# **Cascade Connections**

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Cascade Shores Homeowners
Association

Spring 2011

# President's Message

In an interesting year, probably the biggest event was the storm before Thanksgiving -- the worst ice and sleet and snow in my 18 or so years here. Branches, especially oaks overloaded and crashed down, taking power and phone lines with them. Most residents were without electrical power for 5 days straight, plus a couple of intermittent outage days. We were able to heat water and cook with propane and heat with a wood stove. Many of us bought electric generators, which I hope to never have to use.

PG&E and the other utilities brought in crews from elsewhere and worked very diligently, including Thanksgiving day, to restore services. They kept Pasquale Road open, in spite of trees falling across it. In all, the response of the various utilities was good, except that the 31% grade could have been plowed and opened earlier. This has been discussed with the appropriate persons and maybe things will be better next time.

For numerous 2011 activities, see page 4 (also the calendar link on www.cascadeshores.org). Join the fun and get to know your fellow residents. For example, Wednesday pot luck dinners during the

So many trees fell, including the ones pictured here. These fell on and near a Cascade Shores home, and it wasn't

even winter yet. Read what Michael Cotton has to say (page 2) about living in harmony with our trees. And give an extra minute to thinking fire safe (page 4).

summer months give a chance to become acquainted with people whom you otherwise might never meet.

Membership in the Cascade Shores Homeowners Association (CSHA) is increasing. This time of the year, people realize that the dollars they spend on dues are more than balanced by the dollars they save on the association's propane discount. Mention this to neighbors who are not members. And the more members we have, the more clout we have, for instance, with governmental agencies.

The security patrol is a good investment. If you're away from home for an extended period, it's comforting that someone is checking if something is amiss and will make appropriate notifications (per your instructions).

See pages 5 and 6 for membership and security patrol applications (also the link on www.cascadeshores.org)

The Board of Directors meets most months, and all members are invited. The times and dates are posted on the sign in front of the Cascade Shores Store. If you want to bring up particular matters, please notify the President five days prior to the meeting so we can allocate adequate time on the agenda.

Harry Wander, President of the CSHA

# **Inside This Issue**

# **Live in Harmony With Our Trees**

Area-wide tree damage, an unusual event, occurred because very heavy snow came so early (pre-Thanksgiving). Trees that had not finished shedding leaves, particularly oaks, broke from the snow load. Softer pines lost their crowns if trunks did not have sufficient mass to support the weight. Other trees simply uprooted in soggy soil. All local tree services were experiencing high call volume from homeowners with trees on roofs, driveways, and fences.

The CSHA is on record supporting defensible space around homes. Correct thinning practices help keep trees healthy. Fire is not our only danger when trees are allowed to grow wild and form thick stands. Trees are also vulnerable to extreme weather when insufficient light, nutrients, and space stunts healthy growth. If a tree is leaning, unbalanced, or harbors hidden disease, there is a good chance it will go down in the snow or wind. No one wants a tree or heavy branch to fall on your house, car, or heaven forbid, one of your own family members.

Michael's Personalized Tree Service is the recommended tree service business by the CSHA. As a certified arborist I can properly evaluate vulnerable trees and give you a free-of-charge opinion. I live in Cascade Shores, so I can usually be there faster than most services, and I pride myself on serving our local community. If you still have storm damage to clean up or you would like me to help with tree assessment, please give me a call. I am fully licensed and insured. Show me your CSHA membership card to get a 5% discount on tree removal and clearing needs.

Is your Shores home often vacant? Consider upgrading your CSHA membership to include the security patrol. It makes sense. The patrol checks regularly that houses have not been damaged during storms. (See the authorization form in this newsletter or at the Security Patrol link at www.CascadeShores.org.)

Michael Cotton Michael's Personalized Tree Service 530-265-5724

## The Store

By Robert Crabb

The Cascade Shores mini-mart is finally operating at full speed with our own Gary Kilday serving up many a meal there. The store is fully stocked with an array of merchandise from personal hygiene to motor oil. [Editor's Note: please do not confuse these two items.]

The full-time clerk, Ali Baig, said, "We carry over the counter drugs, a selection of food and snack items including fresh milk and bread, beer (including microbrews), wine, ice cream, and fresh coffee."

The customer will be pleasantly surprised to find a complete inventory of essential supplies and non-essential accessories. To name just a few of these: super glue, major league sports caps, beanies, firewood, insecticide, pet food, charcoal lighter and household cleaning products.

Cascade Shores resident Dixie Redfearn said, "The store is back and better than ever, and the owners seem to be dedicated to serving our community."





Cascade Shores resident, Gary Kilday, making meals at the store.

# **Winter Celebrations**

Left: Alijah Drageset (age 7 months);

Center:

Santa Claus (ageless); Right: Arianna Drageset

(age 4);

Below: Isabelle Phelps

(Santa's granddaughter)



Cascade Shores traditions help Winter march along toward Spring ...

About the Kids' Christmas Party at the firehouse: a great success with about 25 kids and parents attending. Santa assured a good time for everyone and listened to everyone's wish list. New this year, the kids decorated the Christmas tree.

Terry Athanasopulos from the CS Women's Club baked cookies. Children

decorated their plateful however they wanted. That meant lots of icing, sprinkles, gumdrops and other goodies on top! Moms and Dads got into the act – you're never too old to decorate cookies. Also, two young ladies and members of the CS Women's Club helped the kids with their cookies.

At piñata time, the youngest ones went at it first. Lots of candy spilled out and handfuls were stuffed into pockets.

Each child had a "goodie" bag filled with small toys and plates of delicious treats to eat and take home. It was all worth the work when you see the smiles and happy faces on the kids and parents.



News & photos from Robert Crabb, Jan Guevel, Linda Lumos, Charlotte Starn.

Among the polar bears, the only identified Cascade Shores resident:

Greg Clark



About the polar bear swim at Scotts Flat Lake: 35 participants braved 44° water (38 last year). About 150 watched. Says Sharon Hogan, "Standing in the snow, bundled up like a bunch of Eskimos watching a bunch of people jumping into the freezing lake on New Years day. Who are the bigger idiots? I think the ones jumping."



# Clean Up at Lost Mine Lake

Warmer weather is on the way, and Lost Mine Lake is a great place to enjoy it. The kids love the play structure and playing in the water. The adults can enjoy volleyball or a game of horseshoes, and the picnic area is a great place for a family gathering. Mother Nature has left us a lot of work to do to get the lake area ready for use.

Please, mark Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> on your calendar. Starting at 9 am, help us clean this beautiful place. Bring your garden tools. Lunch will be served.

If you, or someone you know, wants to rent the picnic area for a private party, please contact me. The summer weekends fill up fast. The rental agreement and my contact information can be found on our website. We have full and half day rentals.

Use of the lake is for members only, although nonmembers may pay to rent the picnic area. Members have use of the lake area at all times, including when the picnic area is rented.

Please observe the posted rules at Lost Mine Lake. Dogs are NOT allowed inside the gates. There is a dog beach to the right of the fenced area. Be sure to clean up after your pet, too.

Thanks and hope to see you out at Lost Mine Lake,

Pam Herrenkohl, Lost Mine Lake Supervisor

#### Think Fire Safe

Who knows what amount of snow and rain will summarize winter and spring, on to summer. Whether or not the tallies remain above average, fire safety always needs to be on our minds in a woodsy, semi-rural community.

There will be no shortage of reminders about creating and maintaining appropriately cleared and defensible space as 2011 moves along. Help make your property, your wonderful Cascade Shores community, and your incomparable Sierra foothills region sensibly secure from fire.

# On the **2011 Calendar**

Find this also at the "Calendar" link on the left side of <a href="https://www.cascadeshores.org">www.cascadeshores.org</a>. Questions & such: Charlotte Starn at (530) 265-8340

Meet at a member's house (M) or the Firehouse (F) or Lost Mine Lake (LML) or as otherwise indicated. This Cascade Shores Women's Club activities list includes – *in italics* – Homeowners Association activities.

Women's Club <u>Executive Meetings</u> (**Mondays** at 10) 3/14, 4/11, 5/9, 6/13, 9/12, 10/10, 11/14 (all M)

Game Day -- Scrabble and such (F), 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 1pm

Book Club (M), 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 2:30pm

Walking Club at 8am (F), starts promptly; dogs OK; weather permitting on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays

<u>Jun thru Aug Pot Lucks</u> every Wednesday at 6pm (LML)

Wed Mar 16 at 1pm:

Sat Mar 26 at 9am: Clean Up Banner Quaker Hill

Sat Apr 2 at 1pm:

Wed Apr 13

Sat Apr 16, 1 - 3pm:

Sat Apr 16, 1 - 3pm:

Sat May 7 at 2pm:

Sat May 14 at 9am:

Wed Jun 15 at 4pm: (LML) Wine Drinks Appetizers

July, all 5 Fridays at 8:30pm: (F) Movie Night
Sat Jul 30 at 5pm: (LML) Family Picnic

Sat Aug 13 at 4pm: (LML) Wine Tasting
Sat Sep 10 all day: (F) Flea Market
Wed Sep14 at 6pm: (M) Movie and Pizza
Sun Sep 18 at 9:30am: (Scotts Flat Lake)
CSWC participation in Women's Triathlon

Wed Oct 12 at 6pm: (F) Fondue Party
Sat Oct 29, 1 – 3pm: (F) Halloween Party
Wed Nov 16 at 6pm: (F)

Chili/White Elephant/Bingo/Membership
 Wed Dec 14 at 6pm: (F) Christmas dinner
 Sat Dec 17, 1 – 2:30pm: (F) Kids' Xmas Party
 Sun Dec 18, at 6pm: (F) Christmas Potluck

## Cascade Shores Homeowners Association

Membership Application for April 1, 2011 – March 31, 2012 Dues are due April 1<sup>st</sup>. Allow 7 days for processing. See us at www.cascadeshores.org

For CSHA USE ONLY:	CARD ISSUED:	DATE JOINED:
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PHONE #:		
CASCADE SHORES ADDRES		
OWNERS NAMES:		

Return to: CSHA, 16528 Pasquale Road, Nevada City, CA 95959

#### <u>AUTHORIZATION FOR SECURITY PATROL INSPECTIONS</u> OFFERED TO THOSE WITH "ENHANCED" MEMBERSHIP ONLY

Mid May 2011 through Mid May 2012

Signing below authorizes on-site inspections of your Cascade Shores home for obvious problems such as storm damage, running water, break-in, unlocked or open doors & windows. The patrol officer normally inspects on foot and walks around the perimeter of your house. Under difficult weather conditions or if there are access problems, he will do the best he can.

Our volunteer officer, Mike Inglis, lives in Cascade Shores, knows the area, and reports to the board. If Mike is unavailable, the service will be performed by a substitute, most likely a board member. Our officer is unpaid but is reimbursed for vehicle expenses. These forms will be given to Mike for his exclusive use. Mike Inglis can be reached at 265-9147 for any questions.

# SECURITY PATROL INSPECTIONS INCLUDE ONE OR MORE of the following: (Please circle the services you want):

Does your property have an alarm system?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

1.	<u>Vacation Inspections</u> : Two (2) times per week of absence when you notify Mike at least two weeks in advance of your departure.
2.	<u>Unoccupied Home Inspections</u> : One (1) time per week for members who have homes or vacation cabins that are unoccupied most of the time.

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CSHA Only \_\_\_\_\_Amt. Pd. \_\_\_

# **Service Provider List**

(all phones numbers in 530 area unless otherwise noted)

#### Auto

Nugget Auto Body 140 Scanding Ave, Grass Valley Chris Hensley, Owner 272-7275

#### **Electrical Contractor**

Dave's Electric License-#644176 FREE CONSULTATION Dave Wood, Owner 265-8319

#### **Engineering (Civil Engineer)**

Nevada City Engineering Inc. Engineering, Surveying, Planning William D. Green 265-6911 505 Coyote St, Suite B, Nevada City

### Home Maintenance, Repairs, Handy Work

Gutters, Leaf Protection, Metal Sheds
Car / RV Covers
Kevin O'Connor, Rep. 265-1944
Yard / Windows / Painting / Staining
Snow shoveling / Garage cleanout
Roof cleaning
Dusty Hudson 264-7040
Local references available
Remodels / flooring / decks
Solar specialist
Chris Bingham 265-2064

## **House Cleaning & Janitorial**

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

#### **Medical / Therapy**

Harry J. Wander, MD, FAAP Sutter North Medical Group Yuba City

Sr. Aviation Medical Examiner (All classes FAA Medical Exam) 749-3530

Rose Littau, M.F.T.

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

### **Snow Removal & Plowing**

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

## **Tree Service**

Michaels Personalized Tree Service Certified Arborist WE7065A SCL#723619 Michael Cotton, Owner 265-5724

### Roofing

SCL #820427 PO Box 648 Nevada City Joel J. Megill, Owner 265-9506

To list your business on CascadeShores.org and the Cascade Shores newsletter, contact Chuck Jaffee at 265-2982.

Member price is \$15 per year; non-member price \$20 per year.

#### Cascade Shores Homeowners Association

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## Cascade Shores Homeowners Association We'll miss Dixie & Robert

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.

To apply to become a member, get the form at www.CascadeShores.org (top left), or ask a board member.

Volunteer needed to be an interim board member. Robert Crabb is moving to Southern CA. Contact Sharon Hogan (470-9170) to find out how you can help Cascade Shores.

#### **Board and Committee Contacts**

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