



# SLEEPY HOLLOW

## OWNERS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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**The JUNE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

The next Board Meeting will be held on Monday, July 21, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Oakvale Fire House.

**President's Message**

Dear SHOA Residents,  
I am pleased to be able to share with you that Sleepy Hollow is now a privatized community. The El Dorado County Board of Supervisors voted to abandon our roadways, therefore paving the way for our community to become completely privatized. This process has taken 7 years and hundreds of man-hours. I wish to thank all the hard-working citizens of Sleepy Hollow for their combined efforts in making our privatization possible.



Over the course of the past two months, over 70 volunteers from our community came together to participate in Lake Clean-Ups. This is an outstanding turnout and according to senior homeowners in our community



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**Board Meeting  
July 21, 2008  
6:30 P.M.  
Oakvale Fire Station**

perhaps the largest turnout in 20 years. Both Kamuchi Tree Service and the Fire Safety Council of El Dorado County, whom provided Industrial Chippers and crews to work alongside our volunteers, assisted the Lake Clean-Up Team. “It was grueling and a three Ibuprofen event,” said many of the volunteers. “But look at our lake now”! If you have not visited the lake recently, please take a look. Hats off to the Davis Family for hosting the After Clean-Up BBQ. **Thank You!**

The SHOA Website has many new links to County Services and Recreational “Things To Do” in our County. If you’ve been wondering about Board Meetings and what’s happening with SHOA, this is the place to check-it-out. For example, the Board’s last meeting approved funding to begin work on our Roadways. Not to mention the Annual Picnic in September!



Many of our Homeowner’s have complained about trespassing in our community. Prior to privatization, our roadways were in fact “county roads”, able to be visited by whomever wished to use them. As a privatized community we, that is, SHOA Members, in fact now own

our roadways. If you should witness suspicious behavior or out of place persons visiting our community please use your best judgment if initiating a call to the Sheriff to enforce “No Trespassing”, should you decide to make the call.



Fire Safety is a concern for all of us living in the Foothills. To this end, SHOA has joined forces with the Fire Safety Council of El Dorado County. Residents can now request Brush Pick-Up and Chipper Services by filling in the proper request form and it's free. Simply go to the SHOA website and follow the link to learn more.

On Behalf of your SHOA Board Of Directors, we wish you and your family a safe and sane summer. Sincerely,

David B. White



### Horse Trails & Lake Usage



- The lake and horse trails are for use by the residents of SHOA and their guests only. The Board is discussing the purchase and installation of ‘No Trespassing’ signs.



- El Dorado County Sheriff's Department has been great at following through on trespassing issues. Please don't call the Sheriff's Department unless you are fairly certain there is an issue.

Their telephone number is 621-6600.

### Car Decals



The Board of Directors recently approved the purchase of SHOA Car Decals. These optional decals will help to recognize SHOA Members and also note cars at the lake that do not belong.

### 100 Feet Around Your Home, It's The Law

As required by California Law, you must abate a defensible space of 100



feet around your home. The purpose of this is to protect your home while providing a safe area for firefighters, should a fire break out.

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has instructed the California Department of Forestry and the Fire Protection to cite owners who are not in compliance. It is reported that first-time violators can be fined between \$100 and \$500.



If you would like information about creating a defensible space and fire prevention, contact your local fire department, or contact the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection at [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov). Not only could you save your home, but you could also save your life.



### Road Repair Committee

The Road Repair Committee is putting together a proposal for this year's and next year's road repairs. The Board has authorized up to \$125,000, which represents the majority of our reserve funds, to be spent on the roads.



### Email Alert Program

This was started just 4 or 5 months ago and has been a Great Success. We currently have 72 homeowners on the Email Alert Program. This program, has been great in alerting homeowners of important or dangerous situations within our community. If you would like to join this program or have a neighbor who has not signed up, please email: Donelle Meniketti at [TheMenikettis@yahoo.com](mailto:TheMenikettis@yahoo.com)

This information is kept private and is strictly used for important SHOA information.

## Community Concerns



### Unauthorized Lake Visitors

During the lake clean-up, it was evident that unauthorized people have been using our lake.

There are evidence of campfires, bottles of alcohol, sleeping bags, blankets, and even a mattress was found under a tree. Residents have seen lights flashing around the lake. This is a serious problem and we need to find a way to control the situation. Please come to the next meeting and help us find solutions.

### Driving Safety

The Road Safety Committee is looking into ways of reducing traffic speeds within Sleepy Hollow. Our roads are becoming more and more dangerous. We are a community that has narrow roads, no sidewalks, lots of wildlife, and many people enjoying our quiet shaded areas for walking, bike riding, and horseback riding.

**PLEASE WATCH YOUR SPEED  
& USE CAUTION!!!**



## Mark Your Calendar

**Board Meetings are held on the 3rd  
Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.  
at the Oakvale Firehouse.**



**Reminder: There will be no June meeting.**

**Have a business you would like to advertise? Place your business card or business card size ad in the next newsletter. The cost of an ad is \$10 per newsletter. Open to Sleepy Hollow Homeowners Only**



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