



LODGE LOG

Blue Lake Springs Homeowners' Association

July 2021

2021 ANNUAL MEETING



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Mark your calendars! Saturday, July 17, 2021 is the Blue Lake Springs Homeowners Associations Annual Membership Meeting.

This meeting will be held via Zoom and In Person. We will keep the membership updated via email with Zoom log in information. .

Blue Lake Springs Homeowners Association Annual Meeting 11:00 am

Annual mailing packets were mailed on June 11, 2021 included the Agenda

Please remember to read all the information sent to you.

2021 Calendar of Events

Friday Afternoon Bridge

Every Friday at 12:30 pm
Debbie Kushnir 795-0600

(Please note for all bridge groups, please call ahead to save a spot)

Thursday Afternoon Mahjong

1st & 3rd Thursdays 10:00 am
Leni Salayko 795-7166

SIR's

In July, SIR Branch #152 will hold its second face-to-face meeting since the inception of Covid-19 restrictions.

On July 20th, at 11:00 am, we are hosting our Annual BBQ

For more information contact

Jim Walton, SIR Membership Director

415-699-9396

If there is any member who knows of someone who may need a get well card or sympathy card, please call the Sunshine Lady, Sheila Silcox at 209-795-5724.



WELCOME NEW OWNERS

John & Stacey Martinez Unit 8

Jesse McKeithen & Katherine Lambe Unit 1

Jesus Pacheco & Sarah Dull Unit 1

Ricardo & Britney Martinez Unit 1

Marc & Shiree Christensen Unit 7

Gilberto Barba & Lizette Padilla Unit 5

Jessica Stefanski Unit 11

Josie Kastelic Unit 8

Kevin & Terra Birmingham Unit 8

Evangelina & Christopher Duncan

Unit 13





SNOWFLAKE LODGE HOURS:

Snowflake Lodge Restaurant is open year round Friday and Saturday nights.

It is a full service restaurant serving an extensive, ever evolving menu featuring the finest food on the mountain prepared by Chef Kris and the talented kitchen team. With a full service dining menu, you are sure to find your new favorite! Although alcohol is not served, you are welcome to bring your own wine with no corkage fee. Snowflake Lodge always offers complimentary soft drinks. We hope to see you in the restaurant soon!

For Dinner reservations please call 209-795-2357. Walk-ins will be accommodated as space allows.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from Blue Lake Springs! The month of July is the busiest time of the season, and with the reduction of Covid related travel restrictions and the pent up demand for outdoor activities, we anticipate a large number of visitors to our community. The facilities at the Lodge and at Fly-In Lake are already nearing capacity, so plan your activities ahead of time.

As we all are becoming aware, the western part of the United States has been classified as extreme to exceptional drought conditions. This is very concerning considering we are in high fire season. The month of July has the highest level of moisture evaporation, and it is also the time when our vegetation typically uses the most water. For information on water consumption for vegetation and plants, reference the mymotherlode.com site, and read the Smart Summer Irrigation 2021 article.

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Blue Lake Springs Homeowners Association will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Snowflake lodge. The meeting will be held via Zoom, and in person. I encourage you to participate in the meeting as we will have HOA updates, Officers reports, election results, and the introduction of the new Board Members. As a reminder, election ballots are due no later than 10:00 am, Friday July 16th.

The Summer Recreation Program is in full swing this season. The lifting of Covid related restrictions has allowed the recreation staff to proceed with a comprehensive program of events, lessons, programs and recreation. The Summer Recreation Program is one of our cherished amenities offered to the membership. So stop by the lodge and see what recreation opportunities are available for you and family members.

Enjoy your summer!

Best Regards,

Doug Hjelmhaug,

President, BLSHA Board of Directors

Blue Lake Springs Mutual Water Company
Drought Action Plan

Summarization of drought stage water use reduction targets, triggering supply conditions, objectives and response actions

Table 1. Drought Plan Summary			
Water Supply Conditions	Drought Stage	Objective	Response Actions
Slightly Restricted Water Supplies (below normal) Asking shareholders for up to 10% Supply Reduction	Drought Stage 1 – Voluntary reductions in use NO watering of forest trees (Bark Beetle) Voluntary Odd/Even Outside Watering	Initiate public awareness of predicted water shortage and encourage conservation Flyers to Realtors for vacation rentals	Encourage voluntary measures to decrease “normal” demand up to 10% Voluntary: Odd/Even watering based on addresses during specific times of the day. NO WATERING ON MONDAYS Shareholder Awareness through flyers and website Water Fines – 1 st - written warning; 2 nd - \$100 fine; 3 rd - \$1,000 fine
Moderately Restricted Water Supplies Necessary 20% Total Supply Reduction	Drought Stage 2 – Mandatory stage with restrictions on use Odd/Even days watering based on addresses NO watering of forest trees (Bark Beetle) No unnecessary watering (decks, driveways, cars, etc.)	Increase public understanding of worsening water supply conditions and enforce mandatory conservation measures	Enforce mandatory measures and implement water rationing to decrease “normal” demand by 20% Mandatory: Odd/Even watering based on addresses Watering only during specific times of the day NO WATERING ON MONDAYS Water Fines are the same as in Stage 1
Severely Restricted Water Supplies Necessary 35% Total Supply Reduction	Drought Stage 3 – Mandatory restrictions (severe prohibitions) on use	Ensure that water use is limited to health and safety purposes	Enforce extensive restrictions on water use and implement water rationing to decrease demand up to 35% of “normal” demand. NO OUTSIDE WATERING Fines are DOUBLED those listed in Stage 1

VOLUNTEERS IN PREVENTION (VIP)

Hello BLSHA Members,

Happy Independence Day!!! I wish it would rain! I dream of it daily; however, this is not our reality. It is hot, dry and a dangerous time to play with fire. Please take a look at your property, and make sure that you and your property have the 100 defensible space clearance, which is needed and required. Last year, quite a lot of California burned up. We do not want 2021 to be our year, here on the Corridor. Please check your roofs, gutters and dead vegetation. Make sure that your rounds of wood are covered and that there isn't any vegetation within 10 feet of the pile. Make sure that your propane tanks are clear of all live and dead vegetation, for up to 10 feet around the tank. Please do not attempt to burn your yard waste. Cal Fire and/or EPFD will be called out. If they believe you are burning yard waste, you will be ticketed.

July inspections will begin on July 6, 2021. We have very few properties left that need major help. This month, we will be concentrating on the needles on roofs and piles of needles that were left on properties, during their clean-up efforts. We are pleased that everyone is working on their properties, but you must do your due diligence and either finish the job before you leave, or tarp up the debris for the next trip. Leaving the debris in a pile out in the open, is not a winning strategy. Take the extra 10 minutes and wrap up your loose ends, before heading out of town. If you received a BLSHA CC&R Notice for defensible space over the last 2 months, please be aware that you may be asked to appear in front of the BLSHA BOD at the following meeting, if the property has not been turned compliant.

Summer means BBQ's and fire pits. I have used both this year; however, please be safe. Do not place your BBQ under trees or near your wood stacks. Keep your BBQ in an open space and make sure you have a backup hose if needed. Please put your coals out as soon as you have finished cooking. Play it safe. It is not worth it. If you have a fire pit, that is acceptable. They can be fun late at night, but please keep a hose handy and never leave it unattended. We all can still have the things which make us think of Summer, but please be safe. Our families and properties are worth it.

If you have plans on building or changing the exterior of your home, please reach out to vip@blsha.com and we will send you the paperwork that you require. It takes an average of 2 weeks before you will receive your approval, but it can take longer. You only have 6 months to complete the work, from the time your ARC Application has been approved. Please reach out to us and we will tell you if we see anything that may hold up the process.

Please take a look at your trees. I have found quite a few dead standing trees, over the last 30 days. I also see many trees that were topped, during the February storm. Be very aware of those trees. Once they are dead, they must be removed.

We will continue to inspect properties every month, until the fire danger has been removed. I cannot wait for November!

Have a great July,

Thomas Hein

BLSHA Fire Prevention Coordinator



REC RAMBLINGS

Rec Ramblings

Summer is definitely here! Hot 90 degree plus temperatures, folks in the pool and lakes and an abundant amount of ice cream sales!
YEAH SUMMER 2021!!

We are ready for you and have some special plans for the July 4th holiday. On Saturday, July 3 at 2 p.m. we will do patriotic slime, 3 pm Sand Castles and at 4 pm Chalk it up. On the next day be prepared for non-stop action.

Of course on July 4 we are having our annual fishing derby...make sure you note it is on Sunday at 6:30 am for children 16 and younger. Respectfully we ask you to fish from the sides and not off the docks or in the roped off area. During the day remember to check out our Veterans Tribute booth down near the lower lawn area at 1 pm. The water slides will be back from 12 noon to 4 pm on Lodge Lake. Finish off the day with our Home Coming BBQ (reservations only) and our first ever Laser Light Show and Dance party in the amphitheater area.

We have a variety of special items for sale including princess crowns, LED glasses, glow sticks, pop rocks and more. Let's make this a very special night...get your camera ready to take special photos of the permanent lighted flag on Lodge Lake.

Word has it our Basketball Camp, led by Coach Tim Lilly, was a great success. We also heard a rumor that this is his last season here coaching. From the bottom of our hearts we thank him for sharing his love of basketball with our BLS children. Your contribution to us is truly appreciated.

As a reminder, we respectfully ask you to exit the facility at the cul-de-sac gate. Those attending Fly-In please check in at the kiosk. As always, present you member card and photo ID when checking in.

Happy 4th of July!

Judith A. Anderson, Summer Recreation
Director



Member To Member

Fact or Fiction

Meeting held Friday July 2, 2021

We had a very good meeting, Tony/Amber gave us the REAL data that debunked each agenda item taken from **Next Door (ND)**.

Other attendees and with congruence with the info as discussed at the meeting. Kevin Prosis Kayleen Clemens & Doug Hjelmhaug (as observers of the discussions)

Fiction

SIRS pays their own way. Meals are priced according to what is served and all meals have a profit margin

Husband/Wife. There have been a few times where a spouse has run after their spouse. No record of it ever being consecutively and with no Agenda lap over.

Restaurant patrons (part timers frequent more than full timers) ND claimed otherwise

Cedar Creek Cards (HOA gets standard pricing of \$15 when it is used by a guest at a Cedar Creek Rental not \$5.00 as suggested numerous times on ND)

In summary, not much truth to the **plethora** of accusations from ND.
Good voting :)

Thanks to Tony and Amber, who do a great job for us!

Mike McKenna,
Lot/Unit 159-13

Blue Lake Springs Homeowners' Association

Office Hours

Tuesday-Saturday ~ 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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Snowflake Lodge Restaurant

Friday and Saturday 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Please Call for Reservation (209) 795-2357

Summer Recreation (Memorial Day to Labor Day)

Recreation Office Phone (209) 795-4009
Email: blsrecreation@caltel.com

Board of Directors Meetings

Third Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

Board of Directors

President, Doug Hjelmhaug

Vice President, Mike McAtee

Treasurer, Joanne Schultz

Secretary, Dale Ward

Director, Steve Pollock

Director, Rick Giorgetti

Director, Roxanne Dubois

Your Association welcomes letters from members and will publish them in the Lodge Log on a space available basis. If necessary they will be edited for style and shortened to 200 words. Letters will not be returned to author. Formal policy is on file at the Association office. Members should request a copy of the policy if they are considering submitting a Member to Member

Administration

General Manager
Tony Abila
Assistant General Manager
Amber Meyer

Snowflake Lodge Restaurant

Chef Kris Fictner

Facilities

Facilities Manager,
Mark Owens

Summer Recreation

Summer Recreation Director,
Judith Anderson
Assistant Recreation Director
Veronica O'Boy



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