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# General Manager's Message

**FEBRUARY** 

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Joe Powell – CCAM-LS, CMCA, AMS General Manager

#### IMPACT OF DROUGHT AND TREE MORTALITY IN PML

As most of us know, one of the impacts of the years of drought in California is significant tree death. Last year, over 5,000 dead trees were removed from greenbelts and common area owned by the Association. In addition, thousands of trees have been removed from property owned by individual members in our community.

In recent months we have seen an increase in the number of hazard trees falling and damaging homes and property. Unfortunately, many members have not cleared their lots of these hazardous trees. Members who do remove dead trees often find more that exhibit signs of death just a few weeks later. Our staff in CC&R compliance have been working hard to get the word out and investigate hazard tree complaints, but the problem continues to impact our community.

We ask that all members take the time to inspect their property to make sure that they are in compliance with fire safety standards and that the property is free of dead trees. Those who choose to ignore this advice run the risk of a dead tree falling on their home or one of their neighbors homes. For more information regarding hazard trees and fire safety compliance in PML, please call the PML Community Standards Department at (209) 962-1240.

#### PML STRATEGIC PLAN TOWN HALL MEETING A SUCCESS

The Board of Directors scheduled a town hall meeting on January 22, 2017 at the PML Lake Lodge to finalize the work on

the Strategic Plan. This meeting was the culmination of many meetings and months of work by the Board and management team. Over the past few months, we held multiple meetings to develop the plan. The Board solicited input from the membership at these meetings, in the PML News, online and by email. Copies of the new plan are available online at the official PML Website at *www.pinemountainlake.com*.

One behalf of the Association and Board of Directors, I would like to thank all of the members who participated in the process in developing the Strategic Plan.

#### **RESERVE FUND WORKSHOP**

Our Controller Ken Spencer has put together a member workshop to cover all aspects of reserve funding for our Association. We have found more and more members asking questions about Association reserves and how we handle this important long-term financial plan for the maintenance, repair and replacement of components within our community. The workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 24th at the Lake Lodge and will start at 9 am. All PML members are welcome to attend. For more information, please call Ken at (209) 962-8606

#### TANNAHILL DRIVE CULVERT PROJECT

The underground drainage culvert near the corner of Tannahill Drive and Pine Mountain Drive has collapsed and we are working to replace it. The Tannahill Culvert Project is progressing, and we are nearing completion of the planning

and engineering stage. The engineer has met with local contractors and determined the best way to replace the culvert. The surveyor has completed his work and they are preparing the detailed maps that indicate pins and property boundaries. The engineers are completing their hydrological report which will calculate the intake of water flow to determine the size and type of culvert and structure needed to sustain the drainage from the culvert into 1st Garottee Creek and ultimately into the lake. Once the plans are completed, our engineering firm will prepare the documents for permitting, RFP's and bid packages and solicit bids from qualified contractors. Given the location of the GCSD water and sewer force-mains, and the highly technical work required, we will be contracting the work out, not handling it in-house.

#### PML SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE HOLDS FIRST CPR/FIRST AID COURSE

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!



Happy Valentine's Day from the Pine Mountain Lake News to all of our readers.

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2018 Budget /Assessment packets were mailed on December 1, 2017. If you have not received your packet, please contact the Administration Office at 209-962-8600

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Steve Griefer - PMLA Board President

fund the Grill renovation project. All funding contributions to the Reserves comes from the annual assessment. s many of Therefore, with all other factors being you know the Board the same, the annual assessment would increase each year by the \$65,000 shown on the schedule. As a reminder each \$40,000 of assessment increase translates to \$1/month per property owner. The previously planned increase of \$25,000 was necessary to achieve the 65% funding level before the expenditure for the Country Club Building renovation. is how we are going to fund it. Our

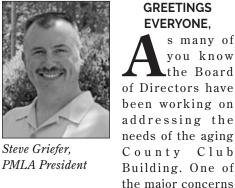
What this means for the long term is that each year the monthly assessment contribution to the Reserve Fund would increase by \$1.60. Of this \$.60 would occur even if the Country Club renovation project was postponed in order to bring the fund

up to an acceptable level. The renovation project accounts for the additional \$1 per month in each of the next 10 years.

It is critical to understand that this increase is not set in stone. The Reserve study is updated and reviewed each year, which impacts the balances going forward and the resulting required contribution. Also a future Board may determine that the 65% funding level should be modified, particularly when looking at the fact that by the year 2029 the Reserve fund is currently scheduled to be at almost \$9M.

Lastly, as with all passionate debate, whether it's the renovation of the Country Club Building, or politics, or religion, I urge everyone to remain civil, respect each other and their opinions, and let's keep our community happy and healthy.

WORKSHOP	ASSOCIATION	Subscribe to the PML News TODAY!
MARCH 24, 2018 • 9 A at the PMLA Lake Lo		Name
Presented by Ken Spencer, CAFM PMLA Controller		Unit Lot Mailing Address
MEMBER EDUCATION PRESENTATION• What is a Reserve Study?• What is a Reserve Fund?		
<ul> <li>How is money allocated to the Reserve Fund?</li> <li>What is the appropriate level of a Reserve Fund?</li> </ul>		NO CHARGE for Property Owners (bulk) \$6/yr for Co-Owners (bulk);
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PMLA 2018 Funding & Spending plan     All PMLA members are welcome     & encouraged to attend     FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE C		\$ (Payment due in full) Send this subscription to: Pine Mountain Lake Association 19228 Pine Mtn. Dr. Groveland, CA 95321 Attn: Anita



Controller Ken Spencer summed it up

like this: For the years 2018 through

2028 the increase is shown as \$65,000

each year. This reflects the standard

increase of \$25,000 per year plus the

additional \$40,000 increase required to

# PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION



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Thur. 11/22–Thanksgiving Fri. 11/23-Day After Thanksgiving Mon. 12/24-Christmas Eve Tue. 12/25-Christmas Day Mon. 12/31-New Years Eve Tue. 1/1/2019-New Years Day

## PMLA BOARD MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Meetings are held at the PML Lake Lodge and start at 9 AM (THIRD SATURDAY - UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

## FEBRUARY 17, 2018

March 17, 2018 April 21, 2018 May 19, 2018 June 16, 2018 July 21, 2018 August 25, 2018

September 8, 2018 (2nd Saturday, due to 49er Festival)

October 27, 2018 **Budget Meeting** (4th Saturday-Begins at 8 am) November 3, 2018

(1st Saturday) No December Meeting

Annual Meeting / Election

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## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES

#### For The Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2017

			Revenues			Expenses					
	Members'						(Cost)/Income			Budget	
OPERATION OF	Assessments	User	Sales, Net of	Miscellaneous	Total	Total	Before	Depreciation	(NET COST)	(NET COST)	Variance
AMENITIES	Net of Discount	Fees	Cost of Sales	Income	Revenues	Expenses	Depreciation	Expense	INCOME	INCOME	Bud - Act
Golf Course	S -0-	\$ 794,355	\$ 37,457		\$ 831,812	\$ 1,295,181	\$ (463,369)	)	\$ (463,369)	\$ (463,785)	416
Restaurant & Bar	-0-	8,748	783,262		792,010	1,266,991	(474,981)	)	\$ (474,981)	(418,760)	(56,221)
Marina	-0-	335,352	130,916	3,201	469,469	538,081	(68,612)	)	\$ (68,612)	(151,892)	83,280
Snack Shack	-0-		39,909		39,909	64,272	(24,363)	)	\$ (24,363)	(36,579)	12,216
Stables	-0-	69,129		1,221	70,350	232,267	(161,917)	)	\$ (161,917)	(148,866)	(13,051)
Recreation	-0-	87,091	4,618		91,709	110,149	(18,440)	)	\$ (18,440)	(56,234)	37,794
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	74,170		202,111	276,281	2,012,265	(1,735,984)	)	\$ (1,735,984)	(1,720,972)	(15,012)
PROPERTY OWNER											
SERVICES											
Safety	-0-	175,368		1,199	176,567	946,334	(769,767)	)	(769,767)	(939,404)	169,637
Administration	-0-	176,390		28,364	204,754	1,512,297	(1,307,543)	)	(1,307,543)	(1,346,361)	38,818
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	5,050,148			44,798	5,094,946	73,374	5,021,572	681,238	4,340,334	4,218,593	121,741
Totals	\$ 5,050,148	\$ 1,720,603	\$ 996,162	\$ 280,894	\$ 8,047,807	\$ 8,051,211	\$ (3,404)	\$ 681,238	\$ (684,642)	\$ (1,064,260)	379,618

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Total Revenues minus Total Expenses equals Net Income before depreciation. The annual budget for income before depreciation is (\$256,000).

## PML AUTOMATIC PAYMENT PROGRAM

Taking the time to write a check for your monthly assessment payment can be time consuming and costly. You can avoid this burden and eliminate the potential for late payment charges by enrolling in PMLA's Auto Payment Program. By completing the form, which can be found at **www.PineMountainLake.com** under the Resources/Forms, and returning it to the Administration Office, you can have your monthly assessment automatically deducted from your checking account or charged to your credit card. This means you never have to remember to write a check and mail it each month. The peace of mind that comes with knowing your payment will always be made on time is easy to attain. We can also arrange to have any other regular payment you make to the Association (such as golf membership, horse boarding fees, etc.) paid in the same way.

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CAPITAL EXPENDITORES		nded Decen	1061 01, 2017
	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
2017 Beginning Fund Balances	2,314,319	\$ 155,909	2,470,228
Interest Income	4,340	17	4,357
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	330		330
Assessments Earned	1,900,000 (1)	173,011 (2)	2,073,011
Other Income/Expense			
PURCHASES BY AMENITY			
Golf Course	(115,913)		(115,913
Country Club	(8,792)	(8,923)	(17,715
Bar	(2,354)		(2,354
Marina	(64,339)	(3,926)	(68,265
Snack Shack	(3,370)		(3,370
Swim Center			-
Stables	(6,277)		(6,277
Recreation	(2,688)	(1,180)	(3,868
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	(162,418)	(130,212)	(292,630
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES			
Safety	(24,603)	(63,687)	(88,290
Administration		(3,651)	(3,651
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(221,765)		(221,765
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment			
additions and reserve expenses	(612,519)	(211,579)	(824,098
Adjusted Fund Balances	\$ 3,606,470	\$ 117,358	\$ 3,723,828

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

(1) The Budgeted Reserve Fund assessment for 2017 is \$1,900,000

(2) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2017 is \$173,011

# CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 12 Months Ended December 31, 2017

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# **PMLA Money Matters**

Ken Spencer, CAFM – Association Controller

o paraphrase a quote attributed to Abraham Lincoln, "you can please some of the people all of the time, you can please all of the people some of the time but you can't please all of the people all of the time". This quote seems particularly appropriate today in light of the vigorous, often heated discourse currently taking place on social media regarding the proposed refurbishment of the PML Country Club building.

There appears to be great deal of varying opinions regarding the validity, appropriateness and value of this project. These opinions are often expressed with passion and conviction. Sometimes they argue a particular viewpoint with facts, logic and reason. Other times the passion can become based on emotions and a firmly held belief with very little in the way of rational support behind it.

This vigorous discussion is one of the things that makes this country such an amazing place. The ability to disagree and express this disagreement in a free and open forum is healthy and can lead to a greater understanding by all sides. There is, of course, a caveat to this type of discourse that tends to get lost in the heat of the moment respect. Debating a point of view requires respect from all parties. Respect the right of others to disagree with your beliefs by keeping the discussion civil and trying to truly listen to what others have to say.

Another aspect of life in this country (and this Association) is the decision making process we all live by. The people choose individuals to represent them in making choices for the way our government is run, how our money is spent and all of the other myriad things that make up a government entity. Do we all agree with every decision that Congress or the President makes that impacts our lives? Of course not. This is also true regarding decisions that the Board of Directors makes throughout the year. Some are small, some are big and others are huge.

The bigger the decision, whether it involves the assessment and how it is spent or a rule regarding activities within the Association, the greater the challenge is to get it right. It is also true that these situations very often lead to the most vocal discussions among the property owners. This is a good thing! Healthy discussion can bring out points that have not been considered. Opinions can change. Decisions can be altered. However the discourse has to remain civil and focused on facts and not emotion.

The most critical thing to remember about all this is that at the end of the day we have elected our leaders to make the final decision on these matters. Once all of the debate and discussion is concluded we must rely on them to make the best choice based on the facts and their own evaluation of what is best for the Association as a whole. Whether we agree or disagree with the final choice it is incumbent on all of us to get behind the decision and make it work.

In regards to the proposed Grill renovation I have my opinion just like everyone else. However I keep that opinion to myself since I have a duty to remain objective and present the financial facts regarding the cost of the project. I have done that and have confidence that the analysis and cost structure that has been prepared is valid. Will it be exact? Probably not. Will it be accurate from the big picture perspective? I believe so. Does it put the Association in financial jeopardy as it relates to our Reserve Fund? I do not believe it does as we have a solid plan in place to address this issue going forward while still attaining the Board established goal of achieving a 65% funding level in the Reserves by the year 2029.

This entire debate has reinforced in me the need for a more comprehensive education program to explain the workings of our Reserve fund. This will entail a workshop designed to present a clearer picture of how the Reserves work, how it is funded, how expenditures are approved. I look forward to presenting this to all property owners and answering your questions on this important and complex part of life in PMLA.

Well that's it for this month. If you have any PMLA Money Matters you would like to see discussed in this column in the future please drop me a line at *controller@pinemountainlake*. *com* or give me a call at 962-8606. Thanks for reading and I hope you find this monthly discussion helpful, somewhat interesting and at least a bit informative.

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# PML SAFETY REPORT 2017

	October	November	December	YTD		
Guest Passes Issued	1,408*	1,477	1,560	17,899		
Vendor Passes Issued	174	141	121	1,609		
Temporary Resident Passes Is	sued 519	408	694	9,635		
Vehicles Admitted	10,991	9,977	10,781	169,851		
Vehicles Refused Entry	213	219	163	3,105		
Phone Calls Received	2,426	3,658	3,641	50,995		
Residential Alarm	7	6	7	119		
Animal - Loose	13	23	14	218		
Animal - Impounded	2	2	2	49		
Animal - Dead/Injured	25	14	13	143		
Animal - Disturbance	14	5	6	92		
Animal - Leash Law Violation	0	2	0	3		
Public Assist	37	26	8	268		
Welfare Check	0	1	2	27		
Transport	1	2	0	12		
Traffic Hazard	0	0	0	14		
Traffic Control	0	0	0	6		
Excessive Speed/Reckless Dri	ving 0	3	2	13		
Gate - Tamper	2	0	0	11		
Gate - Follow Through	14	12	16	167		
Gate - Malfunction	17	14	13	169		
Gate - Struck by Vehicle	4	3	4	41		
Control Burn Reported	0	65	34	534		
, Fire Safety - Smoke Complain	t 2	2	1	15		
, Residential Disturbance	0	1	2	47		
Amenity Burglary	0	0	0	2		
Residential Burglary	0	0	0	3		
Grand Theft	0	1	0	1		
Petty Theft	1	0	4	22		
Trespassing	1	1	0	14		
Vandalism	1	1	1	9		
Property Damage - PML	1	1	0	14		
Property Damage - Resident	1	1	1	15		
Illegal Dumping	0	0	0	0		
PML Regs Violations Resident	3	0	1	41		
PML Regs Violations Guest	0	2	1	42		
Vehicle - Citation Issued	0	1	2	42		
Vehicle - Accident PML	3	2	1	24		
Patrolling Unit	425	637	733	7,374		
Amenity Security Check	2,317	2,320	2,398	27,373		
Residence Security Check	187	164	119	2,374		
Monitoring Tennis Courts	1	2	1	41		
Weapon Violation	0	0	0	4		
Fixed Post	1	2	2	33		
Courtesy Notice Issued	5	5	4	53		
,	\$15,680.59	\$15,100.76	\$19,738.34	\$317,198.56		
*October's Guess Passes Issue	d was mistak	enly reported as	: 12,408 in the De	ecember 2017		
edition of the Pine Mountain Lake News and should have read 1,408.						



## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEWS

## **MOORE BROTHERS PREPAID BAG BIN**

The bin (dumpster) at the PMLA Maintenance Yard entrance is for the dumping of prepaid, Moore Bros., trash bags ONLY. No dumping of any other trash items are allowed. Violators will face enforcement action. Please help us keep this area clear and ensure that the dumpster can remain in place for our residents use. Thank you!

> THE PREPAID BAGS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE MAIN GATE AND THE PMLA OFFICE.

## HERE IS YOUR CHANCE TO BE MORE INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

Pine Mountain Lake Association has openings on the Following Committees:

## **Editorial Committee**

## **Smoking Area Review Ad-Hoc Committee**

If you wish to be considered for committee membership, please complete an "Application for Committee Assignment". This form is available on the website at www.pinemountainlake.com or from the Administration Office.

> MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: Pine Mountain Lake Association Attention: Debra Durai 19228 Pine Mountain Drive • Groveland, CA 95321

Email to Debra@pinemountainlake.com or drop it by the Administration Office

## **COMPOST & ARCHERY RANGE** HOURS OF OPERATION

NOVEMBER THRU MARCH – TUES. – SAT. 8AM TO 4PM WEATHER PERMITTING

APRIL THRU OCTOBER - 7 DAYS A WEEK 8AM TO 4PM WEATHER PERMITTING

SHOOTING RANGE - TUES, THUR, SAT 9AM TO 3PM

PLEASE NOTE Hours may vary depending on weather conditions, safety concerns, or other situations beyond control. Archery & Gun Range users must check-in with compost attendant.

HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE Call Main Gate at 209-962-8615

# GOT YOUR PIN?

Since PML is a private gated community, we want to offer our property owners a secure way to call in guests. When you become a member of PML you are assigned a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to utilize either when calling in a guest pass or using the Gate Access Internet program. This PIN identifies you to staff without you having to be present. This is a confidential number and should **not be shared**. When you call the Main Gate to authorize a guest or vendor access into PML, you will be asked for your PIN. The staff will look up the number in the computer and use it to confirm your identity before entering the guest information. You must have this number to utilize the Gate Access Internet program as well. If you do not know your PIN or have any questions, please contact the Administration Office at:

## (209) 962-8600



Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm and we will gladly supply this information to you.



MOORE BROS. SCAVENGER CO., INC. O. Box 278 • Big Oak Flat, CA 95305 • (209) 962-7224 • FAX (209) 962-725

## VACATION RENTAL OPTIONS FOR TRASH SERVICE

In order to assist property owner/managers of short-term rentals with trash removal, Moore Bros. Scavenger Co. offers the following services.

Short-term rental customers may participate in year-round or three-month summer curbside service. To manage anticipated levels of guest trash, property owners/managers of short-term rentals should maintain the suggested service levels as determined by the Maximum Occupancy for Rental Property (please see the chart below). In the event that renters generate more than the expected amount of trash or the home is rented multiple times during a given week the following options are provided:

- As Needed Extra Pickup. Property owners/managers may request a notation on their rental service accounts to pick up extra as needed. This will ensure that all trash left alongside the cans will be picked up by Moore Bros. and a special pickup will not be required. There is an additional per-can/bag charge for each extra can/bag picked up.
- Special Pickup. Moore Bros. has a truck and driver available for special pickups Monday through Friday.
- Property owner/managers must place a request for service call or email to Moore Bros. before 3 pm on the business day prior to the requested pickup day. A request for a Monday pickup must be made by 3 pm on the previous Friday. Prepaid Bags. Prepaid Moore Bros. bags may be purchased by property owner/manager to be used by any handyman or housekeeper servicing the residence between rental customers. The prepaid bags can be disposed of at the Pine Mountain Lake Maintenance Yard on Par Court off of Mueller Dr.

Property owners/managers utilizing full summer service may go to on-call service for the off season.

- Off Season on Call Service. Property owner/manager may call or email an on-call request to Moore Bros. for a service pickup on the regular pickup day for the address. A request for service call or email must be received before 3 pm the business day prior to regular scheduled pickup day. Charges will be based on the standard a per-can rate for each can/bag picked up.
  - Special Pickup. Please follow the same procedure as listed above for Special Pickup

#### Maximum Occupancy for Rental Property

Maximum Occupancy	Suggested Service Level		
6 - 8 people	2 can		
8 - 10 people	3 can		
10 - 12 people	4 can		
Lake front Property 12 people	4 or more cans as typically needed		

If you have questions please feel free to contact our office at (209) 962-7224 or email us at: info@moorebrosscavenger.com and Shirley@moorebrosscavenger.com (Please cc both to insure prompt replies).

\*\*\*A drop-off Recycling center is available for use Mon – Sat. 8 am – 5 pm @ 11300 Wards Ferry Rd. Big Oak Flat, Ca\*\*\*

# **Recreation Update**

Ryan Reis – Recreation and Seasonal Operations Manager

## CALIFORNIA BOATER CARDS

California Boater Card will be required for any persons operating a boat under the age of 20 starting in 2018. This is a new requirement set by the state of California. In the future, all California boat operators will need a boater card – here is the effective dates:

- January 1, 2018 Persons 20 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2019 Persons 25 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2020 Persons 35 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2021 Persons 40 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2022 Persons 45 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2023 Persons 50 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2024 Persons 60 years of age or younger
- January 1, 2025 All persons regardless of age

There are some exceptions to the rule – see below a list of these exemptions:

- A person operating a rental vessel.
- A person operating a vessel while under the direct supervision of a person 18 years of age or older who is in possession of a California Boater Card.

- A person who is a resident of a state other than California who is temporarily operating a vessel in California for less than 60 days and meets the boating requirements, if any, of his/her state.
- A person who is a resident of a country other than the United States who is temporarily operating a vessel in California for less than 90 days and meets the boating requirements, if any, of his/her country.
- A person operating a vessel in an organized regatta or vessel race, or water ski race.
- A person who is in possession of a current commercial fishing license.
- A person who is in possession of a valid marine operator license, for the waters upon which the licensee is operating, issued by the US Coast Guard, or who is in possession of a valid certificate issued pursuant to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended.
- A person who has successfully completed a boating course approved by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

For more information, the FAQs are online here: *http://californiaboatercard.* com/faqs-2/

# **Building Our Community**

Terri Thomas – ECC Coordinator

he Environmental Control Committee asked that this month's article address the "Why?" of getting your projects approved through the ECC prior to starting any improvement to the exterior of your property.

The broad answer to that question is that it is required by the Governing Documents of the Association. Every property owner should have received a copy of these documents when they purchased their property. They are supplied in a variety of formats; printed documents in a binder, on a CD and on a flash drive. They are also available on the Pine Mountain Lake website at www.pinemountainlake.com/governingdocuments-2/. If you do not have a copy, please contact the Administration office and they will tell you how you can get one.

Having your project approved, prior to starting, will save you time and money in the long-run.

For example, if you paint your house and you choose a color that has not been reviewed by the ECC, you may end up having to repaint your house. This scenario would be avoided if the colors had been reviewed by the Committee. They would have told you beforehand and you could have chosen a color that met the requirements for paint color.

Another situation the Committee deals with is the installation of fences without prior approval. When a fence project is submitted to the Committee, several things are reviewed; placement on the property and materials to be used are two important considerations with a fence. Without prior approval, a property owner can run into costly changes and significant delays that would have been avoided if the project had been properly reviewed and approved.

The same goes for any improvement, whether it's a driveway, deck, dock, exterior lights... anything exterior. Did your contractor get the proper building permit? Is there any other agency that needs to be notified such as the Department of Fish and Wildlife or the Tuolumne County Airports Division? Getting prior approval not only is required by the Governing Documents, it assures the property owner will not be required to remove or re-do their project. The Environmental Control Committee is here to assist you with all aspects of the approval process for your improvement.

If you have questions, you can call our office Monday through Friday, 8:00 – 4:30 or email us at *ecc@pinemountainlake.com*.

# Tee to Green

Rob Abbott - Golf Course Superintendent

ith the 2018 season fast approaching Golf Maintenance programs are well into the planning process. One such program that I have mentioned in the past and will mention again is greens topdressing. The 2017 USGA report strongly recommends a continuation of this program and a more aggressive schedule.

Applying light rates of topdressing sand to putting greens on a regular basis helps maintain a balance between air and water penetration by diluting organic matter. Consistent lite applications are critical to produce the desired results of a successful topdressing program. The goal of topdressing is to create resilient turf and consistent playing surfaces that are less susceptible to ball marks, scalping, and wear. Selecting a high quality sand and applying it at the proper rates and times can minimize the short-term negative impact that topdressing occasionally has on playability while maximizing the long-term effects on playing conditions and turf health. Topdressing should be applied to putting greens every one to three weeks at a rate that matches turf growth.

Spin topdressers such as the one we purchased in 2017 are an efficient way to apply

topdressing sand. A light rate can be applied to the putting greens ahead of the first group of golfers with minimal disruption to play. I upgraded the quality of our sand in 2017 to a uniform 2mm size and Kiln-dried to minimize impact to players. While there is a higher cost associated with sand that has gone through a drying process, and extensive sifting the benefits of incorporating dried uniform sand into the turf canopy is well worth the added cost.

Visually inspecting soil profile is a quick & easy way to determine if a topdressing program is effective. The presence of alternating light & dark layers indicates there are inconsistencies in the top-dressing program, while a uniform distribution of sand indicates that the proper amount of topdressing is being applied.

Putting green topdressing programs Increase the wear on mowers. As sand is picked up by mowers, the quality of cut diminishes because the reels and bedknives become dull. If putting greens are regularly topdressed, additional backlapping or grinding will be necessary to maintain sharp reels and bedknives. To limit sand exposure to the entire fleet of greens mowers I have chosen to utilize one mower the day after topdressing throughout the program.

# NOTICE

The Pine Mountain Lake News, established July 25, 1973, is printed monthly for residents of Pine Mountain Lake and sold in the Groveland, CA 95321 area. Members can access the PML News monthly edition online at www. PineMountainLake.com. Every month the newest edition of the PML News is posted online before the first of each month. Interested parties can subscribe to the traditional "hard copy" and receive a copy by mail each month.

The PML News is mailed to approximately 3500 PML property owner households each month. Up to 500 copies are racksold in the local Groveland area. Our circulation reaches approximately 1200 full-time, resident, PML property owners and approximately 2300 "weekender," nonresident, property owners who maintain primary residence in Northern California, in Southern California, or in other states. For more information regarding the PML News, please call the PML Administration Office at (209) 962-8600. We greatly appreciate your contributions but please note that the PML News fills up very quickly – often by the 7th or 8th of the month (long before the 10th deadline). To ensure that your submission is reviewed for publication please submit in full and as early as possible. Please remember that the PML News is limited in capacity and your submissions are reviewed on a firstcome-first-served, space-available basis.

We publish all PMLA related submissions such as Board & Management Business, Clubs, Activities & Events. Where space remains, we publish non-PMLA related submissions in our "Community" section.

We do our best to provide timely news. If you experience delayed delivery or have misplaced a particular edition, please visit us at the PMLA website *www.pinemountainlake.com* for a downloadable PDF of the News posted by the 1st of the month and a downloadable PDF list of ad rates.

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# Paint Discount Program

Kelly-Moore Paint Company has been serving Pine Mountain Lake for 40 years. They want to remind PML property owners of the discount program that has been established for them. This program offers a generous discount on Kelly-Moore paint and accessories such as rollers, brushes, tape, caulk, etc. Delivery is available on orders of 10 gallons or more. This special discount opportunity is available with proof of Pine Mountain Lake membership (Member ID Card) on a cash or credit/debit card basis only (no checks please).

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Although this program was initiated through the Sonora store, it will be honored at any Kelly-Moore Paint Company store. If you are interested in this discount program, call your local Kelly-Moore Paint store for details.

## Contractors Performing Work in PML are Required to Follow PMLA Rules & Regulations

The following are some "common violations." Please do your part to maintain a harmonious environment for all to enjoy. Remember: The PML property Owner is held responsible for those they hire.

#### VEHICLE USE:

- 1. Exceeding the posted speed limit
- 2. Driving in a reckless manner
- 3. Following another through an access gate or allowing others to follow you through
- 4. Parking on street (road shoulders OK)

#### PERSONAL CONDUCT:

- 1. Allowing loud music
- 2. Uttering abusive language or conduct that would be offensive to a reasonable person
- 3. Using the property Owner's gate card or clicker

#### WORK RELATED CONDUCT

- 1. Starting work before 7am or continuing after 7pm
- 2. Allowing dogs at construction sites
- 3. Performing work on Sunday
- Cutting down a tree in excess of 5" without PMLA approval
- 5. Trespassing on neighboring property
- 6. Using neighbors water or electricity without written permission
- 7. Leaving construction signs longer than 5 days after work has been completed
- 8. Nailing signs to trees
- Storing building materials on street or easement
   Beginning exterior construction without PMLA approval
- Call Terri Thomas, ECC Coordinator @ (209) 962-8605 with questions.

# **FIREWOOD CUTTING IS HERE**

## PML SLASH AND COMPOST SITE

OAK AND CEDAR REQUIRES A \$20 PML WOOD CUTTING PERMIT

WOOD CUTTING PERMITS AVAILABLE AT THE MAINTENANCE FACILITY

**PINE AND FIR** AVAILABLE FOR FREE CUT & HAUL FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT SUSAN AT

## (209) 962-8612

BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7 AM TO 2:30 PM, M-F.

# All PMLA Homeowners Email Opt-in Program

The Association is pleased to offer a money saving program available to all PMLA property owners. This program allows you to receive many of the documents we are required to provide to you via email. This option is important because:

**Cost Savings** – The Association is spared the expense of printing and mailing many documents to those property owners who sign up.

**Environmental Savings** – Less paper means less trash and reduced damage to the environment both in the disposal and production of paper and envelopes.

Reduced Clutter – By receiving documents via advantages.

Please read the Terms & Conditions for the email opt-in program on the website, *www.pinemountainlake.com* under the Resources/Forms > Opt-In Email Program.

Opt-In Email Program.
Mail form below to:
Pine Mountain Lake Association
19228 Pine Mountain Drive • Groveland, CA 95321
YES, I WANT TO ENROLL IN PMLA'S EMAIL STATEMENT
AND DOCUMENT SERVICE. I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE
TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH ABOVE AS A

CONDITION FOR	<b>PARTICIPATION II</b>	

PMLA Account Number:	Unit/Lot #:
Name:	Phone #:
Address:	
Email Address:	
Signature:	

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Gift cards are available at the Administration Office, The Grill, and at the Pro Shop

## BEFORE YOU BEGIN CONSTRUCTION ON YOUR LOT

The Declaration of Restrictions (CC&Rs) states that no construction of any type (new construction, driveways, grading, lot development, etc.) can be performed without prior approval from the Environmental Control Committee (ECC). Failure to obtain approval could result in the stoppage of work or even fines, and nobody wants that to happen. Inspections are made every Tuesday and reviewed by the Committee every other Thursday, so we can accommodate our members.

Please contact ECC before you begin any type of construction at 209-962-8605

## ADMINISTRATION

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Main Gate personnel are available to issue gate cards on SATURDAY & SUNDAY FROM 8:30 AM TO 4:30 PM.

Please call in advance to schedule an appointment at 209-962-8615



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# COMING SOON TO THE GRILL AT PML MARCH, 1 & 2, 2018 • 4<sup>pm</sup> Cocktails 5<sup>pm</sup> Dinner







ADMIT

DIRECTOR



**750** per person • plus tax

SEATING IS LIMITED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED (209) 962-8638

# Happy New Year from The Grill

Jay Reis – Manager

**G** round Hog Day is February 2 this year. I for one hope that he doesn't see his shadow. Legend has it, if Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter. If he doesn't see his shadow, this implies an early spring. Phil's statistics are kept

by Pennsylvania's Groundhog Club which cares for the animal. Phil has predicted 103 forecasts for winter and just 17 for an early spring. As it turns out, Phil's predictions have been recorded as only 39% accurate according to Stormfax Alamanac's data.

February 4 is Super Bowl Sunday. The party at the Grill starts at 3:30pm with drink specials throughout the game and a halftime appetizer buffet. Make your reservations early for Valentine's Day Wednesday February 14.

Our Wine Tasting Dinner will be on Thursday February 15 from 5pm until 7pm. Showcased wines will be hosted by Southern Glazer's Wine and Spirits. Chef



Raul will be preparing a dinner featuring roasted Cornish Game Hens. Reservations for this event is required. Call today 209-962-8638.

Other special days in February include February 17 to 19 is the Presidents Day Holiday weekend. Some schools are on vacation the

week before and some schools are off the week of the 19th. Either way the snowbirds will be out for these two weeks in February.

### 19TH HOLE LOUNGE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR FEBRUARY

Friday February 2 – **Karaoke** (*Please note Karaoke will be the second Friday in March*) Saturday February 3 – **Koolshifters** Saturday February 10 – **Kickstart** Saturday February 17 – **Burn Permit** Saturday February 24–**DJ by Sound Extreme** 

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome please feel free to contact me at *clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com* 

THE GRILL HOURS Monday Closed (19th Hole lounge open 10am to close) Breakfast – Sat and Sun only from 8am to 11am Lunch – Tues–Sun 11am to 3pm Dinner – Tues–Sunday 5pm to 8pm (Fri and Sat until 9pm)

## PMLA HAS USED EQUIPMENT FOR SALE VIA SEALED BID AUCTION

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 15, 2018 ALL SALES GO TO HIGHEST BIDDER



## TWO GOLF CARTS EACH SOLD SEPARATELY

EACH BID IS FOR ONE CART ONLY (IF YOU WISH TO BID ON BOTH CARTS YOU MUST SUBMIT TWO SEPARATE BIDS) Dog not inlcuded

## ONE TOWABLE ROUGH MOWER

COMES WITH A SECOND UNIT FOR PARTS

SPRAYER





All items are located and can be viewed at the Pine Mountain Lake Maintenance facility 12742 Par Ct. Groveland Ca. 95321. Call Susan at (209) 962-8612 with questions about these items. **ALL ITEMS ARE SOLD AS IS.** For more information on the sealed bid process please visit our website: www.PineMountainLake.com



# Pine Mountain Lake Campground

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Natalie Trujillo, Director

would first like to congratulate all of my Safety Officers for the revenue increases we've seen for the Campground for it is their hard work that made it possible. Safety Officers provide all of the customer service and booking assistance for the Campground 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. 2017 was an especially stellar year for the Pine Mountain Lake Campground boasting over \$53,000 in campsite fees for the calendar year. This figure yields an increase of 17% and 74% when compared to 2016 and 2015, respectively. For an amenity that hardly costs anything to manage or maintain, we see this as a delightful success.

The Campground originally consisted of dozens of sites, a smattering of which were across the creek and in the "Upper Loop" as we refer to it. With the opening, or re-opening as it were, of 20 additional sites we have enjoyed renewed interest in this particular public amenity. Boasting spectacular California weather and just a 30 mile drive to the North Gate of Yosemite National Park, the Pine Mountain Lake Campground can easily be used nearly year round. For 2018 we look forward to the integration of an online reservation system with our current in-house software, Campground Master. This kind of technology is not just desirable, but necessary to advance any business in this day and age.

If you are ever in search of a fantastic place to hike or just enjoy nature, consider strolling through the Campground. It is even an excellent place to ride bikes or walk your dog



(leashed, of course!). Reservations will still be taken the old-fashioned way, by contacting the Main Gate at (209) 962-8615, until our online capabilities are fully operational in just a short while. Here's to another fabulous year for the Pine Mountain Lake Campground!



in enhancing the safety and response

in emergency situations. The new

placements will be alarming to some,

shocking to others, and about time to a

few of us, an enhancement to many, and

will be run over by that same person who

runs over the traffic signs now. Who put

is a planned PMLA asset replacement

plan, funded in our reserves. The work

will be performed in-house by the

Maintenance Department. Placements will be assigned by PML Units, and will

be completed by the end of this year.

The Street Name Replacement Project

# Street Name Signs & Posts

Tom Moffitt - Maintenance Department

Beginning this year 2018, we will begin the upgrade of all the street name signs in Pine Mountain Lake Association. The existing wood posts and signs will be replaced with steel posts with retroreflective street name signs. The blades will be nine-inches wide with six-inch lettering. The State of California has given us the choice of blue, green or brown background with white lettering...brown is the selected background color.

The retroreflective signs will illuminate when the vehicle headlights shine on them at night. These changes are a conformation and compliance standard to the latest MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices). The original deadline for the replacements was January 2018. With all the complexities of municipalities and volume of planned changes, the completion deadline has been relaxed.

We have met the MUTCD deadlines

for the upgrading of the traffic control devices, the black lettering on white regulatory SPEED and STOP signs, the yellow warning signs, and the guide signs. These changes brought larger signs, and the new retroreflective standards for lighting up when vehicle headlights hit the signs. This was a huge undertaking with the replacement of 485 signs on the roads alone. The cost of replacement of the signs is \$65, with a complete placement, sign and post, rounded to \$150 per sign. There have been few signs and posts additions since the project was completed in 2015. Most of the current replacements being signs and posts which have been destroyed by collisions of vehicles with the sign.

We will be proofing the street names and begin ordering the materials this year. The post placement will be analyzed for set-back and visibility at each intersection. The steel posts will be set in concrete, with the bottom of the signage at a minimum of seven-feet above the road and shoulder grade. Many posts will have two sign blades, with the cross intersection road name on the bottom, and the thru-road name on the top. This will always get tricky with sign blades length defined by the street name. Hmm...FOX COURT and JACKSON MILL DRIVE intersection, lots of PINE MOUNTAIN DRIVE signs, and the longest sign with the full wording of MOUNT JEFFERSON STREET. This creates an abbreviated MT JEFFERSON ST, a necessary change to keep the sign blade at a reasonable length.

These changes are a great step forward

Happy Valentine's Day

that there?

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## From the Fringe

Mike Cook – PGA Head Golf Professional

t the time of the writing of this article, the rainy season is off to a slow start but the storm window seems to be opening. During these winter months, when actually playing a round of golf is difficult at times, there are still productive things you can do to improve your game. Here are a few suggestions that may help:

- Read a good fundamental book on the golf swing. Ben Hogan's Five Lessons is a great book that explains the golf swing in simple and understandable terms.
- Practice your short game. Even when the course is very wet and soggy, the practice putting and chipping greens drain very well and are very playable. An hour or two a week of short game practice will do wonders for your overall golf game. It has been calculated that 60% or more of shots taken during a round are from with 100 years of the green. Do the numbers for yourself, count the shots you made from within 100 yards of the green on your last round. Then count the strokes lost from bad chip shots and missed short putts. You will usually be able to cut 3 to 5 shots off your score by improving your short game. Try it and see.
- Check the condition of the grips on your clubs. First clean them with dish soap and water. Sometimes they just need cleaning. If they are still slick, it may be time to get them re-gripped. If so see the Golf Shop Staff.
- If you want to improve your game (who doesn't) come up with a plan on how to accomplish it. I have found that most people do not improve because they do not practice. If you do not get out on the range or practice putting green you will not improve. You will not be able to improve by just playing alone. Schedule time to practice even if it is just a few minutes 3 times a week. Practicing between rounds will help you to be more consistent and help you to know your swing better.

• Take a lesson. We can't see ourselves swing so sometime we need someone to help us determine what we need to do to correctly swing the club.

#### WELCOME NEW PROPERTY OWNERS

The Golf Shop Staff and I would like to welcome our new property owners to Pine Mountain Lake Golf & CC. When you have a chance stop in the Golf Shop as we would like to say Hi and get to know you better.

#### WINTER GOLF

We will be continuing our 11:00 am daily shotgun starts until Daylight Savings Time begins. During the winter months, weekends are a great time to play a round of golf as many of the weekend golfers that play during the summer season do not play in the winter. Call the Golf Shop to reserve a position in the shotgun 209-962-8620.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS Ladies 9 & 18 Hole Golf Clubs Weekly Play Day Thursdays

**Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Icebreaker** 2 Man Better Ball Saturday February 24

#### PICKLE BALL PRODUCTS

The Golf Shop has expanded its stock of Pickle Ball products to include: Men's & Ladies Tee Shirts and economically priced paddles. The Golf Shop is open daily from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm during the winter.

#### JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM

We are planning to expand our Junior Golf Program in 2018. If you have a son, daughter, grandchild or know a young person that is between 8 and 17 years of age and would like to be a part of our 2018 program. Call the Golf Shop 209-962-8620 and we will add them to our mailing list. We will have more specific information, dates and times as we get closer to the spring time.



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INCOME TAX PREPARATION AUDIT REPRESENTATION

# Copyrights, Fair Use & Clip-art

David Wilkinson – Publishing Editor, PML News

s a graphic artist, photographer, and editor of a newspaper I am quite often asked about copyright, fair use, and clip-art. Typical questions I receive are, "How do you know when you can use an image from the internet?" and/or "How do you know an image is copyrighted?"

The quick, and very unpopular, answer is if you found it online it has a copyright. Many people think that if they find the image online they can use it for whatever they want. This is not the case. Short of having registered a copyright with the government, all works are given a de facto copyright as soon as they are published. This is the sticky part because the internet counts as being published. Once someone posts a photo on the internet or posts a poem they have written they have copyright protection from them being used without their permission or attribution. So my answer is always to say that if you found it online, don't use it unless you paid for it or it specifically said that it was "free for personal and commercial use without attribution."

#### FAIR USE

The previous question is quite often followed up with another question. "So what about this 'Fair Use' thing I have heard about?"

Good question, hard answers. Many people believe that *Fair Use* means they can use whatever they want as long as they do not profit from its use. This is NOT true.

Profit is not a defining factor in using a work by another. If you make t-shirts just for yourself with a copyrighted character without permission, it can be said that you are diluting the viability of, and market for, the work. People do get away with that quite a lot but, by the letter of the law, it is still infringement and you can be sued.

What *Fair Use* actually means is any copying of copyrighted material done for a limited and "transformative" purpose, such as to comment upon, critique, or parody a copyrighted work is not an infringement. This can be tricky. Transformative is a tough word to apply consistently and confidently.

Even the courts have trouble sometimes defining exactly what is *Fair Use*. The artist that created the Obama Hope design was sued for using a photo that he did not have the rights to. He eventually paid a \$25,000 fine, among other punishements, for using the image without permission.

One thing to know, using an image or copying text from an article and then simply posting it as your own does not represent fair use, EVER. Even if just for your own personal use, an image used without permission can get you in hot water. Slap an NFL logo on something that gets seen and it is amazing how fast a lawyer sends a cease and desist.

### CLIP-ART

After copyrights and fair use we get to clip-art. "Does clip-art give me the right to use it however I wish?" "Can I use clip-art in a logo or to advertise my company?" Some gray areas surround clip-art.

Even when a piece of clip-art is purchased the fine print that accompanies it may actually tell you what you can and cannot use the images for. Some clip-art has limitations on the number of uses or where it can be used under the purchasing license. Often if you want to put the clip-art on a t-shirt or other product, an extended license is required. The number of reproductions dictates the cost to use the art, the more prints, the more money.

It is never a good idea to use clip-art in a logo or as any type of identity for your company. If you do and eventually you decide to trademark your logo, the government will reject any logo containing previously copyrighted work, unless you have exclusive rights purchased for the image. Clip-art affords no protection against use by others, even if you added your company name to it. You can't own it.

Many years ago an artist that I was working with used some copyrighted photos as simple placeholders on some web design content. Their intention was to replace the photos with ones that were to be acquired and paid for after approval of the design concept. What ended up happening was the client loved the work, took it and posted it online. The artist, who was working on too many projects at once, forgot that she had not replaced the photos and moved on. Fast forward a few months and the client received a letter from an attorney with a bill for \$1,500 **per image** used without permission. Ouch!

What was even more difficult to swallow was that the images used were actually from a photo disk, basically clip art photos. The problem was that they were only allowed to be used with attribution, or simply put, they had to have the name of the photographer and their contact info with each photo.

When it comes to using things you found on the web...just say no...or at least say, probably not. If you really want to use it contact the artist and ask if you can. If you give them credit they just might say yes.

This has been a very basic overview of copyrights, fair use and clip-art, for informational purposes, but if you have any questions regarding the use of an image for use in an article for this paper, send us an email at *PMLNews@SabreDesign.net* and ask, we would be happy to assist you.

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#### **CONCERN WITH ASSESSMENTS**

It never stops- a constant ratcheting up of our assessment. Initial goal was a 4% maximum increase, however, lo and behold, the Board approved a 6.8% increase! (Anyone earning 6.8% interest on their savings accounts?) And— a MAJOR refurbishment of the Country Club too!

Apparently, all OUR money spent on the previous remodel was in vain as the Board thinks we now NEED to redo everything. When running for election, board members constantly espouse fiscal responsibility, but when elected, its spend, spend, spend. The goals of Improving Property Values, Enhancing Our Amenities, and Developing New Amenities are touted. Yet the association's own study showed only a few amenities (Marina, Golf Course, etc.) are used by most owners, with other amenities BARELY used. Yet somehow the Board thinks we need MORE & MORE

amenities. This contributes to MORE & MORE expense & overhead.

Improved property values haven't materialized as evidenced that they can't even GIVE away PMLA-owned lots (\$500), as few want the high annual assessment liability. When the touted Compensation Study showed our generosity, we didn't hear anymore about it. When requested owner feedback corresponds with Board desires, the feedback is touted. If what many owners want or DO NOT want doesn't mesh with the Board's agenda, their input is disregarded. So we quit responding & attending meetings-its a waste of our time and effort. The Board is determined to plow ahead with MORE, MORE, MORE while our assessment increases MORE, MORE, & MORE. Its frustrating, disheartening, and discouraging.

C. Phillips Coarsegold, CA

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You can now view or print the Guest and Renters Handbook from the PML Website. Go to our website at: www.PineMountainLake.com and click on Resources, then scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on Guest and Renters Handbook. This handbook has valuable information for Guests and Renters in Pine Mountain Lake.

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Anita Spencer, PMLA Notary Public

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or the OFFICIAL FACEBOOK page at

## FACEBOOK.COM/PINEMOUNTAINLAKECA

or call the Administration Office at 209.962.8600

# **Community Standards**

Sarah Ruhl – Community Standards Director with Regal – The Fire Safety Eagle

#### RECORD AMOUNT OF DEAD TREES IN CALIFORNIA — WHAT CAN PML DO?

The USDA Forest Service recently announced that an additional 27 million trees, mostly conifers, died throughout California since November 2016, bringing the total number of trees that have died due to drought and bark beetles to a historic, 129 million. These dead and hazardous trees continue to pose an immediate threat to people and critical infrastructure.

Pine Mountain Lake and the state of California have undergone and continue to endure the devastating consequences from tree mortality. The number of dead and dying trees has continued to rise and is not showing signs of stopping quite yet. Hazard trees still stand within Pine Mountain Lake on both private property and common areas. The PML Maintenance Department has taken down 5,274 dead trees in PML responsibility areas and is on a continuous rotation to take down additional trees as they die. Currently, 450 trees are pending removal along with timber abatement by the PML Maintenance Department.

I have talked with many property owners that have had to take down overwhelming amounts of dead trees in recent years and now unfortunately, have more. It is a difficult situation and is one that we cannot ignore or avoid. This is a state wide natural disaster and has placed our community, Pine Mountain Lake at risk.

#### RECOVERY FROM TREE MORTALITY BEGINS AND CONTINUES WITH ACTION

"Tree mortality at this magnitude takes on-going cooperation between public, non-profit and private entities," said Chief Ken Pimlott, CAL

FIRE director and California's state forester.

Though California received recordbreaking rains in the winter of 2016-2017, the effects of five consecutive years of severe drought, a dramatic rise in bark beetle infestation and rising temperatures have led to historic levels of tree die-off and overgrowth of vegetation. Unless we mitigate the issue now, the dead trees and presence of large amounts of vegetative fuel will substantially increase the threat for wildfire in upcoming fire seasons.

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Remove the fuel and lessen the threat by cutting down dead trees, removing down timber, and removing dead vegetation from

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#### CUT DOWN DEAD/HAZARD TREES-

If dead/hazard trees are not felled they remain a threat for not only fire but to life and property as well. These trees will eventually fall on their own, placing lives and homes in jeopardy. In some areas of PML, this has already

happened. If you have standing dead/ hazard trees, contact a tree removal service immediately and have these trees cut down. The longer a dead tree stands; the more dangerous and costly it will become.

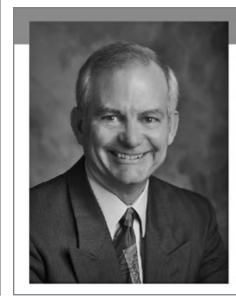
#### **REMOVE DOWNED TREES-**

If a wildfire were to break out in our area, the end result could be disastrous. Down dead trees are not only an eye soar, they are fuel for a fire especially when combined with overgrown brush and weeds. Some properties cannot fully clear their Lot for defensible space, because the down logs prevent them from doing so.

#### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Pine Mountain Lake has 3,418 lots and it is apparent that trees have not yet recovered from the drought and remain vulnerable to beetle attacks. As spring/summer and fire season approach, so does the threat of wildfire. Just because a major fire has not hit our community doesn't mean it can't. Given the correct weather conditions, availability of local fire agencies and the geographical location of the start, a wildfire could be catastrophic.

You can help by reporting dead standing



trees in your area or any that you may see within PML. Getting these trees down and out of Pine Mountain Lake is important. Keeping our community and wildlife safe is our priority. We are not "out of the woods" and fully recovered from the effects of tree mortality. We all need to work together to make PML fire safe following this natural disaster.

Now is the time to act, call the Community Standards Division at 962-1240 and report the general area or the unit/lot of hazardous dead trees. Living in the wild-land urban interface is breathtaking and beautiful but it is also risky due to the forest that changes and grows. It's not a matter of "if" a wildfire will storm through our community, it's "when" and one thing that can make the difference; being prepared.

> Visit our website: www.pinemountainlake.com for current PMLA information on: Tree Mortality Burning Standards PMLA Compost Defensible Space

Learn more about tree mortality and the work to restore our forests in California at the USDA Forest Service's web page *https:// www.fs.usda.gov/main/catreemortality/home*. To learn about how to be prepared and protect your home against wildfire and your trees against bark beetle attacks visit CAL FIRE's web page Ready for Wildfire.

Statistics and information obtained from: Website News Release. "Record 129 Million Dead Trees in California" 12 December. 2017. https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/ FSE\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd566303.pdf

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# **Pine Needlers Quilt Guild**

**FEBRUARY** 

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Sue Halstead

ell, it seems many of our members are suffering with the stuff that is going around. I hope that, while gifting many of your quilted pieces of art, you have saved a special quilt for yourself. There is nothing more soothing than cuddling up under a quilt and babying yourself when you are sick.

Speaking of quilts, the Pine Needlers Quilt Guild's Opportunity Quilt (aka, Opie) is ready to be quilted and will start being displayed sometime in March. Keep looking for it. It is a fall leaves theme which is appropriate since it will be awarded to the lucky winner in September at the 49er Festival.

The Guild has decided to do a trial run of new hours for the winter starting in February and going through May. So starting with the February meeting, our meetings will be the 3rd Tuesday at 12:30-2:30 P.M. in the basement of the Tuolumne County Library at 18990 Highway 120 in Groveland, CA.

The Program for the February 20, 2018 meeting is going to be a demonstration of Hand Quilting. I am told the program may be more than a demonstration but you will have to come to the meeting to see what else that might be. For any of our readers that are not familiar with what it means to quilt a quilt, here it is in a nutshell. Once a quilt top is pieced together, it is layered with backing fabric, batting and then the quilt top. These three layers are held together with stitches that are evenly made over the entire quilt. These stitches can be done by hand, on a regular sewing machine or on a long arm quilting machine. Of course, there is much more explaining that I could do about each of those methods but I said in a nutshell so there you have it.

I hope everyone will be well and able to attend our February 20, 2018 meeting at 12:30 P.M. in the basement of the Tuolumne County Library at 18990 Highway 120 in Groveland, CA.

## PML Ladies Golf Club Thelma Faux

e ended 2017 with a beautiful luncheon at the Grill and members bringing gifts for the Community Christmas Basket Program. Helena McMillian and Clarice Ligonis organized a special luncheon with beautiful Christmas table decorations and homemade fudge as a take home treat.

A general meeting was held after lunch with the main event being the awards presentation. Thanks to the Chair Ladies( Kitty and Marj) who had to figure all the numbers and congratulations to the winners.

ACE OF ACES for 2017 - Sara Hancock and Jeannie Pacco with a 63.

QUEST RESULTS - 1st Kitty Edgerton, 2nd Sarah Hancock

NORTHERN MEDALS - Marcee Cress -1st flight, Jodie Awai - 2nd flight.

MOST IMPROVED for 2017 - Marcee Cress and Sarah Hancock

ECLECTIC - Here are the winners in first through forth place order

#### **1st Flight**

Marcee Cress Pricilla Park Kitty Edgerton

#### Sara Hancock 2nd Flight

Lisa Brown-Jiminez Helena McMillian Marilyn Scott **Yvonne Mattocks** 

#### **3rd Flight**

Jodi Awai Marlene Drew Susan Dwyer Kat Bettencourt

#### RULES, RULES, RULES

This year I am partnering with Marj Rich, our rules guru, to provide ever changing rules information. Here is her report.

Recently, the USGA announced potential changes to the rules and definitions that could produce the broadest revision of how the game is played since the first set of rules was published in 1744. There will be a six month comment period with a proposed implementation date of Jan. 1, 2019. The main goal is to speed up the game and simplify the rules. Among the changes:

- A player will not receive a penalty if the ball or ball marker accidentally moves on the putting green or in search of a ball.
- Players can leave the flagstick in the hole while putting.
- · Players may repair spike marks or other damage, including foot prints, on the green with no penalty.
- Caddies will no longer be able to line up a player.
- · Players who have trouble in bunkers have the option of removing the ball and place it in the rough or fairway behind the bunker and accept a two stroke penalty.
- A new procedure for how to drop a ball in a relief area.
- Time searching for a lost ball would go from five minutes to three.
- There's a proposal calling for players to take no more than 40 seconds to play their shot.

More information regarding the rule changes can be reviewed at USGA.com

## PLAY RESULTS FOR DECEMBER December 7, 2017

one best ball, one best putt 1st Place - Score 87 - Lisa Brown-Jimenez, Barb Connelly, Linda Wall

2nd Place - Score 99 - Kit Edgerton, Helena McMillan, Priscilla Park

2nd Place – Score 99 – Sara Hancock, Yvonne Mattocks, Blind Draw

#### **DECEMBER 14, 2017** one best ball par FIVES, TWO best balls par FOURS, three best putts par THREES

1st Place - Score - 110 - Jodie Awai, Lisa Brown-Jimenez, Marj Rich, Paula Vautier

2nd Place - Score 111 - Susan Dwyer, Marilyn Scott, Kathie Wood, Draw

3rd Place - Score 114 - Kay Bettencourt, Clarice Ligonis, Draw, Draw BRIDIES - Helena McMillan # 14

#### **DECEMBER 28, 2017**

after christmas blues One best ball on red and white flags and two best balls on blue flags 1st Place - Score - 89 - Jodie Awai, Kit Edgerton, Paula Vautier AND Thelma Faux, Patty Peebles, Linda Wall 2nd Place - Score 90 - Lisa Brown-Jimenez, Elisa Hopper, Unchu Butera

BIRDIES: Kit Edgerton #9, Clarice Ligonis #7

#### SOME GOLF HUMOR

The best wood in most amateurs' bags is the pencil .... Chi Chi Rodriguez

## **PML** Organized **Groups & Clubs**

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining! (All numbers are 209 area code unless noted otherwise)

Aviation AssociationBonnie Ritchey650	-996-6274
<b>Computer Users Group</b> Frank Perry	962-0728
<b>Exercise</b> Barbara Elliott Cindy Simpson	962-6457 962-7018
Friends of the Lake Mike Gustafson	962-6336
Garden Club Linda Flores	962-0824
<b>Guardians of PML</b> Frank Jablonski	962-4375
<b>Ladies Club</b> Catherine Santa Maria	962-7904
<b>Ladies Golf Club</b> Kay Bettencourt	962-7392
<b>Men's Golf Club</b> Wayne Doty	962-6574
Men's 9-Hole Golf Club Bob Oakley	768-2793
Needle Crafts Lee Isbell	962-5727
<b>Pickleball Club</b> Elisa Hoppner	962-2002
Pine Needlers Quilt Guild Beverly Oakley	962-6799
PML Niners Stacie Brown	
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Mike McEvoy 408-690-2270 PML Waterski & Wakeboa	
	-915-8848
Racquet Club Steve DeRodeff	962-5997
<b>Residents Club</b> Dick Faux	962-4617
ROOFBB Susan Dwyer	962-6265
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Southern Valley Srs. Golf ( Rich Robenseifner	Group 962-0932
<b>Sunday Couples Golf</b> Alma Frawley	962-5578
Wednesday Bridge Club Joe Sousa	962-5708
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W Ken Regalia 415-819-4252

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# Sierra Professional Artists

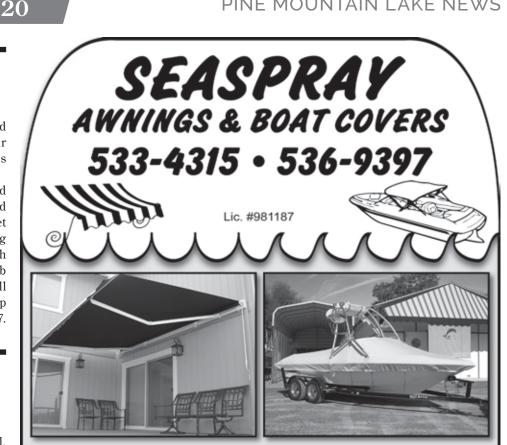
randi McGrath, who has been a featured artist at Ventana, continues to show her artwork that has wowed all those that have had the pleasure of viewing it. She has, for the past year, been experimenting with chemical reactions with acrylics and oil resulting in amazing and beautiful art.

Jake Snyder will continue to show his pen and ink drawings and oil paintings at Ventana-Annex Gallery, 48 S. Washington St. Sonora. Open Wednesday - Saturday 10-6pm, Sunday Noon - 5pm.

The SPA has been working on, and should be completed by next month, their new blog showing pieces from all artists of the group.

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There are so many accomplished and hidden artists in our community and surrounding areas. We would like to meet you. We invite you to join our meeting that are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month, 11am at Yosemite Vista Estates club room, Prospect Heights, Groveland. Bill and Jean Hammond are the membership chairs and can be reached at 209 962 6477.



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# **ROOFBB's**

Stephanie Annatone

OOFBB

s the new year begins, I think it is important to take a look back at what we have accomplished as an organization in 2017.

Thanks to our membership WG OT'S dues, annual golf tournament, along with hugely successful Monday Night Football dinners at the PML Grill, we were able to raise funds to help our community in big and small ways.

College scholarships were given to our local High School Seniors totaling more than \$12,000. We are so glad to see our students furthering their education, and very proud to be a part of that. We have also supported the Tenaya Parent Preschool with 4 scholarships, a student shopping program, and school supplies for another \$3,100. In addition to the children. we have assisted many families who have experienced tragic upsets in their lives. This could have come from loss of income, a disability or a medical setback. Plus we have contributed to different organizations and clubs within our community. These charitable donations within the community was substantial with more than \$7,000 funded by the ROOFBB organization. In total, we have given more than \$23,000 to our own community this past year.

Pretty amazing, isn't it?

The ROOFBB's are so pleased to be able



he Garden Club meeting will be held at the Lake Lodge on February 12, 2018 at 1 p.m. Hope to see you there.

C HEAD to help in every way possible. After all, it is OUR community.

"Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and

your verb agree to serve...You don't have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love" - Martin Luther King Jr.

#### CARE TO HELP?

Want to be part of this fantastic group? Call Susan Dwyer, President at 962-6265 and find out how rewarding it is to be a ROOFBB. **ROOFBB** - A Social and Philanthropic

Woman's Organization. Est. April 1, 1994 The purpose of this organization is to provide

assistance to various individuals, organizations and projects within the community.

# Upcoming **Aviation Events**

Young Eagles Rally at PML Airport -Saturday, September 29th, 2018 - 9:00 to Noon-Free airplane rides for kids age 8 to 17 PML Airport Appreciation Day -Saturday, October 6th, 2018 - 11:00 to 3:00 - Free airplane demonstrations, aircraft display, and more

Antique Airplane Display at PML Airport - every 1st Saturday of each month (weather permitting) - 9:00 to 1:00 - Free viewing of airplanes on display that are more than 35 years old





3 Bd/2 1/2 Bth, 2 Car Attached Finished Garage, Approx 1875 sf - 0.40 Acre, One Level, Built in 2004, Great Rm, Propane Fireplace, Granite Counter tops, Large Kitchen w/Snack Bar, recessed Lighting, Master Bedrm w/walk -in Closet, Separate Shower, Inside Laundry, washer & dryer included. Extra Parking. MLS# 20172011



**Classic Mountain Cabin** 

3 Bd/2 Bth, Furnished, Great Rm, Fire Place, Knotty Pine Vaulted Ceilings, Kitchen Brkfst Bar, Dining, Master Bdrm, Inside Laundry Rm w/Washer & Dryer, Lower level has 600 sf unfinished area that could be a 2 Car Garage, Bonus Rm or Work shop. 20837 Point View 5-233 **\$209,000** MLS# 20170784 3 Bed/2 Bath, 2 Car Attached Finished Garage, One Level, Approx 1884 Sq Ft, Approx 0.24 Acre, Central Air, Level Driveway w/RV Parking, Great Room, Roomy Kitchen with Breakfast Bar, Master Bedrm, Master Bath with Jetted Tub & Separate Shower, Bay Windows, Skylights, Inside Laundry, Instant Tankless Water Heater. MLS# 20171378



3 Bd/2 1/2 Bth, 3 Car Garage, Split Level, Approx 2229 Sq Ft on Approx 0.61 Acre. Formal Living Rm w/Stone Fireplace & Bookshelves, + Family Rm w/Free Standing Fireplace, Master Intercom System, Breakfast Bar, Pantry & Garden Window, Extra Large Master Suite w/Large Walk-in Closet & Ceiling Fan, Outside Balcony w/Stairs, Separate Laundry Room, 2 High Efficiency Weatherton Heat/Air System. Lots of Storage.



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els, Approx 2082 sf, Great Rm, Fire Place, Brfst

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Central Air, Master Bedrm w/Walk-in Closet,

Dual Lav, Laundry Rm w/Washer & Dryer. En-

joy the Greenbelt Back Yard w/a Deck perched

in the midst of Towering Pines & Cedars.

3 Bd/2 Bth, 2 Car Finished Garage, Approx 1628 SqFt, Approx 0.4 Acre, Central Air/Central Propane Heat, Cathedral Ceiling, Master Bdrm w/Walk-in Closet, Private Deck, Brfst Bar, Great Room, Propane Heat Stove, Inside Laundry, Washer & Dryer Included, Abundance of Parking. MLS#20171627



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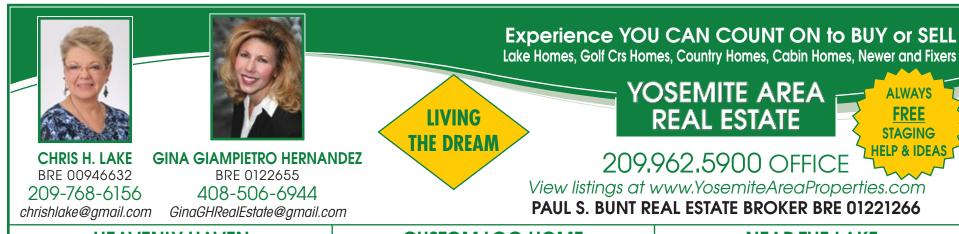
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A Double Lot

# HOMES ON THE HILL

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## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEWS



## **HEAVENLY HAVEN**



**20720 CRESCENT U4/L20** – **\$379,000** .77ac. Custom built home loves the sun. Auto shades installed. Massive windows bring outdoors in. Covered deck. 3 bedroom/2.5 bath. Master suite with fireplace & jetted soaking tub, walk-in closet, skylights, vaulted ceilings, Open kitchen with solid surface counters, gas cookstove, microwave, dishwasher, double sink. Living room with fireplace, great room concept. Views of greenbelt, 2 car attached garage. Outdoor waterfall.



**20381 GREG CT** – **\$519,000** 2864 sq ft Custom site built log home on 5 acres. Rustic, distressed paneling, vaulted ceiling of knotty wood and open beams. Floor to ceiling with river rock style cozy gas fireplace. Kitchen has Jennair stove, double ovens, convection, microwave, warming drawer, trash compactor, built-in glass front china cabinet, tile counters, tons of cabinets and extra storage, gorgeous hardwood floors. Open dining. Master suite and bath main level, jetted tub with shower, dual vanity, tons of built-in knotty wood storage. Full bath and laundry combo, Lower level 2 large bedrooms, full bath. Bonus room with wet bar. Spanish pavers lower level flooring, paver patio. Electric wall heater/evap cooling. Wrap around trex type decking & attached garage. Alarm system. Concrete tile floor.



**20870 BIG FOOT CT. U4/L88 – \$469,000** dbl lot .77ac. on seasonal creek, walking distance to Lake Lodge Beach. Move-in ready 3 bedroom/3 bath. Fireplace in living room, open dining area, updated kitchen with granite counters. Lower level bonus room also serves as a media room with large screen & projector. All baths updated. Enclosed sun room. Newer aluminum decking & concrete tile roof. Oversized 2 car garage. Yard is all usable.

## PRIVATE RETREAT



**12084 ALCAN CT U8L175** – **\$309,000** Adorable private setting cabin w/beautiful view, huge great rm, single lvl, 2 car, private .81ac lot, ctrl H/AC on septic. Perfect cabin home. Private yards, beautiful butcher block kitch. cntr, wet bar, pntry, lg gar w/ wrkbnch & addt'l storage rm. Auto window treatments A frame style windows on front & back. 3rd bd or office. Privacy, view. .81ac on cul-du sac what more could you want?



12022 BRECKENRIDGE U13L103 Comfortable single level home. Easy access to marina. 1460 sq ft 3 bedrooms/2 baths. Great room concept/wood stove. Pergo flooring LR, Kitchen and hall. New carpet in bedrooms. Updated baths. Expansive rear deck for relaxing or entertaining. 2 car garage. Separate lower level storage.

## **REMODELED LAKE & VISTA VIEWS**



**12088 HILLHURST U8L148&149 – \$449,999** Private setting (2 lots) over 3000 sf home, Lake View, Miles of Gorgeous Mountain Views plus NEW REMODELED kitchen make this the perfect home for full or part-time. 4 LARGE Living Rooms, 4 fireplaces, new paint interior and exterior, private master suite, 2 car garage with extra storage room, 3 total bedrooms and 3 full bath, covered porch, cement patio deck and no next door neighbors!

### 18634 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1 (HWY. 120) NEXT TO GROVELAND PHARMACY





13129 CLEMENTS RD. U12 L99 – \$279,00020831 RFeel at home in this mini ranch estate. .67ac\$289,000usable land, corner lot w/beautiful trees &living in sirlvl landscape – can fence in for horses onlot. Knottyproperty. 1920sf w/4bd/3ba (main lvl bdmrclngs w/Gcan be 2nd mstr or family rm w/o closet),counters, lopen kitch w/gmt cntrs, deep ss sink, gasroom. Plerinstalled, mstr ste w/fp & jetted tub/sep shwradditionalfor outdoofor outdoo

20831 ROCK CANYON U4 L584 – \$289,000 COMFY, COZY RUSTIC Easy living in single IvI 3bd/2ba on super Ig dbl lot. Knotty wood int., stone fp, tall vaulted clngs w/Gat rm concept, granite kitchen counters, hardwood floors. Separate sun room. Plenty of space to stretch out on this usable .62ac. Detached 2 car garage, additional carport, deck and patio areas for outdoor living. 1582 sq ft.



Parking for a boat or RV, wood stove & open living/dining area. A Must see! **\$299,900** 20806 McKinley Way *MLS*#20171288

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## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEWS

**FEBRUARY** 25

# HOMES ON THE HILL

## YOSEMITE AREA REAL ESTATE ESTATE – BRE #01221266 BU



#### **PRIVATE SETTING**

Absolutely Lovely Custom built home w/ beautiful interior design accents with amazing views. .77ac. Covered deck. 3bd/2.5ba. Mstr ste w/f.p. & jetted/soaking tub, vltd clngs, Open kitch, 2 car attchd gar. \$379,000. U4/L20 - 20720 Crescent



#### PICTURE PERFECT

.77ac. seasonal creek, walk to Lake Lodge. Movein ready 3bd/3ba. F.p. in living rm, open dining area, updated kitchen w/granite counters. Bonus rm/ media rm w/lg screen & projector. Enclosed sun rm. 2 car gar. \$469,000 U4/L88 - 20870 Big Foot Ct



**RECENTLY REMODELED** 

Newer decks, roof & wtr htr! Septic passed for new buyer. Stainless steel kitch applcs w/granite counters & Tile. Ceiling to floor windows in LivRm, real wd fp. U2/L215 -13150 Wells Fargo Drive



#### **NEW LUXURY HOME** Under Construction

3 bdrm 3 ba, 3200' + office – buy now and Customize. \$594,937



ELEGANT SPACIOUS HOME 1.65 Oak treed acres w/well. Private & serene corner lot near airport. \$637,973 U11/L45 - 20795 Elderberry Way



**SPECTACULAR VIEWS** 52 Acres – Lush Meadow 3 bdrm. 2 bath 1792 sq. ft. 2nd unfinished home 2/2 1344' \$499,970 Graham Ranch



#### WALK TO BEACH

Super clean ready to move in 1 lvl, only .4-mile walk to Dunn CT Beach! Seller's motivated to sell! Partial view of the 11th fairway. Lighted drive, all elec. home w/airtight wd burning stove. Furnished \$186,000 U1/L223 – 20125 Pleasantview Drive



**AWESOME MOUNTAIN VIEWS** 4Bd/2ba, 2-car gar, .72ac. Close to private taxiway. Brand new roof, Ig deck, mtn views from Dining & Living rms! Nice floor plan, each rm is spacious w/lots of stor. space & much more! \$329,950 12/249 - 20980 Hemlock St



**RECENTLY REMODELED HOME** Renovated cabin, feeling of seclusion, vacant lot on left for sale by separate owner, buy both! 2 Level 3B/2ba nice sized Bonus Rm. Granite cntr tops, stainless steel kitch applncs. Seller having all pest work done! \$230,000 U15/L93 - 20008 Lower Skyridge



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## HOMES ON THE HILL



ble for the price of one. Cannot be combined with other offers. Present this ad as coupon. Must book by April 15

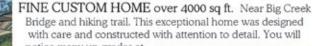




has a few "rough edges" but with your vision and TLC it can become your own personal retreat. 2 bedrooms and 2 1/4 baths, bonus room plus an office/ hobby space adjacent to the oversized two car garage. (Plenty of work area for the handy-

NEW LISTING man). Situated on ¼ ac lot with public water. 19438 Elder Ln





notice many up-grades at

game room. Ascend the impressive staircase to the master and guest bedrooms. 4 bdrm 4 1/2 baths 13-200 \$649,000



EASY ACCESS near the main gate of PML. Entertain outdoors on patio and deck in warmer months ahead. Living room features tall wood & beam ceilings with a gas fireplace separating the living and dining rooms. Galley kitchen has newer appliances and tiled counters. Master bedroom and guest bedrooms placed at opposite ends of the home for maximum privacy. 3 bdrm/2 bath ctrl ht/ ac and a detached garage. 1-51 \$245,900





\$249,000



REMAX



every turn. Entertain in the formal living or dining room: or for a more casual setting, enjoy meals in the breakfast nook or relax in the den/



to appreciate-from LONGVIEW Street, of course! single level 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom 15 year old. Big kitchen drenched in light. 3 bedrooms 2 baths, open floor plan and a double detached garage.

The home has been well maintained, is very clean and move in ready. 3-268 \$249,900



• 3 Bd/2Ba

• Lge Master Suite

• 2 Car Garage



- Bedrooms Successful • 2 Car Gar w/Easy Level Access
- Vacation Rental Will Sleep up to 12 **Greetings** from

20189 Upper Skyridge Drive \$265,000 Call Ron or Dave Lots of Shady • 3 Bd/3 Ba Deck Area 2 Additional Sleeping Rooms Successful • 2 Car Gar w/Easv Vacation Rental-

Level Access Will Sleep up to 10

CHARMING HOME

**Emmett Brennan Broker/Owner** 



17868 State Highway 120 \$290,000 Call Linda • 3 Bd/2Ba • 1.69 Level Acres

- Knotty Pine Wonderful Views Ceilings/ fom the Back Deck Back Up Generator
- Concrete Tile Roof



\$329,000 Call Linda • 3 Bd/2Ba Great Rental Crown Moldings History • High Ceilings Large Parking View of Mtn. Area • Well Maintained from Back Deck G GETAWA



13048 Jackson Mill \$225,000

• 3 Bd/2 Ba

• Newer Deck

• Hot Tub

- Call Linda • Cozy Free Standing Stove in Great Rm • 2 Car Gar. w/
- Central Air & Heat Work Bench & Sink



**Ron Connick** Realtor 209.962.4848 5 Bd/3 Ba 3260 Sq Ft Newer Dock

Lge Master Bedroom Level Access Garage





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## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEWS

PML Lady Niners

Sharon Kenvon

# Ladies Club ready for 2018!

Joan Stauffacher and Tammy Talovich



he Ladies Club had a wonderful Gala Masquerade Ball, Chaired byVicky Sorci and Cheri Rickert, along with their helpers Kate Greene, Rae Ann Bozzo and Dart Woodruff. Everyone looked so festive in their bright colors and sparkles.

In January the new board members were sworn in and they are ready to tackle a terrific 2018 They have planned a full calendar year of some new and some favorite past functions. Please be sure to look over the events and sign up to either Chair or be a Committee Member at this February's luncheon.

Our first event of this year is 'Baubles, Bangles and Bags' accessories swap, on February 7 at the PML Grill. Social at 11:00 a.m. with the 11:30 a.m. lunch of Cobb Salad. So, as you clean out your closets and jewelry boxes to start the new year or you received some cute new things and need room, bring 1-3 items to patriciate in this



sure to be fun swap! The type of accessories to bring would be items like purses, hats, wallets, scarves, and jewelry. Do not bring things that are size specific like clothes, coats, shoes, or belts. We want everyone to be able to participate.

**Up Coming Event**: March 7 - Make Me Feel Beautiful, Mary Kay Independent Beauty Specialist Joanne Scott and Body Beautiful Owner Cheri Rickert are doing a presentation on ways we can all enhance our natural beauty.

If you would like to join the PML Ladies Club and be a part of our events just send a check in the amount of \$15.00 for annual dues, made payable to the PML Ladies Club and mailed to P.O. Box 100, Groveland, Ca 95321. Please be sure to include your name, address and phone number.

Don't forget to check out and LIKE our Facebook page - PML Ladies Club for information, upcoming events and photos.

#### DECEMBER 7 CHRISTMAS AWARDS & INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

We had a very festive luncheon of salmon with tiramisu dessert at The Grill. The following players

were recognized for their overall 2017 performance by our outstanding Tournament Chair, Pat VanGerpen:

**Club Champion & Most Improved:** Shelly Hanak

**Putter of the Year** : *1st Place*: Wanda Patterson

2nd Place Tie: Sarah Zimmerman & Jane Reynolds

Most Pars 1st Place: Shelly Hanak 2nd Place Tie: Stacie Brown & Patty Nelson Most Birdies: Marilyn Bolar Most Chip-ins: Linda Vahey 2017 Ace of Aces: Pat VanGerpen Most Playdays: Judy Michaelis

Our Captain, Stacie Brown, was then showered with appreciative gifts and cards, and a standing ovation from all of us. We credit Stacie for her great generosity, and for putting FUN at the top of our priority list!

Captain recognition went to Syd Robenseifner, Teasurer, for digitizing our financials, Patty Nelson for her helpfulness at all events, and Tammy Talovich for initiating our first annual Breast Cancer Tournament.



Pat Price performed the installation of the PML Lady Niner Officers for 2018: **Captain** – Stacie Brown **Co-Captain** – Linda Craig **Secretary** – Deanie Martini **Treasurer** – Syd Robenseifner **Opens & Invitationals** – Shelly Hanak **Tournament Co-Chairs** – Pat VanGerpen & Nancy Whitefield **Handicap Chair** – Kathy Mondloch

#### DECEMBER 14 "REINDEER GAMES" with 16 players.

- **1st Place**: Shelly Hanak & Jane Reynolds 50 Points
- **2nd Place**: Patty Nelson, Geralyn Dielman & Bev Oakley 40 Points
- **3rd Place**: Nancy Brewster 35 Points **4th Place**: Wanda Patterson & Pat
- VanGerpen 30 Points
- **5th Place**: Faye Buckley, Val Kelly, June More, Eunice Pennybacker, Linda Sarratt, Tammy Talovich, Linda Vahey & Sarah Zimmerman.

# Racquet Club News

f you are looking to get back into tennis, the PML Racquet Club awaits you! The yearly membership fee is only \$12, and entitles you to use of the ball machine. So, if you are worried that your game is a little rusty, this is a great way to get back into it. Interested in free lessons? We can help!

If you are ready to start playing we have organized mixed doubles tennis on Saturday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Saturday tennis is drop-in and you can contact Jayne Reynolds for more info at 962-6243.

Tuesday and Thursday are scheduled tennis days, and you can contact Tom Knoth at 962-5838 for more info or to get on the schedule. You can be scheduled for whatever days work for you, or just be listed as possible alternate.

Other benefits of the club are scheduled tournaments, social events, and the Tuesday BBQs in the summer! For membership info, you can contact Maddie Sousa at 962-5708. The tennis courts are located at the intersection of Pine Mountain Drive and Rock Canyon Way.

## **TENNIS RULES TRIVIA** – When can a player reach over the net?

A player may break the plain of the net on a follow through from a shot as long as the ball was on that player's side of the court when the ball was struck. However, there is an exception for when a player can hit a ball on the opponent's side of the net: If the spin or wind brings the ball back over the net to the side of the player(s) who hit the shot, the opponent(s) may then reach over the net and play the ball.

The player in either situation may not touch the net, or the opponent's court with anything he wears or carries (such as the racquet) or with any part of the body.

## **Guardians of Pine Mountain Lake**

Evelyn Bealby - Secretary

**y** the time this article appears, many Guardians will have enjoyed the Members Appreciation Dinner at the Grill on January 31st and hopefully the Board will have had member feedback to identify which local charitable organizations should be supported in 2018, plus suggestions for improving and expanding our role as Guardians of Pine Mountain Lake. This is a critical year for the Guardians in establishing a dynamic, purposeful group going forward. We need your active involvement for us to remain a positive force within our community so if you have not yet sent in your 2018 renewal form, please do so. Checks for \$25 per household should be sent to: Guardians of PML, P. O. Box 172, Groveland, CA 95321. Looking ahead, there are important date changes for our 2018 social

events, so please update your calendars with the new dates. March 17th, 2018 - (St Patrick's Day), Membership Meeting at the Lake Lodge with dinner. July 21st, 2018 - Business Meeting at the Lake Lodge with dinner. (If you would like to volunteer to create either of these meals, please let me know). August 19-22nd, 2018 - Annual Golf Trip. This year Frank has arranged a trip to play golf at the Lincoln Hills Golf Club and a three night stay at the Holiday Inn Express in Lincoln. There will be activities for both golfers and non-golfers and with the early notification of dates we hope that this event will be well supported. My next article will have photos from the January Dinner with a list of the local charities to be supported by the Guardians in 2018. As always, we welcome member input at any time.

# SUN 4

## 19TH HOLE LOUNGE

SUPER PARTY FOR THE BIG GAME

Join us at the 19th Hole Lounge for the big game with our SUPER PARTY! Kickoff at 3:30PM. Appetizer Buffet at half time, full service bar, drink specials, and raffle prizes. All while watching the game in a great atmosphere on our big screen TVs.

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**FEBRUARY** 

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#### GCSD PARKING LOT 18966 FERRETTI RD

FIRST WEDNESDAY BIRD WALK

The first Wednesday of the month Bird Walk at the Groveland Community Services property at 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland, will be led by Jeanne Ridgley on Feb 7. The property encompasses an area of more than 200 acres of oak, pine and willow habitat with three water storage ponds. Meet the group in the GCSD parking lot at 8:00 AM. Bring binoculars and a birding field guide if you have one. Rain will cancel the trip. The walk will last about two-three hours.

# SAT 10

MOTHER LODE FAIRGROUNDS – MANZANITA BLDG

## CHOCOLATE LOVERS' HOEDOWN

A buffet dinner plus community hoedown and live and silent auction with an emphasis on chocolate, will be held 6-9 p.m., All are encouraged to come ready to eat and dance! The dancing will be called by Rachel Phillips and will include lines, circles, and squares – no experience or partners required! The western themed buffet dinner will be catered by popular Chef Dave Ingram of Chef Dave Cooks! Tickets – \$30 each or 4 for \$100. Available in Sonora at The Mountain Bookshop in the Junction and Schnoog's. For more information call 962-0805.

## SAT 10 GROVELAND EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

# O TUE 13

**GROVELAND YOSEMITE GATEWAY MUSEUM** 

## GALENTINE TEA

Single women on the hill You are all loved. The Groveland Evangelical Free Church will be hosting a free afternoon Tea for the Single Ladies on the Hill on Valentine's Weekend, Saturday February 10, 2018. Please RSVP to Bonnie Phillips 209-962-4760 or wayneandbonnie@ sbcglobal.net by February 3rd.

### **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION** You are invited to stop by the Groveland Yosemite

Gateway Museum on Tuesday February 13 any time between 9:30 and 11:00 AM for coffee (or tea) to chat for a while with museum staff and Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society Board members. They would like to share some of stories about the history of the Groveland Big Oak Flat area with you. This will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions or make suggestions for the STCHS organization which preserves and promotes the history of the area. Please drop in and chat.



## WINE TASTING & DINNER BUFFET

Brought to you by Southern Wine & Spirits. From 5-7pm. \$27 per person plus tax includes wine tasting and dinner of Roasted Cornish Game Hens. Come on out for this wonderful evening of fine wines and great food. Reservations are required. Call The Grill for reservations at 209-962-8638.

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## THE GRILL AT PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE

**CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S AT THE GRILL** Treat your sweetheart to a special dinner at The Grill. Featuring a King's Cut Ribeye Steak for Two. Call The Grill for reservations at 209-962-8638.

## GROVELAND COMMUNITY HALL

## THE ORIGIN OF NAMES IN GROVELAND AND SURROUNDING AREA

Ever wonder how different streets, towns, & various locations, got their names? In general, it would be associated with historical events, and/or important or colorful members in our past history. Understanding these relationships will help enhance our knowledge and sensitivity to our local history. Please join STCHS at 7:00 P.M. Admission is Free–Donations are Welcome. Come out and have an enjoyable evening and support your local historical society.

# WED 21 THE LITTLE HOUSE

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Are you struggling with grief over the death of a loved one? Whether your loss is recent or some time has passed, getting thru the days and nights with the terrible pain of loss in your heart is hard. Join us in a confidential, safe setting for support, sharing and resource information. Group meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:30 am - noon at The Little House on Merrill Road in Groveland. Our first meeting will be held on February 21. The group is free, but please preregister by calling Judy Myers, 962-5157 or Bonnie Hubanks, 962-5507.

## 19th Hole Lounge Entertainment LIVE MUSIC FROM 8PM UNTIL MIDNIGHT

Friday, February 2 KARAOKE •

Saturday, February 3 KOOLSHIFTERS

Friday, February 10 KICKSTART Saturday, February 17 BURN PERMIT

Saturday, February 24 MUSIC BY SOUND EXTREME (DJ)

 Please note karaoke will be the second friday in March

## Support Meetings in Groveland

AL-ANON THE LITTLE HOUSE – SATURDAY 9:30-10:30 AM MOUNTAIN LUTHERAN CHURCH – WEDNESDAY 1:00-2:00 PM

> GRIEF SUPPORT THE LITTLE HOUSE 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY 10:30-NOON

CALL JUDY AT 962-5157 OR BONNIE AT 962-5507 TO REGISTER FOR GRIEF SUPPORT.

# Southside Community Connections

re you ready to rock to some bone-shaking, soul-stirring, good-time gritty classics? Join Southside Community Connections for a "jukebox musical" jam session with Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Carl Perkins. This gathering really happened in 1956 at Sun Records in Memphis, and it was written as a play called Million Dollar Quartet. The musical

opened on Broadway in 2010 and was intermission. Curtain time is 7 pm. nominated for three Tony Awards.



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Sierra Repertory Theater is bringing it to the Fallon House in Columbia on Thursday night, March 29. All net proceeds from the ticket sales go to fund ongoing nonprofit programs of SCC in the Groveland area including Wheels, The Little House, and Village on The Hill. Ticket prices are \$30 per person. SCC provides free refreshments at the Fallon House starting at 5:45 pm, and during

All four legends were just hungry 20-something kids in 1956. They would end up in the pantheon of rock 'n' roll greats, but in the play they each recollect growing up Southern poor. Elvis, Johnny, Carl and Jerry Lee helped weave the strands of country and folk music with black rhythms and blues into the songs you'll hear: Blue Suede Shoes, Hound Dog, Great Balls of Fire, and a dozen more. All four musicians are on the verge of success and money, but here they boyishly compete. Jerry Lee flirts outrageously with Elvis' girlfriend, who holds her own singing Fever and I Hear You Knocking.

It promises to be a roof-raisin', footstompin' guitar-strummin', bass-pluckin' celebration. Enjoy delicious food, friendly faces and great music, and support Southside at the same time!

Purchase tickets on line at SouthsideCommunityConnections.org, or call The Little House at 962-7303.

The newly elected Southside Community Connections Board (SCC)started their terms January 1, 2018. The Board President is Luci Tyndall; Vice President, Bonnie Phillips; Treasurer, Gloria Young; Secretary, Paula Bianchi; Board members, Reta Altop, Lauree Borup, Jim Goodrich, Syd Robenseifner and Carole Smith. We thank Judy Myers, Tara Durland and Wayne Phillips for their past service on the board. The entire board will be working for continuing growth and improvement for the three major SCC programs, The Little House, Wheels and Village on the Hill. We look forward to the ongoing, amazing support from our community to attend and volunteer for any of our programs, some of the many classes, social events and fundraisers being planned for 2018.

FRIENDS OF THE GROVELAND LIBRARY Goals & Results For 2017 Nikki Grimes

#### HEY, LOOK WHAT WE DID!

- Raised close to \$11,000 in the Book Nook alone (The goal was \$12,500 aim high)
- Sponsored a community-wide literary event with five book clubs participating
- Organized\supported literacy programs for area children
- Provided shelving resources and special projects for the library

raised was close to \$18,000. There is more that goes on behind the scenes to keep our library up and running.

Thank you to the many volunteers needed for all of these projects. You, too, can be part of this ongoing effort...join the Friends of the Groveland Library today. Cost is only \$20 for the year. Pick up an application at the library or just mail in your contact information with a check made out to FOGL. PO Box 43, Groveland 95321.

Now for the who and why: Last month we introduced our President and Vice President. This month it is our Secretary, Cathy O'Connell.

Cathy is a California girl, born and raised in Redwood City. She has spent her career working with people. With a degree in Early Childhood and a graduate degree in Human



his is just a partial list. Total funds Sharon Kenyon buying books from Patti Morganelli (middle) and Joan Hart at the Book Nook

Development, she is well qualified for this. Her last position, while in Livermore, was handling programs and operations for Shepherd's Gate, an organization which helps abused women and children.

"Retiring" in 2013 meant a move to Groveland full time. Not one to sit on her hands, she applied for a librarian position and has been working in our local library for over two years.

One of her interests is to increase literacy in our area. FOGL is a well-oiled machine toward that purpose. She's glad to be a part of it.

Correction to last month's article: The treasurer was listed as Theresa Lawson. Her name is Theresa Larson. Apologies Theresa!

# Helping Hands Happenings

Patti Beaulieu

anuary was a busy month for us. We finally took down all the Christmas decorations that adorned the store for 2 months are a enjoying the Store and Barn being a little cleaner and a lot less cluttered. We all love the decorations going up and love them coming down even more. A clean way to start the New Year.

As most of our customers know, we have items on sale daily. They change each week and if you'd like a 'heads up' on the sales, you can either log onto our web page www. helpinghandsofgroveland.com or like us on Facebook at Helping Hands Thrift Store and Furniture Barn of Groveland. This way you'll know what's on sale that week by each Monday. On those sites, we also announce when we change our seasonal merchandise (Easter will be coming out soon!) and when we change hours, etc. Be in the know and follow us to get the updates.

We had our Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon in mid-January where we take the time to show our volunteers how valued they are. We were treated royally by the staff at the Pine Mountain Grill with a spectacular buffet. We were also entertained by the Tenaya Elementary School band. It was such a special treat to have these talented youngsters play their well-rehearsed tunes for us. Our newly elected/appointed 2018 Board of Directors, that were mentioned in last month's article, were also installed at the luncheon. We're excited to start 2018 with 3 new Board Members joining the returning 4.

We look forward to serving our community for another year, and appreciate the support of the community, weekenders, vacationers and world travelers that come in to donate or shop. It's such fun to be able to see locals and travelers find just what they're looking for at our unbeatable prices. We look forward to see you soon.

## A 2017 Christmas Success Story

Patti Beaulieu

he 2017 holiday season is over, we now begin a new year and we can mark this year's Community Christmas Basket Project a roaring success. Through the generosity of our community, the dedication of many volunteers and participation of almost all local churches, clubs and organizations, we were able to supply 66 families totaling 115 adults and 88 children with food and gifts this Christmas. The project wouldn't be complete unless cochairs Dar Brown and myself publicly thank the local community and all those that helped make this huge project happen successfully. We have the participation of just about everyone in the 3 communities of Big Oak Flat, Groveland and Buck Meadows-if you attend a local church, they made a food or monetary donation; if you belong to a club, they also donated food or gifts; if you work at a local business, perhaps they donated as well. We also received participation from other towns or communities - for instance, we had financial assistance from Black Oak Casino in Tuolumne City, Chicken Ranch Casino in Jamestown, and the turkeys for each family were, again this year, donated from Diestel Farms of Sonora.

**Key Players**: We had key volunteers that are with us each step of the way, working either behind the scenes, for set up and delivery or there each and every day, doing whatever was needed. These key players are David and Evelyn Bealby, Derrol Beaulieu, Shirley Brasesco, Mal Brown, Charlie Fratus, Bob Herron, Frank Jablonski, Karen Jablonski and Ron Selvey.

Those making financial donations this year were: 4C Properties, Accounting Plus-Cathy Leetham, Alan and Yuni Gaudenti, Arielle Ridley, Barry and Lynn Scales, Black Oak Casino, Carron Tax, Cathy Hart, Chicken Ranch Casino, Down to Earth, Fertile Grounds Coffee at Mountain Sage, Helping Hands Thrift Store, Hilltop Homes, Joann Prieto Accounting, Kate Dodd, Kathy McConnell, Kay Meerman, Leahy and Sons, Liz Lilley, Marc Fossum (Realtor), Miller Brothers Automotive, Moore Bros, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Muckel Foundation, Pine Mt Realty, Precision Optics, Paul S. Bunt, Paula Stevens, Priest Station Café, Ronald Sartori, Sonny Poncet, Sunset Inn, Tom Katosic, Two Guys Pizza and Yosemite Riverside. Of course, this project wouldn't possible without our 'Santa John'.

Many of the local organizations and churches donate food items for the food baskets, in addition to those customers at MarVal that purchase food bags or place food in our food barrel during November and December. So if you belong to any of those listed below, you have also contributed.

Those making food donations were: 7th Day Adventist Church, Big Oak Flat Baptist, Bob and Joan Herron, Buck Meadows Community Church, Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints, Diestel Turkey Farms, Duet Catering, Evangelical Free Church, Foothills Community Church, Garrote Lions Club, Groveland Christian Church, Groveland Forest Service, Groveland Highlanders 4H, Groveland Rotary, Groveland Kiwanis Club, Mountain Lutheran Church, PML 18 Hole Men's Club, PML Garden Club, PML Guardians Club, PML Pickleball Club; PML Racquet Club, PML Residents Club, Rabobank, ROOFBBs, Tuolumne County Association Of Realtors, Yosemite Bank.

Several local organizations have their members donate toys/gifts for children at their December functions for the children:

**Those donating gifts were**: PML Aviation Club, PML 9 Hole Ladies Club, PML 18 Hole Ladies Club, PML Ladies Club, Paula Feist (our super knitter), Friends of the Groveland (money for books the all the children) and Pam Hall, an off the hill 'gift angel'.

Many of you donated your time by shopping for kids clothing, etc. We call these folks our Shopping Elves. They travel to get just the right items needed and wanted to brighten a child's Christmas morning.

**Our Shopping Elves this year were**: Toni Augsburger, Jackie Baker, Chris Balek, Patti Beaulieu, Dar Brown, Faye Buckley, Geralyn Dielman, Syl Engstrom, Linn Faler, Sandi Fiance, Shirley Haliwell, Bev Hall, Karen Jablonski, Flo Jansen, Denise Jervis, Amanda Klaahsen, Linelle Marshall, Sue Peterson, Annie Peterson, Syd Robenseifner, Cindy Selvey, Dawn Silva, Denise Simmons, Cindy Simpson, Sharon Spinelli, and Cheryl Whitney. After all the gifts are bought, they ALL need to be wrapped. This is a massive tasks that takes many hands and when we put out the call, the wrappers came.

The wrappers during the week were: Jackie Baker, Chris Balek, Evelyn Bealby, Shirley Brascesco, Geralyn Dielman, Syl Engstrom, Maryse Gascard, Bev Hall, Shirley Horn, Flo Jansen, Amanda Klaahsen, Patti Larsen, MJ Mangianelli, Linelle Marshall, Fred Meese, Mary Ann Meese, Terre Mellin, Lauren Nickel, Nola Nunes, Sue Petersen, Anne Peterson, Liz Reinhart, Mary Reynolds, Syd Robenseifner, Cindy Selvey, Ron Selvey, Cindy Simpson, Sharon Spinelli, Elizabeth Walker, Sheila Weisblatt, Cheryl Whitney, Gail Whitney.

On Saturday Pick-Up day we need help loading the food and gifts into the cars of the recipients, distributing the turkeys, monitoring the traffic, as well as other jobs on that hectic day.

Handling those tasks were: Bob Aker, Steve Aker, Shirley Brascesco, Greg Cramblitt, Dick Faux, Fred Faiella, Otis Fender, Jerry Hall, Karen Jablonski, Barbara Klahn, David Ferraro, Kurt Petersen, and Rudy Rich. Traffic control was handled by TCCSU OFFICERS Robert Curry and Dona Bakker.

In addition to the generosity of the local Business Owners, Groups, Organizations and Elves, we have many that stand out in a category all their own for various tasks - Diestel Turkey Farms who donated turkeys for each family; Groveland Cal Fire who picked up, stored and delivered the food barrel contents from the Market to the Community Hall; Willie Boatman who assembled the new bikes; Steve Salnick who picked up cases and cases of turkeys from Diestel Turkey Farms in Chinese Camp and delivered them to the Community Hall; Pam Hall, our Sewing Angel who made blankets for all the recipients as well as stuffed toys, pillows and other soft cuddly things for the kids; Mar Val Market with Robyn and staff who ordered much of the food at their cost, allowed us to display the food barrels and coordinated the delivery of the perishable food; the Pine Mountain News and Yosemite Highway Herald for publishing our monthly articles since October; the Friends of the Groveland Library who gathered together to wrap hundreds of books that were bought for the kids and Barbara Klahn who handed out cider and cookies on pick-up day. And of course, no Christmas celebration would be complete without the appearance of Santa Claus (Otis Fender) who greets the kids and joins us each year for greetings, photo ops and candy canes on pick-up day.

As you can see from this extensive list, this project is one that involves just about everyone in the community in some way or another. We're all so proud to be a part of our towns, love and appreciate where we live and this is a great way to show what a huge heart our little towns have. Many, if not most, of those on these lists continue to work with us year after year. It's gives us all great satisfaction to know that we've helped 200 of our fellow community members have a brighter holiday.

SO FROM MYSELF, DAR, EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT AND ESPECIALLY THE RECIPIENTS IN THE COMMUNITY, a thousand heartfelt THANK YOU'S.

# OBITUARY Judith Alayne Basey

May 6, 1935 – January 18, 2018

Judith Alayne Basey of Groveland, CA passed away peacefully in her home on January 18, 2018. Judy was born on May 6, 1935 in Bedford, Iowa to Garfield and Alice Hadley. She grew up in Randsburg and then San Leandro, CA with her two brothers, Garfield and Byron.

Judy was always very artistic, and was inspired by her mother's talent and creativity as a seamstress. She studied art at San Jose State for 2 years before starting a family and relocating to Washington.

When her children were grown, the family returned to California where Judy worked selling lumber until she retired in 1991.

Judy initiated the Groveland quilt square project putting up painted plywood quilt squares on the buildings downtown. Inspired by the quilt squares she saw displayed in Quincey, and her local and very active quilt guild, she thought Groveland would be a perfect place to introduce this tradition.

Judy was very dedicated to her church, and this community meant so much to her. She organized the coffee hours and did scripture readings among other things.

She is survived by her husband, Harold Basey; brother, Byron Hadley (Cheryl); neices, Roni (Rick) and Kathy; nephew Jim; great nephews Rick, and Sammy; great neice Grace; children, Michael Murphy (Anne), Peggy Murphy and Steve Murphy (Lori), Glenn Basey (Deborah), Paul Basey (Terri) and John Basey (Kari); grandchildren, Sean, Chris, Margaret, Matthew, Wyatt, Robyn (Derek), Erin, Nola, Lars, Finn, Gage; and great grand child, Xander.

A celebration of Judy's life will be held on Saturday, February 3rd at 11:30am at Mountain Lutheran Church, 13000 Down to Earth Court, Groveland, CA 95321. A reception will follow at The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake.

Groveland Gateway Museum Paula Bianchi

Yosemite Gateway Museum on Tuesday February 13 any time between 9:30 and 11:00 AM for coffee (or tea) to chat for a while with museum staff and Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society Board members. They would like to share some of stories about the history of the Groveland Big Oak Flat area with you.



This will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions or make suggestions for the STCHS organization which preserves and promotes the history of the area. Please drop in and chat.

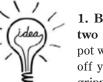
## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEWS

## Healthy Habits FROM PINE MOUNTAIN THERAPY

Julie Tanaka, PT

**HEY WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT?** *Clever ideas to make living with arthritis easier.* 

Te get so used to doing things "the way we've always done it" that it's hard to see how little changes could make daily life so much easier! Most of us will develop some arthritis in our lifetime. If the arthritis settles in our hands or wrists it can really make the tasks of daily living challenging and very frustrating. One of the fun things about doing what we do in therapy is sharing ideas we've learned from our patients. It makes us look so clever! But honestly I've learned most of these things from earlier patients and have to give them the credit. Check out this list of amazing little ideas to makes life less of a struggle, when your hands just don't grip as well as they used to.



**1. Buy pots and pans that have two handles on them.** Lifting a pot with two hands takes the stress off your wrists and requires less gripping power

- 2. Place pipe insulation around handles or buy large diameter handled kitchen tools Larger handles are easier to grip and less likely to slip out of painful or weak hands
- **3. Door levers instead of knobs** Levers don't require gripping or twisting
- **4. Go electric** Electric can and jar openers are wonderful.
- **5. Wear rubber gloves to open jars** This gives you a better grip (I love this one,

seriously a great tip for everyone)

- **6. Secure the cutting board** To keep things from sliding put a piece of that rubber mesh drawer liner under them. If things don't slide you won't have to try and stabilize them with your hands. We use this on bike seats, under cushions, under cutting boards...very handy stuff!
- **7. Switch out lamp switches** Tiny knobs that require pinching and turning are easily changed to larger knobs, touch pads or voice activated devices.
- 8. Reorganize! Items you use daily should be the easiest to reach. This seems like such common sense but is one of the hardest thing to get people to do in their homes.

# Infertility

Etty Garber PhD, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist

want to have a baby and start our family but it isn't happening."

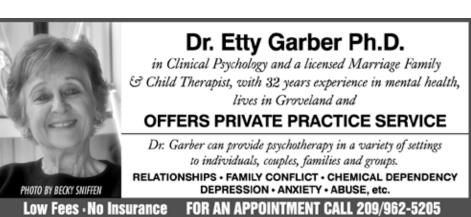
**Definition**: when a couple are unable to get pregnant/conceive after one year of unprotected sex.

About 6% of married women ages 15-44 years old in the US are unable to get pregnant after trying for one year and about 12% of woman of the same age, have difficulty getting pregnant or carrying to term.

Women need functioning ovaries, fallopian tubes and a uterus to get pregnant. It is a complicated process that follows the average 28 day regular monthly menstrual cycle which provides for ovulation. There are many causes that may interfere with this process in the woman, including elevation of testosterone, excessive exercise, low body weight, an eating disorder (anorexia), improper function of pituitary or hypothalamus glands that may prevent the brain from producing hormones that monitor normal ovarian function. Other physical structures contribute to infertility such as blocked fallopian tubes, abnormal uterus, fibroids or other anatomical abnormalities.

According to reports, women are born with all the eggs they will ever have and a woman's egg count decreases over time as she ages. Menopause usually occurs around 50 years old and periods become irregular if at all, so there may not be the possibility of ovulation.

Eight percent of men may also have a problem with infertility. Movement, shape and the sperm count need to be



examined. Other factors include: physical trauma, heavy use of alcohol, drugs, smoking, or anabolic steroids. Use of some meds or supplements, cancer treatment (chemotherapy, radiation) or removal of 1 or both testicles as well medical conditions, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, some autoimmune disorders, and certain infections can interfere with impregnation. Improper functions of hypothalamus or pituitary glands may result in low or no sperm production. Some causes can be genetic (Klinefelter's Syndrome) or even advanced age, obesity, smoking, excessive use of alcohol or marijuana, testosterone injections or exposure to lead or mercury.

All is not lost, there is treatment for both men and women. Doctors can treat infertility with medicines, surgery, intrauterine insemination or assisted reproductive technology.

Intrauterine insemination or artificial insemination is when the prepared sperm is inserted into the woman's uterus.

Assisted Reproduction Tech (ART) is when both eggs and embryos are handled outside of the body. It involves uniting mature eggs with sperm in the laboratory and then returning the embryos to the woman's body or another woman's body (surrogate). The main type of ART is Invitro Fertilization (IVF).

Science and Medicine have come a long way. Like all things in life that don't always go as planned – take another look and make a new plan. Sometimes we need to take another path to reach the goals we desire.

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# First Wednesday Bird Walk

Jeanne Ridgley

The first Wednesday of the month Bird Walk at the Groveland Community Services property at 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland, will be led by Jeanne Ridgley on Feb 7. The property encompasses an area of more than 200 acres of oak, pine and willow habitat with three water storage ponds.

On the January 3 Bird Walk, 33 species were seen. The highlights were Sharpshinned Hawk, Hutton's Vireo, Brown Creeper and Cedar Waxwings.

Meet the group in the GCSD parking lot at 8:00 AM. Bring binoculars and a birding field guide if you have one. Rain will cancel the trip. The walk will last about two-three hours.

# From Your Tuolumne County District Supervisor

John Gray – Tuolumne County 4th District Supervisor

e are well into the first part of 2018....After a few first days of writing checks and letters with the wrong year entered, it is finally settling in that another year is upon us...

Hopefully, everyone reading has enjoyed a great holiday season. The first part of 2017 got off to a rather rocky start for me "health-wise" but fortunately the year ended with happy family gatherings, way too much food and lots of good intentions and brighter prospects for New Year.

With the New Year our county looks forward to new projects, the continuation of on-going project and issues and the completion of others. Tuolumne County continues to work toward the completion of the goals established each year by the Board of Supervisors (BOS). At the January 9th BOS meeting, our Chief Administrative Offices presented an update on the major accomplishments for 2017.

Full details of that report can be found on the County Web Page at *www.tuolumnecounty. ca.gov* 

A few highlights—

- Completion of the Juvenile Detention Center facility-a \$17,000,000 paid for, primarily, from State Funds.
- Of major concern these past years were the aging IT systems that the County was using to conduct business. To that end, the property tax system was replaced; the finance system, Human

Resources and budget systems were also replaced.

• Computers have been installed in all Sheriff's Patrol vehicles to provide up-tothe-minute information to the deputies.

All of these improvements will go a long way to providing better services to the public.

In February we will be breaking ground on the new jail. This \$47,000,000 project will be funded in the majority by State Grants of about \$32,000,000 and the balance financed by the County. This project has been "in the making" for over 20 years. No longer will we have a revolving door for offenders due to lack of space. (Again, for a more detailed list please visit the Tuolumne County web page-it, too, has been improved and is much more "user-friendly").

For those that have been affected by the damage done by Mother Nature to Marshes Flat Road ...Good News! FEMA has approved funding to repair the damage that occurred last February. This project is estimated to cost about \$2,000,000. Engineering and design is underway now. If everything goes as expected, the road should open late fall.

Regarding roads...You can expect to see minor road delays throughout the 4th District this year. We have a long list of Funded Capital Projects for 2018-2019. Some of those will be the Lime Kiln Road Bridge, Algerine-Wards Ferry Bridge at Curtis Creek, Algerine-Wards Ferry Bridge over Blanket Creek, Big Creek Shaft Bridge and preventative maintenance on 11 other bridges, as well.

On the storm damage repairs, we are receiving funding from FEMA for the Hardin Flat road repair and the Jacksonville Bridge will have new deck coating and repairs, funded by Federal dollars.

Caltrans has four big projects in District 4 that they will be working on. (1) The State Route 108 Peaceful Oak Road Ramps (2) The Groveland walkways grant application (3) Yosemite Junction Intersection improvements (4) The \$27,000,000 State Route 108/120 pavement overlay between Oakdale and Moccasin.

The State is making good on its promise to spend gas tax increases passed last year.

It's interesting to know that I have received many inquiries about road repairs and just as many complaints about traffic delays while work is being done to make road repairs. It just proves that it's tough to make everyone happy.

The National Disaster Resilience Competition (NDRC) project is moving forward. The BOS has directed staff to look at the building of 2 Community Centers, one in Groveland and one in Tuolumne. The amount of funds available is nearly \$20,000,000.

The County has posted a Property Solicitation for land on which to construct the centers. For details please visit the County web page under NDRC.

At the December 13 meeting, the BOS approved a letter of understanding to create

a Master Stewardship Agreement with the U.S. Forest Service, Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions and the Tuolumne River Trust to partner in Forest Improvement projects.

With the increase in catastrophic fires within our region the BOS has consistently acknowledged the importance of protecting the forest and the watersheds. With this collaboration under the Mater Stewardship Agreement, the Forest Service and the Partner identify high priority projects to improve forest and watershed health. The Forest Service contributes 80% and the Partner contributes 20% in kind funding through grants and gifts.

This long term agreement is the first of its kind. Your County continues to lead!

In ending, to my surprise, I will be the new Chair of the Board for 2018. With the many millions of dollars' worth of projects to look forward in the coming months, it appears that I will be busy, but I will still have time to listen to the public.

I intend to continue to hold office hours in Groveland from 8:30 am to 10:30 am on the second Tuesday of the month. However, until we resolve the cannabis issue, office hours may have to be shortened from time to time. If you wish to meet at a time other than this, please send me an email at *jgray@ co.tuolumne.ca.us* or call me at (209) 533-5521 to schedule an appointment.

Looking forward to a Successful 2018 for our county and the many residents who call Tuolumne County "Home".

## Galentine Tea FEBUARY 10TH - 11:30-1:00

Single women on the hill You are all loved. The Groveland Evangelical Free Church will be hosting a free afternoon Tea for the Single Ladies on the Hill on Valentine's Weekend, Saturday February 10, 2018

## Groveland Evangelical Free Church at 19172 Ferretti Road

Please RSVP to Bonnie Phillips 209-962-4760 or *wayneandbonnie@sbcglobal.net* by February 3rd.

## MOUNTAIN LUTHERAN CHURCH Love and Lent Jackie Ostrom

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Valentine's love is fun love. It comes with cards and flowers and food. It reminds us that God calls us to be in love relationships with each other. Sometimes it is between two persons who are joined in their love for each other in a romantic way, and sometimes it is love between parent and child, or some other caring relationship. We take this one day of the year to remind ourselves that love is good and right and should be celebrated. So, take time to send a card or make a phone call to that person or persons whom you love. Take a meal to a homeless person. Visit a shut-in. Put your love into action.

As we approach Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday and Lent, let them be times reminding us of love. Let us remember that at the heart of everything we do and say should be love. Love gives, sacrifices, and is compassionate, giving and good. True loves comes from God and reflects the character of God. And let us show our love for each other, not just in cards and candy, but being generous in loving one another as Christ has loved us. Let us love as God has loved us. May your Lenten season be focused and filled with His love each and every day. Love and Lent go together like a horse and carriage; you can't have one without the other.

Please join us for a service of quiet penitence as we begin the Lenten season. Lent is the time of preparation for Holy Week which culminates in the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Our Ash Wednesday Evening Service of scriptures, prayers, Holy Communion and Marking with ashes is at 7:00 pm on February 14, 2018.

All are welcome at Mountain Lutheran Church 13000 Down to Earth Ct. off Ferretti Road, Groveland, CA

## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEWS

# STCHS' February 17th Program

Frank Perry

#### THE ORIGIN OF NAMES IN GROVELAND AND SURROUNDING AREA

ave Gookin is a historian and book author with an in-depth knowledge of the motherlode Area. Dave is a fourth generation native of Tuolumne County and was raised on a cattle ranch in the Groveland Area. His books have provided some great insights to our area history.

Did you ever wonder how

different streets, towns, and various locations, got their names? In general, it would be associated with historical events, and/or important or colorful members in our past history. Understanding these relationships will help enhance our knowledge and



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sensitivity to our local history. Dave plans to educate and entertain us expounding on various names in our community. David had family ties with the development of Pine Mountain Lake and surrounding area, and while in college, he worked as fire fighter and later as a employee for the Pine Mountain Developer, Boise Cascade, providing him with a wealth of knowledge for the subject presentation.

Please join the STHS February 17th Presentation, at the Groveland Community Hall at 7:00 P.M. Admission is Free and Donations are Welcome. Come out and have an enjoyable evening, increasing your knowledge of our great area and support your local historical society.

## **GAINs Resource Directory is now** South County Resource Directory Patti Beaulieu

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that we

have all come

to rely on as our

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local businesses,

hours, contact

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will now be called



Our new logo designed and donated by David Wilkinson of Sabre Design.

the South County Resource Directory. GAINs disbanded in 2017 after many years of service to the greater Groveland Community. Barbara Broad, the creator and publisher of this guide has passed the torch to me.

If you were in the directory in 2017, you should have received an email or letter asking if you'd like to continue, or to submit any changes.

If you are a new business, home or

brick and mortar and would like to be added to the 2018 Directory, or you have not received an e-mail or letter, please email me at *patti*. beau@sbcglobal.net no later than February 15, which is the deadline for submittals.

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# Early Warning – Watch Your Water

#### WHERE'S THE WATER

hat happened to the rain? 2017 was such a nice water year that it filled up all of our reservoirs. So what happened? The rain stopped. According to the weather service, the rain is headed for Washington State and British Columbia, pushed north by the Ridiculously Resilient Ridge of high pressure.

The Hetch Hetchy water system provides the water for GCSD. The water year begins in October. For Water Year 2018, the watershed for Hetch Hetchy is at 17% of normal precipitation. We are presently more than 1/3 of the way through the 2018 water year.

The Winter Rangers at Yosemite National Park report 5 inches of snow on the ground at Tuolumne Meadows. So, there is little snowpack for January.

There would have to be tremendous winter storms for the next 5 months just to get to the point where we would have a normal water year. Does this say we are beginning another drought? We can't look that far ahead.

**FEBRUARY** 

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What Now?

The prudent thing to do is go back to the things you learned in five of the last six years and begin to conserve water. There's no penalty for doing this. GCSD has programs to provide rebates that can save you money. Replacing toilets, shower heads, even appliances, can reduce your water bill and get a rebate.

Is your landscape irrigation system still running? If so, shut it off until late spring when the plants begin to need water. If you are gone for a day or more during the winter, shut your water off. GCSD loses hundreds of thousands of gallons every year due to broken pipes. Don't let them be yours. It is really messy to clean up.

Start being water smart now. It will save money and save all of us water. GCSD can help. Check our website or stop by the office.

# Notice of GCSD **Board Seat Vacancy**

Community Services District Board Vice President Scott Wemmer announced his resignation from the Board. Director Wemmer was elected to a four year term in November of 2016 and his term is set to expire in November of 2020.

To qualify to serve as a GCSD Board Member, candidates must be registered to vote within the District and live within the service area of the District. Those interested in being considered to fill the vacancy until this year's general election are asked to fill out the Board Seat Appointment Application, submit a resume, and prepare a letter of interest that explains why they wish to become a GCSD director and what skill sets and

n January 5, 2018 Groveland experience they would bring to the Board. Applications, resumes, and letters of interest may be submitted in person at the District Office located at 18966 Ferretti Rd., Groveland, CA 95321, by mail to: P.O. Box 350, Groveland, CA 95321, or by email to jflores@gcsd.org. Application documents must be submitted by February 14, 2018 by 4pm. Applications can be picked up in the office or downloaded from the District website at www.gcsd.org.

> The Board will interview the candidates at a Special Public Meeting scheduled for February 17, 2018 at 6:00pm at the Tenaya Elementary School Cafeteria. If you have any further questions, please contact Office Manager/District Secretary Jennifer Flores at 209-962-7161 ext. 13.

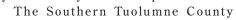
## STCHS Kathy Brown

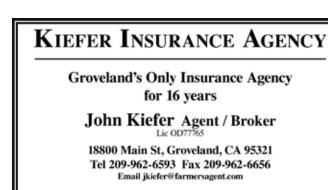
he Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum invites you to stop in to see the newest addition to their many exhibits - the Grizzly Bear and the part it played in the past history of California. The stars of this display are a Mama and Baby Grizzly which were recently donated to the museum. With a near record size Black Bear in the adjoining case, it will be easy to make comparisons between the two bears.

Also now on display at the museum are the entries in the Annual Tenaya Elementary Photography Contest. The local Rotary sponsor and STCHS encourage you to show your support for these young students efforts by casting your vote for your favorite photos.

Historical Society also hopes you will "Save the Date" for the 2018 STCHS Speaker Series. Presentations will be on topics relating to the social or natural history of our area. The series will held every other month on the third Saturday of the month beginning on February 17. Please join us at 7:00 PM in the Community Hall in downtown Groveland. Call the museum for more information on the programs - 209-962-0300. Your choice of nearly 75 past speaker programs can also be viewed for the asking in the museum theater.

Museum winter hours are: Sunday through Thursday 1:00 - 4:00 PM and Friday & Saturday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. The museum and adjacent library are next door to Laveroni Park on the east end of Groveland.





Auto Home Life Business Recreational



# Paul Weaver's Chili Verde

Recipe provided by Tom Knoth and Paula Martell

This is one of our absolute favorite recipes and was given to us by a close friend of ours, Mr. Paul Weaver, who passed away a few months ago at the age of 93. Paul lived a truly magnificent and epic life. Paul's incredible journeys

included being a decorated veteran and Purple Heart Medal recipient during WW2, a writer, an author, a publisher, a fishing lodge builder/operator, a world traveled sailor, and a terrific athlete to boot. But to those of us who only recently met him at PML in the "twilight of his life", he is best known as very warm and thoughtful friend that we really miss. Paul can always count on us to think of him whenever we make this terrific recipe, which was developed at his fishing lodge, Farewell Harbour, in British Columbia.

This is not your traditional chili verde recipe which uses tomatillos, it instead gets a lot of its flavor from poblano chilis. Be aware that at many California markets (including Marvel) the poblano chili is commonly misidentified as a "pasilla pepper". Also of note, we like this recipe just as much when we substitute chicken for pork.

#### INGREDIENTS

4 Poblano Chiles, roasted, peeled, & diced, 1/2" pieces



2 Onions (white or red), diced 3 stalks Celery, diced 2 ozs Bacon Fat, Crisco, or

cooking oil 2.5 lbs Pork, diced in 3/4-inch pieces (can substitute chicken) Emeril's Essence or salt, and black pepper 1.5 Cups Flour

2 14.5 oz cans Chicken Stock

2 small cans Diced Green Chiles
1 Vegetable Bouillon Cube
1 Chicken Bouillon Cube
2 tsp Oregano
2 tsp Marjoram
4 tsp Cumin
2 Bay Leaves
1 Tbsp Pureed Garlic

#### DIRECTIONS

Season Pork with Essence (or salt) and pepper to taste and then shake in a plastic bag with flour to coat. In a dutch oven, heat the fat over medium heat and sauté onions, celery, and poblanos until slightly soft (a few minutes). Put in the pork and brown slightly, then add stock and deglaze. Add diced chiles, and veggie and chicken bouillon cubes. Then add spices and simmer 2 hours; season to taste with salt and pepper.

This chili can be served over white rice, or over tortillas with sour cream, jack cheese, and fresh cilantro, or just served in a bowl. Makes 3 Quarts (12 one cup servings)

# What Happens at The Little House?

Denise Jervis

n 2017, The Little House, a program of Southside Community Connections, The welcomed over 5,000 people through our doors. Many were

friends who are here regularly throughout the year to participate in our activities and programs. Other were first-time visitors would often ask 'what happens at The Little House?'. Our answer was always the same. We are a community gathering place for Groveland area residents to participate in group activities such as lifelong learning programs, communal lunches, health, wellness and exercise programs. County service groups meet with area residents and our Village on the Hill and Wheels programs offer services to our senior neighbors. We are a center for all adult area residents, not just for seniors. We tailor our programs, activities and events to what the members of our community are interested in.

We welcome and encourage House area adults to participate in our

programs and to help us develop activities, programs and events which encourage community participation and engagement. Most of our programs and events are volunteer driven. Our volunteers are dedicated to providing interesting and fun activities for community members.

Our event calendar and program information can be found on our website: southsidecommunityconnections.org. If you would like to speak with us, please call 209.962.7303 or visit us at 11699 Merrell Road in Groveland.

Southside Community Connections will have See's Candy in time for Valentines Day. We are open Monday through Friday from 10 am until 2 pm.



# Pine Cone Singers Get Back to Work for Spring Concert

Bob Swan

s I write this, the Pine Cone Singers are on our January "vacation", resting our voices before starting rehearsal for our 2018 Spring Concerts, scheduled for May 18-20. We don't know yet exactly what our musical offering will be for the spring, but we do know that it will be similar to last year's effort – music from opera, musicals, movies, and TV. I will have more details next month.

Pine Cone Singers have been Groveland's community chorus for more than thirty-eight years. We are delighted to have another opportunity to serve up some entertainment, and are very grateful for the support we get from the community. We are always happy to gain new members, so if there's anyone out there with the urge to sing, it's not too late to join us. February 6 will be just our second rehearsal this session. Rehearsals are Tuesdays, 3:00 to 5:30 PM, at the Groveland Community Hall. We take people of all skill and experience levels (it's a COMMUNITY chorus). The only requirements are the ability to carry a tune, and to make it to rehearsals. If you'd like more information, please contact Board President Shirley Brasesco at 962-4815. If you're ready to sing, just come to rehearsal.

In any case, please note the dates of the Spring Concerts, May 18-20. Hope to see you there!





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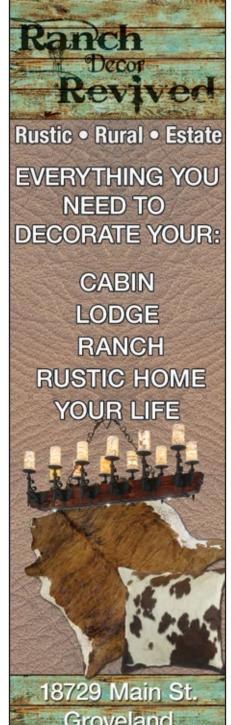
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and friendly environment. Guest speakers are invited to speak on a variety of topics.

The Weight Loss Surgery Support Group meets the third Wednesday every month from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Live Well Be Well Center's Pulmonary Rehabilitation Conference Room located at 19747 Greenley Road, across from Sonora Elementary School, in Sonora.

For more information and to reserve a seat, please call 209-536-5041.



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## Of Cinema and Prayer

Pastor Ron Cratty - Groveland Evangelical Free Church

im a movie buff. Have been since fifth grade, when I started attending a matinee every Saturday afternoon (often a double feature) and then watching "Saturday Night At The Movies" on NBC that evening. Favorite flick of all times? Gotta go with "Casablanca".

One of the really positive developments in recent years is the improvement in Christian themed films. Not only have there been more of them but the production values have really risen. Some may emphasize an "us against them" theme that pits people of faith against cruel, mean-spirited non-believer caricatures. I prefer those that portray Christians struggling to work through their faith amidst real life situations. One such movie is "The War Room", which shows how a commitment to prayer can strengthen families and refocus lives.

The brothers behind "The War Room", are pastors Stephen and Alex Kendrick. They have written a companion gook The Battle Plan For Prayer inspired by "The War Room." It is a very balanced, easy to read volume that takes a practical, Biblical look at what prayer is all about. I've read it a couple times now and highly recommend it.

The reason I've read it twice is that I'm preparing to preach a series on prayer, motivated and directed by the Kendricks' book. A lifestyle of talking meaningfully to God does not come naturally to me. (I know, turn in your pastor badge, huh?) Whether it's second nature to you or not, I invite you to come explore the possibilities of prayer with a group of people on their own personal spiritual journeys.

Groveland Evangelical Free Church meets twice on Sunday morning most weeks. At 11 o'clock our music generally follows a rock format. If you prefer a more traditional approach, come a little earlier, at 9:30. Always call first, however, because we combine for one 10:00 a.m. service once a month.

Hope to see you soon.

## Kiwanis Club

Sandy Smith

ids Need Kiwanis! This past year the Kiwanis organization did indeed help kids, more than ever. Acting in response to many disaster relief projects, provided first aide, water, and food to many devastated areas inTexas, the Carribbean, Sierra Leone, the Philippines, Ecuador, No. Carolina, and California.

Help Kiwanis Serve More Kids! Join, be involved in your community, be a leader, attend meetings weekly. Meetings are held each Monday evening at 5:30, at the Pizza Factory.....drop in and see what we are about. You will be glad you did.

Kiwanis have fun too! Having fun is always guaranteed on the 1st Thursday of each month at BINGO! February is the month of Love so we will show you a special little love if you wear a heart. If you being someone new, you earn an Early Bird card. Also special Valentine raffle prizes. So come and join us on Thursday the 4th for dinner of spaghetti, salad, bread, and drinks at 5:30. Early Bird Bingo starts at 6:30, and then Regular Bingo

## Grief Support Group

re you struggling with grief over the death of a loved one? Whether your loss is recent or some time has passed, getting thru the days and nights with the terrible pain of loss in your heart is hard.

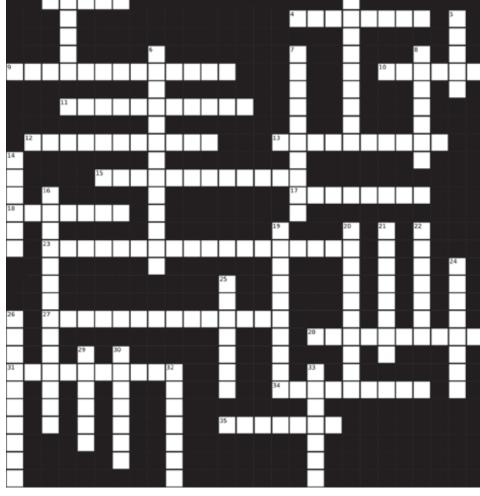
Please join us in a confidential, safe setting for support, sharing and and resource information. Our group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:30 am noon at The Little House on Merrill Road in Groveland. Our first meeting will be held on

February 21. The group is free, but please preregister by calling Judy Myers, 962-5157 or Bonnie Hubanks, 962-5507.

at 7:00. See you then!!!!!!!

If you have any questions give one of us a call: Tammy 962-4950, Earl 534-9548 or Sandy 962-4950





#### ACROSS

- 1 Rainbow that you can eat
- 4 Short but sweet month
- $9\,\mathrm{A}\,\mathrm{day}$  to celebrate love and chocolate
- 10 What the PNQG members make
- 11 Popular event at The Grill each month
- 12 The A in PMLA
- 13 Tioga mascot
- 15 Where to get a bite at the beach 17 Trash bandits, often
- 18 \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lake, group
- 23 He had a dream
- 27 They have classes and activities for seniors
- 28 Who your Valentine might be
- 31 If we are playing with these, what are they wearing at the stables?
- 34 Local service organization that really roars
- 35 Groveland group who brings you the Christmas Craft Faire

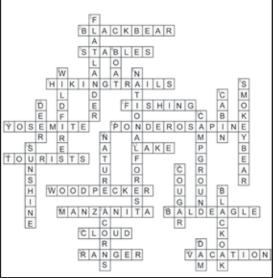
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- 2 Where even kids can go driving
- 3 A stable excursion
- 5 Part of Tuolumne where PML is located
- 6 Our fire safety mascot
- 7 These ladies stop at half the course
- 8 A sweet 16 to remember for America
- 14 What's in a name? This ladies group prefers their acronym
- 16 The new Hospitality Coordinator at The Grill

19 The newest game at court

- 20 Two past one's share a holiday this month
- 21 The original name of Groveland
- 22 Shower crooners public opportunity
- 24 The era that saw Big Oak Flat become a boomtown
- 25 Hopefully it is wet enough to avoid this
- 26 A state, a man, a city
- 29 This seems like a racquet to me...
- 30 Big Oak Flat eyesore to some 32 'Just need some wind and we are ready to
- move' activity
- 33 Does that mean I get the day off?
- Answers will be printed in March Edition

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## Tioga Culinary Serving Meals at Home Basketball Games

Ryan Dutton – Principal, Tioga High

he Culinary Class at Tioga is preparing meals that are being sold at all home basketball games this winter! Many of the basketball players take part in the Culinary class as well, and all proceeds from these meals go back into the basketball programs! We are including the schedule for the February home games for everyone. You can also just come and purchase the meals to go if you aren't staying to watch the game, but both teams are very competitive this year and would love some extra cheering at their home games! This is a chance for you all to support our local high school as well as getting a great meal and evening entertainment watching some basketball! We thank you all in advance!

**Dinner and Game Admittance** - Add \$2.00 to meal price or if taking to-go just purchase the meal.

Tickets can be purchased from Tioga High School Secretary Becca Dotson



during school hours or paid for at the time of purchase.

Dinner will be served beginning at 5:00pm 2/5 - \$8.00 Fettucine w/ Chicken & Alfredo

Sauce, Caesar Salad & Garlic Bread **2/8** - \$8.00 BBQ Hamburger, Sausages,

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#### District Employee of the Month Ryan Dutton - Principal, Tioga High

ongratulations to Emily Hanchett on being named the BOFGUSD Employee Of The Month at the recent school board meeting! This is a well deserved honor for a dedicated, talented teacher that we at Tioga are lucky to have! Emily teaches English, World History, US History, Economics & Civics, Online, and is our ACADEC coach! The ACADEC team will be competing the first weekend of February against all other county high schools! Good luck team!



District Employee of the Month, Emily Hanchett and Superintendent Dave Urquhart

### Tioga Art Class Going to SF Ryan Dutton - Principal, Tioga High

n February 8th, the Art Class at Tioga High will have the opportunity to see one of the great art museum's this country has to offer. With the financial investment of Helping Hands assisting us, our students will interact in an educational tour seeing art exhibits from around the world! The Interactive Teen Tours of SFMOMA's exhibitions are led by Museum Guides and are tailored to complement high school curriculum in the arts and humanities. Tours focus on

specific exhibitions and are organized around a theme so that students can focus on an individual artist, time period, artistic practice, or movement. Our students have been working hard this year learning Art history as well as completing some amazing projects! They currently are working on linoleum prints with the help of their teacher, Sarah Graham. Sarah has done a great job with the Art program at Tioga, and our kids are very lucky to have such a talented teacher leading them!

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

### Destiny Romine – Tenaya Elementary



Tenaya's Student of the Month is Destiny Romine. Mrs. Beaudreau says, "Destiny has shown incredible growth as a student. She has become an organized and very responsible individual who takes her school work very seriously. Destiny takes pride in her assignments as well as her artwork." Destiny's parents are Clyde and Blaine Romine of Groveland.

Destiny Romine

### Miguel Carrasco-Gomez – Tioga High



The Student Of The Month at Tioga High School is senior, Miguel Carrasco-Gomez. Miguel is a young man that has really stepped up his game academically in his first semester of his senior year! Miguel is a young man that is always easy to talk to, is willing to help out in a pinch, and a person that is understanding the next phase of his life, which is planning for higher education and the real world! Miguel is currently a member of the Timberwolves basketball team, his second year on the squad. He also plays on the Tioga High Baseball team in the spring. Miguel has aspirations to pursue Computer Science or a career in the gaming industry. He has taken a liking to the Robotics class and his work in that class definitely shines through. He dives

Miguel Carrasco-Gomez

in to the projects, and does a good job problem solving when faced with a roadblock. Miguel has been an avid member of the Weight Training class at Tioga, and has seen a ton of progress in his strength because of how hard he works and for the fact that he comes into the weight room each and every day with a will to work and get better! Miguel has also been working hard at making an attempt to eat better, taking care of his body to allow his weight training regime to really kick in! "As Principal of Tioga, I have been most pleased with Miguel's development as a young man. His positive attitude and consistent effort are present every day." He treats his academics with the sincerity all kids should, and it has really rewarded him this first semester. In fact, he earned a perfect 4.0 GPA his first semester here at Tioga. All of his teachers at Tioga love Miguel, for the work he puts in and for the way he treats his teachers and other students. We are confident that he will find success in life whatever he chooses to do if he continues what he has started here his senior year at Tioga. We are proud to honor Miguel as the Student Of The Month at Tioga High School! Miguel lives in Groveland with his mother, Yolanda, and stepfather, David Wainwright. Miguel is being nominated by Principal, Ryan Dutton.

## Tioga Fire Science

Ryan Dutton – Principal, Tioga High

he Fire Science class has started up once again with the beginning of second semester here at Tioga, and we have 9 boys currently participating in the class. The course is being taught by the United States Forest Service Firefighters from the Buck Meadows station. Tioga High School graduate Kurt Edwards is leading the class, receiving assistance from different firefighters each week to help the kids learn all about Wildland Firefighting. The students are currently learning the ins and outs of the Incident Command System. Upon completion of this course, our students will be certified to be able to be hired by the USFS on a seasonal fire crew. This is a great vocational opportunity for our students, especially for any kids that



would like a successful, rewarding career here in the Groveland area! We have had many graduates pursue firefighting because of our course and many still hold part-time or full-time jobs with the USFS, CalFire, or city firefighting positions! Thank you Kurt and career for another great year of Fire Science!

## "Every Student Succeeds" Winner

Ryan Dutton – Principal, Tioga High

n February 6th, at 7:00am at the Sonora Elks Lodge, Tioga High Senior Halei Belvail will be honored and receive a \$500 scholarship for being chosen as the recipient of this year's "Every Student Succeeds" award! All of the county high schools along with elementary

schools honor one student that fits the criteria, and Tioga High School staff has chosen Halei to represent Tioga. The Association of California School Administrators program recognizes and honors students in public schools who have successfully overcome



obstacles or difficulties in their lives. She is a hard-working, model student that participates in just about everything offered at Tioga. Halei has been a member of the Volleyball, Basketball, and Track athletic programs at Tioga, is on the Academic Decathlon team, participates in most every speech

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contest offered, and involves herself in school clubs and community service opportunities! She has a great shot to earn this year's Valedictorian of the Senior Class and has applied and been accepted to a number of 4-year colleges already! Congratulations Halei!

## Tioga Science Field Trip

in Science classes at Tioga will have an opportunity to take part in an overnight field trip to the Fort Ross Conservancy Marine Ecology Program. This trip is being spearheaded by our Science teacher, Tina Lanter. Tioga High would like to thank Helping Hands of Groveland for assisting in funding this great academic opportunity for our students! We have an Environmental Sciences class that will attend along with other students from the Biology and Oceanography classes here at Tioga.

Fort Ross Conservancy's Marine Ecology Program offers a wonderful opportunity for youth to learn about local marine ecology

n February 22nd & 23rd, students as they hike the coastline of Fort Ross State Historic Park, interact with and observe marine species, and enjoy optional camping on the beautiful Sonoma Coast. Elementary, middle, and high school students spend one or two days immersed in the day-to-day tasks of a marine biologist. They will learn the proper way to conduct themselves around wildlife, be introduced to the intricacies of data protocols and collection, and observe the abundant marine life. By experiencing first hand what it means to be a citizen scientist, FRC fosters a deeper appreciation of marine science and nature and encourage these students to focus on marine stewardship and the environmental sciences.



## Memorial Golf Tournament

Rvan Dutton – Principal, Tioga High

Alyssa Baker Memorial Golf Tournament at Pine Mountain Lake Golf Course on April 28th, 2018 @ 9am. \$75 includes tournament, food (at Tioga cafeteria), prizes, raffle, & t-shirt

To sign up please contact Macy Hessler, macyhessler@gmail.com or Caitlin Dowling, caitlindowling111@yahoo.com

In honor of Alyssa Baker, the senior project from these two girls is to create a legacy scholarship for a student that attends Tioga High School. The Cystic Fibrosis Golf Tournament will fund the scholarship!

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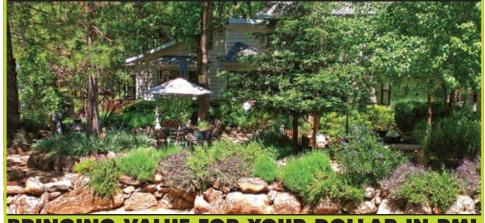
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