

Sierra Recreation Association

Newsletter

February 2003

MARK YOUR CALENDAR St. PATRICKS DINNER MARCH 15, 2003 6:00 P.M.

At the Lodge hall. RSVP: 586-7727 Please

Calendar of Meetings

BOARD MEETING: 8:30 a.m. Sat. March 15, 2003

Sierra Park Lodge #376

Lodge meetings held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. No Potluck on March 19th.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 15, 2003

Attendance:

President: Del Wallis Secretary: Deena Hague

Ed Smith Neil Selman Excused Present Present Present

Vice Pres. Robert Snell

Treasurer: Richard Bonner Fred Coleman

Present Present Norrine Coyle

Present

Present

Greg Brown Excused

Invocation by Richard Bonner

Minutes of the January meeting were approved as mailed. Motion by Coyle/Smith, carried unanimously.

MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD:

Pat Monahan, Doris Selman and Mike Van Gundy to observe.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Grant deed- From Patricia L Bremicker to Mark A. & Jane T. McCall.
- 2. Scottsdale Insurance Co. Adjusters report of loss at Corp Yard.
- 3. Argonaut Insurance Co. Notice of terrorism insurance coverage.
- 4. Water purveyor's quarterly report
- 5. Dept. of Public Works
- 6. PG&E survey
- 7. Coldwell Ins. Services. Feedback on fire prevention inspection.
- 8. Request to rent recreation hall.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

WATER- Selman: Jan. Usage 720,700 gallons. Report from Condor that GPS survey is in progress. Estimated 4100' of pipe needed for project. Study costs are well within amount allotted.

TIMBER- Coleman: Met with Will Dorell and Tom Francis re: thinning operation. They recommended that we take more trees for the fuel break. Also noted that we have several dead trees that are beetle infested. Fred attended the fire committee meeting. The next one is the 1st Thursday in March.

ROADS- Snell: Discussion on oiling of our roads. Oil breaks down overtime and routine maintenance is needed. This year's budget for roads is \$50,000.

BUILDINGS- Smith: Letter from Dept. of Public works (see old business) Contacted Alderson Fencing for a projected cost to fence the Corp yard. The projected cost was \$4837.50 for 354 linear ft. of 6' high link fence topped with 3 strands of barbed wire & 2 gates. This cost is with a 5% discount of \$254.61.

A big Thank you to Sue Collie, Doris Selman & Anne Coleman for all of their hours of work in cleaning the hall floors, range & bathrooms. They look great!!

Equipment: Greg Brown absent. Randy reported all equipment in good condition.

<u>RANDY'S REPORT</u>: We burned slash in the burn area. Cleaned up limbs/trees after the storm and downed tree and slash from the Corp yard. Met with Condor about water line to big tank. Talked with Ben Selby about timber in Corp yard. He will buy it for \$500.00 per thousand ft. Contacted P.G. & E. about the dusk to dawn light by the gate house. Contacted W. H. Breshears to pick-up the old oil. (Four 55 gal. Drums, with a \$20 deposit on each for \$80 credit) Total cost to remove old oil was \$202.50. This was a bargain.

<u>HEALTH & SAFETY</u>- Hague: The lighted map in front of the caretaker's cabin will be marked for emergency exits from the Park. Two electric boxes were replaced at the gate and marked with a snow stake. The old oil shed can be cleaned and sanitized for use as our holding facility for stray dogs. It is covered & has a slab floor.

For placing emergency (911) calls identify our location as Odd Fellows Park, in addition to street address. The emergency services know us better as such.

<u>RECREATION</u>- Coyle Plan to attend St. Pat's dinner, Mar.15th at 6:00 P.M. Bring salads and desserts to share. Meat, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, & rolls will be provided. Robert Snell will start the process to obtain the permit to order fish for the derby.

<u>FINANCE</u>- Bonner; Regular bills for the month totaled \$16858.11 and a second bill of \$3080 from the timber fund. Motion by Coleman/Smith to pay all bills. Carried.unan. All assessments have now been paid in full. He will order 50 more remotes for the main gate.

OLD BUSINESS- Discussion on road ordinance. Will keep up on process through the county. Motion by Coleman Selman to approve the request from Acosta/Smith parties to rent the hall, if accompanied by the required deposit, rental fee & proof of insurance. Carried, unan.

NEW BUSINESS- Motion by Coleman/Coyle to approve construction of the fence at the Corp yard, not to exceed \$5000. Carried, unan. Dept. of Public Works approved merger of assessor parcel #'s 31.091.07 & 31.091.08 at the intersection of Deborah Dr. & Jordan Way West. #31.091.08 is zoned open space and will remain on the parcel that results from this merger. There was discussion on clearing the new growth infringing on the meadow. This would protect the future of the meadow for recreation and was recommended by the foresters.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Next meeting will be Mar. 15, 2003 at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Deena Hague, Secretary.

Truths of Life (cont. from Jan.)

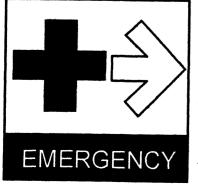
GREAT TRUTHS ABOUT LIFE THAT ADULTS HAVE LEARNED:

- 1. Raising teenagers is like nailing Jell-O to a tree.
 - 2. Wrinkles don't hurt.
- 3. Families are like fudge...mostly sweet, with a few nuts.
- 4. Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
 - 5. Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
- 6. Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the joy.

St. Pat's dinner is the second dinner planned for the year. We are asking for you to RSVP so that we will not waste food and yet have plenty of corned beef and cabbage to satisfy the appetites of all that will be attending. Bring your salad or dessert and table settings if you do not want to eat off of paper plates.

RSVP to the Bonner's 209-586-7727 by Wed. Mar. 12th. Thank You, and hope to see you at the party.

		CHECKS DISBURSED JA	NUARY 2003	
DATE	NUMBER	NAME	MEMO/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
1/28/03	10620	Glenn S. Caldwell	Insurance	3,601.00
1/28/03	10621	Tuolumne County	Land Sales Exp. For 5acre	223.00
1/28/03	10622	Grayhill Land Survey	Land Sales Exp. For 5acre	400.00
1/28/03	10623	Postmaster	Office Supplies stamps	37.00
2/5/03	10624	Randall J Tolbert	Genl Park Mntce/oil disp.	200.00
2/13/03	10625	Randall J Tolbert	Payroll Feb. 15,2003	1,011.60
2/13/03	10626	Michael W Caropreso	Payroll Feb. 15, 2003	677.15
2/13/03	10627	USBank	Taxes payroll	1,295.12
2/13/03	10628	Employment Developmnt	Taxes payroll	106.81
2/16/03	10629	Randall J Tolbert	Payroll Feb. 28, 2003	1,011.61
2/16/03	10630	Michael W Caropreso	Payroll Feb 28, 2003	677.17
2/16/03	10631	Eric A Carlson	Accounting	400.00
2/16/03	10632	Barton Overhead Door	Fire Loss	694.00
2/16/03	10633	D.M.Vehicles	License for pick-up	219.00
2/16/03	10634	Secretary of State	Permits & fees	5.00
2/16/03	10635	Pacific Bell	Telephone	56.81
2/16/03	10636	AT&T	Telephone	38.32
2/16/03	10637	Modesto Welding	Fire Loss	1,054.07
2/16/03	10638	J S West	Propane	232.55
2/16/03	10639	AquaLab	Water Testing	188.00
2/16/03	10640	Village Mail & Printing	Member communications	53.09
2/16/03	10641	Roger A Brown	Professional Services	1,228.50
2/16/03	10642	General Plumbing	Genl. Park Mntnce	48.41
2/16/03	10643	PG&E	Utilities	61.59
2/16/03	10644	Zaks	Maintain equipment	42.60
2/16/03	10645	Twain Harte Lumber	Supplies Shop	154.92
2/16/03	10646	USBank	Payroll deductions/ retiremnt	175.00
2/16/03	10647	Richard Bonner	Auto mileage	25.19
2/16/03	10648	Michael W Caropreso	Empl. Benefit/ insurance	367.38
2/16/03	10649	Cal Sierra Disposal	Garbage	2,019.43
2/16/03	10650	Randall J Tolbert	Empl. Benefit/ insurance	219.00
2/16/03	10651	Randall J Tolbert	Petty cash	172.73
2/16/03	10652	Robert Snell	Auto mileage	54.75
2/16/03	10653	Deena Hague	Auto mileage	54.75
2/16/03	10654	Norrine Coyle	Auto mileage	52.56
2/16/03	10655	Calif. Reforestation *		3080.00
			Total Expense	16,858.11
1	from timber fund	not incl. In total exp.		,



Help & Aid: Have house numbers visible on the front of your property. Recommend you order the reflective ones from Emergency services. \$8. each. When calling 911, give your street address & identify the community as "ODDFELLOWS PARK"

There is a Sierra Park road by the Post office in Mi Wuk that could cause confusion.

Happy St. Pat's

Don't forget Dinner/Potluck

March 15 at Lodge

It would be a **great** help if you'd **RSVP**:

209-586-7727 by 3/12



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