



# The Greater Cement Hill Neighborhood Association

16547 Indian Flat Road • Nevada City, California 95959

(530) 265-6415

September 2000

## GCHNA Members' **Elections** Come and vote!

Sunday  
Sept. 17th  
3:00 - 4:00 pm

Important -- show your support.

Everyone's welcome at:

# The 10th Annual Neighborhood Family Picnic

Sunday, September 17th

Elections and Picnic to be held at:

Ellen & Chris Owen's Home  
"Terra Sol"  
13620 Bodie Ridge Rd.  
(end of Cement Hill Rd.)  
*Follow the signs*



## Harvest Potluck

It's time again to gather for our annual picnic. Please bring a potluck dish to share. Vegetarian dishes welcome. Your neighborhood associations will provide soda, beer, dessert, and place settings. Please bring your own chairs and blankets. Your elected officials are being invited. At the picnic will be a FEMA display and a Fire Safe council display. Neighborhood survey results will be made available.

- 3:00 to 4:00 Elections
- 3:00 to 6:00 Organized games for the children
- 4:00 Social time
- 5:00 Gather for a circle
- 6:00 Let's eat



# Ferrellgas

by Ryan Hooker, District Manager

The GCHNA Propane Committee and Ferrellgas have reached an agreement for the Association's propane needs. This contract will be for a three-year term. The Nevada City team is excited to be servicing the Greater Cement Hill area for another three years. We appreciate the past years' business and look forward to servicing you in the future.

Recently, the State of California deemed the residential use of propane to be tax-exempt. Some of you may have seen or received our new "Gas Sale Agreement for California Consumers". The previous thinking was that propane, delivered to bulk tanks in liquid form, was/is a taxable item. However, the new understand-

ing is that the propane, which allows us to heat our homes, provide hot water, and cook meals, is used in the form of a gas, and not as a liquid. This makes it similar to electricity and natural gas, and free of tax.

To comply with the recent California ruling, the annual tank-rental fee will no longer exist. (If you rented a tank, YOU would be responsible for the tax on the liquid propane.) Instead of the normal tank-rental fee, Ferrellgas will now charge an "annual service fee" for maintaining the tanks. The cost of this service fee will be the same \$45.00 per year, which was the tank rental price, for GCHNA members.

We have calculated that the tax savings for a typical residential customer should be around \$96.00 per year.

Additionally, due to our own in-house efficiency, combined with the

delivered volume to GCHNA, we are able to lock the Association's price at a fixed margin of 35 cents per gallon over the posted Bay Area (rack) wholesale price. This is the lowest association price available anywhere.

Once again, I would like to thank the Greater Cement Hill Neighborhood Association for allowing Ferrellgas to be the preferred propane supplier. We are very pleased with our partnership with GCHNA.



## Update on the BLM Land

by Eileen Jorgensen

The debate within our neighborhood regarding the approximately 35 acres of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land has shifted, and the land is on hold until the County analyzes and assesses its open space needs. This Cement Hill piece is one of 13 parcels inadvertently put up for sale this year. Supervisors Dardick and Conklin have interceded on behalf of Nevada County, so that the County can explore potential acquisition before these lands go out of public ownership.

Our particular piece, which is near West Piper Rd and straddles both sides of Cement Hill, and which is known as The Old Homestead, is rich in beauty, history, habitat, and possibility. The diverse nature of this Old

Homestead makes it a neighborhood treasure and an important habitat corridor that was almost lost to us forever.

Our August 2000 survey (See results) parallels our 1992 survey results which clearly express a consistent and strong desire of our neighborhood to keep the BLM property in public ownership. Indeed, this recent survey mandates that we, as a homeowner association, pursue this goal as we continue the discussion with interested parties in the months to come.



## How to Connect

For Ferrellgas information, call **265-5896**; be sure to mention you are a GCHNA member.

For Ferrellgas inquiries locally, call **Marty Pezzaglia 265-3288**.

GCHNA Steering Committee meetings, 2nd Monday of the month. Call **Eileen Jorgensen 265-6415** for meeting dates and adding items to the agenda.

**FEMA Chipping Program:**

**265-2678**

Tim Hagan, Field Coordinator

# New and Renewing Members -- Thank you for your support!!

Mark & Melisa Agness - Indian Flat Rd.  
 Neill & Sallee Allen - Indian Flat Rd.  
 Gene & Shirley Anderson - Applewood Lane  
 Ron & Judy Anderson - Crystal View Hts.  
 Catherine Arbini & Paul Mellersh - Indian Flat  
 Ed & Judy Arnott - Excelsior Ditch Camp Rd.  
 Luci Baker - Lazy Oaks Dr.  
 Tom & Joyce Basehart - Gochine Dr.  
 Molly Breen - Indian Flat Rd.  
 Michael Brook & Catherine Blake - Fox Hill Rd.  
 Brian & Ruthanne Buckley - Wet Hill Rd.  
 Fred & Margie Buhler - Airport Rd.  
 Gordon & Jeanette Clark - Cement Hill Rd.  
 George Cloud & Linda Pearson - Augustine Rd.  
 Doug & Eve Collins - Daisy Blue Mine Rd.  
 Glen & Nathalie Cooley - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Mike & Lana Corless - Golden Oaks Ct.  
 Luise Cummins - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Jim Doak & Ginger Konvalin - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Jim & Pauline Dodds - Deercrest Trail  
 Tom Dunham & Terri Beedle - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Dorothy Edwards - Deercrest Trail  
 Cliff Fish & Donnita Johnson - Wet Hill Rd.  
 Michael & Cheri Flanigan - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Jack & Patti Foster - Wet Hill Rd.  
 Gary & Nancy Goerz - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Jeff & Anna Gold - Daisy Blue Mine Rd.  
 Tim & Ellen Hagan - Cedarsong Rd.  
 Pat & Shaun Havard - Augustine Rd.  
 Ed & Lita Holleman - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Bob & Cindy Hren - Country Circle

Paul & Eileen Jorgensen - Indian Flat Rd.  
 David & Shan Kendall - Excelsior Ditch Camp Rd.  
 Sam & Nancy Lakoduk - North Bloomfield Rd.  
 David & Lorraine Livingston - Indian Shack Rd.  
 Kelley & Virginia Logan - Gochine Dr.  
 Henry & Arabella Macias - Robinson King Rd.  
 Henry Mattei - Augustine Rd.  
 Rod & Marjorie McConnell - Augustine Rd.  
 Jim & Janice McCraney - Cement Hill Rd.  
 George & Gini Merrill - Indian Flat Rd.  
 James & Sherry Miller - Excelsior Ditch Camp Rd.  
 Ray & Magdalene Miller - Indian Flat Rd.  
 Robert Miller - Excelsior Ditch Camp Rd.  
 Dick Mooney - Indian Flat Rd.  
 Mike & LaVeta Nevius - W. Piper Lane  
 Jim & Janice O'Brien - Crystal View Hts.  
 Andy & Jean Oliver - Crystal View Hts.  
 Allie Page - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Marty Pezzaglia - Excelsior Ditch Camp Rd.  
 Carl & Joyce Plaza - Gochine Dr.  
 Remo & Randi Pratini - Elliot Way  
 Robert & Ruth Racine - Crystal View Hts.  
 Michael Rainey - Wet Hill Rd.  
 Mary Remillard & Dan Galbraith - Country Circle  
 David Schwendeman & Leslie Edwards - Crystal View Hts.  
 Bill & Stevie Sheatsley - Indian Flat Rd.  
 Jay & April Shinn - Sunrock Rd.  
 Ernie & Marilyn Smith - Country Circle  
 Steve Star & Carol Brodsky - Leisure Lane  
 Tom Stone - W. Piper Lane  
 Rick & Mary Street - Skyranch Pl.

Bob & Betty Swithenbank - Daisy Blue Mine Rd.  
 Steve & Edyann Switzer - Cement Hill Rd.  
 Randy & Nahid Thompson - Spanish Quartz  
 Gold Ct.  
 Paul & Mary Trethewey - Gochine Dr.  
 Doug & Debbie Wagner - Sunrock Rd.  
 Thompson Walker - Augustine Rd.  
 Stu & Vera Wright - Augustine Rd.



In the Treasury:  
 \$1837.00  
 106 Members

## GCHNA Mission Statement -- The Greater Cement Hill Neighborhood Association is chartered to:

- Protect and preserve the qualities of our neighborhood by providing a forum for group action as needed.
- Communicate information quickly and efficiently about matters of neighborhood interest to its members and associates.
- Raise funds and supply volunteer labor for projects that enhance or improve our neighborhood.
- Be an organization through which our neighbors can meet and get to know each other in meetings and social gatherings.

Send check and form to: GCHNA c/o Ed Arnott 17468 Excelsior Ditch Camp Rd. Nevada City, CA 95959	Or place check and form in the kiosk dropbox at Wet Hill Rd. and Cement Hill Rd.
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 Here's my \$15 GCHNA membership fee for 2000:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



Join your neighbors in keeping Coyote Park clean.

Mark Your Calendars

## Coyote Park Cleanup

**October 15, 2000**

10:00 to 12:00

Bring your clippers, weed eaters, rakes, and gloves.

## ROAD-KILL -- What's a Homeowner to Do?

by Jeanette Clark

Road-kill, what to do. The criterion for determining which agency to call is where the animal is killed: on a state highway, on a county-maintained road, on a public road within the city limits of Grass Valley or Nevada City, or on a private road.

If an animal is killed on a state highway, such as Hwy 49, Hwy 20, etc., call CalTrans (265-4290) for removal of the carcass. Your call will result in talking with a real live person.

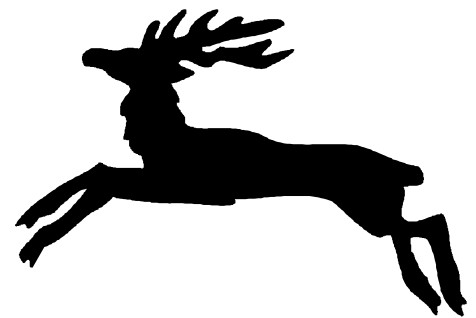
If an animal is killed within the city limits of Grass Valley or Nevada City, and is on a public road, call the Grass Valley Animal Control (477-4630) on Freeman Lane. Hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to

11:00 a.m. (Closed Sundays and holidays.)

If an animal is killed on a county-maintained road in a rural area, the agency to call is Nevada County Animal Control (273-2179). They have scheduled routine pickups on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, rabid and/or injured animals have priority over the removal of a dead carcass.

Privately owned roads require that the homeowner/landowner be responsible for the removal of a dead carcass. For removal from private property, there is a dead animal removal service operated by Dave Everton (477-2356). Mr. Everton considers the type and poundage of the dead animal, distance to locale, and ability to pay (sliding scale).

Mr. Everton's service information was validated by the Nevada County Animal Control unit.



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