



## **Strawberry Flat Property Owners' Association**

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Dear Homeowners,

Blessings on your Summer! It was a beautiful Spring in the mountains this year with lots of blooms!

We just recently had our annual curbside chipping. I saw lots of piles on the roadside and am thankful that so many took advantage of the service. It makes our whole community safer and cleaner. We also had our annual 'Clean up day'. It was attended by some awesome homeowners and we were able to get the trash and branches along with a few dead trees taken care of. The best part is the free BBQ and pool party for the volunteers afterwards at Pine Rose Cabins! I hope to see more of you come out for next year's clean up. In the meantime, the patching and shoring up of the roadsides has been completed and the weed whipping of common land is underway.

The Board is continuing with the Firewise Program and I hope that you were able to get your discount. I have heard that some on the Fair plan have yet to be given that discount. Please let the office know if you are one of those people. We are gathering data to give feedback to the CA Insurance Commissioner. The committee will soon be assessing this year's fire safety goals for our community; these must be submitted each year to the program.

Then thankfully, due to volunteer help from the Board and members, as well as a milder winter. We are pleased to be able to keep the annual dues amount unchanged for this year at 396.00. Even while we continue to see large raises on our liability insurance premiums and material costs, just as most of you are experiencing. Moreover, the Board has put more thought into placing on homeowners, who are not making payments and have multiple years owed, liens on their properties. This is not the 'go to' decision for our operating. But, we do have a budget, and do expect all homeowners to pay their dues annually, just as you became obligated to do when you bought into our association. So I am hoping any homeowners who are past due, will take this opportunity to get caught up or call the office for a regular payment plan.

As we are a volunteer board and need volunteers to help with various projects, I would like to encourage our new homeowners (more so, as long time homeowners continue to move away) to get involved! We do not charge a monthly dues fee, and in order to keep it that way, we need volunteers! You could help on a work project or on a committee or with a Board position. It is important that we all take a turn.

Lastly, I encourage you to reach out this summer and get to know your community. There is the Thursday Farmer's market. Also, our annual potluck and Meeting on Oct 4<sup>th</sup> is one method of doing that; I hope to see each of you there. We have some pretty incredible folks in our Association!

Thank you,  
Susan Kenaga, President