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The Northern Goshawk



The Northern Goshawk is a medium-large bird of prey with females having a wingspan of up to 43 to 50 inches. The male is about 2/3 the size of the female. Look in your favorite bird ID book for a complete description of the bird. The Cohasset area is in its year-around range. Occasionally it can be seen at elevations as low as 2,000 feet but you would have a better chance of seeing it a little higher up in the Sierra and Cascade mountains if you see it at all because it's very secretive. One thing you'll never forget if you get close enough to an adult Goshawk is its piercing dark red eyes. It's a widespread species that is found in Alaska, Canada and a large part of the lower 48 states as well as Europe. It's not considered threatened or endangered. Just to give you some examples of its close relatives commonly seen around here are the Red-Tailed Hawk and the Cooper's Hawk. While you probably won't see too many of them here, the Golden and Bald Eagles are also close relatives. I did see one Golden Eagle flying up Rock Creek canyon a few years ago.

The Goshawk is quite an aviator. It will do some fancy aerobatics in pursuit of its favorite prey which normally consists of smaller birds and animals and will follow prey into thick vegetation, even pursuing prey on foot through brush. But it has been known to take prey as large as jackrabbits. It usually flies low and fast with what is called a flap-flap-glide wing beat. Sometimes during a high speed pursuit the Goshawk will fold its wing tips backward much like a falcon. As a matter of fact, it is the preferred species for falconry in the US and Europe.

Adults defend their territories fiercely from intruders, including us. They are very aggressive nest defenders and will kill or drive away other raptors (birds that prey on other animals). One of the best times to see Goshawks is during the breeding season when they put on a spectacular undulating flight display.

Thanks to Jim Brobeck for the suggestion.

—Bob Tate

Cohasset 4H Starts a New Year

Cohasset 4H started its new program year on September 5 with sign-ups for its members and the election of officers. The group is offering six different projects this year: swine, gardening, hiking, arts and crafts, sewing, and metal fabrication. Many of the members are also participating in horsemanship and goat projects through other county groups.

The new officers are: Gage Conkey- Wiebelhaus, President, Ryan Deulen, Vice President, Amethyst Beacon, Secretary, Sarah Buckhold, Treasurer, and Iliana Conkey- Wiebelhaus, historian. They will be presiding over the community meetings that take place the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the CCA building. They will also organize many special events such as Fun Night and the Cohasset Children's Christmas store.

The next meeting will be on Monday, Oct. 3, at the CCA building and there is still an opportunity to join at this meeting. The organization is open to all school age youth and is a good opportunity for Cohasset kids to participate in a word- wide organization dedicated to the growth and development of all young people. It is also an opportunity to develop new skills, meet other Cohasset youngsters and make new friends.

All members are invited to participate in one or more of the projects. Hiking, under the direction of Leslie Botsford, is our most popular project. It meets once a month, weather permitting, to hike, snowshoe or otherwise explore a North State location. Sewing, under the direction of Chris Perske, also meets once a month to learn new sewing skills and make fun stuff. Arts and Crafts, with Susana Malcolm, explores various aspects of the visual arts. Metal Fabrication, with Liz Weber and Les Vander Velden, develops welding and other metal working skills. The gardening project will grow a winter garden in lower Cohasset and grow many of the veggies we need for our Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner in March. Finally, in swine, with Midge Vander Velden, the participants will raise a pig to show and sell at the Silver Dollar Fair. Cohasset members are also eligible to participate in other projects offered by other Butte County clubs. We have members currently participating in horsemanship and goats.

Anyone who is interested may ask questions or join at our October 3 meeting or call Midge at 343-7332, or Susana at 893-0109. Dues are \$30 per year, and we have some scholarships and multi child discounts available, and no one need miss out on the fun.



—Susana Malcolm



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CCA Home Page

Hi Everyone,

I just have a couple of things from the EPC.

First, I want to give you the web address for the reverse 911 call list. It has been developed to allow the county to advise our residents of a major problem and to advise us what we need to do. The address is: www.buttecounty.net. Under the section "Special Announcements", the fourth link is 'Emergency Notification Signup'. Click on that and it will take you to a different web site. You simply enter your entire address and click submit. After verifying your address, it will take you to another page where you can enter all of your phone numbers to be called in an emergency.

Next, September is National Preparedness Month. I know that the month is almost over, but it is never too late to start to prepare. Just remember what happened in Japan earlier this year. After their major quake, it took over a month for the stores to have food and water available in any quantities. Even here in 2008, following the bad winter storm, we couldn't find batteries for weeks. I know some of you have old fashioned pantries that can feed your family for a month, while others may only have enough food for a couple of days. Even in the current economic conditions, try to at least get one or two extra cans of food every time you go to the store. Pretty soon you will have quite a bit put away. This can also help tide you over if some unexpected expense comes up.

And finally, we have had a lot of bear sightings and numerous reports of bears breaking into chicken coops and knocking over trash cans. Please do what you can to not encourage bears to come to your property. It's also important to note that although black bears rarely attack people, they are strong animals capable of causing injury to humans. If you actually encounter a bear, follow these suggestions:

- Do not approach the animal. Give it plenty of room to escape.
- Do not run from the bear. Instead stand, face the animal and make eye contact without staring. Pick up small children so that they don't run.
- If a bear approaches, make yourself appear larger and make noise by banging pots, pans, etc.

The above recommendations come from the California Fish and game. Avoiding conflicts with black bears is an investment in the future, and generally much easier and cheaper than the alternatives: damage, expensive repairs, a continuous mess, and a lingering large hungry black bear. Of course, if only some families in the neighborhood practice these guidelines, problems may continue as others can still be contributing to bad bear behavior by "training" bears to take advantage of an easily acquired food source. All members of the public must work together to keep California's black bears wild and "out of trouble." When the bears lose, by having to be killed, then we are all losers.

Until next month- Take care, Be Prepared and Stay safe,

—Maggie Krehbiel, Chair CCA-EPC



CCA Building Rental Reservations

The Cohasset Community Center is available to rent for private functions. The rate is \$125 per day, and \$60 for a half-day (5 hours).

For more information, call 893-1616, email info@cohassetcommunity.org, or view the CCA rental

To place an ad in the Cohasset Newsletter:

E-mail ad copy and instructions to mayeve@att.net. Payment must be received by the 2nd Friday of the month for the following month's inclusion. Checks may be made out to the CCA and sent to 11 Maple Creek Ranch Rd, Cohasset, CA 95973.

Prices for CCA newsletter advertisements:

Business card size	\$25	1/2 page	\$75
1/4 page	\$40	Full page	\$150

Government & Cohasset Community News



Supervisor News

by Maureen Kirk,
Butte Co. Supervisor, District 3

When you receive this newsletter, it will officially be fall. Please remain diligent in the fire prevention arena. We all held our breath during the last red flag warning.

There are a couple of things that have kept the Board and staff busy lately. They are the off-highway vehicle (OHV) Travel Management Plans for the Lassen and Plumas National Forests, and the implementation of AB109, the Public Safety Realignment Act.

The OHV travel management plan was drawn up after five years of meetings, comment and studies. There are many OHV enthusiasts who are bitterly disappointed with the plan and closure of roads and trails. They have been very vocal at our meetings. On the other hand, there are many who applaud the decision because they want peace and quiet, safety, and preservation of the environment. The Forest Service officials have made some changes to please the OHV Enthusiasts and are doing further review. The Sierra Access Coalition has decided to sue the Forest Service. So far, the Board has determined to work with the Forest Service.

AB109 shifts the responsibility for housing and supervising many offenders that have been historically been in the State prisons or on State parole. Starting October 1, offenders who are released from State prison will become the responsibility of the Butte County Probation Department. There will be an estimated 30 offenders released every month with the expectation of 180 at full implementation. In addition, offenders convicted of non-violent, non-serious, and non-sexual offenses will be sentenced to county jail instead of State prison. The plans are to free up jail space and create alternate custody programs. The plan included creating a recidivism reduction program, where inmates get schooling, job opportunity development, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, mental health counseling, and family and community networking. The goal is to do a better job of breaking the cycle of recidivism. The county is poised to do this and will do a better job than the State, but funding is a huge concern.

I have also received a call about a pretty aggressive bear in upper Cohasset. Henry Lomeli, from Fish and Game, said that they do not relocate bears. Apparently they find their way back in no time. He suggests that all attractive nuisances be taken out of their reach.

Our son is doing fine in Afghanistan. He said it is still hot and he is tired of eating MREs. I have sent him cans of chili, fruit snacks and granola bars. Those seem to help. They are delivered by parachute, by the way. —mkirk@buttecounty.net ♦ 891-2800

Long Time Cohasset Residents Lose Their Home

As you have probably already heard, Jill Stewart and her children lost their home in a tragic accident late last Saturday night – September 17th. They have lost everything but what they were wearing or had with them that night, including her car.

One of the boys was home alone when one of their smoke detectors sounded. He quickly realized that it was beyond his ability to handle and ran across the street to a neighbor. Station 22 arrived very quickly, along with a second engine that was also in Cohasset due to the Forest Ranch Fire Station being refurbished. While there were two spot fires on the adjacent property, they were quickly extinguished. Extreme gratitude is extended to Cal Fire for quickly assessing the extended threat to the community and activating a wild land fire response.

Jill has been nearly a lifelong resident of Cohasset, moving with her family into the home that burned down Saturday night. Her children grew up here in Cohasset and went to the Cohasset school. At one time, Jill was the school bus driver. She has also been a dedicated volunteer. Jill just stepped down after 2 ½ years as President of the CCA Board of Directors and spent years as the Chairman of the annual Bazaar.

A special fund has been set up by the CCA, should anyone be led to donate to assist Jill and her family. Mayeve Tate, Treasurer, would be the person to contact. Mayeve's phone number is 342-2494. You may also mail any donation to: CCA, 11 Maple Creek Ranch Road, Cohasset, CA 95973-attention Stewart Fire Fund. Gifts are tax deductible as the CCA is a 501.C.3. Thank you for anything you may be able to do to help our neighbors. Our prayers and thoughts are with the family at this time.

Homer Chandler Metcalf (1935 - 2011)

Homer died August 11, 2011, at home with his family. He taught Sociology at Chico State from 1966 to 1998, when he retired as Professor Emeritus.

Homer was born September 19, 1935 in Bucyrus, Ohio. In the early 70's, Homer bought 37 acres on the Cohasset ridge and with the help of friends, he logged his land, and built his house. However, at the center of Homer's life was his wife, Loretta, and his family. He is survived by his children, sons: Jack, Jerold, Patrick, John and Khalid; daughters: Sheila and Kelly; grandchildren: Sheldon, Daniel, Taryn, Isabella, Christopher, Peyton and Skylar; great-grandson, Bentley, and sisters, Anne (Ben) Malone and Jan (Jim) Prybil.

You may share your thoughts and memories of Homer, in care of Newton-Bracewell at nbcfh.com.

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Cohasset Historical Society Seeking Pictures of Bazaars Past

The CHS would like to create a display focusing solely on the Cohasset Bazaar & Music Festival. The Cohasset Community Association has been hosting the Bazaar for over forty years and we know there must be photographs, flyers, and the various odds and ends from so many annual events! We are asking all of you to look through those old shoeboxes, photo albums or even flash drives and share some of your Bazaar memories with the community. Photographs that are not already digitized can be safely handled, quickly scanned and the originals returned to the loaner. Please contact any board officer or member if you have photos or other Bazaar memorabilia you would like to donate to the display.

Donna Hall and Alice Clements have shared these photographs (on the left) from a 1980's Bazaar. In one image, attendees are getting ready to go up to the Maple Creek Tree Farm and ride the train, in another Don Sorenson is acting as engineer of the M&E line, and another is a view of the main gate to the festivities! Thank you, Donna and Alice for sharing these wonderful photographs!

The Cohasset Historical Society is currently working on displaying their collection of photographs inside the building. This is a huge undertaking but will allow members and visitors to the building to enjoy vintage and modern photographs of Cohasset and life on the ridge. If you would like to become a member of the Cohasset Historical Society please attend a Cohasset Community Association meeting, call Alice Clements, or plan on attending the next announced CHS meeting. We look forward to your involvement!

! NEW ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY !

In an attempt to obtain more advertising, the Board of Directors as agreed to single line advertising. Basically it would allow a business to list their name, service and phone number. The cost of this would only be \$10.00 for each listing. It will be charged on a month by month basis. If you know of any businesses that might be interested, please have them call me at 342-6547. Thanks—Maggie Krehbiel

Cohasset Community News & Events



Yard & Garden Alternatives Saturday, November 12th

Share information about environmentally friendly yard & garden products.

Learn about the impacts of petroleum-based yard and garden products.

Discuss soil management, lawn care, composting, integrated pest management, and less-toxic approaches to yard & garden care.

For more information, call the Butte Environmental Council at 891-6424 or email Maggi Barry, maggib@becprotects.org

Renew your Membership or Join the CCA Today

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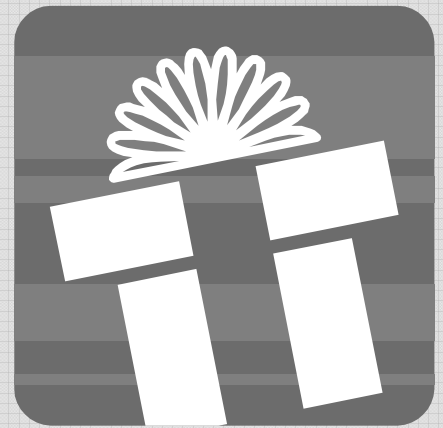
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Checks payable to CCA or call Janice at 343-1754

Christmas Children's Store

The Cohasset 4H is pleased to be able to revive a treasured Cohasset tradition, the Children's Christmas store. Started by the Cohasset School Parent Club many years ago, this store offers Cohasset children the opportunity to do their Christmas shopping for family and friends here on the hill.



This year's store will be open on Sunday, Dec. 11 at the CCA building. All young people are invited to shop for gently used donated items at a very reasonable price that will be wrapped and tagged for them by the Cohasset 4H members. The 4H group will be collecting donations during the upcoming months. We could use house wares, toys, jewelry, wrapping paper, ribbon, gift tags and ???????? No used clothes, please. Call Susana at 893-0109 if you have something to donate

Brew Club News



September 6th had the Cohasset Home Brew Club tasting a wide variety of home made and commercial beers. We will continue the "anything goes" attitude at the next meeting on October 4th at 7 PM in the Cohasset Community Association building. The focus of the meeting will be on anything alcohol based not made with wheat or barley, ie. a gluten free beverage. That includes most spirits, cider, mead and wine. So honor our Founding Father and bring something without gluten to the next meeting. However, we are first and foremost a beer club, so no beer will be turned away!

—David Westphal - leastrise@att.net or call 530-343-4951.

Cohasset Community News

Wow! We really had a wonderful time! This year's Womens' Gathering held some really nice moments.

A special thank you for the opening and closing ceremony given by Lara Conkey-Wiebelhaus. The stress relief session with Tami Early right after gave us all some real tools to deal with life's troubles. Really nice touch thank you. Of course, the food was terrific. Cohasset cooks are really good at potluck.

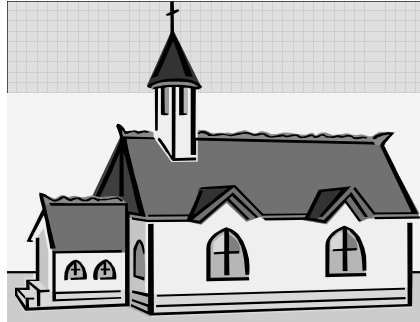
Ruth Gordon lead us in a great drumming circle. Some beautiful drums live up here.

We would also like to extend a very special thank you to Vanessa Church of The Women's Health Specialist on 1469 Humboldt Rd., Suite 200 for the information on free women's health services in our area. You still can pick up that information at the CCA building.

Mayeve Tate had some lavender from her beautiful garden to make pouches. Ruth brought necklace making goodies. We all found some new clothes and the remainder goes to chairty.

Dancing I must say was silly and fun and we all want to do it again. So stay tuned for the call of the dance we will have in the spring (Men invited because we need more people for a bigger dance). Thank you to our taped caller Morgan McDow. Kara Jolie and Elizabeth Davison tried to teach what was taught to them. We muddled through it, laughing all the way. All in all, 20 women came away with a little more than just smiles. See you next year!

— Elizabeth A. Davison



Community Church News

Everyone is invited to attend the Sunday services at 10:30 am for worship and singing.

The last Sunday of each month is Potluck Sunday, when we share a meal following the service. On the last Saturday of each month at 9:00am is the food pantry for those in need. For more information, questions or comments, call Pastor Brian Hall at 343-8479.

West African Rhythms & Dance

Learn all about West African music. Have fun, meet old friends and make new acquaintances. Dance to great West African music with hosts Lansana & Tania.

This recurring event is held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, 10am at the CCA Building. All ages are welcome. We'll see you all Sunday. September 11th & 25th.

For more info, call Ruth: 891-3481.



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Events & Calendar



There will be a potluck Saturday, October 15th at 5:30pm at the CCA building.

The theme is Oktoberfest, all German foods beer.

Some foods to bring are German potato salad, red cabbage, sausage, German chocolate cake.

Ok, so now I am hungry. See you all there.

CCA BINGO!

CCA Bingo will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2011. Bingo card sales start at 6:30 pm, and games start at 7 pm. Check out the new Bingo Prize Wheel and try your chance at winning some cool Bingo gifts!

Bingo packages are \$15, which includes 6 (six) bingo cards for each of the 8 games. The final game of the night will be 'Split the Pot', which is an optional entry after the regular Bingo rounds conclude.

Bring your lucky Bingo good luck charms and bring a friend, because the more players there are, the greater the payouts! If you have any questions, call the CCA Bingo hotline at 530-893-5432 and leave a message.

Reminder: No one under 18 years of age is allowed while Bingo games are in session.



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9 10:30am Church Service 10:00am African Dance	10	11 7-9pm Brew Club	12 12pm-2pm Commodities Distribution	13 6:30pm CCA Board Meeting	14	15 5:30pm Oktoberfest Potluck
16 10:30am Church Service	17	18	19	20	21	22 6:30pm Bingo
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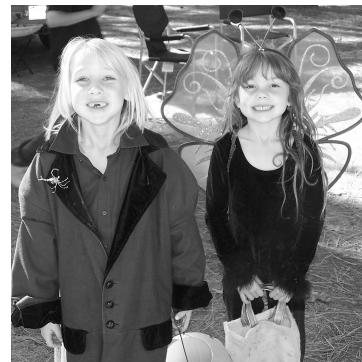
**Children's Halloween Day Carnival
October 29th, 12-3 pm
Calling all Young Ghosts and Ghouls of Cohasset!**



This year the Halloween Carnival will be Saturday, October 29th at the Cohasset Community Association Building from 12 to 3 pm. This has been such a success for many years. We could never have done it without all our generous friends and neighbors, and I'm hoping for your continued support this year.

We will need plenty of cakes for the popular cakewalk, and cupcakes for the cupcake decorating table. The children really enjoy the coin hunt every year so any spare change would be greatly appreciated, even pennies. Help with decorations, vending, the crafts table and other games is also needed. Of course candy is needed for the "Trunk or Treats" vehicles.

Our "Trunk or Treats"- also known as Halloween Tailgating- is the alternative to Trick or Treating. This provides a safe and fun place for our little ones to trick-or-treat on the hill. We are hopeful for more adult participation this year, as most of our children cannot travel to Chico for Halloween events. It is fun for all ages! So come on over with your Halloween-decorated vehicles, dress in costume, hand out candy to all the little ghosts and goblins that dare to be scared! Help make this another thrilling event! Linda Hartsong will be doing the hot dogs and nachos.



Miss Alice's band, The Alice Peake Experience, will be providing the music again this year. The band specializes in school carnivals and has been doing music for the Cohasset Halloween Carnival for 7 years. Children of all ages can boogie with her band and do some real monster mashing. As usual, costumes will be judged for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

If you can help with any of these items, please call Linda Forrester at 899-2763.

— Linda Forrester and Alice Peake