

Job Description

TREE PICKUP

NOVEMBER

Around Thanksgiving, decide what day the tree pickup will be. Have flyers made up to hand out at the Christmas Bazaar. The usual date is the first weekend in January.

Secure a wood chipper for the date you have chosen. You may contact one of three tree people in town - Joe Arnold, Paul Dubois (Of The Woods) or Joe Schneider (Pacific Tree Care). Try to alternate between years, as this is quite an imposition.

Find an area to deposit the trees and chip them. You will also need somewhere to dispose of the chips. The little league parking lot has been used in the past - however, when it is raining, it is a mess.

TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE PICKUP

Run an ad in the Weekly Calistogan, announcing the date and times. The trees should be out on the curb by 9:00 AM. Be sure to include a phone number in the ad where people can call. This should be the number of the adult assisting the scout in charge. Be sure you clear it first with the adult!

In the ad, encourage people to place their check on the tree. The suggested donation at this time is \$3.00.

THE DAY OF THE PICKUP

Although the ad will say 9:00 AM, start at 10:00 AM. Many people do not put their trees out until they see you go by, so plan on making more than one pass through your area.

The Scout in charge must prepare maps for all Patrols/Drivers. Mark off sections of town, as equally as possible, but adjacent. Don't have one driver going all over town. Use Sections! Keep in mind, after a few passes, the drivers and scouts are finished. It is your job as chairman to follow up during the course of the day on any phone calls for missed trees. It is not unusual for you to be still collecting trees after dark on the day of the pickup.

While there are seldom any trees to pick up, the Mobilehome Parks must be included.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Scouts are to wear their Class A Shirts. Gloves are recommended. Drivers will need rope to tie down the trees, and a broom to sweep out their pickup when finished.

WHEN FINISHED

Turn in all money to the Treasurer - the Scribe should write a letter to the Weekly Calistogan for their publicity, and the person who chipped the trees.