



PONDEROSA PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

June

NEWSLETTER

2016

President's Message

June 2016

Greetings,

The annual PPOA picnic will be Saturday, July 2, starting at 12:00, at the PCSD building. As usual, the PPOA will supply the meat, and everyone is asked to bring a side dish to share. In addition, everyone needs to bring their own chairs, plates, utensils and drinks. Hope to see you there.

I am sure many of you have seen the pink tape marking on trees. It is my understanding that Edison is marking these trees because they are a danger to the power lines, and they will be cutting them down in the future. It is not known if the property owner will be contacted in advance, or not, or any other details.

We still have two vacancies on the Ponderosa Property Owners Board of Directors. If anyone is interested in being on the board, please contact one of the current board members. The board members are listed in the PPOA newsletter, on the last page.

As always, I encourage anyone who is not a member of the PPOA, to consider becoming a member. There are many projects that your community PPOA board provides to you to keep our community up-to-date, safe, and a wonderful place to visit.

There is a membership form available in this newsletter. Also, visit the web site: www.ppoa.ponderosaca.com to view the PPOA meeting minutes and newsletters.

See you over the fourth.

Regards,

Kit Korf

PPOA President



New full time residents of the Ponderosa
Larry & Juana Gray

To place an ad:

email ppoanewsletter@gmail.com

Personal ads are free for PPOA members, space permitting.

\$5- Business card

\$10- 1/4 page

\$25- Full page

\$15- 1/2 page

\$40- Both sides of page

Contact PPOA Treasurer Gail Lack at glack@bak.rr.com for payment

Circulation 250

The next newsletter will be out in September

Please have submissions in by August 15th

Please feel free to submit articles, pictures, recipes, etc. that you feel would be of interest to the Ponderosa community.

Brewer's Ponderosa Lodge

559-542-2579



Summer Hours:

- Monday-Friday 8am-8pm (kitchen)
Bar open later
- Saturday 7am-9pm (kitchen)
Bar open later
- Sunday 8am-8pm (kitchen)
Bar open later
- **Happy Hour 5-7 pm!**
- Thirsty Thursday & Friday
1/2 price appetizers & \$1 off drink specials
- **PRIME RIB Au Jus SAT. NITES ~ ALL SUMMER LONG!**
Beginning Memorial weekend: Reservations please!



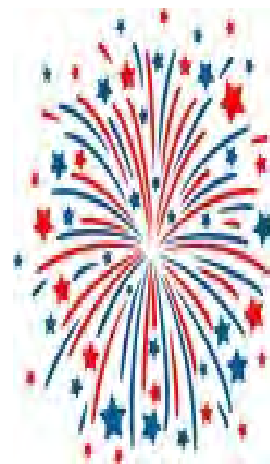
*~ LIVE MUSIC ALL SUMMER, SAT. & SUN. 11-4 ~
25-26th Carl Allen Gardner & Brimstone*



4TH OF JULY PARADE

& BBQ

*Monday the 4th
Parade at 10am followed by BBQ*



CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JULY 2ND PPOA BBQ

PPOA MEETING, SUNDAY AT 9 AM AT THE PCSD BUILDING

MONDAY, JULY 4TH PARADE & BBQ

SUMMER FIRE BRIGADE TRAINING DATES:

10 AM, SUN., JUNE 26, SAT., JULY 30, SAT., AUG. 27





PPOA Annual Independence Day Celebration

Saturday July 2nd 2016
An event you do not want to miss.

We will gather at the PCSD Building

12:00 pm: Get together to visit and enjoy your beverage with Ponderosa friends. If you have house guests, they are invited also.
Meat is being supplied by the PPOA.

The PPOA board want to send a special invitation to new members of the Ponderosa Community as this will be a great opportunity to meet new neighbors.

Bring your own chair, eating equipment (plate, utensils, napkins) We will be sitting under the beautiful trees.



Bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share and your own beverage.

Southern Cal Edison and Tree Mortality By Gail Lack, Ace Reporter

I spoke with Joel Boggus, Asst Project Mgr for SCE, regarding removal of dead trees in the Ponderosa community. Trees slated to come down are now marked with orange flagging. Crews are now finishing up safety training and should be back on the mountain in 3 – 4 weeks. They will start at Camp Nelson and move up. We could see crews cutting trees at Ponderosa in about 4 – 5 weeks.

Each property owner will be contacted by SCE through the phone number on the SCE account for that structure. Door hangers will be utilized, also. The property owner will have the choice of the tree being left or removed. All debris; branches, brush, etc; from the cutting process will be cleaned up and removed. Wood chips from the use of chain saws will remain. Dead trees with attached transformers will be a longer process. The transformer must be removed from the tree and transferred to a newly installed pole. This will require a power outage that will affect 4 or 5 homes and a 5 day notice will be given.

Every 3 – 4 months, SCE will return and re-evaluate the community for continual tree mortality. In all likelihood, this will be a 10 – 12 year program. There are long term positives to the vast tree mortality we are now seeing. The forest will be opened up, which will give us a much more healthy forest. Also, there will be more water available for fewer trees. This should aid the healthy trees to ward off disease and pests.

If you have any questions, please call David Simmons, Overall Project Mgr for SCE, at 909-820-5118. Leave a message and David or Joel Boggus will return your call.



USFS and Tree Mortality

By Gail Lack, Ace Reporter

I spoke with Denise Alonzo, USFS district public affairs officer, about what we can expect to see regarding tree mortality in the forest around Ponderosa in the Giant Sequoia National Monument. The USFS is using fire crews, as available, to cut down dead trees that present a risk to communities, campgrounds, or roads. We will see these crews in the forest cutting down dead trees throughout the summer. However, the use of the crews will be sporadic. The primary focus of the fire crews will be addressing wildland fires and as they become available when they are on standby for fire suppression we could see more of them in the area working on tree cutting. We should all be aware of the danger of being near a tree cutting area and respect the crews at work.

When trees are chosen for cutting an environmental analysis for the site must be conducted. Tree mortality is continual. A site that has been cleared of dead trees can easily be targeted again for cutting as more trees die. In this case a new environmental analysis will have to be prepared. This process of cutting down dead trees will be with us for awhile.

These down trees are NOT available for the taking. They are available to those who obtain a wood permit from a USFS office. Wood permits are available from April 1 through November 30. If you gather wood in the forest without a wood permit, you could be subject to a \$5000 ticket. A wood permit costs \$10 per cord with a \$20 minimum. Rules and regulations for gathering wood and using chain saws will be given with the wood permit. A chain saw is expected to have a spark arrestor.

If anyone would like more information on tree mortality across the Sierras, there is a website they can look at www.fs.usda.gov/CATreeMortality for more information.

Enjoy and respect the forest. Most of all be careful in the forest.

Exclusively Ponderosa

You may have noticed an unusually large number of properties for sale this year. We have 14 homes on the market today and a few more are offered by others. You should also notice all



the "Sold" and "In Escrow" signs appearing. Aspen Real Estate is the leading listing and selling agent for Ponderosa property. Barbi and I have lived and earned our living building and marketing Ponderosa real estate for 35 years as High Sierra Builders and over 18 years as Peppermint and Aspen Real Estate. Our latest addition to our sales force is Jennifer Thompson, a past employee of High Sierra Builders for over 20 years. Along with her real estate license, construction experience, she has her certificate in building home inspection. As a team, we offer the home seller and buyer a total knowledge of the homes and land in the community of Ponderosa. For the

seller, prospective buyers are able to get low financing, making it the right time to buy. Even though appraisal values are still low, this brings home buyers to the mountains to search and buy their first second home or their retirement house. All of us : Barbie Dolmovic(Agent #00915363), Jennifer Thompson(Agent #01961112) and Bill Dolmovic(Broker #01452541) at Aspen Real Estate look forward to helping you with your mountain home search or sales this year.

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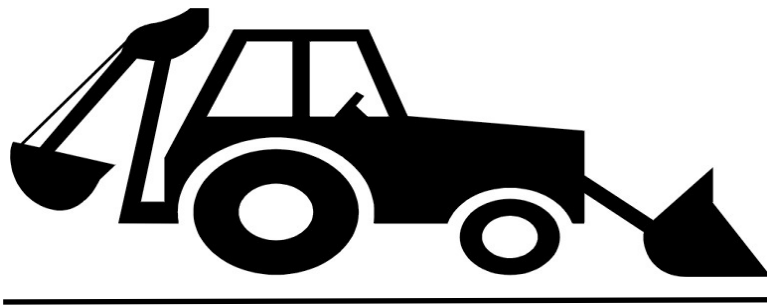
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Between us, we know the Ponderosa subdivision and all of the homes and lots in this area inside and out. Living here for 36 years, building over 50 homes in this area and being in real estate business in Ponderosa for 19 years, we definitely can serve you better than any other agency. Our sales record proves this. Ask any of our past clients about our knowledge and real estate efficiencies. Call us for a free opinion of the value of your property. We can show you where your property lines are and give you ideas how to improve it for selling purposes, or just making your home more livable for you.

Change of Address

Below is a change of address form. It is important to let me know if you have moved or have a new PO Box number. Each time I receive an address correction from the US Postal Service it costs PPOA extra money. Please notify me by email at jahansen@bak.rr.com, call (661) 836-2060, or mail this form to Julie Hansen at 8803 Brannock Ct. Bakersfield, Ca. 93313.

Name _____

New Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

New Phone _____ Email _____

Ponderosa Address _____

Detach here and mail to the address above

Below is a form to join the Ponderosa Property Owners Association if you haven't already done so for the 2015 - 2016 year. The cost for a developed lot is \$30 a year **OR** \$15 for an undeveloped lot. Fill out the form below and mail it along with your check to **PPOA 56693 Aspen Drive, Ponderosa, CA 93265**. If you wish to make a donation to the Volunteer Fire Brigade fund, please mark the form below with the amount desired along with your PPOA membership dues.

Detach here and return to PPOA at the above address

PPOA Membership Dues 2015-2016

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____

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Home Phone _____

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Cabin Phone _____

Email _____

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OR

☐ Lot \$ _____

Volunteer Fire

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Total \$ _____

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