

G·C·H·N·A Greater Cement Hill Neighborhood Association

Remember to Renew Your Membership

WINTER 2018 NEWSLETTER

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September's Potluck/ Picnic Gathering

By Ellen Hagan

It was a beautiful September day sunshine and a little breeze - a perfect day for a picnic at the home of Nancy Herrick and Roger Morrison. About 50 loyal GCHNA members gathered for good company, good food, and good information about community issues.

Our speakers this year were our County Supervisor Heidi Hall, Joanne Drummond from the FireSafe Council and NID Director Nancy Weber. Heidi described her work on the complicated issues of homelessness and cannabis regulation. She

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Everyone is Invited!

Steering Committee Meetings will be held at the Madelyn Helling Library Community Room at 7:00pm on the following dates: Monday, Feb. 5 Monday, April 2 Monday, August 14 Monday, October 8 (Annual membership meeting) Monday, November 19



A Note From The President - Uli Paulin

As the causes of this year's fires – both in Napa and here - are coming to light, there are lessons and warnings for our neighborhood. Fallen power poles and sparking transformers appear to have not only started some of the fires but also blocked escaped routes. Driving on Cement Hill Road from Highway 49 and seeing the spider web of utility lines and transformers overhead

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GCHNA Mission - To protect and preserve the rural qualities of our neighborhood by providing a forum for group action

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explained the proposed changes to relax regulations on the construction of 2nd dwellings and asked for our input. A show of hands showed varied opinions. Joanne thanked us for our efforts as a Firewise Community. The availability of homeowner's insurance in our area is a concern. There are now 2 other insurance companies who, like USAA, will insure property in Firewise Communities. The Firesafe Council can be of assistance. Nancy asked us to stay aware and be involved in issues before NID in order to keep our water here in Nevada County.

Marty Pezzaglia and Carl Plaza were honored for their many years of service on GCHNA's Steering Committee. A card signed by GCHNA members was given to Carl's daughter. Thank you again to Flour Garden bakery for providing the delicious cake for dessert. The door prize of \$250 worth of work by Garden Gals was won by Dale Jacobsen. A special gift was presented by Nancy Herrick and Roger Morrison. They are homeopathic doctors and have developed a remedy to combat the bark beetle. Each of us was given a sample to try on our trees.

Many thanks to the picnic committee and others who helped out: Ellen Hagan, Eve Collins, Terry Wagner, Debbie Wandro, Susan Wiesner, Bill Holman, Eileen Jorgensen, Nancy Paulsen, and Beth Enoch. Thank you to Uli Paulin for being emcee. I hope I haven't left anyone out. Thank you to those who attended. We on the Steering Committee appreciate your support for our neighborhood association.

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makes me wonder how we would fare under similar conditions. The fire season is over for this year which will give us time and opportunity to put our heads together on the issue and bring up our concerns to the city and county. For your own property, please research and document all available emergency escape routes and share your knowledge with your







neighbors. On a different subject, we are tightening our expenses for the coming year to keep the budget balanced. Please help us by promoting GCHNA with your neighbors and help enroll those who are not members yet. If you dropped off the list and would like to catch up on your dues, know that each contribution makes a big difference. And – our treasurer will be happy to receive 2018 membership fees anytime. Have a wonderful, happy and healthy New Year!





Our wonderful hosts this year were Roger Morrison and Nancy Herrick.



Carl Plaza 1934-2017



Carl Plaza, a long-time member of the GCHNA Steering Committee and Gochine Road Assn, passed away on September 12.

This was the first year that Carl didn't help plan the September Picnic/Potluck. He didn't put up the signage or greet people as they arrived. The picnic committee wasn't the same without him.

Those of us on the GCHNA Steering Committee will miss his steadfast commitment to his neighbors, his dependability, his calm demeanor, his reasonable comments, and his energy.



A Harrowing Experience with Wildfire

Beth Enoch, GCHNA's representative to the Firewise Community, experienced wildfire firsthand recently. She was visiting her 90 year-old mother in southern California when fire broke out in her neighborhood. They evacuated at midnight with flames devouring the homes around her mother's. Beth and her mother are fine and amazingly the house survived while others nearby were destroyed. Now is the time to prepare for next fire season. Be diligent. Read on.

Risk Reduction Investment

By Beth Enoch, Firewise representative



Each year GCHNA has to calculate our annual per capita investment reflecting the work each household does to reduce fire risk in our community. That amount is submitted to NFPA to keep our Firewise status current. Thank you to the 39

households who emailed me their numbers which totaled \$123,254. That was added to the \$150,000 from Nevada City for the work at Hirschman's Pond for a total of \$273,254. I set the challenge in the previous newsletter at \$150,000 and, as you can see, we exceeded that to the delight of our local FireSafe Council enabling them to get grant monies for various projects throughout the county. We know that many households continuously work to create defensible space on their properties. GCHNA is providing an easier and more thorough way to track those investments and report the hours to us. Each hour of work performed by homeowners in 2017 was worth \$23.56 towards our in-kind investment.



Please keep the enclosed form handy, use it throughout the year, and tell GCHNA what you have done to make your property firesafe. You will be surprised at how much time, money, and energy you devote each year. *Thank you*.





HOUSEHOLD FIRE RISK CONTRIBUTIONS FOR GCHNA - 2018

HOUSE (hours in examples:	vested on projects) Risk reduction roof to for Clean litter from roof and gutters Screen vents, enclose soffits and eaves Clean under decks (flammables and vegetation Fire resistant roofing		
Hours	# of people		
0 TO 5 FEET FRO	M FOUNDATION Replace mulch with gravel and stone Remove pine needles and leaves Trim back trees that hang over 5 foot areas not be supported by the stone of the		
Hours	# of people		
5 - 30 FEET	Lawn maintenance Cluster trees with spaces between Reduce all ladder fuels Thin and limb up all trees reducing the crown	s	
Hours	# of people		
EXTENDED ZONE 30-100 FEET Remove needles leaving no more than a 3" layer Thin trees and ladder fuels			
Hours	# of people	,	
MONEY SPENT	Chipper cost (purchase, fuel, disposal fees) Chainsaws (rental or purchase) Power equipment, hand tools	\$ \$ \$	
	Arborists, landscapers, forestry service	\$	
VEHICLE MILEA	GE Slash drop-off, dump runs.	\$	
YOUR NAME ADDRESS			



Budget Committee Recommendations Adopted by Steering Committee

By Susan Wiesner

GCHNA has been operating at a deficit for 2016 and 2017 as a result of a significant new Directors & Officers Liability Insurance expense (approx. \$1,000). The Steering Committee agreed this expense was necessary to maintain and attract new volunteers to our organization. While we had the reserves to be able to do this for a limited time, it was not a viable way to continue. Aware of this situation, a Budget Committee was formed in the fall to review our revenues and expenses and arrive at a strategic plan to maintain a balanced budget for the future.

Rather than simply increase revenues by raising annual dues by \$5 per household, the recommendation was a 2-step process to be implemented this coming year comprised of BOTH increasing revenues and reducing expenses. The plan is to reach out to our community to add new members in the first four months of 2018 and reduce certain identified costs in the 2018 budget. If the target number of new members is not achieved by May 1st (our annual dues deadline), we can reduce costs such as the annual picnic and/or eliminate one or more of the three printed and mailed newsletters we produce each year at a cost of about \$750 each newsletter. We will still be able to send electronic bulletins with critical news to those members who have provided an email address.

We hope that our outreach to neighbors will be well received and we can continue the valued work of our community. You can help in this effort by

sending in your \$20 per household dues for 2018 early in the new year and if you have new neighbors you might extend a welcome and ask if they are already members or want to join.

Ferreligas Contract Renewed



GCHNA'S contract with Ferrellgas has been renewed for another year. Thank you Marty Pezzaglia for negotiating for us. Thank you Ferrellgas for continuing to provide this benefit. Ask around and you'll find out that the discount given to our neighborhood group is significant. Please encourage all your neighbors to join GCHNA and request Ferrellgas service.

First Newsletter

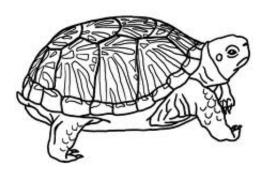
If this is the first newsletter you've received but have lived on your property or owned it for awhile, please consider joining our association.

Call a representative with any questions you may have or come to a bi-monthly meeting at the Library to get to know us. Take advantage of the Ferrellgas discount. Be part of the discussion on fire safety for our neighborhood.

Ways To Contribute

GCHNA is always looking for new involvement from members. It's a new year. Here are some ways you can help GCHNA.

- Come to a Steering Committee meeting on a Monday evening at the Madelyn Helling Library. The next one is Feb. 5th at 7:00. Is your road represented? If not become a Road Rep or join us as an At-large Rep.
- Beth Enoch needs help on the Firewise Community Committee. You could support her by helping to organize and implement projects as needed. We could sponsor a Scotch Broom Pull. We should be supporting the efforts of Sierra Streams at Hirschman's Pond.
- Help with events. We need someone to help organize a Candidate's Night for the upcoming election season. Have you other ideas for events? Let us know what you believe is of interest to members.
- Be our FONA Rep. Attend meetings of the Federation of Neighborhood Associations and report back to the Steering Committee.
- Attend County meetings and keep GCHNA informed on what's happening.





2018 GCHNA Membership Renewal Notice

Oh my goodness! It's 2018!! Time to renew your GCHNA membership. Thank you for your support this last year and we hope you continue with us 2018. Renewal of your GCHNA membership is due February 1st with a grace period until May 1st..This year included our wonderful 27th annual neighborhood family picnic and our information packed newsletter that is a source of pride for us. The Ferrellgas propane contract, available to our membership, is the envy of many. Steering Committee meetings held bi-monthly avail everyone the opportunity for a voice in the community. To renew or join, 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. Thank you again so much for your support and we hope you will continue supporting your neighborhood association in 2018.

Current 2017 GCHNA Membership

Marge Addleman Richard & Catherine Alderman

Sallee Allen

Joseph & Frances Aragona Chip & Peggy Arenchild

Ed Arnott Marty Austin

Wallace & Marilyn Bair Roger & Carolyn Baker

Luci Baker

Ken Bales & Maria Hetherton

Christy Barden **Ieff & Gina Barton** Mike & Jane Betts Ken & Laura Bigham

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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 2018. Enclosed is a check made out to GCHNA.

NAME(s)		
ADDRESS		
TELEPHONE	FAX	
EMAIL		
Mail check & form to: GCHNA, PO Box 1343, Neva	da City, CA 95959 🔲 I would like to become involved. P	lease contact me.
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West End Cement Hill

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

Applewood Lane

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

Gochine Drive

Gochine, including Mt.Auburn Circle. Open

Upper Cement Hill

Upper Cement Hill Road, including Pine Tree Place, Diamond Oak Drive, Bodie Ridge Road, Skyranch Road, and Elysian Way.

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Sunrock Road

Susan Wiesner: (sawiesner@gmail.com), 265-4824

Augustine Road / Excelsior Ditch Camp Road

Augustine Road, including Daisy Blue Mine, Leisure Lane, Lazy Oaks Drive, and Excelsior Ditch.

Marty Pezzaglia, (martypezzaglia@spiralemail.com) 265-3288

Crystal View Heights

Crystal View, including Golden Oaks. "open"

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

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. **Open**

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

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. Nancy Paulson, (nanpaulson@sbcglobal.net) 265-5919

Airport Road

Airport Road, including Tower Hill Road, West Airport Road, East Piper Lane, and Sheriff Road. **Open**

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Joanne Drummond - 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/

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 May 1st.

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