



# Carnelian Woods Communicator

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## DON'S CORNER

Western Bat is coming back in early October to take care of on-going bat issues.

Our dumpsters continue to get used by non-CW people. If you notice this happening to one by you, try to document it and notify Don.

Employee Hires: Teresa Bertini – Office, Vince Dove – Maintenance  
It continues to be hard to find new employees and retain them; seasonal snow removal employees will be expensive.

Preparations for winter are underway – snow stakes, servicing trucks/loader, and winterizing pool.

Pool is closed for the season; spas are open Fridays and Saturdays from 12 - 8:45pm.

## ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING

October 22<sup>nd</sup> - 1pm (Lodge or via Zoom); refreshments and appetizers to follow.  
Review your meeting packet for full details, agenda, and previous meeting minutes.

Zoom Meeting Info

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/3442035852?pwd=RTlMTNpclN2d0wyNIJ2RUE0MUE5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 344 203 5852

Passcode: 32dSAC

## BOARD ELECTIONS

On **October 22, 2022**, at the Homeowner Annual Meeting, ballots will be counted, and the outcome announced. The cutoff time for submitting ballots is noon on that day in the lodge.

## BOARD MEETING UPDATES

### Financials

At the Board's July 16, 2022 meeting, the Board reviewed the financials for Carnelian Woods and voted to increase dues by 10%, to \$1,578 per quarter, commencing October 1, 2022. The new dues plus quarterly assessment of \$438 brings the quarterly invoice to \$2,016.

We are also no longer accepting HOA payment through Mutual of Omaha (CIT). The two acceptable ways to pay now are writing checks to "Carnelian Woods" or using the Zelle Electronic Banking system. Instructions for this were mailed out to all homeowners on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Forestry

Our Firewise renewal was submitted and approved.

Fran and Don met with April Shackelford from North Tahoe Fire and discussed the final steps in completing the treatment on our property including the area of the creek that is the association's responsibility.

According to April, the piles from the larger treatment will be burned, likely winter 23/24 and should take about five days. A NTFD staffer will be on site during the process. April is working towards moving piles away from areas near the units. If there are any piles under trees, April will ensure that they are moved before burning.

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#### **Communications Team**

Karen Cleland  
Don Adams  
Heidi Paoli  
George Shaw

Diane attended the Tahoe Summit on behalf of our association and Fire Adapted Communities (Firewise). Fran attended the meeting with Agate Bay and Carnelian Woods communities where April was available to address concerns.

#### **Outreach**

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Placer County, Town of Truckee, NorthStar Community Service District & other local jurisdictions was executed for establishment of the North Tahoe Truckee Biomass Task Force to find local solutions for the biomass byproducts of fuel management programs which span across jurisdictional lines. The recommendation for reopening the feasibility analysis on the County Cabin Creek Biomass project has been identified as one of its highest priorities to finding solutions for the disposal of biomass from residential defensible space and forest management programs. At present the lack of local biomass disposal options is pushing some programs to leave biomass material on the forest floors which increases the fuel loads for potential wildfires. The MOU hopes to share resources & costs, create educational outreach, and provide regional solutions to biomass related issues. The plan has the potential to create renewable energy/heating, centralize biomass processing, reduce the overall cost of biomass disposal, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from open pile burning while reducing the potential risk of wildfires.

Per Court of Appeal ruling, Placer County adopted a resolution to rescind the Martis Valley West Parcel Specific Plan Project Approvals. See link more info: <https://www.placer.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/63555/05A>

#### **TART Connect**

Fall Service Hours (20% increase over last year)

- Tahoe City: 6pm - 10pm, Daily
- Kings Beach: 6pm - 10pm, Daily
- Incline Village: 6pm - 10pm, Daily
- Truckee: No service

Download the app or call 530-214-5811, reserve your trip, and you will be picked up in as little as 15 minutes. Go to <https://tahoetruckeetransit.com/tart-connect-2/> for complete information on this transportation service including hours of operation and description (and map) of the zones. Keep in mind that you will be required to transfer when traveling between service zones. This service uses small vans.

#### **Communications**

Website overhaul continues, and we plan to go live before the annual meeting so it can be presented there. George Shaw has generously agreed to be the CW webmaster. We are looking for new members!

#### **50<sup>th</sup> Celebration and Golf Tourney**

Great fun, food and company! A lovely afternoon celebration of CW's 50<sup>th</sup>!



