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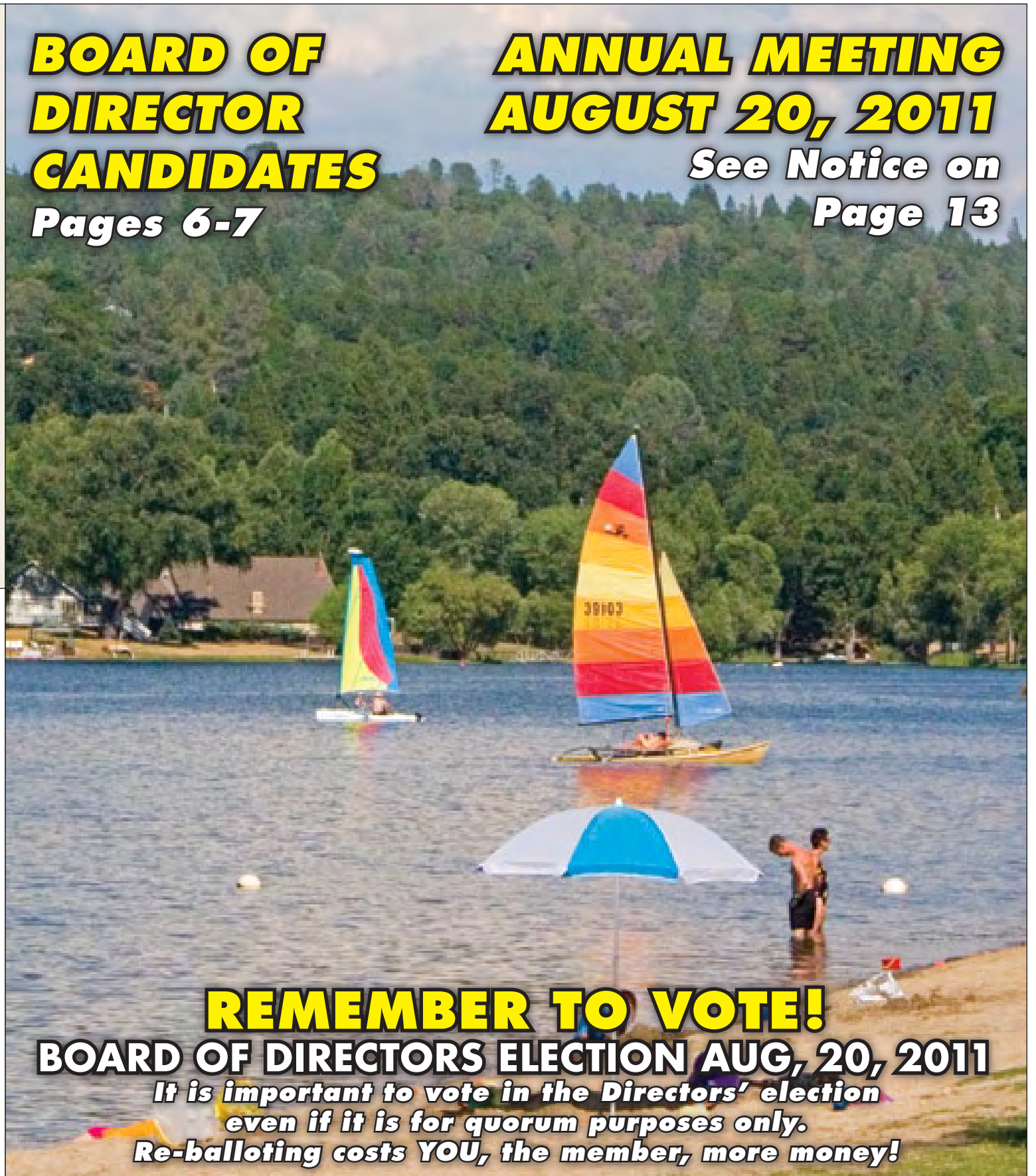
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AUGUST 20, 2011**
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President's Message

BY LARRY HUNT • BOARD PRESIDENT

Hot August Nights bring out the members! August has always been a fun month for me and my family and friends. I love to barbecue and sit out on the deck in the evening and enjoy our beautiful surroundings. I am sure you will agree that PML is a great place to live!

As most of you know, it is campaign season and the Annual Meeting of the Members is scheduled for Saturday, August 20th. The meeting will be held at the Lake Lodge and start at 9 a.m. The meeting is held every year to tally the votes and determine who will serve as your directors. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to welcome and encourage all PML members to attend.

Please take the time to vote as the lack of a quorum will end up costing us more money. The ballot includes a place for members to vote "quorum only" if they wish. Even so, I encourage members to get to know the candidates and what they stand for and vote for their favorite.

I had the pleasure of helping out at the PML Country Mountain Riders BBQ at the Stables on July 3rd. We had a good turnout and fun was had by all. I think one of the most popular attractions was the petting zoo and pony rides for the kids. For the adults, they had food, beverage,

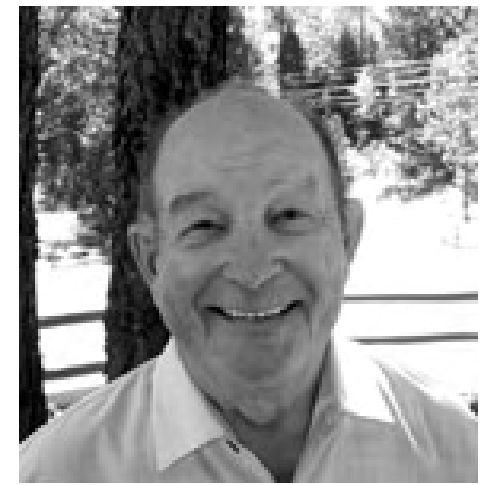
music and other activities. For the more adventurous types, horse trail rides were available. All-in-all, a fun, family event.

This year, one of our goals is to update our Association Bylaws and CC&R's. We have been working with legal counsel to bring our governing documents up to date with current statutory requirements. There will also be some proposed discretionary additions or changes to reflect how we currently operate and to clarify some of our rules.

Once we have final drafts, they will be mailed to all members for comment and it is our plan to discuss them at future Board meetings and perhaps a town hall meeting. Our goal is to get as much member input as possible before we put the documents to a vote of the membership.

I am pleased to see that our Compost/Slash Site is seeing a lot of activity. This means that members are following the fire safety rules and getting their lots in compliance with the fire safety regulations.

To make sure there is no illegal dumping and to assist our members, the Board made the decision to fund a maintenance position to handle the compost area responsibilities. Not taking action would have put the Association at risk of having this



productive site shut-down, and would have left members with little or no opportunity to get rid of their brush, slash and clippings. I am happy to see that the objectives of this decision were accomplished.

I would like to thank our management team and staff for the continued hard work on this site. I know our members appreciate it and can see the benefit of their efforts.

Until next month, see you at the Golf Course, Stables, Marina or the Grill!

On the Cover

Photo by David Wilkinson.

Pine Mountain Lake residents enjoy the lake on a warm summer day at the Marina.



DID YOU KNOW?

Pine Mountain Lake has just installed the new Automated Licensing System supplied by the Department of Fish and Game. This means you can now purchase your Deer, Bear, Pig, or Waterfowl tags as well as fishing licenses and all supplemental stamps! Our new system allows us to print your license and tags right on the spot. No more applications or mailings needed.

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General Manager’s Message

BY JOE POWELL, CCAM, GENERAL MANAGER

Annual Meeting of the Members and Installation of Directors

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Pine Mountain Lake Association is scheduled for Saturday, August 20th. The meeting will be held at the Lake Lodge as usual and start at 9 a.m. There are two candidates running for one vacancy on the Board.

An outside accounting firm is hired as our Inspector of Elections in accordance with our rules and the Civil Code. At the meeting the Inspector of Elections will provide a summary of the process and give a report on the establishment of at quorum. After this, the Inspector and their team will count the ballots on site in accordance with the California Civil Code. All members are welcome to attend.

Bear Sighting in Unit 3

We received reports of another bear sighting in Unit 3. The bear was foraging for food and going through garbage cans. Members should take precautions by removing outside food sources such as garbage cans left out overnight and pet food out on their decks. If you see a bear within the subdivision, please call the Main Gate Dept. of Safety immediately and report the sighting. Do not approach the bear or put yourself at risk. If a bear becomes a nuisance, we will take action to try and scare it off. We also report all sightings to Fish and Game so that they can monitor activity and take further action if necessary.

Fawn Season

It is fawn season and the local deer herd is very active. Baby fawns are difficult to see, so it is important to watch your speed as you travel within PML. Do not attempt to feed or go near a fawn. A doe can become very aggressive and attack if it feels its baby is being threatened. Also, feeding the wildlife is illegal and bad for the health of the animals.

Swimming Pool Repairs

In the last month the Swimming Pool was shut down twice, temporarily, for repairs to the pump and filtration systems. Our Maintenance staff jumped on it quickly and worked with a professional pool technician to resolve each repair as quickly as possible.

Access Gate Follow-Throughs

We have seen an increase in vehicle and gate damage due to follow-throughs. It is important that everyone observe the rules and only use the gates one vehicle at a time.

When you follow a vehicle through the gates, you run the risk of having the gate arm come down on the vehicle. The cost of damage to your vehicle and restitution you must pay to repair the gate is not worth the five to ten seconds saved by following another vehicle through.

2012 Budget Process

The 2012 Budget Process begins this month with the management

team budget kick-off meeting. This is a meeting of the management team as we work to prepare the budget draft for presentation to the Board, Budget and Finance Committee and, ultimately, the membership. The budget preparation process takes several months and includes several meetings and input from Board members, committee members and property owners.

The day-long, open Budget meeting is held in October and the approval of the Budget is handled by the Board of Directors at the November Board meeting. We will be publicizing the dates and times in future issues of the PML News and the information will be posted to the PML Website.

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS

Meetings are held at the PML Lake Lodge and start at 9 AM. (Unless otherwise noted)

August 20 - Annual Meeting/Election

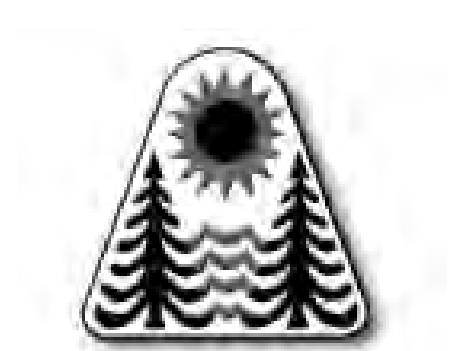
September 10 - 2nd Saturday

October 15 - Budget Meeting

November 12 - 2nd Saturday

No December Meeting

- **Main Gate 209/962-8615**
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Pine Mountain Lake Web Site...
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- Pay Phone Locations:**
In an emergency, call 911
- Campground (restrooms)
 - Dunn Court Beach
 - Lake Lodge
 - Main Gate (restrooms)
 - Marina
 - PML Airport
 - Stables
 - Tennis Courts (Pine Mountain Drive)
- Press *81 on any Pay Phone to contact Main Gate.

ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAYS 2011	
MON. 9/5	LABOR DAY
FRI. 11/11	VETERANS DAY
THUR. 11/24	THANKSGIVING
FRI. 11/25	Day After THANKSGIVING
FRI. 12/23 (In Lieu Of)	CHRISTMAS EVE
MON. 12/26 (In Lieu Of)	CHRISTMAS DAY
FRI. 12/30	NEW YEARS EVE
MON. 1/2/2012 (In Lieu Of)	NEW YEARS DAY

RULES ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS as of June 2011	
Courtesy Notices	11
Notice of Non-Compliance	2
Final Notice	2
Fines Assessed	0
Violations Pending:	32

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SAFETY REPORT		
June – YTD		
Vehicles Refused	345	984
Phone Calls Received	7121	27565
Residential Alarm	7	54
Amenity Alarm	12	45
Animal Related	36	153
Animal - Loose	20	113
- Impounded	5	26
- Dead/Injured	5	84
- Disturbance	11	57
Dispatch Assist	64	490
Patrol Assist	253	1313
Complaint-Non PML Regulations	6	20
Public Assist Misc.	29	140
Welfare Check	5	21
Transport	4	27
Traffic Hazard	1	2
Traffic Control	2	9
Water Leak	4	27
Jump Start	5	21
Escorting Vehicle	23	37
Report Writing	4	30
Gate - Related	11	141
- Tamper	2	6
- Follow Through	7	14
- Malfunction	4	64
Unauthorized Use of Gate Card	5	8
Confiscated Gate Access Card	6	10
Message/Pkg P/U or Delivery	7	54
Posting Flyers	110	542
Miscellaneous	75	501
Scanner Traffic	17	99
Emergency Vehicle Entering PML	11	115
Lost and Found	6	22
Fire Safety Violation	1	2
Permissive Burn Day	1	117
Non-Permissive Burn Day	29	64
Fire Safety - Smoke Complaint	1	22
Hazard	21	117
Hazard - Tree Down	3	42
Suspicious Circumstance	28	182
Suspicious Person	5	23
Suspicious Vehicle	3	34
Campground Envelopes Collected	48	101
Campground Dump Station	11	26
Residential Disturbance	23	54
Amenity Burglary	1	2
Trespass	2	3
Law Violations - All Other	1	11
Malicious Mischief - Vandalism	2	9
Property Damage - PML	4	18
Property Damage - Resident	2	6
PML Reg Violations Resident	11	39
PML Reg Violations Guest	11	18
Vehicle - Marking Tires	1	3
- Accident PML	2	11
Patrolling Unit	415	2956
Amenity Security Check	1931	12110
Resident Security Check	262	1932
Opening/Closing Buildings	421	1769
Opening/Closing Gates	260	1788
Posting Tennis	59	340
Weapon Violation	2	10
Amenity P/U & Del to Bank	107	435
Patrol Vehicle - Maintenance	8	47
- Safety Check	120	731
Vehicles Admitted	15798	59754
Realtors Passes Issued	1628	2856
Guest Passes Issued	2579	7724
Vendor Passes Issued	291	952
Fixed Post	4	6
Courtesy Notice Issued	5	24
Tennis Fees Collected	\$311	\$575
All Other Fees Collected	16,971.79	\$40,210.53

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Please note that all letters appear in the order received by the PML News

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Dear Editor:

I know both John Lloyd and Ian Morcott personally. Both are very intelligent, professionally accomplished and highly competent men. We are indeed lucky to have two such men to choose from. So which one to vote for?

Ian has served on the PMLA Board for the past 3 years. He has already mastered the learning curve. He has demonstrated that he can work collaboratively with the other board members. After observing my wife’s tenure on the PMLA board, and based on my own experiences on the GCSD Board, I can tell you that is no small accomplishment.

During Ian’s time on the PMLA Board the Association accomplished amazing things (with due credit to prior boards who set many of the wheels in motion). More amazingly, they did it with a smaller overall dues increase than any 3-year period in my memory, including a small dues reduction this year.

Since we have a Board that is working so well, improving the amenities, and keeping costs in line, I see no reason to make a change. If Ian’s willing to step up for another 3 years, I’m happy to give him the chance.

I’m voting for Ian.

Roy Conley
Unit 13, Lot 149

Dear Editor:

I am a member of the Budget and Finance committee and have served the two years prior to this as Chairman. I want to go on record as supporting Ian Morcott for reelection to the PML Board. Since Ian’s first election we have had a Board that has run smoothly and efficiently. It takes five people who can work together to accomplish what has been done over the past three years, Including an assessment reduction this year, so why change a good thing?

Besides, John Lloyd credits himself with having been a member of the B&F Committee but failed to tell us that he resigned from the committee before his term expired three or four years ago. Why, John? He has openly stated that he will work toward eliminating the assistant manager position at the Grill. I would ask that John share with us the data he has gathered supporting this decision. I am confident that our current Board and Management team gathered a tremendous amount of justification data before the decision was made to establish the position. We need Board members who do their homework and thinks things through.

My vote goes to Ian.

Dick Rosenbaum 4/77

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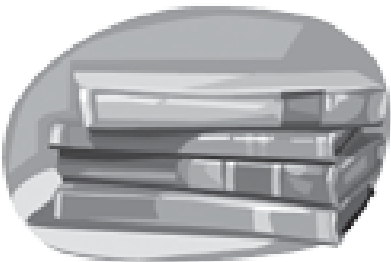
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Dear Editor,

I have had the privilege of working alongside Ian Morcott as a previous board member. Ian was prepared and brings a level head with good insights to the problems facing the Association.

We need to keep the Board moving in a positive direction. Vote for Ian Morcott.

Sincerely,

Larry Santa Maria
Unit 12 Lot 106

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Ian Morcott

“Doing More with Less”



Vote for Ian!

I am:

- Full-time PML resident; pilot, hiker, sailor, school volunteer
- Current PMLA board member – Reduced assessments by 2%
- Working engineer, experienced manager of complex projects
- Working on solutions, not criticisms
- Team-player with a can-do attitude
- Believer in conservative and realistic budgets
- Thoughtful, analytical and pragmatic – not a fanatic
- Advocate for ALL homeowners and the whole community

I promise:

- Plans and budgets for PML's long-term needs
- Maintain sound condition of amenities
- Conservative financial management
- Fact-based, non-political decision-making
- Constructive teamwork with PMLA management
- Positive focus
- No personal agenda; no power games
- Protection of your investment in PML

Pine Mountain Lake Association Board of Directors Candidate Statement: Ian Morcott

Ian Morcott “Doing More with Less”

Thank you for reading my introductory statement last month. Special thanks to all who have contacted me to support my candidacy. I am heartened that so many of you appreciate my positive and constructive approach to board responsibilities and my belief that PML can be a great place to live without creating adversarial relationships with each other or our employees.

My family moved to PML in 1999; my wife, Kate Newcomb, is a doctor in Groveland, and our daughter attends Tenaya Elementary. I also serve on the school board, and am working hard to protect this community's assets and keep this a great place to live.

PML is a complex place to manage.

We have full-time retired residents, full-time working residents, part-time vacationers, and people who rent their properties as investments. Everyone's vote counts and everyone's priorities matter. It's not easy to balance all points of view, but as an engineer, I am trained to be practical and logical; I form opinions based on facts, not emotions or politics.

As a PML board member, I have learned how this Association runs – what it does well and where it can be improved. I am proud that your board of directors today is a team-oriented, productive organization. We never want to return to the animosity and personal agendas that once characterized the board.

As a board member my job is to continue to provide a calm and reasoned voice, to help set our strategic goals,

and to monitor the budget carefully and conservatively as employees implement the plans.

It's easy to criticize the board and management. I believe it's more important and more valuable to work on concrete solutions. A few years ago, the lake was in sad shape, the restaurant was in decline, and the pool was looking ratty. Today we have a new cart barn, the lake has been dredged, the pool is greatly improved, and the refurbished restaurant is busy. This board tackled the tough issues, put the financial reserves in order and adapted to changing conditions. As board members, we must protect your investment in your property and keep our amenities in good repair.

Times are tough and we are working to control costs while not ignoring needed maintenance. Your board has lowered costs and lowered dues. Our

new contract with union employees saved \$475,000 over three years. We reduced employee turnover, resulting in financial savings and better service to members.

We do not want to be a sweatshop employer. Our employees work hard; when there is a problem, management deals with it. My opponent believes we can shave a couple of dollars off employee salaries. Believe me; we'll lose much more in employee turnover and retraining.

Are there more savings to be made? Absolutely, and that will be my focus. However, I will not ignore problems or leave a mess for future homeowners to face. I promise to protect your investment in this community and make sure that PML remains a desirable place to live.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

JOHN LLOYD

Candidate for the PML Board of Directors



8 Former Presidents of Pine Mountain Lake Association (PMLA)

Endorse Board Candidate Mr. John Lloyd

• Gus Allegri • Steve Margossian • Parker Johnson • Charles Schwab
• Wes Johnson • Dennis Scott • Ron Maguire • Jeannie Tasker

These individuals represent **27** years of experience as members of the Pine Mountain Lake Association Board of Directors.

Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors Chairman John Gray

Supports Board Candidate Mr. John Lloyd

John Gray was the past General Manager of Pine Mountain Lake for over 12 years. Business, governments, communities, and most **Property Owners** are tightening their belts during these difficult economic times. We believe that PMLA should be doing the same. A change in the makeup of the Board of Directors is necessary in order to put more emphasis on controlling expenses and our escalating labor costs. Please vote to make a change to the Board of Directors.

Vote for John Lloyd, PMLA Director

Pine Mountain Lake Association Board of Directors Candidate Statement: John Lloyd

Vote John Lloyd for the Pine Mountain Lake Board

My wife Diane and I bought our home in Pine Mountain Lake (PML) in 1994. We could hardly wait to get up here on Friday nights and enjoy the restaurant and a weekend of outdoor fun. We reluctantly left on Sunday night and looked forward to the next weekend. Our two sons, seven grandchildren and great granddaughter also love coming to this hidden mountain retreat. In January of 1997 we retired and moved up full time. We leave the hill for two to three months each year to visit Diane's family in South Dakota. As has been the practice in the past, if elected, I will attend the required meetings telephonically. With e-mail and express mail service, I will remain current and active dur-

ing our summer trips.

I was awarded a scholarship to the University of Southern California (USC) and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree. My undergraduate emphasis was in finance and accounting. I also have a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from USC. I was a California Certified Public Accountant (CPA).

I retired from Bank of America as an Executive Vice President where I was responsible for global and domestic wholesale businesses. My line experience included global custody, securities lending, corporate trust, employee benefit trust, and corporate payments. I was the President of Bank of America Trust of New York, and Bank of America International of New York. Before that I was the chief

accountant for Bank of America which included a key role in the budgetary program.

Prior to Bank of America, I was the Senior Vice President of the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco, responsible for accounting, business operations, and technology. I was a member of the credit committee serving the savings and loan industry for the district. Prior experience included corporate banking, computer programming, and four years in the Navy.

I believe we should contribute to our communities and, since coming to PML, I have served from time to time on the Budget and Finance Committee. I have also volunteered my services to the management and board members of the Groveland Community Services District (GCSD).

My educational, business, and vol-

unteer background provide me with exceptional abilities to contribute as a Board member of PML. Some of my concerns are cost control, over staffing, reserve repair and replacement queuing, managerial accountability, bonuses, and amenity financial disclosure. Please go to www.pmlvoice.com for further specifics and updates.

I would appreciate your consideration of electing me as a Board director. If elected, I will focus on maintaining our amenities, establishing proper reserves, and providing association services in the most cost effective manner.

PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION											
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES											
For The Six Months Ended July 4, 2011											
OPERATION (or AMENITIES)	Revenues					Expenses				Budget	
	Members' Assessments	User Fees	Salaries, Net of Cost of Sales	Miscellaneous Income	Total Revenue	Total Expenses	Cost of Income Before Depreciation	Depreciation Expense	(NET COST) INCOME	(NET COST) INCOME	Variance (Est. - Act)
Golf Course	\$ -0-	\$ 391,371	\$ -20,774	\$ -100	\$ 412,245	\$ 598,367	\$ - (186,122)	\$ -0-	\$ (186,122)	\$ (183,319)	(2,803)
Restaurant & Bar	-0-	2,837	308,763	-0-	311,596	571,982	(228,386)	-0-	(228,386)	(253,903)	23,319
Marina	-0-	(40,000)	28,074	-0-	68,764	198,291	(21,401)	-0-	(21,401)	(19,297)	(1,374)
Snack Shack	-0-	-0-	16,726	-0-	16,726	31,368	(14,280)	-0-	(14,280)	(8,380)	(6,000)
Stables	-0-	27,278	-0-	482	27,758	91,248	(63,290)	-0-	(63,290)	(67,632)	4,342
Recreation	-0-	18,566	2,075	-0-	20,441	49,782	(19,151)	-0-	(19,151)	(19,480)	3,333
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	5,762	-0-	495	6,257	210,352	(704,073)	-0-	(704,073)	(771,433)	67,360
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES											
Salary	-0-	23,999	-0-	81	24,079	462,559	(116,245)	-0-	(116,245)	(133,322)	17,277
Administration	-0-	74,968	-0-	11,291	86,259	201,237	(814,981)	-0-	(814,981)	(812,353)	(2,631)
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	2,123,916	-0-	-0-	25,792	2,150,708	52,750	2,106,958	170,439	(750,419)	(748,850)	(17,411)
Total	\$ 2,123,916	\$ 494,537	\$ 189,812	\$ 48,573	\$ 2,256,838	\$ 3,391,914	\$ (153,836)	\$ (70,539)	\$ (326,899)	\$ (104,997)	\$ 82,144

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Total Revenues (minus Total Expenses) equals Net Income before depreciation. The actual budget for (income before depreciation) is \$0.
2. The Association combined the Operating Fund and the Property and Equipment Fund into one fund starting May 1, 2011.

4th of July at the Marina

BY BRAD CRAWFORD, MARINA MANAGER

A great 4th of July at PML. What a beautiful day we had at the lake. Thanks to Rick Whybra and all his efforts, we had another spectacular fireworks show. I would like to thank the property owners and guests for making this a true family celebration of our nations birth.

Special thanks to Kathe Jose and Ivonne Deckard for generously donating all their tips from the beverage carts to the Tioga High Girls Volleyball team (over \$200.00). Go Timberwolves. Not only are they champions but they reflect the good will of our community. Tim Donovan was there all day selling glow bracelets and

glow sticks and was joined by his volleyball team for another good fundraiser. We had magnificent weather with a cool breeze to make this 4th the best ever.

The Marina was bustling with boaters and lake toy rentals. Jim and his staff did their usual fantastic job. We are thankful for all the kind comments throughout the weekend. Everyone was doing their utmost to provide great service and install a “family environment” at the lake.

Please come see us at the Café. Look for the end of summer Friday night specials.

Again, thanks to all those who made this 4th a great one.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 6 Months Ended July, 4, 2011

	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
2010 Beginning Fund Balances	\$ 1,536,697	\$ 52,973	1,589,670
Interest Income	3,708	109	3,818
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	40	22	62
Assessments Earned	1,742,195	25,672	1,767,867
Income Tax Expense	-	-	-
PURCHASES BY AMENITY			
Golf Course	(392,484)	-	(392,484)
Country Club	(11,765)	-	(11,765)
Bar	-	-	-
Marina	-	(5,950)	(5,950)
Snack Shack	-	(13,795)	(13,795)
Swim Center	-	-	-
Stables	(12,433)	-	(12,433)
Recreation	(851)	-	(851)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	(6,297)	-	(6,297)
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES			
Salary	-	(1,860)	(1,860)
Administration	-	(31,049)	(31,049)
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(2,161,185)	-	(2,161,185)
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions and reserve expenses	(2,585,015)	(52,854)	(2,637,869)
Adjusted Fund Balances	\$ 1,007,626	\$ 26,122	\$ 1,123,748

Notes to the Financial Statements

- (1) The Budgeted Reserve Fund assessment for 2011 is \$1,742,195
- (2) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2011 is \$25,672

Notice Regarding Ballots

Ballots for the August 20, 2011 PML Board of Directors Election were mailed July 11, 2011.

If you are a member in good standing and did not receive a ballot, or if your ballot arrived damaged, please contact the PML Administrative Assistant at 209.962.8627

Why I Wish To Run!

A Message From
JOHN LLOYD

Candidate For PML Board of Directors



“I would like to serve our community for one major reason...to maintain affordable living in our community for present and future property owners.”

What I Am For...

- Maintaining all of our amenities in good standing •
- Providing a pleasant living and working environment •

What I Will Fight Against...

- Overstaffing and bloated budgets •
- Unwarranted bonuses •
- Unjustified capital expenditures •

What I Will Fight For...

- Appropriate and efficient staffing levels •
- An airtight funding of road maintenance •
- A full cost and benefit analysis on all capital expenditures of \$2,000 or more •
- Management accountability and bonuses for difficult objectives and budgets •
- Complete and easy to understand amenity financial disclosure •
- A greater sensitivity to Off the Hill membership benefits and concerns •

Bullet point political objectives are easy!

The difficulty comes in the specific details of how one expects to achieve these goals.

I would invite voters to the PML Voice www.pmlvoice.com where I will be posting details on how I expect to accomplish the goals I have laid out.

Thank you and I ask for your vote

PMLA Money Matters

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

What's the weather going to be like tomorrow? How about next week? Next month? Next year? The answers to these questions become more difficult the further out you look. This is the same type of problem that occurs when a budget is prepared. It can be as simple a budget as one that an individual might prepare or one as complex and overwhelming as the budget for the U.S. Government. Somewhere in between there is the budget for PML.

Trying to estimate how much revenue an organization will generate over a 12 month period requires a very clear understanding of all the factors that affect that revenue. In our case this includes things like the weather, the overall economy, the demographics of our residents, the cost of items being sold, the current and future trends for discretionary spending (golf, tennis, dining, etc.) and the position of Mars in the sky (just kidding about that last one, but you get the idea).

Attempts to estimate the other side of the budget coin (expenses) is just as complex and involved. Factors such as union contracts, expected wage rates, estimated insurance cost increases, the price of oil, overall inflation, expected level of services to be provided, age and condition of the facilities and the level of my retirement fund in the Caymans (kidding again!) all need to be taken into account.

Finally to add another level of complexity to all of this estimating is that we at PML have to do this well before each new year starts. It is generally felt that if an organization can come within about 5% of its total budget for the year they are doing pretty well. As with any projection of the future, some things will be greater than expected and some will be lower than expected. It is extremely rare that any such estimate exactly matches reality. It would take a highly polished crystal ball to accurately predict the future and if I had one, I would want to know who wins the 2011 World Series (Vegas here I come!).

With all of that in mind you might find it interesting to know that for the first five months of 2011 the Association is 8.2% better than budget from a total operating cost standpoint. Now, while we would all like to see us within that magic 5% variance range, it is good to note that our variance of

8% is a positive one. (As a side comment, some of this positive result is caused by a few expense timing issues and will probably go down in the coming months.)

It is understandable that no one wants to pay more for something than they have to. This is equally true when it comes to the annual assessment. We work hard to prepare an accurate and realistic budget, however it is always our goal to perform better than budget so we do not run the risk of creating a deficit which must be made up in future assessments or, in the worst case, a Special Assessment. Remember that as a non-profit organization we don't just build up this surplus every year. Instead this positive variance stays in the Association and is used for future expenses and goes to continue to make us financially sound. For example, recent positive results have been used to more adequately fund our Reserves and allow the completion of such important projects as the Lake Dredging and the construction of our new electric golf cart storage facility. These funds are always used to improve or maintain all of the amenities and common areas of the Association.

While no variance is always the goal, it is better to have a positive variance against your budget rather than a negative one. Very rarely is someone upset because they have more money than they expected as opposed to having less. As always, we use past experience, combined with our best estimates of the future, in attempting to prepare the most realistic, achievable and safest budget. Like you, we prefer no surprises in our financial forecast. Hope for the best and plan for the worst.

Personally it is always more enjoyable for me to present positive results. Hopefully you all enjoy hearing good news as much as I enjoy delivering it. We want to continue to report results that meet or exceed your expectations and reflect a favorable performance versus what was budgeted.

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 a little interesting, at least a bit informative, and mildly entertaining.

The PMLA Archery Range

BY TOM MOFFITT, MAINTENANCE MANAGER

The PMLA Maintenance Department has performed the seasonal work in restoring the Archery Range in Unit 16 for use. Members are using the range for archery practice and sport.

Where is the Archery Range? The range is located on the northern boundary of PMLA property in Unit 16, which is the property north of the Campground.

When is it open for use? The range is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10AM until 4PM. The range may be closed because of weather or in seasons of severe fire danger. Visitors to the range must be out of the area by 4PM, and return the same way as entering, always checked in and out by the Compost Pile attendant. If you are not out of the area by 4PM, a Safety Department Patrol Officer will be dispatched to locate you and ensure the area is vacated and all persons are in safe condition.

How do I get there? You can access the range by driving into the Compost Pile entrance, checking in with the attendant, and follow the signs to the range. The roads are graveled dirt access roads and are drivable. There is

one slightly steep loose grade which is half way to the range. Please keep the vehicle driving speed to 15 mph or less, and watch for other vehicles or hikers. Best if you drive a truck or vehicle



which can be driven on rough graveled dirt roads.

What is at the range? The Archery Range has a vehicle parking area, picnic table, bow rests, yardage markers, hay bales, targets, and an earthen backstop. PMLA does not supply bows, arrows, water, restroom facility, or instruction.

Who can use the Archery Range? The range is a PMLA recreational amenity, and is open for use by all PML members and their guests. You will be asked for your Unit and Lot numbers when checking in with the Compost attendee. Your vehicles license number will also be recorded.

What are the rules for using the range? The Archery Range is for archers using bows and arrows only. Arrows with field points only are to be used at the range. There is NO Range Captain on site. Users must exercise safety and respect for others at or near the range. NO firearms are allowed at the Archery Range at any time. Shots must be directed to the placed targets. Archers using the forward shooting stations have the range total use; all other archers must have their bows at rest and wait until the

range is clear, the forward shooting station vacated before taking a shooting station. All persons must remain behind the firing line when the range is in use.

Rules for use are posted and available as a handout. An access map is also available.

It's Been Real Fun, in The Sun!

BY SHEILA ESLICK, POOL MANAGER

First of all, the staff here at the PML Swim Center wants to thank all of our homeowners and guest for their patience as we take care of maintenance issues here at the pool.

It's been real fun, in the sun, here at the pool. The Fourth of July weekend was very busy. We had 1078 homeowners and 157 guests visit us here at the Swim Center from Friday, July 1st, thru Monday, July 4th. What a wonderful weekend it was.

Swimming lessons are up and running. The first session has started with 18 children in attendance. The next session will begin on Monday, July 25, 2011 and end Thursday, August 4, 2011. Newcomers are welcome. Any further questions, please call the Swim Center at 962-8634.

Our first pool BBQ was held Saturday, July 16th, 2011. We served 40 hotdogs and played 8 games of Bingo. We want to give a special thank you to Betty Scofield for being our hostess and Bingo caller. Great job, Betty!

Come out and join us for a fun evening of Bingo with great prizes, swimming and dinner. The staff will be serving hotdogs, chips and sodas for our special price of \$1.00 per item.

We have 2 more scheduled for this summer from 6:00pm till 8:00pm on the following dates: Please come out and join us. Bring your family and invite your neighbors.

• Saturday, August 20th, 2011

• Saturday, September 17th, 2011

The pool store also offers other food items such as corn dogs, bur-

ritos, pizza, chips, candy, nuts, ice cream and, to quench your thirst, *Kona Blend Iced Coffee in French Vanilla and Mocha flavors*. Come in and check out the T-shirts, hats, sunglasses, sunscreen, beach towels and mats. Plus our large selection of baby floats, arm bands, vests, goggles and noodles.

As a gentle reminder to our homeowners' and guests' that visit us here at the PML Swim Center; Please remember to sign in at the gate and remind your guests to please rinse off in the showers that are located in the restrooms before entering the pool. Thanks ever so kindly.

Come join us for some fun in the sun!

PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

Aviation Association

Wayne Handley 962-7868

Computer User Group

Frank Perry 962-0728

Cooking Class

Tom Knoth/Paula Martell 962-5838

Country Mountain Riders

Holly Foiles 962-4434

Crafts Guild

Lee Isbell 962-5727

Dance Party

Bob & Carol Digby 962-7254

Duplicate Bridge

Bobbi Vandenberg 962-6965

Exercise Class

Barbara Elliott 962-6457

Friends of the Lake

Linda Flores 962-0824

Garden Club

Lorraine David 962-6008

Guardians of PML

Brian Sweeney 962-5737

Ladies Club

Rae Ann Bozzo 962-0893

Ladies Golf Club

Diane Lloyd 962-4386

Marathon Bridge

Marilyn Hathaway 962-7595

Men's Golf Club

Ron Maguire 962-7128

Men's 9 Hole Golf Club

Wally Child 962-0723

Monday Bridge Club (Men's)

Bill Parker 962-5957

Non Residents Club

Kathy Coon (510)656-0162

Pine Needlers Quilt Guild

Lillian Cravens 962-4301

PMLakers RV Club

Louise Turney 962-0609

PML Niners

Pat Price 962-7431

PML Shooting Club

John Graham president@pmlsc.com

PML Waterski/Wakeboard

Tom Duprey (510)796-4180

Racquet Club

Emily Van Vleet 962-0930

Residents Club

Dick Faux 962-4617

ROOFBB

Rita Hart 962-0670

Sierra Professional Artists

Heinie Hartwig 568-1637

Sunday Couples Golf

Fred Mecum 962-7989

Windjammers Sailing Club

Fred Mecum 962-7989

Good Ideas Wanted!!

At the June PMLA Board of Directors (BoD) meeting, the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) received approval to create a new program to capture the "best ideas" of all of our stakeholders, especially property owners and employees.

One of the primary goals of this new program, currently named the Conceptual Ideas (CI) Program, is to improve the overall quality of life for all property owners by formally soliciting and reviewing improvement ideas received from its constituents.

The LRPC and the management of PMLA are committed to continuing their efforts to seek out constructive input to help improve PMLA. Last year, the Property Owner Survey received over 925 responses and now we'd like to selectively decide on which ideas/suggestions to proactively pursue for implementation.

The PMLA CI Program is being modeled after a similar program currently used at a large, Home Owner Association (HOA) in Arizona that several members of the LRPC felt was useful in building property owner and employee involvement. One of the obvious objectives is to increase communication with those constituents who genuinely want to be engaged in helping to improve our amenities.

The AZ HOA's program promotes involvement, transparency, and accountability in researching new ideas. Some highlights of their program (and associated benefits) are as follows:

- A "good idea" can come from any HOA-related source, eg property owners, staff, organized groups, BoD. (Benefit: expand the sources for good ideas that get considered by the BoD.)
- The "good idea" is submitted on a structured form containing pertinent info

about the idea and the group/person proposing it. (Benefit: serious/informal suggestions get documented and do not disappear for lack of follow-through.)

- Each month, a list of submitted "good ideas" is reviewed by the BoD and/or a designated official committee to determine which are worthy of further study.
- Those ideas worthy of continued study are given a number, displayed on the HOA official website for more comment, and assigned to the appropriate committee for follow-up with the original submitter. (Benefit: submitted ideas are publicly visible to all property owners for comment; the submitter is involved in the idea's detailed definition and "further investigation" phase.)
- After "further investigation" (typically within 30-60 days), a decision is made by the committee, **with submitter involvement**, to proceed with the recommendation for the BoD to either consider the idea or reject it.
- A report on each "good idea" is prepared and put on the HOA website and a list of all ideas appears in the monthly newspaper. (Benefit: property owners can easily see the status of all submitted ideas.)

The exact details of the processes that will be included in the PMLA Conceptual Ideas Program are currently being defined. Within the next 90 days, the LRPC expects to formally announce the program so start thinking now about what "good ideas" you have to make PMLA an even better place to live. And if you have any suggestions about what you'd like to see in the CI program, send your comments to lrpc@pinemountainlake.com.

Teri Cathrein Promoted to DOS Sergeant

It gives us great pleasure to announce the promotion of Teri Cathrein to the Department of Safety Sergeant. Teri has been a member of the Department of Safety staff since August 2006. She was originally hired as a Dispatch Officer and later promoted to Lead Dispatch Officer. Teri has proven herself to be an outstanding asset to our department. We know she will be an effective addition to our supervisory team. Congratulations, Teri!



Director of Safety, John Edner welcomes Sergeant Cathrein to her new position with the Department of Safety.



An Open Letter from Ian Morcott to All PML Homeowners

Dear PML Friends and Neighbors:

I am running for re-election to the PML Board of Directors because I believe we must continue to manage this association for the benefit of all homeowners.

Finances are important, but it's also important that we are fire-safe, that all our amenities are in good repair, that legal exposures are minimized, and that we live in a pleasant and caring community.

The measure of the success of our board is not only financial – and yet that seems to be what my opponent is focusing on during this election. See, here is some recent assessment history:

Year	% Increase	Board President
2004	13.75%	C. Allegri
2005	9.07	D. Scott
2006	9.91	D. Scott
2007	6.34	S. Margenstein
2008	9.48	R. Maguire
2009	11.81	M. Gustafson
2010	4.93	M. Gustafson
2011	-2.91	L. Hunt

The average percentage increase in dues for the three years I've been on the board has been just 4.3%. While managing an increasingly tight budget, this board has addressed many necessary projects:

- Continued reserve funding and planning which started in 2008.
- Completed the lake dredging project.
- Constructed new Marina Bathrooms.
- Replaced old Marina swim platforms with safer inflatables.
- Replaced pool deck.
- Reorganized and refurbished the restaurant.
- Built the semi-mandated electric golf cart barn.
- Greatly improved fire safety.

This is why the reserve budget process and long term planning are so important. The reserve fund smooths out annual increases and allows us to fund important repairs without special assessments. Planning for the future of the community as a whole saves money and supports property values.

I live here full-time and participate in many aspects of PML life. I can attend board and committee meetings in person and do my board homework. The current board has been successful because we work together and respect each other. I respectfully ask for your vote:

*We can do more with less,
It's not just talk.*

Vote for Ian Morcott "Doing More with Less"

Ian promises:

- To protect your PML investment
- To plan and budget for long-term needs
- To maintain and improve amenities
- To work constructively with PMLA management
- To manage finances conservatively
- To make decisions based on facts
- To be a positive, constructive representative of all homeowners
- No personal agenda, no power games

Ian Morcott – experience, integrity, the best choice for PML.

PML Golf News

BY DAVID RAU, PGA HEAD PROFESSIONAL

"Bring Your Guests!"

Through the end of September, Pine Mountain Lake Golf & Country Club has brought back the "Bring Your Guests!" coupon special (see coupon on this page). So round up your foursomes and come tee it up!

The Golf Course continues holding its own this summer. Our wet and rainy spring and even a few June showers along with a light July green aeration have really enhanced the health, beauty and playability of the turf. Although this extra moisture helped, most of the credit needs to go to Alan Macdonald and his hard working crew. We couldn't keep the course in as good a shape as it is without all of your help out there. Back in May we had a hugely successful "Golf Appreciation Day". A lot of divots were filled and ball marks repaired by our dedicated volunteers. Let's all make sure we continue to do our part on a daily basis to keep things looking great. As a reminder please continue to assist Alan and the Golf Shop in keeping the course in great shape by:

- Parking your carts on the cart paths at all times around tee boxes and greens
- Keeping your pull carts off the approaches and fringes
- Filling divots (yours plus two or three others)
- Picking up broken tees (mower blades don't like wooden tees)
- Repairing ball marks (yours plus two or three others)
- Driving responsibly and avoiding wet areas
- Drive your carts at a 90-degree angle from the cart path to your golf ball
- Fairway cart signs imply a line that extends indefinitely - driving around them into the rough and beyond is a "no-no"
- Avoid driving in hazards and ground under repair - these areas are sensitive and should be treated as such.

All of these minor but essential etiquettes have added up to better course conditions for everyone to enjoy. Remember, we are all ambassadors to Pine Mountain Lake Golf & Country Club. This is OUR golf course and everything we do while we're out there frees up our Golf Course Maintenance Staff to do that much more to make it better. It's a team effort and your care and concern has paid off in dividends, as you can see by the great golf course conditions that we've enjoyed throughout 2011.

If you're not decked out with your summer golf garb, the Golf Shop still has a great selection of summer apparel. With great deals on Ashworth, Nike, Ping, Antigua and the fast selling Monterey Club "Aloha" prints. Come see us soon as these hot summer deals won't last very long. Speaking of "long", are you in need of a few extra yards? We've got stellar deals on last year's demos and a new TaylorMade fitting cart to get you dialed in perfectly to a custom set of irons. Fittings are free with the purchase of any set of clubs so get the right fit for your swing.

If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at (209) 962-8622 or via e-mail at golfpro@pinemountainlake.com.

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Shades of Green

BY ALAN MACDONALD, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDANT

This quote came from an article in a monthly magazine distributed by the Golf Course Superintendents Association. It allows us to know and feel what the turf is going through.

"If turf could talk. Help! It's already July and it hasn't rained for six weeks. The thatch on my surface is over a half inch, causing localized dry spot. My pores are naturally tight so even though I'm getting plenty of irrigation, none of it is reaching my root zone. What's a golf green to do?"

This sums up the need for summer time aerating and vertical cutting. It is suggested that subtle forms of aeration be performed on three week intervals. Along with aeration, the greens should be top dressed with sand every 2 to 3 weeks during the growing season with about 1000 pounds of sand per green.

Performing these needed tasks is occa-

sionally a minor disruption to your round and we thank you for your patience. They will provide better playing conditions and healthier turf in the long run.

Remember when the course was closed on Monday's? We could do a lot of the needed projects on that day and not have to do them in play. The same thing goes for our mowing practices. We must mow the driving range early in the morning when there is no range balls present for us to destroy. This takes about 90 minutes and the range must be closed until the mowing has been completed. We try to mow fairways later in the day because it gives us a much cleaner cut when they are dry. Again we thank you for your understanding.

Does anyone remember while watching Mayberry that Andy and Barney would allow the truckers on the interstate outside of town to exceed the

speed limit in order to gain enough speed to get over that hill? That's the understanding we need on occasion when choosing hole locations and the proper colored flag. Greens like two, seven and others are difficult to put a white flag on without always being in the same area due to how they are sloped. If at times it is close and not exactly the right color we can blame Andy and Barney.

The drinking fountains on the course are gravity fed through the G.C.S.D. water system. When the weather warms up and there is a lot of demand we can experience low pressure. Part of our setup each day is to check them as we go around the course. While they may operate just fine early in the morning, as demand increases they lose pressure. Thought you might like to know why they are inconsistent in their operation.

Thank you for doing your part of making the course a little better for those behind you. Enjoy your August golf. Make many birdies [that is 1 under on a hole, Uncle Milt] and pars.

New Paint Discount Program

Kelly-Moore Paint Company has been serving Pine Mountain Lake for 39 years. The Kelly-Moore Store on Sanguinetti Road in Sonora is announcing a discount program recently established for PML Members. 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).

For further information, please call PML Administration Office at (209) 962-8600.

PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS INSTALLATION OF ELECTED DIRECTORS AND SELECTION OF OFFICERS

AUGUST 20, 2011 – LAKE LODGE – 9:00 A.M.

The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Pine Mountain Lake Association will take place on Saturday, August 20, 2011, at the Lake Lodge, commencing at 9:00 AM. This year there is one (1) vacancy to be filled on our Board of Directors and each lot is entitled to cast one vote for the vacant position. The election is being conducted by the use of mailed secret ballots, as authorized by California Civil Code and our Bylaws. The results of this election will be announced at the Annual Meeting on August 20, 2011. **YOUR BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY SBH & Associates, LLP, 4375 E. Calle de Ricardo, Ste B, Palm Springs, CA 92264-1448, NO LATER THAN 4:30 P.M., AUGUST 19, 2011, in order to be counted.** Only members in good standing are entitled to vote in the election of Directors.

Two (2) candidates have been qualified to run for position available on

the Board of Directors. Since there is one (1) vacancy on the Board, each Owner has the right, but not the obligation, to cast one vote. Each Owner can cast their vote for any named candidate, a write-in candidate of your choice, or an Owner can abstain. No one may cast more than one (1) vote per candidate or more than one (1) vote per Ballot. After marking your yellow Ballot place it in the yellow "Ballot Envelope" and seal. Place the yellow "Ballot Envelope" into the white self-addressed, postage paid "Return Envelope". **Please be sure that your name, address and unit/lot number for your PML property is clearly printed where indicated on the white "Return Envelope" and that you have signed where indicated on the white "Return Envelope" or your ballot cannot be counted.** Proxies are not allowed. Written Ballots received by fax will not be counted.

AGENDA

1. Call to order and welcome by President, Lawrence R. Hunt.
2. Introduction of Board Secretary, who will officially record the minutes of the meeting.
3. Introduction of Board of Directors and General Manager.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

4. Board Secretary
 - a) Report on presence or absence of 34% quorum necessary to conduct official business. (Other than the election of directors at the Annual Meeting).
 - b) Report on mailing of the "Notice of Annual Meeting & Election Ballots".

c) The Board Secretary is directed to attach the "Notice of Annual Meeting" to the minutes of the meeting.

5. President's speech.
6. SBH & Associates, LLP representative reports on whether a quorum (34%) of Secret Ballots received.
7. SBH & Associates, LLP representative presents the election results to the Members.
8. Introduction of New Directors.
9. Adjournment (ten-minute break) followed with the selection of Officers by the Board of Directors.

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Horsing around at the Stables

BY LESTER SCOFIELD, STABLES MANAGER

Business has been good at the stables with the warmer weather. Trail rides have been steady along with our Little Wrangler Camp.

On July 3rd The Country Mountain Riders BBQ went well with around 450 dinner tickets sold. There was an airplane show for the crowd to enjoy. Also the Horse Club did a wonderful job of presenting the flags. The 50/50 raffle was won by a nice young lady; for a \$20.00 investment she won close to \$400.00.

Upcoming events at the stables include: August 13th is the Rotary Clubs "all you can eat Shrimp-Fest"; on September 3rd The Country Mountain Riders will put on a Play Day starting at 9:00 am; and on September 4th the STCHS group will hold their annual BBQ.

Come on out and enjoy some trail rides or, if you have some kids or grandkids, sign them up for our



Little Wrangler Camp.

The Stables BBQ area is a good place to have birthday parties and weddings. Give us a call at (209) 962-8667 and let us help you with your next event.

10 Tips for Keeping Your Home Secure

Did you know that a burglary takes place every 15 seconds in the U.S.? Even more frightening is that most could have been prevented. Many burglars report to police when caught that many of the homes they robbed "weren't even locked up." Here is a short list of 10 things you can do to make your home more secure when you are away.

1 Lock your doors and windows. This is the most often missed precaution.

2 Don't put packaging for expensive purchases in the trash where they can be seen. A signal to thieves that valuables are inside.

3 Turn down, or off, your telephone ringer when you leave.

4 Leave some lights on outside. Burglars don't want to be seen.

5 Don't leave a note on your door letting friends or relatives know you are gone. This actually happens.

6 Don't announce that you will be, or are, gone on your answering machine or social media site.

7 Use timers on lights and radios or televisions to give the impression that someone is home.

8 Use a house-sitter. Nothing replaces someone being there.

9 Pause your mail deliver and have a friend collect your newspapers. Thieves look for signs.

10 Let trusted people know you will be gone so they can keep an eye on your home. Contact Security and ask them to do drive-bys to check on your home.

Pine Mountain Lake Ladies Golf Club News

BY SUE PERRY

June 2nd...Alternate Shots: 1ST..71.. Norma Baldinger, Mona Tompkins; 2nd Place..75..Thelma Faux, Sue Perry; 3rd Place..76..Jodi Awai, Marlene Drew; 4th Place..77..Jennifer Dwaileebe, Ginny Lay; 5th Place..78..Sara Hancock, Yvonne Mattocks; 6th Place..80..Barbara Davis, Dotty Davis: 0 Birdies

June 8th...Gross-Net-Putts: Ace Of Aces: Norma Baldinger, Yvonne Mattocks, Marilyn Scott, & Kathy Shehorn..74 NET: 1ST Flight Handicaps 19-23..Sara Hancock Low Gross 101; Norma Baldinger & Marilyn Scott Low Net 74; 2nd Flight Handicaps 25-30..Lynne Dust Low Gross 105; Kathy Shehorn Low Net 74; 3rd Flight Handicaps 31-37..Marlene Drew Low Gross 113; Yvonne Mattocks Low Net 74; 4th Flight Handicaps 39..Dotty Davis & Mary Houser Low Gross 123; Sharon Kenyon Low Net 78: Low Putts: Yvonne Mattocks..30 putts: Birdies: Norma Baldinger #14

June 9th...no play..Men's Club Mother Lode Tournament

June 15, 16, 17th Pine Tree Invitational Tournament "Luck Of The Irish" It takes a village, as the saying goes, so kudos and thanks go out to the committee of Marilyn Scott, Iris Moffit, Marj Rich & Kathie Wood for orchestrating this year's Invitational. Thanks to Alan for the pristine condition of the course and to all the work the Pro shop team did to make play go so smoothly. Alice and Charlie Stoll made and donated the wonderful tee markers. Thanks also to all the sponsors and local businesses that once again provided prizes and funding and to the volunteer spotters out on the course. Lastly, to all the "on the hill" players and their guests as it would not have gone off without them.

The kick-off event was an alternate shot nine hole game followed by appetizers and wine tasting at the club on Wednesday afternoon. The two day event format was "point bogey" on Thursday and "point par" on Friday. Three flights played for prize money with five places in each flight paid. Lucky winners were: Leprechaun First Flight..#1 Norma Baldinger, Shirley Heinsen, Mona Tompkins, Janice Geide; #2 Elsa Hoppner, Jan Foksett, Joan Maxwell, Alexandra Pastor; #3 Marilyn Scott, Carlyn Miller, Kay Bettencourt, Donna Hook; #4 Priscilla Park, Gretchen Zaballos, Linda Kahn, Kathy McElroy; #5 Iris Moffit, Kathy Knight, Marjorie Rich, Renon Sayer: Shamrock Second Flight..#1 Ginny Lay, Chris Burdick, Nadine Compton, Alba Rodriguez, #2 Diane Lloyd, Jean Mallory, Paula Vautier, Melody Martin; #3 Sara Hancock, Lynn Nolte, Yvonne Mattocks, Linda Ellis; #4 Jodie Awai, Margaret Kitagawa, Leslie McLaughlin, Jan Schneider: #5 Joyce Smith, Ellie Dust, Marlene Drew, Kathy Kelly: Celtic Third Flight..#1 Clarice Ligonis, Edith Thompson, Alma Frawley, Jane Harvey; #2 Alice Stoll, Alice Teresi, Linda Cordle, Elain Medina; #3 Marche' Kizziar, Joanne Smith, Corky Graham, Debbie Wood; #4 Eleanor Ellis, Cheryl Gray, Leanna Mattea, Maryann Udoutch; #5 Sandra Deardorff, Helen Hartshorn, Jane Reynolds, Pam Curtis.

June 17th "Closest to the Pin" members were Linda Johnson & Marilyn Scott and guest were Jean Malory & Lyn Nolte: "Most Accurate" members were Ginny Lay & Terry Kincade and guests were Sumi Ogata & Donna Hook.

June 23rd Reverse Cha, Cha, Cha

3-2-1 1ST Place...135*..Kitty Edgerton, Priscilla Park, Jane Reynolds, Draw; 2nd Place..135*..Barbara Davis, Marlene Drew, Yvonne Mattocks, Draw; 3rd Place...136*...Dotty Davis, Eleanor Ellis, Anne Peterson, Draw; 4th Place..136*... Linda Johnson, Jeanne Pacco, Alice Stoll, Draw: BIRDIES: Clarice Ligonis #14, Shirley Vaughn # 7

July 22nd and 23rd Swinging Seniors At Rossmoor Six "Swinging Seniors" represented PML at Rossmoor Golf Club in Walnut Creek Sponsored by WGANC: Norma Baldinger, Alma Frawley, Sara Hancock, Marilyn Scott, Kathy Shehorn and Mona Tompkins. The best ball of the Norma - Mona twosome won 2nd low Gross in their flight! Their ham & egg talents brought them 3 birdies, 1 foot from a hole-in-one, and only 2 strokes out of 1st place! Congratulations, Norma and Mona - you did PML proud again! They were awarded a silver medallion with a ruby. Isn't all that metal getting heavy about now? Great job and congrats to all that played as well.

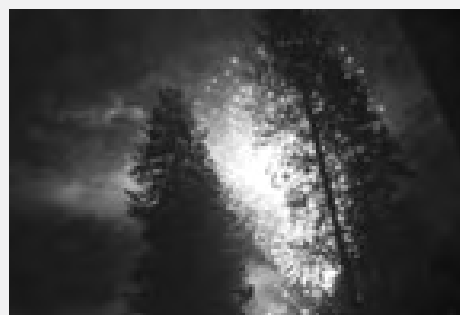
June 30th Team Play at PML Judi Maguire, Team play Captain, is to be thanked and congratulated for the huge task of putting on this team play event. Here is her report on the event: P.M.L Ladies Golf Club just hosted team play Thursday, June 30th for 64 players from the "central valley league". The teams consisted of 4 A players and 4 B players coming from Brookside, Del Rio, Discovery Bay, Oakdale, PML, Spring Creek, Stockton, and Tracy. Playing at PML was our fifth team play event for the season. We play a total of 7 events for the season. First of all, I want to thank our golf course staff for coordinat-

ing the event and the maintenance for preparing our course for such an event. Secondly I want to thank our restaurant staff and the kitchen staff for treating our guests to a delicious breakfast and finishing with a wonderful lunch. We heard many compliments throughout the day from our visiting golfers. Our PML "A" players were: Marjorie Rich and Priscilla Park (1st team) and Linda Johnson and Marilyn Scott (2nd team). Our "B" players were: Sara Hancock and Jeanne Pacco (1st team) and Clarice Ligonis and Jodie Awai (2nd team). This is a match play event with PML vs. Oakdale, Del Rio vs. Tracy, Brookside vs Discovery Bay, and Spring Creek vs Stockton. The outcome of the matches are as follows: Brookside 6 points - Discovery Bay 0 points, Del Rio 5.5 points - Tracy 0.5, PML 4.5 points - Oakdale 1.5 points, and Spring Creek 3 points - Stockton 3 points. The year to date standings are posted in our ladies locker room. Finally, I would like to thank all of the people who volunteered for our team play event: greeters, bag checkers, spotters, card collectors and computer team who completed an excel spread sheet with score sheets, ytd results and finally ytd standings. I personally would like to thank my husband, Ron, for all his help throughout the day starting at 7:00 am and finishing in the late afternoon, and also Lynne Dust, who stayed and helped the entire day as well. The volunteers and players made this event run very smoothly.

Summer has finally started to sizzle so hopefully everyone is out finally enjoying golfing in some good conditions. We will be playing the Club Championship on September 8, 13, & 15th. A Home and Home tournament is scheduled on September 22nd so be sure to check the bulletin board and sign up for these events.

PML Celebrates Independence Day

BOAT PARADE AND FIREWORKS PHOTOS BY DICK & DOTTY DAVIS



Summertime And The Livin' Is Easy At The Grill

BY CARRIE TAYLOR, HEAD CHEF, THE GRILL



August brings us to the heart of the summer. To me, there is nothing better than cold watermelon on a hot summer day. Fresh herbs are plentiful in my garden and also in my kitchen at The Grill. It is a good idea when buying fresh herbs to air dry the remainder to use them at a later date. Here is an easy guide that helps pair wines with herbs.

Herb & Wine Pairing Guide:

- Rieslings** - Chervil, dill, parsley and coriander
- Pinot Gris** - Tarragon and anise
- Sauvignon Blanc** - Basil, garlic, oregano and rosemary
- Chardonnay** - Ginger, lemon zest, tarragon and thyme
- Merlot** - Basil and Oregano
- Syrah** - Basil, oregano, thyme and rosemary
- Cabernet Sauvignon** - Mustard, paprika, rosemary and thyme

Heirloom tomatoes are abundant and The Grill will be using them in our specials throughout the month. My favorite summertime memory growing up in Walnut Creek was swimming all day and eating tomatoes right off the vine. There was always a salt shaker nearby and we would eat them like apples. My 4 year old son told me just the other day, after eating a sweet yellow cherry tomato, that they were his favorite. Music to a mother's ear!

When it comes to fruits and vegetables, we've gotten spoiled compared to decades past. When something was out of season, it was mostly unavailable unless it was canned or frozen. There was always

some type of fruits and vegetables in stores, but they were always a lot more expensive and not quite up to par with something grown in season. With the wonders of intra- and intercontinental shipping, most fruits and vegetables are in stores all the time, and for the most part they're pretty good. But no matter how good the produce from distant lands, whether from Mexico or Peru, there is still nothing like getting ears of sweet corn fresh off the Brentwood farms - many times picked the same morning before the farmers market - or bright red tomatoes that actually taste like the tomatoes we had growing up.

There is nothing like a big bright-red, Beefsteak, sliced and placed on crusty baguette with mayonnaise, salt and pepper! What a wonderful summertime treat! When I bring up tomato sandwiches, it's amazing how so many people eat them the same way: bread, mayo, salt and pepper. That's it! They may make different variations, but that seems to be the standard.

Summer will be here and gone in no time, so make sure you get out for those vegetable and fruitful goodies, because they're not only tasty and bring back the nostalgia, they're also good for you. How can you beat that!?!

On a special note:

I enjoyed the opportunity to make Marilyn Scotts Birthday special with her request of Beef Wellington and Chocolate Malt Cake for our special. I can do that for any guest, with some advance notice and planning, we can make any special day spectacular.

If you haven't visited us in awhile, here is my personal invite for you to dine with us, please let your server know and I will be happy to come out of the kitchen and introduce myself. If you have any questions or suggestions send me an email at kitchen@pinemountainlake.com.

Until we eat together...

Guest Comments of The Grill

BY AARON HAMBLIN, ASST. MGR, THE GRILL

- The following comments are from our online guest surveys.
- "Our experience was great. We haven't been to the Grill in a while, but will surely return each time we are here"**
- "This was our first visit and don't have any comment on improving what you are already doing. We really enjoyed our meal and the patio dining was very comfortable. Alyssa is an asset to the Country Club. We plan on returning the next time we are in the area."
- "As always, our guests and we enjoyed our dining experience at PML Country Club. We will be back soon!"**
- "We were amazed at how busy the Grill was. It was a Saturday night, the tables were full, we put in our name and Aaron was able to get us an outdoor table. We couldn't believe how efficient the entire staff was and how incredible the food was. We commend the staff, The Grill is our favorite restaurant. Keep up the good work"
- "Service and quality of food were both excellent. There have been many positive changes made in the past few months."**
- "Our table is always ready for us and we enjoy that very, very much. The staff does a great job."



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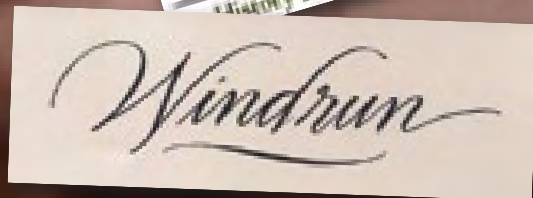
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Hot August Nights at the Grill

BY HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR, BAMBI JOHNSON



Hot August nights and cool days in our beautiful air-conditioned dining room. Our outdoor terrace even has overhead ceiling fans to cool you off while you enjoy a wonderful lunch with a spectacular view of our championship golf course and the surrounding Sierras. All the while you will be well attended to by our professional and courteous staff! Chef Carrie has put together an awesome breakfast menu, which I am proud to say is the best breakfast on the hill, bar-none! Our lunch menu has something that appeals to everyone and for a great price. So, why not consider meeting your friends and loved ones or business acquaintance at the grill for breakfast or lunch? You will not be disappointed.

As long as you are considering things, please think about attending one of our special events as well.

August 20th Wine Tasting and Luncheon. Join us for a wine tasting luncheon. It will be our Central Coast/Paso Robles sampler, so expect to see such

wineries as Wines of Kukkula, Morro Bay, Windrun, Haka, Labyrinth, and Dunning Vineyards. All of the featured wines will be offered at discount prices for sale this day only. Chef Carrie will be preparing a delicious quiche with a salad bar for lunch, along with a vanilla raspberry layer cake for dessert. This event starts at 12:00 noon and goes until 3:00pm, and the cost is \$16 plus tax. Reservations are required, so please call 962-8638 to make yours today.

August 27th Free Black Oak Casino bus trip. The bus departs from The Grill at 11:00am and returns to The Grill at 4:30pm, just in time for a refreshing cocktail and dinner on the terrace! The trip includes a fun book with free play, match play, and food voucher! Don't forget to come in a little early and take advantage of our Rider's Breakfast Special of buy one entrée and receive half off on the second. Please call 962-8638 and ask for Bambi to make your reservation. A \$10 deposit is required to reserve your seat on the bus. When you take the bus your deposit is refunded. It is that easy!

I hope to see you at The Grill soon! Until then, Bon Appetit!

Reservations Recommended

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



Last year at this time I only had one thing on my mind, and that was to get people to come in and give the new Grill a try. My marketing goal was to get people in the door. We did that with coupons and the Internet. Then, for those of you who gave us the opportunity, my team's goal was to serve you great food with great service for a great value. We use an online survey to get your realtime feedback to see if we meet your needs. And judging by the amount of guests that continue to return, we feel that we have exceeded your expectations.

However, with success comes a few good problems, trying to find parking and trying to get a table. Parking is always a challenge even when the Grill is slow, so we recommend arriving early. For those that don't mind a short walk, there is usually parking available in the outlying lots near the Tennis Courts.

I do highly recommend making a reservation at least 24 to 48 hours in advance when planning your next visit to the Grill, especially on Friday and Saturday nights. Even making reservations on the other days of the week will help us in preparing to give you the high level of service that you expect. Reservations will assist us in making sure we have enough staff to serve you. Also, by making advanced

reservations, Chef Carrie can make sure that she prepares enough food. Sounds simple enough, but our new found success has us scrambling most of the time.

In this economy, most restaurants would be happy to do the same amount of business as last year. For the Grill in July, we have doubled the amount of people we served last year. In numbers, that means we now serve between 200 to 225 guests on Friday and Saturday nights. On the other nights we serve between 80 and 100 guests. In 2010, we served on average 120 guests on the weekends and anywhere from 30 to 50 guests Sunday through Thursday.

Here are some reservation tips: Arrive early - making a reservation means that we will get you a table, but remember that depending on how busy it is, you may have to wait until a table becomes available. Call at least 24 hours in advance - calling the day of is helpful but doesn't help us to staff the restaurant or prepare enough food. And when requesting a specific table or "outside on the railing" we will do our best to accommodate your request but we make no guarantees unless your reservation is at 5 pm. And be sure to let us know if you have a special occasion that you are celebrating.

So thank you to those of you that choose to dine with us. We really do appreciate your business. Any questions or comments feel free to drop me a line at clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com.

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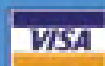


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Boat Parade Winners

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON



Off to See the Wizard with the Duncan family



The McKinleys' Greased Lightning



The Kuhn family as Pirates of the Caribbean

Thanks to all who participated in another fun PML Boat Parade. We had a great array of both patriotic and song theme decorations. Our boat owners are so creative and put a lot of effort into this event.

In the pontoon boat class, first prize went to the Duncan Family with their "Off to See the Wizard"

boat, complete with a yellow brick road and everyone in costume. The McKinleys' boat "Greased Lightning" from the movie Grease was a very close second. They also had costumes and even choreography!

The ski boat category competition was tough, too. First prize was awarded to the Paul Kuhn family for

their "Pirates of the Caribbean" boat, complete with mermaids. The very patriotic boat by the Burke Nicholson family was second.

In the non-motorized category, the Spillane family won with their yellow school bus decorated canoe for "The Wheels on the Bus Go Round and Round."

Thanks to our hard working judges (Linda and Ron Roberts, Barbara Davis, Jane Reynolds, Judy Basey and Jeannie Dugan,) the DeCants' escort boat, all the participants and the PML boat patrol for their help.

The PML boat parade is organized by Friends of the Lake.

PML Aero Club

BY CATHERINE SANTA MARIA

Our plane was out of service for the annual inspection and Bob Hornauer, our licensed aircraft mechanic, gives us the low down on all of the work that was completed to keep our Cessna air worthy:

During the month of June and early July, several of the members helped do the "Annual Inspection" of our club Cessna 172. An "Annual" is required on all active general aviation aircraft and is designed to catch any malfunctions or, just as importantly, any potential malfunctions of systems or components of the aircraft. It is performed at a specific calendar time based on when it was performed the previous year, hence the term. Inspection panels come off and the internal workings of the aircraft are thoroughly checked out. This year

was an especially challenging annual due to a couple of items needing attention – the seat tracks needed to be replaced and one of the cylinders needed to be re-worked due to low compression.

The seat tracks are small "rails" that the seat slides forward and backward on to allow the pilot to adjust to the proper distance from the controls. They have several holes that a pin engages to keep the seat securely in position. They occasionally wear out and must be replaced if they are out of specification. They are riveted in when the aircraft is originally manufactured, but when being replaced there is not enough clearance to use rivets, so small bolts and nuts are used. This was a real challenge making the holes, installing the hardware and making everything

fit and work properly.

A special instrument is used to check the compression of each cylinder and it turns out that one of the cylinders had a compression that was too low to pass. So out the cylinder comes to be serviced by a knowledgeable company – in this case our own Alan Buchner. The cylinder was then reinstalled and the airplane reassembled and readied for flight.

Thanks to PML Aero Club members who helped: Dennis Smith, Steve

Martin, Dave Morgan. Coordinating inspection activities was Bob Hornauer, a licensed aircraft mechanic.

Special thanks go to several individuals helping out – Larry Jobe, Mike Gustafson, Dick Collier and Roger Sloan.

Wow, it sure takes a lot of folks to maintain our plane and many, many thanks to Bob for coordinating the inspection. If you are interested in joining our wonderful group please call Dennis Smith at 962-4950.

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Pine Mountain Lake Men's Golf Club

BY RON MAGUIRE, PRESIDENT

August is here and that usually means our warmest weather. This year however, it seems like Mother Nature skipped spring and went straight to summer with colder weather in June and hot weather in July. In spite of the weird weather, or maybe because of it, we have enjoyed course conditions which very well may be the best this course has ever been. Sure, there are times when the greens have been slow, but Allen and his crew has kept them healthy. This is surely preferable to burned out greens which would be no fun at all. I don't recall our fairways and rough being in as good a condition as they are now. Hitting a fairway has become more important than blasting a drive and not worrying about the rough. Not many folks are hitting long irons or fairway woods from the rough these days!

On June 25th and 26th we had our annual Club Championship. This year two members, John Wilkins and Dave Nilan, tied at the end of the two day,

36 hole tournament with scores of 152. John won the championship on the second hole of the sudden death playoff. Flight 1: GROSS - NET: John Wilkins 152 - 142, 2011 Club Champion; Dave Nilan 152 - 136; Charlie Shehorn 159 - 139; Flight 2: Jeff Sera 160 - 138; Dave Bealby 167 - 139; Frank Jablonski 170 - 144; Flight 3: Jim Wilbanks 176 - 138; John Baker 179 - 146; Dave Frock 187 - 149

This month we have three events scheduled:

August 1: Monday Sweeps, a 4 man shamble. Pick the best tee shot of the foursome. Then play your own ball from there to the hole. This has been a favorite so far and for good reason. Most of the members have found it to be a lot of fun. Entry blanks are in the pro shop or can be printed on line at the Men's Club website (www.pmlmgc.com).

Friday, August 12th. The Hamburger Tournament. 2 man team.

Play a scramble on the front nine and a modified scotch on the back nine. Entries are in the pro shop or available on line.

August 17. Wednesday Sweeps. 4 man Orange ball tournament. The format is a modified two best balls of the team. Each player must use the orange ball in a repeated rotation. The score of the orange ball must be one of the two balls counted. If the orange ball is lost, it will be a three stroke penalty, then a ball substituted and the rotation continued.

As you have noticed, this year we have made changes in scheduling Men's Club events. The changes have been made mostly in the effort to maximize the number of members entering the tournaments. We have a dramatic reduction in the number of members entering events which are held on weekends. This is due in large part to the recent change in the structure of annual golf membership

fees. With the inception of weekday annuals along with weekend annuals, a large part of our membership with weekday annuals do not play on weekends and obviously weekend annuals, which are primarily non residents, don't play on weekdays. This has effectively divided the MGC into two groups, with the net result being a substantial reduction in the fields of our tournaments. We are trying to find a method to increase the participation in events and so far, moving the Wednesday events to Mondays or Fridays has helped, as some of our non-fulltime members play on those days. More discussion is planned to see what other options or modifications may be available to the Men's Club and the rest of the golf community as well.

Hit the ball straight, line your putts correctly and enjoy our beautiful golf course. We're very lucky to have such a nice course to enjoy.

"RV Day" at PML a Huge Success

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON



Some of the many RV airplanes visiting PML.

July 9th was a busy day for the PML Aviation Association. "RV Day" drew a large number of visiting RV pilots from around the state, including the West Coast Ravens RV formation team who put on an impromptu formation flying demonstration.

A huge thank you to Dick VanGrunsvan of Van's Aircraft for providing not one, but two, great presentations at our July meeting. His Tech Talk in the afternoon drew over 60 RV builders, pilots and enthusiasts,

and his evening presentation was a full-house standout. Dick is an aviation industry icon. One visiting pilot was overheard to say, "I couldn't meet the Wright brothers or Lindbergh, but at least I got to meet Dick VanGrunsvan."

PMLAA put on a hamburger and hotdog barbecue for members and visitors. Thanks to our hardworking BBQ cooks and helpers led by Kathy McConnell, and to Mike Gustafson for recruiting and hosting Van. Special



Speaker Dick VanGrunsvan, founder of Van's Aircraft

thanks to Mel and Suzanne McGowan for their hangar hospitality.

On August 6, PMLAA is looking forward to a "block party" on the back taxiway. Our guest speaker is Dr. Michael Higgins from Flying Adventures magazine. His presentation is on "Ten

Great Places to Fly to in the West."

Please mark your calendars for Airport Day on September 24th. There will be Young Eagle flights, aircraft demonstrations and flying contests. Airport Day is open to the entire community. Come visit your local airport!

PML Men's 9ers

BY PAUL PIERETTI

You have to hand it to the Brits, when it comes to golf.

And, you thought you were a tough weather golfer.

This notice posted in war-torn Britain in 1940 for golfers with stiff upper lips.

You have to admit these guys really had guts!

German aircraft from Norway would fly on missions to northern England; because of the icy weather conditions, the barrels of their guns had a small dab of wax to protect them. As they crossed the coast, they would clear their guns by firing a few rounds at

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1. Players are asked to collect Bomb and Shrapnel splinters to save those causing damage to the Mowing Machines.
2. In Competitions, during gunfire or while bombs are falling, players may take cover without penalty for ceasing play.
3. The positions of known delayed action bombs are marked by red flags at a reasonably, but not guaranteed, safe distance therefrom.
4. Shrapnel and/or bomb splinters on the Fairways, or in Bunkers within a club's length of a ball, may be moved without penalty, and no penalty shall be incurred if a ball is thereby caused to move accidentally.
5. A ball moved by enemy action may be replaced, or if lost or destroyed, a ball may be dropped not nearer the hole without penalty.
6. A ball lying in a crater may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole, preserving the line to the hole, without penalty.
7. A player whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion of a bomb may play another ball from the same place. Penalty one stroke.

the golf courses. Golfers were urged to take cover.

Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group

BY TOM CARMAN, EDITOR, PML CUG NEWSLETTER

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE PML CUG 16TH ANNUAL BBQ

The Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group invites all members, friends and interested parties to attend our popular annual BBQ at the PML Lake Lodge, **Tuesday, August 16, 2011**. Social hour begins at 5:30 PM, followed by a BBQ chicken and tri-tip dinner at 6:30.

The entrée will be served with salads, rolls and butter. Appetizers, dessert and coffee will also be provided.

Any other beverages, you must bring. The cost is \$5.00 each for members and members of their family and \$10.00 each for non-members.

The reservation deadline is **Monday, August 8th**. Because this is short notice, please email me at tecarman@sonnet.com or call me at 962-5647 for your reservation. I'll need to know how many people and whether you want BBQ Chicken Breast or Tri-Tip.

PML Niners

BY CYNDY KROUT

The weather is finally cooperating and we are getting to play. We are happy to have more of our new members joining us on Thursday or Wed., or Tues., whenever we get to play.

On June 7 we had Putts Day with 13 players and Wanda Patterson was in first place. Second place was a tie with Jeannie Duggan and Pat Van Gerpen. Third place was Cyndy and Linn Faler while fourth was Linelle Marshall and Judy Michalis. There was only one putt separating each of these places. Linda Craig and Sarah Zimmerman each got a par on #14 and Linelle was Low Net for the week.

June 15 we played Red, White, Blue with 14 players and four ladies shared first place: Marilyn Alexander, Faye Buckley, Darlene Hoagland and Linelle. Second place included Karen Dickson, Jeanne D., Pat VG, Linn, Shirley Haliwell, Flo Jansen and Sarah Z.

Karen D., Sarah Z. and Geralyn Dielman each got a par on #14 and Pat VG on #17. Marilyn chipped-in on #15 and Linelle scored Low Net again.

Then came June 23 and we played the front with four clubs only. Of the 18 players Marilyn was again in 1st; Pat VG 2nd; 3rd was shared by Shirley H., Darlene H. and Wanda. Fourth place was Cyndy. Norma Menacho chipped in on #9 and Pat VG got a par on #3 and Marilyn was Low Net for the week.

Believe or not we were rained out on June 29.

Coming up in August we will continue Eclectic and start TOC. The Teamplay Championship will be at Lake of the Pines on the ninth. We will be playing on Monday, August 22 at 8 AM instead of on the Thursday. Sign up and come out and play; we are having a lot of fun!

A Real Balancing Act By Windjammers

BY TANIA MADFES, PUBLICITY CHAIR

On Sunday, July 3, members of the Windjammers Sailing Club were entertained by competitive events on the lake after enjoying a barbeque orchestrated by Judith and Larry Culler and Shirley and Bob Haliwell. The first event was a competitive race won by Fred Mecum, this year's Commodore. Second place was taken by the Cullers and third by Chuck Berghoff. The second event required the captain and one crew member to follow a set course while balancing champagne glasses filled with bubbly. Upon return to Dunn Court, the combined content of each team's set of glasses was measured

to determine the winner. The *best balanced team* was that of Judith and Larry Culler.

At the end of the afternoon, a special award for bravery was presented to Claire Blohm and Arthur Schweitzer for being the only members to show at the lake over the drizzly Memorial Day weekend.



Tennis News

BY AL RODRIGUEZ

We are half way through the summer. If nothing happened between writing this article and the scheduled event, the Davis Cup will finally be in the books; Mother Nature has forced a reschedule several times. The results will be in the article next month.

As you can tell, there hasn't been a lot of tournament activity. The regular play

has been pretty active. Some of the players chose to start at 7:00 AM to avoid the heat. Some of the players have maintained their regular schedule. We have seen guests out there enjoying the courts. NOTE: if they are your guests, please make sure each of the players has a pass.

Tuesday afternoon is still the time for the socials. Courts 3 & 4 is still

the location, 5:00 PM is still the time. George is still the star chef on most occasions. The price is still \$3.50. The menu is still burgers (or cheeseburgers), chips and a drink -- see you don't need to learn any new tricks. Non-members are welcome, so give the chef of the household the night off.

See you at the courts.



Pine Mountain Laker's RV Club

BY JANIE STIVERS

Did you join the “millions” of sun and star worshipers for the 4th of July celebration on Saturday? Did you use the taxi shuttle to enjoy the lake? Did you stand in line and buy one of those “yummy” softie ice cream cones? Did you marvel at the fireworks that our magic mountain puts on display for us? As I've said it before many times, “no one does it better” than our Pine Mountain Lake Resort! There is just something so special about watching the boat-owners' decorated boats in patriotic colors and drifting in the light of the evening watching the fireworks. This celebration achieves more than the light show, it also reminds all of us that we are free and not going to live in fear of whoever would like to harm us. God Bless America!

As I mentioned in an earlier article, the Club went to Yosemite for the day in June...they started with brunch at the Awahnee and spent the day in wonder of Mother Nature. Nancy Meyer was able to capture a piece of the beauty for us to enjoy (please see photo).

Our July outing took us to Tahoe Valley in So. Lake Tahoe. They haven't returned as of this writing...I'll let you know if anyone got snowed on! The August outing will be the Vineyard RV Park in Vacaville. It looks like this trip will be sweets, wine and beer. They are



Photo by Nancy Meyer

planning to visit the Jelly Belly Plant, Fenton's Ice Cream Parlor, Woodland Winery and then after all that, the Anheiser Beer Plant. Hic-cup!

There just seems to be no-end to the fun with this Club; on July 13th, a potluck picnic was called down at the Marina with boating around the lake to follow. Now, don't you wish you were an RV'er?

If you would like more information about us, please call Louise Turney at 962-0609.

Country Mountain Riders Trot Onto the Stage!

BY LYNNE ORLOFF



The Ostriches, Paul Purifoy (left) and Jim Soderberg (right), entertain the crowd.

“This was your best year yet!” was the comment so many of us heard from the families that yearly attend our July 4th BBQ. Now, how do we top that! It is always gratifying when months of planning on the part of everyone in the club turns out so well. We met in the cool of the evenings at the stables in order to choreograph our Color Guard presentation, speeches and songs, to set up the tables and decorations, and all went without a hitch. The day dawned HOT with the promise of more heat, but despite the temps, people turned out for our annual barbeque in large numbers. Usually we have a horse demonstration but the equine virus did not allow for that this year. Everyone understood when we announced that change. As in years past, the local pilots started off our program with a single file fly-over of every species of airplane from production ones like the Bonanza to an amphibious one that evoked a comment like “What is that?” from even the hardened aviator amongst us! Following the salute to aviation was the presentation of our flag, some readings and the sharing of our National Anthem. The solemnness was broken as two of our members trotted onto the stage, braving jeers and cheers dressed in their homegrown ostrich outfits and put on a comical number that had people moving in for a jaw-dropping look at their feather-encrusted friends. As the banjos plucked away, the two entertained the growing crowd and wide-eye children. When done, the children did some plucking of their own, as many of the ostrich feathers floated to the grass! Jim

Soderberg and Paul Purifoy have out-done themselves in this latest invention of fun. Along with the help of their wives, Connie and Kym, they have been doing these presentations once or twice a week for the Tuolumne Trails Campers.

In the background the lines continued to file down the food isle where another “best” was given generously by the “foodists” attending...the Tri-tip was superb! Thank you, Jim Cook, for the donation of your time and incredible skill at putting out such succulent beef! The food presentation, serving, cooking, etc., is helped along every year by the knowledgeable help of Don and Barbara Lacy, Dave Flores, and Tommy and Delia Self.

It was probably a little like herding cats for Connie Soderberg to direct everyone for the presentations. Not having the horses to help us offer our colors, she laid out the plans for Delia Self, Deborah Kalkowski, Dorothy Scofield, and Sharon Volponi to carry our flags. Lynne Orloff and Lester Scofield gave the historical perspectives on the day, Jim Soderberg led us in the National Anthem and Luke Sullivan added another patriotic song to the mix. Everyone in the club lent a hand in set-up, selling, serving and cleanup, as well as in the “idea” department. It was a collective and balanced effort with a wonderful outcome. We hope all of you that attended had as much fun as we did! As the equine lock-down has lifted, the riders amongst us are returning to our varied disciplines in the saddle. Summer is finally here!

Garden Club Clippings

BY JOYCE SMITH

Don't put the weedeater away yet. The rain at the end of June will surely be bringing us a new crop of weeds. Oh well, it really was a good rain and settled the yellow/green ‘stuff’ for a while. We had over an inch of rain.

— The Garden Tour and Luncheon is over. It was all I told you it would be. It was just grand. The lovely gardens, beautifully set tables, raffle prizes, and salads were awesome. Our thanks to the homeowners: Carolyn Botell, George & Virginia Navarro, Old Jail Garden, Hanna Bodle, Arlene Vorce, Hotel Charlotte and Ron & Cindy Selvey. It was a

joy to see your lovely handiwork. We appreciated the work involved in having your gardens ready for viewing after what seemed an endless winter and no spring. Thanks to all you Garden Club members for your participation and thanks to our many guests for coming. This is our only fund raiser and is an event we can take pride in.

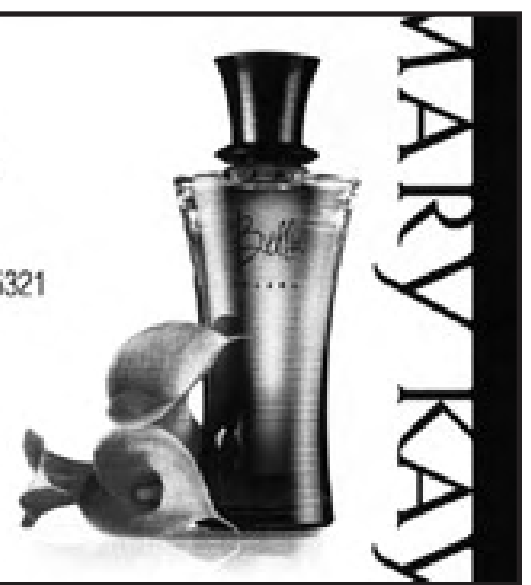
— We did not have a meeting in July. We were resting from our big event. We will be meeting on August 8th, so be watching for your Newsletter for meeting information.

— See you at the August meeting.

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ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

BRIDGE at The Grill

Mondays at 9 AM

All bridge players are welcome. Men (10:15 AM) call Bill Mingus at 209/962-4240 for reservations.

Soroptimist Meetings

The Soroptimist International of Groveland meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the Hotel Charlotte at 12 noon. For information regarding membership, please contact Linda Struhm at 962-0278.

Aerobics & Sculpting Exercise by Video

Mondays, Wednesday and Friday at 9 AM
Reach your fitness goals! These classes are suitable for all fitness levels. Classes are free. Join us at the Lake Lodge to be led by a variety of videos featuring certified fitness instructors. For more information and scheduling contact Barb at 209/962-6457 or Michelene at 209/962-4467.

For Meals-on-Wheels

in this area contact Joi for information and/or eligibility requirements. Sierra Senior Providers, Inc. Meals-on-Wheels, Sonora Senior Center, 533-2622

Strength for Life

Every Tuesday and Thursday
at The Little House at 10:30 am

Sierra Professional Artists

Meetings the second Friday of the month at the Yosemite Vista Estates Club House in Groveland - 10:00 am. Contact Jean & Bill Hammond 209-962-6477.

Sierra Club Hike of the Week

Thursdays at 9 AM

Midweek Hikes in the Groveland Area on Thursdays. Weather permitting, each Thursday meet at Mary Laveroni Community Park in Groveland at 8 AM for an approximate 6-mile hike. Bring a bag lunch, jacket, water, sunscreen and a snack in a daypack and wear hiking boots. The hike is followed by lunch under the shade of the trees. Call Frank Oyung for further details 209/962-7585.

Bridge (Duplicate) at the Lake Lodge

2nd & 4th Thursdays

All bridge players are welcome. Call Bobbi Vandenberg 209/962-6965 for information.

Mah-jongg

Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:00 to 4:00 at The Little House. Newcomers should call ahead to arrange for introduction to the game before 1:00. Call 962-7303.

Kiwanis Meetings

Kiwanis meet every Tuesday at 5:30pm at the Pizza Factory.

Library Hours

The Groveland Branch Library is open
Tue-Thu: 1:00-6:00pm; Fri-Sat: 10:00am - 2:00pm CLOSED Sunday and Monday

Senior Lunches

Senior lunches are provided Tuesdays and Thursdays 12 noon at the Little House on Merrell Rd. Call 962-1050 before 8 am for reservations.

Chair Dancing

Every Monday at The Little House at 10:00 am

Garrotte Lions Bingo

Come and Enjoy! You could be a winner
1st Thursday of every month
6:30 Early Bird Bingo and 7:00 Regular Bingo

Blood pressure readings

Blood pressure readings are First and Third Thursdays from 11:00 to noon at The Little House

"High Country Line Dancers"

The High Country Line Dancers meet every Tuesday at the Community Hall at 7:00p. m. through the summer. One dance will be taught from 7-7:30, then open dancing from 7:30-8:30. We encourage newcomers to come and try it out; it's a great and fun way to exercise! For more info, call Carol @ 7254 or Sue @ 4155.

Historical Aircraft Display

Every 3rd Saturday (except September - 4th Saturday) 9a.m. - 1 p.m. at the transient parking at the PML Airport. Contact Ken Helling at 962-7597 if you have questions.

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Troops Program Transitions to Helping Hands

BY JUDI WILKINSON, TREASURER, HELPING HANDS

For the last few years ROOFBB's has administered a great program supporting our troops. Approximately 100 boxes a year have been sent to the troops in Afganistan and Iraq. These boxes are full of items that they really need and have a problem getting there. They are also filled with news from here and love & appreciation (the most needed items).

The idea for Helping Hands to assume responsibility for this program was brought before the membership at the general meeting in July and was unanimously approved. Starting immediately Helping Hands is taking over the project, under the very expert supervision of Dar Brown, Helping Hands recording secretary, who has been handling it for ROOFBB's for quite some time. Helping Hands will be financing the postage and assembling all of the items to be shipped. If you would like to help by donating items to go in the boxes or \$\$ for shipping, it would be greatly appreciated by both the volunteers at Helping Hands and the recipients of the boxes. Please see list below for some of the most requested items. Donations can be dropped off at Helping Hands during our normal business hours of 11AM – 4PM Monday thru Saturday. If you have questions please call Dar Brown at 962-5930 or email her at Dar_brown99@hotmail.com.

A big thank you to ROOFBB's for their generous support of this program over the last few years; we are proud to follow in your footsteps.

"Support Our Troops" Shopping List

(cut out and take with you when you do your shopping)

(Most items are available at Wal-Mart, Dollar Tree, Amazon)

- Baby Wipes (non-alcohol) for wiping off sand
- Foot Powder
- Tube Socks (size 9-11, black preferred but white OK)

- Drink Powder (Crystal Light, Kool-Aid, etc. to flavor treated drinking water)
 - Shampoo, Body Wash, Toothpaste/brushes
 - Snacks (Doritos, Pringles, Fritos, Goldfish, Trail Mix, etc.)
 - Tuna Packs, canned fruit, canned meats
 - Hand Sanitizer (prefer small sizes)
 - Feminine hygiene items
 - Hot sauce, beef jerky/Slim Jims
 - Playing cards
 - Granola bars (no chocolate in summer; melts)
 - Nuts, Chewing gum
 - Q-tips, Shaving cream, razors
 - Peanut butter
 - Hard candy (for the kids)
 - Top Ramen, Cup-o-Noodles (watch for sales on cases; Grocery Outlet)
 - Lip balm
 - DVD's (new or used; doesn't matter how old)
 - Magazines (see list below)
 - Experienced golf balls & tees
- And here is one that tugged at the heartstrings:
- Greeting cards to send to our children

For the orphanages:

Used clothing, all sizes, children and adult, shoes, school supplies, small stuffed toys (Please note that nothing can bear anything American, no camo, nothing religious.)

Operation Paperback:

Adventure, Mystery, Super Heroes, Westerns, Devotionals, Inspirational Stories, History, Self-help, Business, Crime, Suspense, Thrillers

Magazines:

Sports Illustrated, ESPN, Car & Driver, Road & Track, Men's Health, GQ, Maxim, Men's Fitness, People Magazine, Oprah, Fashion Magazines; if you have magazines that you would like to donate that are not on this list, Dar will be happy to check if there is a recipient asking for them.

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Styrofoam Collection

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

Once again I would like to thank the community for helping with the Tuolumne County Master Gardeners Styrofoam Collect Days. A special thanks, as always, goes to the Groveland Volunteer Fire Department for collecting on Friday and Saturday. Thank you Moore Bros. for referring people to me who want to get rid of their Styrofoam and last but not least, Barbara Hessler for going above and beyond the call in her effort to keep Styrofoam out of our landfills. The Master Gardeners and the landfills very much appreciate your efforts.

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STCHS Labor Day Country BBQ

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

Bring your family and friends and meet your neighbors at the third annual STCHS Labor Day BBQ, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., September 4th, at the PML Stables. Steak, chicken and all the fixings will be served and *Chains Required* will provide music for all ages. There will be kids activities, a bake sale, silent auction, historic displays and a chance to win \$500 with the purchase of a \$1.00 ticket. All this and more for only \$14.00 per person and \$7.00 for children under 12. For more information call Bob

Oakley at 962-4799 or go to www.grovelandmuseum.org. Tickets can be purchased with Pay Pal on the museum website, at the museum and Yosemite Bank.

STCHS would also like to thank our sponsors who help make this day possible. Thank you to Yosemite Bank, Helping Hands, Moore Bros., Pizza Factory, Golden State Cellular, Black Oak Casino, Union Democrat, The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake, Crook Logging, Sabre Design, Astro Heating & AC, and Firefall Coffee.

Shrimp Boats A' Coming There's Dancing Tonight!

BY JOHN BRUNK

That's right folks, mark your calendars, August 13th, at the PML Stables, your Groveland Rotary brings to you again, the sell out "all you can eat" Shrimp and Louisiana Sausage event. Doors open at 5 PM, your sit down meal is served at 6 PM, and the 50/50 raffle is at 7 PM. Tickets are \$25.00 adults, under 12 \$12.00.

Dancing to live music for those music lovers. No host wine, beer,

mixed drinks, soda and water under the canopy. Last year was a sell out! What's that old adage or saying....a bird in the hand? Your favorite sales person in Rotary is ready for your call....need a number? Call John at 962-6276.

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(HSSFA415)

Saturday, Aug 6 – 9AM-4:30PM

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Tuesday, Aug 9 & Thursday, Aug 11

– 9AM-3:30PM (Both days)

2-part class, students must attend both days.

(Sonora Fire Department, 201 S. Shepherd Street, Sonora)

Working with Total Diversity (7402)

Saturday, Aug 13 – 9AM-4PM

Standard First Aid with CPR/AED Adult & Child Plus CPR Infant

(HSSFA415)

Tuesday, Aug 16 & Thursday, Aug 18

– 6PM-10PM (Both days)

2-part class.

CA Child Care Preventative Health & Safety (CGCAC1102)

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John Gray, Tuolumne County 4th District Supervisor

If you have been following the local news lately you have probably heard references to the Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority (TCEDA.) The TCEDA is a joint powers authority formed between the City of Sonora and Tuolumne County. The Board has seven members. Two County Supervisors, Dick Pland and myself, Sonora City Council members Bill Canning and Hank Russell, public members Jim Gianelli, Patricia Jones and Dennis Dahlin plus ex-officio members, Tuolumne County CAO Craig Pedro and Sonora City Administrator Tim Miller. Because the Authority has been in the news, I have received a number of inquiries about the Authority and more importantly the question as to what is its purpose and what are the duties of Board members.

When I began to think about how to give a brief but good answer to the questions, I went back and read the original agreement signed by the County and the City of Sonora. Following are excerpts along with my interpretation of specific elements of the agreement. For a complete text and more information of all the good work that has been and continues to be done by TCEDA go to www.tceda.org.

The simple definition and general purpose of the Agreement is to provide a united, coordinated, orderly, positive and more effective means for implementing and carrying into execution an Economic Development Authority for the benefit of all of the people of Tuolumne County.

The Authority is vested with the powers to effectively implement, coordinate and administer general economic development programs within the County and the City of Sonora, in accordance with local, state and federal laws. The general economic programs shall include, but are not limited to:

- 1) business retention and expansion;
- 2) business attraction;
- 3) business assistance programs;
- 4) identification of appropriate locations for and the creation of "shovel ready" commercial land and industrial properties including but not limited to adaptive reuse;
- 5) support the creation and rehabilitation of public infrastructure needed to support and sustain local business and industry (e.g. roads, water, power, sewer, telecommunications etc.);
- 6) Assist with educational and training

opportunities tailored to equip and support the community's workforce; and 8) the pursuit of funding sources to facilitate all of the above.

As you can see it's a pretty broad purpose. The good news is that the Authority Board with the guidance of the Economic Development Director Larry Cope has been very successful in fulfilling its purpose.

We are very fortunate to have found Mr. Cope and applaud the success of the Authority directly related to the hard work that he and his staff of one, Beth Hartline, have put in. The Authority Board sets the policies. Staff is the engine that makes it work.

A brief description of Board duties should you ever want to apply for a board vacancy:

1. Establish the vision and mission of the organization consistent with the "purpose" statement contained in the JPA and ensure that the organization remains focused and committed to accomplishing the same.
2. Govern the organization by broad policies, goals and objectives, assignment of priorities and ensuring the organization's capacity to carry out services and programs by continually reviewing its work.
3. Select and appoint a Director to whom responsibility for the administration of the organization is delegated, including:
 - Reviewing and evaluating his/her performance regularly on the basis of a specific job description including executive relations with the board,
 - leadership in the organization, service and program planning and implementation, accomplishment of the annual work plan activities, and management of the organization and its personnel
 - Offering administrative guidance
 - Determining whether to retain or dismiss the Director
4. Establish committees (standing and/or ad hoc) as needed to explore, initiate and/or maintain activities that further the vision and mission of the organization. This is a prime area in which the community knowledge and technical expertise of Board members can be utilized.

5. Acquire sufficient resources (public and private) for the organization's operations and to finance its services and programs adequately.

6. Account to the public for the services and programs of the organization's operations and expenditure of its funds including:

*Requiring regular progress reports towards achieving Board adopted goals and work plans

Providing for fiscal accountability by approval and monitoring of an annual budget and formulation of policies to ensure good stewardship of the organizations resources

Requiring completion and presentation of regular financial reports and annual audits

7. Develop and maintain communication links and beneficial relationships with all major stakeholders in the community to enhance the organization's image and success.

8. Provide for the continuous self-evaluation and renewal of the board itself.

You can see that a considerable amount of hard work is expected of the members on this board.

Last month I predicted that we would have a budget before the deadline. I was betting on your state representatives wanting to "get paid". Well, it happened and I commend the Governor for getting it done on time. There was some good news, some confusing news and some bad news, too.

By passing the AB117-the Criminal Justice Realignment Bill- and funding the program as the governors promised allowed the County to retain all of the jail clerk positions that have been noticed for lay-off. In hindsight, I think that we should have gambled and kept the positions in the final budget review. It is disheartening to put people on notice and disrupt their lives but with the information at hand it was the fiscally responsible action to take. I wish that I had more faith in Sacramento but their track record is shameful.

Along with AB117, AB109 was also passed. This bill shifts the responsibility for certain adult offender popula-

tions onto the Counties. The total of the funds set aside to implement this bill is \$354M. Tuolumne County's share is estimated at about \$780,000. Right now there is the uncertainty of whether the designated amount of funding is adequate, or not. AB117/AB109 are not perfect solutions but they represent a negotiated agreement that will enable California's counties to move forward with the dramatic changes necessary to make realignment successful.

Clearly, the successful implementation of realignment will require a significant paradigm shift in our public safety department. The successful model, more than likely, will not be an incarceration model, but one that seeks to divert and rehabilitate citizens, returning them to be productive members of our community.

It will be a different way of doing business.

Some bad news in the State budget was the passing of the \$150 State Responsibility Area fee (SRA) for fire protection in rural areas of the state for all properties that have a residence on them. Something like this just adds salt to the wounds of those fire departments that already have an assessment structure. It also questions the equitability of our current auto-aid response system, especially for those districts with their own special assessments. There has been some uncertainty expressed as to the legality of this fee.

If you live anywhere in Tuolumne County outside the limits of the City of Sonora, you will be affected. Contact the Governor and our State Representatives to voice your opinion.

In closing, most of you that read the paper regularly know that Mariposa County Supervisor, Lyle Turpin, was injured working on his ranch near Coulterville. Lyle is truly "one of the good guys" and has always looked out for the people he represents. He is held in high regard by those that know him personally and professionally. Our prayers are with him and with his family and we send him our very best wishes for a speedy recovery.

You may contact me by calling (209) 533-5521 or email me at: jgray@co.tuolumne.ca.us office hours in Groveland 9-11 last Wednesday of the month office hours in Don Pedro 9-12 last Thursday of the month.

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views of the Golf Course. All featured in this 2,178 sq ft, 3 Bd, 2-1/2 Ba Home.
Other features. High ceilings, skylights, short walk to the PML Clubhouse
facilities and minutes to the lake, too.
\$349,000 5/304 - 12580 Fountain Circle.

PRIME LOCATION VERY CLOSE TO THE PML MARINA



Many renovations featured throughout this 2,342 sq ft home.
Complete separate living quarters downstairs. Single level living upstairs.
3 Bd, 3 full Ba. 2 car attached garage. 2 separate zones for AC and Heating.
Completely enclosed game/workout room downstairs.
Plenty of Parking on this property. A must see.
\$298,997 1/470 19759 Pine Mountain Drive

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Located on Big Creek Cove this 2,304 sq ft home has room for the entire family
& friends. 4 Bd, 3 full baths. Open Great Room with stone covered fireplace as
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Extra parking areas at the top of the lot for RV's or Boats.
Huge "Man Cave" workshop downstairs. Newer Boat dock.
\$515,000 15/73A - 20240 Lower Skyridge.

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Porch. **\$252,000** 3/475 - 20724 Crestpine Easement.

GOLF COURSE VIEWS FROM ALL ROOMS & COVERED DECKS

3 Bd, 2 1/2 Ba, 2,240 Sq Ft., 2 car attached Garage. Very close to
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\$249,750 1/209 - 19675 Golden Rock Circle

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1440 Sq. Ft. Knotty Pine & Open Beam decor. Open great room
with free standing Propane Fireplace. 3 Bd 2 Ba. Main bedroom on
lower level. Nice decks. Close to the PML Marina.
\$169,500 1/375 - 19462 Grizzly Circle.

SINGLE LEVEL DESIGNER HOME

Hot Sale Situation. 1,735 sq. ft. 3 bedrooms 2 baths. Privacy
with Mstr. Bedroom at one end of the home. 3 car garage
(2 inline). Located very close to the Marina. Luxury throughout.
\$166,000 13/142 - 12003 Breckenridge Road.

SINGLE LEVEL MANUFACTURED HOME

3 Bd, 2 Ba all on one level. 1,500 Sq Ft. Recent updating by Owner.
Set back on the lot for privacy and for the landscaped front yard. AC
& forced air heat. Free standing wood burning Fireplace.
\$199,500 2/225 - 13242 Wells Fargo

NICELY RENOVATED HOME IN 2005

Major renovation completed in 2005, including new roof, new decks,
new interior & exterior paint, new floor coverings, new cabinets,
new bathrooms, new lighting, new vinyl dual pane windows.
Two propane free-standing fireplaces. Very nice location.
Close to Lake Lodge and Beach.
\$239,900 4/322 - 20771 Big Foot Circle

COMFORTABLE SINGLE LEVEL MOUNTAIN HOME

Single level living with vaulted Knotty Pine ceiling in open
spacious great room. 3 Bd, 2 Ba. 1,580 sq ft.
Unattached 2 car garage. Covered front deck and entry.
Country Mountain decor throughout. Very close to
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\$214,500 3/106 - 20631 Nob Hill Circle

LAKESIDE LODGE LUXURY

This 3,917 sq ft, 4 Bd 3-1/2 Ba home has an incredible lake view,
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\$925,000 1/279-19745 Pleasant View Drive

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Located on the 13th Fairway. Very Close to Dunn Court Beach
\$165,000 Par 100A Unit 5 Mt Jefferson

1.88 Acre. Prime Horse Country Lot

Next to the Bass pond. Very close to PML Stables and Airport.
Seller financing available. **\$175,000** 12/173 - Clements Road

Very nice lot w/Seasonal Creek. Very close to all PML amenities.
\$21,000 1/307 19545 Pleasant View Dr.

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HOMES on the hill

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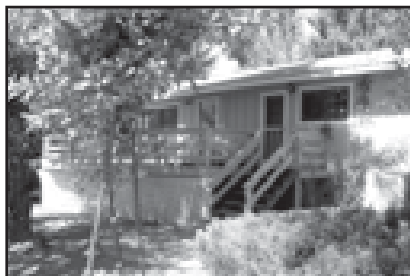
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2 Bed/2 Bath. Fantastic views of 12th & 13th fairways. Many amenities including solar hot water. Walk to Dunn Beach. Price reduced to **\$359,000**

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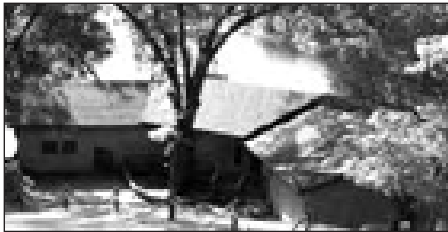
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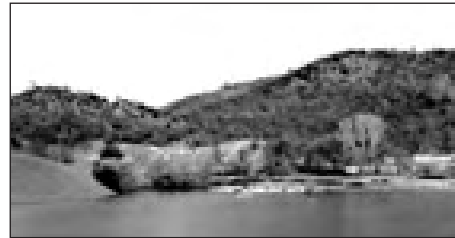
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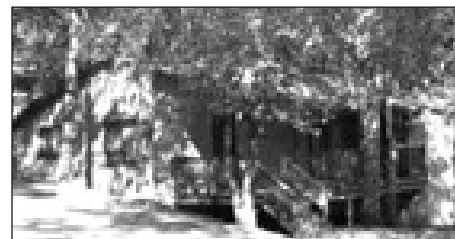
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ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES....attractive & spacious 3bd/3ba & 4 car garage. There are 2 separate 2 car garages, one that is oversized with full bath & bonus room. Main living area is all on one level. Call Patty Beggs, \$249,900 3/328 MLS#20103675



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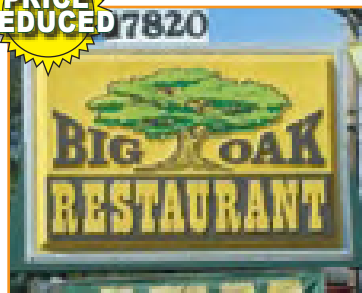


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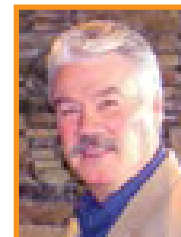
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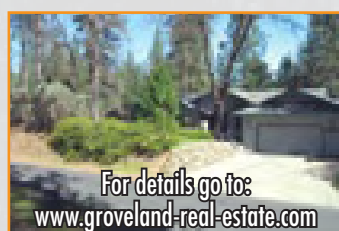
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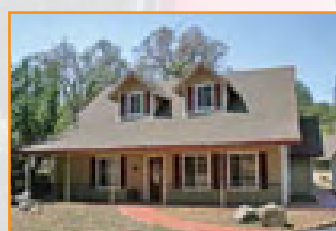


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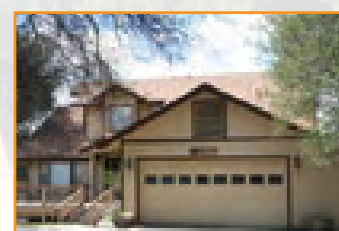
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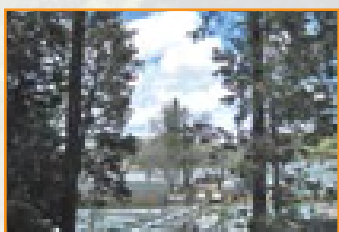
103080 Gamble

1 level, newer home 3 bedroom 2 bath w/ 1 car garage. **\$249,950**



12702 Hetch-Hetchy Ct.

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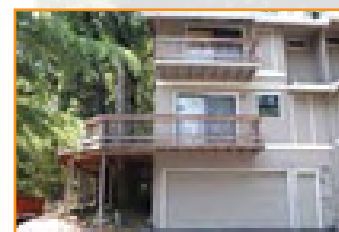


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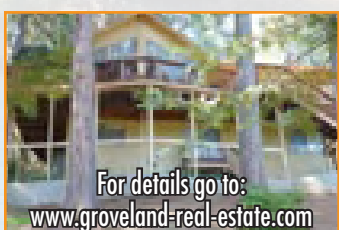
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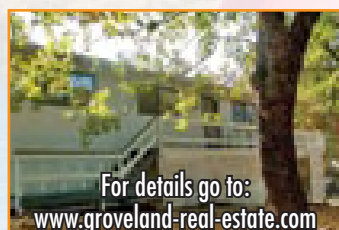


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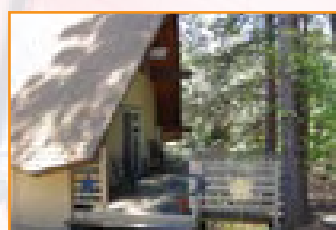


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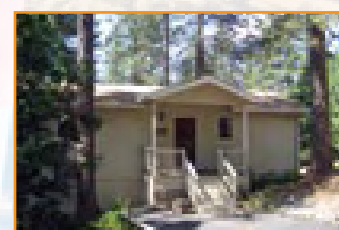
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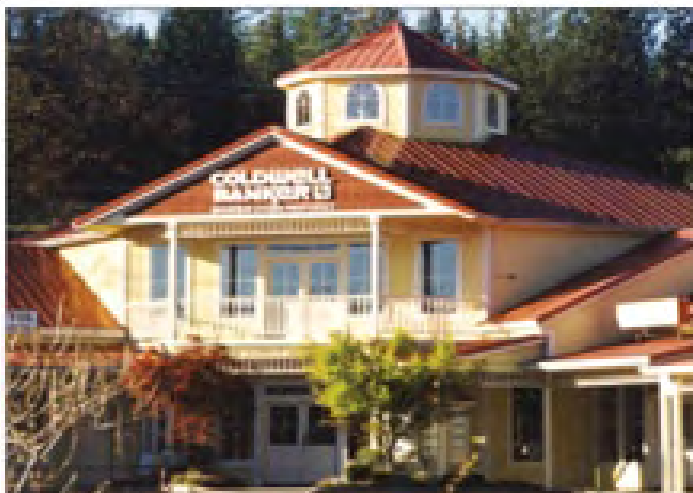
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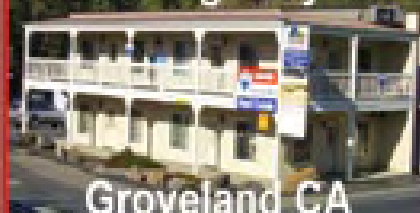
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NEW LISTING

NEW CONSTRUCTION IN GREELEY HILL on 2.43 ACRES. Amazing rock fireplace in great room. Expansive meadow views from large living room windows. Granite slab counters & neutral colors throughout. 3 bdr, 2 bath 1570 sq. ft. Lots of trees for privacy. Easy access, close to town. \$245,000



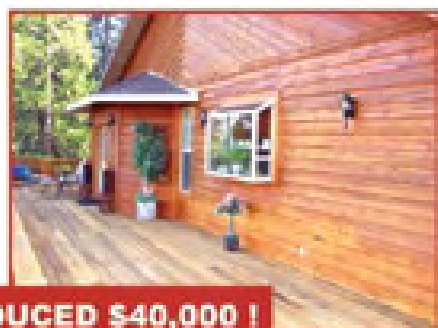
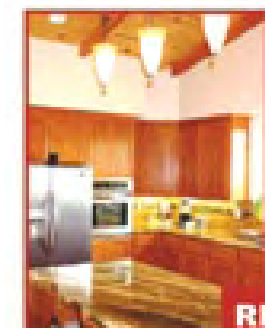
COMING SOON

LAKE VIEW Wait while I "dress" for my date, then you will be mighty impressed with my sparkling water views (+NO power lines) near the Lodge BEACH. 3 Bd, 2.5 Bath, game rm with pool table, kids play area & greenbelt in back. 2-car garage. Approx 2100 sq ft. Mediterranean style. 3-210 \$299,900



NEW PRICE

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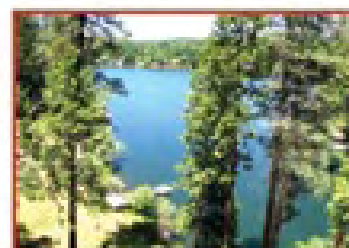
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WARM WOODS & VIEW-TIFUL VISTAS 2008 cedar clad top quality 3 Bedroom, 3 bath, 2-car garage. Gigantic 1300 sq ft deck with octagon corners. Dazzling granite swirl counters, river rock fireplace that soars to the vaulted ceiling, stainless appliances, real oak floors, Jeld-Wen windows, 3 French doors, 3" vane plantation shutters, instant water heater, concrete drive. Look to the East for views of Yosemite peaks to the North is a PML panorama. On secluded one-way street deep in the forest. 15-47 Upper Skyridge \$325,000

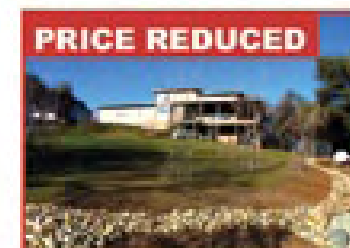


PRICE REDUCED

SPACIOUS WELL MAINTAINED HOME ON .64 ACRE. Great location, 3 bdrs, 2 1/2 bath, open kitchen, dining & living rm. With lots of windows to let the light in complete with a breakfast bar + a wet bar for entertaining. Enjoy the serene surrounding of mature trees & the beauty of PML. 4-552 \$219,000

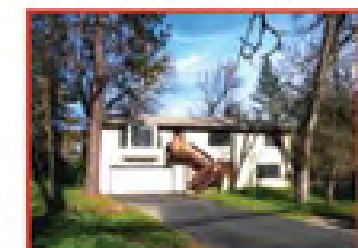


DEEP IN THE FOREST high above the lake hides a magnificent party house or retreat with 6 bdms, 4 baths, decks on all 3 levels, a 2-car garage, a water front dock, & a FLAT concrete driveway. Sauna and double Jacuzzi tub surrounded by windows in master suite, all new flooring, big game room- 4100 sq ft- MUST SEE! 15-92 \$699,000

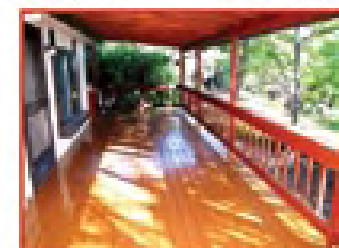


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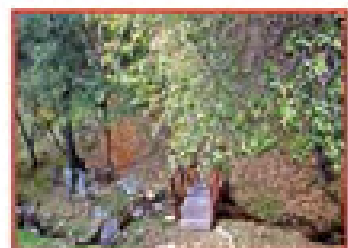
CONTEMPORARY WITH RUSTIC TOUCHES highly custom built in 2004 on .95 ACRE. Gorgeous slate rock floors, concrete siding, metal roof, oversized garage. Roofed deck with iron railings wraps around 3 sides of 2-story great room with forest views. See 5-pg flyer with floor plan at PineMtnLake.com 3-290 \$350,000



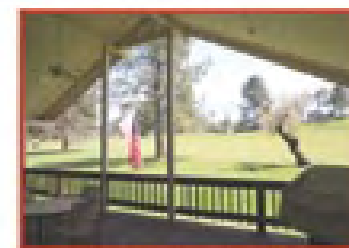
\$88 PER SQUARE FOOT for super party house with 900 sq ft game room, 3 bdrms, 3 bath, 30 ft deep garage perfect for a boat, flat driveway, close to town. Gracious great room, skylit dining, tons of counter space, furnished, private deck in back. 5-235 \$245,000



OWNER FINANCING + LOW HOA DUES 2 bdrm, 2 bath, overlooking pleasant meadow & don't overlook this incredible price \$58,000 1250 sq ft with new carpet, refurbished deck, double garage, close to pool & clubhouse. Yosemite Vista #4 \$58,000



CHIC CREEKSIDE BUNGALOW Fall in love with this turnkey ready 2 bedroom, two bath cottage on a picturesque .74 acre parcel featuring a seasonal creek to the rear. Suitable for year living with central heat & air, plus a single car garage. Most furnishings included. 3-132 \$199,950



A HOLE LOT OF HOME! Enjoy prime golf course frontage on the 12th fairway. Fine home featuring a great room floor plan frames amazing golf course views. This large 2533 sq ft home includes a private guest quarters on the lower level. The spacious 4 car garage has a workshop area. 1-168 \$399,900



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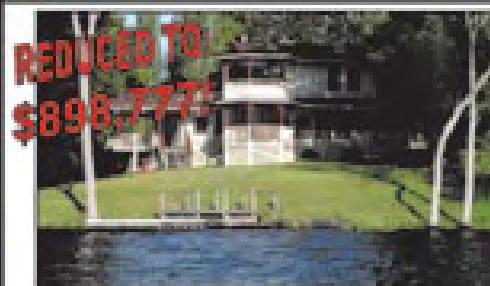
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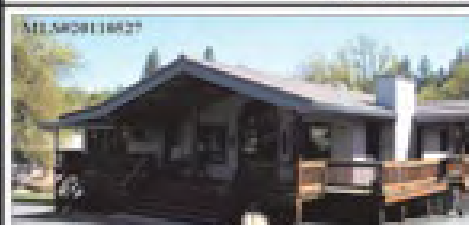


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Lovely Chalet On the Deep Water! Approx. 2,072 Sq Ft 3 Level 4 Bed / 3 Bath Plus Bonus Room w/Wet Bar! Trex Deck w/glass railing for Exquisite View of the Lake! Private Dock & Lakeside Decking! Some furnishings Included! **\$679,000** 15-110 MLS#20110729



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New Listing!

** DELIGHTFUL HOME NEAR MARINA **

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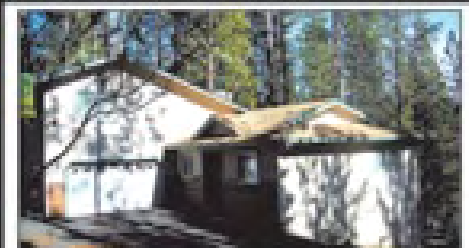
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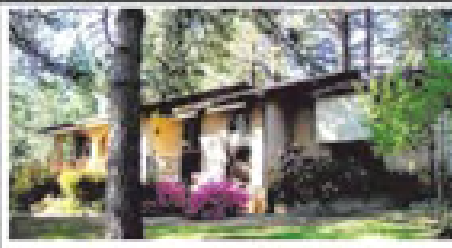
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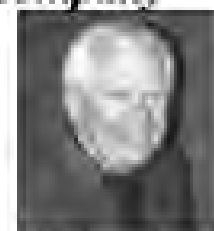
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BY SYDNEY AVEY

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Love us? We have added a PayPal button to the Giving Back page on www.thelittlehouse.org. From July 15 until August 15 PayPal will match any donations made through our website up to

\$100. Little things count – all donations to The Little House are tax deductible. No donation is too small.

Returning or new activities: Mah-jongg will be starting up again on Monday, July 11 from 1 - 4. Experienced and new players are welcome. Also, a Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) group now meets the last Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m.

Circle Wednesday, September 28, for our annual volunteer appreciation BBQ that begins at 4 pm. Consider yourself invited! Please leave a message on The Little House message machine at 962-7303 if you plan to join us so we can prepare enough food.

Finally, to all of you who filled out and returned our transportation survey, a big Little House thank you! We will report the results in October.

Tioga High School Athletics Recycling Program

BY RYAN DUTTON, TEACHER/COACH TIOGA HIGH SCHOOL

Just a reminder for everyone when making your decisions as to what to do with all of those aluminum cans and plastic/glass bottles! Tioga High Athletics has started a recycling program with the help of our large towable trailer that has eight bins which allow the student athletes to sort all material accordingly. We have an account with the Cal Sierra Recycling Center in Sonora which is where the trailer gets dropped off in exchange for a monthly check sent to the school. We are collecting these three materials because they will give the kids the best return on their investment!

The athletes are the ones doing the work sorting through all the bags that get dropped off, and in return the money goes to the sports programs for needed equipment, camp and tournament money, and anything else deemed necessary at school. We are doing this to try and help save the school district some \$\$\$, but also to give the kids a sense of responsibility along with something they can call their own.

The kids get out of it whatever they decide to put in! The faster they can work and sort the more they will have for their sports seasons!



Recycling can be dropped off at the upper basketball court on the Tioga High campus right next to the recycling trailer. Look for new signage coming off of Ferretti Road to remind you all and follow the signs up next to the gym and past the weight room to get you to the trailer! Also, around town we have our "Go Green" recycling cans that are collected by the students and brought back to the school. We currently have bins at the marina, lake lodge, and stables!!

If you have any questions, or need any assistance with large quantities of materials, don't hesitate to email me and we can work something out with having one of our student athletes pick up your recycling donation! My email is rdutton19@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your time and thinking of our student athletes at Tioga High School when collecting your recycling material!!



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LOCAL RAINFALL

BY JERRY DICKSON

Date	Rain, inches (24 hr. to 9AM)	Season Total, inches
Since Jul 1, 2010		59.02
May 18, 2011	1.16	56.46
May 20, 2011	0.02	56.48
May 29, 2011	0.20	56.68
May 30, 2011	0.03	56.71
June 4, 2011	0.14	56.85
June 5, 2011	0.85	57.70
June 6, 2011	1.32	59.02
June 19, 2011	2.00	61.02
June 20, 2011	0.06	61.08!!

Season total was second only to one year yielding 73+ inches. My guess is the very latest - last gasp of the season.

Pine Cone Singers Potluck Dinner and First Rehearsal in August

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

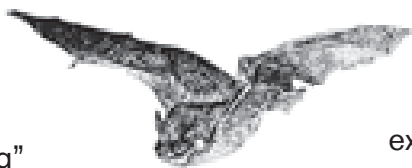
After a rewarding set of concerts in May (Dennis Brown pushed the choir to new heights, choosing challenging but beautiful repertoire), the Pine Cone Singers are enjoying a well-deserved break for a few months. But there's no rest for musicians! Dennis is busy selecting pieces for our Christmas concert – "What Sweeter Music", scheduled for December 9, 10 & 11, 2011; Barbara Klahn, librarian, has finished filing away music, and choir members are busy selling raffle tickets (did someone say BRIBES?!) for their mayoral candidate, Goose the Dog. Since Goose enjoys music as much as anyone – his keyboard antics at the Charlotte Hotel are always a crowd pleaser – he decided that his share of this year's mayoral donations will go toward underwriting the Pine Cone Performers' activities. Who knows, if Goose becomes mayor this year, perhaps he can be guest-conductor for our next concert?!

The great American choral director, Robert Shaw, once said that a chorus is the essence of the word "community",

where the individual contributions of singers with a common goal of creating beautiful music are magnified into something more powerful. Great choral music can elicit joy, tears, love and laughter from the listener. The Pine Cone Singers welcome new singers, so if you love to sing and want to experience the thrill of adding your voice to many more in our Pine Cone Singers' community, mark August 29th and 30th, Monday & Tuesday, in your calendar! The annual potluck dinner at the Groveland Community Center for the next concert will be on Monday from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Singers should bring their own place settings as well as their beverage of choice. This is a great opportunity for everyone to share summer stories, meet new potential members and hear about the concert repertoire! The first rehearsal for the Christmas program will be the next day, from 3:00 – 5:30 PM, also in the Community Hall. For more information, please contact Board Chair, Shirley Brasesco, at 962-4815.

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BY NADINE PEDRON



Artist Carole Pennachi with "Burano", one of her paintings on display at the Book Nook.

AWESOME ART IN THE BOOK NOOK

Bold, brilliant, electric acrylics; lush and lovely pastels; precise and detailed pen and ink renderings. In all of her artwork Carole Pennachi displays emotion, sensitivity, inspired creativity and expert craftsmanship. And fortunately for all of us, her art is on display now at the Book Nook, downstairs at the library. Carole has a degree in Fine Arts, and has worked as an art teacher. When asked how it is that she became an artist she replied: "Someone gave me a crayon and a piece of paper when I was a young child and said "draw". I never wanted to stop. My inspiration is the aesthetics of nature – the unique colors, symmetry of form, open spaces and the horse as the embodiment of the spirit in nature." So, visit the Book Nook any Saturday (10:00 – 2:00) this summer and enjoy this captivating collection of extraordinary art.

While you are there you might want to enjoy complementary refreshments and buy a book or two! All proceeds support our Groveland Library.

FOGL NEWS:

- Many kudos and much appreciation to Carmen Anderson and her Summer Reading Program leaders Rebecca Field, Etty Garber, Alice Wycke, Louise Turney, Kathy Leong and Joan Mosby who guided the participants to South America, Asia, North America, Africa, Australia and Antarctica. The participants traveled the world through books, crafts and activities, read lots of books, earned prizes and thoroughly enjoyed themselves!
- The Library now has a selection of hard and paper back books for sale upstairs – so you don't have to wait for Saturday's Book Nook sale to get some summer reading at a bargain price.
- Remember to buy votes for Carmen aka "Groveland Rose", who is FOGL's enthusiastic candidate for Mayor. This is a great fundraiser event for the Library.
- FOGL meets every 4th Tuesday at 2:00 downstairs at the library. NEXT MEETING ON AUGUST 23rd. We welcome visitors. For further information contact Nadine Pedron (962-6953) or email: epedron@att.net.

GRAND MARSHALL'S OF THE 2011 49^{ER} FESTIVAL PARADE

Meet Grand Marshal Hal Mayo

BY RUDY MANZO

Hal Mayo, 89, Pearl Harbor Survivor, joined the Navy after high school at the age of 18. He thought that this would be a great way to see the world and be paid doing it. This was going to be his career and he had no idea what lay ahead of him. Hal was assigned to Patrol Wing 1, which was operating out of a new base, NAS Kaneohe Bay, in Hawaii. They had 36 PBV's, which were assigned to fly patrols over Hawaii.

On December 7, 1941 the base came under attack 3 minutes before Pearl Harbor was hit.

The squadron had 3 aircraft out on patrol and 33 on the ground when the attack began. The Japanese aircraft came in low and the only thing that Hal had was a Colt 45 revolver and he began firing at the planes. When his clip was empty, he and three

other sailors ran to find more firepower. They were able to salvage a 50-caliber machine gun from one of the aircraft. The only problem was they had no ammunition. He ran to the armory and began belting 50-caliber ammo when the hanger about 150 feet away was hit by a bomb. Knowing this was not a good place to be, he took what ammo he had and went back to the area where the sailors had mounted the machine gun on a stack of lumber. The Japanese bombers were out of range and shooting at them would be useless. The base remained on alert for 3 days and finally

on Wednesday they were allowed to return to the barracks, shower and have a good meal.

Hal served as the Crew Chief on a Liberator bomber at several different locations in the Pacific during the war including Midway and Guadalcanal. He returned stateside in 1944 and finished out his tour of duty in Oakland, CA.

He said the happiest day of his Navy career was April 7, 1946 when he was honorably discharged from the Navy.

After being discharged, he enrolled in school to become an aeronautical engineer. This was short lived, as the GI Bill per diem did not cover his cost of transportation, let alone food. He looked for part time work, landed a job in fire protection, and spent the next 34 years as a fire protection inspector. His

last location in this field was at the Las Vegas Convention Center where he was the fire protection engineer and helped write the codes which still govern convention centers nationwide. He currently resides in the Groveland area and lives in Yosemite Vista Estates with his wife of 17 months, Sonja. Hal has 3 children, 9 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

As with most survivors of the events which took place in Hawaii on December 7, 1941 he is very humble about his involvement but, to us, those who were there are all heroes in their own way.



Hal Mayo at home in Groveland in 2011, at top, and above with the crew of the Liberator "Mister 5 by 5" in 1943. (Hal is kneeling second from the right.)

Get To Know Grand Marshal Lee Dunlap

BY RICH STRUHM

Long time Big Oak Flat resident Lee Dunlap has seen a lot in his 90 year life. He is a WWII hero, has been a logger, a sawmill worker and an antique dealer and basically a Lucky Man!

Born in Dumont, Texas, Lee lived in Coolidge, AZ where he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942. He was part of the 104th Infantry known as the Timberwolves

that was the first group sent directly from the United States to land in Normandy. He saw much front line action, taking part in at least five battles including the Battle for Germany where Lee spent a grueling five months locked in combat with German soldiers. During his time in the military Lee had several "close calls" with enemy soldiers and refers to himself as "a lucky man". Such as the time he

stayed with a stranded Jeep while under fire from the Germans. This happened during a battle on the borders of Belgium and Holland, and earned Mr. Dunlap the Bronze Star for his bravery. Or the time that his regiment was near Cologne, Germany and were saved from a marauding German fighter plane by a half-track with anti-aircraft machine guns that just happened to be parked nearby. Luck, is always close by this heroic veteran.

After the war Mr. Dunlap ended up

in Greeley Hill working with his father in the logging industry. He started out driving a horse drawn log wagon. As a logger and sawmill worker he was employed throughout the Mother Lode at various locations. He eventually worked for Snyder Lumber Company of Turlock doing road construction throughout central California. He also helped build

the logging road from Highway 120 into Cherry Valley in the late 1940's and early 1950's. Then, some twenty years later, his son Ron worked on the road from the Tuolumne side to Cherry Valley. Between the two of them they helped create a road from Highway 120 all the way through the Stanislaus National Forest to Tuolumne.

As an antique dealer in Coulterville, Lee became very well

known for accumulating thousands of collectable beer cans. This led to an article in the Los Angeles Times, as well as stories on television and radio, with customers as far away as Italy.

Mr. Dunlap has been blessed with four children, nine grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. This war veteran, father, and hard worker, has certainly seen a lot of changes up here on the hill in his lifetime.



Pictured above are Lee Dunlap (left) and his brother Coy, who joined the Navy and served from 1943-1945, (right).

EDITOR'S NOTE

We would like to extend our appreciation to all who have served and all who serve now. Some sacrificed much. Some sacrificed all. All are appreciated. Thank you for your service.

The Soroptimist Scene

... where fun is a main ingredient for community service

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT



The 2011 Installation of Officers (from L to R): Shirley Brasesco, Jeanne Brunk, Carole Smith, Liz Mattingly, Nadele Manzo, Marilyn Fields, Bonnie Phillips, Judy Michaelis, and Dori Jones

The end of June is a flurry of behind-the-scene activity. The committee chairs presented summaries of the projects and good works provided during the past 12 months. The officers change positions and hand off the information gained over the year to the newly elected members. Since the incoming president is one of the original founders, she knows it ALL. She wrote the book(s). Jeanne Brunk is

always revved up, so all the new committee members are already engaged in planning.

Things that have recently occurred:

Surf's up in the Sierra: This paragraph must wait until the next month, it hasn't happened at the time of this writing. This fundraiser is intended to get us positioned to start providing services

during the coming year. If you missed the party, shame on you – you should consider purchasing lots of raffle tickets at the next fundraiser. *Smile.*

Inauguration: As you can tell, July 1, 2011 is the start of a new year for SIG. President Jeanne Brunk, the new officers and board will get down to work to provide services for women, girls and the Groveland community.

Roast for the Out-going President: Where there is an inauguration, there is a roast of the past president. Sharon Volponi got to see her presidential year in the form of a really clever play that was scripted by Donna Thayer. (There is no end to the fun and creativity of the members – times like this really bring out the playful personalities.) The Groveland mayor, Naughty Nadele, even dropped by for a leading role in the play. Oh yes – Sharon **did** get wet at “the end”.

Good things in the planning phase:

We are **always** planning on bringing services to the Groveland community.

August 2, 2011 we will be looking for a program by Bob and Jan Hatmaker – they will give us an update on the Guatemala project – we just love seeing the newest pictures of our scholarship girls.

August 30 is a scheduled event for social/membership. If any of you readers have been reading this article and – thinking – about learning more about joining Soroptimist. New year; great time to check out our goals and activities.

There are several informative programs in the coming month. Look for us in the 49er parade.

If **YOU** have an interest in helping your community and having a really great time, call Jeanne Brunk. “*Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.*” – *Helen Keller*. It is never too late to join in on the fun.

Mexican Corn Bread

RECIPE PROVIDED BY TOM KNOTH AND PAULA MARTELL

My first experiences with corn bread have been pretty disappointing. It has usually been pretty dry and needed to be smothered with butter to be made palatable. That all changed when I tried Paul Weaver's cornbread. Paula and I were at Paul's home for dinner one night and he was excited to serve us his corn bread; I think he said that he got the recipe from an attorney friend. We put on our best act to show our enthusiasm to taste his dish (which we were not at all excited to try), and low and behold, we loved it! It was surprisingly moist and so incredibly tasty!

Paul Weaver has been one of our local treasures for the last few years. He recently sold his fishing lodge in

British Columbia and smartly transplanted to PML for retirement. Paul has a very fascinating background in publishing, sailing, and much more, and we have been fortunate to become very good friends with him, and to be graced with some of his great recipes. If you are not a corn bread fan, forget about all cornbread that you have tried before, and try this recipe. You won't be disappointed!

INGREDIENTS

2 Large Eggs
2/3 Cup Safflower Oil
1/2 Cup Sour Cream
1 - 15 oz can Creamed Corn
2 Tbsp Onion, minced
1 - 7 oz can Ortega Green Chiles,

finely chopped
1-1/2 Cups Yellow Cornmeal
2 Tbsp Baking Powder
1/4 lb Cheddar Cheese, grated

Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. Oil a 9 x 11.5 inch baking dish. Mix together the eggs, safflower oil, sour cream, and creamed corn. Mix in onions and chiles (add some finely minced jalapenos if you want a spicier corn bread). Mix the dry ingredients (but not the cheese) together and then mix with the wet mixed ingredients quickly, leaving a few lumps.

Place half of the mixture in the oiled baking dish, and then cover with all of the shredded cheese; then top with remaining corn



bread mixture.

Cook for 45 minutes or until done; cool 10 minutes.

Tom Knoth and Paula Martell of “Two Little Pigs BBQ Catering” host monthly cooking demonstrations at PML Lake Lodge; information on upcoming classes can be found in the “Community Calendar” section of PML News.

The Dead Sea, Afghanistan, and a Comic Pilot

BY SRA JAMES CROUSE, USAF

What a busy month. Being part of the world's strongest Air Force is a tough gig sometimes, but somebody has to do it. Since I wrote last I've been places here that I didn't know would be so much fun. I was fortunate enough to spend a week in Amman, Jordan with the best set of aircrew and Ravens ever. That, of course, is personal opinion. I have to say though, our pilots, crew chiefs and loadmasters were the most down to Earth people I've met on this trip and they welcomed us with open arms. Together, a total of 9 of us packed into a van/shuttle thing and rode along for 2 hours to the Dead Sea.

I know it sounds weird, but if you

ever find yourself wanting to head to Jordan, visit the Dead Sea. It's the lowest point in the world, being about 410 meters below sea level. The salt content is so high in the Dead Sea that nothing can live in the water, so when I was floating around I wasn't afraid something was going to come up and eat me. Believe it or not, that is a regular fear I have.

I've seen a lot of this part of the world and I never realized how beautiful it was. The 9 of us were lounging in the water, in silence, as we stared across the beautiful landscape into Israel and the ancient city of Jericho. We all were floating on our backs in the sea because it is nearly impossible to sink due to the



SRA James Crouse

amount of salt in the water. On the way to the Dead Sea we also drove by some of the most mesmerizing views I have ever seen. Awesome mountains, olive farms and we even went past the Baptism Site for Christ. It was an experience that I will never forget.

Being over here isn't just about going to see historic sites and eating native food that upsets your stomach for days on end, we have to work sometimes. In 5 days, I was at 4 different bases in Afghanistan. The same great crew I had before thought it would be funny, since I was sleeping on the plane, to do a combat landing into some hole in the

amount of salt in the water.

On the way to the Dead Sea we also drove by some of the most mesmerizing views I have ever seen. Awesome mountains, olive farms and

wall camp in Afghanistan. I felt myself floating above my seat long enough to freak out and then we landed. I hit the floor instead of my seat and when the pilot hit the brakes, I slid up about 15 feet towards the front of the plane. I will never sleep on a C-17 ever again, no matter who is flying it. Everyone thought it was just so funny, I did too, but that's beside the point.

Landing back here safely and wide awake was a great feeling. I lugged my weapons, gear and personal bags back to their respective homes and waited for the next trip. I can't wait to get back home to Groveland and just hang out. I've worked myself to the bone the past 3 years and I would like to sit among family and friends. I'll be back in town soon to see my friends, give my Papa a hard time about him being old and torment my Nan when she's cooking dinner. Should be a great time.

Pick Your Candidate in the 2011 49'er Honorary Mayoral Race

BY JAMES (JIM) NAGLE, 2011 HONORARY MAYOR CHAIRPERSON



Kalamity Kay, aka Kay Graves



Risky Haybay, aka Haley Brower



Goose, aka the Life of the Party, Piano Playing Pooch



Groveland Rose, aka Carmen Tiara



Antonio Bandolero, aka Anthony Trujillo

Groveland's first Honorary Mayor, Kalamity Kay (AKA Kay Graves), has once again thrown her crown into the ring. "I've regained my strength so that I can get back to stompin' the streets and sellin' those bribes! I'm declarin' that I'll surely beat those other candidates and that dog! Piano playing or not – I've got more talent in my little toe than all the other candidates put together." Kalamity Kay is sponsored again this year by the Garrotte Lions Club.

The youngest cadidate, Risky Haybay (AKA Haley Brower), is bringing youth (someone who knows what a computer is and how to use it!) and vitality back into the Old Mayor Race. Risky Haybay is professing, "It's about time to elect a young person as Mayor – someone with fresh, new ideas, and bring back some liveliness to this old town by having a youngster in the Mayor's seat." Haley is sponsored by Tenaya Elementary School, and is sure to have all the youth of Groveland and Tuolumne County bribing for her.

2010 Deputy Mayor Goose is back – 'playin the piani' for his bribes. Switching parties again, just like every dad-gum politician today, Goose professes that he is pounding the ivories and directing his campaign staff to sell them-thar bribes for "the life-of-the-party and the one-and-only, piano-playing pooch." Goose is being sponsored this year by the Pine Cone Performers.

Groveland Rose (AKA Carmen Tiara) has jumped into the race. She states that her claim to fame is, "I am the only candidate who is a true citizen of Groveland. Born at 11878 Ponderosa Lane (now a historical building), I claim my 49'er heritage as a "Daughter of Joy" and an unknown grubstaker. Groveland Rose is sponsored by Friends of the Groveland Library.

The handsome and debonair (so he professes) Bandito Antonio Bandolero (AKA Anthony Trujillo), has thrown his Sombrero onto the stump to become the 2011 Honorary Mayor. The handsome bandolero bandito is being sponsored by the 49'er Little League.

Hoot and holler for your candidate and be ready for political shenanigans, profound promises and extreme hilarity. Remember to support your favorite candidate by buying bribes (raffle tickets) so they can be crowned Honorary Mayor and get all the perks that go with the job! (*Shhh, There aint none!*)



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EXCEL 1 Class At The Little House!

BY LUCI MORRIS TYNDALL

Have you heard others talking about how they're using spreadsheets to keep track of some personal information, like tracking expenses or managing their holiday card list? Maybe you've thought about how nice it would be to have a spreadsheet to compare expenses for picking your next travel spot? Or perhaps you've just wanted to learn how to create a simple formula. Whether you've never used Excel, or are a beginner who wants to learn a little bit more, here's your chance to learn...locally. So block out either Thursday, 8/11 or Wednesday, 8/17.

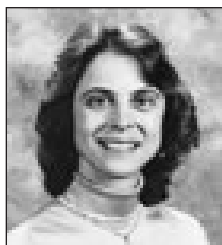
The class will start with an explanation of what Excel is and what you might want to use it for. Then you'll fill in a spreadsheet, learn some shortcuts, add up one column and average another. Tips for managing Excel files will be offered, including simple formulas for numbers and how to build a database with Excel.

Classes will be taught at The Little House by Barbara Broad using laptop computers donated to GAINS. What a great collaborative effort! Barbara has been teaching adult classes in Excel, Word, and PowerPoint for 12 years. The class is free.

As noted above, there are two dates to choose from but space is limited to 10 people per class, so sign up early. You can register for the class by sending an e-mail to info@thelittlehouse.org or leaving a message on the answering machine at The Little House. The number is 962-7303. In either case, please provide your name, contact information, and the class you are registering for.

Dates and times are Thursday, August 11th from 2:00 to 4:00 OR Wednesday, August 17th from 10:00 to 12:00. The instructor will stay for an hour afterwards for questions and more help.

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Tenaya Parent Preschool Now Enrolling

BY NEVA

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2nd Annual ITSA Film Festival

BY CHRISTINA WILKINSON

Our inaugural year for the Festival last year consisted of screening 25 films from local film students as well as films from independent filmmakers who are based outside of the area. This year during our 2 day event, we expect to show about 50 short films and animations in Groveland and Sonora. The films have already started coming in from filmmakers as far as Australia! Expect to watch films in the following genres: western, comedy, drama, animation, sci-fi, documentary and music videos.

This year's festival takes place on September 30 and October 1, 2011. On opening night, several individuals who have worked in the film industry are included in a panel style discussion. Everyone can ask questions and enjoy a buffet dinner at Mountain Sage in a beautiful outdoor setting. Open-

ing night is not just for filmmakers; festival-goers are certain to enjoy being part of this fun event too.

Starting at 10:30 am on Saturday, October 1, 2011, film enthusiasts and filmmakers can screen films at the Opera Hall in Sonora, the Community Hall in Groveland or at another to be announced location in Sonora. You'll embark on this cerebral event of discovering talent, watching imaginations come alive and having a good time. We're also having audience participation during each block of movies because we'd like for the public to vote for their favorite film in each genre they screen. We'll be announcing the peoples' favorites on our website during the week following the Festival.

Both Sonora venues are expected to screen 5 of the 7 genres and the Groveland venue is screening all 7

of the genres. Festival-goers are able to purchase tickets for the entire 2 days, opening night, closing night, for all venues, individual venues or just a genre of film. Closing night takes place at Mountain Sage in Groveland where the 7 "Best of Show" films from each genre are being shown a second time – revealing who our 2011 ITSA Film Festival Winners are – and awards are being handed out to the winning filmmakers who are attending the festival.

The ITSA Film Festival is not just any film festival. It's about discovering the gold or in this case, 'the stars' not only on film but behind the camera. We take great pride in not being about the competition, but about celebrating some of the best short films and animations in the world, right here in Tuolumne County.

So whether you're submitting one of your own films or coming out and just screening, there's something that is sure to appeal to everyone.

The ITSA Film Festival is sponsored in part by the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce, Hotel Charlotte, Sabre Design, DisenchantedProductions.com, Facing West Productions and the Connections Academy Film Club. If you're interested in being a volunteer for the Festival, please call Christina at 209-962-0342.

For more information on tickets, venues and films that are showing, visit www.ITSAFilmFestival.com and don't forget to LIKE us at www.Facebook.com/ITSAFilmFestival.

Depression

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD, MFT

Depression is the most common mental illness in America. It is more than just the blues. It occurs when the feelings that accompany sadness or grief linger and interfere with a person's ability to carry on daily life or enjoy activities that previously brought pleasure.

Depression is not limited to specific times and places because it is a reaction to stress. It is a negative mood that can occur to anyone. Many people are not aware that they have depression. They confuse it with ordinary unhappiness. Everyone experiences circumstances in his/her life that cause some unhappiness. To be unhappy is to be sad or discontent when things go wrong, it does not cause a loss of perspective. One man said it this way, "When my wife and I have an argument, I am unhappy about it. I don't like it but it is a part of living. We make up in a short time and I can sleep okay and am in good spirits." Being depressed, on the other hand, is a mood which affects a person's basic emotional disposition.

There are popular misconceptions about depression as a mental illness. Some people still regard it as a mark

of weakness which gives them a sense of embarrassment, so the signs of depression are ignored.

Depressive reactions can be generally divided into 2 forms: acute or chronic. Acute depression is a short-lived, intense, painful, change of mood and is directly related to the event or situation causing it. Another man declared, "I loved my job but one day I was called into the boss' office and told that due to a financial setback in the company I was being transferred to a lower position and there would be a minimal cut in my pay. I was shocked and went home feeling like a failure. When I talked about it with my wife we agreed that it wasn't the best thing that could have happened but I still had a job. After a sleepless night worrying about my finances I realized that it wasn't the end of the world. I grumbled for a while but eventually got over it."

The signs of chronic depression are similar to acute depression, only more so: low self esteem, insomnia, high degree of sensitivity to criticism, withdrawal, difficulty in making decisions and a tendency to put things off. Acute depression can change

into chronic depression when the signs don't go away in a reasonable amount of time and the symptoms become more intense with feelings of hopelessness, lack of self worth, persistent worrying, and thoughts of doing personal harm. Marital problems, financial difficulties, sexual frustration and many other problems become paramount. Chronic depression is a serious mental illness. It robs people from fulfilling their dreams and having a happy life. It can be life threatening.

"When I'm depressed", a young woman reported, "it hurts all over. I can't sleep or eat and have no interest in my family. It colors the way I look at everything. I have no energy to deal with problems at my work, my marriage seems hopeless and I have a total loss of self confidence. I feel empty."

Some depressions seem to be the result of a poorly functioning brain. These depressions are treated biochemically. Many new and more effective antidepressants are available with fewer side effects. Antidepressant drugs are not addicting in the usual sense; the patient does not crave them

when they are withdrawn. Medication is not given as an instant cure. It is administered so that the patient can explore the causes of the depression and learn new coping skills to combat it. In the case of chronic depression medication alone is not enough. Both acute and chronic depression need to be accompanied with psychotherapy. It is important to work with a trusted professional therapist who understands, empathizes and has the counseling skills to guide the process.

If you have 5 or more of the following symptoms for 2 weeks or more, you could have clinical depression and should seek help. The earlier the treatment, the more effective the outcome: 1. Persistent sadness 2. Sleeping too much or too little 3. Reduced appetite with weight loss or increased appetite with weight gain 4. Loss of pleasure and interest in activities you once enjoyed 5. Restlessness, irritability 6. Chronic pain or digestive disorders 7. Difficulty concentrating, remembering or making decisions 8. Loss of energy 9. Feeling helpless, hopeless or worthless 10. Thoughts of suicide or death.

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Hospice of the Sierra to Offer Two Support Groups in August

BY GAIL WITZLSTEINER, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT
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Hospice of the Sierra will host two upcoming grief support groups to meet on 10 consecutive Thursdays, beginning August 11, to be offered from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The free grief support groups provide a safe and supportive environment for people grieving the loss of a loved one, and will be held at Hospice of the Sierra, 20100 Cedar Rd. N. in Sonoma. Pre-registration is required. For more information and registration, call Judy Myers at 536-5687.

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1,200 employees, and 160 volunteers, Sonora Regional Medical Center is the largest private employer in Tuolumne County. For more information, visit www.sonoramedicalcenter.org. To find a physician in the area, contact the Physician Referral Line at (209) 536-3344.

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Quilters' Corner

BY SANDY SMITH

As I write this, we are in Sisters, Ore. We are attending Quilters Affair the week before the big show. For those of you who don't know this is a time to attend classes and spend a whole week learning, laughing, eating and enjoying just everything! Sisters coffee house has wonderful frozen lattes. ...yum...and the whipped cream is homemade! Then on Saturday is the Outdoor Quilt Show. They will be hanging over 1300 quilts this year. That is mind boggling, can you even imagine it? AWESOME!!

Now as I promised, comments overheard during our wonderful Quilt Stroll: WONDERFUL - ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS - A MOST DELIGHTFUL AFTERNOON - A REAL TREAT - CAN'T BELIEVE WE CHOSE THIS WEEK-END TO VISIT YOSEMITE, OUTSTANDING EVENT - OUR TOWN LOOKS AMAZING and from my favorite "ladies in leather" WOW! THIS IS SO COOL.

I think the question most asked of me was "Do you do this every year?"

It is a lot of work but worth every minute of it, don't you agree? Good Job everyone, especially Jan Sloan and Susan Fisher !!!!!

The August Pine Needlers Guild meeting will be Tuesday the 16th, at 6 p.m., under the library. Come on down and see what we are all about. We have a great show and tell each month. It is exciting to see what everyone does with their fabric choices. All this and cookies too!

Thursday the 18th of Aug. is the Block Party date. We will be at Deana's putting together quilt kits and "making ready to tie" several tops. We would love you to come and help. If you can, please bring a sewing machine or a rotary cutter, or both. We have everything else. See you at one, then we usually leave around 3:30 or 4.

Enjoy your family and friends this summer, see you on the 16th.

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The Big Groveland 49er Festival, September 17th

BY JUDI WILKINSON

Mark your calendar, stake out your parade viewing spot, and get your taste buds primed for the chili. This is the “not to be missed” event of the year.

Do you love the parade and festival - but hate the parking hassle? There will be a shuttle provided to take you from the Tenaya Elem. School parking lot to the park and back again. We thought of everything to make your festival experience a great one.

When it comes to the parade - are you a watcher or a marcher? There are still a few spots open if you want to enter the parade. The deadline to sign up is September 1st so you have a little time to make up your mind, but don't wait too long as the parade is limited to only 50 entries. The theme this year is “Olden Days are Golden Days” so start thinking of what you can do to follow the theme, strut your stuff and maybe even win a trophy. It is fun, fun, fun whether you are walking, riding, driving or watching.

The parade starts with a flyover at 8:45 AM and the entries walking, riding or driving down Hwy 120 at 9 AM; then follow the end of the parade right down into the park for live music, the chili contest, many varied and interesting vendors, a dunk tank, the kid's area, museum exhibits & movies, fly fishing demonstration, raffle, live auction and silent auctions; gold panning, a petting zoo, pony rides and, of course, food, beer, wine and soft drinks. That is if you have room after sampling all the different chili entries. There is definitely something for everyone at this year's festival.

Have you bought your bribes yet? Bribes are \$1 each and can be purchased from any Honorary Candidate. Who will you be voting for - the adorable “Risky Haybay” sponsored by Tenaya Elem. School; the irrepressible “Goose, the piano playing dog” sponsored by The Pine Cone Performers; the lovely “Groveland Rose” sponsored by Friends of the Groveland Library; the debonair and charming “Antonio Bandolero” sponsored by the 49er Little League; or the first lady of Groveland “Kalamity Kay” sponsored by the Garrotte Lions? Buy your bribes now; results will be revealed at the Festival on September 17th.

The bribe money all goes to very good causes and gets you raffle tickets for some fantastic prizes including: a

one night stay at Best Western Sonora Oaks and cash prize of \$100 from Black Oak Casino; dinner for two at Seven Sisters Black Oak Casino; two nights stay and dinner for two at The Evergreen Lodge; lobster dinner for two at The Hotel Charlotte; a custom necklace & earring set by Jackie Sample; \$50 worth of Barbara J's spices; a Nintendo - Wii game system from the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce; a tool box - full of tools from Valley Distributors of Turlock. Complete list can be found at www.yosemitechamberofcommerce.com.

There are some fabulous items being auctioned off - need a new front door? a 36” fiberglass clad Exterior Door valued at \$500 donated by Steve & Cindy Watts of Hilltop Homes could be on your home; or how about starting a family heirloom for your family with a stunning grandfather clock donated by

Victor & Lynn of the Hotel Charlotte; like to cook outdoors? then this deluxe \$500 BBQ Grill donated by Lowes is just what you need to bid on; do you need a way to occupy the kids (or the grown-up kids)? then bid on this nearly new \$1200 Foosball Game donated by Pat Moal. Auctions are a lot of fun, especially when the items up for bid are so fantastic and varied.

We would like to thank and recognize all our wonderful sponsors who make this event possible. Platinum Sponsors: The Hotel Charlotte - Victor & Lynn; Sabre Design - David & Christina Wilkinson; Yosemite Pines RV; J & D Foods; Evergreen Lodge; Black Oak Casino; Rabobank. Gold Sponsors: Hilltop Homes - Steve & Cindy Watts; Re/Max Yosemite Gold - Lauree Borup; Helping Hands; Lowes; Yosemite Region Resorts. Silver Sponsors: Coldwell Banker

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A hearty thank you to all of the people who have donated items for our raffle and auctions; your generosity is greatly appreciated. Donations are still being accepted. Please contact Cindy Watts at 209-986-7755 or email her at cindy.watts@att.net if you have items to donate.

The festival committee would also like to give a big thank you to Two Guys Pizza for the use of their establishment for our last meeting, and for the delicious pizza after the meeting.

49er 2011 Parade Rules. Please Read And Save These Rules And Guidelines

WE MUST follow Cal Trans and local law enforcement agencies guidelines for the Parade.

RULES:

All entries MUST register at the Yosemite Bank registration table no later than 8 a.m.

1. NO PARKING is allowed in the Parade staging area at Yosemite Bank
2. Horse trailers MUST park at the Medical Clinic (entrance is to the left of Mountain Sage)
3. For horse entries: No trailers allowed at Yosemite Bank. Horses and riders only.
4. You'll receive your parade placement number and line-up map at the registration table.
5. IN ADDITION TO RIDERS, ALL HORSE ENTRIES MUST HAVE A WALKER TO LEAD THE HORSE. If no lead is present, they will be unable to participate.
6. Children's entries must be accompanied by an adult

7. Floats cannot be wider than 8 feet
8. Absolutely no throwing or distribution of any candy, flyers, balloons or any other objects during the parade.
9. The last entry must leave Yosemite Bank by 10 a.m.

PARADE ROUTE RULES:

1. Entering and exiting of parade entries must be done at designated areas as outlined below:
 - a. VEHICLES will exit parade left at Ferretti Road
 - b. WALKERS will exit parade at Mary Laveroni Park
 - c. HORSES and other animal entries will exit parade at the last (eastern most) entrance to Mary Laveroni Park and wait until parade is over. At the end of the parade, horses and riders will take horses up Back Street (between Iron Door and Groveland Hotel) to Powder House Rd. to the trailers in the Medical Clinic. Horses CAN-NOT go further down 120 (Main Street) than Back Street.

2. ALL ANIMAL entries must clean up waste.
3. The Parade is limited to ONE LANE ONLY and all directions and instructions given by traffic control or parade staff must be abided by.

There will be parade and traffic control staff at all locations of exit.

PARADE WINNERS will be announced and trophies will be awarded at 1:00 p.m. at the Main Stage in Mary Laveroni Park.

The entry form can be found on the Chamber website, www.yosemitechamberofcommerce.com; click on the 49er Festival button; Forms/Apps at the top of the page; Parade Entry Form on the left side of the page. Questions can be directed to Linda Struhm at struhm@sbcglobal.net or call 209-962-0278.

Applications must be received no later than September 1st., 2011 - Additional information at www.groveland.org.

Medical Center Announces New Chief Financial Officer

BY GAIL WITZLSTEINER, DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC RELATIONS

Sonora Regional Medical Center has named Andrew Jahn as vice president and chief financial officer, according to Jeff Eller, president and CEO. Jahn replaces Dave Larsen who was promoted to chief financial officer for the Adventist Health Central Valley Network.

Jahn will assume his new role beginning August 8, 2011, and will oversee several departments at the Medical Center including accounting, budget and reimbursement, materials management, patient financial services, information services and clinical engineering.

"I am excited to have a new CFO with Andrew Jahn's caliber of experience," said Eller. "He will continue our tradition of sound fiscal management while working to expand services and programs to meet the health care needs of our community."

Jahn has been the director of finance for Shawnee Mission Medical Center, a 445-bed hospital in Kansas, serving the Johnson County and greater Kansas City area. At Shawnee Mission, Jahn's responsibilities included serving as the fiscal officer for the Shawnee Mission Physician Group, a 65-physician group practice. His accomplishments include the development of a 75,000-square-foot outpatient facility as well as structuring and securing funding for several joint venture projects including an ambulatory surgery and endoscopy center, an oncology clinic, a pain medicine program and a \$42 million women's & children's hospital tower.

Jahn also organized and launched Shawnee Mission's first dedicated performance improvement department, leading to improvements in several areas of the hospital and boosting physician, patient and employee satisfaction. Previously Jahn has worked for the Florida Division of Adventist Health System and for Florida Hospital in Orlando, Fla. Jahn received his Masters in Business Administration with Emphasis

in Healthcare Administration from the University of Central Florida. He received his undergraduate degree in Finance and Accounting from Union College in Lincoln, NE. "My family and I are looking forward to being part of the Sonora community" says Jahn. "I'm also excited about the opportunity to contribute to the Medical Center's mission." Jahn will relocate to Sonora with his wife Marlena and their three young sons.

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Groveland Hotel August Adventures and Happiness Happens

BY JONI GERKING

August is both American Adventures Month and Happiness Happens Month. I don't know about you, but I'd like to take advantage of some of those Happiness Adventures!

The Groveland Hotel's Cellar Door Restaurant and Saloon is offering Happy moments for those who love the taste of Key Lime Pie in a martini. Peggy swears it tastes exactly like her favorite pie. Come in and order your new favorite from their new Martini Menu!

If you are all about the bands, the Johnny Cash Tribute coming up on Friday, August 19 at 8:00 p.m. is one of those Happiness Adventures you will want to see. James Garner and the band were here a couple of years ago. They gave a truly superb performance at our own Yosemite Courtyard Cabaret. Since then they have moved right up the charts with the big tribute shows.

One reviewer says, "James Garner and his band delivered an outstanding and heartfelt tribute to Johnny Cash, complete with interesting anecdotes and stories from Cash's early and later years that many of us had never heard before. Jim's voice and the music were so true to Johnny's style." – The Imagination Theatre

Even those who plan to not like the show come away singing a different tune! "I don't like tribute bands. They seem to make a buck off of someone else's efforts and fame. I expected (James Garner) to walk on stage and say in a gravelly voice, 'Hi, I'm Johnny Cash.'" (This) band is completely different. When I saw you last Saturday... I was awestruck by your sincerity. I really like Johnny Cash's music. You guys LOVE it. And it shows through in your performance. Thank you for sharing your passion." - Jim Gundell

This show is a Top Ticket show for good reason, and this band provides

a definitely "must see" performance! Get your tickets now for the Johnny Cash Tribute! Ticket prices range from \$26 for premium seating to \$19. Make your reservations for dinner and a show and bring your favorite dancing partner, because August 19 is a perfect night to meet "The Man in Black!"

Get tickets by phone: 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314, via email: guestservices@groveland.com or from Brown Paper Tickets at: www.brownpapertickets.com/event/175096. Check out the Cash Tribute's video, find the seating chart and specific ticket prices all at: www.groveland.com.

The Perfect Gentlemen give the final concert for the Yosemite Courtyard Cabaret's 2011 season on Friday, September 9. Although these Gents are new to gold country, they have rave reviews from Los Angeles to London and just about every place in between!

A typical performance by The Perfect Gentlemen includes marvelous melodious music mingled with masterful mirth, mischief, and merry-making. The group's signature piece, Salute to the 20th Century, is a humorous take on the de-evolution of music over the last century, singing the same song in the style of the 1920s Barbershop quartet, Dixieland, Blues, Big Band, Doo-Wop, Bluegrass, Disco, Techno Punk, and Rap with visual delights for all ages. From Flappers to Rappers, humor and melody are on the playbill! Find tickets by calling 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314. Email: guestservices@groveland.com. Online go to: www.groveland.com/events or <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/175115>.

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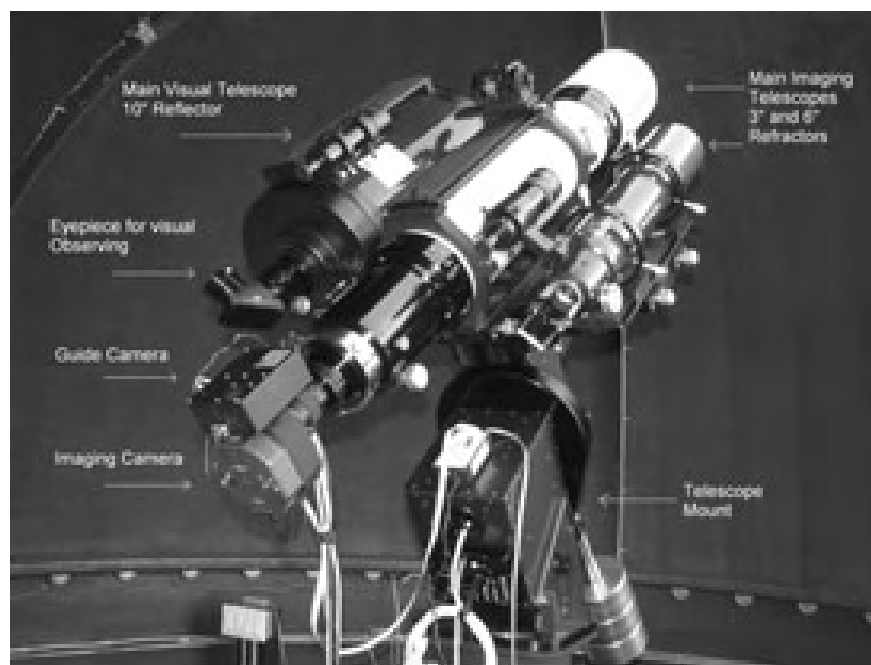
BY EDDIE PAVLU, WWW.GROVELANDASTRO.COM

This month, August 2011, marks the 4th anniversary of these articles being printed in the PML Newsletter. The first article, about our galaxy the Milky Way, was printed in August 2007. I thought it might be interesting to explain the process that I use to take these photographs.

My imaging session usually begins just before sunset when I open the dome to the observatory. There are many pieces to the setup that I use. First there is the telescope mount. The telescope mount is securely attached to a permanent pier and is the part of the system that tracks the sky and must be precisely aligned to avoid tracking errors. It is connected to a computer and with the aid of an alignment routine (described in more detail later in this article) - the mount knows where it is pointed in the sky. Because the images that I take are long exposures, precise tracking of the telescope is critical as tracking errors quickly elongate stars in a photograph and then they look oblong or like streaks. The main telescope, referred to as the imaging scope, attaches to the mount. The imaging scope is where I attach the imaging camera. Because of the precise tracking requirements, I also use another camera that is attached to the imaging telescope. This camera is called a guide camera. I use the guide camera to correct any tracking errors by focusing on a star, called a guide star. By placing a guide star in the "cross-hairs" of the guide camera, small adjustments can be made to the mount tracking. The guide camera, which is attached to a computer, sends electronic signals to the mount to make the small corrections needed to ensure precise tracking of the sky.

Because the equipment is in an observatory and the mount is attached to a permanent pier, the mount only needs to be polar aligned if I make changes to the setup. Without going into a complicated discussion of polar alignment, let's just say that parts of the telescope must be pointed precisely at Earth's North Celestial Pole. The Earth rotates around its poles (north and south) making one revolution each day - approximately 24 hours. This rotation can be seen by noting the change in position of celestial objects in the sky. Most notably during the day is our Sun, and in the night, our Moon. The stars and other celestial objects move across the sky in much the same way as the sun and moon. For people in the northern hemisphere, which would include the

residents of Groveland, there is one point in the sky that doesn't appear to move. It doesn't appear to move because this is the North Celestial Pole, the point in the sky around which all the stars seen from the northern hemisphere rotate. The North Star, also called Polaris, is located almost exactly at this point in the sky. If you go out at night and find the North Star you will notice that it doesn't move during the course of the night, while all the other stars do move, they rotate counter-clockwise around the North Star (from east to west - think about the sun rising in the east and setting in the west). It's similar to spinning a basketball at the end of your finger; the point where your finger contacts the basketball is almost stationary as



the rest of the ball rotates around it. This alignment of the telescope with the North Celestial Pole is critical to taking long exposure photographs of the sky.

Once the telescope system is polar aligned, I need to align the mount to its geographic location. This is done by pointing the telescope to several known stars in the sky. The mount has a database of celestial objects and it can "learn" its exact location by referencing this database with the position of the stars. This alignment routine, similar to the polar alignment process, does not need to be repeated unless I make changes in the setup. Now the mount can point the telescope to any object in the sky that I want to image.

The next piece of equipment in the process is the imaging camera. I use a special digital camera designed exclusively for astrophotography. This camera is very specialized and may be a good topic for a future article. The imaging chip in the camera is cooled to reduce the noise in long exposures. The camera attaches directly to the telescope where the eyepiece (the part of the telescope that you look into) is normally located. In this way, the telescope becomes a very big lens for the camera. Focusing the camera can be a difficult process because the telescope needs to be focused manually by turning the focus knob on the telescope to move the camera whichever way is appropriate to achieve focus. I focus the camera by tak-



that I photograph are so faint that you can't see them visually when you look through a telescope. Astrophotography is used to reveal what the human eye can't see. Today's digital camera sensors have the benefit of acting like a bucket that collects photons (light) - the longer the exposure, the more light (color and details) that's captured and displayed in the photograph. Long exposures from these cameras can capture light far too faint for our unaided eyes to see.

Once it's dark enough and the camera is focused, it's time to take some photographs. I take many separate photographs with exposure times as short as 15 seconds and as long as 30 minutes. Then, all the individual photographs are aligned and digitally "stacked" one on top of another to create the final image. It is this long exposure alignment and stacking technique that creates an image with the level of detail visible in the photographs that have been printed in this newsletter. Depending on how faint the object is that I'm photographing, the total exposure time of the images that I stack have been over 12 hours. In this case, I will take photographs over several evenings to create the final image. Processing all the individual images to create the final image typically takes 60 to 80 hours.

Printed with this article is a photograph of my astrophotography setup. The telescope mount, which moves the telescope and tracks whatever I happen to be photographing, is attached pier. Only the very top of the pier can be seen in this photograph. There are 2 main imaging telescopes that I use, a 3" and a 6" refractor. In this photograph, the image and guide cameras are attached to the larger 6" refractor. I also have a 10" reflector telescope attached to the mount that is used as a visual telescope. This visual telescope has an eyepiece that allows observing without disturbing the imaging camera setup.

Please visit my on-line astrophotography gallery at www.GrovelandAstro.com to view many of my images.

ing a quick image of a star, downloading the image to a computer, magnifying the image for greater detail, and making small adjustments to the telescope focus knob until the image is perfectly focused. I am currently experimenting with a computer controlled motor on the focus knob of the telescope. This will allow the use of an automated focus routine to take exposures to find the best focus for the camera.

Once the camera is focused I can point the telescope to the position in the sky that I want to photograph and take some short (about 2 to 5 minute) exposures to confirm that it's pointed in the right place and to frame the object in the center of the photograph. It's important to remember that many of the celestial objects



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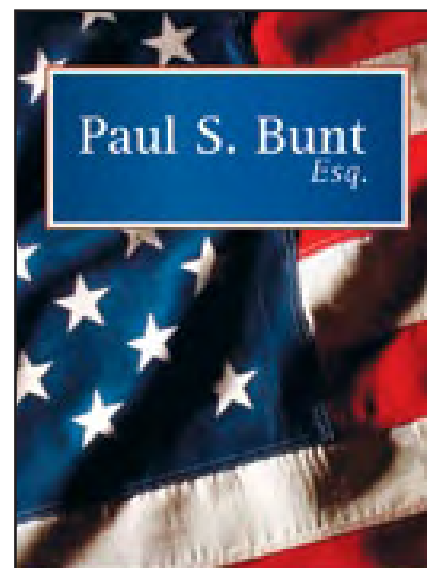


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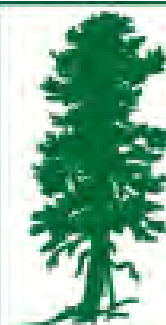
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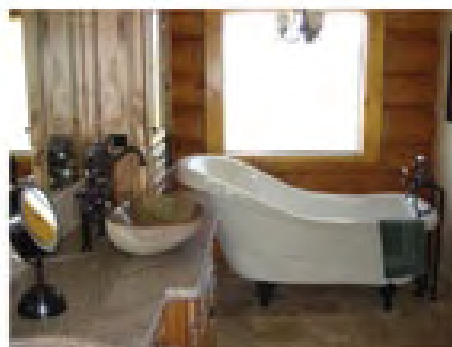
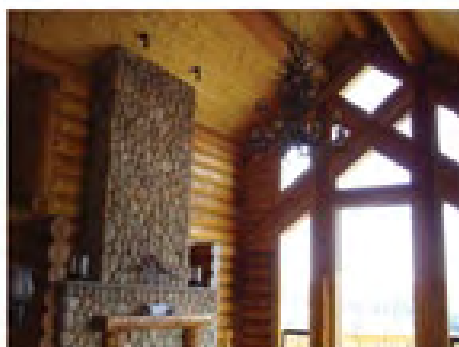
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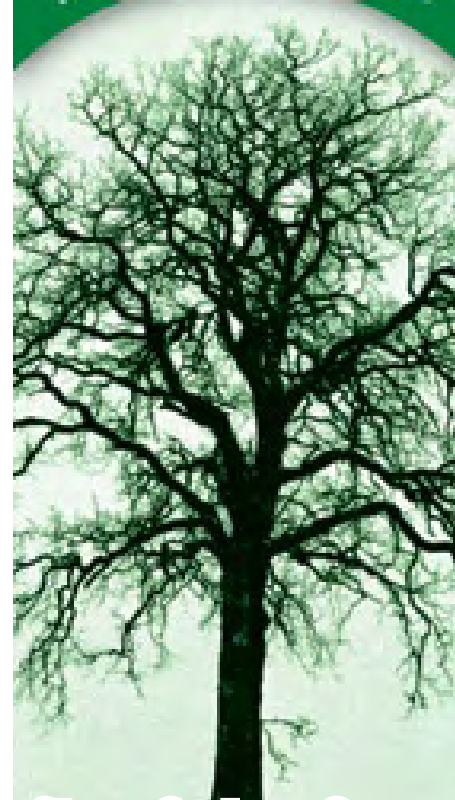
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BY JOYCE SMITH

What does summertime mean to you? Vacation, families coming to visit, grandchildren coming for a stay. Here at Helping Hands it means all that for us plus, we get to see an endless stream of tourists coming through, both foreign and stateside. It is an interesting time to be in downtown Groveland with so many people passing through on their way to see our famous neighbor, Yosemite Park. Aren't we the lucky ones to live here?

— We hope you will bring your guests into Helping Hands. It seems everyone enjoys a trip to our store while they are here. It really is a fun place to browse and seldom does anyone leave without a bag of something. We have something for everyone. Did the grandkids forget a sweatshirt or sweater? Not to worry, we have something to keep them warm. Plus, we even have bridal gowns if you know someone who is looking for one. We really do have a good assortment of summer wear, you name it, we might have it. We have games, books, puzzles, toys and our prices are right. Come in and buy some "dress-up clothes" for the kids to play in. We even get items we

have to put our heads together to figure out what 'it' is. Our store is an interesting place to come to. Happy summer!

— Due to scheduling conflicts, Karen Dickson, Diane Abdelnour and Elaine Christian have resigned. We will miss each of you and look forward to seeing you in the store shopping from time to time.

— Sandi Graham is our latest Extra Mile Award Winner. Sandi is invaluable to our organization. She is capable of any and all tasks at Helping Hands. She has been our Executive Board Vice President for the past 6 years and a volunteer for over 10 years. She puts in many extra hours in addition to her regularly scheduled days. As was noted in our HH Newsletter: "She is much more than a volunteer. She has Helping Hands running through her blood." Congratulations, Sandi!!

— Hope to see all of you at the Store or Barn.

Movies on the Hill!

BY CHRISTINA WILKINSON

The Yosemite Chamber of Commerce has brought back *Movies in the Park* but it's been rebranded to **Movies on the Hill** because we are showing movies in three different locations throughout 2011/2012 — Mary Laveroni Park, Mountain Sage and during the Winter/Spring months, the Community Center.

Due to legal reasons in our licensing agreement, we are not allowed to print the names of the movies but we are able to list them on the internet. So you can find out the name of each movie with descriptions by visiting MoviesOnTheHill.blogspot.com. We encourage you to also go to IMDB.com to review each movie for parental guidance.

Cost: The Yosemite Chamber of Commerce brings you these quality movies through your generous donations. When you arrive to see each movie, we encourage you to leave a donation so

that we may continue to show movies all year long. *Note: Cost is subject to change without notice.*

SCHEDULE

AUGUST

6 *Comedy*
13 *Romance*
20 **Drama**
27 *Teen/Adult*

SEPTEMBER

3 **Comedy**

DATES IN BOLD are at
Mary Laveroni Park.

Dates in Italics are at
Mountain Sage

Genealogy Workshop

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

From 1790 to 1840 the U.S. Federal censuses listed only heads of household by name and the number of other members of the household between certain specific ages. However, the 1820 census had a column headed "Foreigners not Naturalized." This would be the first record of citizenship indicated on a U.S. Federal census. Citizenship records are also found in the 1830, 1870 and 1900 censuses.

Be careful when interpreting the 1820 census because the age breakdown for the "Free White Male" column is misleading. The headings are men aged under 10, 10 to 16, 16 to 18, 16 to 26, 26 to 45, 45 and over. The problem is the columns headed 16 to 18 and 16 to 26. The government wanted an idea of the number of males that could qualify for military duty so the additional column for males 16-18 was included on the census form. This has caused many a family historian to spend a considerable amount of time hunting for a male that didn't exist or to follow the wrong family because of the age breakdown columns. What is not readily apparent is that any males listed in the 16-18 column are also listed in the 16-26 column.

When working with the census it is a mistake to assume that all the information is correct. Also, not all the youngsters are necessarily the children of the adults with whom they are enumerated or even that the adult woman

is the wife of the head of house and/or mother of the children. Keep in mind too, all people listed in the household may or may not be the nuclear family. They could have been a neighbor, visiting family, laborers, boarders, etc.

Don't assume that a parent is dead simply because he or she isn't on subsequent censuses. That person may have gone to live with adult children who would be listed as the head of household. Lastly, do not assume the head of household was alive at the time of the census. The enumerator's instructions were to list the names of individuals in the household on the official date of the census (7 Aug 1820) not the day of the visit, which could have been as late as 7 Sep 1821. Bear in mind that many people probably couldn't remember who had actually been in their home 13 months before, so the census taker would record the family (as it was remembered.)

Next month's article will be about the Special and State censuses. Until then, if you're interested in researching your family and would like help getting started, or have already done research and would like to meet people who share your interest, please come to our monthly workshops held in the downstairs meeting room of the Groveland Branch Library at 1:00 on the 4th Friday of each month.

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Manzo Kicked Out

BY JOHN BRUNK, GROVELAND ROTARY



Groveland Rotary Club Past-President 2010/11 Rudy Manzo

At the end of every Rotary President's term the Kick-out takes place and this year was no exception. On June 28 at the Grill, The Groveland Rotary kicked out the 2010-11 president, Rudy Manzo.

The event started at the PML Grill with cocktails being served at 5:00 PM. Rudy was seen at the bar preparing himself for what was coming. It was evident that the décor set up by the head table had him somewhat concerned. It was a surgical operating table.

Mr. Manzo, through the years has had, as many of us have, certain parts of his body replaced with stainless steel and nylon, etc. However Rudy was always looking for a deal in the medical field and some of the replacements needed to be repaired or replaced. (you get what you pay for, Rudy) After dinner Nurse Nadele announced that Mr. Manzo needed to report to the University of Mexico at TJ. The three doctors awaited him over at the well lit table to perform the many modifications.

After the help of two interns, while Mr. Manzo was awaiting surgery, the three doctors introduced themselves as The Pep Boys. Manny, the anesthesiologist (Morrison); Moe, the general surgeon (Brunk); and Jack, the brain

surgeon (Burke). The most modern tools were used, great names like Stanley, DeWalt, Makita, Black and Decker, and Milwaukee. Mr. Manzo was brought to surgery in a wheel chair and left on a walker. Ten yards of gauze and two rolls of duck tape and one splint was used in the repair/modification. Dr. Manny used some of Dr. Brunks Crown Royal for the injection. Dr. Jack just drank his vodka out of a nice shiny flask. Dr. Manny toasted our repairs with a Bud Lite.

When the surgery was completed, John Brunk presented the President's plaque and turned the program over to Rudy at which time he applauded the club for an outstanding year. His emotions were visible as he bid his farewells as club president. He then presented Barry Scales, President, with his gavel & pin, and wished him well during his term as President of Groveland Rotary.

I asked Rudy to take out another 100K in insurance...he said no one would insure him. We asked our new president for 2011-12 if, after seeing what can happen in this club, he would be buying more insurance...his answer - just don't touch my hair! Gosh, Barry, thanks for the lead!

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Kids Cook and Hike

BY BARBARA BROAD

Learn how to make your own Chinese egg rolls!...and take an easy hike into The Park for waterfalls! Everyone is welcome and encouraged to sign up. You don't have to be going to school up here or be a regular at the Youth Center. This is for all kids! GAINS is launching FREE activities for all kids between 8 and 18, some field trips and some at the Groveland Youth Center.

On Thursday, August 4, Suzanne Pomeroy will teach them now to make Chinese egg rolls. This starts at noon...so they can make the egg rolls themselves and then have them for lunch! Come and enjoy the fun, and then go home and make egg rolls for your family. Won't that be fun?

On Friday, August 12, our well-known Sierra hike leader, Frank Oyung, will take the kids for an easy, short hike to Carlon Falls, on the South Fork of the Tuolumne River into the west boundary of Yosemite National Park. It's a cool walk without much uphill, but they will see several waterfalls and do some nature study along the way. Some parents can come on this one. First, pick up a permission slip from the Youth Center and bring it to the hike. A parent's signature is required. Meet at the Youth Center at 10 for the short ride to the trail, and carry a day pack for your lunch, a bottle of water, and snacks.

Sign up for one or both of these free activities at the Youth Center, or call 962-7263. Please do sign up so we'll know how

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many are coming! And remember, permission slips are required for the hike. For more information call Mark Watts at the Center or Barbara Broad at 962-7730.

OBITUARY**MERLE IVERSEN HEATH****September 17, 1917 – June 25, 2011**

Pine Mountain Lake Resident, Merle Heath, passed away at Drs. Medical Center in Modesto on June 25. She was 93.

Merle was born to Ingeborg and Anders Iversen in Cedar Falls, Iowa, one of three children and the only girl. Her parents had immigrated from Denmark in 1915. She grew up in Cedar Falls and attended two years at Iowa State Teachers College before she fulfilled her life long dream and went West to California in 1937.

Merle went to work as a secretary in the film industry and then for Hughes Aircraft, witnessing the construction of the Spruce Goose!

In 1940, she met her first husband, Arthur Lewis Vetch, while swimming at the Ambassador Hotel in Hollywood. They married in 1942. They had two children: Valerie Darlyn and Douglas Guy. Merle and Art were divorced in 1947.

In 1950, Merle married Malcolm Stuart MacSween and moved to Taft, CA. Their son, Callum Scott, was born there. In 1956, the family moved to Bakersfield. Merle took a job with Richland Oil Co.,

and also decided to finish her education. 1962 was a banner year for Merle. She graduated from college, parted ties with Malcolm, and got a job with Kern County as a social worker, a job she kept for seventeen years until she retired in 1978.

Merle married her keeper husband, Charlie Heath, in 1977. They lived in Bakersfield, Kern City, Tehachapi, and Santa Maria, then finally discovered Pine Mountain Lake while on a road trip. They fell in love with the location and amenities and bought a house on Cottonwood Rd. in 1986.

Merle and Charles both became active in community affairs. Charlie eventually became nationally known as The Can Man because he raised \$55,000 for the Groveland Library and Museum building collecting aluminum cans. Merle was the thinker and vision maker. After the completion of the library, Merle had the idea and started the ball rolling to create the skate park for the kids of Groveland. She got Charlie involved with collecting cans again. Today there is a plaque at the park

*Merle Iversen Heath*

that reads: Merle and Charlie Heath Skate Park: Dedicated to those with the energy to make the dream come true...Charlie passed away in 2007.

She played bridge with many people in Pine Mt. for years: at the Lodge, at other's homes, and finally when she could no longer drive comfortably, at her home. After Charlie passed, she hosted a weekly Texas Hold 'Em poker group. She always enjoyed having people around her. She loved her Church on Foote St., and the people who she and Charlie had met there

over the years. Merle donated money for chairs so Church in the Park could get started. Many people will remember Merle as a very generous person. She always said, "Money isn't everything and I give a lot of it away."

Merle Heath is survived by her children, Valerie and husband Jerry Caveglia of Hayward, Callum and wife Arlene MacSween of Oak View, and Douglas and wife Sandy Vetch of Central Point OR; seven grandchildren, twins Ian and Malcolm MacSween of Oak View, Doug Vetch II of Lompoc, Anders Vetch, Allie Vetch, twins Richard and Gregory Vetch; her four step-children, Sheila Raymond, Mary White, Margaret Heath, and Mike Heath; seven step-grandchildren; 4 great grand children, and last but not least, her many supportive bridge, poker, and church friends in Groveland, whose friendship and help allowed her to live independently in her home till the end.

A celebration of life will be held at Groveland Christian Church, 18829 Foote St., on Friday, August 5, 2011, at 4 pm.

Donations may be made to a charity of choice. The Neptune Society is handling arrangements.

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The Puppets of Praise are Coming to Groveland for a “Performance in the Park”

BY MARK PITZLIN, DIRECTOR

Everyone is invited to join in the fun at Mary Laveroni Park Saturday evening August 27th, 8:30 PM, when the Puppets of Praise from Walnut Creek come into town to share in their performance version of favorite songs sung on TV’s popular TV show Glee. “Making a Difference” is the theme for their performance. Join these life size puppet characters and their little friends as they entertain and energize the audience with material enjoyed by kids of all ages 1-99. Bring your lawn blankets or chairs and spend about 45 minutes with them, singing and dancing along is greatly encouraged. Special light effects will be shared on their closing numbers, thus the evening show time, and will help bring the extra “FUN” factor for the night. Check them out on their web site www.puppetsof-praiseministry.org. Spread the word, they will be waiting for you.

The “Puppets of Praise” is a Christian based youth puppet ministry team formed in 1982 and is based out of Saint Matthew Lutheran Church



in Walnut Creek with a theater location at St Mark’s Lutheran in Pleasant Hill.

This dedicated group of young people, 5th grade through high school age, (with a few local college kids thrown in) display their energy and faith through the use of puppetry wherever the opportunity presents itself. They have performed throughout California and into the mission fields of Mexico. They have ministered in convalescent homes and senior centers, churches and religious organizations, preschools and schools, homeless and child abuse centers,

Mountain Lutheran Church

BY DOROTHY PARKER

This season has kept us busy with “matching funds” provided by Thrivent Financial. These are programs worked on by adults and young people benefiting the community. They support Special Olympics, provide scholarships, dinners, housing, etc. \$400.00 is their matching fund amount so it provides a lot of incentive to take on these activities.

Among these projects are the South Side Senior Dinners and the Cinco De Mayo dinner and party. The Evangelical Free Church Rummage Sale held on July 8th and 9th was for the Women’s Retreat Scholarship.

The Retreat is September 23rd and 24th at Camp Tuolumne Trails. Thrivent Financial also provided a Pizza Lunch for them during their set-up day.

The Parking Lot Sale, Bake Sale and Luncheon held at Mountain Lutheran

Church on July 22nd and 23rd will benefit Special Olympics and local needs.

The Senior Foothill Residential Care facility had assistance in rebuilding their home thanks to Thrivent Financial.

Bible Study for August is Thursday the 4th and 18th at 1 PM at Mountain Lutheran Church. The study subject is 1st Corinthians and our leader for August is Jean Cox. If you are interested you are very welcome to attend.

The 2nd Mile Giving at Mountain Lutheran Church for July was ELCA’s Disaster Relief. This is a donation to give over and above what you normally give.

Our Worship Service is at 10 AM every Sunday morning. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy our refreshments and fellowship after the service. We are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court just off Ferretti Road in Groveland.

neighborhood parks, and out of the back of a moving truck in Mexico, and their annual Christmas tree lighting entertainment they provide for Jelly Belly Factory in Fairfield. Wherever

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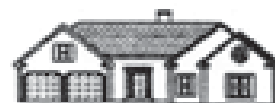
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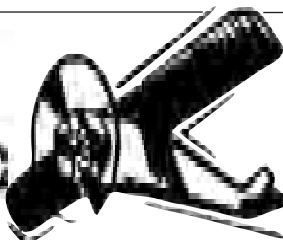
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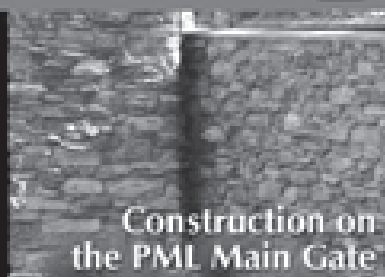
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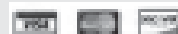
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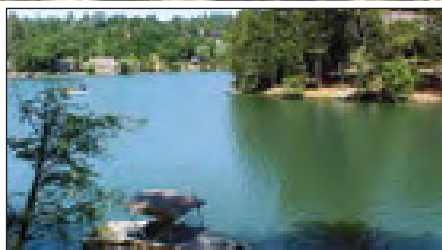
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PMLA LOTS FOR SALE

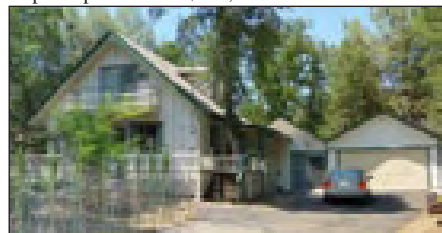
Below is a list of PMLA owned lots for sale:

Unit/Lot Numbers	Street	Asking Price
3/024	Ferretti Rd	\$4,000
3/057	Pine Mtn Dr	\$2,500
5/212	Ferretti Rd	\$2,500
6/057	Cottonwood St	\$3,000
6/118	Ferretti Rd	\$4,000
6/219	Ferretti Rd	\$3,000
7/061	Ferretti Rd	\$4,000
7/283	Ferretti Rd	\$3,000

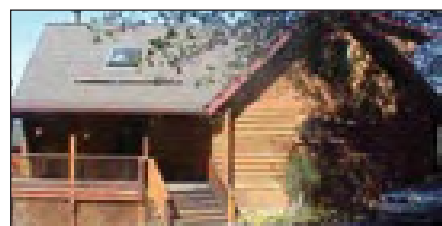
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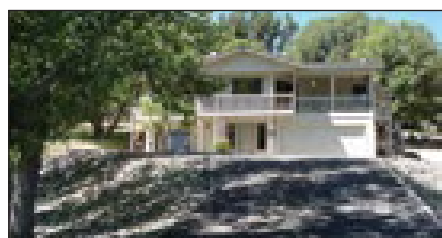
20148 Lower Skyridge ON THE LAKE! Super-clean cabin with boat dock. Wood-beam ceilings, skylights, great room, wood-burning stove and a view of the lake from both levels. Downstairs bonus room has new carpet & paint. OWF. \$499,000 #20111155



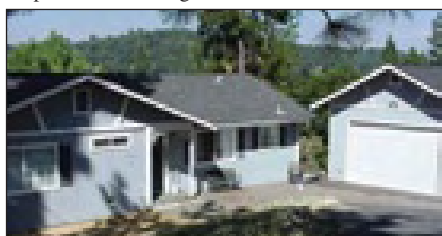
12900 Green Valley CHALET-STYLE home, with upgrades. 3bd, 2ba, 2-car garage. Newer hardwood floors, newer kitchen granite counters, lrg pantry & new roof in 2010. Garage has work area and bonus room w/ full bathroom, laundry room. \$152,000 #20111226



12685 Cresthaven BEAUTIFUL LAKE VIEW. This 3-level, log home comes furnished! 3bd, 2-1/2 bath, "move-in" condition. Entertain on the large deck while you relax in the hot tub! A great full-time residence or vacation home. \$260,000 #20111145



19865 Pleasant View GOLF COURSE VIEW. Well-maintained 3bd, 3ba, w/2-car garage. Desirable 2400sf home, perfect for full-time living or vacationing. Enjoy sunny days on the covered deck or cozy up to the warm fireplace on winter nights. \$249,900 #20103737



12975 Mueller MOUNTAIN CUTIE. 2bd, 1ba home, with a den and detached, oversized 1-car garage. Expansive mountain views from the back deck. Located near the golf course and swimming pool. Short Sale. \$90,000 # 20111027

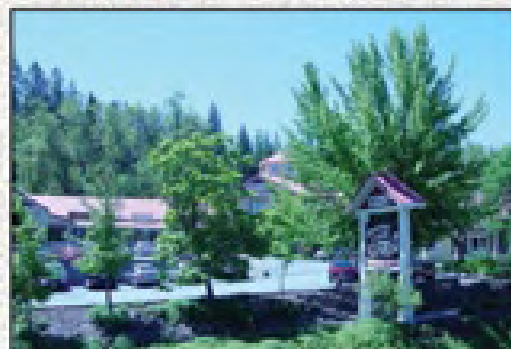
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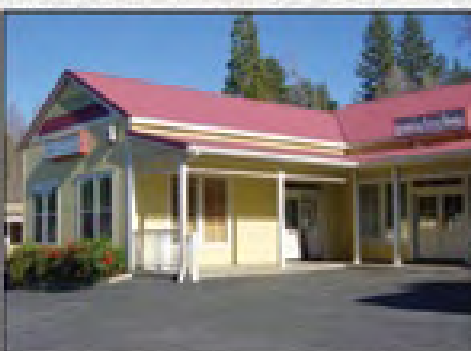


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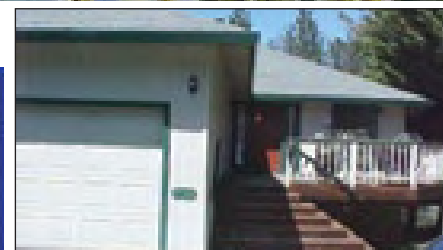
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Suite B-1: 572 sf
Suite B-4: 528 sf
Suite D-2 & 3: 1440sf Total
Suite E: 1400 sf
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NEAR PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE AIRPORT Elderberry Rd Commercial Building

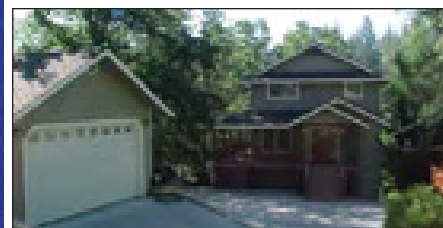
- Professional Office/Commercial Retail
 - Private & Open Floor Plan - 1100 sf
 - Central Heating & Air-Conditioning
 - Paved Parking & Easy Delivery Access
 - Spacious Outside Decks & Storage
 - Landscaped & Maintained
 - Pine Mountain Lake Amenities Use
- Call for Lease Rates



20879 Big Foot LOCATION! LOCATION! Near the Lake Lodge/beach. Great home with vaulted ceilings, large living room, wood-burning stove and French doors leading to a nice-sized deck. Spacious kitchen and partial lake view from the deck. Popular vacation rental. \$245,000 #20103484



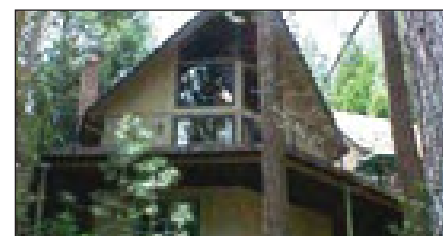
20299 Little Valley-13/240 SINGLE-LEVEL CUTIE. 2bd, 2ba with a separate, 1bd, 1ba, guest unit. Central H/A, wood-burning stove, attic fan, double-pane windows & 50-gal. water heater. Near PML Marina/beach. Parking for RV/boat. \$199,000 #20111259



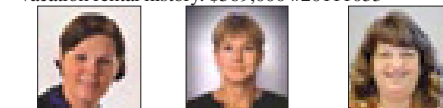
19645 Pleasant View SPECTACULAR LAKE-FRONT! Gourmet kitchen, hardwood floors, granite counters. 3 heating & a/c zones. Bonus room w/mud & storage room plus bath & laundry. 2 custom fireplaces, upscale appliances & more! \$899,000 #20104466



20724 Crestpine Easement RANCH-STYLE HOME has designer accents thru-out. Granite tile flooring & granite counters in kitchen & baths. Great room, w/zero-clearance frplc & laminate flooring. Oversized 2-car garage & workshop area. \$252,000 #20101877



20260 Lower Skyridge, 3-LEVEL CHALET, with 103 ft of deep-water lake frontage. Boat dock & Trex deck. Large loft, w/bathroom. Open-beam ceiling, master suite downstairs, with jetted tub. 2-car garage has un-finished upstairs and adjoining workshop area. Vacation rental history. \$569,000 #20111033



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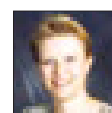
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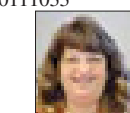
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