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A Message from the GCHNA President

Uli Paulin

"This too shall pass."

Steering Committee Meetings Summary

By Ellen Hagan, Secretary

Since the new year (before Corona virus), GCHNA's Steering Committee met twice and here is a summary of what we've worked on.

Trash along the road! What can we do? How do people transport the large bins? (There's a rack you can put on the back of the car.)

Encouraging communication among neighbors especially those most vulnerable is more important than ever. Whether during a power outage, fire threat, or now a virus attack, we need to be aware of the needs of others. Some roads have social gatherings. (When we can again mingle, let's celebrate with our neighbors.)

Nevada City has been working on a plan for use of the Old Airport Road property which will include a solar array of panels. Uli Paulin and Annette Seabury brought up areas of concern which included: piles of flammable material, the condition of the roadway itself, the fencing location and materials to be used, and how the bathroom will be used and monitored. Since the last meeting, road work has been done - trees felled. Uli provided us with a Spec Sheet with maps and a summary of the plans so far. Development of the solar project is happening. Good news is that the City has incorporated in its planning some of GCHNA's ideas like aesthetics and light pollution. The road should be repaired as well. The other projects suggested for the site have been put on hold for now. Scotch Broom has been removed from West Airport Road by the Public Works Dept.

Firewise Community issues are always discussed. Winter is the best time to prepare and work on defensible space. (A mitigation form is included). Please keep a record of the work you do. We'll ask that you send it in when the annual report is being prepared. Last year our in-kind contribution was \$386,000. (Excellent work!) Gregg Dwight brought up a concern about the maintenance of the fire hydrants. He found out that Consolidated Fire is working

actively with NID on a document to clarify procedures for testing and accountability. It should be finished by fire season. Gregg learned that we are not to touch the hydrants ourselves.

How will we participate in the annual FireSafe Council Preparedness Day? We'll need help to man a booth when it's rescheduled.

The spring and summer newsletters will go out digitally. (Thank you William Mandel.)

We can only hope that the next meeting scheduled for May 4 can happen. For now, stay safe everybody!

Everyone is invited!

2020 Meeting Dates

**The Community Room
Madelyn Helling Library
7 pm to 8:30 pm.**

Monday, May 4th Maybe?
Monday, July 6th
Monday, August 3rd
Monday, November 2nd

Annual Members Meeting
Sunday afternoon
September 20th

Mark your Calendars!

GCHNA's 2020 Steering Committee



GREATER CEMENT HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION: 2019 DRAFT STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES AND 2020 APPROVED BUDGET

	APPROVED 2020 BUDGET	2019 ACTUAL	APPROVED 2019 BUDGET	2018 ACTUAL
REVENUES:				
Member Dues (& some member donations)	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 5,310.00	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 4,910.00
Interest, other income or adjustments	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00
Total Income:	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 5,360.00	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 4,930.00
EXPENSES:				
Annual Picnic or Annual Meeting	\$ 300.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 281.19
Gifts, honorariums	\$ 100.00	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ -
Spring or Other Educational Event	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Newsletters, printed & mailed + electronic	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,163.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,400.58
D&O Liability Insurance	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 981.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 981.00
Mtg Rm Rent + refreshments	\$ 100.00	\$ 103.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 120.00
Membership (FONA, Land Trust, Firesafe Council)	\$ 500.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 499.00
Consulting- Legal / Special project (EDCR)	\$ -	\$ 436.00	\$ -	\$ -
Web site, training & other software/web expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 195.30
Misc: Bank chg. other printing, stationery, supplies	\$ 150.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 117.53
Total Expenses:	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 4,810.00	\$ 4,730.00	\$ 4,594.60
REVENUES LESS EXPENSES:	\$ 850.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 335.40

Submitted March 2020 by Susan Wiesner, Treasurer





Due to Corona virus, the FireSafe Council office is closed to the public and staff is working remotely. You can still call and the phone will be answered. Chipping service is still available; use the request form on the website.

Announcements:

■ **POSTPONED:** the annual Wildfire Preparedness Day event at the Rood Center, which was to be May 2.

■ **SUSPENDED:** Defensible Space Advisory visits. If someone in your neighborhood wants a visit, they can still request it through the FSCouncil web site (www.areyoufiresafe.com) but it will be awhile before it gets scheduled.

■ **SCHEDULED:** Free Green Waste Drop Weekends (six of them, each for three days Sunday-Tuesday) are scheduled beginning May 17 and ending June 23. Planners are determining how to make these happen and keep everyone safe. Any load with Scotch Broom, poison oak or blackberry will NOT be accepted. More information coming as the dates near.

Hello!

I am Annette Seabury, the Airport and Tower Road Representative for the Greater Cement Hill Neighborhood Association.

I have recently completed my Defensible Space Advisor training with the Fire Safe Council and am ready to come to your home and help you be as fire safe as possible.

The visit takes about an hour and the homeowner must be present as I walk around your property and structure(s). During this time we can discuss assorted fire safety concerns and potential steps you can take to harden your home from the threat of wildfire. If you choose not to partake in the assessment and remain indoors, I will ask that you join me in the final portion of the visit to go over the findings I have to offer. I will have a copy of the report for you as well as a copy I will send in the the Fire safe Council for you.

Fire season is not far off- we all need to do our part to protect ourselves, our neighbors, and our community!

I look forward to working with you!

Annette Seabury
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Create Defensible Space Now

Now is the time to work on creating defensible space around your home. Here are some questions to use as you decide how to organize your work.

Is there dead vegetation that should be removed? Any tree branches overhanging the roof? Any debris on the roof? Are your gutters clean? Are there any combustible materials in the 0-5' zone like piles of firewood? (Don't store combustible materials under your deck.) Might you install hard surfaces like concrete walkways or use noncombustible mulch products around your home? Should you remove plants growing next to combustible siding and foundation vents or vents under the eaves? Does your garage door need sealing? Should you change your vents and use 1/8th mesh screening? In the 5-30' zone, are your trees in well-spaced groupings so there's a minimum horizontal spacing of 10' between crowns? Have you pruned branches to a height of 10'? Any Scotch Broom that should be pulled? What about access to your property for fire engines and equipment? Is there brush within 10' on either side of a driveway or private road? Is there space for a fire truck to turn around? Is your house number prominently displayed on a reflective sign? Being prepared is our best defense and now's the time to do it!



Travels to India

by Eileen Jorgensen

'Namaste' (nah-mah-stay) is a common greeting in Indian culture that my husband Paul and I find appropriate now for greeting others while practicing social distancing. It is with this gesture that we greeted others for the 4 months we spent recently in India. To us, this custom typifies Hindu philosophy: you place your hands together in front of your heart and bow slightly to the person you are greeting and say 'Namaste'. This Sanskrit word means that the divine spark in me greets that spark in you. It is this simple affirmation that sums up for us the heartfelt beauty that we have found in over 30 journeys to India over the past 35 years.

We love India and feel grateful for the ancient knowledge it offers that enriches our body, mind and soul. Hindu culture thrives in a society rooted in well-established villages where extended families share simple time-honored traditions centered around devotion to the Divine, taking care of each other and hard work. Their many deities represent different aspects of God - chief among them are Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva - reflecting various elements of life's journey.. Brahma is the creator, Vishnu the sustainer and Shiva the destroyer/transformer. Today through the corona virus, we are seeing Shiva dancing through the world calling each of us to awaken our compassion and loving kindness as we are now a one-world community sheltering to keep safe. Hindu teachings speak about this current time of upheaval as necessary before the ushering of what is called a Golden Age which will uplift mankind... (so hang in there!) Hindu culture presents a very broad cosmology and these ancient teachings are alive even now. We have found most villages honor one



of these Divine personalities with an image placed in the village square where fresh flowers, an oil light and incense grace the shrine. These shrines are generally built on a rock platform under a tree and are one of the village gathering places. The message of all these Deities is to purify yourself through loving all and serving all.

Paul and I feel blessed to be a part of a dynamic movement that is sweeping India. We have established a home base in an ashram/school near the village of Muddenahalli in the Nandi Hills in south India with our spiritual teacher, Sai Baba, and are working to further the mission of free education to the children of India. By year's end, Sai Baba will have established 28 schools throughout Karnataka State with more than 5,000 boys and girls receiving value-based education based on love all, serve all. These students, most from poor villages, appreciate the opportunity to be studying the usual academic subjects as well as Sanskrit, The Vedas, yoga, music, dance and sports. From our experience, after visiting a number of schools, they shine with purity, vitality and hope and we feel fortunate to be even a small part of this exciting mission by

providing computers.

We were graced this past holiday season to have some of our family, Malaika and Gordon Bishop of Indian Flat Rd and their boys, visited us in Muddenahalli. We all enjoyed Sai Baba's ashram and then traveled toward the Indian Ocean experiencing life in a tiger preserve, boating through one of India's foremost bird sanctuaries and visiting one of Baba's boys' school before swimming in the warm and salty ocean. It was memorable.

While exploring Sai Baba's teachings of love all and serve all, I had a realization that the many years that I volunteered on the GCHNA Board healed my life. I was not raised to entertain dreams but while serving as a neighborhood rep and watching the organization grow through the love and kindness of one neighbor to another, I became a believer. My story ends with great appreciation to those neighbors that stand together to further community in our neighborhood. ..Namaste



**Have you done work to make your property more firesafe?
Send us your data!**

Submit mitigation numbers to Beth Enoch by October 1st, 2020 by mail or drop off at:
10475 Indian Trail, Nevada City, CA 95959 (or) Email to enochclan@gmail.com (or) Call (530) 687-5570

**Firesafe Mitigation Form
Household Fire Risk Contributions For GCHNA – 2020**

House (hours invested on projects) Risk reduction roof to foundation. Examples:

- Clean litter from roof and gutters
- Screen vents, enclose soffits and eaves
- Clean and clear under decks (flammables and vegetation)
- Fire resistant roofing, siding or decking

Hours _____ # of people _____

0 TO 5 Feet From Foundation

- Replace mulch with gravel and stone
- Remove pine needles and leaves
- Trim back trees that hang over 5 foot areas near foundation.
- Move firewood 30 feet from house and cover with a firesafe tarp

Hours _____ # of people _____

0 TO 30 Feet From House

- Lawn maintenance
- Space trees with an 18' separation between tree canopies
- Reduce all ladder fuels
- Thin and limb up all trees reducing the crowns

Hours _____ # of people _____

Extended Zone 30 – 100 Feet

- Remove all needles within 30 feet of house
- Thin trees and ladder fuels

Hours _____ # of people _____

Money Spent

- Chipper rental, fuel, disposal fees
- Chainsaws (rental or purchase)
- Power equipment, hand tools
- Arborists, landscapers, forestry service
- Green waste removal fees, number of runs

Total \$ _____



Are You On Our List?

GCHNA Membership Renewal Reminder

By Eve Collins, Membership Chair

Wow, what a year so far! Thank you to the many members who have renewed their membership for the 2020 year. Please check our list in this newsletter for our current 2020 paid memberships to see if you have already paid this year's dues. If you've mailed your check recently, your name may not appear due to a publishing and mailing time lag. If you have any questions, please call the Membership Chair, Eve Collins at 265-6540.

As usual the grace period is over on May 1st. After that date, if you need a fill up with Ferrellgas propane, and your membership has lapsed, you must contact Ferrellgas as they are not bound by contract to give the discount rate to non-members. You can in fact, renew your membership anytime during the year.

As always, membership opportunities include: meeting your neighbors; attending open Steering Committee meetings where you are encouraged to voice your concerns; getting information and representation about issues that may affect our neighborhood; getting a great rate with Ferrellgas; and attending neighborhood events.

Again, remember the grace period is June 1st. So, please fill out the membership form in this newsletter or use the form available on our website - www.gchna.com - and mail it with your check for \$20 to GCHNA P.O. Box 1343, Nevada City, CA 95959, by May 1st. Thank you so much for your support this past year and we look forward to your continued support in 2020.

Current 2020 GCHNA Membership

Richard & Catherine Alderman
Sallee Allen Joseph & Frances Aragona Paul
Mellersh & Catherine Arbini
Ed Arnott
Marty Austin Wallace & Marilyn Bair
Christy Barden Jeff Barton
David & Elizabeth Bates
Mike & Jane Betts
Malaika, Gordon
Amari & Oriah Bishop
Molly Breen
Brian & Jennifer Breiling
C.E. Blake & M. Brook
Carin & Gerald Brook
Ken and Joanne Brown
Gary & Margaret Brown
Elke & Alastair Brown
Ed & Ardine Browning
Willie & Sue Brusin
Brian & Ruthanne Buckley
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Linda Byrne
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Denis & Jennifer Cebollero
Ernest & Linda Chiappari
Gordon & Jeanette Clark
Richard & Nancy Colby
Martha & Jeff Coleman-Hunt
Doug & Eve Collins
Chuck & Lorry Coovert
William & Susan Copeland
Robert Crawford
Dale Tom Creighton & Sandy Creighton
David & Margaret Cross
Bear & Naama Thomas
Donna & Jim Darling
Richard & Joan Davis
Brian Dilts Larry & Mary Anne Dulmage Tom
Dunham & Terri Beedle
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Stephen & Deborah Edwards
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Tim & Ellen Hagan
Alan Haight & Jo McProud
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Howard & Jill Hersh
Connie Hills & Julie Nicholson R
Richard & Susanne Hinman
Bill Holman
Frank & Marya Hooper
Bob & Cindy Hren
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Ginger Konvalin & Dan Bibelheimer
Ronald & Melanie Kuhne
David Kyle & Patt Lind-Kyle
Spencer P. Le Gate
David Lee & Sassi LaMuth
Stan & Donna Levin
Steve & Sheryl Levy
David & Lorraine Livingston
Tom Long & Alice Beal
Art Lynn
Henry & Arabella Macias
Susan Marks
Chuck Mattison
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Don McIntyre & Gail O'Malley
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Alonzo Moriel
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Randy & Blair Newsome
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David & Linda Palley
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Lerry & Sue Peterson



Join GCHNA or Renew Your Membership

If you haven't joined or renewed your membership to GCHNA, we hope you will do so now.
Here's my \$20 GCHNA membership fee for 2020. Enclosed is a check made out to GCHNA.

NAME(s) _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ CELL _____

EMAIL _____

Mail check & form to: GCHNA, PO Box 1343, Nevada City, CA 95959 ☐ I would like to become involved. Please contact me.



GCHNA Neighborhood Representatives

West End Cement Hill

West end of Cement Hill Road, including Sunshadow Circle, Cedarson Road, and Garesio Ranch Road.
Ellen Hagan, (ellenhagan@oro.net) 265-9746

Applewood Lane

Applewood Lane, including Indian Shack Road.
Larry Heinimi, (lheiniemi@gmail.com) 478-0298

Gochine Drive

Gochine, including Mt. Auburn Circle.
Gregg Dwight (gcd57@att.net) 478-5663

Upper Cement Hill

Upper Cement Hill Road, including Pine Tree Place, Diamond Oak Drive, Bodie Ridge Road, Skyranch Road, and Elysian Way.
Jeff Coleman-Hunt (jeff@jhwoodworking.com) 478-9932

Sunrock Road

Patricia Fuenzalida (explorerpatty@gmail.com) 650 302-2202

Augustine Road / Excelsior Ditch Camp Road

Augustine Road, including Daisy Blue Mine, Leisure Lane, Lazy Oaks Drive, and Excelsior Ditch.
Marjorie McConnell (maggie2@sonic.net) 265-9787
Sue Gregory (swgregory@earthlink.net) 265-0639

Central Cement Hill Road

Central Cement Hill Road, including Whispering Oaks, Merryhill Way, Gold Court, Spanish Quartz, Ragon Road, and Fox Hill Road to Central Cement Hill area.

Open

Firewise Community Rep

Beth Enoch (enochclan@gmail.com) 687-5570

Lower Cement Hill Road

Lower Cement Hill Road, including West Piper, Deer Crest, Rancheria Court, Red Hill Road, Foster Driveway, Picton, Picton Way, and Foster Road.
Randall Newsome (ranjack58@comcast.com) 415-4732

Indian Flat Road

Indian Flat Road, including Indian Trails, Country Circle, Woods Ravine Ct. and Robinson King Road.
Terry Wagner (twags40@hotmail.com) 470-9206
Don Enoch (enochclan@gmail.com) 687-5570

Southside Cement Hill

Highway 49, including Columbine Court, Delphine Lane, Shoshoni Trail, Old Faithful Court, Carli Way, Crooked Arrow Lane, John Barleycorn Rd., Frost Court and Cavanaugh Lane.
Debbie Wandro (1starrydeborah@att.net) 478-1498

Wet Hill Road

Wet Hill Road, including Sierra Springs Circle, Lower North Bloomfield Road, and Elliot Way.
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Airport Road

Airport Road, including Tower Hill Road, West Airport Road, East Piper Lane, and Sheriff Road.
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Customer Service - 265-5896

<https://www.ferrellgas.com/>

The Fire Safe Council

272-1122

www.areyoufiresafe.com

FONA Web Site

www.fona-nevco.org

The Cement Hill CFD Guide Booklet
is now on the District's website at the
following link.

<<http://nidwater.com/cement-hill-project/cement-hill-cfd-project-documents/>>
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GCHNA Mission Statement

The Greater Cement Hill
Neighborhood Association is
chartered to:

- Protect and preserve the rural 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.

Membership Guidelines

Fiscal Period is

January 1st - December 31st

Membership Dues due by

February 1st Grace period to May 1st

Anyone may join anytime during the year but will have to negotiate with Ferrellgas if joining after June 1st.

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*And a big thanks to all
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