

# **FEBRUARY 14**

# THE WOODS



A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION VOLUME 87 FEBRUARY 1, 2023



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#### **CMWC NEWS**

#### **NEW WATER MASTER COMPANY**

Effective February 1<sup>st</sup>, our water company has switched Water Master Providers from S&S Water Services to Central Cal Waterworks (Cen-Cal) Inc., located in Madera. While we appreciated and enjoyed working with S&S for several years they are in the process of downsizing their operation and actually offered Cen-Cal as an option for us to consider.

Meeting with the Cen-Cal staff proved fruitful and we reached a three year agreement with them. Cen-Cal is a larger company with 17 water certified technicians available to us as well as construction capabilities should we ever need to excavate to repair or replace any part of our infrastructure. Their vehicles are identified with the Cen-Cal logos and the employees also wear shirts identifying them as Cen-Cal employees.

The technician assigned to Cascadel Woods is Ryan Robarge, who also spent time with the S&S crew on the 25<sup>th</sup> reading water meters and becoming familiar with our water system. They are also familiar with our computer system and will be working with us as we continue to upgrade the programming options available to us to assist in managing our high quality system. You can find Cen-Cal on the internet to learn more about the company if you're curious.

#### **ROAD WORK**

January was a record month of rain for us. We received over 8 inches of rain in one day. This caused all the streams to overflow and caused major flooding surrounding the clubhouse and down Cascadel Road from Cascadel Drive South to the weir (under water crossing at the falls). The pavement was ripped up from most of the area and huge holes were formed from the rushing waters. The holes have been filled and we can drive on the road. This was the first pass in the repair. More work will be scheduled as soon as the area dries up.







See all the photos on our Facebook Group, Cascadel Woods Residents

https://www.facebook.com/groups/797742927443 851

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

By Michael Delaney

What to tell visitors about North Fork?

North Fork was a small settlement on Willow Creek, originally called the North Fork of the San Joaquin River.

Have you ever had family from out of the area, or friends from afar, ask you about North Fork? Here are a few fun facts to share...

The town of North Fork is located at almost the exact geographical center of California. A special monument, established by the North Fork History Group, and



featured on one of Huell Houser's *California Gold* television episodes, denotes the very spot a few miles from downtown.

The community of North Fork is a gateway to the Ansel Adams Wilderness, one of the most spectacular wilderness areas in the southern Sierra Nevada. Camping, fishing, backpacking, hiking, water sports, mountain biking, snow sports, and other recreational activities abound. Access to Bass Lake, Redinger Lake, Manzanita Lake, and Mammoth Pool is a scenic drive from North Fork. The Sierra Vista National Scenic Byway, a 100 mile loop through spectacular scenery and recreational opportunities, begins here.

One of the first US Forest Service Offices and compounds established in the United States is in North Fork, as is one of the finest Native American museums outside of Sacramento, the Sierra Mono Museum.

Our small rural town boasts several community and service organizations. Among them are the North Fork Chamber of Commerce, the North Fork Boosters, the North Fork Women's Club, the North Fork Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, the North Fork Community Development Council, the Sierra Vista Scenic Byway Association, the North Fork History Group, the North Fork Arts Council, the North Fork Food Co-op, Kern Family Farm, Three Springs Flower Garden, the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians, The Sierra Mono Museum, the Studio, and the Lions Club.

Source: National Geographic Sierra Nevada Geotourism

## **FIREWISE**

We would like to thank all who have continued to donate to the Firewise Brigade. Your donations make it possible to hire the Mt. Bullion Crews to clear areas which must be maintained annually and to continue clearing areas which have not been touched throughout the community.

The Firewise Committee is looking to fill some vacancies on the Brigade. We hope to have some younger volunteers from the community who might have free time to help us in the never ending job of keeping Cascadel Woods as fire safe as possible.

The main jobs consist of weed whacking, cutting overhanging limbs from the roadways, chipping days for

the community, and bucking up felled trees for fire wood or burning.

There are several generous volunteers in our community that come to our aid when asked, and we thank you so much for your continued support. Many jobs would not have happened, the past three years, without your time and abilities.

If you are interested in helping out this Spring and Summer, contact Carol Eggink at 559.877.6290 or egginks@netptc.net.

THANK YOU!

#### **SNOW DAY IN THE WOODS**

January 16 brought more snow to the area. We received about five inches of snow. Stan the snowplow man was on the job most of the day. We also had the assistance of Jeff Bouche, from Cascadel Heights, to clear Cascadel Road and some of the very difficult driveways for the plow. Thank you Jeff!





## **LOCAL INFO FOR YOU**

#### **AUTO SHOP**

The North Fork Rancheria Automotive Repair is located at the old mill site or CDC, in North Fork.

They work on most all cars, foreign and domestic. To make an appointment for a diagnostic, call 559-877-5505.

## **FREE FIREWOOD**

The Water Company has scheduled tree clearance surrounding one of the water facilities. The logs will be cut into rounds. The rounds will be placed on the CSA area near the small bridge close to the clubhouse. This wood will consist of Pine and Oak. It will be free for the residents of Cascadel Woods.

#### **CASCADEL T-SHIRTS**

Get your Cascadel Woods T-Shirts for a donation of \$20



or more and support the Firewise Brigade at the same time. Sizes are Small to 2X. The T-shirts are royal blue. Call Stan or Carol Eggink: 559-877-6290.

#### **EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

- Feb 10 Water Co Board Meeting CDC Conference room @ 3 PM
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb 20 - President's Day

# **NEXT MONTH**

- Mar 12 Daylight Savings Begins YEA!!!
- Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day

#### From The Editor's

We hope you enjoyed the newsletter. Please send your ideas for articles for the March newsletter to Carol Eggink at <a href="mailto:egginks@netptc.net">egginks@netptc.net</a> by Feb 27.

Thank You