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 **C.R.R.P.O.A Newsletter** 

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Annual Meeting

The annual meeting and election of new board members was held August 7, 1999. Thank you for your participation and your prompt submission of proxies. CRRPOA is your opportunity to make your voice heard so improvements can be made in our community and property values can be maintained.

With this issue of the Newsletter we would like to extend our warmest thanks and best wishes to our retiring Board members, Barbara Madvig (President) and Ben Griffin (Secretary), for their outstanding service to our association.

Your new and continuing members of the Board are:

President: Joan Lainen

Joan has served as our Historian for 2 years. She and her husband moved here from San Diego in 1985, built their own home in order to enjoy the four seasons climate at this elevation. Joan joined the staff of KKBN radio as they came on the air 1985 and found that both the station owner's and herself were UCLA alumnus's. She is currently working in sales and continuing to enjoy a life time of music participation.

Vice President: Louise Traill

Lousie moved to Cedar Ridge in 1973. She has contributed tremendous time and energy to the Ladies Auxiliary since its inception in 1981 and has served as President and Vice President of that organization. Her presence on the CRRPOA Board helps coordinate the activities and needs of our fire department with our neighborhood association.

Treasurer: Don Lingle

Don retired from San Mateo County as a Staff Engineer and has accumulated nearly 8 years of service to the Homeowners Association. He and his wife have been residents since 1982. Don has been

extremely helpful in a County program that offers to rid neighborhoods of abandoned vehicles.

Secretary: Ed Minium

Born in Colorado, Ed and his wife of 17 years moved here 13 years ago. Retired from his business in the electronics field, Ed has taken advantage of his retirement to offer many hours of community service. He is the founder of the Sheriff's Community Service Unit (CSU) and serves as their Board Chairperson. This patrol helped in the evacuation of our subdivision during the Creek fire and assists in patrolling the area. He is now working with Animal Control and CSU to establish programs to assist with enforcement of leash laws, animal rescues, etc..

Editor: Jay Bunten

This is Jay's second year on the Board. Jay and his wife Mary moved to here in 1992 after they both retired from IBM in San Jose, CA. He is currently self-employed as a part time computer consultant as well as enjoying snow skiing and golf.

Kewin Mill Road Clean-up

Thanks to the Community Service Workers and the Tuolumne County Road Maintenance Crew, Kewin Mill Rd. is looking very good. Therefore the Fall clean-up won't be necessary.

See you in the Spring.

Director: Ron Barrett

Ron and his son built their cedar Ridge home in 1984. Ron is a retired school teacher, he taught science and physical education. Now he enjoys fishing and playing golf. Ron thinks that Cedar Ridge offers a wonderful climate and natural beauty, and to reflect this appreciation for this natural beauty, Ron built their home with logs.

Director: Randy Rivers

The River's family (3 girls + parents) moved to Cedar Ridge in November 1993. Randy works as a driver and sales representative. This busy man is also a member of our volunteer fire department staff, as a CPR technician as well as continuing his training at Columbia College and the academy for EMT certification . Randy also serves as Chairperson for the Dogwood Lake Association.

Remembering

We were sorry to read of the death of Jim Biedenweg. Jim served as secretary of the Cedar Ridge Association for 5 years. Those who were residents at the time, will remember the many hours he devoted to the maintenance of the Association.



Winter Fire Safety Reminder

This is the season! Before you light that first fire, please check that your roof is clear of leaves, needles and other debris. Also now is a good time to clean your gutters to prevent that unwanted shower on the deck. Your chimney's spark arrester should be firmly in place and clear to prevent unwanted sparks from flying. Several firms in the area offer chimney cleaning.

Let us not read of a house fire caused by a dirty chimney or flying embers.

Cedar Ridge Ranch gets a Website

Looking for a reason to buy a computer or to get that Internet connection? Jay Buntin has generously agreed to construct a web site for Cedar Ridge Ranch POA. The address of the website will be: www.cedarridgeranch.org. The site should be up and running by the time this newsletter reaches you.

The website will provide general information, maps and photos of the area. Links to other websites providing local area information will also be provided. The newsletters and other periodical information will be posted regularly.

If you have any comments, ideas or suggestions about the site you can contact Jay at jay@rjbuntenconsulting.com. Later, the website will have a suggestion form that you can use to submit your ideas and suggestions.

Jay is planning to provide up-to-date weather information and hopefully a weather cam on Kewin Mill Rd. The camera will prior up to the minute pictures of the condition of the summit of Kewin Road during the winter.

Animal Control Gets Help

by Ed Minium

The Sheriff's Community Service Unit (CSU) has finalized an agreement with Animal Control (AC) to provide additional "eyes and ears" for the handling of animal problems in Tuolumne County. When needed (and if available) the CSU's patrol units can be dispatched to assist with the following AC activities:

- ? Performing "park and listen" at a specific address. This involves documenting dog barking for 30 minutes and testifying in court if necessary.
- ? Hand out literature on the leash law (and perhaps a leash) to individuals walking dogs off leash.
- ? Serve subpoenas.
- ? Check on transitory situations (such as animal locked in closed vehicle on a hot day) if Animal Control Officer (ACO) cannot respond immediately and notify AC of status.
- ? Limited, miscellaneous assistance to ACO (e.g. in the past, members of the CSU guarded the end of a culvert while the ACO captured a raccoon that came out the other end).
- ? Traffic control of livestock on the roadway situations.

Calls for help with an animal problem MUST still go to Animal Control! DON'T call the Sheriff or the CSU. Animal Control will get their help when needed.

Major cleanup on Kewin Mill Rd.

Tuolumne County road crews cleaned and reshaped the roadside drainage ditches along Kewin Mill Rd. during early October. After the ditch work was completed they repainted the striping. The road is now ready for winter.

Annual Main Ditch repairs completed

This years work on the Main Ditch was preformed from October 25th to the 31st. The work was completed on schedule and ditch was flowing again on Sunday, October 31st.

Next Issue

We will have an article describing the work that was preformed this year to maintain Kewin Mill Rd and what future work the county will be doing..

Also, the continuing column on the history of Cedar Ridge.

Fall in Cedar Ridge

It's to bad that this newsletter isn't in color, but the website is, and you can view this photo with all of its fall colors at www.cedarridgeranch.org



Membership in CRRPOA

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Historic Properties

The corner of Longeway & Phoenix Lake Road
by Joan Lainen

Orchards of apples & pears were prevalent in the foothills from early times. The apple orchard of Lincoln & Bertha Longeway was planted around 1910. These trees bore some of what would be considered "old fashioned" varieties today: the Bellflower, which was a whitish apple, Dual reds, a variety of Rome beauties, Arkansas Blacks, old Roman beauties and the Newton pippin. May Longeway told of shipping these crops to the bay area, especially around holiday time. Especially popular (and remembered by older members of the community) were their "honey" apples or "lady" apples, a smaller variety of apple that was a late crop.

The property now divided by Longeway Road was at one time the hub of the family ranch and had storage sheds for the apples (which have been replaced over the years) as well as a blacksmith shop to service the family's team of white horses. Yes, Sanguinetti's cattle were driven up the Bellevue Grade (Phoenix Lake Rd.) to higher mountain ranges.

The property today has been sketched by many artists and the barn at the corner is a popular subject.

I thank May Longeway for the time she allowed me to spend with her in her kitchen - where an aromatic apple pie was baking in the oven - made with the apples still being produced on the property.