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A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION







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MONO WINDS AND THE CLEAN UP

2018 went out with a wind storm. Winds up to

50 mph brought down the weak, dead trees all over the mountain area. Clean up was in full force on New



Year's Day. A small tree fell across the power lines feeding one home in the community. PG&E was quick to remove the danger with no reported damage to that property.

A large pine fell into Whisky Creek near the bridge damaging nearby trees. The remaining



trunk is now lodged in the branches of other trees without causing any damage to private property. There were also several reports

of small trees causing some minor damage.

RAINS OF JANUARY

The new year delivered a series of heavy rains

in a short period of time resulting in a repeated, massive build up of silt and debris flowing from the U.S. Forest Service



property located above and behind Cascadel

Woods. This situation is a direct result of the September, 2017 Mission Fire.

Volunteer's remained on call throughout the

night in an effort to keep our culverts open and flowing. Thanks to all of you who stayed the course to help.





Heavy
equipment had
to be called in
several times to
clear out the
seemingly
endless flow of
silt.
Stan Eggink is
scheduled to

meet with the U.S. Forest Service in hopes of reaching an agreement that can remedy this unfortunate and dangerous flooding situation for both parties.

TEMPERATURES ARE DROPPING AT NIGHT

We experienced a mild snowfall January 5th. It did not last long. We anticipate more snow before the end of the season. It is important that your water be shut off at the meter if you leave your home for an extended time. You are advised to drain the house pluming as well to prevent pipes bursting and causing damage to your property.

If you experience 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.

CMWC ROAD COMMITTEE NEWS

By Ed Rose

Over the last month, I met with a group of four members of the community and reviewed the identified road maintenance areas. Thirteen locations were visited and each member was delegated the task to assign a value to the location for prioritization of the road maintenance for the 2019 season. Those recommendations will be presented to the CMWC Board on February 8th. Additionally, other opportunities for preservation and maintenance of our culverts were identified and an action plan will be presented to the Board as well. In my opinion, the interaction was most successful because it revealed firsthand knowledge of road maintenance, excavation, and experience by several and an interest to help and contribute by all the participants. I thank all the participants for their involvement and look forward to further interaction.

As always if you have ideas, input or would like to participate call me, 209-626-6450.

FIREWISE COMMITTEE/BRIGADE

The Firewise Brigade placed another fire box

(#5) on Cascadel Drive South. Around 10:00 PM, Sunday night, Jan 27, a home on Cascadel Drive South experienced a chimney fire. Residents



quickly informed Pete and Brian Curtis as well as 911. Pete, a certified Fresno Firefighter responded immediately. Brian Curtis pulled hoses and other equipment from the new fire box. Ken Wood, Stan & Carol Eggink were also on scene. The immediate and professional actions of Pete Curtis controlled the fire quickly with no damage to the home or property. Cal Fire arrived about 15 minutes later and performed inspections which confirmed the fire had been completely extinguished.

This incident shows the importance of having fire boxes fully equipped throughout the community.

Thanks to all who made the addition of fire box #5 possible; either by donations and/or volunteering your time and labor.

The Cal Fire crew (new to the area) acknowledged the benefit of our new reflective street signs in locating the address. The Firewise Committee/Brigade would like to express many thanks for your donations which made the purchase of the reflective signs possible.

FUEL REDUCTION ON YOUR PROPERTY

Many are already busy clearing and burning the debris from their yards. If you would please; log the dates, hours and type of work you have done on your property and send this data in an email to Carol Eggink at egginks@netptc.net. The volunteer hours of the community allow us to remain a member in good standing with the National Fire Prevention Association.

Thank you for your participation for the good of the community.

Make sure your Burn Permit is current and call 1-877-429-2876 to verify it is a legal Burn Day for our area.

OLD GRANT REMAINING FUNDS

As reported last month the remaining \$11,000 of our former grant was released to us in December. Additionally, unused grant funds from another area were added to that amount which allowed our contractor continue where he left off last year and fell several more trees and remove 41 additional truckloads of logs from the community so far. The contractor believes he will be working for another 8-10 days. We are searching for new grants to continue the cleanup and fuels reduction inside Cascadel Woods.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- **Feb 8 CMWC Board of Director's** 4 PM Clubhouse
- **Feb 16 Firewise** 10 AM Carol's home May be work day

NEXT MONTH

 Mar 9 - CWPOA Board of Director's 10 AM Clubhouse

THINGS TO DO IN FEBRUARY

Oakhurst Grill Super Bowl Bash Fundraiser



Join your friends at Oakhurst Grill on Sunday, <u>Feb. 2</u>, at 3:30 p.m. as the New England Patriots take on the LA Rams in Super Bowl 54!

DJ Gameday, playing the game audio nice n' loud for the lounge which will feature in-game raffles, drink and food specials, complimentary half-time hors d'oeuvres, and the last push of **fundraising** for Yosemite Badgers Youth Cheer, Yosemite Badgers Youth Football, and Boys & Girls Club of Oakhurst.

Make sure you wear your the favorite gear of your team for an additional 10 percent off your check and cash for raffle tickets.

Win prizes like \$10 off your check, free appetizer, free desert, or a mystery bar swag prize – four drawings at half time! This event is "open seating", so get there early to hold your spot! Kickoff @ 3:30 p.m. https://www.facebook.com/OakGrill41/

The Sounds of Mardi Gras





Friday, Saturday and Sunday February 8 - 10

Presented by the Fresno Dixieland Society
Doubletree Hotel & Conference Center
2233 Ventura Street in Fresno

Phone: (559) 268-1000

Citizen Of The Year Dinner Hosted by the North Fork Boosters

North Fork Town Hall February 9, 2019 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Come out to a great dinner prepared by 2017 Citizen of the Year Tom Burdette. BBQ tri tip or chicken or vegetarian quiche along with baked potato, mixed peas & carrots, salad and Roz Thrapp's homemade rolls.

All for \$15 per person.

North Fork Women's Club will be selling their famous desserts and the North Fork Boosters will be tending a no-host bar.



The Comedy Show at Bass Lake is back by popular demand for the first time in 2019.

Come to unwind and catch a healthy dose of laughs at Bass Lake. The stand-up comedy show will be hosted by Torio van Grol and will feature 3 great comedians.

Ticket: \$10/person in online pre-sale here // \$15 at the

door, pending availability Date: Fri. Feb. 15th, 2019

Time: 8pm - 10pm (door opens at 7pm)

Food & Beverage:

Special food menu will be available for purchase. Full bar, beer & wine open during the show (purchased separately)

Audience:

Due to event type, this comedy is for mature audiences only (18+). This event is not meant for light-hearted audience.

Mono Storytelling At North Fork Rancheria

Date: February 9

Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Location: The North Fork Community Center

NORTH FORK STUDIO'S 7th ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER AND DANCE



Saturday <u>February 16</u>, 2019 LOCATION: Town Hall in North Fork, CA

Catered by Willow Creek Catering

Mingling 5:30 Sit-down Dinner 6:30

Music and Dancing 7:30-10:00 Tickets can be purchased on line at:

https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4049237



FROM THE EDITOR

We hope you enjoyed The Woods Newsletter. Send submissions for the March Newsletter by February 22, 2019 to Carol Eggink at egginks@netptc.net.