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## President's Message

BY BRUCE LAY • PMLA BOARD PRESIDENT

This year I have observed a marked absence of smoke in our community, thanks to an effective fire safety program, a well-run composting operation and cooperation from all of you.

Have you been thinking about volunteering for a PML committee? Please give it some thought. Advisory committees are an integral part of an HOA. Our community is rich in talent and we have a very diverse pool of knowledge to draw from. Serving can be an extremely rewarding experience. Committee applications are accepted year-round and the form can be found on the Association website.

When a committee position becomes available, we put out notices to the membership and review the applications that are on file. Committee membership appointments are reviewed and adjusted each year in January and as needed during the year.

We have four standing committees and one ad-hoc committee. The standing committees are Budget and Finance, Covenants, Editorial, and Environmental Control. The newly formed ad-hoc committee is Waterfowl Management.

The various Association committees serve a valuable purpose. The Budget and Finance Committee on a monthly basis, critiques Association financial results, reserve spending and reviews various trends in revenue, expenses, staffing and capital expenditures. The current Budget and Finance Committee has members with financial backgrounds including former bankers, and a CPA.

The Covenants Committee is tasked with the responsibility of holding member disciplinary hearings and issuing fines for violations of PMLA's Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions. PML is a mutual benefit corporation and it is important that member violations and enforcement are considered through a peer-review process.

The Editorial Committee reviews letters to the editor for the PML News and makes sure that those that get published follow the Editorial Policy. They are also tasked with article review as needed and help maintain the integrity of our newspaper.

The Environmental Control Committee is the architectural review committee for the Association. They make determi-

nations on improvements to member's property like home construction and deck remodels. They hold bi-weekly meetings and have a very large agenda. The current committee has members who are contractors, former building inspectors and have experience in the architectural process in PML.

The newly formed Waterfowl Management Committee was created to take on the task of resolving issues created by the overpopulation of Canada geese and other waterfowl. This has become a real issue over the years and it is our hope that with the help and resources of this committee, we can resolve these issues.

At the November Board meeting, we recognized the contributions made by the members of the committees. Their volunteer service is a great resource to PML and we really appreciate their work.

After the passage of the 2012 budget, we now face all the challenges associated with the current economic conditions that impact our association. I would like to thank the Board of Directors, the General Manager and his staff, our Controller, and all the Amenity



Managers for their due diligence in the preparation of the 2012 Budget. Many positive projects were accomplished during 2011 and PMLA member services were enhanced greatly.

In the past few months, we have seen an increase in the interaction between members and wildlife. Again, I ask all members to refrain from feeding our diverse wildlife. It can have adverse consequences. It is also illegal.

I am happy to see the continued support of our amenities by our membership and would like to thank all of you who visit and patronize our facilities.

I recall reading a passage that states "Steady plodding brings prosperity".

*Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

## On the Cover



Happy Holidays from the staff of Pine Mountain Lake Administrative Offices and the Pine Mountain Lake News.



# General Manager's Message

BY JOE POWELL, CCAM, CMCA, GENERAL MANAGER

## Dam Gate Exercise Successful

I am pleased to report that our annual dam gate exercise was successful. Each year we exercise the hydraulic dam gates in accordance with California Division of Dam Safety regulations. The purpose of the dam gate exercise is to ensure that the hydraulic systems are working properly and to release water from the bottom of the lake.

Over the year the lake accumulates hydrogen sulfide as plant life and other materials break down. It is important to release the hydrogen-sulfide laden water to keep our lake healthy. This year a little less than two feet was released and this should be recovered with the winter and spring rainfall.

## 2012 Budget and Assessment Mailing

After months of work and review, the 2012 Budget, Assessment and Fee Schedule were approved by the Board of Directors. In an effort to save money we are combining the budget and assessment materials in the same package.

Members with multiple properties will receive one complete package and then additional assessment mailings as applicable. Members should receive the budget/assessment packages by December 15<sup>th</sup>. If for some reason you do not receive the mailing by that date, please contact our Administration Office staff at (209) 962-8600 and they will be happy to assist you.

## Vacation Rental by Owners

As I mentioned in my article last

month, we continue to experience issues with vacation rentals by owners. Members that rent out their house, condo or townhouse are required to register with the Association. It is also a requirement that all short-term renters purchase a vehicle access pass for every vehicle that is brought into PML.

The Vacation Rental by Owner, or VRBO, should not be confused with those properties that are managed by the professional real estate companies in Groveland. These folks are complying with the rules and the vacation rentals they manage provide an average of \$46K annually in parking pass revenue. These funds go to improve our amenities, services and roads for our members.

Our research has determined that the owners of almost all VRBO's in PML do not pay for parking passes, do not register with the Association, and do not pay the County Transient Occupancy Tax. Failure to pay the TOT to the County is punishable as a misdemeanor. I will be providing more information on the County Transient Occupancy Tax in future articles. Information can also be found on the Tuolumne County website at [www.tuolumnecounty.ca.gov/](http://www.tuolumnecounty.ca.gov/)

PML incurs time and labor costs when our staff has to respond and deal with problems caused by these poorly-managed properties. We are working to rectify this situation through changes in our membership database, Department of Safety and enforcement tracking, and communication

with the County and local real estate managers.

We encourage our members to utilize professional property management. It saves time and provides a service not only to the member/owner of the vacation rental, but to the neighbors and the Association. You can find information on our local vacation rental management on the PML website at [www.pinemountainlake.com](http://www.pinemountainlake.com).

**PLEASE NOTE:** PML is actively monitoring and tracking rentals and those properties that appear to be rentals. Members that provide the guest hanging tag to their short-term renters rather than purchasing the vehicle access passes will be subject to fines and other enforcement measures in accordance with our governing documents and rules. Vehicle access passes can be purchased at the Main Gate Safety Department.

We encourage all VRBO members to follow the rules and our stepped up enforcement methods will ensure that this happens. For more information on the vehicle access passes, please call the Main Gate at (209) 962-8615.

Any members that have questions about the rules are welcome to contact our Community Standards Director, Dennis Pipal, at (209) 962-1240.

## Safe Winter Driving

The winter season brings with it rain, ice and snow. It is important that all members and guests follow the speed limit and also slow down during inclement weather. Road conditions should be used as an indicator of speed.

Our staff works very hard to keep our roads clear and safe to use. Please obey all traffic laws, observe the 25 mph. speed limit and watch for deer and pedestrians. Speeding, blowing through stop signs without slowing down or stopping, driving in the wrong lane and not watching for pedestrians are the usual complaints. Many deer vs. vehicle accidents can be avoided by obeying the speed limit. Please do your part and help keep PML safe for everyone.

On behalf of my management team and Association staff, I would like to wish everyone a **safe and happy holiday season!**

## Submission Guidelines

### The PML News is the Official Newspaper of Pine Mountain Lake Property Owners

The PML News is dedicated to reporting PML Association business and PML Association news to Pine Mountain Lake Property Owners.

The PML News receives more than 100 Tuolumne County/Groveland community related submissions each month. All such community related articles and notices will appear in the PML News on a SPACE AVAILABLE basis and at the DISCRETION of the PML News Publishing Editor.

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Articles — 10th each month  
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## Editor's Note

We greatly appreciate your contributions but please note that the PML News fills up very quickly — often by the 7th or 8th of the month (long before the 10th deadline). To ensure that your submission is reviewed for publication please submit in full and as early as possible. Please remember that the PML News is limited in capacity and your submissions are reviewed on a first-come-first-served, space-available basis.

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

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

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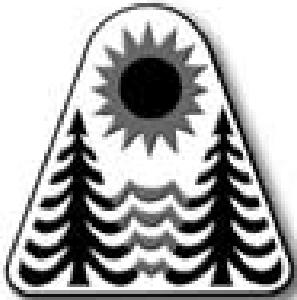
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No December Meeting

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NEW ADMIN OFFICE HOURS AS OF 1/3/12

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MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAYS 2011

FRI. 12/23	(In Lieu Of) CHRISTMAS EVE
MON. 12/26	(In Lieu Of) CHRISTMAS DAY
FRI. 12/30	(In Lieu Of) NEW YEARS EVE
MON. 1/2/2012	(In Lieu Of) NEW YEARS DAY

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The PML News is mailed to approximately 3500 PML property owner households each month. Up to 500 copies are rack-sold in the local Groveland area. Our circulation reaches approximately 1200 full-time, resident, PML property owners and approximately 2300 "weekender," non-resident, property owners who maintain primary residence in Northern California, in Southern California, or in other states. For more information regarding the PML News, please call the PML Administration Office at (209) 962-8600.



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THANK YOU GROVELAND

Dear Editor,

I am writing to thank the people of Groveland for their continual support since my husband, Tom Buckle, died in October of 2010.

I would especially like to thank our local firefighters and paramedics for all they did for my husband when he was sick. At the time our driveway was under construction, and there was a billy goat trail to get in and out of our house. Four times they carried him in or out of the house using a tarp wrapped around him. These men and women responded to my calls with the utmost professionalism, and there were no complaints of having to carry him in less-than-ideal conditions.

I would like to thank everyone at Pine Mountain Therapy, staff and patients, for their continued support

through this past year.I have loved my job there.I would also like to thank Down to Earth Nursery, Soul Be Good, and The Hotel Charlotte, for giving me work at a time when I needed it the most.

A big thank you also goes to Groveland newcomers Susanne & Pavan Woods--friends like you come along once in a lifetime.Thanks also to Bill & Char Wrighton, Jim Nagle, Cindy Watts, and everyone on the 49er Festival Committee.

There are numerous other people who need to be thanked for their support, but the list is too long.It is time for me to say goodbye, and move on.

Thank you everyone,  
Kathryn Sibley, 15-73

DISAPPOINTED

I was disappointed to learn that the semi annual fish stocking of trout in the lake was not done this September. Our family and friends have anticipated the trout plants with expectations of catching a few for dinner and releasing any excess. Many people and visitors who use the lake for recreation and fishing enjoy the prospect of catching trout in the lake. We feel the trout plants enhance the overall experience and enjoyment of PML. We hope the semi annual planting continues next year as scheduled.

Dan & Kathleen Fulmer  
Unit 1 lot 440

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**PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION**  
**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
**For The Ten Months Ended Oct. 31, 2011**

OPERATION OF AMENITIES	Revenues					Expenses				Budget (NET COST) INCOME	Variance Bud - Act
	Members' Assessments Net of Discount	User Fees	Sales, Net of Cost of Sales	Miscellaneous Income	Total Revenues	Total Expenses	(Cost)/Income Before Depreciation	Depreciation Expense	(NET COST) INCOME		
Golf Course	\$ -0-	\$ 770,375	\$ 35,762	\$ 100	\$ 806,237	\$ 1,016,576	\$ (210,339)	\$ -0-	\$ (210,339)	\$ (161,584)	(48,755)
Restaurant & Bar	-0-	9,670	542,360	-0-	552,030	893,876	(341,846)	-0-	(341,846)	(373,223)	31,377
Marina	-0-	193,459	83,658	-0-	277,117	354,827	(77,710)	-0-	(77,710)	(70,609)	(7,101)
Snack Shack	-0-	-0-	34,392	-0-	34,392	54,822	(20,430)	-0-	(20,430)	(5,924)	(14,506)
Stables	-0-	61,649	-0-	2,198	63,847	169,835	(105,988)	-0-	(105,988)	(109,654)	3,666
Recreation	-0-	48,924	5,269	-0-	54,193	101,333	(47,140)	-0-	(47,140)	(37,819)	(9,321)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	18,731	-0-	655	19,386	1,262,667	(1,243,281)	-0-	(1,243,281)	(1,238,784)	(4,497)
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES											
Safety	-0-	43,042	-0-	572	43,614	715,940	(672,326)	-0-	(672,326)	(685,009)	12,683
Administration	-0-	125,254	-0-	17,363	139,617	1,136,894	(997,277)	-0-	(997,277)	(996,365)	(912)
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	3,607,828	-0-	-0-	58,817	3,666,645	97,779	3,568,866	615,269	2,953,597	2,987,498	(33,901)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 3,607,828</b>	<b>\$ 1,268,104</b>	<b>\$ 701,441</b>	<b>\$ 79,703</b>	<b>\$ 5,657,078</b>	<b>\$ 5,804,549</b>	<b>\$ (147,471)</b>	<b>\$ 615,269</b>	<b>\$ (762,740)</b>	<b>\$ (691,473)</b>	<b>(71,267)</b>

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

1. Total Revenues minus Total Expenses equals Net Income before depreciation. The annual budget for income before depreciation is \$0.
2. The Association combined the Operating Fund and the Property and Equipment Fund into one fund effective May 1, 2001.

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**CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 10 Months Ended Oct., 31, 2011**

	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
<b>2010 Beginning Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 1,936,697</b>	<b>\$ 52,973</b>	<b>1,989,670</b>
Interest Income	5,108	124	5,232
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	65	22	87
Assessments Earned	1,742,195 <sup>(1)</sup>	25,672 <sup>(2)</sup>	1,767,867
Income Tax Expense			-
<b>PURCHASES BY AMENITY</b>			
Golf Course	(314,255)		(314,255)
Country Club	(15,755)		(15,755)
Bar	(718)		(718)
Marina		(9,926)	(9,926)
Snack Shack		(13,795)	(13,795)
Swim Center			-
Stables	(12,433)		(12,433)
Recreation	(851)		(851)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	(65,484)		(65,484)
<b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b>			
Safety	(25,863)	(1,860)	(27,723)
Administration		(31,397)	(31,397)
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(2,215,212)		(2,215,212)
<b>Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions and reserve expenses</b>	<b>(2,650,551)</b>	<b>(56,978)</b>	<b>(2,707,529)</b>
<b>Adjusted Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 1,033,514</b>	<b>\$ 21,813</b>	<b>\$ 1,055,327</b>

**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



PMLA Money Matters

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

As the cold winter weather descends on our mountain community I can think of nothing better to do on these chilly nights than to curl up before the fire with a copy of the PMLA 2012 Budget and Assessment package. Seriously, before you are tempted to use this important document to start that roaring fire, I would suggest you take the time to review its contents.

In addition to the annual and monthly assessment payment coupons, the package includes your parking stickers and hang tags for 2012. These are critical if you plan on parking at any of the popular and crowded amenities during next summer's busy season. Hang on to these or place them in your car now so they won't be lost later on.

Many of the disclosures, reports and forms contained in this annual mailing are things that we are required by law to provide to all property owners. This does not mean they are not important, but it does tend to explain why the package is so thick and contains a multitude

of documents. As with most government requirements, the attempts to inform you often end up being more confusing and cumbersome than intended.

I urge you to look below the surface on some of these reports. For example, the Pro Forma summary of our operating budget provides a nice snapshot of all the major components of the annual assessment. This gives you a quick look at where the money goes, including the contribution to our important Reserve Fund. We also provide a nice comparison that shows how the assessment has changed from 2011. It even shows you how much goes to each amenity on a monthly basis.

The 2012 Amenity Fee schedule is another critical document as it tells you how much the various services provided at each amenity will cost next year. This can make your personal budgeting a bit easier to plan.

One of the more important, and often overlooked, aspects of the package are the various documents dealing with the Reserve Study.

These pages give you a great look at the long term and major repairs and maintenance required here at PML. As an Association gets older it becomes increasingly important to make sure we have the funds set aside for these necessary expenditures in the coming years.

Please don't forget to look at the many time and money saving options we include in each year's package. The auto-credit and auto-debit options for paying your assessment take the worry out of dealing with these payments. Let us do the work and you will never be late on any payment. By signing up for the Email Opt In program you save the Association (and yourself) the cost of mailing many of the required informational packages that we send out each year. Everything then comes directly to your EMail in-box. This saves time and you can hang on to this information without cluttering up your desk or files.

Finally, I want to encourage all of you to consider making your annual assessment payment in full before

the end of the year. Last year's program of awarding a full refund to one lucky property owner who made their 2011 annual payment prior to December 31 was a big success. It was so successful that we are doubling your chances to win this year. The names of two lucky property owners will be drawn at the January Board meeting and these members will receive a full refund. Don't miss this opportunity to get a full year's assessment for free.

OK, you can go back to that juicy novel now that you have reviewed your 2012 package. See, that was not so painful after all.

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, or have specific Association related financial questions, please drop me a line at [controller@pinemountainlake.com](mailto: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.

PML SAFETY REPORT

October – YTD			October – YTD			October – YTD			October – YTD		
Vehicles Refused	277	2318	Gate - Related	31	238	- Monitoring Control Burn	0	3	- Parking Warning	0	2
Phone Calls Received	4036	53977	Tamper	0	8	Fire Safety - Non-compliance	0	7	- Marking Tires	0	5
Residential Alarm	7	87	Follow Through	5	32	Hazard	13	186	- Accident PML	1	20
Amenity Alarm	6	72	Malfunction	21	111	Hazard - Tree Down	0	43	Patrolling Unit	367	4423
Animal Related	19	284	Struck by Vehicle	2	17	Suspicious Circumstance	20	329	Amenity Security Check	2028	20153
Animal - Loose	24	194	Unauthorized use of			Suspicious Person	12	64	Residence Security Check	296	2789
Impounded	6	44	Gate Card/Clicker	5	23	Suspicious Vehicle	7	63	Opening/Closing Buildings	430	3413
Dead/Injured	12	158	Confiscated Gate Card/Clicker	1	29	Campground Envelopes Collected	88	388	Opening/Closing Gates	359	3060
Disturbance	7	115	Mess/Pkg P/U or Delivery	21	137	Campground Dump Station	7	63	Posting Tennis	62	582
Dispatch Assist	95	852	Posting Flyers	63	850	Residential Disturbance	4	129	Monitoring Tennis Courts	1	9
Patrol Assist	237	2373	Posting Stop Work Orders	1	1	Amenity Burglary	0	2	Personal Injury PML Property	1	11
Complaint-Non PML Regulations	3	59	ECC Inspection	0	2	Residential Burglary	1	22	Weapon Violation	0	23
Public Assist Misc.	31	278	Miscellaneous	74	575	Petty Theft	0	5	Amenity Bank Deposit P/U/Delivery	58	812
Welfare Check	2	37	Monitoring Scanner Traffic	30	199	Malicious Mischief	0	12	Patrol Vehicle - Maintenance	6	83
Transport	4	44	Emergency Vehicle Entering PML	20	219	Trespassing	0	5	- Safety Check	125	1254
Civil Stand-by	0	3	Lost and Found	9	53	Law Violations - All Other	2	21	Vehicles Admitted	9386	123077
Traffic Hazard	0	7	Fire Safety - Patrol Assist	0	6	Law Violations - TCSO	1	2	Realtors Passes Issued	5986	14272
Traffic Control	0	12	Fire Safety Violation	0	3	Malicious Mischief - Vandalism	3	14	Guest Passes Issued	1419	16874
Water Leak	8	54	Control Burn Reported	31	799	Property Damage - PML	4	27	Vendor Passes Issued	164	1626
Jump Start	2	30	Permissive Burn Day	11	128	Property Damage - Resident	0	9	Fixed Post	3	25
Water Main Shut Off	0	2	Non-Permissive Burn Day	20	176	PML Regs Violations Resident	14	96	Courtesy Notice Issued	3	49
Escorting Vehicle	23	112	Fire Safety - Hazard	1	8	PML Regs Violations Guest	4	46	Tennis Fees Collected	\$50	\$1,582
Report Writing	7	50	- Smoke Complaint	1	27	Vehicle - Citation Issued	1	27	All Other Fees Collected	\$3,620.33	\$73,707.02

# Pine Mountain Lake Golf News

DAVID RAU, PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

### "Holiday Golf"

It's time to Deck the Halls, bring on the Holiday Cheer, and fill those stockings with Christmas Joy!

I'd like to thank everyone that attended our Holiday Sale on November 26th. We had a great turn out for the sale and my staff and I truly enjoyed assisting and seeing everyone enjoy some cheer and check a few items off of your Christmas lists. If you were unable to attend the sale, it's still not too late. We've got lots of great deals on apparel, clubs and unique gifts for all of your golfing friends and family. Speaking of great deals, we will continue to offer guests of property owners a special coupon rate through December, so bring your guests out for a \$45.00 Weekday Rate and a \$50.00 Weekend rate.

There are few new changes coming with the 2012 golf season. We will soon be introducing new scorecards with a new look. Aside from being larger, with the cooperation of the Men's and Ladies Clubs, we will be introducing two new sets of Combo Tees. This has no impact on the golf course; there aren't any new tees. The Combo tees are simply a combination or mixture of "Black & Gold Tees" for the men and "Purple and Green Tees" for the ladies. These combinations of tees have been rated and sloped by the

NCGA and the WGANC so they can be used for tournaments and/or regular play and will be listed on the GHIN computer for posting purposes.

In addition, the USGA and the R&A are introducing a few changes to the Rules of Golf for 2012-2015:

**Rule 18-2b - Ball Moving After Address**

A new exception is added which exonerates the player from penalty if their ball moves after it has been addressed when it is known or virtually certain that they did not cause the ball to move. For example, if it is a gust of wind that moves the ball after it has been addressed, there is no penalty and the ball is played from its new position.

**Rule 13-4 - Ball in Hazard**

Exception 2 to this Rule is amended to permit a player to smooth sand or soil in a hazard at any time, including before playing from that hazard, provided it is for the sole purpose of caring for the course and Rule 13-2 (improving lie, area of intended stance or swing or line of play) is not breached.

**Rule 6-3a - Time of Starting**

The rule is amended to provide that the penalty for starting late, but

within five minutes of the starting time, is reduced from disqualification to loss of the first hole in match play or two strokes at the first hole in stroke play. Previously this penalty reduction could be introduced as a condition of competition.

Annual Golf Registration forms for the upcoming 2012 season have been mailed out. If you have not received yours, they're available to download and print off of the PML website. Also available on our website are Punch Card and Range Membership applications. Don't delay in signing up and, if you didn't have an Annual Golf Plan or Punch Card last year, please come see us at the Golf Shop to get the details on all of the great plans that we have to offer.

On behalf of myself and all of the wonderful Staff here at Pine Mountain Lake Golf & Country Club, we'd like to wish you all a very safe and happy Holiday Season! Thank you all for all of your patronage, support, and assistance in making 2011 a huge success and we look forward to an even better 2012.

Mele Kalikimaka me ka Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

# Community Standards

BY DENNIS PIPAL, COMMUNITY STANDARDS DIRECTOR

By now many of you have obtained your PML Fire Permit and are pursuing your fall and winter cleanup duties. I want to thank you in advance for burning clean and burning safe. To date we have not had one fire that we have had to ask the Owner to extinguish because it was unsafe or too much smoke.

By and large you will get too much smoke if you try to burn wet needles and leaves. These need to be taken to the compost dump. Your tree and brush trimming will burn just fine, even though it is green, providing you don't try and burn during or

right after a rain storm. Wet brush will always create too much smoke.

By now most of you have seen our DVD "Be Ready – Be Safe." And now you can see it online on our website [www.pinemountainlake.com/fire-safety](http://www.pinemountainlake.com/fire-safety). We will no longer be providing the DVD diskette; however, if you would prefer the DVD, we have them on hand at the Association office and the Main Gate.

We have a lot of winter fire abatement work going on right now. It's great to see Owners take advantage of the burn season by continuing our goal of reducing fuel in our com-

munity. Yes, there will be the smell of smoke in the air at times, but if you feel it is excessive then call the main gate and our safety officers will check it out and act accordingly.

We are asking that fire abatement work be an ongoing year-around project and we are happy to see so much activity going on. And we continue to have Owners request an on-site review with our fire safety inspectors. If you are interested in doing the same there is an appointment request form on our website or call (209) 962-8616.

## 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
- Duplicate Bridge**  
Bobbi Vandenberg 962-6965
- Exercise Class**  
Barbara Elliott 962-6457
- Friends of the Lake**  
Rich Hathaway 962-7595
- Garden Club**  
Linda Flores 962-0824
- Guardians of PML**  
Brian Sweeney 962-5737
- High Country Line Dancers**  
Sue Salnick 962-4155
- 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**  
Alma Frawley 962-5578
- Windjammers Sailing Club**  
Fred Mecum 962-7989



## Shades of Green

BY ALAN MACDONALD, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

The projects we are working on this fall, along with course cleanup, are drainage improvements. We are funded this year and for several years down the road to replace the culverts on the course. Several areas around the course not only handle the run off on the course, but from the nearby roads. We were going to repair the one in front of #4 green, but due to the fact that #18 is creating a sink hole during every storm, we will begin there. The primary run off for this drainage is from the parking lot above The Grill. While doing this project, we will extend it into the drainage ditch below the right bunker and be able to reduce the length of the lateral hazard there. The left lateral hazard will also be eliminated or reduced in size.

We are also going to improve and add some French drains as time and the weather allow us to do so. We are continuing to improve the drainage areas on #11 fairways. The existing drains are being flushed along with some added fingers. A layer of sand topdressing was also completed from 180 yards out towards the green to improve the conditions there. The bunker drains at the green on #11 were also flushed and repaired.

The lateral hazard to the right of #5 is improving. We are seeding and topdressing along with some light irrigation to continue to speed this project up. It will be interesting to see if the area that has germinated will be able

to withstand the early heavy rains. WE ARE TRYING.

With shotgun season upon us and the cold weather here, we are limited to where we can begin our day's activities, due to the frost. Many times we will be out there to improve the playing conditions or grinding the leaves under the oaks while you are playing. We certainly appreciate your patience while we are working on fall cleanup. Fall cleanup is usually completed just after the first of the year.

Once a month or so, David Rau and I will meet with the fine ladies and gentlemen representing the various golf clubs. During these meetings we will discuss many topics; both David and I will speak about the events or projects that we are currently working on. It is also a good time to throw around various ideas or subjects. Many times the ideas on different subjects of course improvements can come from membership. If anyone has any ideas they would like to share, please give the information to the representative from your golf group. Any and all ideas are welcome that will improve the playability and your enjoyment of playing the course.

Thank you to all the members that have come out and supported the course this year. Thanks for the support we have received from both membership and the golf groups.

Come on out and enjoy the course during shot gun season. Have a happy and safe holiday season.

## Conceptual Ideas Program

BY GARY OING, LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Do you have an idea that would make "living at PML" even better? The Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) is officially launching a program to receive your ideas and work with you to potentially get them implemented. The name of this new initiative is the Conceptual Ideas (CI) program.

The LRPC and the management of the PMLA are committed to continuing their efforts to seek out constructive input to help improve PML. 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.

Obviously, in these challenging economic times, not all improvement suggestions/ideas can be quickly implemented or are easily affordable but perhaps yours is. To submit your idea, you must complete a short form (available on the web or via email or in hardcopy at the PMLA Administra-

tive offices) describing your idea and some of the general parameters of its implementation. Once the form is received by the LRPC, they will contact YOU to help refine the idea and take it to the next level of potential implementation.

The official PML website, [www.pinemountainlake.com](http://www.pinemountainlake.com), has a link to the CI program webpage which has further details about how the overall program is structured as well as a link to the form that must be completed.

You can also send an email to [lrpc@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:lrpc@pinemountainlake.com) to get an online copy of the form or ask any questions about the program. Paper copies of the form will also be available at the PMLA Administrative offices.

Our hope is to get multiple new, practical/implementable ideas from involved PML property owners who want to see PML be an even better community.

## 2012 HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

**Stop by the main gate to get your Deer, Pig, Bear, Waterfowl, or Fishing license and all supplemental stamps today!**

### Need the Perfect Gift?

**Pick up a Gift Voucher. It works just like a gift card. The recipient can redeem their gift at any California licensing agent.**

**We can even personalize the voucher with "Happy Birthday" "Happy Holidays" or any other special note.**

**For questions, please call the Main Gate at (209) 962-8615**

## NOTICE TO PMLA MEMBERS

**2012 ASSESSMENT COUPONS AND PRO FORMA BUDGET PACKETS WILL BE MAILED BY DECEMBER 1, 2011**

**If you have not received your packet by December 15, 2011, please notify the Administration Office at (209) 962-8627.**

*PLEASE NOTE: Prepayment Discount will only apply when Annual Assessment is paid in full by January 31, 2012. Postmark will prevail.*

## Department of Safety

BY JOHN EDNER, DIRECTOR OF SAFETY

Winter is upon us and I would like to cover a few items that the Department Of Safety has dealt with in the past. If you are going to be away from your home for an extended period of time please consider turning your water off for the whole house. We have experienced those times when a cold snap has happened without much warning. We have the wrenches to turn the water off at the Main and would be more than happy to provide this service. If you do turn the water supply off, remember that you must also drain the pipes to remove the standing water in the pipes. One thing that could be a potential hazard is the water heater. If you plan on being gone for an extended period of time, it is advisable to turn off the water heater. For an electric heater turn off the circuit breaker. For a propane heater turn the gas valve to pilot. Make sure you insulate all of your outside pipes and those that are exposed in the crawl space of your home.

Putting on lights and a radio are a deterrent while you are away. Remember to set your lights as if you were home. Have living area lights come on at dusk and turn off when you normally go to bed. Have your bedroom lights come on when the others turn off and allow them to stay on as if you are watching TV or reading. I would like to tell you that you could put a timer on the TV, but to the

best of my knowledge once the power is turned off you have to manually turn the TV back on.

Along with winterizing your home, you must start to think about winter driving conditions. We all love this elevation that we live at: not much snow, not much fog, and the occasional really good rain storm. With the coming months make sure that your windshield wipers are in good condition and remember that any time your wiper blades are in use it is the law that your headlights must also be in operation.

During those times that we have snowfall, my best advice is to wait until the snowplows have a chance to clear the main streets before you venture out. The Department of Safety determines when the snow plows from Maintenance are called. This responsibility has been given to us because our Patrols units are working the early morning hours when generally the snowfall becomes the heaviest.

The working plan on plowing is to clear Pine Mountain Dr and all the other main roads first and secondary streets are then cleared. But like I said, if the trip is not absolutely necessary, please stay off the roads.

The biggest factor in any weather related accidents is always speed. So when the rain and snow come, remember to slow it down and always Buckle Up.

## Winter's Final Scene

BY TOM MOFFITT

The sun sets low on the horizon, the shadows lengthen, as the days reach their shortest hours of light, and the fall air grows colder, and the rains turn to snow on the ground. For now the cycle of the seasons play their final scene, the winter landscape is now upon us, and the solstice marks time as a dark ominous figure. Our lives retreat into the shelters of our dwellings, to home and hearth, there to hide behind the closed door and shuttered windows, waiting for the winter to pass.

Egad, winter can be depressing. Dark, cold, lonely, miserable, always shut indoors, the utility bills are four times higher than normal, there are 899 TV channels but nothing is worth watching, and where is that stupid draft coming from anyway?

Then this little smile comes to my face,

and I remember another time...the dead of winter in the high mountains, the snow was as deep as a two story house, the nighttime temperature was approaching zero, and winter was trying to kill me. But, there I was, huddled in a snow cave with three fellow comrades. It was Winter Survival Training, we hid in our parkas, goggles on bearded faces, a small candle was a wealth of light, and a great pair of winter boots was a priceless treasure. One of the combatants looked up at me and asked, "What the heck are we doing here?" Well...I told him...we are surviving! And after we quit laughing, we began a contest of baby boomer trivia, a combative sport of singing the theme songs from TV shows like The Beverly Hillbillies, Gilligan's Island and, of course, Green

## Pine Mountain Lake Fire Abatement Team Update

BY KEN CODEGLIA, PML LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

### "Jump Start" Program Update

In the fall of 2007 I approached the Board of Directors, along with staff, with a report that our 400+ acres of greenbelt and undeveloped Association property was horribly overgrown with unwanted brush and trees. It was a fire hazard to us all, pure and simple. I also reported that I felt the job was too big for our maintenance department to take on with traditional fuel reduction techniques (hand crews). I proposed a project where we'd contract for heavy machinery (masticator) to come in and rapidly reduce the threat. Once that was done, our maintenance department could manage the task of controlling regrowth. Hence the "Jump Start" name.

We calculated that were we to use hand crews, we'd anticipate about \$3,000/acre cost, and we really couldn't guess how many years would be needed as the work is very slow. We just didn't want to wait to get the risk reduced. Our proposal for the masticator included an estimated cost of \$700/acre and would take 5 years. The Board bought into the plan, we budgeted \$100,000 for the first year and made a commitment to budget \$100,000 for each of the next 4 years after that. Work started in the winter of 2008.

### Fast Forward-Where are we today?

2012 is to be the last year of the 5 year Jump Start program. For the 2012 budget meetings we were able to report that we had actually finished with the masticator work in just 4 years. Rick Whybra and Tom Moffitt are to be thanked for a terrific job in managing this project, and for getting it done early and under budget.



Rita Hart- former PMLA Director with masticator

With that great news, we lowered our budget request for the final year to \$50,000. That money will be used to prepare for maintenance, which includes access roads, culverts at stream crossings and work with the Fish and Game Department for permits. Additional work will be performed in re-establishing the PML property boundaries and fences.

We've seen tremendous support from Association staff and members on the issue of reducing fuels in our greenbelts. The Fire Abatement Team is really excited about lowering our budget requests for the 5th year of the Jump Start program as we're "in sync" with our fellow property owners on the need to control assessment costs.

### Let Us Know Your Thoughts

As usual, we need your feedback, ideas, comments, questions and suggestions. Feel free to contact either Dennis Pipal at [communitystandards@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:communitystandards@pinemountainlake.com), or me at [pml-fireabatement@yahoo.com](mailto:pml-fireabatement@yahoo.com).

Acres. We began as strangers, and came away as old friends.

For those of us who dare to venture out, to wrestle with these elements, it is a time of joy and light. It is the Holiday Season! Let's light the landscape, hang bright colors on the harsh winter, and seek refuge among the crowds. The Maintenance Department is working hard at putting up the holiday displays, hanging the lights just right, making sure each strand is alive. Staff electrician Bob Lebarre will once again work his magic. Men in the powered manlift, rising high above the ground to string lights; delicate

lighted icicles now will accent the simplest of buildings. Plants and shrubs will be beacons of holiday joy.

The Maintenance Department Streets Crew will be keeping the roadways clear of snow, the pavement sanded against the threat of ice. Our staff has been hard at work keeping the buildings warm, the lights burning bright, and pathways clear. So get out once in awhile, enjoy the company of friends, or make new ones, and you might just have to sing the words to some old TV show theme song. Well, Rawhide anyone?



## Pine Mountain Laker's RV Club

BY JANIE STIVERS



Some of the members attended an outing with our Sister RV Group "The Good Time Sams" last month in Smithwood, located in the Redwood forests of Felton. This outing had a "Halloween" theme with Pumpkin Carving, and members and pets on parade in their Halloween costumes. Maddie and Joe Sousa (or should I say, "Caesar's wife and Marcus Maximus, fearless gladiator" along with their very ferocious lions (Penelope & Beaumont), won best over all costume. Our four-legged family members all walked away with awards, too! We were amazed at the unique variety of Jack O' Lanterns created in camp by our creative members.

At our November meeting, we enjoyed our potluck dinner and managed to elect new officers for 2012 and form a Travel Committee to seek good camping spots for next year. Our travel committee and officers are seeking your suggestions.

We are pleased to announce: President, Ned Nuddelman; Vice President, Dennis Hoagland; Secretary, Maddie Sousa; Treasurer, Lee Isbell.



Travel Committee: Liz Mattingly, Nancy Meyer, Lou Riggs.

Our Holiday Party Meeting this month will be at the Charlotte Hotel, Dec 4th.

Our winter meetings will continue at the Lake Lodge through March (no meeting in January). We meet at 5:00 p.m. the first Sunday of Feb. & Mar. for our meeting with potluck to follow. If you would like more information about us, please call our Secretary, Maddie Sousa at 962-5708.

## PML Racquet Club

BY DAVE RAUCH

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday and are out running off the extra avoirdupois. I'll wave as you run by!

Our next event will be the Christmas dinner and meeting to be held at the Pine Mountain Lake Grill on Wednesday, December 7 (Pearl Harbor Day). Festivities begin at 5:30 with no host cocktails followed by a brief business meeting at 6:15, and dinner at 6:30. Details and signups for the dinner can be found on the website at [pmltennis.com](http://pmltennis.com). Get your order in early for the



dinner choices.

Have a great Christmas Holiday season everyone - see you next year!

## Check out *your* Groveland Library

*Tuesday – Thursday 1:00-6:00pm and  
Friday – Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm*

*Visit the Library:*

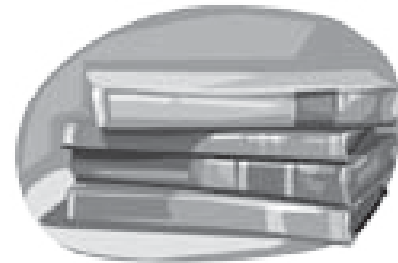
- Great selection of books, magazines, newspapers, videos, DVDs, CDs
- Computers, copy machine, free Wi-Fi

*Special Events:*

- **Children's Story Time**  
every Friday at 10:30am

**BookNook – Book Sale**

10:00am – 2:00pm every Saturday



## PML Men's Golf Club

BY ROY CONLEY, SECRETARY

There were three Men's Club tournaments in October: the Wednesday Sweeps, the Fall Invitational and the Italian Invitational.

The Wednesday Sweeps was held on Wednesday (go figure!), October 2. In Flight 1 first place went to Tom Connelly and Dave Gibson with 80, followed by Mike Hankin and Chuck Obeso-Bradley at 85. First place in flight 2 went to Bob Stock and John Petkewich with 88, followed by John Baker and Bob Ells with 91.

The Fall Invitational was on Saturday, October 22. Flight 1 went to the foursome of Ron Saisi, Reiner Binsfeld, Reggie Pompepic and Steve Riewerts with 147, followed by Matt Bolar, Keith Switzer, Marshall Martinez and Charlie Shehorn with 139. First place in flight 2 went to Dave Needham, Ted Toffey, Don Tornincasa and Brad McInroy with 132. Gary Deckard, Rod Raine, Charlie Schwab and Doug Schmielt took second with 134.

The Italian Invitational was held on Friday, October 28. In Flight 1 first place went to Dick Faux, Chuck Obeso-Bradley, Don Lacy and Jerry Dickson with 117, followed by Tom Connelly, Dave Gibson, Ron Maguire and Rich Graham with 120. Flight 2 saw first place go to Dick Mattocks, Gary Bagnani, Al Costa and Al

Peirona at 115. Second place went to Charlie Shehorn, Charlie Stoll, Dave Rauch and Dan Couchman at 118.

There are no tournaments scheduled for December, so you will all have plenty of time to get your dues in by the deadline. If you don't know what the deadline is, just pay them today and you won't have to worry about it. Remember, if you don't pay by the deadline, you will have to sign up as a new member, at a higher cost.

With no tournaments, and nothing else happening in December, you will probably have lots of free time on your hands. So here are some golf-related trivia questions to ponder: (1) Who was the first US-born winner of golf's British Open? (2) Golfer Bobby Jones was born in which state? (3) Which golfer said, "Grey hair is great. Ask anyone who's bald"? (4) Which US President said, "I know I'm getting better at golf because I'm hitting fewer spectators"? (5) Which golfer became only the fifth in history to win both the British and US Open championships in the same year, in 1982?

I'll give the answers next month.

Until next month, put your drives in the fairway, your putts in the hole and have fun out there.

## Aviation Association Hosts Artist Stan Stokes

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON



Artist Stan Stokes visits PML

Famed aviation artist, Stan Stokes, visited Pine Mountain Lake Airport and the PML Aviation Association on October 29th. In a career spanning over 40 years, Stan Stokes has produced literally hundreds of paintings documenting historical events, people and places. His work hangs in both the Reagan and the George H. W. Bush presidential libraries. NASA has commissioned Stan to paint 15 works ranging from the Space Shuttles to the SR-71 Blackbird. Stan's works are also in the Air Force collection, the USAF Academy at Colorado Springs, the Pentagon, the San Diego Aerospace Museum, the National Museum of Naval Aviation in Pensacola, Florida, and the

Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

Stan's presentation focused on the fascinating aviation experiences he has had while developing his amazing paintings. The group also enjoyed a terrific turkey dinner, hosted by PMLAA member John Muckel.

The Aviation Association also elected officers for 2012. Next year's PMLAA President will be Marle Hewett, Vice President of Airport Affairs is Eric Henderson, Vice President of Social Events is Kathy McConnell, Secretary is Charleen Beam, and Treasurer will be Kay Smith. Many thanks to the new officers and the committee chairs for their service to the PML Aviation Community.

## PML Marathon Bridge Club

BY MADDIE SOUSA

It is time to sign up for 2012 Marathon Bridge! We will have our first session at "The Grill" on January 3, 2012. We start promptly at 6:30 PM. Although completely optional, many members come at 5 PM or so to enjoy dinner at "The Grill" and visit with fellow bridge players.

We play once a month from Janu-

ary through August accumulating our points until the "Grand Finale" in August. The cost is just \$5.00 per person with cash rewards for top scores at the end of the tournament.

We need several new players. If you are interested, please call Joe Sousa at 962-5708 for more information.

## PML Lady Niners September

BY CYNDY KROUT

September has been a busy month! We have had TOC championships, Eclectic finals, Invitationals and lots of games to play.

Linelle Marshall and Shirley Haliwell went to Castlewood Golf Course to represent us in the Team of Champions finals with 90 women. Linelle enjoyed a great game and tied with someone who won the tie breaker so Linelle missed 6th place in the Championship Flight. Shirley had a great game finishing in fourth place and received a trophy for her efforts. Thank you ladies for representing us.

Also of note this month, we had Pat Price, Geralyn Dielman and Judy Michaelis go to Del Rio for an invitational. Judy took the absolute CHAMPIONSHIP with the best net in the entire field of players. Congratulations, Judy!!!!

The results for the 2011 Eclectic Tournament for first flight, first place thru third, are Linele and Pat Van Gerpen tied, second Karen Dickson and third Geralyn. Second flight, first place a tie with Wanda Patterson and Cyndy and second Marilyn Alexander and Shirley H. in third. Third flight, first place was Stacie Brown and Faye Buckley, Flo Jansen and Nancy Whitefield shared second while Judy M. was third place.

On September first we were out there putting and there was a tie for first place between Shirley H. and Cyndy and second a tie between Darlene Hoagland, Flo J., and Nancy W. Marilyn A. got a par on #14 while Cyndy chipped in on #15 and Darlene H. was low net for the week.

Seventeen players played for Low Net on September 8th and Cyndy took first place and Shirley H. and Linelle M. tied

for second. Third place was a four-way tie with Marilyn A., Karen D., Jeanne Duggan and Linn Faler while Flo J. came in fourth. Faye B., Cyndy and Shirley H. all got a par on #14 while Cyndy was Low Net.

Enjoying more of the beautiful September weather 18 players played Bingo, Bango, Bongo on the 15th. First place was a tie with Marilyn A. and Pat VG and second a tie with Jeanne D., Cyndy and Linelle. Third place Linn F. stood alone and fourth was shared by Stacie B., Faye and Darlene H. Both Pat VG and Linelle got pars on #14 and #17 and Cyndy got a par on #14 and was Low Net for the week.

September 21 had twelve playing Poker with 5's Wild. In order of placing first thru sixth there was Sarah Zimmerman, Stacie B., Geralyn, Flo J., Judy M., and Marilyn A. Geralyn got a par on #14 and Stacie was Low Net.

To finish out the month we again had 12 players for Low Net. First place was Marilyn A., and second a tie with Stacie B. and Linn F. Third place Wanda P.; fourth Nancy W.; and a tie for fifth with Shirley H., and Jeanne Clemson. Low Net was Marilyn A. this week and Stacie B. was September Ace of Aces.

Coming up in November we will be changing to 11 AM shotgun and starting into the holidays. There will be a Christmas Sale at the Pro Shop so we should plan on spending some of our golf winnings.

*Note: This article was accidentally omitted from the November issue. We apologize to Cyndy and the PML Lady Niners.*

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## A Few Of My Favorite Recipes

BY CARRIE TAYLOR, HEAD CHEF, THE GRILL



Tis' the season for special holiday recipes! Some handed down from generation to generation and some from great old cookbooks. It is also the time to

spend time with family and friends, entertain and be entertained. I have favorite recipes that I make every year that make the holidays so special for my family.

### Wassail

Wassail, the beverage is a hot, mulled *punch* often associated with Yuletide. Historically, the drink was a mulled cider made with sugar, cinnamon, ginger, and nutmeg and topped with slices of toast. Our recipe is a bit more kid friendly and can be sipped all day. The aroma fills the house. Yum!!

- 1 gallon unfiltered apple cider (the good stuff like Covers)
- 1 quart cranberry juice
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 cups orange juice
- 16 whole cloves
- 1 teaspoon whole allspice
- 1 stick (6 inch size) cinnamon

Tie up the spices in a bit of cheesecloth, add to all the juices. Simmer on low heat for 10 min. Also good for a Crockpot and keep warm all day.

Okay let's get the party started! I love Egg Nog. I like making it homemade on Christmas Eve. I use the recipe from Joy of Cooking.

### Eggnog Recipe

- 4 egg yolks
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 cups milk
- 2 whole cloves
- Pinch of cinnamon
- 1 cup cream
- 1 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 Tbsp of (or more) each of bourbon and rum or brandy, or to taste (can omit for kid-friendly eggnog). I like a good shot of Sailor Jerry Rum in mine.
- \*4 egg whites (optional)

In a large bowl, beat egg yolks until they become lighter in color (can whisk by hand or use a mixer for this). Slowly beat in the sugar, whisking until fluffy. Combine the milk, cinnamon, and cloves in a thick-bottomed saucepan. Slowly heat mixture on medium heat until it is steaming hot, but not boiling. Temper the eggs by slowly adding half of the hot milk mixture into the eggs, whisking constantly while you add the hot mixture. Pour the mixture back into the saucepan. Cook on medium heat, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon, until it begins to thicken slightly, and coats the back of the spoon. It helps to have a candy thermometer, but not necessary; if you have one, cook until the mixture reaches 160°F. Do not allow the mixture to boil, or it will curdle. (If the mixture does curdle you may be able to save it by running it through a blender.) Remove from heat and stir in the cream. Strain the mixture through a mesh strainer to remove the cloves. Let cool for one hour. Mix in vanilla extract, nutmeg, and bourbon/rum and brandy (feel free to omit for kid-friendly eggnog). Chill. *Optional: Beat egg whites until they reach soft peaks. Add a teaspoon of sugar and continue to beat until they reach stiff peaks. Gently fold into eggnog.* Makes 1 quart. Serves 4-6.

The annual Christmas breakfast at the Taylor home is Eggs Benedict. This year we will have our fresh eggs from our hens to make the hollandaise sauce. I LOVE, LOVE, LOVE hollandaise; I have been known to say that I want to be buried in it. It has the reputation of a difficult and temperamental sauce and it is! I have made it so often that I have a tip that will help insure that yours comes out just as good as mine.

### Hollandaise

- 3 egg Yolks
- 1/4 tsp Dijon Mustard (helps emulsify)
- Dash of Cayenne
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 2 sticks of butter

In the container of a blender, combine the egg yolks, mustard, lemon juice and cayenne. Cover, and blend for

## "Happy Holidays" from the 19th Hole Lounge

BY AARON HAMBLIN, ASST. GRILL MANAGER



It's hard to believe that it is the Holiday Season already. This is such a wonderful time of year. The air is crisp, the snow falls and everyone is in the "Holiday"

spirit. We invite you to share the holidays with us at the Lounge. As always there is plenty of wine and spirits, but if you'd like a drink to warm you up, just ask. Our bartenders will happy to make just the right drink. And if you meet up with friends, our staff will be happy to get a table for you to enjoy dinner at the Grill. Any of our servers or myself will be happy to open a bottle of wine at your table. Ask us for suggestions as our wine is changing and new wine is added often.

Don't forget, there is always entertainment through the holidays. Perhaps this month's Karaoke could include some holiday favorites. We

will not let up for New Years. Join us for a fun time, a wonderful dinner and the spectacular music of "The Crocodiles". What a way to ring in the New Year!!! And even then, the entertainment won't stop. Here is our lineup for January:

**Friday Jan 6th**

**Showtime Karaoke**

**Saturday Jan 7th**

**Hiway 99 Band**

**Saturday Jan 14th**

**The Robbie Allen Band**

**Saturday Jan 21st ESP Band**

**Saturday Jan 28th Rockslide**

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about 5 seconds. Place the butter in a glass measuring cup. Heat butter in the microwave for about 1 minute, or until completely melted and bubbling hot. Set the blender on high speed, and pour the butter into the egg yolk mixture in a thin stream. It should thicken almost immediately. Keep the sauce warm until serving by placing the blender container in a pan of hot tap water.

\*\*The key to this sauce is the temperature of the butter. The butter has to essentially cook the egg yolk but not

curdle it, so it has to incorporate slowly in a thin steady stream.

Great way to get all the juice from a lemon is microwave it for 15-20 seconds. Give it a gentle roll on the counter before cutting in half.

So, Deck the Halls, have some Yule Tide Cheer and ring in the New Year with joy and happiness.

From the crew in the kitchen - until we eat together.....Have a great holiday season!!



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## Wishing You a Holiday Filled with Love

BY BAMBI JOHNSON, HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR



As I am writing this article the leaves are beginning to turn to bright colors, the evening air is crisp and my thoughts are turning to grateful feelings for all

our beautiful blessings! I look forward to sharing in all of the holiday gifts of warmth, joy, peace, love, and goodwill, as we share in our holiday traditions with friends and family at The Grill.

This Holiday season The Grill is delighted to be hosting your holiday parties. I would like to personally invite you to consider joining us for one of our up and coming festive functions hosted by your Grill staff. We offer many special events for the permanent and part time residents as well as property owners and the public, so that all who wish to can attend. Here are just a few to consider:

### DECEMBER 1ST – THURSDAY

Port of Call, Wine Tasting and Dinner Buffet. This one has a twist to it! We will be featuring Port from different ports of call from around the world. Expect to see such wines as: **Valdespino Inocente Fino Single Vineyard Sherry (Spain)**, **DK Cellars Dessert Semillon (El Dorado County)**, **Montoliva Late Harvest Barbera (Colfax, CA.)**, **Scott**

**Harvey Forte (Amador, CA)**, **Ferreira Tawny NV (Portugal)** and **Quinta do Crasto Vintage 1997 (Portugal)**. Each port will have a bite size pairing that will take you on a journey from salty, pungent to sweet. In addition to all this, Chef Carrie will prepare a scrumptious dinner buffet for your enjoyment. It will include Cornish Game Hen, scalloped potatoes, seasonal vegetables, green salad and Chocolate fudge cake for dessert! All wines featured at the event will be offered at a discounted price, this night only. We will be offering four different seatings: at 5:00PM, 5:15PM, 5:30PM, and 5:45PM. All this for only \$25.00 plus tax! Reservations are required so make yours today!

### DECEMBER 17TH – SATURDAY

4th Annual Cookie Decorating with Santa and his Elves. This event is fun for the whole family! It takes place at the Pine Mountain Lake Grill from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Kids of all ages are welcome to participate in decorating cookies while enjoying hot chocolate and candy canes in our festive holiday atmosphere. Bring your camera for that Kodak moment that you won't want to miss on Santa's lap! We invite you to stay for lunch because this day kids eat free (1 per adult) with the purchase of an

See **FUN AT THE GRILL** next page

## Happy Holidays from The Grill

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



Happy holidays from the Grill and my staff. We want to thank all of you for the past year of support. My staff and I know that it is because of you that we

have continued to be successful. I want to personally let you know that we do appreciate your business.

As 2011 comes to an end and we get ready to ring in the New Year, I reflect on our good fortune at the Grill this past year. We have increased our average daily guest count by 50% over the previous year. We continue to look for ways to improve and better serve you and keep you coming back for more. Our Eclub has doubled in popularity to almost 1200 members and growing. The Eclub is the best way to stay current on our special events and receive member only discounts.

New to the menu for the winter months: to the lunch menu we have added a 1/2 sandwich and soup combination and be sure to try our house made cup or bowl of Chili. For dinner we added: Chicken Pot Pie, Linguini and Clams, and Chicken Jerusalem. Also new to the dinner menu are our Daily Specials.

### New Daily Specials

**Tuesday – chicken fried steak**

**Wednesday – jambalaya**

**Thursday – meatloaf**

**Sunday – fried chicken**

But my favorite new item is Loco Moco. We serve it for breakfast and dinner. It is our fresh 1/2 pound burger patty served on a bed of rice topped with 2 fried eggs (I was raised to have them sunny side up) and then covered with brown gravy. Although there are many variations of this plate, it is a Hawaiian tradition. History has stated that the Loco Moco was created by the Inouye family, owners of the Lincoln Grill in Hilo, Hawaii in 1949. Apparently, a group of boys from the Lincoln Wreckers Sports Club were the inspiration for this dish. Looking for cheap eats, one of the boys, George Okimoto, nicknamed "Crazy" because of the wild way he played football, was nominated by the others to ask Nancy Inouye if she'd put some rice in a saimin bowl along with one hamburger patty with brown gravy poured over both items. The egg was added later. The name comes from the George's nickname, "crazy" in Spanish is "Loco". Moco had no special meaning at the time it just rhymed and sounded good to the boys.

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adult entrée from 1pm to 3pm.

**DECEMBER 24TH – SATURDAY**

Christmas Eve we will be open for breakfast from 9:00am-11:00am and then lunch from 11am till 2pm. We will be closed on Christmas Eve for dinner and all day Christmas Day.

**DECEMBER 31ST – SATURDAY**

2011 New Year's Eve Extravaganza!! Plan on ringing in the New Year with all of your friends at The Club! The celebration begins with a four course dinner! This delicious feast will consist of:

**First Course**

Dungeness crab soup

**Second Course**

Spinach salad

**Main Course**

Petite Filet and Lobster Tail

Scalloped new potato and butternut squash

**Dessert**

White Chocolate and Raspberry Cheesecake

After dinner, dance the night away to the sounds of The Crocodiles! Enjoy hits from classic rock to Motown to old school, from this 5 member dance band! Join us for the countdown to the New Year as we host a champagne toast with party favors and the largest balloon drop in The Mother Lode! All this for only \$75.00 per person! Dinner starts at 7:00pm and the fun goes on till midnight. Last year we sold out quick, so call early to reserve your tickets for the most happening place to spend the last moments of 2011! Also this year we will be offering an early special seating dinner served at 5:00pm. For those who just want to come and dance there will be a \$10.00 cover charge at the 19th Hole Lounge.

Planning your events: If you would like to meet with me to plan your next event, it is always recommended to schedule an appointment in advance. This way I can better serve you by being prepared with available dates, creative menu selections and pricing, and I can have the details tended to that need to be addressed that are specific to your event, thereby maximizing your valuable time spent in planning mode.

So remember your Grill staff when planning your next wedding, anniversary, memorial, reunion, golf tournament, birthday party, etc! Leave the work to us so you can enjoy your friends and loved ones. We promise a memorable event!

As always, feel free to call me or e-mail me with any of your food and beverage needs!

Contact me at 962-8638 or 962-8639 or [Cluboffice@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:Cluboffice@pinemountainlake.com) any time 24/7. Happy Holidays see you at The Grill! Until then, Bon Appétit!

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We have special holiday hours. This year we will be serving breakfast on Saturday, Christmas Eve, from 9am to 11am and lunch from 11am until 2pm. We will be closed for Dinner that Saturday, December 24th, and closed all day Sunday, December 25th. We are closed on Monday, December 26th. And we will be back to our regular operating hours Tuesday, December 27th, starting with Lunch at 11am.

So, if you're looking for a special gift for the person who has everything, why not give them a PML Gift card. They are good at The Grill, the Pro Shop and the Marina. Just ask your server or bartender the next time that you stop in to see us. As always, if you have any comments or suggestions feel free to contact me at [clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com).

**SPECIAL HOLIDAY HOURS AT THE GRILL**

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## Garden Club Clippings

BY JOYCE SMITH



*The Garden Club had the Groveland Jail in fine form for Halloween festivities. Photo by Rudy Manzo.*

Fall and winter arrived for us at almost the same time. The pretty colors that we usually see were very late in showing up and didn't last long. We had two really cold nights and the leaves started turning and dropping. It seemed to change very quickly. (That is what I thought was happening anyway.) However, it is time to plant bulbs for spring blooms and color, and that is what we did at the Jail on November 14th, our meeting day. We planted almost 500 bulbs. Can you visualize what that will be like come spring? Another important task accomplished at the Jail, the creek bed has been cleaned up considerably. Things are looking good down there.

This year we had someone giving out treats from inside the Jail for Halloween. Our town really gets into the spirit and everyone had a ball. A real Happy Halloween.

We will have our Installation of Officers for 2012 at The Grill on December 11th. I'm sure it will be a wonderful

dinner, thanks to Chef Carrie and all The Grill staff, our thanks to each of you. I will introduce our new officers to you in next months article.

This year has been very productive and busy. Our thanks to the officers and committee chairs for 2011: to President Linda Flores for her enthusiastic and able leadership; to Co-Vice Presidents (Program Chairs) Sharon Hunt and Arlene Vorce for interesting and timely programs; to Recording Secretary Linda Grey for her thorough minutes; to Corresponding Secretary Maddie Souza for Sunshine Cards and emails; to Treasurer Barbara Coldren for keeping our finances straight; and to Parliamentarian Marlene Johanson for keeping order. Committee Chairs included: Edith Gray (Deceased 2011), Maddie Souza, Joyce Smith, Dart Woodruff, Arlene Vorce, Loraine David, Barbara Coldren, Sharon Hunt, Cynthia DeCant, Darlene Hoagland and Lois Penning. Thanks to each of you for being a part of a great year for Garden Club.

## 2011 Veterans Day News

BY TOM BICKMORE



Everyone who participated in whatever form: playing, sponsoring/donating, decorating your carts - I haven't forgotten the trophy's - the judges were busy, the parade, should all congratulate yourselves for making this 5th Annual Golf Tournament a big success and more \$\$\$ (the final count is not in yet)! It continues to get better each year.

That being said, I do need to mention a few things. A huge thanks to Black Oak Casino for sending a team and donating an enormous amount of raffle prizes as well a number of other things. Thank you for always supporting events in our great community.

A special thanks to Jon Cavaiani, our resident Medal of Honor recipient. He had a cancellation and was still able to make the tournament with a

full team. PP MH (Hall of Fame) MTIII VB MP AC we missed you (your fill-in was excellent) (The PML Air Force). Another special thanks to the entire PML Staff - we couldn't have done it without you. "We will never forget" is a slogan that should apply to Virginia Tallman and Doug Wall for getting this tournament started in the first place.

Veterans Day Results: *Red Flt-Low Net*-Jerry Dickson, Don Lacy, Frank Brisben, Steve Margossian; *White Flight*-Eleanor Ellis, Jerry Weese, Gary Bennett, Steve Bennett; *Low Gross*-Gary Deckard, Rick Deckard, Brad Crawford, Joel Teral; *Ladies Closest to the Pin*-Virginia Tallman 9'3 1/2" and Kitty Edgerton 12'8"; *Men's Closest to the Pin*-Joel Teral 9'3" and Dennis Scott 9'7".

We are looking forward to our new slate of officers for 2012. Our first meeting will be held in February; watch for your Newsletter or Email in January with details regarding time and place.

Would you like to join us to see what we are all about? Come to our February meeting. You can see the time and place in the January PML News.

See you at the meeting.



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## October 2011 PMLG News

BY SUE PERRY

Hope that October brought you some “frightfully” good golf. We started the month with some scary weather so the “Beat the Pro” game on Oct. 6th got rained out. The ghosts and goblins that put your ball into those bunkers and hazards should have all retired till next Fall so “RIP”. The following October weeks provided some wonderful Indian summer-like weather in which to play these events:

### October 13th...Gross-Net-Putts

Ace of Aces: Kathy Shehorn – Net 72. 1st Flight Hndcp 13-19..Priscilla Park, Low Gross 89; Linda Johnson, Low Net 75; 2nd Flight Hndcp 21-26.. Kathy Shehorn, Low Gross 98; Lynne Dust, Low Net 76; 3rd Flight Hndcp 27 – 31..Jeanne Pacco, Low Gross 102; Barbara Davis, Low Net 76; 4th Flight Hndcp 32 – 39..Marlene Drew, Low Gross 106; Ann Hankin, Low Net 75; Low Putts: Mona Tompkins..30; Birdies: Kitty Edgerton #14; Priscilla Park #3, #14; Mona Tompkins #17.

### October 20th...HATE 'EM

First Place..245: Kitty Edgerton, Phyllis Gschwend, Leanna Mattea, Paula Vautier; Second Place.. 246: Dotty Davis, Ginny Lay, Marge Rich, Draw; Third Place: Marilyn Scott, Kathy Shehorn, Anne Toner, Linda Wall; Fourth Place..255: Kay Bettencourt, Barbara Davis, Ann Hankin, Draw; Fifth Place..257: Sara Hancock, Yvonne Mattocks, Alice Stoll, Mona Tompkins; Birdies: Ginny Lay #6, Marilyn Scott #17, Paula Vautier #17.

### October 27th...Halloween Party With The Niners & The General Meeting:

We had a bewitching game for our Halloween tournament. All 18 holes were set up as par threes. We played ghost ball with a bit of goblin thrown in. The ghost was not known till players reached the next tee box. The other three players of the foursome had to beat the ghost's net score to score points. Boo-o-o...scary, wasn't it? The Niners and 18 hole ladies had fun playing this game and enjoyed a delicious luncheon of beef stew and pumpkin pie. Thanks so much to our co-chairs of this event, Eleanor Ellis and Marche' Kizziar. Marche' made

all the beautiful table decorations and auctioned them off and raised \$114 for our club. Great job, ladies!! The winners were: 1st place..32: Kathy Oing, Dotty Davis, Barbara Haiges, Joyce Smith; 2nd place..31: Sara Hancock, Barbara Connelly, Phyllis Gschwend, Wanda Patterson; 3rd place..28: Thelma Faux, Diane Lloyd, Patti Rossio, Stacie Brown; 4th place..27: Priscilla Park, Jodie Awai, Yvonne Mattocks, Pat Price; 5th place..26: Alma Frawley, Marj Rich, Corky Graham, Flo Janson; Closet to the pin #14 Shirley Hallwell (Niner), Closest to the pin #17 Iris Moffit (18 Hole Lady). Congratulations to all the players!

### General Meeting for October 27th:

Diane Lloyd, club captain, called the meeting to order. David Rau, PMLGC Pro, explained that another set of tee boxes will be in place next year which will give players more flexibility in playing our course. These ladies combo tees will be between the purple and green tees. The score cards next year will reflect these tees & their corresponding rating. Some new golf rules were discussed which will be in effect next year. David feels that these new rules are in the gray area for interpretation, so please consult him or the new rule book if you have questions.

Our Treasurer, Kathy Wood, reported that the club had a balance of \$4,625 which, most likely, will be used up on events scheduled from now till the end of 2011. To date there has only been 57 renewals for our PLMLGC membership and 6 Handicap only renewals. Dues are delinquent after October 31st. Come on gals...we need you!

The committee dealing with all the stuff that has accumulated for club events has been weeding things out. Items of use are stored in the showers in our locker room.

The by-laws for the player formulation for our Pine Tree Invitational were amended to “Pine Tree foursomes will be comprised of one or two property owner members and their guests (1-3 guests per foursome).” The amendment was voted on and passed.

Our next *Pine Tree Invitational* is scheduled for June 21st & 22nd. Phylliss Gschwend, Eclectic Chair, an-

## PML Lady Niners in October

BY CYNDY KROUT

October 6 turned out to be a cold and wet day and only five ladies braved the elements and golfed. But, on the 13th it was a beautiful warm day and we had 16 players for putts day. Cyndy was in first place followed by Stacie Brown, Geralyn Dielman and Darlene Hoagland in second. Third was a tie between Bev Oakley and Flo Jansen and fourth a tie with Jeanne Clemson, Pat Van Gerpen and Sarah Zimmerman. Linn Faler, Geralyn and Bev got a par on #14 while Linelle Marshall got a par on #16 and Cyndy on #17. Linelle was low net for the week.

On October 20 we played a Par Point Tournament with 14 players. First place was a tie between Darlene and Pat Price. Second was shared with Linn, Pat VG and Wanda Patterson while Stacie Brown came in third place. Darlene got a par on #14 while Pat P. was getting a

par on #17. Low Net was a tie between Darlene H., and Pat P. and Pat P. was Ace of Aces for the month of October after a tie breaker with Darlene.

The 18-hole ladies hosted a Halloween Tournament on the 27th that several of our ladies were able to enjoy. Barbara Haiges was on the first place team; Wanda P. second; Stacie third; Pat P. fourth and Flo J. fifth. Shirley Haliwell was closest to the hole!

We will be having our Christmas lunch on December 8th with installation of officers for 2012. Our co-captains for next year will be Stacie Brown and Nancy Whitefield. Treasurer will be Wanda P. and secretary Bev O. Tournament Chairman will again be Pat VG and Charlie Fratus will be Handicap Chairman. Thank you ladies and we look forward to lots of good golf in 2012!

## PML Ladies Club Goes “Slinky”

BY DAR BROWN, PUBLICITY CHAIR

Many thanks to Conni Buchner and her committee for bringing us a wonderful fashion show this year! From entering the room full of beautiful fall decorations to the delicious lunch of Artichoke Chicken provided by the Grill and the crisp fall air, everything was just perfect!

The beautiful and vibrant fall clothing was brought to us by Sharon Malone Lingerie from Sonora. Rinolada, representative for Sharon Malone, brought her own models, plus our own Conni Buchner got a chance to hit the runway

and confessed to purchasing a red and black number that looked stunning on her. Many of the clothes were mix and match “slinky” knits, perfect for travel, and each outfit was beautifully accessorized with scarves, jewelry, purses and shoes to complete the look of each ensemble. Attendees were generously offered a discount on in-store purchases and many of the garments modeled were made available for sale after the luncheon. We suspect we will see some of the lovely items at the upcoming Christmas Coffee and Christmas Gala.

nounced all the winners for the 2011 season. These results are posted in the ladies lounge for your perusal. Congrats to all those that made money and improved their scores.

The election of officers for our 2012 season were voted on and those elected were: Judi Maguire, Captain; Mona Tompkins, Co-Captain; Sharon Kenyon, Secretary; Kathie Wood, Treas-

urer. Good luck for a successful year, ladies, and thank you for your service to our club!

Some dates to remember are: Dec. 14th is our Christmas luncheon & General Meeting (remember to bring your toy or gift for the needy), Jan. 5th there will be a budget meeting prior to golf.

Happy Holidays to all!



## Country Mountain Riders Love Trail Riding

BY LYNNE ORLOFF

Like so many of our fun activities, riding usually requires good weather. We want to enjoy our ride and have good footing for our horses. Our beautiful, if short, Fall was very conducive to such outings. The colors along the trails were spectacular and we pinched ourselves on each ride that we were fortunate to have such wonderful trails right in our back yards. So many horse owners have to travel an hour or more to get to a trail of some kind if they want to ride in something other than an arena.

Trail riding is one of the hardest activities for a horse. You don't just stuff a horse in a claustrophobic trailer, take to the open road and deposit him later at a trail head expecting him to handle whatever "pops" up. Horses



are naturally attached to other horses in their herd, whether it is just one other horse at their barn, or many. So

leaving their friends is much like trying to move a teenager across country to a new town. Then, unlike a round pen or arena where every corner or device is well known to them, they are now in an environment where all they encounter might "eat" them. They are a prey animal, and they are sure that that large sewer pipe you have to cross is going to devour them, that the rising Sierra rock has horses for lunch, and that the green trash can on the street you have to traverse is something extraterrestrial. A rider has to be alert to all the thoughts of their horse. It's not unusual to have a horse take flight over a plastic grocery bag wending its way by them, or just flapping off a fence where it is trapped. We have to prepare our horses, despoek them, as it were. Many of us do this by attending clinics or by working with a professional trainer, or the horseman among us might do this at home. Another great way is to take a young horse that lacks confidence out with seasoned horses. Their calm response to things helps the young horse learn how he can respond to the same scary objects.

Horses, like people, have varied levels of confidence. Although some of their confidence comes from training and with the relationship they have developed with their rider, they, like us, are born with a personality make-up that lends itself to having more or

less confidence. We can help all of them develop that, but you won't change who they are. They only have two ways to handle fear, flight or fight; most choose flight. That can mean that as you meander down the trail, talking to your trail mate about unrelated subjects, you might find yourself bolting, sometimes no longer on the trail, for a reason unknown to yourself, but rest assured, your horse was sure this was required. To avoid these excursions through the Manzanita, we work on watching for things that might disturb them, setting them up for success and building their confidence. A deer may suddenly dart across the trail, worse yet, it might be

behind you, not in front...much more dramatic response. We also have bear and mountain lion in our environs so we are ever watchful for signs of their presence since they are the real prey. Our horses know they are there long before we do and we have learned to read their body language, either turning back or moving calmly onward. Sometimes the worst object is nothing more than a hiker that rounds a corner wearing those "horse-eating" high backpacks. To a horse, this is not a human but a walking prey animal. So, if you happen to be one of those hikers, please speak up. They immediately calm down when they hear a human voice coming from the "walking terror". Bicycles and motorized vehicles that come careening around a corner towards them can send them into a bolting bucking frenzy to escape. Most of the cyclists and motorists we encounter stop immediately, turn off their motors, and wait for us to pass, again talking to the horse. Horse and rider really appreciate this thoughtful response to the meeting. In aviation we like to say, in jest, "any landing where we can use the airplane again is a good one". Perhaps that applies to trail riding also? So, before you take to the trails, prepare your horse AND yourself for the ride. A happy confident horse can take you on rides that will remain some of the highlights of your life. Happy Trails!



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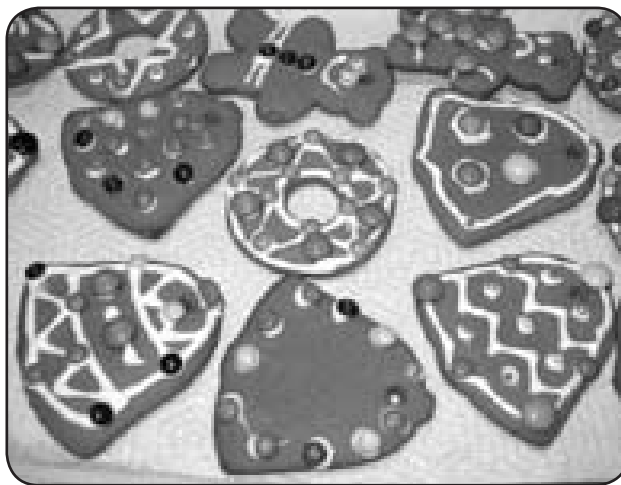
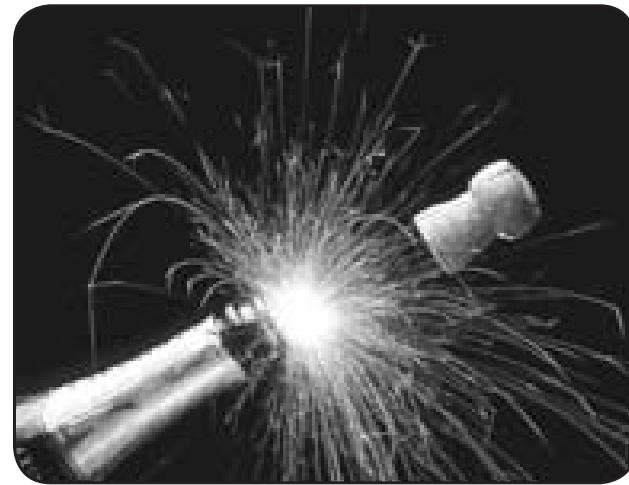
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# ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

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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 Jeanne Brunk at 962-6276.

## Aerobics & Sculpting

### Exercise by Video

Mondays, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 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.

## 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 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.

## Sonora Senior Center

Lunch Served Weekdays from 12:00 to 12:30  
No Reservations Required  
533-2622  
540 Greenley Rd., Sonora

## Alcoholics Anonymous meetings

Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00 PM  
Groveland Christian Church  
Foote Street, Groveland

# Friends of the Groveland Library

BY NADINE PEDRON

## BOOKS AND NOW SOMETHING MORE

Library: the word conjures up a vision of stacks, rows, collections...of books. Books to hold, the heft of each registering the length and the density. Pages in the book to turn, to scan, to sample. The cover, an intriguing visual enticement that contributes to the act of choosing. Book lovers cherish these physical interactions with the book that is bound. And yet, there is more! And it will be coming soon to a library near you. Welcome ebooks - not to replace the beloved hard or paper back, maybe lovingly dog-eared, paper and cardboard old friend, but to add to your reading ease and comfort. Our county library system has approved funds to provide access to a beginning collection of ebooks that you can download into a Nook, or Kindle or other electronic devices of that ilk. The books will be free and you will get to use each book for three weeks as you now do at the library. However, you will not have to

lug it back to the library or ever pay a late fine. It will simply disappear on its own. If all goes as planned, it is anticipated that this service will be available in mid-to-late January, 2012 in the Sonora main library and here in Groveland as well. For further information please call your library at 962-6144.

## FOGL NEWS:

- Many thanks to Carmen Anderson (Groveland Rose) who campaigned tirelessly and fearlessly in the Groveland mayoral race in order to raise funds for the library and its outreach programs.
- Come into the library to enjoy the lovely Christmas themed quilts adorning the walls, but please do

it before December 18th when the library closes until January 3rd.

- FOGL will be contributing new children's books to the Christmas Basket project.



*Carmen Anderson (mayoral candidate) and Nadine Pedron are delighted to receive the Chamber of Commerce check awarded to the Friends of the Library.*

- The Book Nook, downstairs at the library, continues to provide an abundant source of gently used books at great prices. Funds from these sales support our local library as well as county offerings such as ebook access. Join the community regulars who come in every Saturday (10-2) to browse, buy, chat and munch homemade treats. Also downstairs are Steve Ryan's marvelous photos which are for sale and would make great Christmas gifts.

- The Friends meet every fourth Tuesday at 2:00 downstairs at the library. We welcome visitors. Next meeting is January 24th, 2012. For further information please contact Nadine Pedron at 962-6953 or email: epedron@att.net.



## 2012 Proposed Recycling Changes and Rate Information for Moore Bros. Scavenger Co. Inc.

BY STEVE MOORE, CORP. PRESIDENT, MOORE BROS. SCAVENGER CO. INC.

As we hope you are all aware of by now, Moore Bros. Scavenger Co. has moved to our new facility and implemented a new drop-off recycling program January 1st of this year. This was a pilot program for the term of one year that was approved by the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors to give us and our community the opportunity to prove that South County residents could and would utilize a drop-off recycling center.

Our goal was not only to avoid a \$6.38 rate increase to our service customers had we been required to offer a 2-cart curbside service but also to improve the quality and volume of the recycles over what was collected in 2010 during the 'Blue Bag Program'. By tracking the volumes, quality and markets we hoped to be able to ascertain if opening a local recycle buy back center would be a financially feasible venture in our current economic climate.

The year is not quite over at this writing but we have compiled enough data to report to you that the drop-off program has been very successful. Thanks to all of your efforts we have indeed improved the quality and quantity. During the last 10 mos. our customers and residents have brought us 106.07 tons of recyclable materials, which is a little over 50 tons more than was collected in 2010. We experienced the biggest increase in our mixed paper, cardboard and glass volumes. Congratulations, South County! Although the recycling markets were not as strong as we had hoped this past year, the proceeds from the sale of the commodities, along with the small 1.07 % (CPI) rate increase that went into effect last January, has helped to offset some of our startup and operating costs. Currently we are "holding our own" so to speak. It is for this reason that we will not be requesting to take the 2.43% (CPI) for 2012 when we go before the Board of Supervisors in December. The current economic crisis that we are all trying to survive in has been devastating for many of our residents and customers.

To that end, we as a company are trying to do the best we can with what we have without increasing our rates unless it's an absolute necessity. There will be no rate increase in 2012. It is our hope that the recycle markets will improve in the coming year and that our recycle volumes will continue to grow which will help us to make our goal of opening a recycle buy back center a reality.

With that said, when we meet with the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors in December of 2011 we will be requesting to continue the Drop-off Recycle Program. In addition to that we will also be requesting to discontinue the mobile recycle trailer service that we have provided to Pine Mt. Lake residents and customers as unfortunately there were only a small number of 'regulars' who utilized this service. The costs of labor & fuel to maintain this service far exceeds the need at this point.

Our final request to the Board will be a simple one and involves the Annual Christmas Tree pick-up service that Moore Bros. Scavenger usually provides the week after Christmas. In the past several years, the costs incurred to provide this service far outweighed the number of trees we actually picked up. So we will also be requesting that the Board of Supervisors allow us to modify this service to a 'by appointment only' for any of our residents that cannot self haul their live tree to the Groveland Transfer Station or to the slash yard at Pine Mt. Lake.

Any changes approved for 2012 will be reflected in the information packets/payment books that you will receive in late December of this year. Please read them carefully. We send out these Annual billing and information packets in an attempt to keep costs at a minimum. Of course, when you are finished reading the materials, please do recycle them!

All of us at Moore Bros. Scavenger Co. want to thank you for your support and continued business. We sincerely hope that the coming year will be better for us all.

## Museum Happenings

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

The annual Gordon Jones Docent Appreciation Lunch will be held Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 at the museum. Docents, STCHS Board and museum operating committee members are welcome. Please RSVP by December 5th to Kathy Brown at 962-0325 or email at [dkbrown3@earthlink.net](mailto:dkbrown3@earthlink.net).

Entries in the Tenaya Elementary School Photo Contest are on display at the museum from now until the end of January. Photos are judged by museum visitors, so please come in and vote for and support our young photographers.

Rich Hathaway has an idea for a new museum display using currency from other countries. If you have paper or coins from other countries you would like to donate or loan the museum for

this display, please contact the museum office at 962-4408.

Did you know that if you missed one of the STCHS monthly programs, you can come in and watch it in the museum's Kenneth Friend Theater? DVD's of the STCHS Programs may also be borrowed for up to one week or copies may be ordered at \$10 each. You might consider one as a gift for a history buff and, if you're looking for something to do with the grandchildren, there are DVD's of interest to children as well as adults.

During the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas, the museum store will be offering a 20% discount to STCHS Members only. You really must come in and see the wonderful changes Rachel has made in the store.



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## Groveland Christmas Bird Count – 2011

BY BILL ZACHMAN, GROVELAND, CA

The date for the 2011 Groveland count is Thursday, December 15th.

The 15 mile diameter circle is centered on Hiway 49, just north of Coulterville, and covers many different habitats including a large portion of Lake Don Pedro, dry chaparral, oak and pine forests, and suburban areas with backyard feeders. Altitudes range from 800 ft to 3500 ft. Go to <http://www.wbzerd.com/groveland-cbc.htm> for more details.

Over 100 different species can be expected ranging from wintering waterfowl, to Bald Eagles, Hawks, Falcons, Woodpeckers, Finches, Spar-

rows, and many others. Specialties have included: Barrow's Goldeneye, Rock Wren, and Rufous-crowned Sparrow. A special owling group will go out before dawn to find at least three species of owls in the area.

A boat will be available on Pine Mountain Lake and Lake Don Pedro. We have permission to bird the PML Golf Course and the Anker Ranch at the top of Priest Grade.

If you want to find out more about this activity, or to sign up now, contact Bill Zachman (209)-962-6689 or e-mail to [wbzerd@wbzerd.com](mailto:wbzerd@wbzerd.com).

## Jordan Reyes' Replacement Blood Drive

BY FIRE CHIEF SHANE WARNER



It was with deepest regret that we informed the community of the loss of Firefighter Jordan Reyes. He was fatally injured in a vehicle accident after leaving his job at the U.S. Forest Service Fire Department on Friday evening, Sept. 16, 2011, at 5:10 pm. He was also a firefighter for Groveland Fire and Tuolumne City Fire Departments. Jordan was 23 years old.

There will be a replacement blood drive December 16, 2011, 10a-2p at the Groveland Fire Department. Call Kathy Bernheisel at 209-962-7891 for an appointment time. (Tuolumne City Fire Protection District is also hosting a Reyes' Memorial Blood Drive on Nov. 22, 2011, 3-7 pm. You will not be able to participate in both because there must be 56 days between blood draws.)

## Helping Hands Happenings

BY JOYCE SMITH

The Store was closed on Monday, November 7th. Sorry I was unable to let you know in advance. The dishwasher in the kitchen area went out. It was decided to remodel the area around the dishwasher to make more counter space, plus additional cabinets. (Can't wait to see the results.)

Store hours are 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Please do not leave your donations at the Store or Barn except during business hours. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

We will be closed on Thursday, December 8th for our General Meeting and Volunteer Christmas Party. Other days we will be closed are: December 24th, 25th, 31st, January 1st, and January 12th.

We welcome new volunteer Kay Ayers. Kay has expressed interest in working in the back, front or Barn. Welcome, Kay, we look forward to working with you. Welcome back Larry Woodruff and Lorraine David to their usual work times. We have said farewell to our part time workers. They go to warmer climates for the winter, but come spring they return and will be warmly greeted.

I made a mistake in my last article and want to make a correction. I listed Pat Bradley as working Labor Day at the Store and it should have

said Sandy Bradley. (I really do try to be correct.)

Christmas everywhere--The Store is loaded with all things Christmas as well as our usual things. More items will be put out daily as we get to them. Christmas trees, large outside decorations, wreaths and yard art will be at the Barn. Need tire chains? We have some at the Barn.

Dar Brown reports that 70 boxes have been sent to our Troops. We have received some thank yous and the boxes are truly appreciated. Thanks, Dar, for a really big job.

Congratulations to Selma Watkins for winning the 'Extra Mile Award'. Selma is a happy, willing volunteer. She works 3 scheduled days in the back and 1 day at the Barn, plus will take on trades and extra duty. I feel very fortunate to work one day with Selma and her mother, Hanna. Selma, you are very deserving.

Welcome back See's Candy Sales. See's Candy will be available for sale at the Barn during our normal Barn hours: Wednesday thru Saturday, 11 AM to 3 PM.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us at Helping Hands!

See you at the Store or Barn.

## Benefit Fund Set Up For Toby Granger

BY EDEN GRANGER

Toby Granger was injured in an accident on November 7th. He is in the Burn Unit at UC Davis Medical Group in Sacramento. Toby loves to work and is having a difficult time having people take care of him instead of the other way around. He is improving but will be unable to work for quite awhile. As Toby is

very worried about his personal finances a fund has been set up for him at Rabobank in Groveland. If you would like to help please stop by Rabobank and make a donation to the Toby Granger Benefit Fund. Any help will be appreciated, as will your continued prayers.



## Yosemite Chamber Of Commerce Announces New Board of Directors for 2011/2012

BY DORI JONES



*The Yosemite Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for 2011-2012 are presented to the members by Tuolumne County District 4 Supervisor John Gray.*



*Outgoing YCC President James Nagle passes the gavel to the incoming President, Pine Mountain Lake's own Rick Whybra.*

### Yosemite National Park and Tuolumne County Dignitaries Attend Chamber's Annual Election and Dinner

Yosemite Chamber of Commerce (YCC) held its Annual Election Meeting and Dinner on October 27, 2011, at The Grill in Pine Mountain Lake. More than 85 people attended, including Martin Nielson, Chief, Business and Revenue Management for Yosemite National Park (YNP); and Tim Wyman, President of Directors of Tuolumne County Visitors Bureau (TCVB) who were presented certificates of appreciation by outgoing YCC President James Nagle. Keynote speaker was Larry Cope, Director of Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority (TCEDA). Cope spoke on the recent business development accomplishments, including bringing retailers Big Lots, Pet Smart and Jo-Ann Fabrics to Sonora, as well as current talks with other national retailers for potential future ventures in Tuolumne County.

John Gray, Tuolumne County 4<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor, introduced the new board. Returning board director Rick Whybra was elected president of the board; James Nagle was elected vice president; Cathy Leetham, treasurer; and Christina Wilkinson, secretary for the 2011/2012 term. In addition, two board members – Carole Smith of Carron Tax Services and Christina Wilkinson of Sabre Design – were re-elected, and Tom Hernandez of SoulBeGood was newly elected to a three-year term. Other directors

include Jerry Baker, Pam Oler and Lynn Upthagrove.

Outgoing YCC President, James Nagle, thanked several dignitaries in attendance, including: YNP Branch Chief of Public Involvement and Outreach, Donna Sisson; YNP Fire Education and Information Manager, Gary Wuchner; and Martin Nielson, Chief, YNP Business and Revenue Management. Nagle also thanked Tuolumne County District 4 Supervisor, John Gray; Tuolumne County Community Recourses Director, Bev Shane; Tuolumne County Transit Agency Director, Darrin Grossi; and TCEDA Director, Larry Cope; as well as TCVB President of Directors, Tim Wyman; and TCVB Marketing Consultant, Bruce Tepper.

Nagle also provided a recap of the chamber's accomplishments over the past year. His speech, titled "A Solid Foundation," highlighted significant accomplishments such as establishing a Visitor Center within the Chamber's office in Groveland, as well as bringing in Yosemite National Park rangers to staff the Visitor Center and answer travelers' inquiries. On average, more than 1,000 travelers stopped in the Visitor Center during each month of the summer season. Other achievements included initiating and executing a year-long celebration of Yosemite's 120<sup>th</sup> birthday, hanging "Celebrate Yosemite" banners along Highway 120 through Groveland

and participating in Pow Wow International and Yosemite Gateway Partners meetings and committees. The Chamber recently completed its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Honorary Mayoral Race, which raised \$8,650.95 for the five candidates' charity of choice. Nagle presented checks to 49'er Little League for \$339.50; Groveland Library received \$875.00; Tenaya Elementary School received \$700; Garrote Lions received \$2,818.00; and the Pine Cone Singers received \$3,918.45. Nagle concluded his speech by outlining the Chamber's goals for the coming year. Nagle said, "High on our priority list is to continue our efforts with the Tuolumne County Transit Agency to establish a bus transit system that would run through Tuolumne County to Yosemite National Park." The Chamber will also continue the ranger program next year at the Visitor Center, and will produce literature for the Visitor Center to encourage travelers to "See the Rest of Tuolumne County" – aimed at promoting visitors to explore Highway 108 into Jamestown, Sonora and beyond.

## Paula Rolfe Celebrates 30 Years With Yosemite Bank

BY MARC FOSSUM



*Branch President Marc Fossum congratulates Paula Rolfe on her 30th Anniversary with Yosemite Bank.*

Yosemite Bank's Paula Rolfe celebrated her 30 year anniversary with the bank on October 19, 2011. Paula started her career with Yosemite Bank before the words like ATM, debit cards, a computer terminal at every station or electronic banking became common place. Paula has garnered a tremendous following of loyal clients over the past 30 years. One of her clients stopped by to congratulate her and claimed to be "the first depositor of the Groveland Branch of Yosemite Bank". Paula's work ethic, unparalleled attendance and superior customer service make her a highly valued and appreciated member of the Yosemite Bank team. We look forward to celebrating many more milestones with Paula.

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## The Many Faces of The Little House

BY SYDNEY AVEY

When the Smiths go to Sonora, the money they put in their gas tank means less food in their pantry. Fortunately, they didn't have to make an extra trip to get help figuring out their best Medicare options because HICAP counseling is offered once a week at The Little House. When they came in for their free-of-charge private counseling session, Mr. Smith also learned he could get information on an array of veterans' services because a VA Rural Health van travels to the Little House monthly.

Mary has a chronic medical condition. Exercise programs to stretch and strengthen her muscles will help keep her free of pain. At The Little House she has some choices. A regimen of Strength for Life or Yoga classes is just what the doctor ordered.

The Joneses were happy to provide room in their home for Mrs. Jones' recently widowed mother, but they were concerned about her opportunities to get out and socialize. Mrs. Jones checked The Little House calendar and found a lunch group her mom could attend. She also discovered art classes and a Mah-jongg group, activities her mom enjoys. She is hopeful that these resources will make the transition easier for all of them.

Linda is an avid hiker who wants to stay fit as she ages. The Zumba class on

Saturday mornings is just the challenge she needs to maintain her ability to keep her balance and her quick step. She also discovered that The Little House is a perfect place to hold the book discussion group she wants to start but was reluctant to because there isn't enough parking at her house.

Larry is a talented computer user who loves nothing more than to share his knowledge with young and old alike. At The Little House he found a comfortable place to gather his friends and neighbors and teach them how to use word processing, spreadsheet and social networking programs. One of his neighbors is now in touch with her grandchildren in college and she couldn't be more thrilled.

These are not their real names, but hundreds of people just like the Smiths and Joneses and Mary, Linda and Larry gather each month at The Little House to take advantage of opportunities to maintain a healthy, active lifestyle. Whether you want to join an existing group or class, or start something new yourself, The Little House is a community gathering place where you can do that.

From zero to 25 in two.

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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!**

Saturday. Our next challenge will be to establish a steady source of income to keep the Little House in operation. The funds we received from the Sonora Area Foundation to help us get started have run out. Now it is up to all of us to keep the doors open at The Little House.

To retain this valuable resource in our community requires broad-based community support. The Board of Directors is working on a comprehensive plan to address the immediate needs – keeping the doors open and the lights on – as well as the long-term vision – providing for adult health, recreation, socialization and lifelong learning in an under-resourced

community in tough economic times. It's a tall order, but we are committed to the health of our community. In the coming year, we will be asking for your help.

## Pine Cone Singers Ring In the Christmas Season with "Holiday Reflections" Concert

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

The Pine Cone Singers present their Christmas concert, "Holiday Reflections", on December 9, 10 and 11, 2011. Concert times at the Evangelical Free Church in Groveland are Friday and Saturday at 7:30 PM; the Sunday performance is at 2:00 PM. What better way to begin your season of celebrations with family and friends than to experience the wonderful choral sound of this community treasure of 40 singers under the direction of Dennis Brown! Musical selections include many favorite holiday tunes as well as the ever-popular Audience Sing-Along. Tickets are

\$8.00 in advance or \$10 at the door, and are available in Groveland at Yosemite Bank, Hotel Charlotte, Dori's Tea Cottage, Marijke's Hair Salon and from any Pine Cone Singer member. The concert is free to children aged 13 and under. For additional information, please contact board chairman, Shirley Brasesco at 209-962-4815.

We are sad to announce that after successfully leading the choir for the past seven years, Director Dennis Brown will be retiring from his post after the May 2012 concerts in order to pursue other interests. Although the choir will miss him very much,

we wish him well in all his future endeavors. We were very fortunate to have had Dennis' expertise and talent in both directing and teaching us, and in doing so, bringing us to the caliber of performance of which we boast today. Audience comments are always... "you get better with each new show."

The choir board has officially announced that it is actively searching for a new director beginning with the 2012-2013 season. Interested persons should contact board chairman, Shirley Brasesco at 209-962-4815 or email [singingshirl@gmail.com](mailto:singingshirl@gmail.com).

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### PRIME LOCATION VERY CLOSE TO THE 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. **\$288,450** 1/470 19759 Pine Mountain Drive

### 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.  
**\$219,000** 4/322 - 20771 Big Foot Circle

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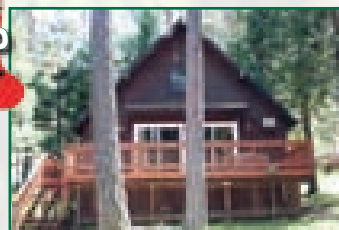
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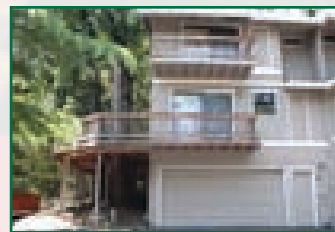
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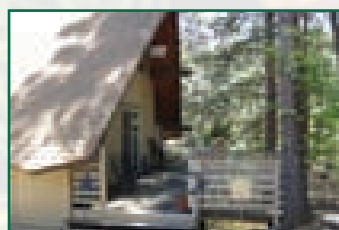
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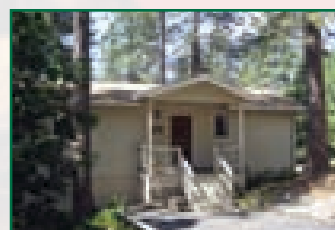
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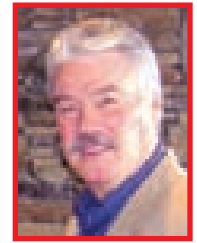
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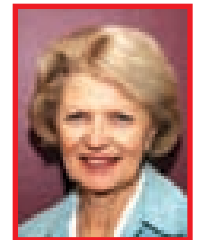
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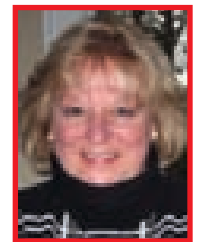
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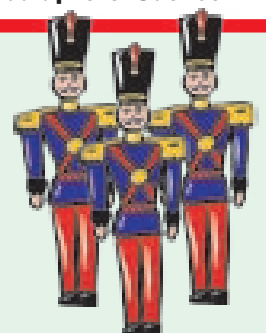


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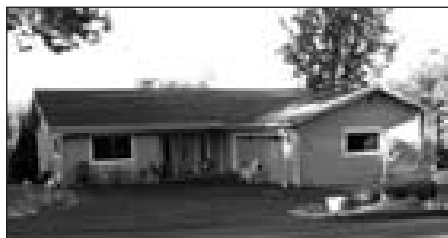




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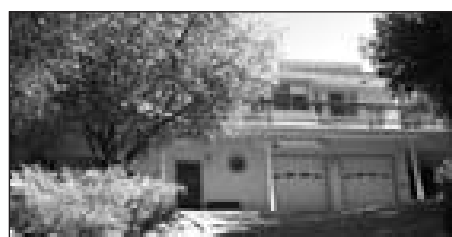
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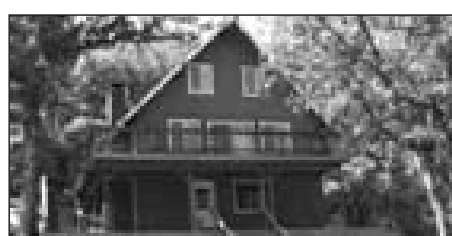
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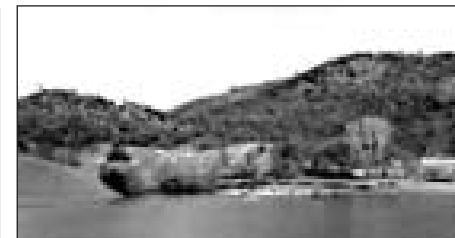
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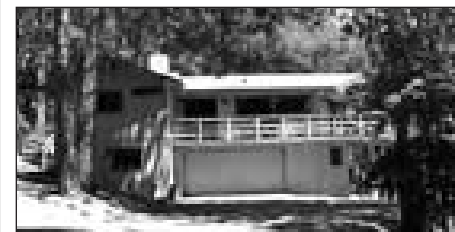
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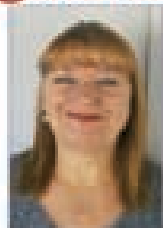
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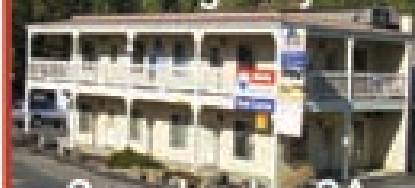
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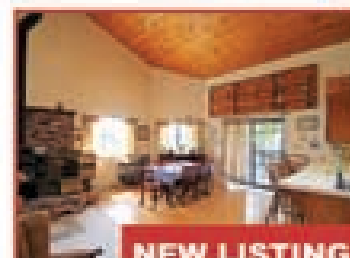
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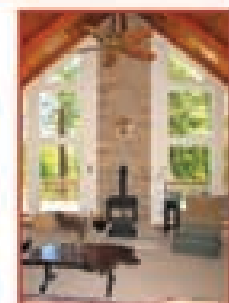
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**SNUGGLE BY THE FIRE** upstairs in the living room or downstairs in the family/recreation room. Lots of space to spread out here. Situated on nearly 3/4 ac lot around the bend from the Lake Lodge picnic and beach area. Over 1900 sq ft of living area plus a detached shop/hobby room. Financing available. 3bd/3ba 4-95 \$288,850



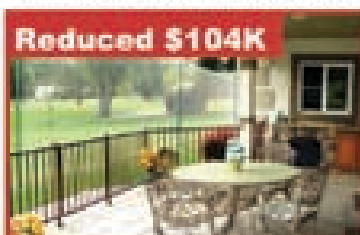
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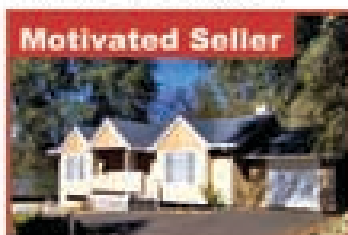
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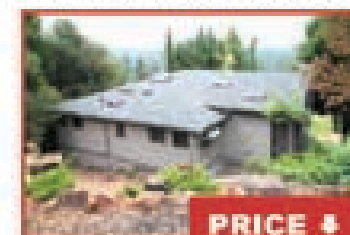
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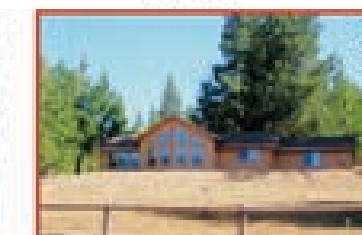


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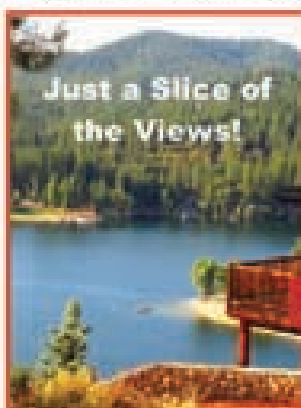
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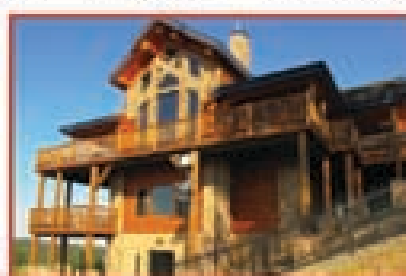
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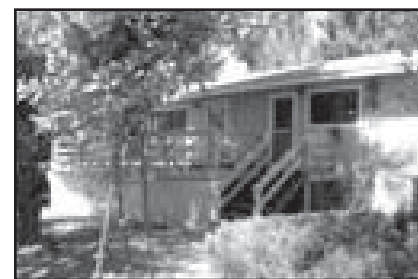
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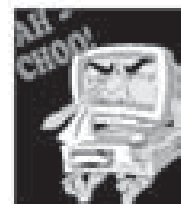
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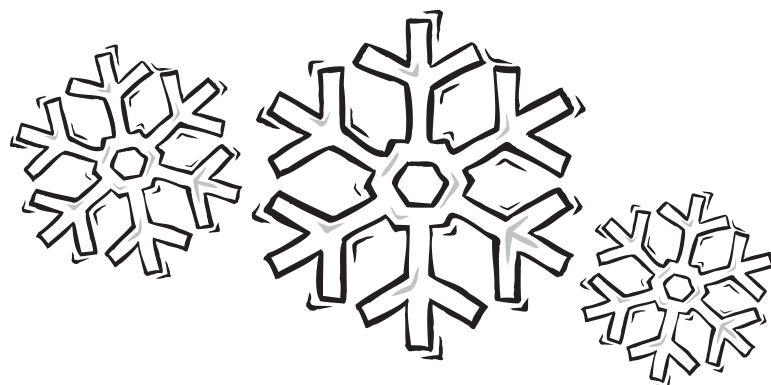


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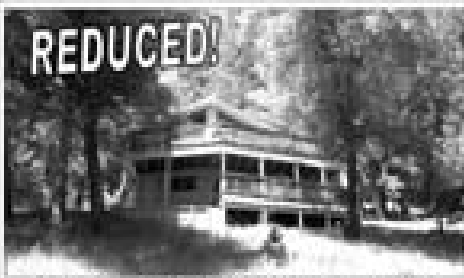
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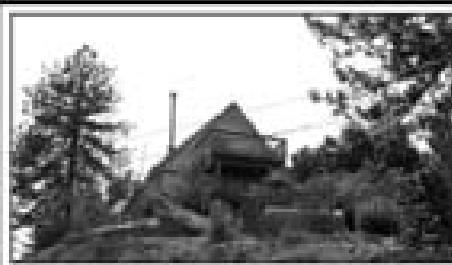
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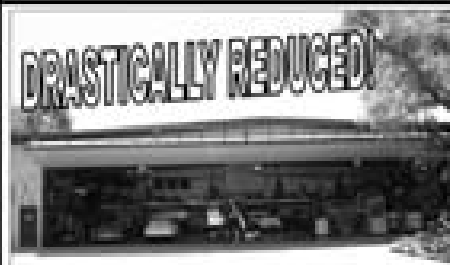
### GOLF COURSE HOME!

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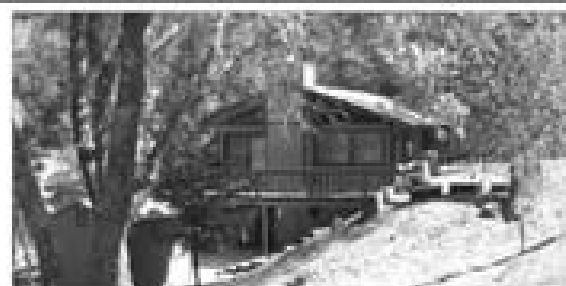
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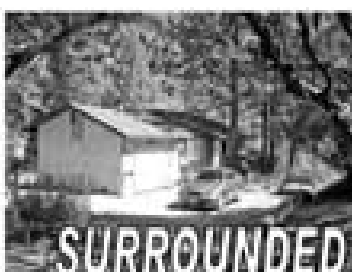
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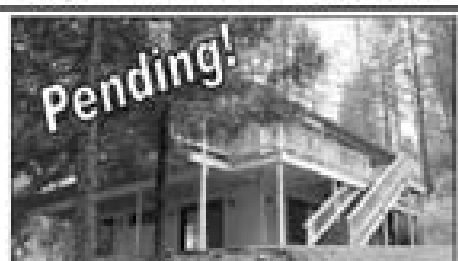
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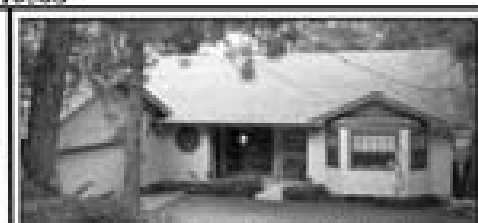
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- 7/252 — 0.32 Acre close to the Country Club & Amenities! \$60,000! MLS#20104861
- 7/255 — Easy Build Lot! Septic Approved for 3 Bed! \$5,500! MLS#20111121
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## The Soroptimist Scene

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT



*The Soroptimists welcome Judy Gravino and Gloria Marler as members.*



*The 37 young ladies from Tenaya that participated in the B.E.S.T. Day activities at the PML Lake Lodge.*

### Two New Members Inducted into SIG

Soroptimist International of Groveland is happy to welcome back Judy Gravino and Gloria Marler as members. After leaving the club for a short time, both Judy and Gloria were re-inducted as members at our October meeting. We are excited to have their expertise and energy as we look forward to our upcoming projects.

### B.E.S.T. Day for Tenaya Girls

On November 1, 36 seventh and eighth-grade girls from Tenaya attended B.E.S.T. (Be Empowered Starting Today) Day at PML Lake Lodge. As one of Soroptimist International of Groveland's (SIG) most important service projects of the year, the purpose of the program is to provide these young girls with information and tools that they will remember and draw upon as they enter their teenage years and experience peer and social pressures. This year's specially designed program was titled "Me, Myself and I." Co-chairs of this year's program were Debbie Shanahan and Liz Mattingly, with the help of Luci Tyndall, Bonnie Philips, Nadele Manzo and Flo Jansen. To help facilitate the girls with the day's activities, 22 SIG members were on hand, including former SIG member and past president Gail Shaw, who established B.E.S.T. Day nearly 10 years ago.

The day's activities and projects em-

phasized the importance of "Self Awareness," "Self Acceptance" and "I Can Do It" themes. The girls decorated mirrors that reflected their inner feelings, self image and interests. Another project was a collage they created by gluing different words onto a poster that also reinforced their self image.

The day included an interactive exercise in which several girls helped role play a scenario in which a hypothetical girl is treated badly by her mother, sister, classmates and teacher. This clearly demonstrated to the girls how unkind words and actions have a lasting effect.

After a yummy lasagna lunch, the girls participated in chair yoga exercises, conducted by local Yoga instructor Chelsea Garcia Singh. The girls really got into the yoga and seemed to enjoy it very much. The last part of the afternoon included the girls getting their hair styled by local hairdressers Andria Albanez, Kim Bigelow and Patti Moles of BellaDonna Salon. Each girl also got their "colors" analyzed by local hair designer Marijke Spilman. She demonstrated how certain colors look better with certain hair, eye and skin color. At the end of the day, each girl got to take home their decorated mirrors and collages, as well as a goody bag full of items generously donated by Jeffrey Berger, D.D.S. and Wal-Mart, both of Sonora.

### Helping to End Violence against Women and Girls

The holidays are a time when domestic violence increases. Please note that the International Day to Eliminate Violence against Women and Girls (held on November 25) and an on-going effort, Soroptimist Workplace Campaign to End Domestic Violence, are two high-priority initiatives for Soroptimist. Currently, SIG is actively addressing these issues by posting notices with tear-off help-line phone numbers around various public places in our community to enable women to seek help. The U.S. National Domestic Violence Hotline is 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE). The U.S. National Sexual Assault Hotline at 1-800-656-4673 automatically connects you to a local U.S.

rape crisis program based on the area code of your phone number. The U.S. National Teen Dating Violence Helpline is at 1-866-331-9474.

### Hope You Didn't Miss the Good Times at SIG's Winter Tea

This article went to print before our hugely popular Winter Tea and Auction took place, however, look for the recap of this year's event and photos in the January edition.

If you are interested in helping your community and having a great time with a dynamic group of women, call SIG President Jeanne Brunk at 962-6276. "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller. It's never too late to join in the fun.

## Santa Claus is Comin' to The Iron Door General Store!

BY CORINNA LOH

Santa Claus is coming to the Iron Door General Store on December 12th from 12 noon until 3pm. Bring the kids for pictures with Santa! There will be free hot chocolate and warm apple cider and crafts to keep the children busy. Come see what the Iron Door Store

has to offer this year and get free gift wrap with any purchase. We'll have our homemade pies available whole or by the slice. So drop on by the Iron Door General Store and enjoy some quality time with Santa!



# Countdown to Christmas Baskets

BY PATTI BEAULIEU

Well, it's almost here – the grand event! Mid-December is when the generous food and monetary donations from most of the local businesses, organizations, and service clubs come in. In addition, all the donated gifts are organized, assembled and distributed to 100 local families. The countless volunteer hours that are given make this one of the premier projects of the Community. Each year the generosity grows and continues to astound Dar Brown and me, the co-chair team for the past 8 years. We love working on the project, especially when there is so much community support and involvement. It makes our job that much easier and we couldn't possibly do it without those of you who volunteer or donate.

This year we were very happy to have the Groveland Firemen's Association partner with us and have the Groveland Fire Station be a collection point for our toy and food drives. They're also collecting the food dona-

tions from the barrels that are placed at various local spots. Won't you contribute a non-perishable item or two when you grocery shop? The food barrels will be at Mar Val Market, Tioga High School, Groveland Fire Station and Mt Carmel Church until Sunday, December 11th, and these donations help fill the food boxes for the families. Toys that are donated should be new and unwrapped for ages 0–18. These can be dropped off at the Groveland Fire Station or you can bring them to the Community Hall on December 5th or 6th (see below).

We are so grateful to have Diestel Turkey Farms donate the turkeys for the food baskets again this year. This is such a generous donation and they have contributed these for the past few years.

Since, at this writing (early November), the applications are still being taken, the shopping is being done, and there is still plenty to do; there are no details at this time to report however,

when the holidays are over, the specifics, statistics and sincere thank you's will be published.

In addition to the bountiful food given to the families, we are also fortunate to be able to provide gifts of clothing and toys to the children. Several reasons make this possible. A generous anonymous donation is made from a community member to purchase large 'wish list' items. The PML Ladies Club will hold their annual Christmas Brunch on December 7th, where the 'admission' is a gift for a child. The PML 18-hole and PML 9-hole Ladies Golf Groups hold their annual luncheons, where each attendee also brings a gift for the baskets. Many gifts will also be coming from the PML Aviation Association Holiday Dinner where each attendee is asked to bring a gift. We'll hold 2 wrap days at the Community Hall this year to replace the 'It's a Wrap Party' that has been held in the past. If you'd like to select

gifts for kids and wrap them (just like we did at the Wrap Party), come join us at the Community Hall on Monday, December 5th and Tuesday December 6th from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

If you are a recipient, REMEMBER THAT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17th FROM 10 – 1 IS YOUR PICK UP DAY.

If you'd like to assist with the program by wrapping gifts, helping sort food or would like to make a donation, please call either Patti @ 962-7402 or Dar @ 962-5930. Tax deductible donations can be sent to Christmas Basket Program, P.O. Box 99, Groveland, CA 95321 (please make the check payable to Helping Hands, but specify 'Christmas Baskets' on your check). We'd love to have you be part of the process and you'll be astonished at what this little community can do. It's truly amazing.

## Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich

RECIPE PROVIDED BY TOM KNOTH AND PAULA MARTELL

If you have not been to the "ROOFBB's" Monday Night Football yet, you have got to check it out! They have some very talented "guest chefs" from local restaurants and the community contributing their time to prepare some great meals for most of the Monday Night Football games, and the meals are served at PML Country Club for only \$10 a plate! This is a very fun and well attended social event, and the best part is that proceeds go to worthy charities.

We were "guest chefs" for the Philadelphia vs. Chicago Monday Night Football game and made Philly Cheese Steak Sandwiches and Chicago Style Deep Dish Pizza. Our Cheese Steak recipe is admittedly not a classic "Philly". Honestly, we did not like the classic Philly Cheese Steak. They typically use "Cheese Wiz" (yechh!), American cheese (yechh again!), or a "Sharp Mozzarella", the latter of which sounds good, but is unobtainable in this

area. So, we sought to make a better Cheese Steak Sandwich.

We changed things up a bit by using Sharp Cheddar Cheese, by substituting some of the Bell Peppers with Poblano Peppers (often mistakenly referred to as "Pasilla Peppers" in California markets), and by throwing in a homemade garlic mayo spread. We were very happy with the results, and this sandwich went over big at Monday Night Football; we hope you'll try it!

### Ingredients

1 - 24" French Roll (or four 6" Hoagie Rolls)  
2-3 Tbsp Olive Oil  
1 medium Onion, sliced into thin rings  
1 medium Red Bell Pepper, seeded and sliced thin  
1 small Poblano Pepper, seeded and sliced thin  
1/3 lb Mushrooms, sliced 1/4 inch thick  
1 lb Steak (Rib-Eye, Top Round or Tri-tip), partially frozen and very thinly sliced

Salt and Pepper

12 oz Sharp Cheddar Cheese, White Cheddar Cheese, or Sharp Provolone Cheese

### Garlic Mayo

1/2 Cup Mayonnaise  
1 clove Garlic, finely minced

### Directions

In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise and minced garlic. Cover, and refrigerate. **Preheat oven to 500 degrees F.**

Heat 1 Tbsp oil in a large skillet over medium heat and add onions. Sauté onions for a few minutes and then add peppers and a Tablespoon more oil; sauté for a couple more minutes. Then add mushrooms and continue to sauté until they are tender. Remove from heat.

Add more oil to a separate pan over high heat; add beef and season very well with salt and pepper; quickly sear beef until lightly browned. Add already sautéed



veggies and mix together. Check seasonings again, add more salt and/or pepper if preferred.

Spread each bun generously with garlic mayonnaise. Divide beef/veggie mixture into the buns. Top with cheese and place sandwiches on a baking pan. Heat sandwiches in preheated oven, until cheese is melted or slightly browned. Serve.

*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. If you have questions or feedback about this recipe, you may contact them at (209) 962-5838 or tomknoth@yahoo.com.*

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## Rotary District Governor Makes Annual Visit

BY RUDY MANZO



Left to right: Left, Jim Frost on Right, Rotary District 5220 Governor Dave Mantooth. Dave is installing Jim as the latest new member to Groveland Rotary.

On October 24th, District 5220 Governor, Dave Mantooth, made the annual visit to Groveland to meet with the Groveland Rotary Club members.

Upon his arrival, his first order of business was to meet with Club Board of Directors. President Barry Scales gave an overview of what is being done by the club this year. Various members of the Board gave overviews of what is being done in the Avenues of Service. These are: Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service and International Service. Governor Mantooth then explained what new changes are being made to Rotary International and wants the club to be aware of the importance of the new Future Vision program.

After the Board meeting Governor Mantooth met with the general mem-

bership for lunch. During this time he inducted our newest member, Jim Frost, Superintendent of Big Oak Flat Groveland Unified School District. Following the induction, Governor Mantooth gave the club an overview of what is being done for all clubs within District 5220 and encouraged the participation in Simplified Grants as well as Matching Grant programs. The Future Vision program was presented to the membership and future presidents of Groveland Rotary were advised that under Future Vision the clubs are being instructed to set forth a 5 year plan. This will enable continuity from one president to the next. Governor Mantooth closed by applauding the Groveland Rotary for all that they have accomplished.

## Paintings on Display

BY SIERRA PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS

The Sierra Professional Artist Association wishes to announce that member, Mike Dwailebe, will be showing new paintings in Bannys' Restaurant at Mountain Springs Golf Course during the month of December.

Paintings of Sedona, Arizona, the Grand Canyon, and Fall in the Eastern Sierra, will be displayed.

There will be a reception on Dec 11th, from 2:30-4:30 pm, all are welcome.



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# Assemblymember Kristin Olsen to Speak at Groveland Town Hall Meeting

BY RICK WHYBRA, PRESIDENT, YOSEMITE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## Community invited to attend December 8 meeting at The Grill in PML

Assemblymember Kristin Olsen, R-Modesto, will be the guest speaker at a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2011, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake. The meeting, sponsored and hosted by the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce, is open to the public. The Chamber is encouraging the entire community to attend and hear Olsen speak on state-related matters and address key issues in our district that could impact our community. Olsen will be soliciting ideas and feedback from community members as she works to craft legislative measures for next year.

Kristin Olsen was elected to the California State Assembly in November 2010. She represents the 25th Assembly District, which includes the communities of Angels Camp, Chowchilla, Hughson, Mammoth Lakes, Mariposa, Modesto, Oakdale, Oakhurst, Riverbank, Sonora and Waterford. Olsen has been appointed to serve as a member of the Assembly Insurance, Agriculture and Water, Parks & Wildlife committees and the

Joint Sunset Review committee. She is also the Vice Chair of the Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media Committee.

Olsen has a passion for the businesses, communities and people of California's Central Valley and foothill communities. Born, raised, and now raising her own family, in Modesto, Olsen is a committed and respected leader with a reputation for reform and hard work. Olsen holds steadfast to her conservative principles including low taxes, attracting stable, good paying jobs to California and creating an environment that will allow businesses to thrive. Olsen also believes wholeheartedly in the principles of local control; keeping tax revenues working at the local level to provide the best schools, police and fire response, roads, parks, and other quality-of-life services that citizens deserve.

Prior to her election to the Assembly, Olsen served on the Modesto City Council. Olsen chaired the Economic Development Committee and served on the City-County Liaison Committee. In addition to her work as a Councilmember, Olsen was the Assistant Vice President for Communications & Public Affairs at California



Assemblywoman Kristin Olsen

State University, Stanislaus where she directed the University's marketing and communications programs. Olsen has served on the Modesto City Planning Commission and on the Modesto Citizens Housing and Community Development Committee.

**WHO: Assemblymember Kristin Olsen, R-Modesto, guest speaker**  
**WHAT: Groveland Town Hall Meeting**  
**WHEN: Thursday, December 8, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
**WHERE: The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake, Groveland, Calif.**

## New Firefighter Matt Burton

BY FIRE CHIEF SHANE WARNER

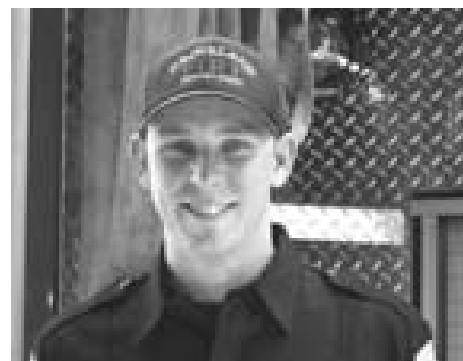
The Groveland Fire Department is proud to welcome Firefighter/Engineer Matt Burton to our ranks.

Nearly one hundred applicants participated in our arduous selection and testing process and of those applicants Burton ranked at the very top of the list. We are fortunate to have acquired a Firefighter of his caliber.

Success is not new for Burton, whose credentials and achievements display his pursuit of personal excellence. While earning his Associate Degree in Fire Technology, he received the top academic honor for exceptional achievement from the Columbia College Fire Academy. As a Student Instructor at the Academy, his leadership skills became

easily apparent and he has been asked to assist in future fire academies.

His experience as an Intern Firefighter in Sonora and then as a Relief Engineer in the Sonora City Fire Department has prepared him well for his role in our department. His training and certifications include: Class B Driver's license, Firefighter I and II training, CA State Fire Marshal's certifications: Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator 1A and 1B, Low Angle Rope Rescue Operational, Auto Extrication, Confined Space Rescue Awareness, Emergency Medical Technician, CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers. He is currently taking additional classes working towards his Bachelor Degree in Fire Management.



New Firefighter/Engineer Matt Burton.

Burton's first shift with the Groveland Fire Department was on November 4, 2011 and we are glad to welcome him as a full-time Firefighter/Engineer.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### BIG BLANKET GIVEAWAY

BY DAWNELLE DUTTON,  
TIOGA S CLUB ADVISOR

For anyone that needs a blanket in our local community. December 16th is the Blanket Giveaway from 1-5pm Downtown Groveland (across from Community Hall). Please come and get a blanket if you know someone who needs one!!!! The Tioga S Club wants to keep our community warm this holiday season!

### GROVELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT SEEKING COMMUNITY- SPIRITED VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS

BY FIRE CHIEF SHANE WARNER

In January 2012, the Tuolumne County Joint Basic Fire Academy begins with First Responder and Firefighting training. If you are 18-55 years old and you would like to know more about volunteering in your community please visit our website at [www.grovelandfire.com](http://www.grovelandfire.com), come by the fire station at 18930 Main St. in Groveland, or E-mail Fire Chief Shane Warner at [swarner@gcsd.org](mailto:swarner@gcsd.org).

### GOD YUL - SMORGASBORD

BY CHARLES WESLEY

December 10th our 18th Smorgasbord will take place at Bill Charlson's Lilaskog Lodge, 27557 Packard Canyon Rd., east of Groveland off Hwy 120.

If your family roots are in any of the Scandinavian countries we invite you to bring a dish from "your" country and have a good time with us.

Ann Johanson Wesley, 962-6939, will take your reservation and what you are bringing. We have a list of traditional foods if you need help in this area - already have 6 new reservations for this year.

Du kommer 10th Dec. til vor Smorgasbord.



## GAINs' News

BY BARBARA BROAD

While the GAINs Board is enjoying a year of reflection and the search for new projects, the administrative life of your community nonprofit goes on, with its commitments. High on the list is the GAINs commitment to three local groups, acting as their fiscal agent to provide their nonprofit status, handle their funds, provide liability insurance for their events, and prepare their annual reports. These groups are the Groveland Skate Park Committee, the Groveland Dog Park Committee, and Brainy Groveland, a tutoring program at Tenaya Elementary School.

The Brainy Groveland project donated to GAINs ten laptop computers for Laptops for Learners programs, for both children and adults. They are busy now once a week in free classes at The Little House, in collaboration with Southside Seniors. The Groveland Community Mentor Project will ramp up again in early 2012 to identify juniors highly motivated for job-related training after high school.

We hear from many folks how useful the GAINs Resource Directory is, that little 100-page book with information on businesses and services in the Groveland area. You can pick one up at the library. People are using it for a local phone book...the first place to look. GAINs will publish a 2012 Directory, and we will be working the streets to get lots of entries, to make it really useful. For-profit groups pay \$35 for the listing that lasts a year, and the receipts all go toward Directory expenses.

And this time of the year GAINs is asking for sponsorships from the community. The GAINs Directors represent many community service groups and individuals. Instead of members, we have Sponsors who donate \$100 each year to cover insurance and administrative costs. If you or your organization would like to support these community activities, contact Barbara Broad at grovelandgains@gmail.com or 962-7730. Donations are tax deductible.

## Quilters' Corner

BY SANDY SMITH

It is Christmas time, hooray! October thru January is my favorite time of the year. Winter is definitely here, hope you are enjoying your hot chocolate from last month's column.

If you are like me you are doing lots of last minute "stuff". Remember to block out time to sew, then you won't be so stressed. Enjoy the season. Happy Hanukkah and Merry Christmas to you and your family, too!

Remember there is no guild meeting in December. Everyone is just too busy. January is the Holiday Party. So February 21st is the next Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meeting. Six p.m. under the library. Lots of great meetings planned. Come and be a part of a super group of ladies, and there are cookies, too.

Continuing with more info regarding chocolate. If your passion is truffles, you are a romantic, if you like individual candy, you are a leader, but some people say that if you prefer dark chocolate, you are creative!! So which are you?

Here is an unusual website to enjoy: [artgalleryfabrics.com](http://artgalleryfabrics.com).

Ann Johnson sent me the funniest e-mail and from that I am going to reprint a portion, for THE HUSBANDS OF A QUILTER. This is in regards to being a quilt widower. Just 4 little points men to make your life easier. There is no 12 step program for quilters, but you may avoid codependency by following these tips:

1. Set up space outside the living area for the quilting equipment and fabric storage. I have refinished the basement and we are moving everything down there. Other husbands

have constructed pole barns, rented industrial space, or moved to another city under an assumed name.

2. Have your wife make a small business out of her hobby. Internet sales can be lucrative. They might even partially make up for the enormous sums she spends. Very important: Do not participate in the business yourself. First thing you know, you'll be maintaining complicated machinery, acting as an errand boy, and dealing with the post office. You have better things to do.

3. Don't be tempted to accompany your wife to the quilt shows thinking that time together will add spark to your relationship. You won't see her all day. You'll wander around aimlessly among the booths, finding nothing remotely interesting. Sure, you could meet other lost husbands, and find camaraderie in the nearest bar. Usually, though, a woman in a quilted vest will mistake you for a fabric vendor. She will try to hustle you for free samples.

4. Don't try to distract your wife with other activities such as gardening, cooking or housework. Though she may have done these things in the past, that's all over now. Quilting is her life. Accept your fate. Learn to cook and run the vacuum. Get a hobby of your own. You could join a softball team, slow-pitch preferably, or learn simple carpentry skills. Then build a pole barn and move yourself into it. Finally, remember you are not alone. There are plenty of other quilt-widowers out there.

Enjoy the holidays everyone, and see you next year!

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## Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be arriving in Groveland's Mary Laveroni Park on Saturday, December 3rd. Santa will arrive at 4 PM with candy canes and gifts for the children.

Hot Chocollate will be provided by the Garrotte Lions Club. There will be fun for everyone, young and old

alike. Bring your cameras. Lighting of the Christmas trees will occur at dusk. (we hope) In the event rain comes to dampen the day, Santa will arrive in the local Groveland Fire Department station.

This event is sponsored by the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce.

## Anxiety

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD; MARRIAGE, FAMILY THERAPIST

Everyone worries and feels anxious at some time in their lives and it generally is short lived and goes away. It is based on fear in specific, current circumstances and when those situations have passed the anxiety goes away. You may have some mild symptoms like: general nervousness, interrupted sleep, some loss of appetite and indecision. When the fears are excessive and unreasonable it is beyond just worry and additional symptoms may occur such as: feelings of choking or not being able to breathe, feeling like you are having a heart attack and will die, nausea, dizziness, loss of control or you think you are going crazy. You may even want to go to the emergency hospital to get checked out. When these symptoms happen and last for an extended period of time, this is considered a panic attack. Panic attacks can be considered a one time experience, circumstantially based, or chronic when it occurs many times. This can be a terrifying experience that may put you in a nonfunctional state. An additional fear is the anticipation of hav-

ing another attack with no warning.

It can be triggered by many fears including: social situations, phobias, impulsive or obsessive thoughts and behaviors, and a post traumatic stress event.

It is important to be able to identify the type of anxiety a person is experiencing and where it is coming from. Most people have a tendency to try to suppress their fears without dealing with them. Unfortunately, they don't "just go away." Counseling can help to discover the causes of the anxiety, why you experience such discomfort, and how to free yourself of them.

However, when you are in the throws of a panic attack remember:

1. **You are not dying.**
2. **You are not having a heart attack.**
3. **Slow down and control your breathing.**
4. **Get help to find out the source of your anxiety.**
5. **Learn how to confront and overcome your fears.**

## Kiwanis Club Of Groveland

BY AL SMITH, PRESIDENT

"A global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time."

This year, as in past years, the Groveland Kiwanis Club has been busy serving our community. Each year we are able to do a little more. From giving away hundreds of children's books at special occasions, taking children shopping for school clothes, to collecting and giving away more than 700 coats and jackets annually to whomever needs them. We thank the community service groups, the Helping Hands, Mar-Val Market, the Pizza Factory, the Soroptimist, the Greater Sonora and Sonora Kiwanis clubs as well as all the citizen volunteers. There are so many supportive, reliable local businesses and others like the Helping Hands Thrift Store, Down To Earth Construction Inc., Groveland Auto Club, Pine Mountain Video, Pine Mountain Lake Association, Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty, Curves, Big Oak Flat Restaurant, Iron Door Saloon & Grill, Yosemite Bank, Yosemite Rose Bed and Breakfast, Groveland Pharmacy, Two Guys Pizza, Hotel Charlotte, and the Big Oak School District, as well as faculty. Thank you Pine Mountain Lake News, the Foothill Express and thank you Yosemite Highway Herald for your community support.

Support for fundraiser events and Kiwanis community service projects reach beyond our Groveland area. Stepping up to provide drawing prizes for fundraisers or donations were the National Hotel, Jamestown; the Big 5 Sporting Goods, Los Angeles; Staples, Sonora; Kentucky Fried Chicken, Sonora; Save Mart Supermarket, Sonora; Safeway Supermarket, Sonora; Papa Murphy's,

Sonora; Don Pedro Recreation Agency, La Grange. Perko's Restaurant, Applebee's Restaurant, Peppery Bar & Grill, Round Table Pizza, Pine Tree Restaurant of Sonora. Moccasin Point Marina, Jamestown donated a wonderful prize, as did the Jamestown Hotel. Black Oak Casino, for the third time, donated to our community via the Kiwanis Club's annual Mexican Dinner fundraiser by providing a drawing prize. When told where the proceeds from the Kiwanis Club annual fundraisers were to be used the Grocery Outlet, O'Reilly's Auto Supply, Orchard Supply Hardware, Sonora Carpet & Furniture and the Hallmark Store of Sonora also provided prizes and gift certificates to make the Kiwanis Club fundraiser events fun while providing even more happiness to the benefactors from the result of this outpouring of giving. Again, thank you Union Democrat, the Yosemite Highway Herald, the Pine Mountain Lake News and the Foothill Express for providing a means to inform all of our caring family of businesses, parents, faculty, and citizens of the American Way e.g.; unconditional giving.

The Kiwanis Club of Groveland thanks you for your support, past, currently and hopefully in the future, as we continue providing service to our future...the children...making a great community better. And for this year, and years to come...we'll do it again.

If we missed thanking you, please accept our sincere apologies. Let us know, or if you would like information to become a supporter of Groveland Kiwanis community services contact Al Smith (C) 352 1293 or 532 0140 or Erma Holcomb 962 5127.

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# Star Trails Above The Lake

BY EDDIE PAVLU, WWW.GROVELANDASTRO.COM

While December may be a cold time of the year to be outside at night with your camera, it's a great time of the year for shooting star trails because the colder air and lower humidity tends to make for a photograph with more contrast. Shooting photographs of Star Trails is a task that can be easily tackled by anyone with a camera that can take long exposures, a tripod, and reasonably dark skies. When photographing stars, you can either get a star "field," a static snapshot of the stars as points of light, or star "trails," where the stars' movements streak across the sky. How long you expose the image and whether or not you track the movement of the sky determines which you get.

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 is our moon. The stars and other celestial objects move across the sky in much the same way as the sun and moon. Pick a familiar constellation or group of stars in the sky, like the big dipper, and notice how it moves across the night time sky.

For people in the northern hemisphere, which includes the residents of Pine Mountain Lake, 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. The most common Star Trail photographs are taken pointed at the North Celestial Pole because the star movement is so dramatic.

With typical camera lens focal lengths (think amount of zoom), you will begin to see star movement with about 30

seconds of exposure time. This movement is very slow, like the motion of the hour hand on an analog clock, but it is easily captured by the open shutter of a camera. Most of the astro-photographs that I've shared in the Pine Mountain Lake Newsletter have used a telescope mount that tracked the movement of the sky to prevent star movement. When taking star trails, you don't want to track the movement of the sky. You want the movement of the sky to be captured during the exposure of the photograph.

You will need a camera capable of taking a long exposure. This requires setting the shooting mode to "manual" or "bulb" and using a cable release, or some other form of timer, to control how long the camera shutter is open. Simply mount your camera on a sturdy tripod, point it towards the North Star, and start with an exposure 2 to 5 minutes long. Most people who get started with photographing Star Trails want to capture the longest trails they can by keeping the shutter open longer. The problem with this is the ambient light in the sky. This light may come from nearby cities, your neighbor's lights, or even the moonlit sky. Typically, 10-15 minutes is about the longest exposure you'll be able to do of the sky in the Groveland area. What your eye sees is nothing compared to a long exposure of a camera. So keep in mind that you'll want dark skies. I enjoy taking star trail photographs that contain landmarks that are easily recognized, like tree tops; a nearby house; or in the case of the photograph printed with this article, the Pine Mountain Lake shoreline.

One challenge of photographing at night is focusing the camera. Cameras can't focus well on objects as dim as a star. You may need to manually focus your camera. Try focusing on distant objects, like the top of a tree far away, during the day and note where the focus point is on your lens. Sometimes, if there is a bright object in the sky like the planet Jupiter or a streetlight that's in the distance, your camera might be able to focus automatically. You should practice focusing your camera at night before you tackle star trail images. If you plan to take many long exposures you'll need a fresh supply of batteries or an AC power source to power your camera. Lastly, dew forming on your



camera lens can become an issue. One way to deal with dew is to use a dew shield or devise a method to keep the lens slightly warmer than the ambient air (like a small battery powered heat coil placed around the camera lens). Another trick to keep dew off your camera lens is to use a small blast of heated air from a hair dryer in-between exposures.

This article contains a photograph that I took using a Canon Digital Rebel with an 18-55mm lens set at 18 mm with an exposure time of about 10 minutes. The camera was set up on a tripod in the main marina in Pine Mountain Lake. Near the center of the image is the North Star – the point around which the other stars are rotating. Many of the brighter star trails are from the brightest stars in the Big Dipper. You can easily see the lake and the lights along the opposite shoreline. In fact, the brightest light along the opposite shoreline was from a patio light. While it didn't appear very bright when I was taking the

photograph, you can see how bright it appears in a 10 minute exposure. Longer exposures would have made that patio light even brighter – to the point where it would have completely dominated the image.

Newspaper print, like the PML Newsletter, doesn't have nearly the resolution or color range to show all the fine details in this image. Please visit my online astrophotography gallery at [www.grovelandastro.com](http://www.grovelandastro.com) to view a higher resolution version of many of my astrophotography images.





# The Groveland Hotel's Seasonal Events & Holiday Wishes

BY JONI GERKING

Snow on the mountains, fire on the hearth, winter is here and December thoughts move quickly to plans for celebrating the holidays. Those who make lists early and check them twice can relax into the season of peace and joy. Meanwhile, the rest of us are frantically trying to remember where we put the list and what, if anything, was written there!

Executive Chef Michael Pritchard has been hard at work planning the holiday menus to provide all the traditional favorites made from the best ingredients. Just to whet your appetite, here are the menu highlights.

Appetizers are a Cold Seafood Tasting with Crab Louie, Shrimp Cocktail and Smoked Salmon, Wild Mushrooms in Puff Pastry, my personal favorite, and Bacon Grilled Scallops.

The second course offers a choice of Baby Greens Salad with cranberries, candied walnuts and heritage jack cheese or Holiday Seafood Chowder.

Entrees include Roasted Prime Tenderloin of Hereford Beef, Seared Fillet

of Wild Salmon, Roasted Cornish Game Hen or Surf & Turf which is available for a small additional fee.

The dessert menu holds options of Flakey Almond Pastry Filled with Chocolate Mousse or The Cellar Door Restaurant's own Favorite Apple Tart with Caramel Sauce. Both desserts include vanilla bean ice cream.

Budgets and value pricing are a common theme for all of us. This Christmas menu gives the option of choosing 3 deliciously generous courses at \$39 or 4 equally luscious courses at \$49. Meals for children aged 5 through 12 are below half price at \$18 each and ages 4 and under eat free with purchase of adult dinner.

The Christmas Menu is available on Christmas Eve from 5:30 p.m. and on Christmas Day from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. Reservations are strongly suggested. Call us at 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314. You may make dinner reservations by email: [guestservices@groveland.com](mailto:guestservices@groveland.com) Find our full menu posted at The Groveland Hotel and on our

website at [www.groveland.com/events](http://www.groveland.com/events) or [www.groveland.com/dining](http://www.groveland.com/dining).

New Year's Eve at The Groveland Hotel is always a big celebration. This year is no exception with a menu to mark the occasion and champagne, party favors and live dance music. Come for dinner, stay for the party and help us greet the New Year!

The Cellar Door Restaurant's first seating begins at 6:00 p.m. with a Gala Four Course Dinner for \$45. The second seating starts at 9:00 p.m. and includes the Gala Four Course Dinner and the New Year's Eve Party for \$70. Paired wines are available with each course for an additional fee.

Begin with your choice of appetizers, Grilled Quail Breast, Crab and Artichoke Fritters, Duck and Truffle Pâté, or Wild Mushrooms in Puff Pastry.

Our second course includes Maine Lobster Bisque or Baby Greens Salad.

The third course is the main event with Whole Roasted Beef Tenderloin, Blackened Sushi Grade Ahi Tuna, or Herb and Dijon crusted Davis Farms Rack of Lamb. You may add 8 oz.

Australian Lobster Tail to any of the entrees at an additional fee.

Dessert brings a pleasurable choice of Belgian Chocolate Mousse Cake or our house made favorite Warm Apple Tart with Caramel Sauce.

Make your reservations by email to [guestservices@groveland.com](mailto:guestservices@groveland.com) or by phone at 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314. The complete New Year's Eve menu is posted at the Groveland Hotel and online at [www.groveland.com/dining](http://www.groveland.com/dining) and [www.groveland.com/events](http://www.groveland.com/events).

Prefer to come just for the New Year's Eve Party? The party starts at 9:30 p.m. Plan to come dance and have a ball. Champagne, live music and party favors are included for \$25 per person. Make reservations now!

Where ever the holidays find you, Peggy and Grover Mosley, Executive Chef Michael Pritchard and each of the staff wish you a joyous holiday season and prosperous New Year! Felice Anno Nuovo, Bonne Année, Ein glückliches neues Jahr, Gelukkig nieuwjaar, Feliz año nuevo, Akemashite Omedetou Gozaimasu, Hauoli Makahiki hou!

## Volunteers Help at Camp

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON

Many, many thanks to the great group of volunteers who convened at Tuolumne Trails on November 12. We got so much done and had fun working together. Tuolumne Trails deeply appreciates everyone's work and dedication to making the camp experience even more special for our special needs campers.

We had a great group of folks working on clearing trails and burning wood debris. Thanks to the "brush and burn" teams of Roger Sloan, Jan Sloan, Janice Mussatto, Kay Meermans, Thelma Faux, Jenny Dwailebe, Dave Armstrong, Ken Helling, Rick Martinez, Pat Fernandez, Bill Bent, Rich Struhm and John Infelise.

Austin Parlette and Gary Weinstein built some new shelves for supplies in the pool house. Art Colley cleaned gutters on the cabins and bathhouses. Jane Hansen and Pat Helling did touch-up painting and Jerry Lynn helped with caulking and spackle. George Harrison cleaned all our Great

Hall carpets.

A hearty lunch was prepared for all the workers by our kitchen volunteers Diane Harrison, Diana Knutson, Kevin Sherlock and Linelle Marshall.

Cleaning teams of Rick and Charlie Fratus, Carol Willmon, Sue Armstrong, Sandy Derodeff, Kathy McConnell, Frank and Sue Perry, Roberta Naylor and Marilyn and Charlie Fields cleaned all the bunkhouses after a busy summer.

A hard-working team of Jerry and Paula Baker, Steve and Cindy Watts, Roger McConnell, Galen Marshall, Bryan Willmon, and Jim Knudson worked very efficiently to lay a beautiful new floor throughout the infirmary.

Volunteers not only help maintain and improve the camp, they help us minimize the fees charged to special needs campers. Thanks to you all! It was a great day and we appreciate your efforts and contributions.

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## Alexis Richter is Tenaya Student of the Month

Both third grade teachers were most happy to award student of the month to Alexis Richter, a student of most commendable character. She is self contained and goes about her quiet way, getting her work completed and volunteering to help others no matter the need. She stays the course until she finishes her task. Her smile lights up her whole face. Alexis is a class officer.

Thank you, Alexis, for sharing your very many talents and gifts with us lucky enough to know you.

Alexis is the daughter of Johanna Richter of Groveland.



## Matt Funk is Tioga Student of the Month

Matt Funk is a very positive senior at Tioga High School. This year he has dedicated himself to focus on school, says Tioga Principal Jim Frost. This has resulted in a dramatic increase in his first quarter grade point average. As part of this focus on school, Matt joined the Cross Country Team this year and is part of a group that is favored to win their division at their section meet. He is also looking forward to participating in basketball and track later this year to take advantage of his last year in school. Next year Matt intends on attending an automotive technical school to pursue a career in auto mechanics. Matt's parents are Thomas and Valerie Funk of Groveland.



## Tenaya Elementary School 2011 Photo Contest

### Visit the Museum & Cast Your Votes

BY BONNIE BELISLE

*You can all help support our young photographers by dropping in at the Museum to cast your ballot for the winning photographs on display!*

Each year the Rotary Club, STCHS (Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society) and Tenaya Elementary School work together to host a photography contest for 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. A special thanks to the Rotary Club for their continued support.

In October student participants were loaned (or used their own) digital cameras. A big thank you to our community and friends who donated the digital cameras to STCHS. Bonnie Belisle, STCHS Representative; Steve Ryan, Photography Advisor; along with Warren Belisle, Miguel Maldonado and Kathy Ryan conducted a meeting with the 14 students that signed up for this year's contest. Our first meeting was to give photo tips and inspiration to capture scenes through the eye of the camera. Cameras were distributed and operational instructions given.

At the second meeting, held a week later, students chose their entry for the contest. Each student wrote a couple of sentences with thoughts about their photo in addition to coming up with a title.

This contest is "judged" by Museum visitors. So please be sure to give our up and coming photographers your SUPPORT by VOTING. We know you will enjoy viewing the photographs!

Ballots and a controlled voting sign-in sheet are available from the Docent on duty at the Museum. Voting will continue through the end of January. A big thanks to Rich Hathaway for once again mounting the 8x10 photos and creating the photography display at the Museum.

Our Awards Ceremony will be scheduled mid-February, with the exact time yet to be determined. Stay tuned! First, second and third place winners will be determined by the votes cast at the Museum. Cash Awards will be presented for \$35 for 1<sup>st</sup> - \$25 for 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$15 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, and all photographers will receive a Certificate of Participation and photo key rings which will include a copy of their photo.



## S-Club Blanket Drive

BY TAYLOR POWELL

My name is Taylor Powell and I am the S (Service) club president at Tioga High.

The Tioga S-Club is hosting a blanket drive from now until December 16th. The drop off locations are at Tioga High and Tenaya Elementary School. Our S club is committed to serving our local community. Last year we held a food canned drive and a spaghetti feed for a local resident with cancer. Those are just a few things we do to help our local com-

munity, but this year we're kicking off our first service event with a blanket drive. We will be accepting blankets, baby blankets and sleeping bags of all sizes. Of course, these can be used, but in good condition; please bring them washed to the drop off places. If you have an immense amount we can pick them up, also. Please call Tioga 962-4763 if you need a pickup! We are hoping to get these blankets collected and distributed before Christmas when the cold really hits!

## Christmas Present Wrapping

BY DAWNELLE DUTTON

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## Halloween Heartfelt "Thank You!"

BY LINDA FLORES



*Some of the many volunteers that made the event such a success.*



*The happy trick-or-treaters lined up for S'mores and the, new for this year, "Spooky House". Photo by Christina Wilkinson.*

**Groveland's Ghosts & Goblins Committee** wishes to thank our very giving community for sponsoring and participating in another fun filled and safe Halloween celebration. It was a special evening with over 500 "Trick or Treaters" from Groveland and surrounding areas.

The night's activities included the usual Photo stop, games, prizes, music, bonfire with s'mores, treat bags and glow bands. We added a well received Arts & Crafts station and last, but not least, a child friendly "SPOOK HOUSE!" The combined efforts of our hard working volunteers and supporters made it a wonderful night to remember. Celebrities in attendance were **Supervisor John Gray** and **Groveland's Honorary Mayor, Goose!**

**Volunteers:** Jerry & Paula Baker, Tony & Linda Flores, Linda & Rich Struhm,

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## Holidays 2011 – Birth of a New Tradition

BY AN AMERICAN

As the holidays approach, the giant foreign factories are kicking into high gear to provide Americans with monstrous piles of cheaply produced goods – merchandise that has been produced at the expense of American labor. This year will be different. This year Americans will give the gift of genuine concern for our neighbors. There is no longer an excuse that, at gift giving time, nothing can be found that is produced by American hands. Yes, there is!

It's time to think outside the box, friend. Who says a gift needs to fit in a shirt box, wrapped in off shore produced wrapping paper? Everyone – yes, EVERYONE gets their hair cut. How about gift certificates from your local American hair salon or barber?

Gym membership? It's appropriate for all ages who are thinking about some health improvement.

Who wouldn't appreciate getting their car detailed? Small, American owned detail shops and car washes would love to sell you a gift certificate or a book of gift certificates.

Are you one of those extravagant givers who think nothing of plunking down the Benjamin's on a Chinese made flat-screen? Perhaps that grateful gift receiver would like his driveway sealed, or lawn mowed for the summer, or driveway plowed all winter, or games at the local golf course.

There are a bazillion owner-run restaurants – all offering gift certificates. And, if your intended isn't the fancy eatery sort, what about a half dozen breakfasts at the local breakfast joint. Remember, folks, this isn't about big National chains – this is about supporting your home town Americans with their financial lives on the line to keep their doors open.

ley, Marie Friar, Cynthia Selvey, Rick Wybra. Many others donated candy to share with our Downtown businesses.

**Thanks once again as we couldn't have done it without you!**

**Note: Unclaimed Halloween pictures will be available at the Chamber of Commerce until December 9th.**

How many people couldn't use an oil change for their car, truck or motorcycle, done at a shop run by the American working guy?

Thinking about a heartfelt gift for mom? Mom would LOVE the services of a local cleaning lady for a day.

My computer could use a tune-up, and I KNOW I can find some young guy who is struggling to get his repair business up and running.

OK, you were looking for something more personal. Local crafts people spin their own wool and knit them into scarves. They make jewelry, and pottery and beautiful wooden boxes.

Plan your holiday outings at local, owner operated restaurants and leave your server a nice tip. And, how about going out to see a play or ballet at your hometown theatre.

Musicians need love too, so find a venue showcasing local bands.

Honestly, folks, do you REALLY need to buy another ten thousand lights for the house that were made overseas? When you buy a five dollar string of lights, about fifty cents stays in the community. If you have those kinds of bucks to burn, leave the mailman, trash guy or babysitter a nice BIG tip instead.

This year the Holiday season must be about caring for the USA, encouraging American small businesses to keep plugging away to follow their dreams. And, when we care about other Americans, we care about our communities, and the benefits come back to us in ways we couldn't imagine.

THIS is the new American Holiday tradition. This year we urge you to shop local and when you can't, won't you please make a choice to shop American?

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# Mountain Lutheran's Christmas News

BY PASTOR GINGER DUMARS

Advent is the season that helps us to prepare for Christmas – holistically! Advent means “arrival” with implications of preparing for that special arrival – as in God sending his son, Jesus, to earth – born to Mary as a baby – AND as in the Second Coming of Jesus. Both events involve preparations of mind, body and spirit. For the 4 weeks of Advent starting Nov. 27 this year, we prepare for the Birth of Jesus and are also reminded that Jesus comes to us every day – in fact, never leaves us, and that He will come to earth again!

In this darker, colder time of the year, we – in the Lutheran Church, light one additional candle on our Advent Wreath each Sunday, and then many additional candles on Christmas Eve – to remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World! Jesus is The Light which no darkness can overcome!

To help warm & prepare people's minds, bodies & spirits during December we host an **Advent Soup Supper & Evening Prayer Service** at Mountain Lutheran Church. This year's Soup Supper & Holden Village Evening Prayer Service will be held on **Wed., Dec. 14**

– with soup at 6:00 p.m. & the musical prayer service beginning at 7:00 p.m. We also celebrate Advent on Sundays with our 10:00 a.m. morning worship, adding a new Advent banner to the series each Sunday! Delicious refreshments & delightful fellowship are always offered after worship each Sunday! Come & See! Come & Worship! Come & Prepare for the Arrival Celebration of Jesus!

We are **CHANGING the TIME** of our Candlelight **Christmas Eve Service to 7:30 p.m.** this year! We are hoping that this new schedule will give a little more time to those who enjoy an early Christmas Eve. dinner before coming to church. Many of your favorite Christmas carols & hymns will be included, as well as the reading of the Nativity Story from the Gospel according to Luke, chapter 2. We conclude the Dec. 24th, Saturday Christmas Eve. Service with a candlelight blessing – inviting the Light of Christ to shine from one person to another and by singing “Silent Night”. **Christmas Day** is Sunday, Dec. 25, so celebrating the birth of Jesus continues with a **10:00**

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BY SYDNEY AVEY

As if world events aren't grim enough, predictions of transformative events abound for the coming year. You could spend 2012 wondering if the conclusion of a time period on the Mayan calendar is significant or trying to second guess the stock market or you could join us on a journey of spiritual transformation. Why not try a mix of the 66?

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- ☐ Are the permit fees included in the contract?

### CHECK OUT YOUR CONTRACTOR

- ☐ Did you contact the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) to check the status of the contractor's license? Contact the CSLB at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) or visit their Web site: [www.cslb.ca.gov](http://www.cslb.ca.gov).

- ☐ Did you get at least three local references from the contractors you are considering?

- ☐ Did you call them and see the work the contractor completed?

### CHECK OUT THE CONTRACT

- ☐ Did you read and do you understand your contract?
- ☐ Does the 3-day right to cancel a contract apply to you?
- ☐ Does the contract tell you when work will start and end?
- ☐ Does the contract include a detailed description of the work to be done, the material to be used, and equipment

to be installed? This description should include a plan and scale drawing showing the shape, size, dimensions and specifications. It should include brand names, model numbers, quantities and colors. Specific descriptions now will prevent disputes later.

- ☐ Are you required to pay a down payment? If you are, the down payment should never be more than 10% of the contract price or \$1,000, whichever is less.

- ☐ Is there a schedule of payments? If there is, you should pay only as work is completed and not before.

- ☐ Did your contractor give you a "Notice to Owner," a warning notice describing liens and ways to prevent them? Even if you pay your contractor, a lien can be placed on your home by unpaid laborers, subcontractors, or material suppliers. A lien can result in you paying twice or, in some cases, losing your home in a foreclosure. Also check the "Notice to Owner" for ways to protect yourself.

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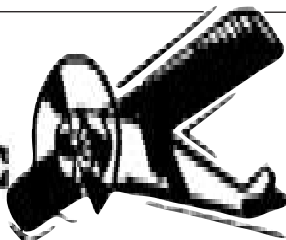
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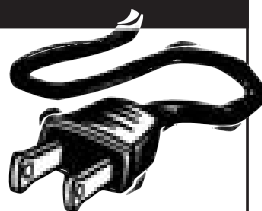
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Groveland CA 95321  
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**Unit 7 Lot 62, Ferretti Road, Groveland, California**  
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**Property Description:**  
Buildable lot across from High School owned by Pine Mountain Lake Association as well as Lot next door (#63)

**Unit 7 Lot 63, Ferretti Road, Groveland, California**  
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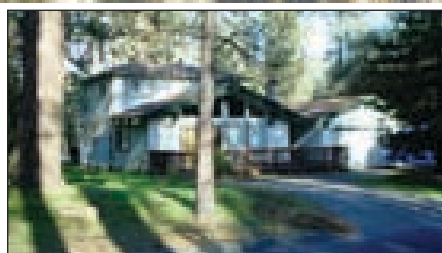
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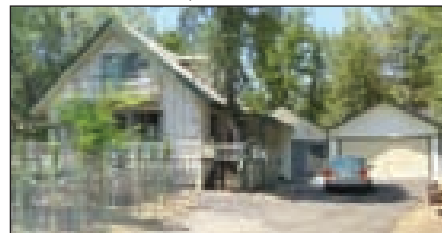
Unit/Lot Numbers	Street	Asking Price
2/020	Mueller Drive	\$1,000
3/057	Pine Mountain Dr.	\$1,000
5/212	Ferretti Road	\$1,000
6/057	Cottonwood St.	\$1,000
6/118	Ferretti Road	\$1,000
6/219	Ferretti Road PENDING	\$1,000
7/061	Ferretti Road	\$1,000
7/062	Ferretti Road	\$1,000
7/063	Ferretti Road	\$1,000
7/283	Ferretti Road	\$1,000

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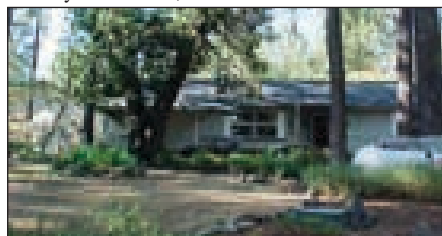




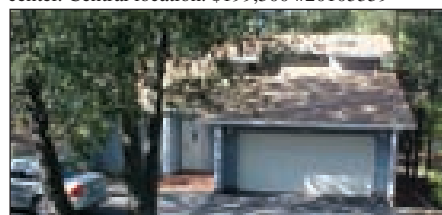
**13217 Wells Fargo-2/375 MOUNTAIN RETREAT.** 4bd, 2ba, 1680sf, vaulted pine ceilings, rustic wood walls, wood-burning stove and mountain themed light fixtures. Central H/A, double-pane windows and new walk-in shower. \$130,000 #20110246



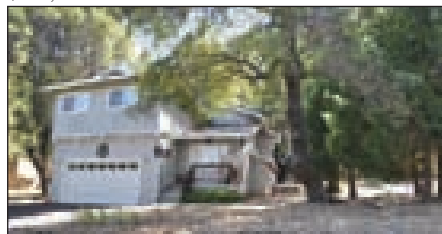
**12900 Green Valley-3/410 SPACIOUS CHALET-STYLE** home, with upgrades. 3bd, 2ba, 2-car garage. Newer hardwood floors, newer kitchen granite counters, large pantry and new roof in 2010. Large garage has work area and bonus room w/full bathroom, laundry room. \$152,000 #20111226



**13242 Wells Fargo-2/225 NICE MFG HOME,** set back on the property, for appreciation of the landscaping and a creation of privacy. Main bedroom is at the end of the home, away from guests. Entertainment center. Central location. \$199,500 #20103359



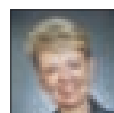
**20264 Little Valley-13/213 PERFECT FOR VACATIONS** or full-time living. Open living/dining & fireplace. Kitchen has "Lazy-Susan" and plenty of cupboards. Master bdrm & bath on main level. 2bd, 2ba upstairs. Already on the vacation rental program. \$169,900 #20103317



**20740 Rising Hill-3/338 SPLIT-LEVEL DESIGN.** 3bd, 2ba, 1694sf and 2-car garage. Hardwood floors and large, redwood deck. Woodsy setting. Located near tennis courts, Fisherman's Cove and the Lake Lodge & beach. \$195,999 #20111602



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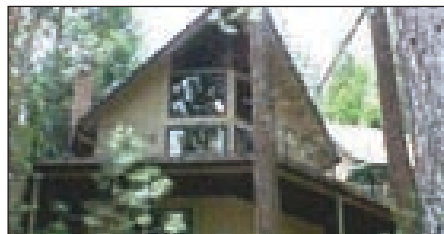
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GRI, Realtor



Liz Mattingly  
Broker Assoc.



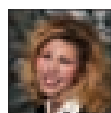
Rob Stone  
Realtor



**20260 Lower Skyridge-15-68 3-LEVEL CHALET** has 103 feet of lake-frontage & a boat dock. Open-beam ceiling, private bdrm suite & jetted tub. Large loft w/bathroom. Trex deck. 2-car garage has unfinished upstairs and adjoining workshop area. \$399,000 #20111033



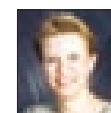
**20879 Big Foot-4/67 NEAR THE LAKE LODGE.** Vaulted ceilings, wood-burning stove and French doors leading to a deck. Spacious kitchen and partial lake view from the deck. Popular vacation rental. \$165,000 #20103484



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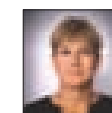
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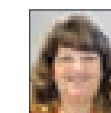
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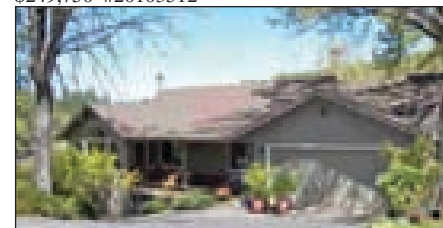


### NEAR PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE AIRPORT Elderberry Rd Commercial Building

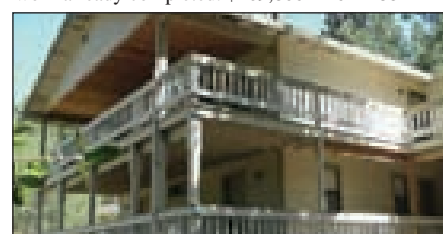
- Professional Office/Commercial Retail
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- Spacious Outside Decks & Storage
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- Pine Mountain Lake Amenities Use \$750 / mo.



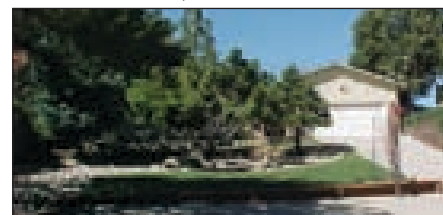
**1/209 Golden Rock GOLF COURSE & MOUNTAIN** views from the covered deck of this very nice home. 3bd, 2-1/2 baths, 2240sf, with 2-car garage and water-proofed decking. Hot tub on concrete patio. Oversized 2-car garage. Near most amenities. \$249,750 #20103512



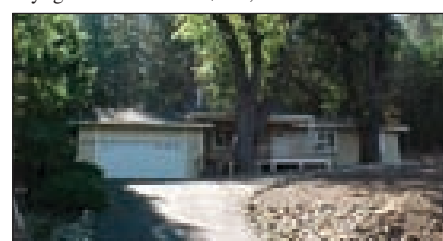
**19572 Cottonwood-6/196 TURN-KEY CONDITION!** Well-maintained, conventional-style home, with landscaped yard and garden. New roof and interior/exterior paint. Pest, septic & home inspection work already completed. \$169,800 #20111882



**19082 Jimmie Bell-7/161 SPACIOUS, WELL-KEPT** home on nearly 1/2 acre. Open floor plan offers 3bd, 2-1/2ba, bonus room & family room. Private exits from all bedrooms, extra storage & workshop w/utility sink below. Expansive decks overlooking a wooded creek. \$359,000 #20111875



**19566 Chaffee-1/89 GOLF COURSE HOME** on the 15th fairway. Remodeled, ranch-style. 3bd, 2ba, oversized, finished, 2-car garage, with the potential for a rec room. Hardwood floors, dual-pane windows, skylights. Much more! \$329,500 #20110486



**20771 Big Foot-4/322 RENOVATED IN 2005.** 3bd, 2ba, home, near the Lake Lodge & beach. New roof, double-pane windows, garage door, decks, gutters, interior & exterior paint, carpet, cabinets and vanities. 2-car garage. \$219,000 #20103621



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