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Cascade Shores Homeowners
Association

Spring 2007

President's Message

We have had quite a year in our neighborhood. Although, at times things looked rather grim, with the help and involvement of many residents, the overall picture turned out positive.

The Sewer Committee, lead by board member Carolyn Inglis, took the offensive and stopped another fee raise. Members of the committee and other residents gathered signatures for a petition which protested the raise and filed it with the county. Nate Beason continues to lobby all levels of government to get some relief for our sewer problems.

The "snowgates" were removed when Doug Farrell, acting Director of the Department of Transportation, took a vote at the packed firehouse meeting. County Superintendent of Roads, Ken Ribble, promised better signs on Quaker Hill, Red Dog and Pasquale along with better snow-plowing and road-sanding.

Resident Larry Simmons initiated the process which brought the school bus down the hill for high schools students. All students who live in Cascade Shores can now ride the bus to and from school (weather permitting).

The old ineffective main electric box at Lost Mine Lake has been replaced along with the sprinkler control unit. The old box was corroded and rusted which shorted-out the electricity. Resident electrician Greg Clark completed the rather difficult project.

The Cascade Shores Women's Club with the help of board members produced three successful kid's programs at Easter, Halloween and Christmas for our growing population of young families.

Denise Cain, board member and LML supervisor, organized the successful neighborhood **flea market** and the new **luau** social activity. Both will continue on a yearly basis.

This newsletter contains a registration form to join or rejoin the Cascade Shores Homeowner's Association. With the accomplishments we have had a hand-in this year, it is certainly a bargin at \$70 which also includes a genuine propane discount. Please put a check and the completed form in the self-addressed envelope, mail it and help your association provide more benefits for the residents of our neighborhood.

Robert Crabb



Residents enjoy Summer activity at Lost Mine Lake.

Sewer Update

It's been an eventful few months for homeowners involved in the sewer issue in Cascade Shores. There have been stories by television news reporters Dan Adams for Channel 10 and Chris Pickel for Channel 13 as well as Dave Moller of the Union and Gary Jacobson from KNCO.

In addition to media coverage, we have had visits from Stacey Smith from Barbara Boxer's office, Brenda Quintana from Governor Schwarzenegger's office and Michael Walker from Diane Feinstein's office.

Much of the news coverage was prompted by the action taken by affected homeowners, afforded by Prop 218, that allowed them to vote down a proposed sewer fee increase of \$4,500, an increase of 126% from the current rate of \$1,995. Cascade Shores is one of the first communities whose permits are expiring and who will be required to comply with the new State and Federal Clean Water regulations before new permits are given. Compliance with the new regulations means upgrading a plant that, less than ten years ago, was state-of-the-art and is, in fact, still not paid for.

The current estimated project cost for the new compliant and relocated sewer plant is \$6,440,000. The next steps to bring the sewer into compliance are: rebid the project, evaluate Leachate Disposal(possible revenue source from Nevada County Landfill), continue insurance claim settlement from the landslide in 2006, regulatory action(review of tertiary requirements and possible steam aquatic resources), and legislative action(project funding and issues identified in review of the Basin Plan.

Additional geological tests have been completed that will determine the viability of the plant's current location and the ultimate insurance liability. The results of the test should be available this spring. Brenda Quintana of the Governor's office is setting-up a meeting with all legislators involved to discuss options for Cascade Shores as well as other small communities affected by the new state and federal regulations.

CSHA will keep all residents advised as we move towards a resolution to the sewer issue.

Carolyn Inglis



Michael Walker from Diane Fieinstenin's office with Cascade Shores residents at Sewer Plant.

Lost Mine Lake

The lake was treated for the algae problem that had been developing. The algae disappeared, and none of the favored water plants were lost in the process. New sand was spread on the beach and on which six Canadian geese took-up residence in early summer. All the brush from the downed trees was finally chipped and broadcasted for ground cover. Many thanks to Gary Kilday for his groundskeeping all summer, watering by hand until the sprinkler system was repaired. Many thanks, also, to all of the residents who attended events to help support our little lake.

Denise Cain

Women's Club News

The Women's Club members insist that the children's program be free to all the families in the Shores. Thus, the members held a variety of fundraisers-selling daffodil bulbs, holding various raffles, selling Cascade Shores T-shirts and aprons, and selling home-made Christmas tamales. The officers for 2007 are: Marvina LePianka and Aelene Oslin, co-Presidents; Sharon Hogan, Vice President; Carol Carter, Secretary, and Barbie Fehy, Treasurer. The club is open to all women living in Cascade Shores. For information call Barbie Fehy at 265-5391.

Olivia Diaz

Fona News (Federation of Neighborhood Association)

Fona took action to change the Nevada County Fire Plan. A sub-committee met several times with the leaders of the NCFP and expect a report to be made soon. Kathleen Edwards has taken the place of retired Tony Clarabut as the head of the NCFP. Joanne Drummond, the new Executive Director of the Fire Safe Council is working with Kathleen Edwards on the changes to the plan. FONA officers for this year are: President, Joey Jordan; Secretary, Eric Jorgensen, and Treasurer, Marty Pezzglia.

Olivia Diaz



CSHA board members left to right Mike Inglis, Kent Rees, Robert Crabb, Harry Wander, Denise Cain, Caroline Inglis, not pictured John Jimenez, Annette Murphy and Arthur Reogner.

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Cascade Shores Events Calendar

April 7 (Sat.)-**Kids Easter Party**- 1-3PM at the Firehouse. Free. Games, gifts, and snacks

April 14 (Sat.)-**CSHA Annual Meeting**- 1PM. Firehouse. All welcome! Hot dogs and soda served

May 19 (Sat.)-**Lost Mine Lake Clean-up**- 10AM (weather permitting) Lunch served to all volunteers

June 2 (Sat.)-Alternate LML Clean-up

June 30 (Sat.)-**Luau**- 4:30 to 7:30, LML. All welcome! Hawaiian dishes, decor, and music

August 25 (Sat.) **Annual BBQ**- 4:30 to 7:30, LML. All welcome!

September 15 (Sat.) **CSHA sponsored Pot Luck**Evening at the Lake-4:30 Beverages, charcoal and paper products provided. Bring a BBQ item and a dish to share and come mingle with your neighbors

September 22 (Sat.) **Flea Market at the Firehouse**-8:30 to 4:30 CSHA will advertise in the Union, place signs and offer lunch to customers. Clean-out your garage for the winter. Call Denise @ 265-8680 for information and to reserve a space.

October 27 (Sat) **Women's Club Extreme Haunted Firehouse**-7 to 9PM (free). Scary stuff - not recommended for kids under 8 yrs. Snacks available after the tour.

October 28 (Sun.)-**Women's Club Children's Halloween Party**-2 to 4PM (free) Snacks, games, crafts and costume contest. Safe fun for the little ones.

December 1 (Sat.)-**Women's Club Tamale Making Class**, 9AM to 4PM Includes tamale lunch and 1dozen, to go. Contact Olivia @ 470-8303

December 8 (Sat.)-**Kid's Christmas Party with Santa**-1 to 3PM (free) Snacks, games and crafts for children. Tamale lunch available.