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IGO

13th April, Saturday: Neighborhood Watch Meeting at church, 10am. A guest speaker from Mosquito Abatement will be presenting ideas and information to prevent and treat mosquito propagation.

ONO

10th April, Wednesday: General Meeting at the Grange, 7pm.

17th April, Wednesday: Bunco at the Grange, 6-8pm. Please bring a dish for the potluck!

TRINITY ALPS PRESERVE

The Road Association annual meeting proved lively, but survivable. A quorum of the Members in Good Standing was met. The election results are as follows:

Larry Frances: President
Patsea Richardson: Vice President
Gary Devine: Treasurer
Cheryl Devine: Secretary

Measure 1 (renewing insurance): passed
Measure 2 (end proxy voting): failed

At the monthly meeting, Gary Devine resigned his position as Treasurer, and was appointed Secretary. Cheryl Devine resigned as Secretary, and was appointed Treasurer.

OPINION/EDITORIAL

WINTER WONDERLAND

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By Chic Miller

In late February we expect rain, winds and cold weather here in Shasta County, but tomorrow the weather forecast predicts snow. That's not really a big deal, I thought. Over the years it has snowed a few times here on the farm. A light sprinkle – just enough to cover the ground. Before you know it, it will melt and quickly disappear. Simple as that.

Early the next morning, as usual, I was up well before dawn. I stepped outside to start morning chores and, sure enough, it had snowed all right! But wait, what's this? Not exactly the light ground cover that I had expected – closer to 10 inches, I'd guess. Swell, just swell....

Just to be clear, this wasn't my first encounter with deep snow. You see, I'm a Michigan girl, born and raised. But now that I recall, the snow and cold weather are the biggest reasons that I moved to “sunny California.”

Well, back to morning chores. They must be done - rain, shine or yes, even snow! So, off I trudged, bundled up as if I were headed for the North Pole, all the while resisting the urge to lay down to make a snow angel.

I trudged on, checking every nook and cranny. As I entered the barn, out bolted my dogs as though the recess bell had just rung, their night jackets still on, keeping them dry and toasty warm. They ran, bit the snow, and frolicked like pups. Silly dogs, I thought.

Next stop, the bunnies. They were safe, tucked warm and dry in their hutches, munching on carrots. The goats lay in their barn on beds of straw. The llamas were contentedly chewing on flakes of alfalfa, not a care in the world. Ponies, donkeys, and horses were standing in their stalls....all except Jammers. He wasn't in his stall and nowhere to be found. I climbed through the downed brush and limbs that covered our driveway, blocking us in. That's when I saw him. /

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froze dead in my tracks. He lay motionless on the ground in the deep snow, unable to get up; his body laying downhill, his legs uphill, disallowing him to right himself. My gentle black giant, my huge 1600 pound kind, powerful friend of 23 years needed help and *fast!* The adrenaline kicked in. I ran through the snow and brush back to the house to tell Bob. He jumped into action, chainsaw in hand, he began clearing a path out for his tractor. I grabbed Jammer's halter, warm blanket and long ropes. I paused briefly to call my pal Buffy, my ace in the hole, my go-to person who lives 1 ½ miles up the road. But downed trees and power lines on the ground across the road between us would prevent her from coming to help. My heart sank. I knew that she would have come if she could. That's just how she is. I tried not to panic as I ran back to my sweet Jammers. He had all but given up. He was cold and shaking, his eyes had started to glaze over. By then, Bob had cleared a path and he was on the way with his trusty John Deere.

That's when out of the corner of my eye, *I saw her.* She was running through the pasture, climbing fences as she came, ropes over her shoulders. Buffy, my pal, Buffy, ran over a mile through the deep snow to help save Jammers. That's just how she is. A huge weight lifted as she drew closer. The rescue began. We covered his cold, shivering body with warm blankets. We then tied long ropes around his neck and legs, attaching them securely to the tractor. John Deere pulled slowly and gently. Buffy and I pulled with all our might, knowing there was no time to waste. We fell, slipping in the deep snow, got up, fell again, our boots filling with icy water, our jackets drenched. But soon we had Jammers on level ground. Bob, with the help of John Deere, was able to roll him over, allowing him to get his feet beneath him. A few more mighty pulls with lots of encouragement and up he popped. Buffy and I positioned ourselves on either side of him, balancing my cold and weakened Jammers. Happy to be up, off we walked back to the warmth of his stall. His blanket securely in place,

warm water to drink, and alfalfa to munch on, had him on the road to recovery. With a toss of his long mane, Jammers assured me that he would never ever go out to play in the snow again without permission.

As for Buffy, Bob and me, we won't soon forget our afternoon adventure on the farm, enjoying the "Winter Wonderland." Thanks Buffy, Bob, and let's also not forget, John Deere.

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CRIME BLOTTER

(For privacy reasons, names, addresses, and times have been omitted)

Record List - Total:22

CallID	When Reported	Person to Contact	Nature	Location	Cty
19D047410	3/03/19		SUSACT	BLAND RD & TRINITY ALPS VISTA RD	ON
19D047440	3/03/19		ASTWC	PLATINA RD	ON
19D049392	3/06/19		ANIMAL	PARSHA WAY	IG
19D049395	3/06/19		OV	FIDDLERS RD & YOLLA BOLLY RD	ON
19D049562	3/06/19		CIVSVC	TRINITY ALPS VISTA RD	ON
19D049593	3/06/19		TROSVIC	TRINITY ALPS VISTA RD	ON
19D049735	3/06/19		5150	STATE HWY 36	PL
19D049776	3/06/19		415	LOWER COAL PIT DR & COAL PIT RD	IG
19D051027	3/08/19		ASTSBY	TRINITY ALPS VISTA RD & BLAND RD	ON
19D052280	3/10/19		ASTOA	RAINBOW LAKE RD & PLATINA RD	ON
19D052925	3/11/19		FOL	PLATINA RD	ON
19D052941	3/11/19		ANIMAL	ROARING CREEK RD & SARGENT RD	ON
19D054172	3/12/19		SUSACTR	GAS POINT RD & SMALL FARMS DR	IG
19D057168	3/16/19		ARR	RIGFOOT RD	ON
19D058736	3/18/19		SUSACT	SMALL FARMS DR	IG
19D060498	3/20/19		459R	COAL PIT RD & LOWER COAL PIT DR	IG
19D060512	3/20/19		SUSACT	CLEAR CREEK RD & PLACER RD	IG
19D062742	3/23/19		SUSACT	PLATINA RD; ONO STORE	ON
19D063690	3/25/19		ASTADV	LOWER COAL PIT DR	IG
19D064085	3/25/19		SUSACTR	COAL PIT RD & LOWER COAL PIT DR	IG
19D067905	3/30/19		ASSIST	SMALL FARMS DR	IG
19D068618	3/31/19		602R	GAS POINT RD	IG

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FINAL THOUGHTS:

If you are disabled, or have trouble moving around, see if you qualify for an In Home Provider. Providers are in the Igo/Ono/TAP area to help you live a normal life, whether it's grocery shopping, cooking, or keeping your home clean. Go to https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/hhsa_index/Disability_resources/In_hm_supportive_serv.aspx or call 530-225-5507.

The Igo Street Sale is coming up May 18th, and we need YOUR HELP! We'll need volunteers to run a refreshment stand, holding station, neighborhood watch booth, and general tidying up around and after the event. Neighborhood watch may even open a consignment booth to sell your stuff for your convenience! Please do your best to make this day the best of the season. Call the numbers listed on the bottom of the newsletter. Hope to see you there!



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