



SSOA NEWSLETTER MARCH 2026

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MEETINGS:

EXECUTIVE MEETING: 1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH (BOARD MEMBERS ONLY, LIMITED EXCEPTIONS).

BOARD MEETING: 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH (OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS).

FIRE SAFETY MEETING: FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH (OPEN TO EVERYONE)

MEETINGS START AT 6:30 PM AT THE LODGE. AGENDAS ON SSOA WEBSITE.



Did you know the Easter Bunny originated from German Lutheran folklore, and originally played the role of a judge, evaluating whether children were good or disobedient, like the "naughty or nice" list made by Santa Claus? Yep, it is true! But the Easter Bunny visiting the SSOA Easter Breakfast Event is not judging any children! This Bunny is hiding lots of colored eggs filled with candy and toys for children young and old! How fun is that?

Please join your SSOA neighbors for the annual Easter Event on April 4th from 10 to 12 at the Lodge. Attend and enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, eggs, sausages, juice, coffee and great conversation. If we are "good" the Easter Bunny may stick around and sit for pictures with the children!

Bunco Anyone? *The Neighborhood Ladies Bunco Group needs substitute players to fill in when a full-time player is unable to play and calls in for a substitute to take their place. The Group meets the third Tuesday of each month. Games start at 6:30 p.m. at the SSOA Lodge and include snacks, beverages, and a dessert to share. All you need to play is \$5, 3 dice, and a pencil/pen to keep your score. It is an easy game to play, no skill needed, just luck! The Ladies will teach you how to play if needed.*

The Group has been active for over 25 years and consists of 12 ladies! It is all about getting together, having fun, and making connections in the community. Join and meet new friends, as well as enjoying a night out. If interested, please contact Lisa Vitorelo by phone at (415) 246-1375 or by email at lvitorelo@gmail.com.

Community Cleanup - The Sierra Springs Regional Fire Safe Council and the Sierra Springs Owners Association are once again sponsoring a Community Clean Up event! The event will take place on Saturday, May 2, 2026, from 9 a.m. until bins are full. Like the events before, dumpsters will be available at both pools. SSOA Residents can dispose of their pine needles and leaves in compostable paper bags. For your convenience, packets of compostable bags will be available at the April 4th Easter Event along with Fire Safety committee member(s) to answer any questions, provide additional information regarding the cleanup event, and any new updates on the fire safety rules affecting your community. Packets of Combustible bags will also be available at the Lodge for pickup anytime. Please only take five (5) packets.

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Revised Architectural Application Form – The form is now 3 pages! The third page provides necessary information about the 0-5-foot noncombustible zone (Zero Zone) which forms the homes most critical area of defensible space. As you plan your projects, keep the zero zone in mind!

SSOA Board of Directors:

Tony Graunstadt — President
Chris Kassis — Vice President
Kay Campbell — Treasurer
William McHugh — Secretary
Vacant — Director

Defensible Space Evaluations – which focus on the vegetation and combustible materials on or near SSOA homes – are scheduled to begin June 1, 2026. Although the evaluations are mandatory, it is important to remember they are performed as part of SSOA's continued efforts to keep the community safe and the incidence of fires minimal or nonexistent! Please refer to the March 2026 Fire Safety 1st Notice either emailed or mailed to all SSOA Property Owners in March for a more detailed explanation of the process and all the requirements!

POOLS TO OPEN MAY 22ND AND SSOA NEEDS POOL MONITORS!

Want to get out of the house for a few hours - Spend some time outdoors each week - Become a pool monitor! Part-time duties include checking passes to ensure only members and their guests are using the pool; addressing unacceptable behaviors (see pool rules) and performing maintenance which includes wiping down tables and chairs as needed and picking up loose visible trash around the pools.

Pool monitors should be available to work part-time shifts on Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays. The position pays \$16.90 an hour. Interested individuals should contact Shelly at the Association office.

Call for Candidates - 2026

In June, there will be three (3) open SSOA Director positions, each for a term of two (2) years. Board of Directors are extremely important for the operation of the Association. When reviewing the "Call For Candidates Notice" you received, please consider joining the Board! Your participation is truly needed!

[2026 Director Election Form](#)

Yard Cleanup - As you do your storm and yard cleanup this spring, please remember to clean up the area from your yard to the street. Although technically not your property, it requires maintenance just like your yard! This includes cleaning out any culverts that may be at the end of your driveway or property. THANK YOU!

The Annual SSOA Board Meeting is June 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Coffee, tea, juice, and pastries will be provided!