

# **Board of Directors**

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- Larry Whitehead
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## **District Office:**

8930 Placer Rd Redding, CA 96001

Office Hours: 8 am - 12:30 pm 1 pm - 4:30 pm

#### Mailing Address: 8930 Placer Road Redding, CA 96001

(530) 246 - 0680 (530) 246 - 2254 Fax (530) 245 - 1138 After Hours Emergency

Website: www.centervillecsd.org

# 2025 Board of Director's Annual Reorganization

February 2

Centerville CSD

# 2025 Board of Directors Standing Committee Assignments

President Larry Hopson appointed the following District Standing Committees for the 2025 Calendar year:



Larry Hopson

Walt Richison Eric Woodstrom

Eric Woodstrom

Larry Whitehead

Lori Mathiesen

The public is always welcome to attend the Committee Meetings. Agenda's are posted on the District's website as well as on the Bulletin Board outside the District Office

# <u>Online Burn Permit</u>



www.burnpermit.fire.ca.gov

What's Allowed and When: Residential Burning - Defined as outdoor burning of vegetative debris from a single or two-family residence. This excludes agricultural and prescribed burns.

Allowed Materials: Burn only dry, natural vegetation from your property. Household trash, garbage, and construction materials are prohibited.

Burning Seasons and Conditions: Burning is seasonally permitted and subject to local regulations. Always check with CAL FIRE and confirm with your air quality management agency before lighting any fire.

Applying is Easy: Complete the online application form: Fill out the form with your burn location, county, mailing address, and indicate if it is a cultural burn.

Submit & Await Approval: Once submitted, you'll receive an approval or denial via email promptly. No email? Check your spam or junk folders.

Burn Day Number: 530-224-8777 or 1-800-411-8728 after 9:00 a.m. for current burn day information.

# Valentíne's Day - Why Do We Celebrate

**Did you know that there was a Saint Valentine of Rome**? According to legend, he was a priest who defied the roman emperor's ban on marriage for young soldiers and secretly performed weddings for them. He was arrested and imprisoned. While imprisoned he healed the blind daughter of his jailer and fell in love with her. Before his execution, he wrote her a letter signed "from your Valentine".

It wasn't until many years later that Pope Gelasius I started the Feast of Saint Valentine in 496 AD, and the 14th of February was chosen as the day of the feast. The original idea was to feast and honor Saint Valentine's resilience and determination to spread the Gospel of Christ.

The first people to connect love and chocolate were the Mayans. They started brewing drinks made from cocoa beans around 500 BCE - centuries before the first Feast of Saint Valentine. By the 1840's Valentine's Day had become a day to celebrate love. Cadbury debuted the first heart-shaped box of chocolates in 1861, and it was an instant success. They did not patent the box design, so everyone else jumped on board.

Americans exchanged hand written notes and love letters for many years until the 1700's when ready-made Valentine's Day cards became available. After receiving an English Valentine's Day card, Esther Howland of Worcester began mass-producing her cards in the 1840s. She was hoping for an order for \$200 but received an order for \$5,000. She recruited her friends to help her make the cards and started her own business. She was the Martha Stewart of the 18th century. They were made with paper, lace, flowers and some had hidden windows and envelopes.

In our modern era, the Greeting Card Association calculates that about 145 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged every year. The traditional handwritten notes and cards are no longer a fad these days. They have given way to mass-produced cards and e-Valentine cards.

It is estimated that Americans spend in excess of \$10 billon dollars on Valentines Day. This Valentine's Day, as you are out buying flowers, chocolates and cards, take a moment and remember Saint Valentine who was executed for going against the Roman Empire. After all, this is really a day to honor him.



The District Office will be closed: February 10th - In Observance of Abe Lincoln's Birthday February 17th - In Observance of President's Day

### Scheduled Board Meetings:

The next scheduled Board of Director's Meeting will be held Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

The public is always welcome.

<u>Average Water Usage</u> <u>for the month</u>:

Compare the usage on your water bill with the average of the District. January's Average: 2,100 cf.