



DECEMBER CALENDAR

Saturday, December 11th – Annual Christmas Dinner

Saturday, December 18th – Rainwater's Open House

All Homeowners are invited to both events!!!

Presidents Corner

Mother Nature has presented us with a nice surprise in the form of a small dose of winter wonderland - SNOW. There was not a lot, but enough for our caretaker to plow the pine needles off the roads. With Mother Nature arriving early this year; it's very important that you as a homeowner be sure to winterize your cabin. To winterize your cabin, simply turn off your main water and drain all water lines before leaving. Broken water lines can cause an extreme amount of damage to your residence as well as wasting large amounts of our precious water in the Park. Please realize that the Park caretaker will simply turn off the water, in case of a break, at the water box, and it will be your responsibility to repair those damages before the water will be turned back on. The Park will make every effort to contact you personally and notify you that there was a water break on your property. However, the best way to prevent any damage is to simply drain the water from your lines before leaving. Be wise and winterize.

The Park had four dead trees cut down and we will be putting those trees along with others in the campground before December 1st. You can check with either Mike, the caretaker, or by simply checking the campground periodically around December 1st. Remember, this wood is strictly for use in the Park and not to be cut and taken back down the hill to your valley residence. This wood belongs to the Odd Fellows and we provide it to the homeowners as a courtesy to be used in the Park only. Please respect our rules concerning the use of the wood provided.

Well, the Wanted List was reduced somewhat; however, we still have some homeowners who have not paid their assessments. It seems that no matter how polite or patient we are, some people seem to think that they can take advantage of the situation, enjoying the Park and its surroundings, and not pay their fair share. The following homeowners are very delinquent in their payments: Ms. Joyce Aston, Mr. Jose Angel Garcia, Mr. Gary Whiteman, and Ms. Beverly Woodland. If you know these people, please advise them to send their assessment in immediately as we will be filing small claims actions against them. These people have been notified numerous times; both thru the mail as well as by phone. It is only fair that everyone pay their fair share to continue to make our Park the best in the Sierras.

On a happier note, please take note of the Park's December calendar and mark your calendar for these special events. On Saturday, December 11th, the Board of Directors provides a Christmas dinner to all homeowners. This dinner consists of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, and cranberry sauce. Coffee and punch is available. We ask that you, the homeowners, bring either a salad or a dessert. The dinner starts at 6:00 P.M. and it is rumored that Santa Claus will make an appearance. This is another great opportunity for us to get together and enjoy one another's company. The other event in December is on Saturday, December 18th and it is the first annual Rainwater Open House. All homeowners are invited to stop in and share a little Christmas cheer. Snacks and beverages will be provided and our Dicken's Christmas Village will be on display. You are welcome to stop by anytime between 2:00 and 7:00 P.M.

Someone has removed our lock from our gate and put their own lock on. Roger attended the Fire Safety Council meeting. We need to find out what we need to do to get rid of needles next year.

Health & Safety – Kasper: One estimate for purchase of either a propane or diesel generator was \$14,000. Industrial Electric in Modesto has one for \$21,789.20 which includes some features we don't need.

Equipment – Brown: Maintenance has been done on the weed eaters and chain saws.

Recreation – Aston: Charles wondered if anyone knows of a wholesaler or where we might get a good price for turkeys for the holiday dinner, which is to be held on Saturday, December 11.

Finance – Townsend: Since the last meeting, assessments in the amount of \$4,250 have been paid plus \$106.54 for late charges. Assessments still due total \$2,011.80 plus late charges. Income received: deposits totaled \$8,213.95. Bills totaled \$7,062.72. By motion (Snell/Cloak, unan.) the bills were approved for payment. The \$56,854.87 timber funds will be invested at State Fund Bank at 2.40% interest for 6 months.

Old Business: President Rainwater asked that each officer and committee chair make a list of duties and give the list to him. Regarding dredging the lake, Robert Snell will get information and phone the Board members. He will also go ahead with getting some signs.

New Business: Regarding the tree removal on Esther, something needs to be done with the limbs. Hauling them away or chipping could be costly for the property owner. We would prefer that the one who is doing the work not burn them.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30A.M. The next meeting will be on November 20, 2004, at 8:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Norrine Coyle, Secretary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Payemnt</u>
10/01/04	374	Employment Develop	Taxes Payroll	\$84.96
10/01/04	375	US Bank	Taxes Payroll	\$841.19
10/01/04	376	Michael Caropresso	Payroll	\$1,020.46
10/01/04	377	State Farm Bank	Retirement	\$50.00
10/01/04	11251	Twain Harte Lumber	Maint. Buildings	\$204.23
10/12/04	11252	Mike's Mowers	Maint. Equip.	\$58.29
10/12/04	11253	Eric Carlson	Accounting	\$475.00
10/12/04	11254	Village Mail & Print	Commun.	\$106.18
10/15/04	378	Michael Caropresso	Payroll	\$933.86
10/15/04	379	State Farm Bank	Payroll Deduct.	\$50.00
10/16/04	11255	General Plumbing	Maint. Water	\$170.57
10/16/04	11256	Roger Townsend	Mileage	\$150.00
10/16/04	11257	Mike Caropresso	Petty cash	\$24.56
10/16/04	11258	A & A Portables	Health Safety	\$73.63
10/16/04	11259	MidState Rental	Maint. Equip	\$130.00
10/16/04	11260	M. Caropresso	Medical	\$397.29
10/16/04	11261	SBC	phone	\$70.55
10/16/04	11262	PG&E	Utilities	\$909.17
10/16/04	11263	Waste Management	Garbage	\$1,111.29
10/16/04	11264	Zaks	Supplies Shop	\$18.44
10/16/04	11265	J.S. West Propane	Propane	\$53.35
10/16/04	11266	Sonora Rentals	Water Maintain	\$107.50
10/16/04	11267	Ruth Townsend	Office Supplies	\$22.20

Please remember to adhere to the Park rules as it is very important that we all be as one, and not a group of individuals doing their own thing. Rules are made to be followed and you agreed to them when you purchased your property in our Park. Have a Happy Thanksgiving and hope to see you in December.

Michael Rainwater, President

Caretaker's Corner

Our caretaker had a very busy October and even though it appears that the list of duties he completed is small, it took a lot more time than anticipated. A water value on Deborah was replaced as well as the main water line had to be repaired on the south end of Esther. In addition, a new water service value was installed on Esther. Both Deborah and Esther roads had to be cut in order that new water service lines could be connected. The roads had to be maintained and cleaned, and the usual garbage pick-up monitored. Several incidents concerning Park residents that were observed not following Park rules had to be contacted. Water boxes and water values were labeled for identification in order that their location and their purpose could be documented. Completed the cleaning of over half of the Park's ditches, preparing them for winter. This job alone takes many man hours, and thanks to several of the Park residents who helped our caretaker get an upper hand on this difficult task. The Park looks wonderful and we're ready for winter.

Mike Caropresso, Caretaker

October Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Rainwater at 8:30 A.M.

Present were: President Michael Rainwater, Vice President Bob Cloak, Secretary Norrine Coyle, Treasurer Roger Townsend, Members Charles Aston, Robert Snell, Members absent and excused Ton Clark, Sean Kasper. Absent and unexcused Greg Brown.

Members before the Board: Bill and Doris Kilgore Williams who thanked the Board for having a Labor Day potluck. She said that Jason Thomas Barton was arrested for not registering as a sex offender and was supposedly living in Odd Fellows Park.

Correspondence: Letter from P.G.& E. regarding off-peak and on-peak meter time, but the information was not complete; information about water grants for which some of our projects might apply; notice from the County of Tuolumne regarding a change of zoning for David & Candy Frye's property which is not located in the Park; plans for a retaining wall and parking area on Mark & Jane McCall's property showing that the planned construction is not on Park property; a letter from the California Rural Water Assoc. regarding a meeting concerning emergency response and drought conditions planning; copy of a letter from Attorney Roger Brown to CNA Insurance Company requesting payment of his bill and a letter from Mr. Brown to CAN with his Sept. bill; annual report from State Fund showing we have had no worker's comp. claims during the past year; information from Caldwell Insurance Services regarding insurance policy endorsements to update Park equipment and operators for a cost of \$141; notice that Mike Caropresso's insurance was approved by Blue Cross; agreement with E. Clay Maddox, C.P.A., to do the audit for \$1,000.

Committee Reports:

Water – Cloak: Water used during the past month was 830,000 gallons. Mike finished repairs on Esther and Deborah, and has flushed the lines. There are a few water lines that come to a dead end. It was suggested that an estimate be obtained for connecting all lines on Esther and Rebekah.

Roads – Snell: No report on roads. Robert said he will check on the sand supply. We still need cold asphalt materials. He will check on signs for the Park concerning areas that are off limits to all residents.

Buildings – Clark: President Rainwater said that as soon as the bar ditches are done, the light will be installed in the sand shed area.

Timber – Townsend: The harvest is done but the grinding is not finished yet. A check for \$56,854.87 was received for the timber harvest. C.D.F. has inspected the harvest areas and said it was a very good job harvesting and clean-up.

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