

Sierra Recreation Association

March 2007

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Saint Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

The Saint Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner was held on March 17th 2007. There were about 40 persons in attendance.

The raffle collected \$50.00 to raise funds for the Fishing Derby in June.

Several people contributed to the success of the Saint Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner:

Mike Carapreso (our caretaker) setup the lodge.

Tom and Linda Clark handled much of the logistics, acquired and prepared the dinner and cleaned up much of the kitchen afterwards.

Maynard and Judy Wallin and Mr. and Clark and Carol Kellogg donated raffle prizes.

Clark and Carol Kellogg, Bill Kalfakis, and Chuck Aston helped with the cleanup.

Park Calendar

Board meetings are generally held on the third Saturday of each month beginning at 8:30 AM.

Board Meetings: April 21st, May 19th, June 16th, July 21st, August 18th, September 15th

Annual Meeting & Rebekah Bake Sale: May 27th

Fish Derby: June 17th (Father's Day)



Odd Fellows Lodge 376

On Saturday, March 17th 2007 there was a special meeting to discuss the direction of our lodge. Only 7 people attended.

It was decided to attempt to move the lodge meetings to the third Saturday of each month beginning at 7:45 AM just prior to the Board Meetings. We are hoping to reestablish evening meeting in the future.

Both our Treasurer and Secretary will be retiring soon.

We are attempting to schedule an Odd Fellows Initiation for April 22nd 2007.

Anyone wishing to join the lodge or become the Treasurer or Secretary can contact Charles Varvayanis at charles@varvayanis.com or (209) 586-3782.

Park Rules and Regulation Amended

The Park Rules and Regulations have been amended to reflect the changes in the Water System Policy:

D. Should excessive water consumption occur and it is determined by the Company Board or caretaker that someone or company is responsible due to negligence, including but not limited to broken plumbing and/or unsupervised open faucets and/or discharge, the following may apply:

1. A fee of not less than \$50.00 but not more than \$250.00 may be applied for each incident.
2. If it is determined by the Company Board or caretaker that the situation is due to uncontrolled or unsupervised flow, the property owner is subject to having the water shut off to the property.
3. All incidents will be reviewed by the Company Board.

Please add this page of the newsletter or a copy of it to your existing Park Rules and Regulations to form a complete set. In addition, the complete Park Rules and Regulations may be viewed, downloaded, and/or printed from the "Rules and Regulations" section of the park website.

Pine Needle Dump

The Board has received one set of proposals and is exploring two other possibilities for pine needle disposal. The dump will open as soon as we accept a proposal and the water and mud in the dumping area dries. Please monitor the "Announcements" section of the website for updates and dumping instructions.

Board of Directors Candidates

Anyone interested in running for the board should contact the board prior to the April 21st Board meeting to be included in the proxy. All candidates must be nominated from the floor at the May 28th Annual Meeting. It is not necessary to be included in the proxy to be nominated.



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**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2007**

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:40 A.M. by President Charles Varvayanis. The invocation was offered by Clark Kellogg. Those present were President Charles Varvayanis, Secretary Mike Rainwater, Treasurer Doris Selman, Members, Steve Wallace, Clark Kellogg, Tom Clark, and Sue Collie. Absent were Vice President Mike Ford and Alan Orth, excused.

Members before the board: None.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2007 meeting was approved as presented for the newsletter.

Correspondence: 1) Telephone call from Teri Wilson regarding the Long Barn-Sugar Pine Road, 2) Letter from Dolores DiAndres requesting newsletter sent via U.S. mail, 3) Letter from Richard and Irene Barret with drawings informing OFSRA their intent to replace their retaining wall, and 4) Material from Calif. Rural Water Association.

Committee Reports

Water – Rainwater: Water usage was 800,000 gals. There was a discussion concerning the water line being exposed near Camp Cedarbrook and Mr. Rainwater indicated he would look into the matter. Capital improvements for the water system for next year will be presented next month.

Roads – Wallace: Discussion concerning 2007 road maintenance and Mr. Wallace indicated he would have the final figures next month.

Buildings – Kellogg: Repair on the door closer for the dumpster was completed by Mike Caropreso. Discussion concerning the installation of a floor for the sand shed with an approximate cost of \$6,500. No action taken at this time.

Timber – Ford: No report.

Recreation – Clark: Tom reported that Mr. David Martin has offered to donate an equal amount of fish that the Park purchases for the fishing derby. Mr. Rainwater had a concern with this donation as this might over stock the lake and later in the year without ample fresh water; a large amount of these fish could die and float to the surface creating a health problem. Tom indicated that he would call the hatchery and ascertain what our lake could sustain as far as the total amount of fish. Several ideas presented concerning the fishing derby were discussed and the Board felt that these would help in running the derby more efficient. Sign-ups for the derby will be at 6 A.M. as well as at 5 P.M. till 7 P.M. on Friday night at the Lodge. In addition, you may register via mail by filling out an entry form from the newsletter.

Health & Safety – Varvayanis: A concern of the Board was the foot bridge on the Westside of the lake and it was agreed that the path across the stream needs repair. Motion by Clark/Wallace that we spend no more than \$1,500 to repair the path across the stream on the Westside of the lake. Motioned passed.

Equipment – Orth: No business.

Finance – Selman: Motion by T. Clark and seconded by Wallace to pay the bills as presented. There were \$6,861.45 in bills and \$560.46 income. There are still three assessments outstanding. If not paid by April 1st, these assessments will be settled through small claims court.

Old Business: 1) Motion by Clark and seconded by Kellogg to adopt changes in the rules concerning water consumption. (Request a copy from President Varvayanis to review exact word change) 2) Discussion of the Long Barn –



Sugar Pine Road running through Camp Cedarbrook and it was determined that that road is a County road that has not been abandoned by the County. 3) Board requested that the Park's attorney be contacted concerning a legal issue of assessment. 4) Pine needle collecting was discussed and Mr. Rainwater indicated he was following up on Orth's discussion with Grover Landscape and Mike Caropreso was still attempting to contact last years personnel who assisted in the pine needle removal.

New Business: 1) The "Rules and Regulations" will be available either through the President or at the annual meeting, 2) Meeting notice, proxy, budget proposal needs to be finalized at the April meeting for the Annual meeting.

Other Business: 1) Seventy-four people are receiving the newsletter via e-mail, 2) The entrance gate has been partially audited and it was discovered that several codes that are not assigned are being frequently used Further investigation into this matter will be conducted by the Board.

Next meeting is on April 21st, 2007 at 8:30 A.M.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Rainwater, Secretary

Checks Disbursed 2/22/2007 - 3/21/2007

Date	Number	Payee	Memo	Amount
3/2/2007	296	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 2/12 - 2/25	\$1,587.47
3/2/2007	297	State Farm Bank	Payroll Deduction	\$50.00
3/9/2007	298	EDD	Payroll Tax	\$86.54
3/9/2007	299	Oak Valley Bank	Payroll Tax	\$965.96
3/16/2007	300	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 2/26 - 3/11	\$1,521.29
3/16/2007	301	State Farm Bank	Payroll Deduction	\$50.00
3/21/2007	302	A & A Portables Inc.	Health & Safety - Restrooms	\$76.68
3/21/2007	303	AT&T	Utilities - Phones	\$72.33
3/21/2007	304	Mike Caropreso (Vic's Towing)	Maintain Equip. - Tow Truck - Petty Ca.	\$125.00
3/21/2007	305	Mike Caropreso	Employee Health Benefits	\$294.26
3/21/2007	306	Tom L. Clark	Recreation	\$155.83
3/21/2007	307	Doherty Tire of Sonora	Maintain Equipment - Tire Repair	\$293.47
3/21/2007	308	Eric Carlson	Accounting	\$515.85
3/21/2007	309	J S West	Utilities - Propane	\$1,122.08
3/21/2007	310	PG&E	Utilities - Electricity	\$525.28
3/21/2007	311	Tuolumne Tax Collector	Taxes - Property	\$1,172.93
3/21/2007	312	Twain Harte Lumber	Shop Supplies	\$13.46
3/21/2007	313	U S Post Office	Member Communications	\$200.00
3/21/2007	314	Village Mail & Print Shop	Member Communications	\$263.24
3/21/2007	315	Steve Wallace	Maintain Buildings	\$580.99
3/21/2007	316	Waste Management	Garbage - 2 Pick ups	\$857.05
3/21/2007	317	World Savings	Transfer to Savings (Not an expense)	
3/21/2007	318	Zenith Insurance Co	Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$593.00
Total Disbursements				\$11,122.71



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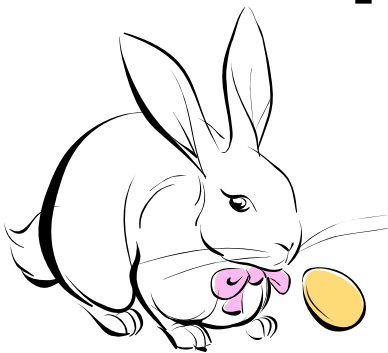
Lodge meetings are held at the lodge in Sierra Park on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 7:45 a.m. prior to the board meeting.



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Lodge meetings are held at the lodge in Sierra Park on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 12:00 Noon, and social meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. followed by a potluck dinner.

Happy Easter!



**Annual Meeting &
Rebekah Bake Sale
May 27th 2007**

Put it on your calendar!



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