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Balcony update: We appreciate everyone being very proactive in requesting your balconies be changed to comply with the new specifications. At this time we are completely booked for the remainder of this year and in fact have started taking reservations for 2020. A quick note concerning the cost on these is that due to the recent increase in steel prices Carnelian Woods Services must immediately begin charging \$750 per balcony. CW Services always prides itself in doing quality work at the most competitive price, unfortunately we had to increase the price to cover our costs. Thank you for your understanding on this.

On another note, we have our crews busy working on “defensible space” throughout the complex. If you have some extra time and would like to help with this task, we offer gloves and rakes. Just come by the office and Serge will be happy to get you on your way. The time you volunteer will be monitored as we are working on our “match” dollar amount for CW to receive our most current government grant.

Yearly Rake-Off

The Rake-Off will be on July 6 at 9 am in front of the Lodge. Lunch will be provided afterwards (and Serge makes sure we don't lose too many calories raking.) If you can't make it to the event, feel free to stop in at the office anytime to pick up rakes and gloves and do some raking on your own. Please track any hours performing this task as an individual or group (Not including the Annual Rake-Off) and report it to the office. The CWTA uses these hours to help get grant money and the hours also help us maintain our Firewise designation!

This year we'll also have a guest from the Fire Adapted Communities program to provide us with more information about reducing wildfire risk. So even if you're not in the mood to do some raking, come on over to the lodge after lunch and learn more about what's going on to reduce fires at Lake Tahoe. So come out and meet your neighbors and have some fun!

Homeowners Annual Meeting

Have you ever wanted to “Give Back” to the association? Now is your chance as Nominations are open for the upcoming elections for the Board of Directors. Please submit your name to the nominating committee Cary Okumura at; CARY697@aol.com Cell: 916-826-2182 Nominations will be open through July 19th. MARK your calendars – September 14th is the Annual HOA meeting. Meeting to start promptly at 1:00 pm in the lodge. This will be followed by an open bar and food for all.

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Staff Interviews – Ruth Dworsky

It was a snowy winter and many difficulties were faced by the CW staff. Ruth asked each staff member what the most difficult problem was during the winter and what they enjoyed when they weren't working.

Serge Duguay, Office Manager , 9 yrs.– Difficult to find snow removal help. Getting to work was also difficult. He enjoys fishing and collects hats.

David Davis, Head of Maintenance – Heavy snow difficult. He runs the snow plow and notes that we need a larger bucket on our loader. It was discouraging to clear the snow and then have the snow start again. He also enjoys fishing.

Brandon Cronk, Maintenance Assistant – Brandon had an upper respiratory infection which made it difficult to work. He is often a 'first responder' when there are problems at CW. He likes fishing and grows his own vegetables in a greenhouse in his back yard.

More interviews with seasonal employees will be included in the next Communicator.

Important Video about Firewise

Here's a video that demonstrates the importance of being Firewise to firefighters - nice reminder of the value of doing the work!

https://www.nfpa.org/firewisesuccess?utm_source=nwsl&utm_medium=email_medium&utm_campaign=nwsl0005&order_src=c365

Bike Trails in Development – Kathy Witt

There are several bike trails (for biking and hiking) being planned near Carnelian Woods. One, in particular, affects CW directly. Kathy is staying current with these issues and is in communication directly with those tasked with developing the trails. The status of the trails will be explained in the next edition of the Communicator.

Stay tuned!

HAPPY FOURTH!!