

# COHASSET COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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WINTER 2016

### TOWN HALL MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 24—6:30 P.M.

The Cohasset Community Association is hosting a Town Hall Meeting Thursday, March 24, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the community association building. We urge residents to attend.

This is intended to be an informational meeting, but residents are encouraged to bring questions and concerns.

The focus of the meeting will be on public services and the Cohasset roadway. Representatives attending are:

- CHP
- Butte County Sheriff
- CalFire
- Sheriff Road Crew
- Public Works
- Code Enforcement
- Butte Fire Safe Council
- Supervisor Maureen Kirk

### SHERIFF CREW—ROADSIDE EASEMENT CLEARANCE

As most of you have probably already noticed by now, the Sheriff Road Crew has been working diligently on clearing the roadside easement up and down the Cohasset Road since last fall. This is great news to residents!

The Sheriff Road Crew and

Public Works have been awarded grant monies towards roadside easement clearance. Some of these funds have come out of the state Fire Prevention Fee that you, the property owners, pay annually.

Cohasset has a one way in one way out situation in

cases of emergency evacuation. It is imperative that our ingress and egress routes be kept clear for residents and emergency vehicles.

Please be aware that the crew will be on the hill through 2017. Slow down and give them a brake!

### CCA CALENDAR

**Tai Chi**—Monday 6:30 pm

**Yoga**—Tuesday 6:30 pm  
Sunday 9:30 am

**Commodities**—2nd  
Wednesday 12:00

**Brew Club**—2nd  
Wednesday 7:00 pm

**CCA Board**—2nd  
Thursday 6:30

**Horseshoes**—2nd Saturday 1:00 *returns in May*

**4-H**—1st Wednesday 6:30 pm

**Mtn. Music**—3rd Saturday 6:00 pm *returns in March*

**Town Hall Meeting**—Thursday, March 24, 6:30 pm

**Chili Cook-Off**—Saturday, April 9, 12:00—5:00

**Cohasset Road Clean-Up**—Saturday, May 21, TBA



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# CCA YARD AND BUILDING CLEAN-UP DAY

## April 2 at Noon

Come on out to help your CCA board get our yard and building ready for all our spring events! If you enjoy horseshoes, Mt. Music and the Chili Cook Off, please help us get the yard in shape for those events. Bring a rake and a wheelbarrow and show up ready to help out. If you would rather work inside we can set you up with window washing or table repair. We will supply a free hot dog and a soda to every participant. See you there!

We would also like to thank some members of our community who have helped with recent repairs to the building. Eric Peterson and Clancy Gehrke repaired a leaky toilet, Dan Botsford replaced an emergency light, Gary Lee had the fire extinguishers serviced, and Joby Dawson checked out some electrical issues. Clancy is in the process of refurbishing the sign over the walkway and it should be returning soon. Thanks for all your help.

### **Renew your Membership or Join the CCA Today**

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# COHASSET ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF 2016

**SATURDAY-APRIL-09TH 12:00-5:00**

**\$5.00 FOR ADMISSION**

**KIDS UNDER 10 EAT FREE**

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As most of you are aware, the Cohasset Road fuel break project has started up again. Butte County Public Works, along with the Sheriff road crews, will be thinning and chipping brush alongside Cohasset Road. This project is funded thru a SRA fee funded grant. Crews are slated to remove and thin brush down Cohasset Road to Keefer and Villas to Mud Creek. They will be working Monday thru Thursday weather permitting. Be aware of crews working alongside the roadway and be prepared for traffic delays. Please

## CALFIRE—COHASSET STATION 22

drive cautiously.

After 25 years of serving the community of Cohasset and Butte County, Gary Rogers and Elizabeth Weber will be retiring from volunteer Company 21 at the end of March. Thank you for your service, dedication, and friendship. Congratulations Gary and Liz!

I would like to welcome our three new Co 21 volunteers: Randy Robb, Kenni Huff, and Heather Roberts. All three are set to graduate the volunteer academy on March 5th and will be full responders. Unfortunately they will not be able to respond on the volunteer equipment until more training is completed. Nonethe-

less, we are excited to have them be part of CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire and Rescue and serving the community of Cohasset.

If you are interested in becoming or want more information on becoming a volunteer log on to [www.joinbcfd.org](http://www.joinbcfd.org) or stop by the station.

Spring time is right around the corner and it's the perfect time to get out and start clearing around your property. We can't stress enough how important it is to have defensible space around your homes. Summer time will be here before you know it and you want to be prepared. If you would like us to come out and do a defensible space inspection, don't hesitate to

stop by and ask. Within the next month or so, we will be out conducting inspections.

At this time, burn permits are not required; however you still have to call for burn day status. Air quality control information can be found by calling 530-332-9407 or visiting [www.bcaqmd.org](http://www.bcaqmd.org).

Starting May 1st, burn permits will be required. You can stop by the station and pick one up if needed. Remember, if and when the fuels dry out the potential for escape increases. Provide 10 feet of clearance around your pile, clear to bare soil, and have a water source nearby. You can only burn natural vegetation, and piles can be no larger than 4x4 foot piles.

## Chipper Program for Wildfire Safety!



Do you have fallen branches, overgrown brush and other vegetation that needs Chipping? The Chipper Program is once again offering service to residents who are working on their wildfire safety clearance. The program provides an alternative to burning or hauling fire hazardous brush.

The Chipper program is in its fourteenth year and anticipates offering service this season until May 15<sup>th</sup> but don't wait to get your fire prevention work done!

To prepare brush and limbs for the Chipper Program:

1. Stack cut brush and limbs in a row within 5 feet of the road edge with the ends facing towards the road.
2. Rows should be stacked no more that 4 feet high.
3. Keep mud, rocks and roots out of the rows.
4. Locate the rows so the truck and chipper can easily access them, no off-road locations allowed.

To participate in the Chipper Program please call 530-877-0984. The Program is a service of the Butte County Fire Safe Council, a non-profit organization.

## SUPERVISOR MAUREEN KIRK



I hope you are enjoying the rain. It doesn't seem that there has been much snow in Cohasset this

year. You are lucky to have a proactive citizen who calls me when there is snow on the ground to remind me to remind Public Works to get up there and plow.

I've been asked to explain the process for code enforcement responses.

**AVA—Abandoned Vehicle Abatement:** The presence of an abandoned, wrecked, dismantled or inoperative vehicle on private or public property, except as permitted, is declared to constitute a public nuisance which may be debated.

**Generator Noise:** Excessive, unnecessary or offensive noise within the county is detrimental to the public health, safety, welfare, peace and quiet of the inhabitants of the county and is therefore declared a nuisance. There is an establishment of maximum permissible noise

levels.

**Junk in Public View:** Junk shall not be stored in the open unless the premises upon which it is stored are enclosed by a fence of a type and height recommended by the Planning Commission.

**Nuisance Abatement:** This is a condition which creates a public nuisance. In general, this includes anything which is injurious to health, poses a significant potential to cause economic and/or physical injury, constitutes a significant detriment to the prevention or suppression of fire, or interferes with the provision of emergency services to the public. It also includes anything

which is indecent or offensive to the senses. . .and affects an entire community or neighborhood.

**Unsafe Structures:** Structures become unsafe because of inadequate means of egress, inadequate light or ventilation, constitutes a fire hazard, or. . .involves illegal or improper occupancy or inadequate maintenance, shall be deemed unsafe. . . .a vacant structure that is not secured against entry shall be deemed unsafe.

There is also code enforcement for marijuana grows as prescribed by Measure A which are larger than the box determined by the size of the property.

The whole text may be viewed at: [www.buttecounty.net](http://www.buttecounty.net), then click on Departments and go to Development Services. Call 538-6000 if you have questions. This same page also has citizen complaint forms for code enforcement, noise control ordinances, and restrictions on medical marijuana cultivation. It takes 24-48 hours to respond that the complaint was received. A site visit response takes about a week to 10 days. With contact information, return calls can be made for further information. For anonymous complaints, check "E-track it" or call to see if the complaint has been received.

I will see you at the Town Hall Meeting on March 24.

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## ON THE HILL YOGA—LARA CONKEY-WIEBELHAUS

Our community of yogi's has grown. What a treasure it has been to watch everyone's practice grow and develop. Classes are at 9:30 on Sunday morning and 6:30 on Tuesday evening.

Yoga is an amazing way to get in touch and shape the body and mind. I guide students through meditation or centering, gentle movements and poses, sun salutations and standing postures, ending with a calming closing sequence. A focus on breath,

alignment, mindfulness, holding poses, vinyasa flow, restorative postures are a few things a student may experience in a class with me. We might stop and discuss a posture or discuss the many ways using props can help a student move into a posture safely. I have props available during class.

I am very passionate about sharing my knowledge of yoga with any level or ability. Join us at the CCA Building and start your

yoga journey, or continue..... I would love to see you.

Namaste.



## COHASSET 4-H—SUSANA MALCOM

We have been active on the hill again this winter. We sponsored the Cohasset Children's Christmas Store in December, participated in the county Fun Night Event on Feb. 3, and by the time you get this, we will have been on a ski trip to Mt. Shasta on Feb. 28. Our projects of hiking, arts and crafts, cooking, welding and Clover Buds have been meeting regularly. We are checking out chili recipes for the

big Cook Off on April 9.

A big thank you to everyone who helped us pull off the Christmas store again this year. Thank you to everyone who made donations, helped with wrapping, set up and clean up, and showed up to shop. Lara cancelled yoga on that day so we could set up. It is a big job and we really appreciate the whole community pitching in.

Our next big project was to create a game booth for the Butte County Fun Night. It is the only fundraiser that supports the county 4-H during the year. The theme this year was "Story Time with 4-H." Our booth was a Jeopardy themed game asking questions about popular children's books. We had lots of kids come play and had a good time.

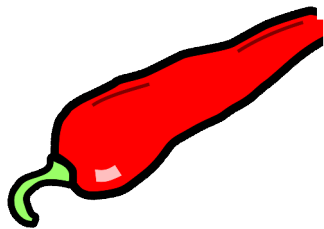
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## GUESS WHAT?

*It's time to spread the April Cheer,*

*CCA Chili Cook-Off is here.*

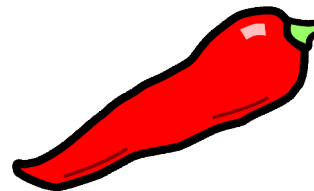
*Cohasset businesses, events, and groups*

*All up here, have no fear,*

*Hard to wait to taste your chili this year.*

*So all you cooks! It's time to play,*

*Sign up today! Don't wait another day!*

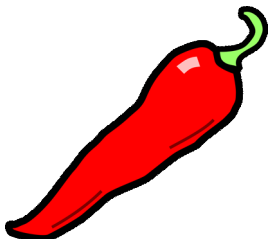


Please contact Chili Cook-Off committee for details

Rules and regulations if you are interested in cooking

Or if you can donate to the raffle

All contributions will help!



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