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## Carnelian Woods

**Q:** What are the names of our local pine trees?

**A:** Jeffrey, Lodgepole, Ponderosa, Sugar, Western White and Whitebark

## Tahoe Fun Fact

The Tahoe Rim Trail is 170 miles long and has eight segments.

How many have you hiked?  
(Source: Tahoe Fund)

## With Appreciation

We would all like to express our tremendous gratitude to Don Bemiss and his staff for their hard work this winter. There has been an amazing amount of snow which has made extensive demands on everyone and they have risen to the occasion. They have tackled all the challenges of what Mother Nature has dealt us.

**THANK YOU!!**

## Carnelian Woods Update

**Internet Options** - The two existing options are AT&T and Charter Spectrum. One homeowner reported that she switched from Valley Internet to AT&T and felt the process was very easy. Please note that it is important to give your physical street address to obtain the service.

## Forestry Report - Celia Barry

Carnelian Woods is still a candidate for funds from the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District for fuel reduction work especially along our creek. Work is likely to start next year.

## The Pavilion

Work continues on the Pavilion so that it can be rented out.

**Questionnaire** - Remember to fill out the questionnaire you received with your invoice for CWTA dues.

## Meet Board Member – Celia Barry

Rich and I purchased #11 in 2006. Together Rich and I have three children - Candice, 30 - Brandon, 25 - and Mariel, 18. We enjoy skiing and riding our bikes. I was born in California and have never lived anywhere else. I skied the first time at Lake Tahoe when I was five, more than 50 years ago!

I became a CWTA Board Member in September 2016 and am Chair of the Forestry Committee. Our association owns 88 acres of beautiful woods which come with the responsibility to be managed so that the forest is healthy and the risk of fire is lower. The Committee together with CW staff organizes the annual rake-off, a volunteer effort by homeowners to rake pine needles away from the units, allowing more fire resistant vegetation to spread and reducing the fire fuel food. I am the liaison with government agencies regarding forestry maintenance, including obtaining grants and working with the Association's Forester.

As a board member I am trying to learn as much as possible from former board member Ruth Dworsky and I am enjoying getting to know the other board members! They are a very impressive group of dedicated and smart people.

I retired in December 2015 from my position as the Emergency Medical Services Administrator for Santa Cruz County. It was a job I loved and gave me great experience working with local fire chiefs, disaster-preparedness programs and emergency response agencies. Now I'm an appointee for the Santa Cruz County Emergency Medical Care Commission. Rich continues to work as a software engineer for the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute. His work has taken him to the Arctic Circle and this summer, to Greenland to chase icebergs.

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**Thanks to all the great CW staff for keeping the walks and roads cleared!**

**Truckee Tahoe Pay It Forward**

**<https://www.facebook.com/truckeetahoePAYITFORWARD>**

The **Truckee Tahoe Pay It Forward** effort was created to recognize all the service workers who have demonstrated tremendous dedication this winter to working around the clock to keep power on, roads cleared and to generally keep our communities safe. It's been a daunting winter and so many public and private workers have made a real difference.

"There are unsung superheroes that have worked tirelessly in the dark cold nights of 'Snowpocalypse 2017' dealing with the floods, snow removal, and power outages. Often working in the elements with dangerous conditions, these workers show true grit in the selfless jobs they do." (Source: *Moonshineink.com*)

In response, businesses in the area have donated their services and products to them as a special 'thank you.' The list of all the participating businesses can be found on the facebook page noted above.

**Lake Tahoe Fun Facts (Source: Tahoe Fund)**

More than 71 billion gallons of water were added to Tahoe in the month of January.

Lake Tahoe's water level rose a foot in one week this winter. It didn't rise that much in all of 2015, 2014, 2013 or 2012.

Lake Tahoe is estimated to be 2 million years old.

Please let us know what you would like to hear about Carnelian Woods and North Lake Tahoe. And share your comments, questions and ideas in the Social Forum on our website! **[www.carnelianwoods.org](http://www.carnelianwoods.org)**

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