



News From Swains Creek

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1300 pounds of trout arrived & were planted in a two week span just before July 4th.

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Stop, Shop and Swap Another Success!!

The Annual Stop Shop and Swap was once again a success for all who participated. We were blessed with a little rain shower and a great camaraderie among all who came. We hope to have more people join in the fun next year.

If you didn't get to come, you missed out on some beautiful items that were for sale. Tony's furniture, Blankets by Cindy Daws, Toys, lights and knick knacks by Kathy Fuson, Jackie had tons of home décor items, Bill Rodreick showed his beautiful wood burning artwork, only to mention a few. Remember we want this to be your event and it will be always be on the First Saturday in July.

which will actually be on July 4th, next year. Tables are only \$5.00 each. Hopefully the monies collected will eventually be donated to the Children's playground area when and if that gets approved.

If you have any ideas or want to participate next year, please give me a call or give Bill a call. I hope to have a reminder in the newsletter each month as a reminder for you. We also had two generous donations by Kathy Fuson and Dee Ewing. Thank you both!

See you next year if not sooner. God keep you safe till then. Kathy Rodreick

Dumpster Area Abused By A Few Residents!!

Dayle R. Flanigan, District Ranger for the Dixie National Forest, has been contacted about the two piles of debris at the Swains Creek turn-off near Highway 14. He asked that we work within the Homeowners association to prevent this from

happening again. PLEASE use the dumpsters, and haul unacceptable items to the dump. Help to keep our Scenic Byway a beautiful place. Also remember to take all items, other than regular household garbage, to the dump near

Chairman's Chat

Hi everybody,

Well, since I'll bet that I wore you out with the last chat, I will keep this one short. The mountain looks great! The stream is still flowing into the pond, however we are losing about one inch of water a day. Hopefully we'll get some good summer storms that will help keep it at least partially full.

We experienced a version of the TV show "Deadliest Catch" going on before and during the 4th of July weekend. Not only did we stock the pond with over 800 pounds of trout in the last week of June that was completely fished out, we had to order an emergency stock of another 500 pounds of trout on July 3rd so that there would be good fishing for the weekend holiday. (See photos below and on cover page, Bill is always helping out). That totals out to over 1300 pounds of trout in less than two weeks. There must be an awful lot of freezers that are bursting with fish. We had budgeted for a total of three trout plants total this season and have now actually gone over our budget. However, if the pond level permits, I believe that the Board will allocate some extra funds into the fish budget to allow for a plant for the Labor Day weekend.



The roads are dusty again and I would like to ask everyone to drive no faster than 15 MPH when you are in an area with cabins nearby (what's the hurry anyway?). I always appreciate this kindness when cars/ATV's drive by my place. Thanks in advance for helping out. The KCWCD and the Board are close to finalizing the agreement we entered into to get the water system installed by granting them an easement for their well location. Our next big project will be the dust control on the roads in Swains. Please consider your vote carefully on the road dust control treatment question.

I hope that you join me in voting in FAVOR of this special assessment. I realize it is more money coming out of your wallet during these tough times but I believe the results will be well worth it.

One last thing, I want to thank all of you for being very careful and observing the fire danger warnings that are currently in place on the whole mountain. When I see how bad that they have it in California with wild-fires and cabins/homes being lost, I am very thankful that we have such responsible people in Swains.

THANK YOU for being so careful with your fires and keeping them in an approved fire pit if you need to have them at all.

As always, looking forward to meeting you on the mountain,
Alan.

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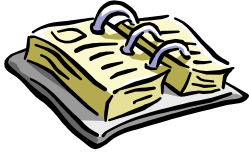
Orderville. Recently homeowners have been leaving couches, TV's, BBQ's etc...at the dumpsters. This is NOT ALLOWED!! Even if the item is in working order or you think someone else could use it, please do not leave the item at the dumpsters. The dumpster area is becoming an eyesore for those with a view that includes that end of the horse corrals. Also, the trash haulers are getting REALLY tired of it and may refuse to remove the items in the future if we keep abusing the rules. To get to the dump located in Orderville, turn right on Hwy 14 coming out of Swains Creek. At the junction of hwy's 14 & 89, turn right again. Continue south on hwy 89. The dump is located on the left hand side of the highway between Glendale and Orderville. Watch for the sign! It is open on Fridays and Saturdays only!!

Manager's Tidbits and Board Notes

***Thank you to the crew who came to the Adopt-A-Highway clean-up June 14: Bob & Una Runkle, Dee Ewing, Frank Pearce, Bill Rodreick, Norm Case, Alan & Teresa Zellhoefer, Karl Briggs, and Fred Zajac.

Next Association Board Meeting – August 16th 2008 at the barn - 10am.

Schedule of Association Board meetings: August 16th, August 31st (annual meeting), October 4th, and January 10th, 2009.



August 16th - Fire 'n Ice -Cedar Mountain Fire Protection Dist. At the Fire Hall

Labor Day Weekend - Saturday Night

Village End of Summer Party sponsored by The Duck Creek Village Merchants
Live Music Featuring Muddy Boots Band
6pm to 10pm @ Cedar Mountain Home Furnishings

Saturday: Swains Creek— **Camp Golden Eagle** 10am (tentative)

Sunday: Swains Creek—**Annual Meeting** 1pm at the Pavilion

Sunday: Swains Creek—**Annual BBQ** 5pm

Manager's Tidbits and Board Notes cont'd

***To volunteer for Labor Day activities, please contact Cheryl at: cheryl@comnett.net or Teresa at: tez@cox.net

Volunteers are especially needed for Camp Golden Eagle which takes place Sat. of the Labor Day weekend! It's great fun for the kids and grandkids of lot owners!!

Thank you to the generous folks who made donations when they paid their dues :-).

***Dustin Shively, of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, reported that the bear that was seen in Swains Creek, Meadow View, Duck Creek, and the Duck Creek campground was taken June 8 at Meadow View.

As public safety was the main concern, an officer shot the bear. Other bears may come to Swains Creek. If you see a bear, call 911 and remove hummingbird feeders, bird seed, deer feed, and garbage.

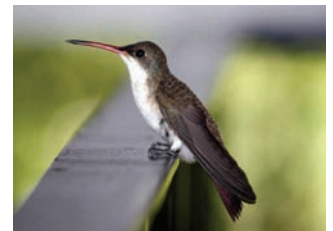


***Our next Board meetings will be August 16th, August 31st (annual meeting), and October 4th.

***Thank you to those who filled out the recent survey. Your responses and comments are appreciated!

Our last newsletter included the survey results, and is available at

www.swainscreekpines.com. Responses to comments will be included in our newsletters. One thing everyone seems to agree on is that the dust problem needs to be resolved. The Board will consider any suggestions.



***As to the mag chloride, the current estimate is \$75 for one application, with a minimum of two applications. The recommendation is for an application the first and second years, then skip one to two years and re-apply. The road surface would have to be improved before mag chloride could be applied. The roads in Swains are county roads, with a forest service road which is also a designated ATV trail. Although our tax dollars provide for road maintenance, unfortunately the maintenance provided by the County is not sufficient to control the excessive dust from our roads.

Several other subdivisions on Cedar Mountain are using mag chloride. It does help control the dust, and needs moisture to be effective. One lot owner responded that mag chloride eats up chrome on vehicles when it's wet. Another responded that it is very slippery to drive on when wet, and that it dries like cement on automobiles.

Swains Creek Pines Lot Owners Association uses two addresses:

1. Dues and assessment payments should be sent to our Computer Service:
Briggs Business Services, Inc.,
Irene Briggs
694 S Main Street
St. George, UT 84770.
2. Invoices to be paid should be sent to the Association Address:
Swains Creek Pines Lot Owners Association
P.O. Box 1164,
Duck Creek Village, UT 84762.
3. Matters concerning management of the development or facilities, may be addressed to the Association c/o Bill Rodreick at the Association address.
4. Barn Phone Number (435)-682-3127. Updated weather and road conditions are available by calling this number.
5. E-mail Address: swainscreek@infowest.com This e-mail address is accessed by Irene Briggs at her office in St. George. Sorry she's not able to answer questions about road conditions and weather.



Check out the following web site for Swains Creek Pines Info and Association postings: <http://www.swainscreekpines.com>

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As to the runway, one of our Board members uses it often and reports that it is in great shape, so we are not considering using mag chloride on the runway.

***Although the Sheriff's Department comes to Swains and issues tickets, ATV abuse is still a problem. Lot owners are responsible for their guests. Our Manager and several lot owners do contact people who fail to ride safely. Please report ATV abuse to the Kane County Sheriff at 435-644-2349, or (877) 644-2349.

***Suggestions to charge additional fees have been considered. Our Association amenities include fishing, use of the runway, pavilion, tennis courts, etc. We will not be charging landing fees for use of the runway, and we will not be charging for fishing licenses.

***As to the playground, liability issues should be resolved with an extra insurance rider, at a cost of \$70 per year. At this time, the Board will consider any proposals for a playground. Yes, parents should be present and supervise their children.

***As to Camp Golden Eagle/Labor Day, it is true that a few volunteers do a lot of work. The Board has considered discontinuing the events. Based on the survey results, we will have the events this year. The Board will discuss this issue again. We are hopeful there will be more volunteers. All help is appreciated. Yes, crafts will be included again this year.

***Pot lucks are a great way to meet our neighbors, and are a lot of fun. "Swains Creek Days" is a great suggestion, and will be discussed further.