

THE WOODS

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION VOLUME 74 JANUARY 1, 2022

FIREWISE

The CAL Fire Mt. Bullion Crews made a huge difference on the CSA area just past the clubhouse in December. They put in eight days work. Huge logs were chipped while others were cut into rounds and split for residents to take for their wood stoves. Huge burn piles were created that needed a watchful eye well into the night. The volunteers came out to help tend the fires each time the request was made. We would like to personally thank each one; They were Stan and Carol Eggink, Michael Delaney, Rob Shevlowitz, Leon Henderson, Jess & Justin Ryan, and Judy Wensloff.



The log deck before CAL Fire Mt. Bullion Crews



After Day 8 of the CAL Fire Mt. Bullion Crews

The Firewise Brigade and Many other volunteers have worked most of the CSA properties From February through April. We cleared behind the clubhouse all the way to the Cornett property. That area looks like a park now.



Logs were piled and burned across from the clubhouse and the adjoining fields.



The picture below shows the pullout before the bridge, which was cleared of all debris and logs.



The CSA open field before the bridge alongside the Creek was cleared of all debris and most of the logs. Some logs remained and placed beside the creek for habitat purposes. The long strip just before this open field was weeded, and most of the debris was removed and burned.



The volunteers also removed logs, rounds and other debris from the fields near the Cascades along Cascadel Road.



The list of volunteers for most of the early burning and clearing are listed below.

Jack Cornett, Mike Ketscher, Kristen Fry, Stephen and Maria Griswold, Simon Elman, Karen and Keith Simmons, Susie Odry, Jo Ann Huffman, Jess & Justin Ryan & Nick Coleman, Ed & Judy Rose, Rob Shevlowitz, Steve Norwood, and Jim & Kitty Williams. Other types of donations which made this clearing project a success were made by Cristy Robertson, Matt Kubiak, Keith & Cheryl McClure, Bruce Bush, Brian & Cindy Curtis, Susann Foster, Ellie Heffner, Jack & Chris Sautter, and Ken & Sandy Trapp. If we missed someone, we apologize. You are all such community minded residents to have given so much to help clean up Cascadel Woods.

ROADS

By ED ROSE

Winter is upon us. Driving conditions have changed from favorable to “drive with caution.” Please be aware that when roads are plowed, anticipate on-coming traffic, especially on blind corners.
Happy New Year!

DID YOU KNOW???

By Michael Delaney

How Much Does Snow Weigh?

The weight of snow depends on the type of snow in question. Twelve inches of light and fluffy snow weighs about 5.2 pounds, while 5” of wet snow weighs about 12.5 pounds. To calculate the weight of snow, take 7.48 gallons per cubic foot of water, which is about 62.4 pounds, and then divide it by the amount of snow (in inches).

According to the *Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety*, most residential roofs are able to withstand a reasonably heavy snow load before becoming stressed. Once the snow load accumulates to 20-25 pounds per square foot, your roof enters the danger zone.

Michael Delaney [info@cascadelmutual.com].

THIEVES CAUGHT IN THE ACT

By Jeff Gurule (Redacted)

On December 22, Petronella Gurule was on her way home when she observed two Hispanic guys in their 30s loading a small dark blue Chevy S10-like pickup with new appliances, still in their boxes, that had recently been delivered to our next-door neighbor’s house and stored in his garage. She immediately knew she was witnessing a burglary and without any hesitation pulled over, got out of her car, and confronted the thieves with harsh, yet absolutely correct, accusations of burglary.

One of the guys immediately jumped into a light-silver sedan parked next to the truck and sped away. The remaining thief claimed he was repossessing the items but Petronella knew better and continued to yell at the man. He kept saying, “I’m putting it back!”

Petronella was anxious but determined to get the items off the truck. While the man was unloading the truck of the stolen items, a young woman walks out of the home screaming at Petronella. Even though Petronella was a bit nervous and angry, she had the wherewithal to grab the keys out of the truck’s ignition. As the last item was being removed and steadied by Petronella the thieves got in the truck and took off. They obviously had another key to the vehicle.

The man who fled the scene in the sedan was tall and lanky with facial hair (a goatee?). The guy with the truck was short and round and was wearing a bandana-like mask. The girl was petite, about 20 years old and had several orange-dyed streaks in her shoulder-length hair. The Sheriff was notified and a report filed.

Jeff felt compelled to share this story, not only because it’s a human-interest story and to alert the community of a recent burglary attempt, but to also recognize Petronella for the contributions she continually makes to our mountain community.

THE GRINCH AND FRIENDS



We wish to thank Jess Ryan for the cute Grinch we see behind a tree in front of the clubhouse. The Mandel children were taken in by The Grinch. We hope everyone enjoyed that unique addition for the Christmas Season.

BRIDGE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS



Thanks to Jess Ryan and Carol Eggink for the nice decorations on our newly reinforced bridge.

DECEMBER SNOWFALL

On December 14 we received about 3-4 inches of snow turning our community into a winter wonderland.



On December 27 and the next few days, the snow just kept falling. Accumulation was about 13-14 inches. The plow was on the job for 7 hours the first day. On the 28th, the plow had to be repaired. Ed Rose helped Stan Eggink repair the plow. This job took about seven hours. Jeff Bouche from Cascadel Heights was called to keep the snow removal going and driveways plowed. Stan and Jeff kept on clearing for the next couple of days. Carol Eggink and Leon Henderson tried to keep the mailboxes clear for the mail carriers and the residents. Forrest Negrete also helped clear around some of the mailbox clusters, and he cleared a few driveways per request of individual homeowners. Thanks to everyone who pitched in to keep us safe.



CMWC NEWS

The Cascadel Mutual Water Company is reminding you to turn the water off to your home and drain your house of water when you leave for more than a couple of days in the case of freezing temperatures to prevent lines from breaking inside your home.

FACEBOOK PAGES

Over 100 people are following the Facebook pages for Cascadel Woods. If you wish to become a member on the Cascadel Woods Community or Cascadel Woods Resident Facebook pages, you can make the request at:

<https://www.facebook.com/cascadelwoodscommunity/>

And

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/797742927443851>

We hope to see you there.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- No meetings are scheduled for January

NEXT MONTH

- Feb 11, 2022 – CMWC Board Meeting
3:00pm – location to be determined due to Covid regulations

If you would like to submit an article for the February Newsletter you can send it via e-mail to Carol Eggink at egginks@netptc.net or by phone 559-877-6290 by January 27th.

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SNOW PICTURES FROM AROUND THE COMMUNITY

