

# Cascade Connections

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Cascade Shores Homeowners  
Association

Fall 2009

## President's Message Updating our Rules of Governance

A subcommittee of the Board, led by board member Dr. Harry Wander, has been working to revise our CSHA by-laws. The by-laws, our guide for how our association operates, were seriously out-of-date and confusing to most readers. Dr. Wander's committee has now completed its work and has produced a revised document, shorter and clearer in its meaning. After three meetings to review the proposed revisions, the CSHA Board of Directors has agreed to the new by-laws and is recommending that they be approved by the members. We need an affirmative vote of the membership in order to officially adopt the revised by-laws. A copy of the proposed by-laws is enclosed for your review. For reference, you can compare with the current set of by-laws available for viewing at [cascadeshores.com](http://cascadeshores.com) under the heading "CSHA By-Laws." (Note that "Exhibit A," the lot map of Cascade Shores, is not included in either set of by-laws; it is not recommended for any changes.)

### You have two ways to vote on the proposed by-laws:

1. Return the enclosed postcard with your vote. In order to be counted, your vote must be received no later than November 3, 2009. Or...
2. Attend a special "by-laws session" with the CSHA Board, November 4, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the Cascade Shores Firehouse Community Room. The Board will be there to respond to any questions or issues you may want to present. If you have not already voted via postcard (no. 1 above), you may vote at this session.

Immediately following the "by-laws session" on November 4, the Board will convene, tally the vote (nos. 1 and 2 above) and announce the result. Members are invited to attend and witness the vote tabulation. The vote result will also be available for viewing at our website.

### Highlights of the proposed, new by-laws:

1. The current by-laws allow renters to become members. The new by-laws better define the status of renters and mandate responsibility of the board officers and any decisions on the disposition of our property (Lost Mine Lake) to owner members only.

2. The new by-laws retain the intent of the current by-laws but better define the procedures and timeline for the election of board members, vote count, and the selection of officers.
3. The current by-laws only require an "annual meeting" and a maximum of nine board members. The new by-laws specify a minimum frequency of board meetings (at least one per quarter) and a range of board members, five to nine. The new by-laws also specify procedures for members to bring issues to the attention of the board.
4. The new by-laws eliminate unnecessary verbiage, incorporate modern communications (references to "telegrams" have been removed), strike duplicative and potentially conflicting language.

As President, I urge you to vote "yes" on the proposed by-laws – they will advance the principles of sound management, fiscal responsibility, and accountability to the membership.

Kent Rees, President  
CSHA

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## Candidate Openings For Board of Directors

If you are interested in running for the CSHA Board of Directors, the election will be held this March for the entire Board, nine openings. The positions are voluntary, and the term of office is two years. Once elected, the Board will determine its own officers. Ballots will be distributed with the Spring newsletter. If you are interested and would like to find out more, you are encouraged to attend any of our Board meetings, the first Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m., at the Cascade Shores Firehouse. For any questions, call Kent Rees, President, CSHA, 265-6114. The nominating committee consists of three members: Bill Carter, Larry Anderson, and Robert Crabb, the chairperson. If you would like to appear on the ballot, contact the chairperson, Robert Crabb, in writing, by 2/1/09, at 13155 Sargent-Jacobs Drive, Nevada City, CA 95959 or e-mail him at [HYPERLINK "mailto:rcrabb0052@att.net"](mailto:HYPERLINKmailto:rcrabb0052@att.net). You must be a member of the CSHA to stand for election.

## Recent Work Completed at Lost Mine Lake

- Floor work in sheds. Thick, dry brush removed and thinned with help of Calfire. Used, energy efficient refrigerator installed. Old shed door replaced with new metal door. Umbrella holes drilled in picnic tables. Bathrooms renewed with new interior siding, floors, lighting. Water quality tested (found to conform to State health standards). Invasive water plant consultation (with same company used by Lake Wildwood).
- Removal of floating weed with herbicide treatment. Repairs made to play structure. Re-built horseshoe pits. Removal of three diseased trees. New sprinkler heads. Repaired breaker panel.

The entire Board expresses its sincere thanks to Gary Kilday, our faithful, volunteer groundskeeper at LML who takes care of hundreds of tasks including the maintenance of our lawn and picnic area. We couldn't do it without you!!

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## Community Yard Sale at Firehouse

Our annual CSHA yard sale, September 19, was a big success this year with most vendors reporting satisfying profits and the Association netting about \$300 in sales from donated items. The CSHA also had an outdoor grill going with hamburger and hot dog lunches for sale. An information table was also set-up with lots of current, free literature from the Nevada County Fire Safe Council. A special "Thank You" to Denise Cain for, once again, organizing a very successful yard sale!



**Bargain Hunters at the Flea Market.**

## Dog Walking Club

For nearly twenty years the women of the Cascade Shores Women's Club have been walking together for exercise and good health. The tradition has grown to include husbands and... now... DOGS! The group gathers at the firehouse, 8 a.m. sharp, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week. And... then... off they go for a mile and a half down Pasquale until they turn back. The dogs run together and explore, but they always keep a watchful eye on the humans, not getting too far away. It's fun to see how they get along and get a chance to really behave as dogs! As one of the participants, Dixie Redfern points out: "Humans get exercise, dogs get exercise, and everyone gets socialized."



**Dog Walkers.**

## Women's Club

The Cascade Shores Women's Club will be doing a couple of fundraisers before Christmas: umbrellas and sweatshirts with the "Cascade Shores" logo. Proceeds help support the children's parties. If interested in details and ordering information, call Anna Rees at 265-6114. The Christmas party for children is set for Saturday, December 12, 1-3 p.m. at the firehouse. Santa will be there, so bring your camera.







**Mike Inglis Greets Joan Hardy and Charlotte Starn at Triathalon.**



**Carol Carter and Barbie Feyh Getting Ready for the Kids' Easter Party.**



**Chuck Jaffee Prepares his Table for Flea Market.**



**President Kent Rees and Treasurer John Jimenez at Kayak Races.**



**Happy Contestants and Prize Winners at Lost Mine Lake Kayak Races.**

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## **Cascade Shores Homeowners 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.

### **CSHA Board Members**

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