a picnic at Lost Mine Lake for our families on July 13 at 6:30 p.m. The last one will be a potluck for couples on the evening following our Christmas with Santa party on December 9

FAMILY PICNIC July 13. Marvina Lepianka will be the host and will prepare coals for those who want to bring something to grill. Each member is asked to bring a dish to share and we will all enjoy a warm summer evening with breezes from our Little Lake. Co-host Sharon Hogan will provide water and an iced beverage. Please bring your own utensils. In keeping with the desires of the members, there will be no business conducted to interfere with everyone's enjoyment of a lazy evening by the lake. The picnic starts at 6:30 p.m.



Olivia Diaz, Denise Cain and Anna Rees wearing Cascade Shores T-shirts

FUND RAISERS: Daffodils and T-Shirts, Gift Baskets and 50/50 Raffles. Since December of 2004 Women's Club has sponsored three events each year for the children of Cascade Shores. April 15 we had another highly successful Easter Egg Decorating Party. There were 40 children and their families who brought dozens of boiled eggs. There were tables of decorating materials for the children to be creative with their eggs. They made bunny masks, played games and ate goodies provided by the Women's Club. Annette Murphy was in charge with assistance from John Jimenez and Lana, Alyona and Katy Delacoeur. Members brought food and cider while the club paid for the decorations, craft supplies and games.

Our fundraising efforts are to support the activities for children since the members want the parties to be free to the families of Cascade Shores.

Anna Rees can take your order for a Cascade Shores T-Shirt. You can order the size and color you want. They will make great Christmas and birthday presents. Call Anna at 265-6114 to place your order.

Did you see the daffodils in gardens in Cascade Shores in May? Regular daffodils bloom too soon in Cascade Shores and can succumb to the snow. The daffodils you can order again from Annette Murphy, 478-1722, don't blossom until May and escaped most of the spring snow we had this year.

HALLOWEEN. We would love to have a Haunted House this Halloween and are looking for 6th to 8th graders to help us make plans. Call Olivia Diaz 470-8303 for more information.

Watch for our display at the Homeowners summer activities this year. We will run a 50/50 raffle at the LUAU, raffle wine-related gift baskets at the Wine Tasting on July 22 and another 50/50 raffle at the End of Summer Picnic on August 26. Carol Carter has produced a display to show you what your donation to the Women's Club will support. Won't you help us fund activities for Cascades Shores' kids?



spring turns to summer on steep slopes and Scotts cool flat and homes among trees —Chuck Jaffee







Mark Your Calendars!! 2006 Events and Activities

JUNE 24 (SAT) LUAU AT LML. Our summer dinner has a Hawaiian Theme this year. So get out your best Hawaiian shirt and skirt, grab your kayak or boogie board, and come for a Luau dinner, drinks, entertainment and raffle.

JULY 13 (THURS) 6:30 pm. Family Picnic at LML sponsored by the Cascade Shores Women's Club.

JULY 22 (SAT) Our third annual **WINE TASTING.** Indulge in local wines and nibble a vast selection of appetizers on a beautiful July evening at LML. This is a hugely popular event. A wine basket is raffled, and we are searching for a special auction item. Call Carolyn Inglis (265-9147) or Lori Sheftal (478-9731), coordinators if you can help.

AUG. 26 (Sat) Our **August dinner event** is still being planned, as we try to "out do" last years wonderful BBQ, raffle and auction of a private plane ride! We're thinking of a 50's theme, but we're open. Got any ideas? We need coordinators, and helpers. Contact Denise Cain at 265-8680.

SEP 23 (SAT) We're having a huge neighborhood **YARD SALE** at the Firehouse. We will do the advertising, help you set up, and plan a BBQ and refreshments for the customers. You pay only a small fee for a space, or you may donate your items to the CSHA booth. If you have a craft to sell, this may be the place! Call Denise at 265-8680 to help

OCT 7 (SAT) 3rd annual **OCTOBERFEST at LML**. Beer, Brats, frivolity, kids games and plant exchange. Lots of fun for everyone, and our last event before fall is fully upon us. Coordinators and helpers needed. Call Karen Lari at 478-1734.

DEC 9 (SAT) Christmas with Santa at the Firehouse sponsored by the Cascade Shores Women's Club. Women's Club potluck that evening.