



Cohasset Community Association NEWSLETTER

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Happy Holidays!!



The Cohasset Children's Halloween Carnival was on Saturday, Oct. 29, at the CCA. There were games, the famous cake walk, the all ages costume contest, cupcake decorating, trunk or treat, crafts and more. Thanks to all who donated decorated cakes for the cake walk. We also brought back the popular coin hunt, and appreciate all the coins that were donated!



Adult Costume Contest Winners-
"The Hocus Pocus Gang"



Costume Contest Winners- 6-10



Costume Contest Winners- Teens



Costume Contest Winners- 0-5

Witches and pirates and rabbits, oh my! Our Halloween Carnival was so much fun! The weather was perfect, the costumes were awesome, and everyone was having their best time.

Thanks to the hard work of our CCA board and many others, we were able to pull off the Carnival once again. A big thanks to everyone who donated cakes, cupcakes, coin for the coin hunt, and showed up for Trunk or Treat.

Thanks to Candace who organized the Costume Contest, Linda and Liz who ran the kitchen, Nala who helped with crafts, Linda F. who helped with games and Steve M. who ran the coin hunt. Bryan Hanson really went all out on coin hunt donations.

While once again Cohasset's creativity was on display with so many wonderful costumes, there were standouts in a variety of categories.



Christmas Children's Store Sunday, December 11, 11-2p.m.

The Cohasset 4-H is pleased to be able to sponsor the Cohasset Children's Christmas Store again this year. It is our absolute favorite community service project, that we inherited from the Cohasset School PTA.

All young people are invited to shop for gently used donated items at very reasonable prices. Most articles go for between \$.10 and \$2.00. The 4-H group will be collecting donations during this month. We could especially use toys, and gifts for men, such as tools, BBQ accessories, sports equipment, sports logo stuff, as well house wares. No used clothes, please. After purchase we will wrap and tag all the kids gifts. Adult shoppers will be welcomed at 2 p.m. at regular thrift store prices.

Call Susana at 530 893-0109 or get ahold of any 4-H member if you have something to donate or would like to help wrap gifts.

Cohasset Art Show!

Saturday, November 12 5:30

Perfect opportunity to dress up nice, enjoy some tasty bites, and view your neighbors art!!



COHASSET TURKEY BINGO



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19th @ THE CCA
DOORS OPEN @ 6:30 PM - START @ 7 PM**

8 ROUNDS OF BINGO WITH 4

TURKEYS TO WIN

\$15 BUY IN & \$2 DAUBERS

\$1 WATER BOTTLES & \$1 SODAS

BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS • BYOB

MUST BE 18+ TO BE PRESENT & TO PLAY

**COME WIN A TURKEY OR
A ROUND BONUS IN \$\$**

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**Playground Update!**

After many months of supply chain related delays, our play structure finally arrived! This play structure is designed for ages 2-12, and will be installed on the back half of the CCA property in the coming months. This part of the playground project will be in conjunction with an Eagle Scout project being developed by one of our Cohasset youth, Jake Rooks. Jake and his troop will be working on a seating area as well as other improvements to the site..

Phase 2 will be all about swings!

Community Christmas**Chorus**

The CCA is sponsoring a Christmas Choir this year! The choir is open to all ages, and anyone is welcome to join— no experience necessary! We will be singing standard Christmas carols, as well as some gospel tunes. Practice will be held on Monday nights from 6– 7:30 starting on November 27th. Come out and join the fun!

**CCA Guitar****Drive!**

Do you have a decent acoustic guitar in the closet that needs some love and attention? The CCA is gathering guitar donations for our upcoming guitar camp in the spring! And we hope to be able to provide guitars for those that don't own one. Missing strings and minor repairs are not a problem! The Guitar Camp will be a series of group lessons where a person can learn the basics— including tuning, chords, guitar tablature and playing simple melodies. Different levels will be offered, from beginning to advanced, Contact President Dan if you want to make a donation. 530-514-1125

**Mountain Music Finale '22**

The last Mountain Music of the year was held on October 15, and it was a stellar event! The attendance was HUGE and the music was the BEST! We again want to express our appreciation for our fabulous Mountain Music team, especially Kenny and Berenice! The team once again showed their dedication to our community through their actions, and the gift of their time and talents. Thanks, and looking forward to next year!!!

Cohasset EPC Report

Hello Fellow Cohassians,
Now that we are moving from Fire Season and into Winter Season, it shifts our focus on our properties and while outdoors, to how we can still use our radios to help ourselves and our neighbors. During Winter, we have trees fall that often block roads, patches of black ice that can cause accidents and cars spinning out and winding up in the ditch. Because of our terrain, cell phone coverage is slim to none in a lot of areas up here.

With the GMRS radios we are able to utilize either the Cohasset Repeater or one of the two County Repeaters – Bloomer and Platt – to relay requests for help and to alert each other of a potential hazard using our GMRS radios. If you would like additional information please contact me at my home phone number (530) 345-1535 or go to our Cohasset Community Association website at: <https://www.cohassetcommunity.org/emergency-communications.html>.

The Butte County CERT program does still have a free radio assistance program for folks who just can't get a radio without help. The link to that is: <https://buttecountycert.com/radio-help/>.

Moving on to the AlertFM program. This program is another way to receive Code Red Alerts in the event of a life threatening emergency. The AlertFM program is not a new program, just new to us and our terrain. It is still having it's share of glitches which is to be expected.

Our County and the company which provides the equipment are continuing to work out the problems and make the AlertFM system more dependable. The receivers are small devices, about the size of a two packs of cigarettes and sits on your counter or hangs on your wall. You don't need to do anything once it is set up. The AlertFM receiver comes programmed for your actual street address and once you install a back up battery (for when our power fails) and turn it on, it automatically searches for an FM station and locks on.

They have these receivers here in Butte County and you simply go to the website linked below and fill out the application or call **(530) 552-6887**. Be sure to use your actual location here in Cohasset. We are in an area designated Extreme Fire so the device should still be free for Cohassians. The link to get to the application is: <http://www.buttecounty.net/dess>. Scroll down until you reach the section titled "Alert FM Notification System".

Take care and stay safe,
Maggie Krehbiel
Chair, Cohasset EPC/GMRS

News from the Cohasset Fire Safe Council

The Cohasset Fire Safe Council has been very active over the past couple of months.

In September we held a meeting for the children to learn about packing their go-bags. The meeting was an interactive meeting where the children packed a boy's go-bag and a girl's go-bag. In addition to clothing, parents were advised that the child's name and address needs to be in the go-bag, a meeting place needs to be written down and placed in the go-bag. Who the child may leave the hill with also needs to be in writing in the child's go-bag, along with contact numbers for the parents and close relatives. This information is critical for law enforcement to help reunite the child with the parents in the event that the child becomes separated from the parent during a fire, for one reason or another.



The October meeting featured John Maretti, from North Valley Animal Rescue. John talked about his organization, and how that organization can help during an evacuation. The hotline for North Valley Animal Rescue is 530-895-0000, if you need help evacuating animals, or rescuing your pets that may have been left behind, this is the number to call.

The next meeting of the Cohasset Fire safe Council will be in February 2023. Everyone have a wonderful Thanksgiving and holiday season.



4-H Report

Wow! What a start to our new 2022-2023 program year! With lots of new members and some new leaders and projects, we are set for a great year.

We had our first meeting on Sept. 7 where we introduced our projects, elected officers, and got to know our new members. Congratulations to our new officers:

Trinity Davis- President
Michelle Carrol- Vice President
Keira VanDorian- Secretary
Miyagi Pocock- Treasurer
Violet Mitchell and Arya Pocock-
Historians
Kaymani Pocock- Entertainment
Officer

We are offering some of our same old projects; Arts and Crafts, Cooking, Welding, and Swine. This year we are lucky enough to have Lori Hamilton step up and lead a sewing project and Candace Erickson volunteering to lead Outdoor Adventures.

We got started with our projects in October. Jion Lingemann had the first Welding meeting, Heather Lingemann cooked apple bars with our Cooking Group and Susana Malcolm led the Arts and Crafts group as they made scarecrows to decorate the Halloween Carnival. A big thank you to Jion for all his help assembling them. Our Sewing and Outdoor Adventures groups will be meeting soon, as the new leaders finish up their training.

This month our group is in charge of running a county wide 4-H event called Foods Fiesta. Butte County members can make a favorite dish, give a presentation on it, and share it with the other participants.

Our next big project is the Cohasset Childrens' Christmas Store scheduled for Dec. 11th. Cohasset kids can come shop for donated items for everyone on their Christmas lists at very reasonable prices.

It is not too late to join 4-H. We are open to all school age children. Dues are \$62 a year. Fee waivers may be available. Contact Susana at 530 893-0109 for more info.



Prescribed Fire in Cohasset

Cohasset Ridge has been the recipient of many community grants in the last few years. We are very fortunate to be one of the remaining “green ridges” in Butte County that have not burned in the last decade. We have our very own, “Cohasset Forest Management Plan” and also the Butte County Forest Health Guidebook to assist us in successfully restoring our properties.

As we are learning, it is a big responsibility to steward our lands. Whether our lands are big or small acreages, it takes commitment and often help! Building or remodelling our homes to make them fire safe. Creating defensible space around homes allowing firefighters to potentially save them. Thinning our driveways, private roads and county roads for evacuation routes. Then, if our properties are larger, moving these lands with an ecological vision to where they are resistant and resilient to fire and climate change.

The grants we have received and will continue to receive in the coming years have allowed many landowners to have defensible space created, driveways and private roads cleared and our evacuation routes hardened. Some have taken advantage of My Sierra Woods, Natural Resources Conservation Service monies and others opportunities to masticate or have their trees thinned. Historically our forests were less crowded with larger trees and grasslands, created by fire.

Besides thinning, prescribed fire is another tool for landowners in Cohasset and several are using this ancient method of ecological restoration. Native Americans have utilized fire for thousands of years for food cultivation, hunting, gathering and dozens of other uses. Before the age of fire suppression, lightning or native American fires burned 5-12 million acres yearly in California. California landscapes evolved with fire. Now there are too many humans and infrastructure to let all wildfires burn. However, we know we can set fire to our lands to make them more like they were historically - resilient and healthy.

For many this is an unsettling thought!

Six fortunate Cohassians were able to attend the TREX (Prescribed Fire training Exchange) workshops this past month. Some took all 6 days of training others only two. These trainings are phenomenal opportunities to learn from professionals how to start “good fire” on our lands. This training is allowing folks from all over Northern California and beyond to become proficient in prescribed fire. The education contains medical, weather, equipment, cultural, communications, fire ecology and behaviour information with intense, hands on practice. This mostly volunteer team of hundreds in the North state will be available

to attend prescribed fire events on public and private lands (depending on experience and certification)

Chico State is educating and training fire practitioners at the University and at the Big Chico Creek Ecological Reserve to effectively plan and safely implement prescribed burns. Don Hankins, a professor at Chico State is known around the world regarding his expertise and knowledge of fire.

There is loads of information about prescribed fire and how it benefits our woodlands and neighborhoods on line. “The Lookout”, is Zeke Lunders blog containing video and explanation. There is an excellent interview with Wolfy Roughly who started the Butte County Prescribed Burn Association.

Many property owners in Cohasset will be starting good fire in the coming months if the weather cooperates. Permits, clearing, inspections, volunteers, staff, equipment and good fire weather must be in place for everything to align. We may be able to have one of our local experts come to a Fire Safe Council in the future. We hope to have an “open house” or “look see” on one of these burns to allow others in Cohasset to see how the process works and ask questions. It is quite special and inspirational to work with many folks taking care of and maintaining our lands together.



Submitted by Trish Puterbaugh

Cohasset Community Association Presents

HOLIDAY PIE TAKE & BAKE SALE

Pre-order the pies of your choice. All pies are hand made with love and care, packaged raw and frozen for you to pick up in time for the holidays. Keep frozen until ready to prepare. Each pie comes with instructions to bake fresh. Give the gift of one less thing to plan, and one more thing to enjoy.

TRADITIONAL 9 INCH APPLE PIE-----\$15.00 EACH

A delicious classic made thoughtfully with Vegan friendly ingredient.

DELUXE 9 INCH APPLE PIE-----\$20.00 EACH

Vegetarian freindly, enhanced with a crumble topping and drizzled with caramel.

Paid pre-orders accepted up until November 13th. Pick up your pies on Sunday, November 20th, at the CCA between 1 and 4 in the afternoon. Get your orders in early, (See order form below.)
Orders are first come, first serve. Limited amount of pies are available.

Cut along dotted line and mail order form and remittance to: Cohasset Community Association, 11 Maple Creek Ranch Rd., Cohasset, or drop the form off in person to the CCA. For questions or additional services call Kathy at 530-343-1479.

Order Form

Name: _____

Contact Number/email _____

Traditional Apple Pie

Quantity: _____ @\$15.00 each Total Price: _____

Deluxe Apple Pie

Quantity: _____ @\$20.00 each Total Price: _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Refunds will be issued on orders recieved after November 13th, or once the limit has been reached
Money is due when order is placed. (Make checks payable to CCA)