

HARRISON GRADE NEIGHBORHOOD

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GROUP

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Next Meeting Saturday, February 11th at 3:00

Bob and Kitty Dixon's home

13492 Harrison Grade Place

WHAT CAN YOU DO THIS SEASON?



Burn Baby Burn! Pile up all those branches and yard debris and burn it. Remember your pile should not be larger than 4'x4'x4'. Make sure you have a permit and keep a water supply close.

Train for CPR and First Aid Certification:

<https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/cpr/cpr-training>

Prepare your GO bag for earthquake evacuation.

Here is a link for a list from the Dept. of Homeland Security: <https://www.ready.gov/kit>

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Water Catchment

Charlotte Knox has been developing a water catchment system on her property. She is having a demo day on March 3rd. There will be professionals presenting information. Her address is 3395 Harrison Grade. The event will be ongoing throughout the day. If you are interested in learning more about water catchment, here is an informative webinar:

https://www.savingwaterpartnership.org/programs_list/sonoma-county-rainwater-harvesting/



Bird Nesting Season

Try to plan your tree trimming before the nesting season, which is February 1st through August 15th. If you still need to trim after the beginning of February, look out for bird nests and use caution. Let's protect our feathered friends.

Looking Back...What we accomplished in 2022

- We received two grants from CALFIRE (chipping) and the California Fire Foundation.
- Several neighbors attended webinars on water conservation.
- We did a reconnaissance hike on the acreage east of Harrison Grade and were pleased to find fire break roads.
- We joined the state and national FIREWISE communities.
- We cleared, removed and did biochar burns of plant debris on the Harrison Grade Road Ecological Reserve.
- We joined the Adopt a Road program. Thank you to Carolyn Sell, Mary Barsony and Michael Kozart.
- We held three neighborhood meetings and produced newsletters.

Welcome to the neighborhood!

We have new neighbors, Lucien Wulsin and Katie Braude on Harrison Grade Place. We are happy to have you as part of our community.



Helping our neighbors

Remember our neighborhood event at Bunny Comstock's? About 30+ of us pruned and limbed up trees that Bunny, at 95 years old, could no longer take care of. We had a fabulous pot luck and gave Bunny lots of well deserved acknowledgement. It had a great community feel to it. Bunny is no longer with us. But that memory is!

Visit our website www.harrisongrade.org for meeting schedules, agendas, notes from meetings, articles on emergency preparedness
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