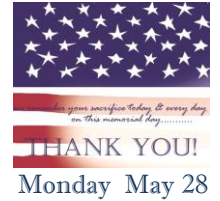


THE WOODS

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS
PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Happy
Mother's
Day!

Sunday May 13



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SURVEY TO RESIDENTS

On Wednesday April 18, 2018, a survey was sent to all property owners in Cascadel to get your views on the possibility of Cascadel Mutual Water Company taking on the responsibility of our road maintenance.

As people begin to discuss the possibility of appropriately merging the duties of the two boards, the conversation has been thoughtful and lively. It appears that there is much interest in doing whatever we can to improve the quality of our community for the good of all. We are committed to sharing information to ensure a thoughtful and informed decision on this important initiative.

As of the printing of this newsletter, the results are overwhelming 10 to 1 ratio in favor of pursuing with the research and required legalities. Once we have accumulated the necessary requirements to make this happen, both Boards of Directors will present the findings to you at a meeting of the residents.

Due to some residents who simply cannot make the Saturday meetings, we will also hold an evening meeting during the week, so all residents may be informed and their comments and/or concerns can be heard.

PART TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Cascadel Mutual Water Company and Cascadel Woods Property Owners Association Are looking to fill two positions as listed below:

1. Office Administrator

The employee will be doing billing and basic office duties a few hours per week and must be familiar with QuickBooks™ and computers. If interested in applying

for this position, please email our office at cascadelwoods@netptc.net.

2. Part time Water System Operator

Training will be provided. Must have your own vehicle. If interested in applying for this position, please email our office at cascadelmutual@gmail.com.

STILL SEARCHING FOR SOLUTIONS From Mountain Runoffs

As mentioned in the April Newsletter, the CWPOA President had contacted PG&E and US Forest Service personnel regarding a solution from the run-off from Autumn Ridge Road into Cascadel culverts and private properties. No permanent solutions have been made to date. Communications are still on-going.

The USFS contract crews opened up seven blocked culverts on Autumn Ridge Road which has created a much heavier water flow through our culverts as well as uncovering an old culvert along Cascadel Drive between the Arch and Loma Linda.

The culvert opening had to be cleared to prevent the road from washing out. The culvert is scheduled to be refurbished and stabilized within the next few weeks.

Firewise Day May 5

The Firewise Brigade will continue our annual community work chipping slash piles in the community. Hopefully you have made a call to schedule your roadside piles to be chipped. If not, call Carol Eggink at 559-877-6290 to be added to the list for chipping. Thank you for doing your part for the community by clearing your property.

CAL FIRE INSPECTORS ARE SCHEDULED

Cal Fire Defensible Space Inspectors (DSI) are visiting homes in the Mountain areas to ensure you have 100 feet of defensible space around ALL structures.

If work is required on the property, the DSI will inform the property owner and return later to see if work had been completed. If work was not completed, the owner will be given a time frame to finish the work. Upon expiration of the time frame if the work has not been finished a citation will be issued.

This is per Public Resource Code 4291 which requires property owners in California to provide defensible space around all property structures.

This article taken from the Sierra Star News paper dated Thursday April 19, 2018.

Work around the Subdivision

The small culvert located at Loma Linda Drive and Cascadel Road was severely clogged with silt during the March rains. Ken Trapp assisted with his handy little back hoe. Ken has cleaned out the culvert of debris. This culvert will be added to the schedule of repairs/reinforcements to be made in the coming weeks.



The Firewise Brigade and a community volunteer have been busy of late clearing another property of excessive debris from the felling of dead pines last year.

We had a day of chipping where a volunteer, Karen Balog, from the community assisted in this cleanup. We wish to thank you Karen, for your help with the chipping cleanup project on this property.

Stan made use of our new Skid Steer to deck the logs on the property for easy removal.



Finally, we had three burn piles going to finish up the cleanup on this property.

Simon Elman and Carol Eggink mowed and weedeated the grounds around the clubhouse in preparation for the Celebration of Life of John Rhodes on May 1, 2018.

The Firewise Committee and Brigade must complete a certain amount of fire clearance in the community to maintain our certification of a Fire Safe Community. We exceed the requirement every year.



If you would like to join the Firewise committee/Brigade, join us at a meeting. We list the time and date of the meetings in the newsletter, or give Carol Eggink a call for more information. 559-877-6290

Events and Meetings

- **May 5 Firewise Brigade/Committee**
9 AM at the clubhouse, unless otherwise emailed to meet at onsite location, to begin Fire Preparedness Chipping Work Day for the community.
- **May 19 Annual BBQ Event**
MAY 19 Firewise Preparedness Education and BBQ Event Meeting 10Am to Noon.
BBQ Noon to 2PM.

Next Month

- **June 8 CMWC Board of Director's** meeting 4PM at Clubhouse
- **June 16 Firewise Brigade/Committee** 10AM Clubhouse - Workday
- **June 23 CMWC Annual Meeting** 10AM at Clubhouse (This date pending)

UPDATE

500 Seedlings to Help Reforest Cascadel Woods & Cascadel Heights

Every seedling was handed out to Cascadel Woods and Cascadel Heights residents. One family held a full moon planting event. Planting during the full moon is the best time to plant anything.

If you would like to get more seedlings, please contact the Bass Lake Ranger Station (559-877-2218) for information.