

# THE WOODS

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS  
PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION



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## WATER COMPANY/CWPOA NEWS

The election for two Director's seats was held on September 15. There were more than enough ballots to establish the quorum needed for the election.



The results are as follows:

Stan Eggink -63 Ken Trapp-44  
Mark Stamas-31 Dan Norton-19

A regular meeting of the Board was held directly after the Membership meeting. Your officer's on the Cascadel Mutual Water Company Board for 2018-2019 are:

President – Stan Eggink  
Vice President – Wayne Shortes  
Treasurer – Steve Johansen  
Secretary – Ken Trapp  
Director – Ed Rose

If you would like a copy of the Restated Bylaws, call or email the office at 559.877.2635 – [cascadelwoods@netptc.net](mailto:cascadelwoods@netptc.net). You have received the new Water Co Invoice and it now shows your proportional share of the road maintenance charges that have been budgeted for the fiscal year 2018-2019. You have the option to pay the charges on a monthly basis or the entire balance. If you have questions regarding your billing, please call the office and leave a message at 559-877-2635 or [cascadelwoods@netptc.net](mailto:cascadelwoods@netptc.net). Someone will return your call.

## EMERGENCY WATER ISSUES

If you find that there is an emergency situation regarding water company leaks or equipment damage on or near your property,

please call Ken @ 559-676-5387, Brian @ 559-877-4379 or Stan @ 559-877-6290.

These numbers are for emergencies only and not intended to conduct normal business. Please call the office at 559-877-2635 for normal business matters. Leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. Email: [cascadelwoods@netptc.net](mailto:cascadelwoods@netptc.net)

**Winter is coming.** Be sure to shut your water off at the meter if you plan on being away for an extended period.

## CMWC ROAD COMMITTEE

Members of our community have expressed an interest regarding road maintenance matters suggesting a representative be chosen from each street to report needed repairs to Ed Rose. The matter was brought up during the Members Meeting on Sept 15, with no volunteers answering the call.

Therefore, the Board of Directors is asking you once again to become the volunteer for your street. Ed will be heading up this committee and together, will prioritize the repairs. These volunteers will be doing some of the smaller repairs and as well as soliciting bids from local contractors for the major work.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Ed Rose at (209) 626-6450. Thank you in advance for volunteering.

## CWPOA

The CWPOA held its Membership Meeting and election for two open seats on the Board of Directors on September 22. Only two nominations were received, therefore a ballot was not required per California Corporation Code 7522(d). The two nominees were legally considered "elected" to fill the seats. The Officers of the CWPOA Board are as follows:

President – Stan Eggink  
Vice President – Susie Odry  
Treasurer – Ken Wood  
Secretary – Ken Trapp  
Director – Ava Thiesen

The notice of award winners for the 2018 California Firesafe Council's Tree Mortality Grant will be released in November. Our application includes some of the properties in Cascadel Heights and Mr. Morgan, both of which suffered greatly during the Mission Fire last year.

We are also continuing our efforts of becoming a charitable organization to continually pursue grants and assist all surrounding communities in reducing the hazardous fuels which feed wildfires.

### The OFFICIAL Cascadel Woods Web Site

We have been inputting reports, documents, pictures and much more into the site. We hope to have the site up mid-October. The site is located at: [cascadelinternet.com](http://cascadelinternet.com).

We ask you to check it out later on in the month. Please send us your suggestions on how to make the site easier or better, etc. It will be for both the Water Company and the CWPOA.

Per your suggestions, the site will be a continuous work in progress to keep up with local current events.

### CSA-21

The clubhouse remains locked down.

However, Tom Wheeler graciously allowed access to one of our long time residents for their son's wedding.

Arrow Negrete has moved into the subdivision and will be married to Jessica Laughlin, on September 29, Congratulation's to you both!

The entire family is working tirelessly in cleaning and making other small repairs in and around the clubhouse for this memorable occasion and for our community.



Even the Garden area got a makeover. Forrest Negrete milled two nice slabs from a downed pine in the Garden area to repair the benches that had rotted. Beautiful work Forrest.



Thanks to the entire Negrete family for all the



TLC to our clubhouse. Thanks to Simon Elman for your help with man-handling those wet slabs and setting them in

place.

**Reminder :** Please remove your dog droppings from this area in the future. Thank you for your consideration.

The CSA-21 Financials for the Fiscal Year End show the available Cash Balance was \$32,704.74. The July Financials show the same Balance.



There were several crews working on the CSA open



spaces removing logs and mowing. These expenses should appear on the August or September CSA financial reports.

We have seen copies of the contracts and the log removal companies were approved for up to \$11,000 each. The mowing crew was approved for \$5,000. The County also called in Cedar Valley Engine Company to



watch over the mowing. We have no idea what that cost us.

It should be noted the CWPOA volunteers, Along with the Firewise Brigade, were only approved for \$2,500 for mowing the CSA open areas in 2017.

You will be updated when we receive the CSA-21 Financials showing all expenses.

## NOTICE

We are hopeful that the Children's Art Class will be back in the Clubhouse the week of October 1. Jo Ann and the children have been most patient since the lock out of the clubhouse by Madera County officials.

Ahmad Alkhayyat, Public Works Director has tentatively approved the use of the Clubhouse for the Firewise Brigade's CPR Refresher course on October 27, and the Annual Holiday Party scheduled for **December 1**. MARK THAT DATE FOLKS.

We're thinking about another Ugly Sweater Contest....OR what would you like to see? Send your ideas to Carol Eggink at: [egginks@netptc.net](mailto:egginks@netptc.net) or 559.877.6290.

## Some Fun Things To Do

On October 5, 6, and 7 the Sierra Art Trails Open Studio Tour Event is happening. They will be featuring Yosemite Western Artists and you will have the opportunity to learn some local history regarding the Gertrude School.



## Yosemite Mountain Sugar Pine Railroad

ALL ABOARD! The last train for the year is



almost full and is leaving the station on October 13. This Historical train is located at 56001 HWY 41 in Fish Camp. The Phone is 559.683.7273.

Our own Local National Park, Yosemite in the



Fall. Catch the colors of the wind and relax in the beauty of nature for the day.

We all know how life gives us lemons once in a while. One of our residents made light of the incredible new layout of their yard due to the torrential rains in



January and February of this year. The area resembles a beach so they added a nice beach umbrella and chairs. This month was the first opportunity we have had to share this with you. Hope it made you smile.

## EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- **Oct 12 - CMWC Regular BoD Meeting**  
4:00PM Clubhouse
- **Oct 20 - Firewise Brigade Meeting**  
10 AM at the Clubhouse.
- **Oct 27 - Firewise CPR Refresher**  
9:00AM Clubhouse

## NEXT MONTH

- **Firewise Brigade Meeting** is cancelled due to the Thanksgiving Holidays

## NOTICE - Dumping Fees Are Going Up

On August 21, 2018 the Board of Supervisors agreed to raise the tipping fees at our local dump site and other areas as well. EMADCO will also raise their fees for picking up about \$1.88 a month. The North Fork Transfer Station increase results are 3 cans will now cost \$10, a pickup truck under 500 lbs will be \$20. Check out this site for more pricing; <https://sierranewsonline.com/county-raises-tipping-fees-at-landfill-trash-collection-fees-go-up/>

We hope you enjoyed The Woods Newsletter. Send submissions to Carol: [egginks@netptc.net](mailto:egginks@netptc.net). **Hope to see some wedding pics Jeanne Negrete for the next issue of The Woods.**