



PONDEROSA PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

May/June

2019

President's Message

May 2019

Greetings,

We made it thru another winter, with a lot of snow this time. We are sorry we had to cancel the PPOA Snow Day due to the storm that came in that weekend. Thanks to Bill Dolmovic and his crew for keeping the roads clear thru it all.

The next PPOA event will be the Fourth of July Picnic. Look for information on it in the newsletter. Dana Stewart will be stepping down from his position as chief of the Ponderosa Fire Brigade. We want to thank him for the remarkable job he has given to our community. The position will be open in August of this year. We are asking someone in our community to lead this very necessary volunteer position for the Ponderosa. Please contact Dana or any board member if interested.

In addition, Betty Korf is always keeping a running update of the PPOA Directory. If your information is not correct, missing, or you do not want your name included in the Directory let her know immediately. 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: ponderosaca.com to view the PPOA meeting minutes and newsletters.

Kit Korf
PPOA President



Welcome New Ponderosa Property Owners

Seth Johnson
Mike Reeve
David and Julie LaPere
Juan and Vira Lopez



To place an ad:

email ppoanewsletter@gmail.com

Personal ads are free for PPOA members, space permitting.

\$5- Business card

\$10- 1/4 page \$15- 1/2 page

\$25- Full page \$40- Both sides of page

Contact PPOA Treasurer Yves Declerck at declerck.yves5@gmail.com

Circulation 250

The next newsletter will be out in August

Please have submissions in by Saturday, August 3

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



- UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP -

*In the Heart of the
Giant Sequoia National Monument*
45 miles east of Porterville
36 miles north of Kernville
Elevation: 7,250

Area Info available
online at:
www.Mighty190.com



Memorial Day Weekend

CHILI COOK-OFF



NO ENTRY FEE

Sunday, May 26th

CHILI TASTING - HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

ALL AGES

SCHEDULE

9:30-10:00 a.m.

Inspection of ingredients &
"last chance" registration

1:00 p.m.

Public chili tasting (Lodge will
provide cups and spoons)

1:30 p.m.

Judging begins

2:00 p.m.

Announcement of winners

HORSEBACK RIDING

10:00 - 4:00 Sat, Sun, and Mon
provided by



Ponderosa Lodge

DINING - LODGING - GENERAL STORE
GIFT SHOP - FULL-SERVICE SALOON

56692 Aspen Dr., Springville CA 93265

Entry forms available online at:
www.pondolodge.com

Call (559)-542-2579
for additional information

RULES

1. Participants must provide their own cooking source.
2. All preparation must be done at the cook-off.
3. Each participant will provide a list of ingredients before competition begins.
4. No pre-mixes: all ingredients should be in original containers.
5. All non-vegetarian chili reserved for judges must be prepared *without* beans or pasta. Canned or pre-cooked beans and pasta may be added to the remaining chili for public tasting.
6. If meat is used, it may be ground or chopped prior to the competition. Meat must be from government-inspected sources and wild game must be approved by the judges.
7. Entries may include groups, organizations, or individuals.
8. Only one entry per individual/organization/group.
9. Each contestant must prepare a minimum of four quarts of chili at the event.

REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Group Name, if any: _____

Email: _____

☐ Chili Cook-Off

☐ Horseshoe Tournament

Return application to:
Ponderosa Lodge, 56692 Aspen Drive, Springville CA 93265

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Golden Trout Wilderness Pack Trains

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or call (559)-542-2579 for additional information

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Summer Hours (after Memorial Weekend):

- **8 to 6 Daily and later on the Weekends**
- **Movie and Pizza Time every Thursday night on a 10ft screen**
Pizza @ 6:00 pm (\$6.00/plate) and Movie @ 7:00 pm
- **Customized pizzas \$10 each (Thursdays). Feel free to call in advance for pizza orders**

Coming Soon: Outdoor Movie nights and Pizza

Music Festival!!!!!! Weekend of June 8th

Dave and Jennifer made it through their first winter in Ponderosa and learned a thing or two about snow and work load involved. They are continuing to make progress on the Lodge, updating and working on projects including the rooms to be rented out.

***Congratulations on Dave and Jennifer's engagement
and they plan to be married this Fall in Ponderosa!***



CALENDAR



MEMORIAL DAY—MONDAY, MAY 27

PPOA BOARD MEETING SUNDAY, MAY 26 AT 9 AM

4TH OF JULY—THURSDAY

PPOA PICNIC – SATURDAY, JULY 6TH AT 11 AM

FIRE BRIGADE TRAININGS IN JUNE AND JULY (TBA)



FYI.....ads can be placed on the Ponderosaca website and Facebook for minimal cost. Please contact Julia Inestroza if you are interested.

(Julia@tenalu.com)

Community Voices...

Submitted by Mel Palmer....

Dave Sharp and Jennifer Engquist have owned the Lodge for almost a year. These Orange County refugees have escaped the crush of the city. They love the Ponderosa.

Dave is a licensed roof contractor. Jennifer has a background in retail and design. They bring a wonderful synergistic style to the Lodge. The new roof complements the rustic Lodge. The little side shop that Jennifer designed is loaded with beautifully curated giftables.

So what is a roofer doing in the kitchen? His love of food. "I buy the best food that is available. It is a must for me because I believe good quality food and fresh ingredients leads to good health. I don't sacrifice flavor" Dave is perfecting many of his dips, sauces and dressings made on site.

I ordered my lunch, a burger with fries. The burger was cooked to perfection, the melted cheese hugging it and the fries were freshly cut. I can only think of one other restaurant in Porterville that can equal what I ate.

What a welcoming place for our community!

Join us at the
PPOA
Independence Day
BBQ

Saturday
July 6th

@ 11AM
In front of the
PCSD
building
B.Y.O.C.
(Bring your
own chair)

*** Parade**
@ 10AM
Participants meet at the
Ponderosa Lodge
@ 10AM

*** Live Music**
Patti Torrey & Band
From 11AM-2PM

*** Auction**
@ 2PM
Donation items welcomed
All Proceeds go to the
PPOA

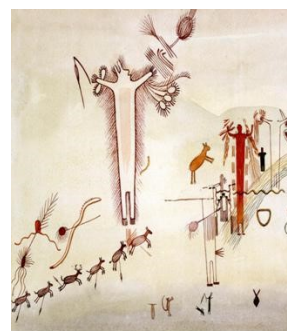
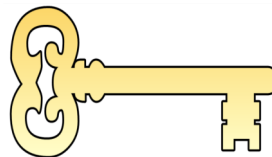
*** BBQ meat provided**

*** Pot Luck**
Feel free to bring a
Side dish

*** Crepe Dessert**
provided

For Questions Contact:
Kels.lane@hotmail.com

Do you want a Ponderosa mailbox? Ponderosa residents interested in getting a mailbox key, please contact Tammi Stewart (559) 542-2218 or (949) 492-3659.



Spirit Release Work

Spirit Release is the clearing of beings as well as learned and inherited patterns of thought from a person's energetic field which can lead to illness, behavioral problems and addictions.

It is a Shamanic tool along with reclaiming lost parts of a person's 'soul' or personality aspects lost during trauma. These two procedures alone can clear a number of physical and emotional difficulties.

For more information:

Beth Benton

Ponderosa

bentononline@gmail.com

281-249-5580

Tree Removal Grant Update

by Jeff Gletne

The Tulare County Resource Conservation District has secured additional funding for fuel reduction for the Ponderosa community. The Ponderosa Phase II Community Wildfire Prevention Grant has been awarded in the amount of \$531,552.00. This is in addition to last year's California Climate Investments Fire Prevention Grant for \$383,040.00.



The money will be used to fall, remove, and clean up dead, dying, and diseased trees, and to thin overcrowded stands of small trees. The intent is to create a more open, park-like forest. The result will be a much more fire safe community and a much healthier forest that is more resilient to not only fire, but to bark beetles and other forest pests.

This will be a purely voluntary project and will be done at no cost to landowners. Some landowners will want to leave more standing trees than others, and that's okay. Your input will be welcomed. But it will be important to get participation from absentee landowners to make this project successful. A checkerboard pattern of treated and untreated lots is not nearly as effective in regards to fire resistance and forest health. So if you have an empty lot near yours that needs work please help us get their attention.

Work is scheduled to begin in May. Removal of the large dead trees will require heavy equipment so this work will be delayed until at least this summer due to the moist soil conditions. Both projects need to be completed in 2021.

Jordan Slate Earthwork has been contracted to do the thinning. Thinned trees will be chipped and the chips spread onsite or removed. A Licensed Timber Operator (logger) will be hired at the appropriate time to do the large scale tree removal. Registered Professional Forester Jeff Gletne will be the Project Manager.

If you have questions or are interested in signing up for the project please contact Jeff Gletne at 559-542-2415 or by email at jeffgletne@gmail.com. or Matt Goldsmith at 559-542-2709 or by email at goldhsu@gmail.com.

BURNING PERMIT AND PROPERTY CLEARANCE

With another fire season coming, it is time again to clear around your property. The PPOA Board reminds all property owners with and without a structure on their property to make sure their property is clear of dead wood and needles in accordance to the recommendations included in this Newsletter. Burning permit can be obtained at the Camp Nelson Fire Station and are valid until June 15, 2019.

For more information about clearing your property, go to: http://www.fire.ca.gov/communications/downloads/fact_sheets/2007DefSpaceBrochure.pdf or <http://www.fire.ca.gov/>

Reporting a Fire / Medical Emergency

#1 For medical or fire emergency call 911 no exceptions

**#2 Then call 1-866-623-7425, when prompted for the user name enter 542-2639 , when prompted for a password enter 1013.
Follow the simple instructions to record your message.**

Example “ Fire at (location)Aspen Drive, your name, date and time of call”

The following 5 names are full time Fire Brigade residences / Operators

Dana Stewart	542-2218
Tammi Stewart	542-2218
Jim Parmenter	542-2524
Bill Dolmovic	542-8000
Larry Gray	542-2993

Ashes: method of disposing your ashes.

Place hot ashes from your stove / fireplace in a covered metal container. Leave in container until cold to the touch.

Burning Piles: Method of burning your yard debris.

Always call the Tulare County burn number to insure it is a legal burn day.

Always have a shovel,hose or fire extinguisher on hand. NEVER burn on windy days.

Chimney Fires: Method to extinguish an active chimney fire:

Throw a cup of water on to the fire than close the door to the stove / fireplace. The steam should extinguish the fire.

Recommendation: Have your chimney cleaned often by a “Chimney sweeper”.

Cal Fire/ Springville	539-2413
Cal Trans/ Roads condition:	800-427-7623
Camp Nelson Fire Station 23 :	542-2718
Tulare County Burn # 1-877-429-2876 ext 7	
District Ranger:	539-2607 ext 72210
Sherif Department:	782-4700
Highway Patrol:	784-7444 or 911
Camp Nelson Ambulance:	542-2140

Professional Chimney Sweep:	732-6200
Matt Goldsmith:	542-2709

From the Treasurer....Thanks again to those of you who sent in PPOA membership dues earlier this year. Special thanks to all who contributed to the Ponderosa Fire Brigade. To date we have \$2600 in donations which will be helpful in the maintenance of our fire truck and equipment and for trainings.



If you have not done so, it is not too late to join the PPOA by sending in your membership contribution using the form enclosed with this Newsletter. Your contribution provides important support to the PPOA and the various activities throughout the year. Thank you, Yves DeClerck

**Summer Dump Hours
until September 30**

Saturday and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



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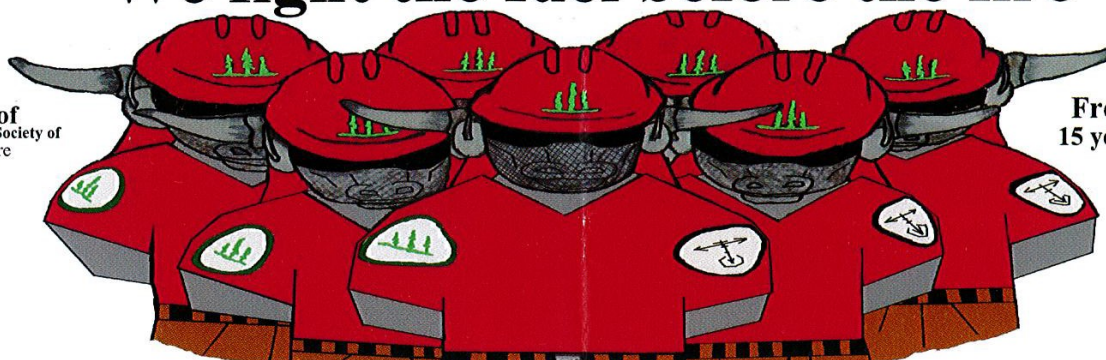
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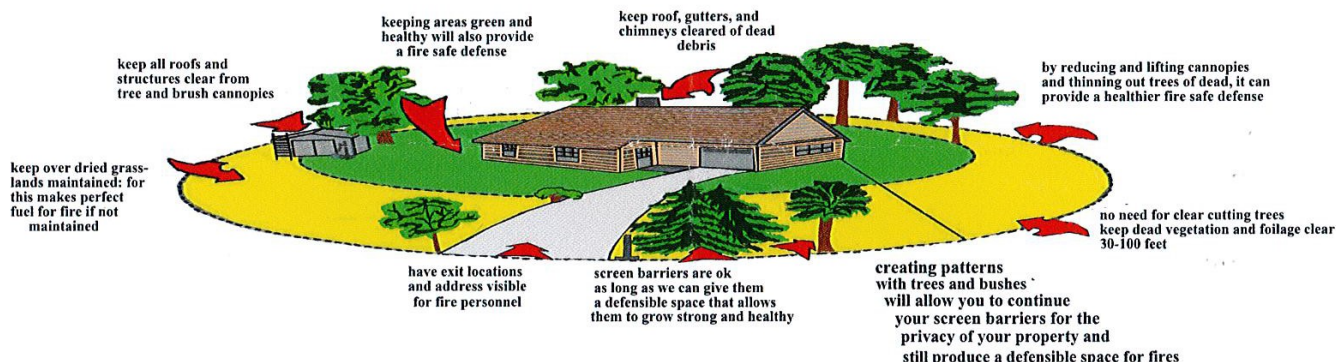
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We provide weekly, monthly and seasonal services in:
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For further information email or call us we'll be more than glad to help you.



This fire safety business does not believe in clear cutting. It initiates an intensified program of landscaping, manicuring, tree thinning and removal of underbrush at strategic sites. Though the cleanup thins only a small percentage of the forest, these sites will benefit surrounding areas acting as "speed bumps" to slow the spread of wildfires. This will not only benefit your local community, but also old forests, wildlife habitat and the lives of firefighters.

TorosTreeCare@hotmail.com

Kelsey Lane
Owner/Secretary

Toro Lane
Field Manager

(559)542-0042

"Between every two pines there is a door leading to a new way of life"
-John Muir-

Jordan-Slate Earthwork

“For on time and reliable work, call Matt!”

Grading Drainage Building Sites
Fire Clearance Tree Removal/Haul Away

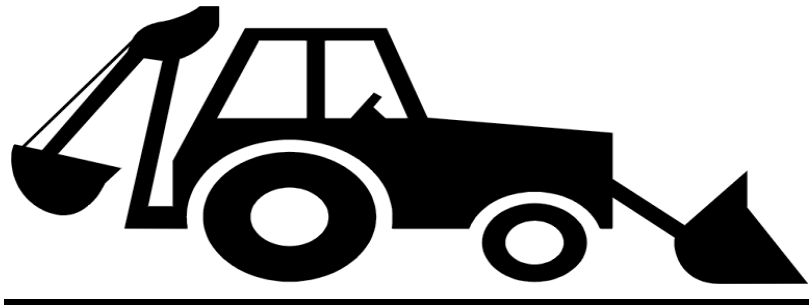
Gravel, Road Base, DG and Sand Delivered

Septic Tanks and Leach Lines

Chimney Sweeping (Most \$150-\$210)

SNOW REMOVAL

(NEW & IMPROVED BLOWER)!!



Matt R. Goldsmith

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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 ppoanewsletter@gmail.com or mail this form to Lorna McWilliams, 7300 Feather River Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308

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 2019 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 2019

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Cabin/Lot Address _____

☐ Cabin

OR

☐ Lot \$ _____

Volunteer Fire

Brigade Fund \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Newsletter delivery by: ☐ mail, ☐ hard copy mail or ☐ both

Home Phone _____ Cabin Phone _____

Mike & Lorna McWilliams
7300 Feather River Drive
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Address Service Requested



PPOA Board Members

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richjefe@aol.com
Juana Gray (559)542-2993
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Social Committee: Kelsey Lane (559)542-0042
Kels.lane@hotmail.com

Sunshine Committee: Tammi Stewart 559) 542-2218 or (949) 492-3659
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Street Signs and Roads Committee:
Open Position

Fire Truck Community Emergency Response Committee:
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