



Dear Permittee:

June 2, 2014

We are preparing for our Annual General Membership meeting. We have elections and news; some good some not so good, read on !!

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The Annual Meeting for the full membership scheduled for Saturday July 5, 2014 will begin at 10:00 A.M. at the Pinecrest Amphitheater. 'Check-in' for the Annual meeting will begin at 9:40 A.M. Come early if you want to get a 'shady seat' in our 'new' amphitheater.

ENCLOSURES

- Minutes of the May 24, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting
- A Proxy form which you are asked to use, please mail it in if you are unable to attend the Annual Membership Meeting
- Board of Directors Candidate Statements [2 - Class 1 Nominees & 1-Class 3 nominee for three seats].
- Ballots
 - Directors election
 - Nominating Committee [we thank the Committee for their service]

VOTING

The Ballot may be returned by mail in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope. The Class #1[Cabin] Directors interested in standing for reelection are Howard Kirk & Ken Irwin. The Class #3 [Camp] Director standing for election is Ken Hutz. The Nominating Committee (Paul Schaefer, Doug Downs, Keith Hopkins, Ed Thomas & Bob Miller) has reviewed all candidates and recommended them for candidacy. All candidate statements are enclosed in this mailing. Assuming the Association receives the required number of ballots & votes the results will be announced & the new Board will be seated at the end of the Annual Meeting.

The election of Directors will be conducted by vote at the Annual Meeting and by written ballots submitted prior to the Annual Meeting. Ballots must be received by the Association by 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, July 2, 2013.

The written ballots must be signed with the Member's name printed legibly, marked with the lot number and mailed in the envelope marked "BALLOT" to be counted.

SERVICES

Monday & Friday trash collection is underway and will continue through Labor Day. Lake residents are reminded to use garbage bags for their garbage to facilitate collection. All Permittees are encouraged to strongly secure their garbage cans & lock on the lids. Make sure our staff can open them but not bears or other critters. We do require that all collection cans have two handles so our staff can actually hoist over the bed. I have enclosed a notice of 'TRASH RULES' for posting in your cabin which will help inform visitors of the 'trash rules' and avoid those embarrassing calls from our staff if they are unable to collect your cabins trash.

We will not have a 're-cycling bin' available this year it was being misappropriated for garbage by 'outsiders'. Carrying your recyclables out for will save on garbage fees & reduce landfill. It may also fatten your wallet or give kids something to do; 'crunching cans' and sorting and becoming independently wealthy.

Getting our 'defensible space' is important this year. Slash & duff can be taken to the disposal site farther down Hwy 108 across from the 'Upper Twain Hart' exit.

We can also reduce our garbage bills by using cardboard for fire lighter or 'breaking down' cardboard boxes if you do not re-cycle them. A 'broken down' box is less than 1% of its volume.

Permittees whose cabins are served by pump stations (South Shore & Lake Shore Drives) are reminded to stop discharges when there is a power outage or lift station failures. There is a 'red light' that indicates a pump failure on your lift stations. If you see it call our staff at 965-3234. So far we have had no problems but the State & County penalties for 'spills' are awesome.

SAFETY SERVICES

The South Shore parking situation will be closely monitored by the Sheriff & the new USFS Law Enforcement Officer [LEO]. All South Shore parking permits have been issued from the PPA office with a copy of parking rules. There are only 20 spaces for 38 cabins so some flexibility will be required by those permittees affected. There is a loading zone so you can get the heavy lifting done prior to parking elsewhere. We issued 'Forever Passes' again this year ... try not to lose them. We suggest you keep them in your cabin for use by guests. Rosa has been instructed to ticket all cars parked without a Permit.

Our Fireboat is launched and we anticipate the arrival of our new fireboat in time for the July 5th General Meeting. The old 1954 Taylorcraft may be serving its final months on our pristine waters !



CUFFA >> CFA

The Cabin Fee Act (CFA) continues to await action by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) and Congress. On April 4th, in response to a negative March 5th CBO "Cost Estimate" of S.

1341, an amended version of the bill based on the latest relevant Forest Service data was submitted for informal CBO review. An accompanying cabin owner analysis explained the amendments and identified additional corrections to the CBO report. Cabin owners believe that careful CBO consideration of these proposed amendments and other points will satisfy concerns raised by the agency. Both Senate and House have requested that the CBO examine these proposed amendments and the accompanying cabin owner analysis so the bill can move forward. The House Natural Resources Committee is prepared to take up the amended S. 1341 at its next available "markup" session, probably in June, and is pressing the CBO to respond before then. Senate markup action is also being sought. Meanwhile, a delegation of cabin owners will be traveling to D.C. in mid-June to meet with key Congressional leaders and with top Forest Service leadership, who have been very supportive of the CFA.

We will post any updates we get on our website www.pinecrestpermittees.org or you may check the National Forest Homeowners Association website www.nationalforesthowners.org.

The Board has donated another \$4,000.00 to this effort with an eye to the long term savings and fairness we will see if this legislation can get passed.

FEES & DROUGHT MEASURES

The Governor of California has declared a 'drought emergency'. We will come under increased scrutiny for any water wasting or ambivalence to conservation programs. In an effort to promote water conservation the Board has determined to base fees on our individual meters. After the cost of the budget is established we will determine a base fee to cover basic plant operation and charge a surcharge for those exceeding a baseline amount. This type metered system has typically encouraged less water use. Water leaks can be costly under this program. You can determine if you have a leak by shutting all off and observing the little triangle in your meter face. There is a video at <http://youtu.be/FxdOExw3THw> developed by our staff.

WEBSITE

Please go to www.pinecrestpermittees.org to view. Please sign in and provide the validating information requested. Send us any suggestions you may have for improving the site. I think you will find most of your questions resolved by going there. We maintain our financial information in the section that contains our Minutes & Messages. This is proprietary to our members only.

PPA DUES

Most everyone has been prompt in paying their dues this year. Most problems occur when several partners or family members are tasked with payment responsibilities. We suggest that if you wish the bill be sent to someone specifically in your 'ownership group' please sent written notice to:

Hohne Hoyt & Aguilera CPAs Inc
216 S Shepherd Street
Sonora, CA 95370

Attn: Cathy Ray

You may also arrange to have it accomplished by direct deposit after the Board adopts fees each December. If you need help with this call Cathy directly at 209-753-4316. You may also send your payment electronically to our Bank.

Mother Lode Bank
172 W. Stockton St.
Sonora, CA. 95370

Account # >> 0120002738
Routing # >> 121143794

Have an enjoyable summer. Please call or e-mail me or any other Board members if you have any questions or suggestions. See you on July 5th!

Sincerely,

Tim Fisher
President

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