

Placer Canyon View

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August 12, 2019 Fire on Lot #28

Closest Fire Yet!

The fire alarms roared with a Cal Fire response team of 8 fire fighters, two fire trucks, a bulldozer within two minutes at 1:00 PM on Monday, August 12th. From our previous HOA Newsletter, we learned that approximately 95 percent of all wildfires are sparked by the activity of people, which means that almost all wildfires are preventable. This one was caused by good intentions when preventative weed-eating went wrong with one bad decision, laying a hot weed eater down on the dry grass. Cal Fire responded in a quick, and effective manner, getting the fire out. The situation could have been much worse. Many neighbors rushed into action.

Placer Land Trust

Did you know that our Canyon View Preserve occupies 50 acres of canyon rim land? The protected area was acquired by Placer Land Trust in 2003. The trail includes 1.25 miles of a public trail system with open space, scenic vistas, trails, habitat with river access. It protects the American River Watershed program while supporting native habitat and water quality in the American River with creative and protected public access to regional trail systems. Grasslands management by Placer Land Trust staff and volunteers who work tirelessly removing invasive weeds such as yellow star-thistle and French/Scotch broom, making room for native plants, increases habitat for native wildlife, and reduces fire danger.

Fuel Load Reduction work includes constructing fire

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breaks and removing woody debris in the understory that reduces fuel loads in the mixed conifer and oak woodlands forest, reducing wildfire danger for the property and its neighbors. Placer Land Trust has worked extensively with CalFire, grant funders and our neighbors to reduce fuel loads at Canyon View Preserve keeping our community safer.

SAVE THE DATE

September 22, 2019, is the next HOA Meeting, 4:00-6:00 PM at the Beecher Room in the Auburn Library, 350 Nevada Street. Auburn. Send agenda items to any Board member.

Newsletter

add your input...

Please submit interesting photos and/or suggestions for information that you would like to appear in our newsletter to our Board President. The next edition will be published for Oct/Nov. Your input is valued.



Canyon View Neighbors
Momma Bear with two cubs.

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Local Responsibility Incorporated Area



The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection is the State of California's agency responsible for fire protection in State Responsibility Areas of California totaling 31 million acres, as well as the administration of the state's private and public forests. Our area in Auburn is classified as a "Local Responsibility Incorporated Area".

If you think you'll need to evacuate but you're not in immediate danger, be prepared by backing your vehicle into the driveway and having it already packed with your emergency supply kit. If you need to evacuate, you will be able to leave quickly!

Download the CalFire app for your smartphone for more information.

Snake Season

The rain this year has created an abundance of tall grass making it more difficult to see the "snakes in the grass". Use caution when you're out hiking as the snake will blend in with the surroundings. They are most active between the months of April and October. Typically bites occur when a rattlesnake is handled or accidentally touched by someone walking or climbing. Shedded snake skins can be seen in our area.

Helpful suggestions:

- Don't wear open toe shoes
- Avoid walking through tall grass
- Look before you reach
- Make sure children are aware
- Avoid wood piles and rock piles
- Check out stumps, logs
- Hike with a buddy
- Keep animals on a leash

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The President's Comments

With a final conference call with our HOA Attorney this week, we'll be ready to electronically mail our updated Homeowners Documents to Board members and the remaining members of the Documents Committee for their approval prior to sending to HOA Membership. The Architectural Rules alone are 90 pages with about 22,500 words. You're probably thinking "why?"

You may recall that we started with outdated documents two years ago. We have worked with a recommended HOA attorney who provided a "sample" from another HOA. We formed a committee of seven owners who worked through the combined documents which were updated with new laws and legal speak. The result are documents that will stand up to legal challenges. Our world today is not the same as our world of 16 years ago, the age of our current documents. We must be prepared to protect our home values and the reason we bought into a homeowners association.

Ken

A good neighbor increases the value of
your property.

Czech Proverb



