

Cohasset Community Association

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Community Events

- Final Mountain Music for 2023 10/21
- Bingo 10/20, 11/18
- Halloween Carnival 10/28
- EPC Mtg. 10/29
- Art Show! 11/4

Cohasset's 53rd Annual Bazaar and Music Festival: A Circus Spectacular Under the Big Top!

Cohasset rolled out the red carpet for a spectacular weekend of fun, food, and festivities this August for Cohasset's 53rd Annual Bazaar and Music Festival. This year's theme, "Under the Big Top," brought a circus extravaganza like no other to our beloved community.

As we bid farewell to another incredible event, let's take a moment to recap the magic, fun, and camaraderie that filled our hearts. One thing's for sure, the bazaar wouldn't be the same without our tried and true activities that have become anticipated traditions even the years.

pated traditions over the years. The best local bands provided the sound-track to our weekend of merriment. Our toes were tapping and spirits soaring as we raised our koozies with friends enjoying a selection of Sierra Nevada beverages that added extra cheer to the festivities.

We leisurely strolled checking out the marvelous vendors that never disappoint with handcrafted treasures and unique finds. Our taste buds were tantalized with an array of delectable treats. From savory hamburgers and burritos to mouthwatering brownies and cupcakes, there was something for every palate.

Laughter and joy abounded in the kids' area. Face painting, crafts, and games kept our little ones entertained and created cherished memories. Excitement mounted as we eagerly awaited the results of our raffles. Prizes aplenty were won, and some lucky winners walked away with big smiles. This year, we introduced some new offerings to the bazaar as well. The silent auction offered some incredible art items and

the circus-themed photo booth helped capture some snapshots that we'll treasure for a long time yet.

Not only is Cohasset's Annual Bazaar and Music Festival one of the most exciting community events of the year, but also what makes the event even more special is the fact that all the profits collected from entry fees, merchandise sales, food, and bake booths go right back into the Cohasset community. These funds will support building and grounds maintenance, improvements, and upcoming community events. It's the embodiment of the spirit of giving and togetherness that defines Cohasset.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors who made this event possible. Without your dedication and support, the bazaar wouldn't have been the incredible experience it was. A special shoutout goes to Nicole Regan and Candace Erickson, the creative and logistical masterminds behind this year's amazing event. Your hard work and passion shone through!

As we bid adieu to Cohasset's 53rd Annual Bazaar and Music Festival, we carry with us the memories, laughter, and community

spirit that make Cohasset a place we call home. We eagerly await for the next year's event under the majestic Cohasset pine trees!

Submitted by Julia Plotkina



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2023 Bazaar Highlights































Cohassian of the Year 2023 Nicole Regan Volunteer of the Year Candace Erickson

This year our Cohassian of the Year Award was presented to **Nicole Regan**. Not only is she the Vice President of our Community Association, but Nicole helps coordinate our commodities and food pantry program. She also shares her skills as an amazing graphics artist, she runs our winter Bingo and she designs and creates our wonderful CCA merchandise. Nicole is a terrific member of our community, and we are blessed with her many talents!

Our Cohasset Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to **Candace Erickson**. Every year Candace puts forth a tremendous amount of energy putting on the annual Bazaar, Halloween Carnival and the fabulous Chili Cookoff! Her hard work planning and putting on these events really bring our community together, and enrich our lives here in Cohasset. Thank-you Candace!

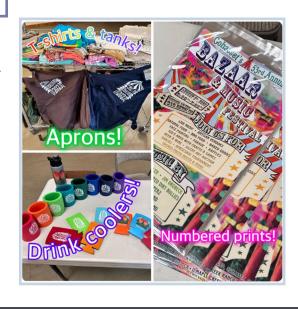
Odds and Ends

- Yahmo and his Band of Thieves rocked the hill on Sept. 16. The incredible Yahmo and his incredibly talented group had the crowd jumpin! Don't forget that the Final Mountain Music Jam on October 21st!
- We always need your gently used plastic bags for our food program. You can drop them off anytime at the CCA front porch.
- ◆ '23 Bazaar Merch is still available!
 Although our inventory is low, you can check our display at
 Mountain Music and the Halloween Carnival.

2023 Cohasset Volunteer Group of the Year! Cohasset E.P.C.



The Volunteer Group Award for 2023 was given to the Cohasset E.P.C. headed by **Maggie Krehbel.** Maggie also runs our emergency radio system (Cohasset GRMS) that is active 24/7! We all appreciate this essential service and the security of knowing that there are people in this group that are watching out for us all!



Cohasset Volunteers in Action! Summer '23 Community Improvement Projects

Cohasset Community
Church Painting ProjectJake Rooks, lead volunteer

One of the highlights of 2023 up here on the hill, was witnessing a 17 year old young man and his friends take on the project of painting the





Cohasset Community Church. <u>Jake Rooks</u> (who just turned 18) has been a member of the Boy Scout Troop 1555 since the 6th grade, and has been a leader in the troop for the past 3 years. As part of his Eagle Scout Project, he raised over \$1600 and put together a team of volunteers who spent over 300 hours on the job.

Jake and his family have been members of the Cohasset Community for the past year and a half. Jake has a strong commitment to his community (Cohasset and Chico), his family and his faith. His mom tells me that he loves helping others. He is a senior at PV, taking college connection clas-



ses, and has recently applied and interviewed for a full ride military officer training scholarship.

We are inspired, and grateful to Jake. A bright future awaits this young man!



Cohasset Communtiy Playground Project- Dan Holmes, lead volunteer

Phase I is complete!

Our CCA Community Childrens Playground is finally taking shape! And even though it's nothing fancy, we take joy in seeing our Cohasset kids enjoy playing in a safe and supervised place. So far we have invested over \$12000 in the project, and as soon as the ground softens up, we will be putting out the call for another crew to help with phase II; moving and erecting the tower play structure from the school to the CCA.

Cohasset Children's Playground Thank-Yous **Fundraising**: Keith McMorrow, Susana Malcolm, Jill Stewart, Ron Hart, Aurora Beaudry, Dave Tehan, Jonathan Tehan, Kate Holmes, North Valley Community Foundation (Aaron Rodgers Fund), Eric Kostello. **Dirt Work**: Ron Riisager, David Huff, Scott McMillan.



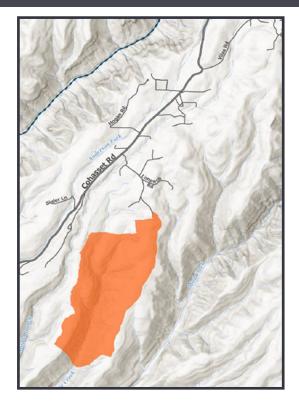
Del and his D6, Brian Haley **Play Structure Unpackers:** Jann Lee, Kate Holmes, Trish Puterbaugh, Judith Schrueder, Julia Plotkina **Assembly**: Jonathan Tehan, Dana Lee, John Rouge, John Coffman, Tyler Phizackerly, David Huff, **Concrete**: Kelly Holmes, David Huff, Tyler Phizackerley, Bryson Phizackerley **Moral Support**: Kate Holmes, Del Clements, CCA Board of Directors **Publicity**: Kenni Huff

Cave Creek Prescribed Fire

CAL FIRE-Butte Unit is undertaking the Cave prescribed fire project in the Cave Creek area of lower Cohasset this fall. The Cave Prescribed Fire aims to treat approximately 600 acres of land east of Cohasset Road and south of Limpach Road (see map).

Cal Fire was staged and ready for this on Monday, October 9, but called it off because of wind.

There will be approximately 600 acres of prescribed fire.









The sunrise set the stage for a beautiful Monday morning, October 9, as Cal Fire Crews are preparing for the big burn.



4-H Report

The Cohasset 4-H started their new program year with their first meeting on September 6. We elected new officers and signed up for this year's projects. We also welcomed our new Community Club leaders, Heather Lingemann and Nicole Regan and at least three new members.

Our new officers are Violet Mitchell, President; Michelle Carrol, Vice President; Arya Pocock, Secretary; Miyagi Pocock, Treasurer; Erin Rocha and Lucy Regan, Historians; and Amelia Lingemann, Health Officer.

On October 2 three of our projects had their first meeting. Welding, under the direction of leader Jion Lingemann met to go over safety rules and assess equipment needs. Cooking with Heather Lingemann and Arts and Crafts with Susana Malcolm met jointly in the afternoon. The Cooking project made Shake-It pudding with fruit, and Arts and Crafts focused on Halloween crafts. Other projects that will be kicking off in future months are Outdoor Adventures, Sewing and Clover Buds.

We are looking forward to putting on the County Event of Foods Fiesta in November and our own Children's Christmas Store in December.



It is not too late to join. We have our Community Club meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. However, if you are hoping to join the swine project and take an animal to the fair, you must complete your enrollment by October 19. 4-H is open to all children who turn 5 by December 31st of this year. Dues are \$62 a year. Financial help is available. Call Heather Lingemann at (530) 513-2413 for more information.





Cohasset E.P.C. Report

Dear Fellow Cohassians,

As we come close to the end of our Wildfire season, we are beginning to look forward to winter. Now, it is a month or two away, but thought it might be good to review it now to allow time to budget and purchase any equipment or supplies you may want to get.

Every winter is a bit different as we learned last year! We thought that looking at what was brought up back in May of this year, when we held a post Snowpocalypse meeting, might help prepare for this winter. What we identified were concerns followed by solutions we could implement before this coming winter. Now, we aren't predicting another Snowpocalypse, but just for things to consider before winter:

Concerns:

- 1. Necessary equipment wasn't staged correctly and couldn't be accessed or moved.
- 2. Unable to get to supplies already purchased due to deep snow.
- 3. Caught between propane deliveries and ran out or low.
- 4. Ran out of extra gas and small containers of propane for generators.
- 5. Lack of ability to communicate.
- 6. Not having enough extra food and toiletries.
- 7. Not having ski poles, roof rakes, snow shovels.
- 8. Too much snow on roofs.

What worked, or planning to get before next winter:

- GMRS Radios.
- 2. Chains and winches.
- 3. Neighbors, snowshoes, sleds to carry supplies.
- 4. Having cans of Sterno on hand to heat up coffee or soup without needing a generator. Putting 3 coats of paraffin or candle wax on metal snow shovels to keep the snow from sticking.*

What folks wished they had done before the storm hit:

- 1. Took it more seriously at the very beginning.
- 2. Placed vehicles and other equipment in better locations.

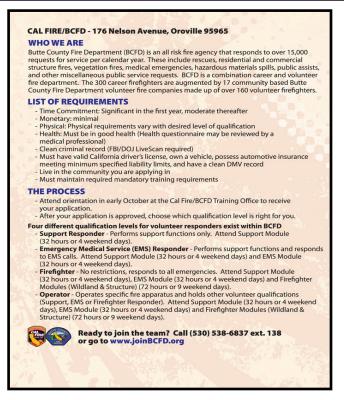
*For the tip from an old Cohassian that has dealt with our winters for many decades. He melts paraffin or old candles, being extremely careful as you can get a severe burn, and applies 3 coats of the melted wax, using a 2" clean paint brush, to his snow shovels and roof rake. He said the wax helps prevent the snow from sticking to the snow removal equipment and lasts for the entire season!

That about sums it up. I will post this up on our EPC/FSC Facebook page once it comes out in the newsletter. Feel free to add anything you can think of in the Facebook comments. The more input we have, the better prepared we will all be should we have another Snowpocalypse event!

Stay safe,

Maggie Krehbiel Chair, Cohasset EPC





<u>Butte County Fire History Map</u>. As you can see, Cohasset and Forest Ranch have been surrounded by major fires, and have "dodged the bullet" for many years. Map courtesy of Butte County Fire Safe Council

