



March 2019 Newsletter

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 10 am to 3 pm
(Excluding Holidays)

PHONE: 530-644-2182

Planning Meeting: 1st Wednesday of every month

Board Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of every month

Fire Safety Meeting: Monday of every month between
Planning and Board Meetings

All above meetings are held at the SSOA lodge on Edelweiss and start at 6:30 pm.

Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 11:00AM—Rules Workshop**—The SSOA is developing rules regarding fences, sheds, vehicles, etc. The Board will be holding a Workshop regarding development and implementation of the rules. This is the meeting originally scheduled for January 17, 2019 but canceled for weather related issues.
- **Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 10:00AM—Annual Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt at SSOA Lodge.** Volunteers needed, please contact the SSOA Office if you are able to help out.
- **Friday, May 24, 2019—Both pools are scheduled to open.** Pool hours: 9 AM adult swim only, 10 AM-8 PM open swim daily.
- **Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 10:00 AM—Annual Meeting**—The Board will discuss accomplishments during the past year and goals for next year, and introduce new Board Members. Also, there will be guest speaker(s) on a subject of interest. The speaker(s) will be announced on the SSOA website and social media. Danish and coffee will be served.

SSOA Board of Director Elections

There are two openings on the SSOA Board of Directors for a two year term starting July 1, 2019. If you are interested in serving your community by serving on the SSOA Board, please fill out the enclosed "Notice of Candidacy" form and submit to the SSOA office by 3:00PM, April 22, 2019. Note: the "Notice of Candidacy" is the fourth page of the "Request for Candidates" package.

Pool Monitors Needed

\$10.50 an hour, part-time shifts available Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays June through Mid-September. Job duties include: checking recreation cards to ensure that only members and their guests are using the pool, checking pool chemicals, wiping down tables, picking up visible trash around the pool and ensuring that members & their guests are following the SSOA Rules. Ages 15 through 80+ are welcome to apply.

Trash

Please be conscientious and pick-up the trash that falls out of your trash can each week after your garbage has been picked up. We are finding a lot of trash on the shoulder of the roads and in the street. Also, please be aware that trash is found at the school bus stops as well. Please help us keep Sierra Springs a beautiful place to live.

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Winter Storms

February was a very difficult month for many of our Sierra Springs families. Prolonged power outages, impassable roads, not to mention record snow, rain and wind has resulted in damage to many homes, trees and properties in our community. In this regard we offer a **special thank you** to the many residents who cleared fallen trees and other debris from the Sierra Springs roadways during these storms. However, there still remains a lot of vegetative debris along our roadways. Currently the SSOA maintenance man has been working along the roadways to address this issue. However, there is more work than he can accomplish by himself. Therefore, the SSOA is looking into alternatives to assist him in removing and/or chipping the debris with either a contractor, volunteers or a combination of both. There will be work zones set up along our roadways, so please drive accordingly. Any major developments will be posted on the SSOA website at www.sierraspringsowners.org and social media.

In addition, there are many downed trees and limbs on private property. These trees and limbs will need to be addressed before the summer/fall fire season. The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council has a free chipping program to assist with cleanup. To apply, go to the website www.edcfiresafe.org, then select the action tab, then the chipper program. The SSOA and SSRFSC looking into any possible additional assistance that can be provided to homeowners in this effort. Again, any major developments will be posted on the SSOA website at www.sierraspringsowners.org and social media.

Role of Sierra Springs Regional Fire Safe Council (SSRFSC)

The Sierra Springs Regional Fire Safe Council (SSRFSC) became a 501(C)3 non-profit corporation under the umbrella of the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council in order to apply for grant funding. The SSRFSC's mission is to keep Sierra Springs and its neighboring communities fire free and fire safe through education, fire prevention activities and emergency response planning. The SSRFSC has received state and federal grants for roadside fuel reduction and will continue to apply for grants in the future.

The roots of the SSRFSC began when the Sierra Springs Fire Safety committee was formed under the backing of the Sierra Springs Owners Association (SSOA) Board. The committee's role (performed by the SSRFSC) continues today and includes conducting defensible space evaluations on all properties within Sierra Springs, reporting to the SSOA Board, and making recommendations to the SSOA Board. Its primary objective is to **save lives and property**, not to be a nuisance or an irritation.

Off Road Driving in the Meadow

During the February winter storms someone has been tearing up the meadow by the lodge with their 4X4 vehicle. This activity is strictly forbidden and must stop. If you observe someone doing this, please report them to Shelly at 530-644-2182