



PB NEWS: Last Chance - BBQ RSVP! , Bears in your Yard?, Fire Safety, Farewell, Need a job?

Now is the time Folks,

1. Last chance to RSVP for the Sunday, Sept 3rd, at 6:00pm Labor Day BBQ?

- . We need the final count by next Wednesday for purchasing meat and supplies.
- . **REPLY NOW TO THIS EMAIL** with the **NUMBER** coming and the **NUMBER** of TRI-TIP dinners and the **NUMBER** of CHICKEN dinners.
- . Bring a side dish or dessert for 8-10 people and any “special beverages”
- . Meat, Bread, Soft Drinks are provided
- . Bring your dancing shoes for rock & roll at 7:30pm and we can always use volunteers for setup and clean-up.

2. Bears in your Yard?

- . The Bears are getting quite bold and brazen. Day time travel through Pinebrook with a definite route (garbage can cuisine) and they have no fear.
- . Watch for a young mother with a cub and a separate larger male looking more scruffy. Leave no garbage or food in a car or shed. A screen door at night to keep you cool will probably not stop them.

3. A few final comments on Fire Safety Violations and Processes

- . We started with (23) CalFire second inspection failures for lots with houses on them. Now we are down to (9) with the others either PASSED or DEFERRED. CalFire will start the final inspection on the way to citation in September. It is hoped the final (9) (you know who you are) come into compliance. We are interested in Fire Safe properties, not in having heavy fines sent out.
- . Emails were sent to (19) others who still had minor infractions. Please bring your properties into complete compliance.
- . Now those of you with Bare Lots are getting attention from Joan Lark of EPFD. She has written at least (1) citation so far and has (5) of you who never responded to her. EPFD is also looking for the county to support an increase to \$1,000 fine for a citation.
- . **Here is the answer to a few common questions – refer to Pinebrook CC&Rs**
 - **Q1 How is Pinebrook HOA related to CalFire and EPFD Fire Safety Inspection processes?**
 - A1 CC&R Art III, Section 3A & 3D: Pinebrook requires the same Fire Safety defensible space as CalFire, Public Resources Code, Section 4291. Failure to comply results in citation/fine by CalFire and can result in loss of HOA facility usage and/or bill by the HOA for bringing the property into compliance.
 - **Q2 I have dead or dying trees on my improved property beyond the 100’ defensible space. Why is this noted in the inspection process.**
 - A2 CC&R Art III, Section 3C & 3D: Pinebrook requires dead and diseased trees and/or vegetation and or debris to be cut down and removed on both improved and unimproved property (the entire property).
 - **Q3 My structure is 5’ from my property line. How do I get 30’ of minimum Fire Safety clearance?**
 - A3 CC&R Art III, Section 3B & 3D: CalFire just requires cleaning to the property line; however Pinebrook requires the owner of any adjacent property to improved property where a structure is built within the defensible space required, shall provide the necessary additional clearance on the adjacent property. It is suggested you negotiate with the neighbor in this case; like if the neighbor will allow the clearance **to be done maybe the person with the need will do the work.**
 - **Q4 Who does the Fire Safety inspections?**
 - A4 Volunteers trained and accredited by CalFire do the first two inspections for improved property. The same volunteers do a first inspection for EPFD on unimproved property.

4. Farewell

. We say goodbye to Vera Loy a very long time resident of Pinebrook at 2513 Mokelumne Dr. She and her husband built her home in the 60's. She passed away April 30th after celebrating her 100th birthday on April 15.

5. Need a job? or know someone who would be interested?

Murphys Sanitary District is looking to hire an Operator in Training (OIT). Contact Cindy Secada, 209 728-3094 office, 209 345-3456 cell, csecada@murphyssd.org email

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Murphys Sanitary District (MSD) is accepting applications for the position of Operator-in-Training (OIT). An OIT is a person working at a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) who is gaining the experience necessary to become a certified operator. (View Job Description) The ideal candidate will have successfully passed the Office of Operator Certification Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Examination or at a minimum, meet the State Water Board California Code of Regulations educational requirements based on the requirements table in Title 23, Chapter 26. For more detailed information refer to the Training Directory which can be found at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/operator_certification/docs/trngdir.pdf

Even if you do not have the above-mentioned training but have other training and/or certifications that you feel would make you a good candidate for this position, please apply.

To apply, visit our website www.murphyssd.org and complete the following forms, the 'Murphys Sanitary District employment application' and the 'Information for Applicants' form and submit via email to csecada@murphyssd.org. Include with your email a brief introduction and why you would be a good candidate for this position. Applications are available at the District office located at 15 Ernest St Suite A. Murphys, CA 95247 Mon – Fri 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The deadline for submitting your application is 9/13/17.