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Happy Valentine's Day! Don't forget to take your sweetheart to the PML Grill for their Annual Valentine's Dinner and Dance. The event starts out with a four-course, gourmet meal, and then dancing to "Magic Moments", a 50's sock-hop band. Sounds like a lot of fun so, give Jay or Bambi a call and make your reservations before they are sold out.

At the January Board meeting, the Board appointed the various committee members for 2011. These committees included Covenants, Editorial, Budget and Finance and Environmental Control. We still have a couple of open positions on the Editorial Committee, and interested members can get a committee application at the PML Administration Office or on the Association website. I would like to thank our committee members for volunteering to serve their community. PMLA could not operate without you.

Recently the Groveland Community Services District sent out a survey with their monthly billing. The survey presented questions to local residents to gauge opinions on the need or desire

President's Message BY LARRY HUNT • BOARD PRESIDENT

for an assisted living facility. Appar- within PM

ently, GCSD is considering building an assisted living facility on their property in the future. One of the questions asked for an opinion regarding access to Pine Mountain Lake amenities.

Some of our members have expressed concern that non-members would have access to our amenities and they wanted to know why the PML Board is even considering this. Just to dispel this rumor, the PML Board has never received a letter or proposal from the GCSD Board and this idea is not under consideration by PML.

One of the on-going issues in PML is speeding vehicles. Our management team and the Department of Safety are working on ideas to target speeders within PML, but the responsibility lies with our members, guests, vendors and contractors.

The speed limit is 25 mph because of safety. The roads are narrow, and there are no sidewalks within PML, so folks like to take walks along the side of the road.

Some visitors end up in the middle of the road and this presents a safety hazard. A speeding vehicle only exacerbates the problem. Deer versus vehicle accidents are a common occurrence and these can be reduced by simply slowing down. So please observe the speed limit and help keep PML safe.

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

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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.

On the Cover

Sunset at Pine Mountain Lake. View from the Lake Lodge.

PHOTO BY DAVID WILKINSON



General Manager's Message

BY JOE POWELL, CCAM, GENERAL MANAGER

Electric Golf Cart Building Project Makes Progress

The Electric Golf Cart building project remains on schedule. The siding and roof were completed in January. The concrete pad near the upper Restaurant parking lot was constructed and will allow for placement of the panel needed to bring additional electrical service to the building. Our contractor, Pluim Construction, and their crew worked around the inclement weather and continue to make good progress.

Our Golf Pro, David Rau is handling the new electric golf cart order. Part of the deal includes the trade-in of our used EZ-GO carts. If the trade-in value offered by EZ-GO is not acceptable, we

will offer the carts for sale to our members and then the general public. If we decide to offer carts for sale to our members, we will post notices so that everyone will get a chance. Either way, we will get the best price possible to help off-set the cost of the new carts.

Lake Dredging Project Started

The lake dredging project continues and, while some adjustments have been made to the work schedule, the project is proceeding at a timely pace. Our contractor, Cooper Crane and Rigging, completed the Fisherman's Cove area in mid-January and moved to the two areas in Unit 4.

The Marina and other areas will be closed temporarily to allow for the

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If you have not received your packet, Please contact Debra In the Administrsation Office (209) 962-8627

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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-firstserved, 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 for a downloadable PDF of the News posted by the 1st of the month and a downloadable PDF list of ad rates.

staging and installation of equipment. There are many large pieces of equipment and a lot of activity at the Marina and we ask that all members and guests stay out of the area until we open the area back up. Members can access the lake but must stay away from the dredging equipment and pipes. Safety and security are high priorities and we thank everyone in advance for their anticipated cooperation.

Members that live on the Lake will continue to receive updates and specific information that pertains to them as lakefront owners. All other members can find updates on the PML website and in the PML News. Any questions regarding the Dredging Project should be forwarded to my Assistant, Debra Durai, at (209) 962-8627.

Members should not attempt to contact the dredging contractor or his staff directly as they will refer you to our office. Debra will be happy to assist and route the questions to the appropriate departments for timely response.

Editorial Committee Volunteers Needed

The Association seeks volunteers for the Editorial Committee. The Editorial Committee has two open positions. The Editorial Committee meets monthly and is charged with review and approval of letters to the editor for the PML News and review of articles as necessary. Members that are interested should complete and submit the PML Committee Application which can be found on the PML Website or at the Administration Office.

For more information, please contact my Assistant, Debra Durai, at (209) 962-8627.

PML Job Fair in March

PML is conducting a job fair for seasonal positions this year. The job fair is scheduled for Saturday, March 26th and will be held at the PML Lake Lodge. If you, or someone you know, are looking for a summer job, we encourage you to attend. We are currently accepting applications for our Marina Manager and Marina Lakeside Café Supervisor positions. For more information regarding the job fair or open positions, please contact our Human Resources Administrator, Allie Henderson, at (209) 962-8628.

Submission Guidelines

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

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 campground reservations, tennis reservations
 campground@pinemountainlake.com



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- Campground (restrooms)
- Dunn Court Beach
- Lake Lodge
- Main Gate (restrooms)
- Marina
- PML Airport
- Stables
- Tennis Courts (Pine Mountain Drive)
- Press *81 on any Pay Phone to contact Main Gate.

ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAYS 2011

MON.2/21	PRESIDENTS DAY
MON.5/30 (National Observ	MEMORIAL DAY ance Day)
MON.7/4	INDEPENDENCE DAY
MON.9/5	LABOR DAY
FRI. 11/11	VETERANS DAY
THUR. 11/24	THANKSGIVING
FRI. 11/25 Day /	After THANKSGIVING
FRI. 12/23 (In Lieu Of)	CHRISTMAS EVE
MON.12/26 (In Lieu Of)	CHRISTMAS DAY
FRI. 12/30	NEW YEARS EVE
MON. 1/2/2012	(In Lieu Of) NEW YEARS DAY

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Courtesy notices	10
Notice of Non-Compliance	3
Final Notice	1
Fines Assessed	0
Violations Pending:	28

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December –		YTD
Vehicles Refused	67	2293
Phone Calls Received	3804	63094
Residential Alarm	1 5	112 96
Amenity Alarm Animal Related	5 27	90 408
Animal - Loose	29	292
- Impounded	12	99
- Dead/Injured - Disturbance	16 7	208 114
Dispatch Assist	67	1033
Patrol Assist	193	3277
Complaint-Non PML Regs	3	99
Public Assist Misc. Welfare Check	20 8	453 45
Transport	3	18
Traffic Hazard	1	4
Water Leak	7 3	63 37
Jump Start Escorting Vehicle	3 12	58
Report Writing	2	42
Gate - Related	12	147
- Follow Through - Malfunction	3 9	35 213
- Struck by Vehicle	3	213
Mess/Pkg P/U or Delivery	10	97
Posting Flyers	39	520
Miscellaneous Monitoring Scanner Traffic	42 18	809 303
Emergency Vehicle Entering PML		254
Lost and Found	6	94
Fire Safety - Patrol Assist	2	6
Control Burn Reported Permissive Burn Day	80 27	819 280
Non-Permissive Burn Day	4	172
Fire Safety - Hazard	1	1
Fire Safety - Smoke Complaint	5	11
Fire Safety - Non-compliance Hazard	2 8	2 205
Hazard - Tree Down	2	203
Suspicious Circumstance	32	445
Suspicious Person	2	74
Suspicious Vehicle Campground Envelopes Collected	4 1	115 240
Campground Dump Station	2	128
Residential Disturbance	3	128
Amenity Burglary	1 1	2 7
Trespassing Law Violations - All Other	2	14
Law Violations - TCSO	Ō	2
Malicious Mischief - Vandalism	0	16
Property Damage - PML	0 0	4 4
Property Damage - Resident Training/ Meeting	0	4 6
PML Regs Violations Resident	4	58
Vehicle - Citation Issued	0	43
- Parking Warning - Marking Tires	0 0	1 8
- Accident PML	1	22
Patrolling Unit	618	6957
Amenity Security Check	2112	26429
Residence Security Check Opening/Closing Buildings	382 226	2037 3786
Opening/ Closing Gates	330	3946
Posting Tennis	49	672
Personal Injury PML Property	2	12
Weapon Violation Amenity Bank Deposit P/U/Deliver	2 v 71	19 911
Patrol Vehicle - Maintenance	2	81
- Safety Check	111	1432
Vehicles Admitted	8026	140625
Realtors Passes Issued Guest Passes Issued	135 1431	7774 19534
Vendor Passes Issued	156	19554
Fixed Post	1	45
Courtesy Notice Issued	4 ¢24.00	67 ¢2 207.00
Tennis Fees Collected	\$24.00	\$2,307.00

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Letters to the Editor

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

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Content – 0	
Not a property owner – 0	

Thank you, the staff at Pine Mountain Lake Grill

Our thanks to Carrie, Bambi, Jay and all the servers for an outstanding feast on Thanksgiving Day. We joined some friends and then went to look at the buffet. It was amazing. We had so many choices to make. Everything that ended up on our plates was delicious. No more cooking for us on Thanksgiving. We're going to The Grill.

> -STEVE & JOY THOMPSON Unit 4, Lot 484

Lucky Groveland

This community is so very lucky! The people who set up and coordinate the Christmas Basket Program (Patti Beaulieu & Dar Brown) are absolutely amazing. We know that there are very many helper bees as far as filling the boxes, wrapping presents, working on bicycles, etc., but Patti & Dar are working on these baskets for practically the whole year; buying things they know will work with the wish lists, setting up parameters, making spread sheets for all the things they have to do, etc. It is a huge job. Patti & Dar will be issuing warm thanks to all of their worker bees but we just wanted to say thank you to Patti & Dar for the absolutely wonderful job they do. Also want to thank Karen Jablonski for being the chief worker bee in

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the kitchen at the community hall; she makes sure that the worker bees have enough to eat and drink while they are slaving away.

Anyway, this is an incredible event and many kudos to you three for a job more than well done!

> Thank you. -RON & CAROLE SMITH Unit 13, Lot 190

The Grill Does it Again!

I didn't know where this thank you should go. It's a note to the great staff at The Grill. On December 16th the PML Ladies Club held their Christmas Gala there and it was a perfect evening. The staff were outstanding in every way. In the early planning we 3 chairpersons met with Chef Carrie and Bambi. We asked for menu suggestions. We were open to their suggestions and recommendations and our choice of menu was decided. We had an excellent buffet dinner. Bambi was so helpful in every detail of making the evening flow smoothly. After dinner the buffet table had to be removed. It was undecorated and removed, other tables and chairs were magically moved in and grouped around the dance floor to make a more intimate show room nearer the dance floor and karaoke performers. There were many dancers and good karaoke participation.

Our thanks to Shirley and Luke for their big part in our great evening. The Grill is a lovely place for any event, but it is especially lovely at Christmas. Our thanks to everyone at The Grill and our committee Members for making our event so special.

> -JOYCE SMITH, DIANE JENKINS, GAYLE BAKER Co-Chairpersons

For Rosemary

Our Rosemary Adams needed to go to Sonora five days a week for six weeks for treatment. I got on the phone and called many to drive her down to Sonora. Two were unable to drive because of health reasons but evervone else said, "Yes, I will be happy to take her down for her treatment." Our corner of California is full of wonderful and caring people.

Due to health concerns Rosemary has had to give up volunteering. Rosemary has contributed so much to Groveland it will be hard not to see her smiling face every week. She has been a President of the Ladies Club, a docent for the Museum and our wonderful supplier of refreshments at our Saturday book sale in the Library and others too numerous to mention. And have you read her many articles in our two newspapers? All are delightful.

Thank you, our dear friend, for all you have done for our community.

> -JOAN SAWDAY Unit 5, Lot 112

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Gala entertainers Shirley Brascesco and Luke Sullivan.

Compliance Chatter by dennis pipal, compliance officer

In this month's article I want to bring to your attention a few sections from our CC&R's which you may or may not be familiar with. They all have one thing in common...they relate to the condition of your property and how others react to its condition.

Article VII, Section 2 – Owner Maintenance Responsibility – Each Owner shall be responsible for maintaining and keeping his Residence and Lot in good repair, including landscaping.

This sounds like a "duh" section of our governing documents. Most people would agree an Owner needs to keep the condition of his property acceptable and it kind of goes without saying. But this section usually comes into play when the condition of a property deteriorates to a point where it is obvious it needs attention. Many times absentee Owners don't see their property for long periods of time and we have to bring this condition to their attention.

Article VIII, Section 1 (c) – Use of Lots - ...All Lots and the Residences and other improvements erected or placed thereon (including, without limitation, landscaping) shall at all times be maintained in such a manner as to prevent their becoming unsightly.

This section almost sounds the same as the section we just finished but it relates to conditions that are not necessarily maintenance issues. An example would be Christmas tree lights in July which are falling off the eaves of a house. Another example would be house windows which are boarded up which makes the property look like it's in a slum area.

Article VIII, Section 10 – Storage

- Storage of personal property on any Lot shall be entirely within enclosed storage areas.

This seems to be everyone's pet peeve, that's of course unless you are the one who likes to store odds 'n ends up against the side of your house. For those of you who like to keep a lot of stuff which won't fit inside your house, this section requires you to keep this stuff in some kind of enclosed container, such as a storage building. But in lieu of that expense, a trip to the dump might solve your storage problem.

ECC Guidelines Section 3, F – Temporary Structures - No structure of a temporary character, i.e., trailer, mobile home, camper, tent, shack, garage or other out building shall be used on any Lot at any time as a residence, either temporarily or permanently. Softsided structures (carports, storage units, etc.) are not permitted.

The soft-sided structures which are used as garages for cars, boats etc. are not allowed. However, our ECC department can help you design a permanent structure for this purpose which will comply as an improvement on your property.

The complaints I receive from Owners, more often than not, fall into one of the above areas of our CC&R's. Choosing to be a nonconformist won't work when we live in a glass bowl such as a homeowner's association. Again, it's a matter of common courtesy towards our neighbors to maintain our properties in a manner consistent with the rules we agreed to follow when we chose to live in this wonderful glass bowl called Pine Mountain Lake.

Pine Mountain Lake Golf News-February 2011

BY DAVID RAU, PGA HEAD PROFESSIONAL

I'm officially ready for winter to end!

We've got a couple more months of this cold and wet season left before our golf season gets into full swing and we are all excited for the 2011 season. The Golf Staff is ramping up for an incredible 2011 here at Pine Mountain Lake and I think I can speak for my staff when I say that we are anxiously anticipating seeing all of our regular Property Owners, and not so regular Property Owners, return for some great golf, great weather, and great comradery.

As a reminder, for those of you that did not sign up for the 2011 Annual Golf Memberships, please remember to check out our new ten (10) and twenty (20) round punch cards available for purchase anytime during the 2011 golf season. The new punch cards are a welcomed option for all those Property Owners that cannot take advantage of our Annual Golf Memberships. Punch cards are also available at a discounted rate for Guests of Property Owners and the Public. Also, for you practice "nuts", we have practice range memberships available. Sign-up and registration forms for Annuals, Punch Cards, and Range Memberships are available in the Golf Shop and are also available

at the Administration Office.

The new Cart Barn project continues to move along ahead of schedule. If you haven't seen the progress, come visit us. The building is now fully enclosed and work continues at a great pace. Speaking of pace, our new fleet of E-Z-GO RXV electric carts are scheduled to arrive in mid-April and will be a very welcome addition. No more gas, no more noise, no more exhaust!

The 2011 line of merchandise is coming in slowly, but surely, and we've got some great new lines of apparel to spruce up your closet. You know what they say, "if you can't play good, you can always look good." In addition, we've got some really cool and exciting equipment from TaylorMade, Callaway, and the, now Puma owned, Cobra line coming in early this spring. As always, the Golf Shop welcomes you to come demo any of our new equipment and I'd be happy to meet you down at the practice facility to help get you fitted to the right gear. So, come check us out!

My door is always open and I am happy to meet, talk, play, and listen to any questions and/or comments you may have about how we can improve here at PML Golf & Country Club. Contact me at 962-8622 or via e-mail at golfpro@pinemountainlake.com.

Shades of Green

BY ALAN MACDONALD, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

The rain, snow and cold temperatures of December have made the playing conditions extremely wet to say the least. As you can imagine, it was difficult to complete fall cleanup due to all the weather in and around the holidays. When carts are restricted, so is most of our equipment. As the course begins to dry we then can begin cleanup in some areas and other areas it could be months before it is dry enough to support equipment.

As of early January we have had around 80% of our normal average rain fall for the year ending June 1st 2011. Only Mother Nature knows what is in store for the rest of winter and spring but, if the wet weather continues, there will be many days of cart restrictions. There are many areas around the course that you can't leave the path to just turn around, let alone cross a fairway to get to a tee during Shot Gun season. Please be aware of your surroundings and stay on the paths. Find a wider area of a path to turn around or in some areas under trees where the turf can handle the load. Many areas, like to the left of the path at 10 green, are springs. #16 fairway, in the middle just across the cart crossing in the fairway, is a spring and will stay wet long after other areas have dried out. Both of these areas have French drains and are designed to drain to creeks leaving the course.

The Cart Barn project is proceeding nicely. We will be doing some improvements to the hillsides with an assortment of drought and deer resistant plants.

Frank Jablonski completed the divot mix "Birdhouse" container that we located at the restroom on #13, so now there is an additional place to grab a fresh container. Thank you, Frank, and to the Men's Club for supporting this project.

Let's hope we get a chance to dry out so you can all have a great February of golf.

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FINANCIALS

Proposed PML Shooting Range & Policy BY JOE POWELL, GENERAL MANAGER

Years ago, PMLA operated a shooting range in Unit 16, up behind the Campgrounds. Over time, the range fell out of use. In the last few years members have expressed an interest in re-opening the range. Last year a PML Shooting Club was formed and a proposal was made to the PML Board to re-open the range. Prior to consideration, several key issues had to be resolved. Management was assigned the task of researching and providing information to address noise,

safety, cost, insurance and planning. This information was gathered and a noise test was conducted to determine the nuisance effect on members.

The next step in the process is to provide multiple opportunities for PML members to voice their opinion on the matter. At the January 15th Board meeting, the subject was placed on the agenda for discussion and a draft shooting range policies and procedures resolution was presented for review.

The following, draft Board resolution is being published for member review and comment. The subject of re-opening the PML Shooting Range will be discussed at the February 19, 2011 Board meeting. The meeting will be held at the PML Lake Lodge starting at 9 a.m. The draft resolution will also be discussed and considered at that time. The Board of Directors encourages interested members to attend the Board meeting and voice their opinion. Members that

Resolution # xx.xx DRAFT January 15, 2011 PMLA Shooting Range Policies and Procedures

cannot attend the meeting are welcome to put their opinion in writing by submitting a letter or email to the Board.

The mailing and email information is provided below:

PMLA Board of Directors C/O Joe Powell, General Manager 19228 Pine Mountain Dr. Groveland, CA 95321 joepowell@pinemountainlake.com

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 6 of the CC&R's gives the Board of Directors the powers and duties necessary to conduct the affairs of the Association and to make such rules and policies as the Directors deem in the best interest of the Association; and WHEREAS, for the safety, welfare and consideration of all residents, the Board wishes to establish Shooting Range policies and procedures so that the PMLA Shooting Range is used and managed in a legal, safe, and effective manner; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached policies and procedures referred to as "Exhibit A" are adopted by the Board of Directors effective and that notice of their adoption shall be given to the membership within 15 days of today's date. Respectfully submitted, Ian Marcott, Secretary

EXHIBIT "A" PMLA Shooting Range Policies and Procedures DRAFT 1.15.11

PMLA Shooting Range

The PMLA Shooting Range is a pistol and smallbore rifle, practice range located in Unit 16 above the PMLA Campgrounds. The use of the Shooting Range is governed by the PMLA CC&R's and all subsequent rules and policies as adopted by the PMLA Board of Directors. The use of the PMLA Shooting Range is limited to PMLA members and guests in accordance with Association Policies and Procedures.

Operational Authority

The Association General Manager is authorized to manage, operate and delegate the daily operational tasks of the PMLA Shooting Range in accordance with Association policy and all applicable State and Federal laws

Certified Range Masters, made up of PMLA members in good standing and/or PMLA personnel, may be designated by the General Manager as authorized to operate the Shooting Range in a responsible, safe manner.

Range Masters

The Association may solicit volunteer assistance from the PMLA Shooting Club to provide members that have

Range Master certification as defined by the NRA or other sanctioned training agencies. A certified Range Master will be present at all times that the Shooting Range is in operation.

The Range Master will be responsible for the safe and compatible operation of the range as well as complying with all PMLA Shooting Range rules, policies and procedures. The onsite Range Master will have the right to expel any user that, in his/her opinion, is not acting responsibly or safely. The minimum age requirement to serve as a PMLA Shooting Range Master is 21 years of age.

Range Masters will have the final say on the weapons that can be used on the range. Their concern will be based on insuring all weapons are in a safe operating condition and that the report of the weapon is not inconsistent with the compatible use of the range.

Rule Violations

Should the General Manager or designated PMLA management be made aware of any violation of the established Shooting Range rules, policies and procedures, they may close the range and convene a meeting with the Shooting Club officers and/or onsite Range Master as applicable to review the rules violations. The Shooting Range will remain closed until the General Manager or designated PMLA management is satisfied that the approved rules are being applied properly. Multiple rules violations could result in the Shooting Range being

Range Schedule

The Shooting Range is scheduled to be open on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, weather permitting, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm as long as a PMLA approved Range Master is present. The range may be opened on other days for special events as authorized by the General Manager. The range schedule may be changed without notice.

Range Access

The gate to the Shooting Range can only be accessed by authorized PMLA staff upon the presence of an approved Range Master consistent with the range operating schedule. All users of the range shall register with PMLA before their first time use to insure they are PMLA property owners in good standing. Registration forms are available at the PMLA Administration Office or Main Gate, Department of Safety.

The range will be available to any PMLA resident in good standing in accordance with the current fee schedule. Those members using the range will be responsible for providing their own ammunition, paper targets and cleaning up after themselves when they are done. PMLA members that wish to use the range should call the Administration Office or Main Gate Department of Safety to determine if the range is open prior to driving to the range. Access to the range will be controlled by a locked gate. The road to the range may be closed due to weather and road conditions.

Range Use Fee

A fee to use the PMLA Shooting Range will be charged in accordance with the current fee schedule, as authorized by the PMLA Board of Directors.

Age Minimum

The minimum age to use the Shooting Range is 16 years, with a parent or legal guardian present at all times. Shooting Range user's ages 16 years to 20 years old must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times. The parent or guardian is responsible for the actions of the child or young adult while at the Shooting Range.

Authorized Weapons

PMLA strictly controls the types and calibers of weapons that may be fired at the Shooting Range. The following types and calibers of weapons are authorized to be used at the range:

Handguns; .22, 38, 357, 9mm, 40, 45acp. No magnum loads.

Rifle: .17, .22 only.

No other types or calibers of weapons will be allowed without the express approval of the General Manager or PMLA Board of Directors.

Alcohol Consumption

Alcohol is not allowed at the PMLA Shooting Range.

closed for an extended period of time. PROPOSED PML SHOOTING RANGE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS What about the noise from the

Where is the proposed location of the range? Unit 16, up behind the PML Campgrounds.

If the range is re-opened, who can use it? PMLA members, their guests and authorized law enforcement agencies.

What are the key issues to re-opening the shooting range? Noise, safety, cost and insurance.

range? PML conducted a noise test that included multiple areas that could be impacted by the range. It was determined that the noise would be negligible and in most cases would have little or no impact on the overall membership.

What about insurance costs? The proposed range was discussed with the Association's insurance broker and the cost would be negligible.

What about safety issues?

The location of the range is designed for safety and all precautions would be followed in accordance with PML policies and procedures.

How much will the range cost? The initial cost estimate to build a small bore range to NRA standards is around \$24K. Other costs like road upgrades for access, grading and restroom facilities are being researched and considered. Costs to the Association may be reduced through the use of volunteer labor or a reduction in the scope of the construction.

Will there be a fee to use the range? This is still under discussion, but there will most likely be a nominal use fee if the range is approved.

Who will operate and run the range?

A certified range master provided

Association. What are the proposed hours of operation?

by the PML Shooting Club or the

. Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, weather permitting from 9 a.m. to 5

p.m. A PMLA approved Range Master must be available and present at all times the range is open.

What is the minimum age requirement for using the shooting range? Age 16 with a parent or guardian.

What size and types of guns are proposed for use on the range? Small bore pistols and rifles. Handguns; .22, 38, 357, 9mm, 40, 45acp. No magnum loads. Rifle: .17, .22 only.

Has the PML Board of Directors approved the shooting range? No decision has been made to re-open the range. The proposal is currently under review and will be discussed at multiple Board meetings.

How do I voice my opinion on the proposed re-opening of the Shooting Range? Attend the open, monthly Board meetings at the Lake Lodge or write a letter to the PMLA Board of Directors.

PMLA Money Matters

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

Several months ago, in September of 2010, we were just beginning the process of developing the Association's budget for 2011. Along with all of the many operational issues and costs that had to be addressed during this annual financial marathon, another concern raised its head and demanded attention.

As you are no doubt aware, we have two large and fairly expensive Reserve projects currently underway. The Lake Dredging project, as well as the Golf Cart Storage Facility (and associated electric carts) replacement, are both in full swing and are expected to be completed by the end of the first quarter of 2011. With the total cost of both projects combined totaling over \$2.5M the funding for these important undertakings was critical to their success.

After analyzing the status of our Reserve fund we concluded that the 2011 Assessment included sufficient funds to pay for these and all other scheduled Reserve based mainte-

Changes are being implemented at the PMLA Compost Piles and Slash Piles site operation. In preparation for the 2011 Fire Safety season, the site will be staffed, and the hours of operation will be regulated. A PMLA employee will be in attendance at the site during the hours of operation, and will be controlling the receiving of materials. The site will be open for use Wednesday through Sunday, conditions permitting. The hours of operation will be from 8AM to 4PM during the winter season of November through March, and 9AM to 5PM in the April through October season.

The Compost and Slash Piles site is for specific use; slash and compost materials dropped at the site are to be from Pine Mountain Lake properties only. PMLA property owners and/or their agents will be permitted to drop approved materials at the sites during operating hours only. Persons entering the site will be granted entrance, the drop loads checked, information recorded, and you will be directed to the drop area.

There are green signs at the en-

nance activities during the year. Our Reserve analysis was included in the budget package each of you received in December of last year. This analysis shows a minimal, but workable, funding level in our Reserves to handle unexpected costs to maintain the many assets of the Association.

However, budgeting for an expense over a 12 month period is somewhat different than paying for that same expense in a relatively short time frame such as a quarter. The real issue became one of cash flow and not necessarily the total cost of the jobs. Our challenge became one of increasing the volume of cash the Association received in the latter part of 2010 and the early stages of 2011.

As you know, the vast majority of our funding comes from assessment payments. Traditionally about 40% of you pay your assessment in full prior to the end of January. While this is a good number, it still leaves 60% of the assessment to be paid monthly. This makes for a more uniform cash flow throughout the year, but impacts our ability to address early year cash demands like the two projects mentioned above.

After discussing various methods to increase the early availability of cash in 2011 we came up with a somewhat unique solution. Included with each assessment package was an offer to all property owners. Pay your assessment in full for 2011 by December 31, 2010 and be entered into a drawing for a full refund of the assessment. Considering the current state of the economy we hoped to see a modest increase in payments received.

To say that I was surprised by the reaction to this program would be a huge understatement. In 2009 we had received 459 full year assessment payments by 12/31. While a 50% increase in this number would have marked a fairly successful effort, the response we received was far in excess of that figure. After all the counting was done we realized an increase of 165%! That means that instead of just 459 prepaid assessments, we have received an amazing 1,214 full year payments. This

remarkable return now allows us the flexibility to fund the Reserve in about half the time that it normally takes us. My thanks to all of you that took advantage of this opportunity and made my job a lot easier when it comes to paying for these two large jobs ,as well as all the other important projects we have scheduled for 2011.

By the time you read this the lucky winner will have been selected, so my congratulations to that individual. Again, thank you to all property owners who made the decision to pay their assessment in full prior to December 31. I look forward to another great and successful year here at PML.

Well, that's it for this month. If you have any PMLA Money Matters you would like to see discussed in this column in the future, please drop me a line at CONTROLLER@PINEMOUN-TAINLAKE.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 Compost & Slash Piles

BY TOM MOFFITT, MAINTENANCE MANAGER

trances to the site that will display COMPOST OPEN or COMPOST CLOSED. The site is closed during bad weather conditions and when safety is an utmost concern. The Slash Pile site receives woody slash debris, brush, small trees, and tree limbs less than six inches in diameter. The Compost Pile is for leaves, pine needles, and composting materials.

The instructions as to which materials are not allowed to be dropped at this site, are displayed on large white signs. Strict adherence to these requirements will be enforced.

The Slash Pile and Compost Pile site is a PMLA operation which works in conjunction with our Fire Safety program. This site operation provides an area for property owners to bring their brush, tree trimmings, woody debris, leaves, and pine needles. These are materials that are cleared from PML properties for fire safety and improvement. There is no charge for PML members and the site is one of our many valuable services offered by your Association.

The principal form of fuel reduc-

tion of slash at this site is by burning. During the fire season the slash is reduced by grinding. Leaves and pine needles are composted. The site is not a community garbage dump, does not receive building materials, stumps, trees, or any other materials which cannot be properly reduced by burning, grinding, or composting.

Many future improvements are planned for this area and the placement of onsite staff is the first step in controlling and improving the operation.



A Sign of the Times

BY RICK WHYBRA

You may have noticed three new signs have been installed for directions to PML. We hope this will help your friends and guests in finding their way to Pine Mountain Lake and the amenities. The first two signs are located in Big Oak Flat along Highway 120 heading east. The first sign "Campgrounds and Stables" indicated the mileage to Ferretti Road. The second sign also indicates the turn off mileage to Ferretti Road. Once on Ferretti Road there is a mileage sign that shows the distance to the PML Main Gate, The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake, PML Campgrounds, PML Airport and the PML Stables.

We hope this will help in locating the PML amenities that folks will be looking for.



Pine Mountain Laker's RV Club

BY JANIE STIVERS

The Christmas tree is gone, the decorations are stored in the loft once more and the music has turned back to the "wrap" of today. Sharing the festive times with family and friends shouldn't end with the calendar...those wonderful get-togethers should last throughout the year. If distance keeps you separated, cards and telephone calls (not e-mails) are wonderful.

With this weather, most of us are snuggled in our warm cabins and watching the snow and rain from inside. There are a few brave RV'ers that are not put-off by the weather. The Taylors spent the New Years with friends at the Angel's Camp RV Resort. There are a few "Snow Birds" in the group...traveling south to enjoy the sun.

This month's task is to select the locations for the Club to travel to during the year. The committee, headed by Blaine Cluff, has brought several selections to the membership. The next step is for a host and co-host to volunteer to organize that outing and make the plans that make it happen. It looks like we'll be starting off the year at "Sugar Barge," located on the Delta in April, ending in October at "New Brighton State Beach," located in Santa Cruz. There are many fun locations in the months between the first and last outings.

If you have been thinking of getting out and enjoying your RV with a group of friendly campers...come see what we are about. Our next meeting, at the Lake Lodge, is February 5th at 5:00 p.m.; you will notice that this is Saturday instead of our normal Sunday gathering—Super Bowl Sunday wins! Our meeting is followed up by a great potluck dinner—organized by a member. If you are interested in joining, please call our President, Louise Turney, at 962-0609 for more information.

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Round Two: 9:30 am Shotgun June 11th (Both Balls *Point Par)

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PML Men's 9ers

BY PAUL PIERETTI

Do you believe it! Next month's the Ice Breaker tournament...already! We're almost through with winter. Before you know it we'll be playing in our shorts (Bermuda that is). Doc, please remember to tan up those legs this year, before you wear the shorts, and maybe paint the shoes a new color as well.

This month's four games are: Feb. 3rd, Four Man Scramble; Feb. 10th, Three Blind Mice; Feb.17th, Beat The Pros and Feb. 24th, Two Man Scramble.

Look for upcoming announcements concerning general membership meetings, news on member's handicap, games to be played and many other features of interest for our members and guests on our web site www.freewebs.com/pmlm9h/index.htm.

Membership in the Men's Nine Hole Golf Club is open to any man who is a member in good standing of the Pine Mountain Lake Association. If you are new to golf, or returning to golf, please consider the Men's Nine Hole Golf Club as an alternative to playing 18 holes. Please contact Wally Child @ 962-0726, Bob Oakley @ 962-4799, Bob Haliwell @ 962-4137 or me, Paul Pieretti @ -4143 for more information. Play Well!

PML Ladies Club BY CATHERINE SANTA MARIA

December was a busy month for our Ladies Club and so much fun as well. Many thanks to all who helped make the events go so smoothly. The Lake Lodge never looked as beautiful as it did this year, the brunch was superb and the Gala outstanding. 77 people attended the Gala this year and what fun we had signing, eating and dancing the night away. I want to thank everyone who helped make these events happen. In looking over the list of women who helped, can you believe that there were a total of 31 ladies who worked on these three events? In addition, there were additional volunteers who aren't even members who volunteered to entertain us, help us decorate, etc. Well done, everyone, and again, thanks to our Chairs, Sonja Palmer, Gayle Baker, Diane Jenkins, Joyce Smith and Chris Balek for providing the leadership to make them happen. They certainly are movers and shakers.

Diane Harrison and committee have come up with a wonderful luncheon, wine tasting and chocolate tasting surprise for all of you in February. Please sign up early, this will be a sell out for sure. When it comes to sweets, Diane is our Candy Queen. Can't wait to taste all of the chocolate samples.

The nominating committee: Claudette Babyak, Chris Balek and Barbara Davis have come up with a slate of officers for 2011-2012. The slate of officers for 2011 is: President, Rae Ann Bozzo; Vice President, Chris Balek; Treasurer, Linda Hunter; Secretary, Paula Stoner; and Parliamentarian/Historian, Yours Truly.

By the way, if you would like to get the recipe from the wonderful dishes served at the Christmas Brunch, please call Sonja Palmer, she will be happy to give them to you.

If you are interested in joining the Ladies Club and joining in on all the fun, give me a call at 962-7904 and we will sign you up.

Please say a prayer or two for Rosemary Adams, she is undergoing treatment and will no longer be able to participate in our group. We will all miss her smiling face and her past efforts to makes the Ladies Club a wonderful club.

See you all in February at The Grill for a pairing of wine and chocolate.

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December 2010 Pine Mountain Lake Ladies Golf Club News

BY SUE PERRY

I think the Grinch must live at PML as December seemed to be robbed of several of our golf days. Wet, Wild and Frozen conditions seem to prevail. Hope everyone had good holidays in spite of the weather and we all look forward to some sunny golf days in 2011! The two club play days we managed resulted in the following:

Dec. 2nd...WIN / PLACE / SHOW... Win...Marilyn Scott..score 45, Paula Vautier..score 45: Place..Jeanne Pacco.. score 42, Priscilla Park.. score..42, Sue Perry..score..42: Show..Thelma Faux.. score 41, Sara Hancock..score..41, Diane Lloyd..score..41; Backstretch Winners.. Mary Houser.. 40, Clarice Ligonis..39, Mona Tompkins..39, Joanne Foster..39, Yvonne Mattocks..39, Jodi Awai..38, Kitty Edgerton..38, Linda Johnson..38, June Moore..38, Alma Frawley..38, Marjorie Rich..38, Corky Graham..36, Ginny Lay..36, Iris Moffit..35, Norma Baldinger..33, Helena McMillan..33, Patty Peebles..33, Jenny Dwailbee..32; BIRDIES: Jen Dwaileebe #17, Clarice Ligonis #14.

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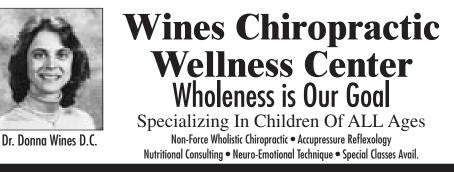
1st Place score 61..Kay Bettencourt, Sara Hancock, Linda Wall; 2nd Place score 64..Marjorie Rich; 3rd Place score 65..Diane Lloyd, Mona Tomkins; 4th Place score 68..Thelma Faux, Clarice Ligonis; 5th Place score 69..Jen Dwaileebe, Kitty Edgertton, Virginia Tallman; 6th Place score 70.. Alma Frawley, Yvonne Mattocks; 7th Place score..72 Patty Peebles, Barbara Gibson, Paula Vautier; BIRDIES: Sara Hancock #17.

Dec. 15th...CHRISTMAS PARTY AND GENERAL MEETING – A wonderful

festively decorated by Marilyn Hathaway. A table abounded with toys and gifts donated by our members so that many local children would have a nice Christmas. Our deepest sympathy to our 2010 Captain, Eleanor Ellis who lost her dear husband, Roger. She briefly explained what happened to us and what a trooper she is to have done so. Her many friends are here to support her in every way. Our meeting was called to order after lunch. Treasurer, Phyllis Gschswend, reported that we will only have 83 members in 2011 and 13-14 handicap only members. Our treasury has approximately \$10,000. Our club monies help subsidize our sumptuous Christmas lunch. Thanks to Phyllis for her many years of being treasurer, making our roster/calendars and being such a valued member to our ladies golf club! Kitty Edgerton, tournament chair for 2010, awarded the following: Ace of Aces was Helena McMillan with a 65 net, Putter of the year was Jane Reynolds with 25 putts; Most improved golfer in 2010 was Yvonne Mattocks: Northern Medal winners were: 1st Flight(9.6-22.7) Helena McMillan, 2nd Flight (23.0-27.2) Linda Wall, 3rd Flight (27.8 - 42) Ann Hankin. CONGRATUALTION TO EVERYONE! Our incoming Captain, Dianne Lloyd, was handed the gavel by outgoing captain Eleanor Ellis. It was announced that Eleanor had donated her Captain's gift of money to the charity of Amador/ **Tuolumne Community Action Agency** of Sonora. Meeting adjourned.

lunch was served and the tables were

Another good year of golf ends; thanks to all who contributed their time and effort to make it so. We look forward to lots of fun golf in 2011.



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PML Racquet Club



playable, but not always.

The record amount of rain we've

that's to be expected, I suppose - bet-

ter than trying to play in Wisconsin!!

The popular Tuesday evening tennis

socials are scheduled to start earlier

Mayo tournament will be held May 5

- (Cinco de Mayo) and the Davis Cup

The first Quarterly meeting is

scheduled for March 1st. Details are

not available at this writing, so log in

to the website for details beforehand.

The club is requesting that you

this year on May 17. The Cinco de

tentatively on June 6.

The first board meeting has been

held and various items were discussed.

had has curtailed a lot of play - but

So far in January we are having intermittent success getting on court. Some days we show up and dry the court out with the rollers and they become

update your email addresses as neces-

sary. Send to Gerry Dehart at corky@ sonnet.com. Also, a reminder to purchase your

Also, a reminder to purchase your annual tennis passes as soon as possible - they are the same price as the last two years - \$112. It's too embarrassing to be asked to leave the court because you don't have one.

Also, the \$10 dues for 2011 are due and should be mailed to: PML Racquet Club, P.O. Box 534, Groveland 95321. Other info can be found on the website at www.pmltennis.webs.com. Thanks to Bob Oakley for maintaining the website.

Gerry Dehart advises that new balls have been ordered for the ball machine. The courts are all in pretty good shape considering the extremes of temperatures they must endure. Cracks are inevitable but the association does a good job of keeping them in good shape. We are all proud of the facilities we have.

We hope to gain some new or returning members this year - come join the fun and get in shape at the same time!

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COMPOST AREA PMLA Slash and Compost Area

For PMLA Property Owner Use Only

(and authorized contractors working for PML members to clear their property)

Winter Hours

Open Daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7-Days a week (weather permitting)

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NO Hazardous Waste Materials	NO Animals Living or Dead
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NO Computer Equipment	NO Ashes or Coals
NO Furniture or Cabinets	

NOTICE Restroom Closure

The following outside restrooms are winterized and closed for the winter season: Main Marina, Dunn Court, Lake Lodge, and Fisherman's Cove.

The restrooms at Tennis Courts #1-4 (Pine Mtn. Dr. & Rock Canyon) will remain open at normal hours of 7 am to 9 pm, weather permitting.

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December PML Niners Golf

BY CYNDY KROUT

Happy 2011 to everyone. We only had one week of official golf in December and it was on the second. We had five players and played Poker with 5's being wild. Geralyn Dielman came in first and second was a tie with Flo Jansen and Cyndy. Cyndy had a par on #10 as well as a chip-in and Pat Van Gerpen had a par on #14. Wanda Patterson had a chip-in on #15. Low net for the week was Flo J.

On December 9 we celebrated the holiday season with a Christmas Lunch and Installation of officers at the Charlotte Hotel. We also welcomed several new members that joined us for lunch. Our new officers for the 2011 season are: Co-Captains Barbara Haiges and Geralyn Dielman. Secretary will be Bev Oakley. Treasurer is Wanda Patterson. Open Day and Invitational Chairman is Faye Buckley. Tournament Chairman, Pat Van Gerpen. Handicap Chairman once again will be Charlie Fratus.

We all thanked Pat Price for being Captain of the Niners for the last two years and celebrated her birthday at the same time. Another thank you went to Linelle Marshal for all the extra work she did this year on publishing our cook book.

The rest of the month we either were celebrating with family and friends or the weather was not cooperating. We had a few brave souls out there but not enough to have an official game. We are really looking forward to playing with our new members and weather good enough to be out there on the course.

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PML Men's Golf Club

BY BILL PARKER, SECRETARY, PMLMGC

Greetings. I'm happy to report that the divit mix bottle project, spearheaded by Milt Foster, is now complete. If you look around the next time you are at the 13th tee you will see them on the restroom wall (on the outside, of course). A special thanks to Frank Jablonski for building the bottle holder.

For those of you who forgot or failed to renew your membership in the men's golf club it is still not too late. Of course, it will cost you a couple of extra bucks, \$85 I'm told, but it is worth it.

Some good news...the scuttlebutt around campus is that the cart barn is ahead of schedule and may even be ready by April. The electric carts are to follow soon thereafter, possibly in May.

I'm hearing that there will be a web based survey conducted by the board of directors of the men's golf club. The purpose of the survey is get feedback from the members so they can be better served. The survey period will be 2/1/11 - 3/1/11, and a link to the survey page will be found on the web site. All members are encouraged to participate.

Regarding our friends at Southern Valley Seniors, I recently had a chance to talk to new captain, Jim Sample. At the time of this writing, he had not received the new schedule from the SVS president but was able to confirm that the first event for PML will be at Mountain Springs on April 27, 2011. He anticipates that the sign up sheet be be posted by February along with the criteria for membership. The membership fee will remain at \$25. Jim and others are looking into new shirts for the group. One consideration is a gold Nike shirt with all the logo's for less than \$40.

American Red Cross Sonora District Office

February 2011 Class Schedule

Please call (209) 533-1513 to register for classes All classes are taught at 13669 Mono Way, Sonora unless noted otherwise

Feb 3, Thurs 6 PM - 7 PM	Introduction to the American Red Cross HRNEO200A
Feb 3, Thurs	Fulfilling Our Mission: Translating
7 PM - 10 PM	Compassion into Action DSGEN200
Feb 6, Sat	Standard First Aid with CPR/AED Adult & Child Plus CPR Infant
9 AM - 6:30 PM	HSSFA415
Feb 10, Thurs 6 PM - 9 PM	Shelter Operations 306811
Feb 12, Sat	Serving People with Disabilities Following a Disaster
9 AM - 5 PM	DSPSS200B
Feb 15, Tues	Standard First Aid with CPR/AED Adult & Child Plus CPR Infant
6 PM - 10 PM	PART 1 (Adult CPR/AED)
Feb 17, Thurs	PART 2 (Infant/Child CPR and First Aid)
6 PM - 10 PM	HSSFA415
Feb 17, Thurs	Mass Care Overview
6 PM - 9 PM	DSMCC200
	Sonora Fire Station, 201 S. Shepherd, Sonora
Feb 22, Tues	California Child Care CPR & First Aid
9 AM - 7 PM	CGCAC203
	Sonora Fire Station, 201 S. Shepherd, Sonora
Feb 26, Sat 9 AM - 5 PM	Working With Total Diversity 7402
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Pine Mountain Lake has just installed the new Automated Licensing System supplied by the Department of Fish and Game. This means you can now purchase your Deer, Bear, Pig, or Waterfowl tags as well as fishing licenses and all supplemental stamps! Our new system allows us to print your license and tags right on the spot. No more applications or mailings needed.

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FOOTBALL PARTY!

Come watch your favorite football

team on television for the biggest Football Party of the year on February 6th! STARTS AT 12 NOON!

Join us at the 19th Hole Lounge

- Drink specials
- Special Football buffet for only \$5
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The Grill is open for **Presidents' Day** Monday, February 21

We will serve breakfast from 9 am till 11 am And lunch from 11am till 2 pm

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Available 11am till 9 pm Tues. – Sun Take & Bake/cook/grill items, as well as readymade items

Bottled Wine

Montevina Pinot Grigio	\$10
Ironstone Chardonnay split	\$8
Seven Heavenly Chardonnay	\$15
Ironstone Cabernet Sauvignon	* 0
split	\$8
Windmill Old Vine Zinfandel	\$20

For the Home Grill

Center Cut Choice	
Top Sirloin 2/6oz.	\$8
Center Cut Choice	
N.Y. Strip 2/10oz.	\$19
Bone In Pork Loin Chop 2/6 oz.	\$8
Salmon Filet 8oz.	\$6
Mahi Mahi Filet 8oz.	\$4

Slow Roasted Chicken House Caesar Salad Chicken Caesar Salad Chipotle Ranch Chicken Salad Sides Large Sides Small







half/whole \$3/\$5

\$4

\$7

\$7

\$4

14 THE GRILL



February 12th Swing Your Sweet Heart VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE

Starts at 7 pm A very seductive four course meal that plays off your romantic side

. Includes

salmon & herb goat cheese wellington served with saffron risotto and asparagus tips

or beef chateau filet with artichokes, mushrooms and fingerling potatoes, finished with a porcini essence demi glace

After dinner, swing your sweetheart to the musical stylings of the 50's sock hop band "Magic Moments!"

Reserve your tickets now, while they last! This pre paid event is just \$50.00 a couple! 209-962-8638



FEBRUARY 16th

Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet

Featuring wines from Oak Ridge Winery in Lodi.



Buffet menu

 roasted pork tenderloin with a portabella mushroom sauce and creamy polenta

- seasonal vegetables
- lemon curd tartlet dessert

Wine tasting & dinner are both only \$22.00 per person plus tax. From 5 to 7:30 pm.

Reservations are required, so make yours today! 962-8638.

MARCH 9th

Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet Featuring Stevenot Wines



Menu Coq au vin (French Chicken stew with wine) Herb & Butter Potatoes Sautéed Green Beans Mixed Greens Salad Fresh Baked Rolls Homemade Vanilla Cream Puffs

Wine tasting & dinner \$22.00 per person plus tax. From 5 to 7:30 pm. Reservations are required, so make yours today! 962-8638.

Love is in the air at The Grill

BY HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR, BAMBI JOHNSON

Love is in the air and in the food! Every course of our Valentines dinner menu has at least one aphrodisiac in it.

February 12th, Swing Your Sweet Heart Valentines Dinner and Dance.

This intimate night starts at 7 pm and will include a very seductive four course meal with the main entrees choice of salmon and herb goat cheese wellington served with saffron risotto and asparagus tips or beef chateau filet with artichokes, mushrooms and fingerling potatoes, finished with a porcine essence demi glaze. This menu will play off of your romantic side! Then get ready to reveal your more playful side and swing your sweetheart around that dance floor to the musical styling's of the "50's" sock hop band "Magic Moments!" This evening will be sure to be both fun and romantic! Reserve your tickets now, while they last! This pre paid event is

just \$50.00 a couple!

February 16th, Wine Tasting and Dinner Buffet from 5 – 7:30pm

This month we will be featuring wines from Oakridge Winery in Lodi. Some of the labels you can expect to see are; 3 Girls, Moss Roxx, Maggio and White Tale. All wines can be ordered at a discounted price the night of the event! Chef Carrie will be preparing a delectable dinner to accompany this tasting! The menu will consist of a buffet of roasted pork tenderloin with a portabella mushroom sauce and creamy polenta, seasonal vegetables, with a lemon curd tartlet for dessert! Wine tasting and dinner are both offered to you at only \$22.00 per person plus tax. Reservations are required, so make yours today!

March 9th, Wine Tasting and Dinner Buffet 5-7:30pm

We will be featuring wines from Stevenot Wines in Sutter Creek. You can expect to see such varietals as chardonnay, sauvignon blanc, tempranillo, cab-

Celebrate February at The Grill BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



Whether it's Chinese New Year on the 3rd, Super Bowl XLV on the 6th, President's Day on the 21st or the big day, Valentine's Day,

the Grill is the place to be. This year we are celebrating Valentine's Day twice. Since February 14th falls on a Monday, we are going to have a very romantic Dinner/Dance on Saturday the 12th for only \$50 PER COUPLE. This event is expected to sell out very fast, so Oak Ridge Winery is hosting our monthly wine tasting dinner buffet on Wednesday the 16th for only \$22 per person.

Many of you have been asking what our winter hours are. We are open 6 days a week Tuesday through Sunday. We serve Breakfast Saturday 8am to 11am and Sunday 8am to 12:30pm. Tuesday through Sunday we serve Lunch from 11am to 3pm and, as with all 3 day holiday weekends, on Monday the 21st, President's Day, we will be serving Breakfast from 9am until 11am and Lunch from 11 am to 2pm. We serve Dinner Tuesday through Sunday 5pm to 8pm, Friday and Saturday nights we serve until 9pm. Mid-afternoon the dining room is closed from 3pm to 5pm as we prepare for dinner but you can still get burgers and sandwiches in the Bar. ernet sauvignon, barbera, and a sweet muscat canelli. All wine will be available to order at discount pricing. For dinner, Chef Carrie will be preparing Coq au vin (French chicken stew with wine), herb and butter pomme (potatoes), sautéed green beans, a mixed greens salad, and warm fresh baked rolls with homemade vanilla cream puffs! All this is offered to you for only \$22.00 plus tax. So call today to make your reservation (they are required). 962-8638. Hope to see you at one or all of the upcoming events here at The Grill! Let your skilled, professional staff cater to all your food & beverage needs. Your Grill staff is waiting to serve you today. Feel free to call me at 962-8638 or email me 24/7 at cluboffice@pinemountainlake.com, with any catering, event, party, reunion, memorial, and wedding needs. Look forward to seeing you soon and Bon Appetit!!

In The Kitchen With Chef Carrie

BY CARRIE TAYLOR, CHEF, THE GRILL



With winter upon us, it is time to create; we are busy in the kitchen trying out new recipes and developing new specials. Since

taking the position of Head Chef, my goal is to bring quality, consistency and variety to your dining experience at your Club. We have been proving this every night of the week. The comments come in everyday when I visit the dining room. The comments are mostly that the "food has never been this good" and "keep up the good work." It has been so nice seeing so many familiar faces on a regular basis.

I had so much fun creating our Valentine's Day Dinner menu. Every course has a romantic component. You would be surprised at how many there are, and I'm not talking just oysters. I enjoyed the challenge with this menu and all other special event menus, menus that bring you interesting and new concepts in food, at your Grill, for your enjoyment.

We have been offering new sides to our entrees and yummy house made desserts to finish the meal.

We change these sides on a weekly basis to keep your dining experience exciting.

We have done in the past, grilled polenta, roasted butternut squash, creamed spinach and, a big hit, rainbow chard. I look forward to bringing more of the bounty (yes, bounty) of winter vegetables to The Grill.

Winter is the time to come out, meet friends, and enjoy a comforting meal. How about Lamb shanks slow braised with red wine, portabella and crimini mushrooms? Sounds good?

It is our goal to keep your Club update on industry trends. I am always looking for new menu ideas, so if you have some thoughts, favorites or just a challenge, email me at kitchen@ pinemountainlake.com.

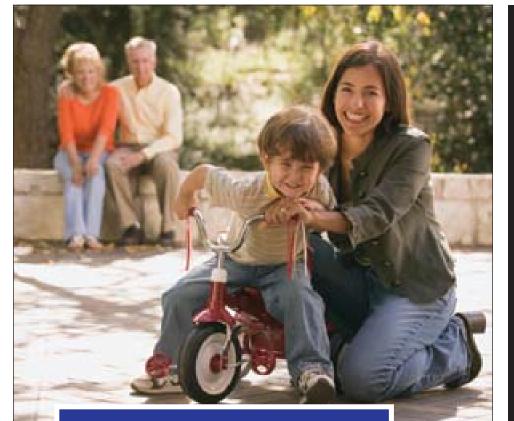
Happy Eating!



2011 Assessment Refund Winner!

Property owners that paid their 2011 assessment prior to December 31, 2010 were entered into a drawing for a full refund of their assessment. One name was to be chosen and the drawing was conducted at the January 15th Board meeting. Congratulations to Albert L. Watson of Buttercup Circle! We would like to thank all of our members that participated.

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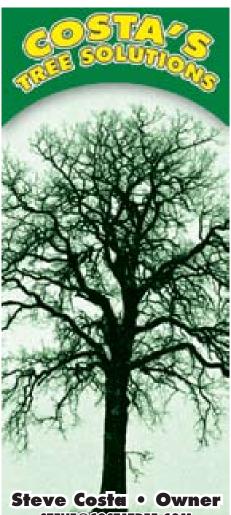


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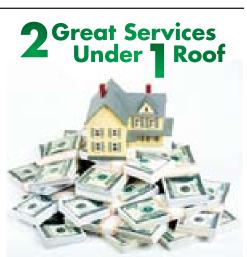






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Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group

TOM CARMAN, EDITOR, PML CUG NEWSLETTER



The program for February 15th will be presented by Tim Holden. Tim is president of Sierra Nevada Communications. In prior meetings, Tim's presentation covered broadband communications via cable and

products his company will be offering. Since then, Sierra Nevada Communications has made significant improvements in their system and have added many subscribers. Tim will be returning to our CUG meetings, providing us with a progress report of his companies' activities. He plans to provide us with a first hand experience with his product by running a cable-internet service into the Lake Lodge, so bring your laptop and experience his companies' Internet service.

Cable broad-band communications continues to be one of the

GARDEN CLUB CLIPPINGS BY JOYCE SMITH

PML Shooting Club

BY MARTY BOLTER

Garden Club did not have a January meeting. This is a time for our new Board to meet and plan for the New Year. Linda Flores, our president, is very enthusiastic about the coming year. Our first meeting will be Monday, February 14th at 3:00P.M. Lake Lodge. In addition to signing up for areas of interest you would be willing to work on, we will have someone from Down to Earth speak to us about Bareroot planting.

If Garden Club sounds interest-

The beginning of the New Year gave

us beautiful blue skies and comfort-

able temperatures in contrast to many

of our friends down the hill that saw

dreariness and fog. January also saw

help PML re-establish our decades old

ing Club is an official PMLA Organized

continued progress in our quest to

shooting range amenity. Our Shoot-

Group. Our membership continues

to grow and your Club Officers have

Very soon we will be announcing

the availability of Range Safety training

for all members who are interested.

This training is planned to be conve-

niently conducted here at PML by John

& Tami Popke of WTS in Soulsbyville.

been hard at work on your behalf.

ing to you, come to our meeting and check us out. We have programs that will help you with what to plant, when to plant, plus tips on soil and deer problems. Just remember our project is the Historic Jail and maintaining the plants and area is our main focus.

Would you like to join us? Come to the Lake Lodge on Monday, February 14th. Dues are \$15.00 per person or \$20.00 for a family. See you on the 14th.

This will be our first organized Club

activity and will prove to be fun and

ested to check us out at: www.pmlsc.

com. Our mission is to provide a safe

place to enjoy recreational shooting

the safe enjoyment of our sport, to

sport and provide safety education

and guidance for all.

you into our Club!

sports for PML enthusiasts, to promote

encourage and teach beginners to the

You'll be able to follow us here in

the Pine Mountain Lake News as well

as up to the minute updates on our

website. We very much look forward

to hearing from you and welcoming

We'd like to invite all who are inter-

informative.

fastest available options for Internet communications. It should help answer some of our questions relating to our options to improve our Internet speed in Groveland. Please spread the word about this meeting to your friends, etc. Guests are welcome.

The CUG is composed of members at all levels of computer experience, and guests are always welcome. The club meets at the PML Lake Lodge located on Pine Mountain Drive. Remember, you do not have to be a resident of Pine Mountain Lake to attend the CUG meetings. For non-PML residents, please contact Frank Perry or Lee Isbell if you plan to attend so the PML Safety Department can issue the proper pass. To learn other information about the CUG, such as past meeting content, monthly newsletters, club by-laws, and officer info, check out the club's website listed in this article.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday February 15th, 7:00 p.m. at the Lake Lodge. The Multi-Media SIG and Basic Skills SIG will not meet. Be sure to check out the CUG Web Site at http://www.pmlcug.org. Further information about the CUG may also be obtained from Frank Perry at 962-0728 or Lee Isbell at 962-5727.



PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

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Aviation Association Wayne Handley	962-7868
Computer User Group Frank Perry	962-0728
Cooking Class Tom Knoth/Paula Martell	962-5838
Country Mountain Rider Holly Foiles	's 962-4434
Crafts Guild Lee Isbell	962-5727
Dance Party Bob & Carol Digby	962-7254
Duplicate Bridge Bobbi Vandenbergh	962-6965
Exercise Class Barbara Elliott	962-6457
Friends of the Lake Rich Hathaway	962-7595
Garden Club Lorraine David	962-6008
Guardians of PML Brian Sweeney	962-5737
Ladies Club Catherine Santa Maria	962-7904
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 (M Bill Parker	en's) 962-5957
Non Residents Club Kathy Coon (510)656-0162
Pine Needlers Quilt Guil Lillian Cravens	d 962-4301
PMLakers RV Club Lourse Turney	962-0609
PML Niners Pat Price	962-7431
PML Waterski/Wakeboa	ard
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Emily Van Vleet	962-0930
Residents Club Dick Faux	962-4617
ROOFBB Linn Faler	962-5395
PML Shooting Club John Graham preside	ent@pmlsc.com
Sierra Professional Artis Heinie Hartwig	sts 568-1637
Windjammers Sailing Cl	ub
	6)846-1519

18 RECREATION/CLUBS PML N FEBRUARY EVENTS CALENDAR



Cooking Class Feb 8



PML Cooking Class Time: 6:30 to 8:00 pm "Pizza-ish" – Chicago Deep Dish Style Pizza, Scoozi Bread Location: PML Lake Lodge Cost: \$10 Class Fee includes food samples Contact: Tom Knoth at 209-962-5838 or email: tomknoth@yahoo.co



Swing Your Sweetheart Valentine's Dinner & Dance

7 PM \$50 per couple Menu on page 14 Dance to the music of "Magic Moments" for reservations 962-8638 **Wine Tasting and Dinner**

WEDNESDAY

Buffet

featuring wines from Oak Ridge Winery in Lodi 5 – 7:30PM \$22 per person + tax Menu on page 14 Reservations call 962-8638



Soroptimists' Chinese Auction and Dinner Doors open at 5 PM Cost \$30 per person Chinese appetizers 5:30 PM served by S-Club volunteers (fried wontons & spring rolls) Four Course Buffet Dinner at 6:15 PM

(Chinese chicken salad, Mongolian beef, orange chicken and vegetable chow mein)

Tickets available from Soroptimist members, Dori's Tea Cottage and from Liz at the Coldwell Banker office.

Add Your Event to Our Calendar Page!

This is a great way to get Pine Mountain Lake residents (full-time and part-time) information about your fun, so don't miss out! Call 209-962-0342



Wine Tasting Dinner - Feb 16



Valentine's Dinner & Dance - Feb 12

COMING SOON!

March 9th Wine Tasting and Dinner

Buffet - Stevenot Wines

April 9th AARP - New 4 hour course. Noon to 4PM \$12 each if AARP member \$14 each if non-AARP Course is available to anyone who has taken the full course within the last four (4) years. We take your word.



Groveland Fire Department's 4rd Annual Memorial Weekend Barbecue Sunday, May 29th 3-8 pm Pine Mountain Lake Stables

Fun & Games For All

Live Band & Auction Kid's Activities 50/50 Raffle

Dinner: Tri-Tip Beans Salad Bread Dessert

\$14 Adults, \$7 Kids (12 & under) TO GO boxed dinners also available Fire Department selling water and soda PML Country Club selling beer & wine

Memorial Wall

Remembering Our Troops Bring copies of your photos of friends and family in the military, past and present

Groveland Fire Department 209-962-7891 www.grovelandfire.com

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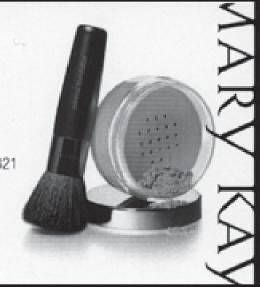
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ROOFBB "Support Our Troops" Program – 2010 Summary

by dar brown, chair

Thanks to the generosity of so many people in our community, in 2010 we shipped 161 care packages to our troops and to two orphanages!! While some recipients are, of course, family members of local residents, many of the individual soldiers who received packages from us do not have families to take care of them. I have been told that "receiving each shipment is like Christmas or a birthday". All the recipients share the contents of the boxes with their fellow soldiers, and many, bless their hearts, forward items to other soldiers deep in country that otherwise wouldn't receive anything at all. ROOFBB members may have seen the letter in which the recipient said they place the boxes where the soldiers can choose what they want, and they call it the "Free-X".

The Chaplains who operate the orphanages are always very grateful for all the donations. Just before Christmas, I "raided" Helping Hands and purchased every Beany Baby in stock for shipping to the children. The toys are small and soft, I can get many in a single box, and the kids love them. In a recent letter, the Chaplain requested clothing for men, women and children, especially hats, gloves, scarves, blankets, plus school supplies, rice, beans and "toys . . lots of toys". If you Grandmothers and Moms out there can help, and Grandpas and Dads too, that would be wonderful.

At this point, I have depleted my ROOFBB budget and individual donations for postage and for purchasing care package contents, but I am ready and willing to continue to shop and ship! Bless you for your support and keep our soldiers in your thoughts and prayers.

Date	Rain, inches (24 hr. to 9AM)	Season) Total, inches	how rare it was. day rain totals s	with 3.00 inches made me wonder This past decade listing of one hows 31 days which had more	Oct 24	, 2010 2.40 , 2.52	2	
				s and December 29th is only the	Dec 18			
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Dec 6,	1.10	15.52	Oct 29,	2.29	1991	5.33 inches	8.51	21.0
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Dec 15,	1.05	16.87	Nov 9,	2.25	1994	6.05	11.61	54.63
Dec 16,	0.06	16.93	Dec 16,	2.00	1995	0.01	0.11	40.4
Dec 17,	0.18	17.11	Dec 29,	2.40	1996	8.38	23.75	42.0
Dec 20,	1.15 (wet snow)	22.24	Mar 15, 2003	2.02	1997	5.17	8.91	59.18
Dec 21,	0.30	22.54	Apr 13,	2.48	1998	4.72	9.81	35.5
Dec 22,	0.28	22.82	Oct 18, 2004	2.80	1999	5.15	5.34	42.0
Dec 23,	0.15	23.07	Oct 29,	2.30				
Dec 24,	0.02	23.09	Dec 31,	2.66	2000	5.93	7.43	24.7
Dec 26,	1.65	24.74	Mar 23, 2005	2.16	2001	4.40	13.76	27.12
Dec 29, !	3.00 ! **	27.74	Dec 2,	2.30	2002	5.07	16.45	35.50
			Dec 26,	2.12	2003	5.25	15.50	25.94
Jan 1,2011	0.11 Light snow	27.85	Feb 28, 2006	2.42	2004	9.67	17.47	49.22
Jan 2,	1.46	29.31	May 22,	2.43	2005	2.12	13.97	47.55
Jan 3,	0.57	29.88	Feb 27, 2007	2.20	2006	3.76	8.12	22.94
			Jan 5, 2008	2.90	2007	2.69	7.90	27.74
			Jan 24, 2009	2.70	2008	4.43	9.06	33.37
			Mar 4,	2.22	2009	5.35	13.72	44.47
			May 2,	2.80	2010	12.17	27.74	
			Oct 14.	3.56 *				

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The Little House Announces Changes; Launches 2011 Initiatives BY RON HARMS

2011 signals a variety of exciting changes for The Little House and Southside Senior Services, Inc (SSSI). We start with the election of new directors Linda Craig, Maggie Jacobsen and Alex Wylie. All are active volunteers in the community. We look forward to the creativity, energy and commitment to action they promise to bring to The Little House.

We also say thanks and farewell to retiring Board members Paul Bunt, Jane Hansen and Liz Mattingly. Paul has been the long-time President of SSSI and we will miss his leadership and commitment to the organization's success. Likewise we will miss Jane and Liz, who have given outstanding service and wise counsel.

In 2011, we will introduce a new name, logo and redesigned web site for The Little House. Many people have expressed confusion about the multiple names we use to describe our activities at the Merrell Road location. Working with a team of community consultants, we are preparing to launch "The Little House, A Community Gathering Place" as our new "brand."

With the adoption of the new brand, we will be de-emphasizing the public use of the name Southside Senior Services, Inc., which will continue as the legal name of the organization. We thank the members of the Marketing Communications Advisory Group (Virginia Gustafson, Judy Gravino, Patricia Elliott, Gary Weinstein, Sydney Avey and Dori Jones) for their tremendous assistance in conceiving the new branding strategy and in bringing it to life!

In addition to the existing recreation, nutrition and other programs that operate through The Little House, we plan to develop new programs in 2011 that fall within the four primary areas of our mission: health and wellness services; lifelong learning; recreation; and personal/financial services – programs like a computer users class, a monthly speaker's bureau to address issues of broad interest to the community, and a "Night at the Movies" program that will feature thought provoking documentaries and/ or classic films (and free popcorn!).

Longer-term, we will evaluate

an expansion of nutritional support programs (communal lunches and Meals on Wheels) and a plan to stimulate community discussion of housing options for area residents for whom independent living is no longer an option.

All of these initiatives require volunteer leadership and participation from members of the community. If you have particular skills or interests that match these program initiatives, let us hear from you! Success depends on people like you who bring vitality and fresh ideas. To volunteer or ask questions, please contact Luci Tyndall at 962-7303.

See's Candy Report - Over 45 community volunteers stepped up to staff the See's Candy Booth. Special thanks to Mary Brown, Regina Tilley, Barb Elliott, Al Rodriguez, Joanne DeHart, and Luci Tyndall for their leadership and to Thrivent Lutheran for a generous donation made possible by volunteers from Mountain Lutheran Church. Sales were healthy and we hope you and those on your gift list are enjoying the treats!

Pine Cone Singers Open Invitation

BY RACHEL PHILLIPS

The Pine Cone Singers regrouped on February 1st to begin rehearsals for the spring concert to be held on May 13th, 14th, and 15th under the direction of Dennis Brown. There is still time, however, for all interested singers to join us for our rehearsals on Tuesdays from 3:00 to 5:30 in the Community Hall in Groveland. Dennis is planning a beautiful set of songs for us, including "Stomp Your Foot" from The Tender Land by Aaron Copland, "The Common Cold" by Paul Basler, and "What a Wonderful World", arranged by Russell Robinson as a tribute to "Satchmo". We welcome all singers, experienced or not. Cost is \$30 per singer to defray costs. Come join the fun, and get to know your neighbors. For further information call Shirley Brasesco at 962-4815.

BRIDGE at The Grill

Mondays • 9 AM All bridge players are welcome. Men (10:15 AM) call Bill Mingus at 209/962-4240 for reservations.

Soroptimist Meetings

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

Aerobics & Sculpting Excercise by Video

Mondays, Wednesday and Friday Time: 9 AM

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

Sierra Club Hike of the Week Thursdays

Time: 9 AM

Midweek Hikes in the Groveland Area on Thursdays.

ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

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 Van-

denbergh 209/962-6965 for information.

Library Hours

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

Chair Dancing

Every Monday at The Little House at 10:00 am

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. Blood pressure readings

Blood pressure readings are First and Third Thurs-

days from 11:00 to noon at The Little House

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.

"High Country Line Dancers"

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

Sonora Senior Center

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

For Meals-on-Wheels

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

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

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.

Kiwanis Meetings

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

ROLLERBALL

"For the health of it." Wed. 11 am Lake Lodge Help yourself gain better balance and improve your range of motion. Thursday class available with interest. Victoria Lynn 962-6288

COMMUNITY CORNER 22 **ARABIAN DAYS** of the Country Mountain Riders

Christmas often is marked by a child's anticipation of the day, but this Christmas five of our Country Mountain Riders were just as eager for the arrival of their "gifts". Horse trailers loaded with their new young equines were on the road to their new owners. One came earlier than the others by way of Texas, while all the others came direct from their former home, the Asgard Arabian farms in West Virginia. Five of the six babies were out of the stud, Bandjo De Falgas, a proven producer of race and endurance horses. Holly Foiles was the first lucky one to receive her new family member, Tres Amour (barn name Ami). Hers is the oldest (five years) of the four mares, two geldings in the group, with the others ranging from three to four years of age. Debra and Kevin Kalkowski had chosen two quiet youngsters, a mare, Mimyque (Mimy) and a gelding, Epatant (Rio), half owned by their friend Rick Mayer. Alexandra North bought two mares, Fyriga and Monnamie (Mona) and a gelding, Pantin, for her new mounts.

Armed with the DVDs of the Down Under clinician, Clinton Anderson, the riders are systematically introducing their new babies to all things on the ground that sets the foundation for a great horse. If any of you have followed the new teachings in horse training you are aware of the term "Natural Horsemanship". Studying horses in their herds led to a method of working with horses in the same way they relate to one another, a method without pain or fear, therefore growing the relationship/bond between the rider and his mount. You start on the ground and build this relationship prior to climbing in the saddle, with all ground work directly related to what happens later in the saddle. Tom Dorrance, his brother Bill, and Ray Hunt were all valley leaders in this foundation training and have had a following throughout the world for decades.

On a recent bright sunny day, the owners led all six of the babies into a round pen. Having just seen them for the first time, I was not able to tell who was who because they are all chestnut in color, but very soon, by observing them, it was easy to discern the pecking order prevalent in horse herds, whether that herd be just two horses or more; each new horse added can change the order. It was equally easy to know which ones were now barn mates as they circled the pen in their new "herds". And very soon, their individual

personalities began to show. At the Asgard Arabian Farms they were in their larger herd groups on 250 acres, having had few hours working with humans. They are essentially "clean slates", so the concern of their owners is that they introduce new things in a manner that leaves no holes and no scars from their teachings. Luckily for all, horses are incredibly forgiving of our mistakes.

Departing the round pen one could not help but smile at the eagerness of both horse and owner as the equine was being led over a stream complete with blackberry vines or varied stacks of tires, or a tarp, or standing next to a mailbox while it was being opened. These babies were quickly absorbing their new environment, eager to please and showing their new trust and confidence. They are all, to a one, fluid movers. All horses are wonderful to watch, but an Arabian has that special way of moving that appears to hardly touch the ground, as if they weigh nothing. Like Pit Bulls, they have, in some circles, received a bad reputation for being "knocker heads", "scaredecats", etc., but like all horses/ dogs it is not the breed but the breeding and handling that determines who they become. These six will be trained for endurance riding, which is bred into them with their strong legs, good feet, beefy hindquarters, quiet minds, and strong hearts. Through their training they will be able to attend parades, do trail trials, trail rides, etc., whatever their owner would like to do with them on any particular day. Alexandra is a wellknown endurance rider with great success on the trails. Hollie has been doing endurance and trail trials for a long time and Debra is the newest to the sports. Now Holly and Debra have horses that can take them a whole new level up in their sport. Rick had a fear of horses and through working with his new baby has developed a love and appreciation for

New Chinese Auction & Dinner BY BONNIE PHILLIPS

It's time, again, to don your Chinese inspired attire and join the Soroptimists on Sunday, February 27, 2011 for the new Chinese Auction and Dinner at the PML Grill. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m., S-Club volunteers will serve Chinese appetizers (fried wontons & spring rolls) at 5:30 p.m. and the four course buffet (Chinese chicken salad, Mongolian beef, orange chicken and vegetable chow mein) will begin at 6:15 p.m. The cost per person will be \$30 with tickets available from Soroptimist members, Dori's Tea Cottage and from Liz at the Coldwell Banker office.

After dinner, the fun begins....time to win some fabulous prizes. This year there will be three brand new opportunities to take home items you really want. There will be the double quarter auction - you'll put 50 cents in your numbered auction cup. If your number is picked, you'll get to select the prize you want from the double quarter auction prize table. Also, there will be another table full of fabulous raffle prizes. In front of each prize will be a large box in which you'll place your numbered raffle tickets. This way you get to choose the opportunities to take home only the prizes you just can't live without; and hope real hard that one of your lucky numbers gets picked out of the box! There

will be Soroptimists, in coolie hats, selling raffle tickets all evening and winning tickets will be drawn regularly throughout the event. Your last opportunity to take home a prize will be at the live auction. As always, there will be unique items from airplane rides to delicious dinners on which to bid. It is fun to find out who the highest bidders are each vear.

Can't wait for you to join us for this fantastic "FUN" draiser, February 27th, which helps Soroptimist fund projects and scholarships that improve the lives of women and girls, world-wide.



all things horse. He's hooked! On another bright sunny day soon you might see these new partners on the trails...wave

and enjoy the view! Bonne chance to all of you and a Happy New Year from the **Country Mountain Riders**



Coulterville's History Center Re-Opens "Memories of Coulterville" Wine & Tea Party!

BY DALE SILVERMAN

With fresh new displays, including the "Tiscornia Room" which is the 2011 Founding Family exhibit and the new John Muir permanent exhibit, the Coulterville History Center will reopen its doors on Saturday, February 5th. A Wine & Tea Gala Reception, from 3 to 5 pm, gets the year off to an exciting and fun start. Resumption of regular hours, Wednesday through Sunday, 10 am to 4 pm will start the following week. This, the 4th year of this grand reopening event, will once again feature a variety of local wines and everyone attending will receive a monogrammed wine glass to commemorate the event. A new feature, designed for those proud to be "Teetotalers" (at least in the afternoon), will find a welcome addition this year... an elegant tea service.

Foodies welcome! In keeping with this year's event theme, "Memories of Coulterville", co-chairs Pam Henderson and Susan Bramson have selected a number of recipes for sweets from the pages of the NMCHC's Ethnic Heritage Cook Book, as well as a number of old family hors d'ouvres reci-





pes. They have also put together, not only lovely gift baskets that are sure to appeal to the ladies, but have also created some gift boxes with items sure to appeal to the menfolk. If you like the food, you can purchase this unique recipe book at the sale price of \$4 (regularly 6.95). A few additional "local secret family recipes" have been gathered that are not in the book but will be included as an insert for those purchasing them during the event!

Tiscornia Family Parlor - This year the entire central parlor area of the museum will feature items on loan from the Tiscornia family, who were successful shopkeepers in Coulterville in the 1860's and whose descendents were part of the rich history of the area throughout the late 1800's and early 1900's.

John Muir Exhibit Unveiling - The new permanent John Muir exhibit will have a "then and now" theme, with Muir's 1869 illustration of "Horseshoe Bend as seen from Penon Blanco" (contained in his book, My First Summer in the Sierra) and a 2010 photograph by professional photographer

Scot Miller, snapped in virtually the same spot. Excerpts from this book, describing some of the breathtaking and spiritual beauty Muir experienced while traveling through the local area, will also be featured. These two pictures will be included in Miller's photographic rendition of Muir's original 1922 book that is due out later in the year. The exhibit was made possible by the generous donation made last year by Teri and Ken Pulvino.

Tickets, which are just \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members, can be purchased in advance by contacting the museum, or you can purchase them at the event. Call Gail Tyler at (209) 878-

3015 or email nmchc@coultervillemuseum.org. The office is open Monday through Thursday. Please contact Gail if you would like to become a member or get more involved as a docent or committee member. The docent program really needs a few more folks in order to fully staff the museum. Even if you only can devote 3 hours a month,

give it a try. It's fun, you'll learn some fascinating things about our community's history and meet people from around the world.

The Northern Mariposa County History Center was established as a 501c3. private, non-profit charitable organization in 1976, with the History Center opening to the public in 1980. Displays and historic photos provide an authentic glimpse of the life and times of the pioneers who helped settle the local area in the 1800's. Memberships are available.



Senior Menu

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comes with 2 eggs any style, hash browns and \$8.75 2 slices toast Blue Burger – 1/3 lb 100% Angus beef patty

topped with blue cheese, bacon, lettuce, tomato, onion and pickle and comes with soup, salad or fries \$8.75

Avocado & Bacon Burger -1/3 lb 100% Angus beef patty topped with Swiss cheese, avocado, lettuce, tomato, onion and pickle and comes with soup, salad or fries \$8.75

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Sliced Steak Sandwich – Sliced beef marinated and mixed with grilled onions and bell peppers on a bed of lettuce in French Roll and comes with soup, salad or fries \$8.75

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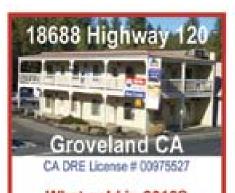
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HOMES ON THE HILL

Sweet Greetings from The Groveland Hotel

BY JONI GERKING

Ahhh, the joys of winter. Bright sunshine and 23 degree weather are a great way to start the days. Coat, hat, gloves, scarf and sunglasses are the accessories of choice. Non-slip boots, ice scrapers, and hot drinks are further indicators of the season. It's a great time to be cozy and warm!

For the Cellar Door Restaurant, winter means a well earned break to renew the spirit and refresh the mind. It also means a chance to explore new recipes and foods for our menu! Our restaurant staff will take a short break from January 24 through February 9. The Groveland Hotel remains open all year long to welcome our guests.

Valentine's Day is a perfect time for personal celebrations, an acknowledgement of the important relationships in life. Although traditionally we think of couples and romance, it is also an ideal time to share a card or dinner with a valued friend. Ask any child, Valentine's Day is all about friendship, with lots of cards and candy, too!

For a romantic weekend with your sweetheart, The Groveland Hotel has an overnight package that includes an Extremely Nice Room, \$50 Dinner Voucher, bottle of Champagne, a dozen Roses and our full Innkeeper's Breakfast for \$259. Get a Suite Upgrade for just \$90! It is a very sweet deal with a regular value of \$305.

To celebrate a special evening, make your reservations for Valentine's dinner any night from Friday through Monday, February 11-14. Chef Mike Pritchard is already getting great reviews on TripAdvisor and his Valentine menu offers the best ingredients for a deliciously pleasurable evening! Start with a selection of Bacon wrapped Scallops, Artichoke Fritters, Duck Confit or a seafood tasting of Shrimp, smoked Salmon or Crab. The soup or salad course includes roasted Butternut Squash soup or Baby Greens salad. Choose your entree of Filet Mignon, Rack of Lamb or Atlantic Salmon, each with savory side dishes, and if you wish, you may add Brazilian Lobster to any entree. Dessert offers three sweet options with Bittersweet Chocolate Molten Cake, warm Apple Tart with caramel sauce or housemade Cheesecake. The menu gives the option of three courses for \$39 or four courses for \$44. Choose your favorite wines or ask for wine pairing from the Cellar Door's award winning wine list, also available by request.

Bring your sweetheart or a friend to enjoy a special evening to warm your heart and satisfy your spirit. Call for reservations 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314 or email guestservices@groveland.com. Find our full menu at www. groveland.com/events. See the Valentine's Overnight Package and make your reservations at www.groveland. com/packages.

Come in to the Cellar Door for Sunday Night Chicken Dinners! This special menu returns as a tribute to Edith Osborne and her famous Chicken Dinners. Edith and Judge Osborne were long time owners of the Sugar Pine Ranch. Come on in for a 3 course Chicken Dinner at only \$14.95. Read a brief history of Edith Osborne's culinary fame.

We're also offering a \$25 Special menu featuring 3 entrees with your choice of Seared Salmon, Lamb T-Bone or Grilled Chicken Breast served with hot biscuits, honey and butter, soup or salad, and Homemade Dessert through the winter weekends. Our regular menu is also available.

Peggy and Girard would like to remind you that The Groveland Hotel's full-service bar includes great whiskeys, bourbons, tequilas, vodkas, gins, scotch, single malt scotch, fine ports, and a great variety of liqueurs, as well as glasses of exceptional wines starting from \$5, and bottles from \$18, all from our Wine Spectator Award Winning Wine List.

Please note that The Cellar Door's winter hours are Thursday through Sunday from 5:30 'til Close through April 15, excepting holidays. Reservations are suggested.

For phone reservations or questions: 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314. Reserve your room and dinner via email at: guestservices@groveland. com. or go to our website: www. groveland.com. We're looking forward to your visit!

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Groveland Commemorates Yosemite's 120th Birthday with "CELEBRATE YOSEMITE" Street Banners "Celebrate Yosemite" with an illustra-""The banner project has been a ye

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As part of the year-long celebration to commemorate Yosemite National Park's 120th birthday, the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce (Groveland, Calif.) today finished the installation of 14 street pole banners along Highway 120 through Groveland. With the help of Groveland Community Services District (GCSD), fourteen banners were mounted and hung along the Northern corridor toward Yosemite – the most accessible and scenic route to the park from the Bay Area.

The vertical banner, which measures 24" wide by 60" long, was designed by Silicon Valley graphic artist Patty Cimlov-Zahares. The design, which incorporates the headline "Celebrate Yosemite" with an illustration of Yosemite's Half Dome and Highway 120, does not include any dates so the banners can be perpetually hung along Highway 120 without fear of obsolescence. There also are several additional banners available for purchase by local merchants.

This project was spearheaded by the Highway 120 Celebrates Yosemite committee, a special committee of the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce. The committee, headed by Jeannie Tasker and assisted by Lynn Upthagrove and Dori Jones, was instrumental in planning a multitude of events to commemorate Yosemite's 120th birthday. According to Yosemite Chamber of Commerce President, James Nagle, "The banner project has been a yearlong endeavor – all aimed at highlighting Yosemite's milestone birthday and enhancing Groveland as a prominent entrance into Yosemite."

The year-long celebration was kicked off with an opening ceremony event in Groveland at the Hotel Charlotte and Dori's Tea Cottage on Oct. 3, 2010. There were nearly 70 people in attendance, including several park dignitaries and Tuolumne County supervisors. Other events scheduled during the year include "A Toast to Yosemite" signature wine dinner on March 6, 2011 at the Hotel Charlotte, which will feature wines from the Yosemite gateway regions. Closing ceremonies are scheduled for Oct. 2, 2011.

Foundation Giving Tops \$1.1 million

BY LIN FREER, SONORA AREA FOUNDATION PROGRAM MANAGER

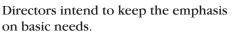
More than \$1.1 million in grants and scholarships were awarded to local students and nonprofits in 2010 through the Sonora Area Foundation and its supporting organization, the Irving J. Symons Foundation.

Foundation trustees awarded \$500,000 to more than 40 nonprofit groups through its competitive grants. Another \$507,000 was awarded through donoradvised funds, and \$109,000 was awarded in scholarships to 102 local students.

Competitive grants, awarded by Foundation trustees, went to support a wide variety of local projects and programs benefiting all areas of the community, with a special focus on "safety net" services to help local residents in need during the current economic downturn.

"Even in this beleaguered economy, the Sonora Area Foundation and its donors continue to step up to assist with the basic needs of the community," said Executive Director Greg Applegate. "It's amazing the way people continue to donate and serve the citizens of Tuolumne County."

Given the state of the local economy, Applegate said, the foundation's



"Food, clothing and shelter are still the top priorities," he said. "The breadth and depth of the economic downturn is still impacting so many people, the board will continue that philosophy and approach.

"I'm optimistic," he added. "I believe that in 2011, we have some really great opportunities to generate family wage jobs, which will have a positive impact on our local economy. But for now, meeting basis needs will be a high priority of the Sonora Area Foundation.

The Foundation ended the year awarding more than \$40,000 in grants and two special awards. Competitive grants went to the following groups:

• ATCAA Friday Night Live received \$11,973 award from the Irving J. Symons Foundation to support its work in youth leadership and suicide prevention at local high school and junior high campuses.

• Habitat for Humanity of Tuolumne County received a \$14,982 grant to help with its efforts to complete site improvements and begin construction of the first two homes at its Parrotts



Ferry Village property on Parrotts Ferry Road.

• Gold Rush Charter School received \$5,000 from the Irving J. Symons Foundation to help complete animal shelters, a chicken coop and hay barn to continue popular animal care and gardening projects at its new Country School campus, formerly Sullivan Creek School. • Sierra Nonprofit Services re-

ceived \$1,600 to support the Lifetime Achievement Award presentation and publicity for the county's annual volunteer awards luncheon.

• Dawn's Light, Center for Children and Adults in Grief, received a \$22,532 grant to help it with development plans, including contracting with a part-time development director to build community connections and financial support. The center provides counseling and other services for adults, teens and younger children, and also has a Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Chapter with student-led clubs at two high school campuses.

Two other "community impact" awards were also presented in the fourth quarter:

• ATCAA Mentoring Works received \$10,000 as this year's recipient of the annual Elaine Symons Baker Community Impact Award from the Sonora Area Foundation. The youth mentoring program matches a trained volunteer with a vulnerable youth for one-to-one friendship and support.

• **Sonora High School** received \$9,256 for portable bleachers, as recipient of the 2010 Irving J. Symons Award. The bleachers will be used primarily to seat the school's Golden Regiment Band at the football stadium.

2010 Christmas Basket Project Recognitions and Thank You's BY PATTI BEAULIEU

Christmas 2010 may be a distant memory as all the decorations are packed away and the New Year's resolutions are either well on their way, or have already been broken, but this is the first opportunity that Dar Brown and I, project co-chairs, have had to publically recognize all those that make the Groveland Community Christmas Basket program possible. This community-wide program assists local low-income families and individuals that might not be able to enjoy a holiday meal or gifts for their children. Although this program began at Helping Hands many years ago, it is now its own independent program, funded, administered and manned solely by community volunteers. This year we were able to assist 98 eligible households consisting of 165 adults and 142 children from newborn through age 17. We were able to accept 32 new applicants this year, which means the economy is still hitting some folks that have not needed help in the past. Even with the economic issues, most local businesses, service and social clubs, Churches and many individuals still made generous donations to the project.

We were very grateful to have Diestel Turkey Farms donate the turkeys for the food baskets again this year. This is an extremely generous donation and allows us to use some of our other funds to supply the applicants with a gift certificate at MarVal Market for the things they might need to complete their holiday meal. In addition, Helping Hands Thrift Store gave each of the applicants a gift certificate.

The project began with our "food barrel elf", Richard Abdelnour distributing the barrels on November 1st. We want to thank MarVal Market, Tioga High School and Mt Carmel Catholic Church for allowing us to place barrels there and all those who added to them. It's a big job to collect and empty them weekly, but Richard does it graciously and with a smile each year.

The PML Ladies Club started the holiday season with their Annual Christmas Brunch on December 1st. Each attendee is asked to bring an unwrapped gift for a child and in true PML fashion, many brought several. Next up was the PML Aviation Association sponsored and subsidized 'It's A Wrap Party' on Saturday night, December 11th. This year it was held at Camp Tuolumne Trails, which was transformed into a Christmas wonderland. Each attendee was asked to bring an unwrapped gift and, again, many brought several. The

wrappers energy was heightened by a delicious dinner of Chili in a Bread Bowl and Salad. When all the wrapping was completed, we had over 18 stuffed, 33 gallon bags filled with gifts to be distributed the following week. Many thanks go to Jerry and Paula Baker and Debi Peters and her PMLAA committee for coordinating this event. In addition to the PMLAA group, there were several people helping Patti and Dar coordinate the gift wrapping - Derrol Beaulieu, Mal Brown, Sandi Fiance, Bev and Jerry Hall, Karen Jablonski, Sarah Ledbetter (Rossio's granddaughter), Laurie Nagle and Carole and Ron Smith.

On Monday, December 13th, we began setting up the Community Hall for the coming week. The hall is used to wrap all the gifts and receive and distribute the food and gifts by family. The core committee of Patti Beaulieu, Dar and Mal Brown along with daily helpers Charlie Fratus, Karen Jablonski, Bruce Lay and Carole and Ron Smith were glad to have the following people there throughout the week to help in any way they could, on any day or days they could. Listed are the volunteers who wrapped gifts, distributed food, stuffed envelopes, picked up food, checked expired labels, carried the gift and food laden boxes to the applicants cars and a myriad of other tasks. Karen Jablonski is the kitchen elf who keeps us all fed during the week – bringing gallons of soup, pasta and drinks to keep the workers happy and nourished.

Many thanks to those who helped during the week: Diane Abdelnour, Toni Augsburger, Jackie Baker, Chris Balek, Betty and Willie Boatman, Sandra Bradley, Shirley Brasesco, Mary Brown, Faye Buckley, Cecile Burke, Chuck Bush, Wally and Linda Childs, Greg Cramblit, Mike Cunningham, Karen Dickson, Bev and Jerry Hall, Bob Halliwell, Bill Hippe, Mike Ireland, Frank Jablonski, Barbara Klahn, Jim Knudson, Jill Lawrence, Gloria Marler, Linelle Marshall, Bev Oakley, Michelle Park, Sue Peterson, JoAnn Prieto, Ron Prieto, Kevin Reynolds, Rudy Rich, Nancy Robichaud, Betty Rohlfs, Steve Salnick, Dennis and Connie Scott, Rose Smith, Phil Spinelli and Bill Walker,

We received donations in so many forms, the recognitions are listed by category or service.

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Gift Donations: Friends of the Groveland Library; PML 18 Hole Ladies Golf Club, PML 9 Hole Ladies Golf Club, all the attendees at the PML Ladies Club Christmas Brunch and the PMLAA 'It's a Wrap' Party. In addition, many other folks dropped off gifts throughout the week.

Food Donations: Big Oak Flat Baptist, Big Oak Rebekah Lodge, Buck Meadows Community Church, Buck Meadows Store, CA Dept of Forestry, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Diestel Turkey Farms, Evangelical Free Church, Foothills Community Church, Garrotte Lions Club, Garrotte Lions Monthly Bingo, Girl Scout Troop 3859, Groveland Christian Church, Groveland Highlanders 4H Club, Groveland Medical Center, Groveland Rotary, Groveland Seventh Day Adventists Church, Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors, Hetch Hetchy Water District, Kiwanis Of Groveland, Mountain Lutheran Church: Parishioners of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church; PML Garden Club (and Rose Denzer who bagged candy for each child), PML Men's 9 Hole Golf Club, PML Racquet Club, PML Resident's Club, PML RV Club, Rabobank, ROOFBB's, Tenaya School Builders Club and Yosemite Bank. Groveland's MarVal Market allowed any of these groups to purchase their food items at cost and, in many cases, arranged for the delivery of them to the Community Hall.

'We couldn't have done it without you' category: We found out in the fall that we had to do all the shopping for kids requested gifts, clothes and shoes that had been done by the Soroptimists in past years. There were 22 folks who answered this urgent plea and did the shopping and wrapping for the requested items. The shoppers were: Amanda Klaahsen, Bev Hall, Cecile Burke, Cheryl Hernandez, Chris Balek, Claudette Williams, Dar Brown, Donna Thayer, Faye Buckley, Flo Jansen, Geralyn Dielman, Jackie Baker, Joke Schaap, Karen and Frank Jablonski, Linda Struhm, Linelle Marshall, Patti Beaulieu, Sandi Derodeff, Shirley Halliwell, Sonja Palmer, Susie Bales, Syd Robenseifner, and Toni Augsburger.

A super special thanks goes to Willie Boatman, who managed to assemble 19 new bicycles in about a

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JEWELRY DONATIONS REQUESTED by Pat Dickerson

The American Cancer Society Discovery Shop is asking all our wonderful donors to peek in their jewelry box and find a piece of jewelry no longer needed and bring to us for our jewelry event to be held February 4-5-6. We are located on the corner of Sylvan and McHenry in the Marshalls shopping center and our store hours are 10-6 Mon thru Friday 10-5 Saturday and 12-5 on Sunday. Please call Pat at 209-544-9279 with any questions. All profits go to the American Cancer Society for patient services and research. For cancer information call 1-800-227-2345 or on the web at cancer.org.

DISCOVERY SHOP JEWELRY EVENT by Pat Dickerson

The American Cancer Society Discovery Shop is holding our annual Jewelry Event starting February 4th thru the 6th. Our shop will be filled with vintage, costume and fine jewelry of all styles. Store hours are 10-6 Mon thru Fri 10-5 Saturday and 12-5 on Sunday. All the profits from this event will be used for patient services and research to find a cure! For cancer questions or concerns call 1-800-227-2345 or on the web at Cancer.org. Our shop is located on the corner of Sylvan and McHenry in the Marshalls shopping center.

week's time. We had a record number of bike requests this year and we really couldn't have managed without him.

We also want to thank the Yosemite Highway Herald and the PML News for printing the announcements, reminders and all related articles.

No Christmas event would be complete without the presence of Santa and Mrs. Claus. We appreciate Kay Glaves and Otis Fender scheduling and making sure Santa and Mrs. Claus were available on pick up day. The hot cocoa and cookies that day were supplied by the Friends of the Groveland Library and cheerfully handed out to young and old by Audrey and Gene Fiance.

As you can see from the extensive list of people, churches, clubs and businesses, practically the ENTIRE community is involved in this project, in some way or another. If you belong to any of these organizations, or have helped in any way, know that you've helped make a brighter holiday for many of your neighbors and their children. From Dar and Patti, project co-chairs, a huge THANK YOU to you all and a very Happy New Year.

Groveland Rotary Christmas Party BY RUDY MANZO

On December 21st, 2010 the Groveland Rotary Club had its annual Christmas Party at the home of John and Jeanne Brunk. Everyone came to have a good time and that they did. There were plenty of appetizers and then came the Spaghetti Feed. There was nobody that went home hungry.

After dinner, Rudy Manzo, Club President, welcomed Garrett Giorgis as a new member to the club. Garrett was a member of the San Francisco Rotary Club but, now that he will be residing in Groveland, he has chosen to join the local club. His energy and involment with Rotary International Projects is welcomed and we look forward to his input.

Three Rotarians were honored at the Christmas Party. Jim Goodrich and Jim Thayer were each recipients of the President's Citation and Sharon was the recipient of the Service Above Self Citation.

Jim Goodrich was honored for his on-going involvement with the Rotary International Water Project and setting up the Walk For Water at Tenaya Elementary School. The children have raised over \$5,000 to help dig a well in an African village to provide fresh water.

Jim Thaver received the President's Citation for his outstanding efforts in coordinating the fund raising events which included the Annual All You Can Eat Shrimp Fest and the Red, White

and Blue Ball. These events, under his guidance, have proven to be extremely successful in raising funds for Scholarships and other community projects. Sharon Hunt was presented with

the Service Above Self Citation for her

devotion to the club by taking care of the Treasurers' job as well as a multitude of other tasks that keep her in constant contact with the District 5220 staff. She is tireless in what she does and never complains about being over-

worked. She puts Rotary at the top her list of things that have to be done.

This ends our service for 2010, but Groveland Rotary will continue to serve the Groveland community in 2011.







More Than Just A Pretty Engine

AN EDITORIAL BY DAVID PENNINGTON

I've been in the Cadet program for about half a year now. Throughout the course of the year I've heard the remark: "Oh, what do they teach you in Fire Science, how to wash the engine?" I found this very insulting and that is the reason for writing this paper. My hopes is that it will prove to people that Fire Science is more than just washing the engine.

First, I want to explain why the engine is required to be washed so frequently: to maintain our public image. When we are called to duty, no matter what the person(s) that we're being called to assist is going through, they're most likely having one of the worst days of their lives. If we pull up in a dirty, maltreated engine, not only does this not look good in the public's eye, but also the equipment on the engine may not operate to full capacity if not maintained every day, and that can result in loss of lives and property. So like I mentioned earlier, the reason for keeping the engine spotless is pride and maintenance of a very important piece of machinery. Think of it this way: If you can't take care of your engine, how are you supposed to take care of somebody else?

So now that I've cleared up the reason behind keeping the engine clean, I'm going to explain what we have to learn, and have learned during the course of the year so far. We have learned First Responder (FR) skills. When and how to use medical devices to assist in keeping somebody alive in most medical situations: this is called: Basic Life Support (BLS). We have learned human anatomy, and anatomical terms. We have learned the body systems, and what to do in medical

emergencies such as: a stroke (CVA), heart attack (MI), hypothermia etc... I, and five of the other cadets are certified in CPR. These are just a few of the things that we have learned, and there is much more knowledge to gain later in the year. In short, we've learned how not only save a life, but how to make a difference in one too.

The third thing that Fire Science has to give is: The teaching and utilization of the duty to act and honor. The duty to act is being there 24/7 to help protect, and assist the public in their time of need, and putting all others before you. Getting up in the early hours of the morning, or night to help someone in need of medical assistance. To help our community in not only the saving of lives, and the saving of houses, but in developing, and growing. Honor is serving your com-

munity unconditionally, and through any circumstances. Knowing the difference between right and wrong and doing everything within yourself to always do the right thing no matter the consequence. Possessing strength, ethical principles, respect, dignity and admiration. Honor is highly regarded in the fire service and is what exists in all the firefighters staffed at Groveland Fire Department. It is what is being gifted to us as Cadets so that we may follow in making a difference in not only our lives, but other lives as well.

In closing, the Fire Science program has many things to offer, much more than just learning to wash the engine. It's teaching us to make not only a difference in ourselves, but in the lives that we are bound to protect. And that is why Fire Science is more than just washing the engine.

The Soroptimist Scene...where fun is a main ingredient for community service

BY BARBARA ELLI

We are repeating our wishes for a wonderful 2011 to you all.

Things that have recently occurred:

The year has barely begun, but members have been getting ready for events that will be coming along in the next months. Continue reading this column in future months (but, of course, you wouldn't want to miss <u>this</u> column – ever) – you don't want to miss out on coming activities.

We were really, really surprised over the holiday season – a check arrived for \$2500. Did that ever make our jaws drop? This wonderful gift was a donation from Stellar Solutions Foundation, Inc. This gift was made in memory of Diane Lynn, formerly an active, SIG member. Why did they send this to SIG? Diane's son applied to the charity department at his job. It is really so wonderful that he applied, that he was selected, and that he selected SIG. We will gratefully use the money for service projects and the Board is researching to decide the best use of the funds.

If any of you have access to charitable donations, would you consider SIG and our community service projects?

Hard to believe, but a nominating committee is already preparing for the next slate of officers (installation for July). We will soon have a group of ladies who will provide the leadership for the coming year.

The Awards chairman has been reviewing the applications from ladies in the community who have applied for various awards. The winners will be announced soon.

Good things in the planning phase:

The **Chinese Auction** will be held **February 27, 2011** at the PML Grill.

Valentine's Day Breakfast at The History Center

BY DALE SILVERMAN

Smack dab in between Ground Hog Day (Feb. 2) and President's Day (Feb. 21st) are two other "Very Important Dates"...February 13th and February 14th. The 13th is the next History Center Breakfast at the Coulterville School House and the 14th is Valentine's Day!

What better way to get Valentine's Day off to a great early start than by treating your Valentine to breakfast!?! Leave the cooking and clean-up to the dedicated bunch of volunteers who whip up a great breakfast of pancakes, eggs cooked the way you like them, ham or sausage and fresh fruit.

Ladies will each receive a fresh rose as a memento of the day and everyone will be treated to a few romantic melodies, mixed in with country and pop songs belted out by Bennie Taylor. Breakfast is available from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Adults are \$5.00, children \$3.00 and a family of four (2 adults, 2 children) is just \$15.00. The Old Schoolhouse is located at the corner of Broadway and Cemetery St.

There will also be some lovely jewelry items raffled off during the morning so your Valentine might by lucky enough to get something more than a box of chocolates this year! There is also a free drawing held every month for a free breakfast. January's lucky winner was Dale Silverman of Coulterville.

Proceeds of this monthly event are used to cover operating expenses of the museum. Never got around to joining the museum? Your breakfast is "on the house" if you decide to become a member that morning!

Donations of homemade cakes, pies and other goodies are always welcome and are raffled off during the morning. Contact Gail Tyler, (209) 878-3015, info@coultervillemuseum.com for additional information.

The Northern Mariposa County History Center was established as a 501c3 private, non-profit charitable organization in 1976, with the History Center opening to the public in 1980. Displays and historic photos provide an authentic glimpse of the life and times of the pioneers who helped settle the area in the 1800's. Memberships and volunteer opportunities are available. As you know, this is a major fundraiser. Please save the date and attend. The committee has been working on new ideas and formats. This will be <u>so</u><u>new</u> that you will have a SIG hostess to guide you through the various points of interest. You should make an effort to attend this terrific evening. For those of you who don't know a SIG member (how can that be?) look for the flyers around town and call for a ticket.

Planning for **Best Day** is progressing. **March 22, 2011** will be the date. Our charter is "Improving the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world." We love to start at home and this event is fun for our members to organize. SIG will be presenting programs, crafts, food and ideas to the girls of the 8th and 9th grade of Tenaya. (The other day I met a young girl who is a sophomore at Tioga. She attended Best Day both of her eligible years and gave positive feedback, even though that was several years ago.)

The **Wellness Faire** will be held at the Tenaya School on **April 26, 2011**. Letters have gone out to the participants from previous years. Letters will also be sent to medical service people who are recommended by our members. The committee is planning to have more interactive services at the event this year. Could it be more interactive than taking your blood? Kidding. I just wanted to see if you were paying attention.

If **YOU** have an interest in helping your community and having a really great time, call Sharon Volponi 962-6848. *"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller.* It is <u>never</u> too late to join in on the fun.

Edwin T. Weatherwax April 21, 1929 - Jan. 04, 2011

Ed spent his younger life in Los Angeles. He joined the U.S. Army at 17 serving for 6 years: as Military Police in Germany and combat infantry in the Korean War.

Married to Jacqueline for 61 years, they have three children, James (passed away in 1992), Diane, and Laurel. Ed is also survived by son-in-law, James Barlow; grandchildren: April, Travis, James, and Annalee; and brother, Bob.

Ed began his career as an aircraft machinist and retired as an engineer from Hughes Aircraft in California. In retirement he moved to Groveland, Calif., where he was active in the community and volunteered with the Forest Service in Tuolumne County. He enjoyed a social life of traveling.

Ed was a member of veteran's organizations and current with the Korean War Veterans Association. In 1999 he moved to Oregon to become a city dweller again and be close to his daughters and a veterans facility. A two-time survivor of cancer, he adapted to losing his sight. Ed celebrated almost 30 years of sobriety and his "Higher Power."

Per his request, there will be no service. Ed will be at rest in Willa-



mette National Cemetery.

A candle has been lit for Ed at http://www.caring.com/caringcandles/copd-candle/in-honor-of-edwinweatherwax/diwax

Please sign the online guest book at www.oregonlive.com/obits

Anyone knowing Ed is invited to sign the guestbook and add any photos they might have of him. The guest book will be on line until 1/7/12 http://www.legacy. com/guestbook/oregon/guestbook. aspx?n=edwin-weatherwax&pid=14 7639396&cid=full

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COMMUNITY CORNER February 2011 Supervisor Article

JOHN GRAY SUPERVISOR 4TH DISTRICT TUOLUMNE COUNTY

On January 10, 2011 Governor Jerry Brown released his proposed 2011-12 state budget. To start the year off, I will try to give you a brief summary of the highlights. Unfortunately, by the time you read this article, some of the information may be old news, the same news or not even the plan that we will be operating on depending on whether or not the legislature buys into the plan. We always have to remember that we are in the State of California and "anything can happen".

The proposal released by Jerry Brown suggests a strategy to eliminate a combined 24.5 billion deficit: \$8.2billion in 2010 -11 and \$17.2 billion in 2011-2012. The most striking elements of the plan include a major state and local realignment for spending, an extension of temporary tax hikes and the elimination of redevelopment agencies.

Governor Brown repeatedly emphasized throughout his plan that the borrowing gimmicks, and one-time solutions that have bridged budget gaps in previous years have only delayed the reckoning that the state now faces. This is something I have been harping about for years. Upon initial review it appears that this statement is "mostly true". There is some borrowing from special funds, and a few of the cuts would require federal approval. The plan to eliminate redevelopment agencies would, no doubt, face legal challenges.

The Governor would have the Legislature implement the cuts sometime in March and call for a special election to be held by June at which time voters would decide whether or not to extend the temporary taxes that otherwise are scheduled to expire this year. The budget proposal does not include a reimbursement to counties for the proposed June election. In talking to Debbie Russell, Tuolumne County Clerk Auditor in charge of elections, it would cost the county over \$60,000 to run this special election in the standard way. There may be a way to save considerable dollars by doing a "by mail" ballot only. During the budget presentation when asked what would happen should voters reject the taxes, Governor Brown said to "go through the cuts and multiply by two." He then elaborated, saying that, of the services the state provides, cuts not requiring federal approval would be in the area of universities, prisons, and K-12 education.

The Governor has taking a very tough line, one that may be necessary in tough times.For more information and a detailed review of Governor Brown's Budget proposal, go to the Rural Commission on Rural Counties website. (RCRC) The website is: www. rcrcnet.org.

I began my third year as your supervisor as Chair of the Board. I'm honored to have been selected by my fellow board members for this position. I look forward to the challenge and pledge to do my best to represent Tuolumne County and its people.

In past articles I have touched on the importance of establishing and maintaining a good relationship with our government agencies. What happens in our National Forest and Parks has a direct effect on the economy of rural counties. The Board of Supervisors will be establishing two new committees this year. A Legislative Committee will be set up to deal with State and local governments on a developed platform and a Natural Resource Committee that will deal with the many issues that come before the board concerning the use and protection of our naturals resources. Having these committees in place will be extremely beneficial as we work with many environmental and government to government issues that come before the board.

I have referred to board goals a number of times in previous articles. One goal that we have undertaken is the "development of a five year plan of improvements in Tuolumne County government operations. There have been rough drafts shared with the Board but it has been agreed that we should

hear from the public before attempting to prepare a final plan. As you may recall, the Board held five evening meetings last year, one in each supervisorial district, at which the public was invited to contribute their comments. Additionally, a survey was posted to obtain public input into the process and even more public participation was gathered through three town hall meetings hosted by the respective district supervisors in the Don Pedro, Phoenix Lake and Tuolumne areas. While this welcome input was considered and helped to shape the Fiscal Year 2010 County Budget, no action has yet been undertaken in the development a five-year plan.

A couple of key issues that have been asked during this process are: 1) "What is the County's mission Statement?" Answer:"we don't have one"; and 2) "Shouldn't establishing one be the first order of business?" I agree, wholeheartedly, that we should have a defined vision of where we want to go as a County.

In order to address those questions the Board has agreed on the following process.

Schedule an off-site retreat with an independent facilitator to help guide the Board, other staff and public attendees in the development of County core values, vision and mission statements.

Direct staff to then develop a 5-year plan that compliments and accomplishes the newly developed core values, vision and mission;

The Board is to adopt all of the above drafts ready for public review and input;

Conduct a new round of public outreach in each of the five supervisorial districts with a complimentary survey to get input on the draft statements and plan. (Conducting such outreach on a regular basis was requested by the public last year.)

Modify the statement and plan in consideration of the input received and adopt them; and

Establish future Board goals that compliment these guiding documents.

The Board has acknowledged that this process will not complete the classic strategic planning cycle which includes establishments of related goals, objectives, and tactics and performance measures. To complete all of this at one time would consume the organization when we simply do not have the capacity (human and financial) to do so and still address the immediate demands upon us. The above however would be a good first step which could be built upon. Stay tuned and be a part of the process.

Please feel welcome to contact me with your questions, concerns or suggestions. I am available to meet with you personally on the last Wednesday of the month at the Groveland Ambulance Station from 9 AM until 11 AM and on the last Thursday of the month at the Lake Don Pedro Hacienda from 9 AM to 11 AM. You can also reach me by telephone at (209) 533-5621 or by email at: jgray@ co.tuolumne.ca.us

Storms are Brewing BY NANCY ROBICHAUD

This March 25, 26 and 27 the Pine Cone Players take on "Curtains Open on Murder" a mystery/thriller, directed by Nancy Robichaud.

We have veteran actors of the stage, Barbara Klahn, Anita Millard, Terri Sullivan, Luke Sullivan, Sally Salinas, Bill Mingus, Dave Holcomb, and Marj Smith. But you can't have a good murder without good help, especially if there are multiple murders. There is also a veteran support staff with Jim Leitzell - artist, Miguel Maldonado - photos and video, Regina Tilley – make-up artist. New volunteers are, Bob Swan - Actor, Bev Oakley - special effects, and Shirley Horn - stage manager, each have given me a personal bio. Sandra Menacho has also joined our group as prompter...her bio will appear in March with photos of the cast and crew.

Shirley Horn has volunteered to be a very busy stage manager. Here is her bio. New Pine Mountain Lake resident, Shirley Horn, began pursuing her passion for the performing arts in 1969, as a court jester at San Diego's Shakespearean Festival and a member of the dance troupe, Project Vanguard. From 1974-78, she was director and choreographer of the Tehillim Dance Choir in Willow Glen, California and in 1985, served on the board of the San Jose Civic Light Opera. She volunteered as costume mistress for countless school drama productions, including The Wiz, Oklahoma! and Midsummer Nights Dream. Most recently, Shirley was guest choreographer for the Easter Sunday production of the musical, Agape, at Peace Lutheran Church in Danville. Shirley is delighted to be joining the local theatre scene with "Curtains Open on Murder" and getting involved with the Groveland community.

An addition to the acting pool is Bob Swan; his bio is encouraging. Despite having thirty-odd years experience with "board-room theatre", and being an enthusiastic amateur musician, Bob Swan is a complete rookie at theatrical performance. He's been a full-time resident of PML since June 2009, and is a member of the Pine Cone Singers and the Gold Country Singers. After playing Santa at the Groveland Hotel's "Christmas Through the Ages" Dinner, he is intrigued by the idea of learning lines other than "Ho Ho Ho".

Sound and special effects are important to this production and Bev Oakley has taken the challenge. As a little girl she took tap dancing, thinking that would get her into the movies. She became an art major instead. Now she doesn't feel comfortable trying to remember the lines, so she thought she could do behind the scene work. She wanted to do the scenery or the programs but that was already done. She's never done sound work, so this will be out of her comfort zone. But

Builders Club of Kiwanis International BY SHERRI GEMPLER

If you want to make a difference in your life and community, check out Builders Club. Last year, more than 45,000 middle and junior high school students around the world were involved in this Kiwanis-family program, developing leadership skills while working with friends to help others in need. Their projects ranged from fundraising for HIV/AIDS prevention in Africa to recycling drives to cleaning up parks.

Builders Club empowers them to be themselves, work together with friends, and implement plans through action. As an extension of Kiwanis International, Builders Club shares the mission of building leaders to help children around the world. Through Builders Club, students become leaders at school, in their communities, and in the world.

Just last Year Tenaya Elementary school implemented the Builder's club at the 6th,7th, and 8th grade level. Ms. Janet Zierenberg (8th grade teacher) and Sheri Gempler are the advisors of the Tenaya Elementary Builder's Club. There have been different projects and community based drives to help the students become a part of their school and the community.

Just since last year's established club began:

• there have already been elections for official members, (President, Vice-

President, Secretary, and Treasurer)Bi-weekly meeting at Tenaya with members at lunch

- Community celebration for the elected official and start to Tenaya's 1st ever Builder's Club
- Book marks made for the library in Groveland
- Builder's Club parade walkers
- Serving food at the annual Mexican food Kiwanis fundraising dinner
- 49'er festival workers (cleaned up trash for the special event)
- Food drive for Christmas with the help of Tenaya Elementary students and teachers
- Letter to Soldiers during the Christmas season with the help of Tenaya students and teachers
- 1st annual Christmas get together with cake and cocoa.

Some ideas we have for future community based projects

- Cleaning up Groveland (trash pick-up)
- Serving food at this year's annual Kiwanis fundraiser
- Planting trees/helping our environment in the Yosemite area
- Other ideas brought up by members during meetings

There have been a few people in this Kiwanis chapter that have been especially helpful in making this Builder's Club happens here in Groveland. We

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she loves variety in her life and this sounded fun. So like a good trooper she says, "Doing new things stretches our mind and keeps us using our brain. I'm looking forward to learning from this experience."

Writing for theater is a labor of love. Acting for theater is a process...giving up your own identity to live the life created by the playwright. As our Pine Cone Players mix of volunteers take on the play writes personas we find storms brewing. Is there motive, opportunity and means to make this a crime scene or just an unfortunate series of accidents? If after seeing the show we hear you have divulged the ending...we may have to look you up.

A special event and Pine Cone Players fund raiser "Opening Night Gala" at The Hotel Charlotte on March 25 will give theater goers a before show dinner, reserved seating in the theater and a meet and greet with the cast, champagne toast and dessert after the show. Please call the Hotel Charlotte 962-6455 to reserve your Gala package.

As another Pine Cone Players fund raiser a "Theater Brunch" package is being offered by the Groveland Hotel for our Sunday March 27, Matinee including reserved seating in the theater and a champagne mimosa with wonderful brunch faire. Please call 962-4000 to reserve your Brunch package.

Also, for the first time ever, the Soroptimist-sponsored Tioga High School "S Club" will be selling intermission treats as a fund raiser for their programs.

Tickets go on sale in March for the show. Evening shows begin at 7:30, the Matinee starts at 2PM. Ticket prices for all shows are \$8 advance, \$3 for 13 and under, or \$10 at the door. For ticket reservations call 962-4240. You can also purchase tickets at Yosemite Bank, The Hotel Charlotte, Dori's Tea Cottage and Marijke's. Seating is limited and advance tickets are recommended. would like to take this opportunity to Thank both Hank Medina, and Al Smith for their continued support. Tenaya Elementary School is the only Builder's Club in this county. There are only a few Builder's Clubs in California. We should be proud that Tenaya Elementary is part of this great Kiwanis legacy.

Jalapeno Bottle Caps

RECIPE PROVIDED BY TOM KNOTH AND PAULA MARTELL



Looking for something new to serve at your Super Bowl Party? This recipe is sure to please those that like a spicy "kick" in their appetizers. Although these are traditionally made with a "beer batter", we found that we liked them even better with a Tempura batter. If you have some guests that are not ready for the spiciness of Jalapenos, you can deep fry lots of other veggies in this tasty Tempura batter. Try mushrooms, onion rings, cauliflower, sweet potatoes, etc...to accompany your bottle caps!

This batter recipe is for 1-1/4 lbs of fresh (not pickled) jalapeno slices.

1-1/2 Cups All Purpose Flour1/2 Cup Cornstarch2 tsp Salt (optional)2 tsp Black Pepper, freshly ground (optional)

- 2 tsp Garlic Powder (optional) 2 tsp Chili Powder (optional)
- 1 large Egg
- 1 Cup Vodka 1 Cup Club Soda

Mix dry ingredients in a bowl. The original tempura batter has only flour and cornstarch for dry ingredients; our spicy batter has all of the "optional" spice ingredients as well. In a separate bowl, mix egg and

vodka, and then add club soda. Heat oil to 385 degrees F; wisk

together dry and liquid ingredients for batter (just before frying). Dip items to be fried in batter and drain off excess batter, and then fry until golden brown and crispy.

Serve with Ranch Dressing or Horseradish and Sour Cream Sauce (1/3rd Horseradish, 2/3^{rds} Sour Cream).

Tom and Paula conduct monthly Pine Mountain Lake Cooking Demonstration Classes at the Lake Lodge in PML. Information on next month's class can be found in the Community Calendar section of PML News.



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The American Veterans Traveling Tribute coming to Tuolumne County

BY GEORGE ELDRIDGE, PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The American Veterans Traveling Tribute (AVTT) and Traveling Vietnam Wall Memorial will visit Tuolumne County March 24-27, 2011 at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds in Sonora in honor of Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day (WHVVD) on March 30. The Tribute arrives March 23 escorted by the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Chapter 391's Motorcycle Group, including members of the Patriot Guard, and will be set-up the morning of March 24.

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The AVTT Traveling Wall is the largest Wall replica traveling the U.S. It is an 80% version of the Vietnam Wall Memorial in Washington, D.C. At its apex, the Traveling Wall is an impressive eight feet tall. In addition to the Tribute to those who perished in Vietnam, the AVTT also includes several other memorials and exhibits including The Cost of Freedom Memorial, the 911 Memorial, the Walk of Heroes, Vietnam Remembered, the Tribute Panel, World War II and Korean Tributes.

According to George Eldridge, chair of the event, "Last year's parade in honor of WHVVD was a huge success. We decided to pay tribute to those who didn't return. For this year's WH-VVD, in keeping with the VVA's founding principle, "Never again shall one group of veterans abandon another," we chose an event which will pay tribute to all veterans in celebration of WHVVD."

The World War II memorial presents displays of photographs and information to pay specific tribute to WWII veterans. The Korean War tribute is a pictorial display of the

men who fought the 'Forgotten War' along with battle maps and the war timeline. In addition to the Traveling Wall, Vietnam Remembered is a nationally acclaimed art display of original paintings and more for reflection by visitors and veterans. The 911 Memorial includes stand-up exhibits with lighted twin towers to ensure "we never forget". Each name is recorded according to their location at the time of the tragedy. The Walk of Heroes is a series of stand-ups which pay tribute and provide education regarding our country's history, as well as conflicts in which America was involved to ensure our freedom. Freedom did not come free and this tribute represents the true cost as paid in lives. The Cost of Freedom Memorial is another series of stand-ups created in gold dog tags recording the names of those who gave their lives for our freedom since Vietnam and including present-day Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Also at the Tribute is a Tribute Panel where anyone can purchase a custom engraved dog tag. This is a tribute with a personal message to a loved one, past or present. This Tribute travels the nation with all other exhibits.

All area schools will be invited to visit the Traveling Wall as part of their history education on Thursday and Friday.

On Friday at 1 p.m., there will a welcome ceremony. According to Dick Southern, co-chair of the event committee, "We're inviting Governor Jerry Brown to speak along with the California Veterans Affairs Under Secretary

Rocky J. Chavez, who is a Vietnam Veteran, and Assemblyman Paul Cook (R-Yucca Valley) and Vietnam veteran, who put up the bill making March 30 Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day. We will also have the Board of Supervisors for both Tuolumne and Calaveras counties represented, along with members of the City Council of Sonora. Keynote speakers will be Medal of Honor recipients including Jon Caviaiani of Sonora, and Steve Mackey, the President of the VVA California State Council. There will be a reading of names of Tuolumne and Calaveras names on the wall and then a total of the 5,880 California names on the wall. This will be recorded by members of VVA Chapter 391 members so it can be played for the remaining three days of the event."

"In addition to paying tribute to all men and women who didn't return," according to AVTT spokesperson Leah Gallagher, "the mission of the project is to travel the nation to honor, respect, and remember men and women who served, and to pay specific tribute to those who gave all in that service. Since the tribute is mobile, it allows people to honor and respect veterans and active military personnel without their having to travel long distances."

Across its 370-foot length, the Traveling Wall contains every single name etched on the original. Computers will be available to locate any individual's name. AVTT's Traveling Wall is not to be confused with other replica walls (The Moving Wall, The Dignity Wall, The Wall That Heals). "We are all on a mutual mission," says Gallagher.

Also at the event a concert-dinner is being planned along with a local Vietnam Veterans Art Show. There will be some vendors with food and drinks. Several veterans' organizations will also have information tables available. The VVA-Chapter 391 is developing a souvenir t-shirt for this event and three Medal of Honor recipients will be offering their autographs on the shirts for a donation and a portion of the money raised goes to the Medal of Honor Society. These medal recipients are all Vietnam veterans.

On Saturday, March 26, VVA-Chapter 391's Motorcycle Group will hold an Honor Ride from Jamestown Harley-Davidson to the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. Motorcycles from various groups including the well known Patriot Guard will gather in Jamestown at 11:00 a.m. to make the ride to the American Veterans Traveling Tribute at the fairgrounds in Sonora. A great number of these motorcyclists are Vietnam veterans.

Another plan is to have an Agent Orange Town Hall meeting to bring attention to the effects of this defoliant in Vietnam and the after-effects it's having on the children born of Vietnam veterans exposed to the chemical. VVA-391 hopes to have the VVA Director of Communications Mokie Porter from Silver Springs, MD on the panel.

VVA-391 is looking for sponsors for this event. The sponsorships range from \$100 to \$5,000 and all include recognition and professional banners which will be displayed for the four days of the event. They are also offering advertising in the souvenir program. They are anticipating a minimum of 10,000 people to attend this four-day event. For more information about the sponsorships or program you can contact George Eldridge at George@Eldridge.net or call (209) 984-1378 or Dick Southern at Southern@lodelink.com or call (209) 928-3848. A Sponsorship Social is being planned for February.



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"The Wildest Dream" Screenings a Must-See Hit at Priest Station

BY DENISE ANKER

As reservations to see "The Wildest Dream" were booked solid for another month, we at Priest Station have decided to show the movie again in February. The movie is to be released on DVD some time in 2011, and we will continue to screen it as long as there is interest. The movie features local climbing legend and café co-owner Conrad Anker. The events start at 6 pm each Sunday with dinner followed by a screening of the film. Reservations (call 209-962-1888) are recommended as seating is limited to about 20 people per night.

Other happenings at the Café: we are continuing our tradition of offering German dinners the first Friday and Saturday of each month. All other Friday and Saturday nights, come taste our homemade turkey dinners starting at \$10.99. And, forget about cooking on Valentine's Day – let us cut and grill your steak to order on February 14th. We do the dishes. Looking forward to seeing all of you in February!

Marlene June Whitney 5/25/1931 to 12/17/2010



=Marlene was born in Richmond, California. Her proud parents were Charles Andrew Smith and Dorothy Mary Thomas Smith. Marlene grew up in Richmond, graduated from Richmond High School and continued to live in that area until she moved to Walnut Creek and then to San Jose. Just prior to retiring to Pine Mountain Lake, she and her husband, Richard A. Whitney, lived in Morgan Hill. Marlene did floral design for several florist shops in Morgan Hill until, in 1993, Marlene and Richard completed construction on their new retirement home and made the big move. Immediately, they became involved in Helping Hands and,

in a short time, they were managing the store. Marlene's career in merchandising with J. C. Penney Co. was an asset to the store and helped make the move to the new store location a success. Marlene and Dick continued to manage for approximately four years and after that, they volunteered three days a week. They were truly dedicated to this charity. They also enjoyed volunteering at the See's Candy booth during holidays. They be-

longed to many of the organized groups within Pine Mountain Lake and their list of new friends grew. Marlene is survived by her daughter and son-inlaw, Shirley and Bob Haliwell, her son, David Hagan, her step-daughter and her husband, Gayle Whitney and Mike Hall, her grandchildren, Tonya Trumbull, Kristy Brower, Brent Haliwell and her great grandchildren, Ali Diaz, Haley Brower, Taylor Trumbull, Mason Trumbull, Emily Trumbull, Travis Haliwell and Curtis Haliwell. Marlene was always proud of her family and never missed a family gathering. Her husband Richard predeceased Marlene in June 2008. Marlene continued to live at Skyline Place and, every chance she had,





she would be up at Pine Mountain Lake for a visit. Marlene passed on December 17, 2010, 6 days after her diagnosis of stage four breast cancer.

Thank God, he created us with memories, as that is what keeps those we love close to us. There will be a private family celebration of life at the former home of Marlene and Richard.

If anyone wishes, donations can be made in remembrance of Marlene to the National Breast Cancer Foundation (www.NationalBreastCancer.org) or the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, TX 75265-0309.

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Where The Hell Is Groveland Car Show Final Report For 2010 by Carole Smith

Well, we finally disbursed our funds for 2010 and we think we made some people very happy. We donated to the "fill the bus" campaign for the schools and the art class for Tenaya. We also made a donation to Tenaya Parent Preschool.

The Little League received a new septic pump and baseballs and were very happy with this donation. Again, we wish to thank each and every one of our sponsors and everyone in the community who supports our annual car show. Without your support we would not be able to help others in our community.

Hope to see you all at our next car show which will be held on Sunday, June 5, 2011.

Sonora Regional Medical Center Offers New Gluten-Free Support Group

Sonora Regional Medical Center will conduct a quarterly Celiac Support Group for individuals with gluten allergies or intolerance, starting January 20, 2011. Sessions will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Live Be Well Center, 19747 Greenley Road in Sonora.

"The sessions will focus on nutrition, highlighting gluten-free foods and also give participants the chance to share and exchange information. In addition, gluten-free food will be available at each session," said Tami Burns, RD and instructor.

The support group will meet the third Thursday of the first month of each quarter - January 20, April 21, July 21 and October 21. To register or for more information, call (209) 536-3727.

Cleaning for a Reason by Linda Flores

If you know any woman currently undergoing chemotherapy, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - once per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along. http://www. cleaningforareason.org/

Helping Hands Happenings BY JOYCE SMITH

Welcome to the New Year. We had our installation of officers on January 13th, along with our Volunteer appreciation luncheon at the Grill. The Store and Barn were closed for this big event. The Executive Board Officers for 2011 are: Linda Flores-President; Sandi Graham-Vice President; Amanda Klaahsen-Corresponding Secretary; Dar Brown-Recording Secretary; Judi Wilkinson-Treasurer; Valerie Napier-Parliamentarian and Patti Beaulieu-Store Manager/Newsletter Editor. We thank and appreciate these ladies for their willingness to serve. We look forward to another productive year.

- As Christmas items were removed, we used that space to move other items around. You may need to take a little more time to look around or ask at the register. We are continuing to add winter clothing to our already full racks. Sales will be continuing. And, yes, we will have Valentine things out on the home decor shelves.

- Barn News. We are sorry to report we will not be accepting cribs. The CPSC has banned the sale, purchase or resale of all drop side cribs. The Barn had a number of light fixtures, cabinet doors and other construction items we had donated to us. We have found a place for them to be of use at the Habitat for Humanity Restore outlet in Sonora. This will free up some much needed space. We may have a "barn clean up day" in the spring.

- Volunteers Involved. Laurie Nagle, our HH Sunshine Chairperson, spread a lot of sunshine, along with her many helpers, in decorating our Community. You have no idea how labor intensive the job is until you help. It's a huge task! Thanks to Laurie and all her helpers. Our own Patti Beaulieu and Dar Brown are the CoChairpersons of the Christmas Basket Program. A monumental undertaking. These ladies with their workers have this job organized. Did you know they fill special gift requests? This year there were 19 requests for bicycles. Willie Boatman, an HH volunteer, assembled all 19 "in box" bicycles. Great job everyone! You are all appreciated. Some of our volunteers helped with Christmas shopping for clothing items with other community members. What a caring community we live in. Thank you one and all.

– Dar has been in contact with the ReStore in Sonora that provides used household construction items for the Habitat for Humanity program. They will take used (but in good condition) light fixtures, sinks, faucets, cabinets, doors, etc. We have decided that we'll have a 'Barn spring cleaning' day in the spring and take what we have available

Quilters' Corner

Roses are red, violets are blue, Today I am wishing happy thoughts for you. Good grief it is February already...just 5 months til The Stroll! So happy Valentines Day and what a great incentive to start a new quilt, LOVE. Remember quilts are memories stitched with LOVE.

From the little devotional, The Quilt Of Hope, comes this thought...One driving motivation behind quilt making is the desire to remain in someone's memory. This is so true, especially when most of us have grandchildren that we love to make quilts for.

But not all kids have that experience. Center For A Non Violent Community gives us the opportunity to show this kind of love to kids in trouble. Help us continue to help them by coming out to the Block Party Feb. 17 @ 1 p.m. We are now cutting, sewing, and putting quilts together at Deana Medinas' house. Call 4950 if you need directions. I also have kits available at my shop any time, call before you come.

BY SANDY SMITH are blue, For those of you that like to cruise

and quilt, do I have info for you. Amidon is offering an 8 day cruise to Hawaii, mystery classes, applique, and visits to 4 Hawaiian islands. Sounds like fun even if it involves the A word. You can check with seacruises.com/ Amidon for the complete information.

The Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meets the 3rd Tuesday every month, under the library at 6p.m. This months meeting will be on the 15th. Come and be a part of this great group. Remember caring, sharing and cookies, too.

Lots of prayers and good wishes for a speedy recovery for Lillian Cravens and Susan Fisher.

Talk to Jean Cox about reaching her goal of finished quilts. You go, girl! Starting new quilts is always so much fun, finishing is sometimes a problem. Keep on keeping on. I am still working on my applique Christmas quilt, for the stroll. There is hope I will get finished before June.

See you on the 15th and the 17th.

that fits this criteria to the ReStore. We will no longer accept these items as donations at the Barn but will have information there as to the hours, what is accepted and a map for reference.

ReStore is open for donations Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 8 am to 4 pm. If your item is larger than you can handle by yourself it is a good idea to phone them in advance (533-9080) so they can arrange to have someone available to help you unload.

That goes for Helping Hands Furniture Barn also; most of our volunteers are seniors and are not able to help you with heavy items; if your donation is more than you can handle by yourself, please make arrangements to have someone come with you that can help you unload.

– We were saddened by the recent deaths of former volunteers Marlene Whitney and Grace Schroder. We extend our sympathy to their families. Also, our sympathy to the Bodle Family in the recent death of Linda Bodle and to Linda Cordle and her husband in the death of his son.

– Students of the Month: Congratulations to Tioga High School Senior, Stefan Karunos. Stefan is the son of Rachel and Steve Karunos of Groveland. Also, we congratulate Lake Don Pedro Elementary School 1st Grader, Lehela Abreu. Lehela is the daughter of Cassandra and Jesse Abreu.

- See you at the Barn or Store.

PML resident of 27 years Marie Connick celebrated her 90th birthday on January 10th



COMMUNITY CORNER A Total Lunar Eclipse

BY EDDIE PAVLU, WWW.GROVELANDASTRO.COM

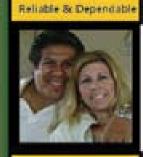
Just a few months ago you may have been lucky enough to catch the total lunar eclipse that occurred from about 9:30 PM on December 20th and lasted into the morning hours of December 21st. This lunar eclipse was the first total lunar eclipse to occur on the day of the Northern Winter Solstice (the first day of winter) since 1638, and the first total lunar eclipse visible from the United States in almost three years, since the February 2008 lunar eclipse. Unfortunately, the skies were cloudy, and the ability to observe this lunar eclipse was somewhat limited. So I decided to share the images that I captured of the lunar eclipse in August 2007.

Our Moon is about 2,160 miles in diameter. The distance from the Earth to the Moon is about 239,000 miles. It has no light of its own but shines by



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sunlight reflected from its surface. The Moon orbits Earth about once every 29 1/2 days. As it orbits our planet, the changing position of the Moon with respect to the Sun causes the different phases of the Moon – from full to a small crescent.

An eclipse of the Moon (or lunar eclipse) only occurs during a full Moon and only if the Moon passes through some portion of the Earth's shadow. This can occur only when the Sun, Earth, and Moon are aligned exactly, or very closely, with the Earth in the middle.

> The Earth's shadow is composed of two cone-shaped components, one nested inside the other. The outer or penumbral shadow is a zone where the Earth blocks part but not all of the Sun's rays from reaching the Moon. The inner or umbral shadow is a region where the Earth blocks all direct sunlight from reaching the Moon. It takes the Earth's shadow a little over an hour to totally envelop the Moon.

Because the Moon's orbit around Earth is tipped about 5 degrees to Earth's orbit around the Sun, the Moon spends most of the time either above or below the plane of Earth's orbit. During most full Moons, the orbit passes above or below Earth's shadows, and no eclipse takes place. But two to four times each year, the Moon passes through some portion of the Earth's penumbral or umbral shadow, and a lunar eclipse is visible somewhere on Earth.

When an eclipse of the Moon takes place, everyone on the night side of Earth can see it. About 1/3 of lunar eclipses are total eclipses – that is, the Earth blocks all direct sunlight from reaching the Moon. The Moon does not completely disappear, even during a total lunar eclipse because of the refraction of sunlight by the Earth's atmosphere.

During a lunar eclipse, the Moon can appear various shades of yellow, orange, and red because sunlight reaching the Moon must pass through a long and dense layer of the Earth's atmosphere, where the light is scattered. Shorter wavelengths are more likely to be scattered by the small particles, and so by the time the light has passed through the atmosphere, the longer wavelengths dominate. This resulting light we perceive as red. This is the same effect that causes sunsets and sunrises to turn the sky a reddish color. The amount of refracted light depends on the amount of dust or clouds in the atmosphere. For example, total eclipses tend to be very dark after major volcanic eruptions since these events dump large amounts of volcanic ash into Earth's atmosphere.

Unlike solar eclipses, lunar eclipses are completely safe to watch. You don't need any kind of protective filters. It isn't even necessary to use a telescope. I decided to take a series of photographs to document the entire lunar eclipse event. The equipment set up for these photographs consisted of a digital SLR camera attached to a telescope that was mounted to a motor driven telescope mount.

As most people know, the sky is in continuous movement. The most obvious indication of this movement is the movement of our sun during the day - rising in the east and setting in the west. Our entire planet rotates around the north and south pole axis. The purpose of a motor driven telescope mount is to "track" the movement of the sky in a way that keeps the objects being viewed in the telescope (or camera in my case) centered within the field of view. Lunar photography is less demanding on a telescope mount then deep sky objects (galaxies, nebula, star clusters, etc...) because the photographic exposure time is short - on the order of thousands of a second to several seconds verses exposure times of hours for a deep sky object.

The lunar eclipse photograph printed in this article is a series of 14 separate images of the Moon taken during various times/phases of the eclipse. The time-line begins at the top of the photograph (12 o'clock position) with a full Moon and moves clockwise. As you circle clockwise around this pho-

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tograph you can see Earth's shadow begin to cover the view of the Moon. At first glance, this may appear like the normal phases of the Moon that you view in the sky each month, except these views of the Moon are taking place over a 4 hour period, instead of the 29.5 day cycle that it takes for the Moon to go from "full Moon" to "new Moon". At the bottom of this composite photograph (6 o'clock position), the Moon was completely in the Earth's shadow.

Watching a lunar eclipse is a spectacular experience. It's amazing to watch the Moon go from full, to a small crescent, to total eclipse,



and back to full again. I took over 300 photographs to create this final composite of 14 images. The Moon "phased" through many shades of orange and red, and the night sky went from being so bright during the full Moon that I could barely see the North Star, to so dark during the total eclipse that I could easily see the Milky Way.

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COMMUNITY CORNER Tioga Student of the Month

Wyatt Livingston is a problemsolver, says Civics/Economics teacher Emily Hanchett. He possesses that unique and increasingly rare quality of Yankee ingenuity - if something needs to be fixed, Wyatt can fix it. A natural Engineer, Wyatt seems to know just about how everything works. Virtually the entire staff at Tioga High has turned to Wyatt for help, either working as a ranch hand, or auto mechanic, or home repair specialist - he's the 'go-to guy' whose absence will be felt keenly when he graduates this June. Quiet and easy-going, Wyatt is currently choosing which of several career paths to pursue - heavy equipment operator, game warden, fire fighter or, ideally, owning his own ranch. Wyatt is the ultimate kind and friendly person. He never has a bad word to say about anyone



which makes him respected by his peers and school staff. He is a rare member of our society in that he is willing to work for what he wants. His very proud parents are Dave and Kay Livingston of Big Oak Flat.

Glenn Hartle June 20, 1937 – January 3, 2011

Groveland resident, Glenn Hartle, died January 3 at his home. He was 73.

Born in Long Beach, CA he worked as a metal plater for 40 years. He owned and operated Sanford Metal Processing in Menlo Park. Glenn came to Pine Mountain Lake in 1987.

He was a member of the Mount Carmel Catholic Church, the Redwood City Masonic Lodge 168, and president of the Pine Mountain Lake Homeowners Association for several years.

He enjoyed golfing, traveling & fishing.

Mr. Hartle is survived by his wife, Linda, of Groveland; children: Rhonda and husband Jim Meadows, Tammy and husband Sherman Smith, Steve Rudea and John Rudea; nine grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his

sister, Patricia Witherall.

Donations can be made to Hospice of the Sierra, 20100 Cedar Road North, Sonora, CA 95370.

Michael Taylor May 25, 1944 - January 11, 2011



Michael Taylor, former resident of Pine Mountain Lake and current resident of Hollister, passed away on January 11th, 2011, at Stanford Medical Center after a brief illness.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Linda; daughter Tricia Nardone and husband Robert, Gilroy; daughter Tanya Reese and husband Bill, Gilroy; grandchildren Michael Nardone and Logan and Adyson Reese; brother Stephen Taylor, and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Mike was a graduate of Fresno State University and a Vietnam Veteran.

Mike retired as a regional sales manager for ConAgra Foods and spent much of his time on the golf course. Mike was a member of the PML Men's Golf Club and served as Tournament Chairman for the Motherlode

Invitational Golf Tournament for several years.

Mike lived life to the fullest and had an energy that wouldn't quit. He had a big heart and helped many who were in need over the years. God bless you, Mike, we will miss you.

Tenaya Student of the Month

Casey Miller has been chosen as Tenaya's Student of the Month. Casey's teacher, Mr. Palmer, fifth grade, says that Casey is well liked by his peers and his teachers. Casey is always willing to go that extra bit to help out or to do whatever needs to be done to help others. Casey always has a smile and a positive attitude. Not only is he an excellent student, Casey excels in sports and is currently playing for the Kings in Jerry-Ball basketball. Casey is an All-American boy and Tenaya is very proud of him. Casey's parents are Kim and Craig Miller.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT TENAYA ELEMENTARY

BY KELLY HAWKINS

It's that time again, Kindergarten Registration at Tenaya Elementary School. If you have a child that will be 5 vrs old on or before December 2, 2011, we would love to have them start their educational journey at Tenaya. Registration will be Friday, March 25, 2011 starting at 9:00 am.

We will need copies of your child's birth certificate and immunization records. Please contact the school office to set up an appointment and pick up a registration packet. Please contact Kelly Hawkins or Rhonda Crow at 962-7846 to schedule your appointment today.

Tenaya Elementary School Photo Contest Awards Ceremony February 9, 2011 BY BONNIE BELISLE

Thanks to all of you who voted and helped support our young photographers by dropping in the Museum to cast your ballot for the Top 3 photographs that have been on display since mid-November!

Each year, the Rotary Club, STCHS (Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society) and Tenaya Elementary School work together to host this student photography contest. A big thank-you to all that donated used digital cameras to STCHS for use in this year's contest. I'm sure you will all agree the quality of the photos improved with the use of these cameras.

This contest was judged by each of you! Now we are inviting all of you to an Awards Ceremony to recognize

these 15 very creative and aspiring photographers.

Date: Wednesday, February 9th Time: 1:30 – 2:20 p.m.

Location: Tenaya Elementary School Cafeteria

First, second and third place photos will be announced. Cash Awards of $35 \text{ for } 1^{\text{st}} - 25 \text{ for } 2^{\text{nd}} - 15 \text{ for } 3^{\text{rd}}$ in addition to gift certificates from the Pizza Factory and Priest Station Café. Certificates of Participation and mini photo key chains will also be awarded to all participants.

Hope many of you can make it to our Awards Ceremony to meet and honor the efforts of the students that participated in this year's event.

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Mountain Lutheran Church BY DOROTHY PARKER

Our Bible Study group is enthusiastically studying a new subject – 1st Corinthians. They have their books on the chapter and are eagerly attending the classes which are February 3rd and February 17th at 1 PM in Mountain Lutheran Church. Everyone is invited to attend these classes.

Our new slate of officers for this year are President - Tom Carmen, Vice President - Jean Cox, Secretary - Mary Bruha, Treasurer - Elden Bruha, Financial Secretary - Stan Bruederle, Members at Large – Dorine Smith and Kay Smith. Our 2 pastors, Ralph Herman and Ginger DuMars, hosted a pizza luncheon after the installation for the officers.

Saint Valentine's Day is coming up on February 14 th. Be sure to mark your calendars and purchase your cards to celebrate this special day.

Ash Wednesday is MARCH 9, 2011 this year. On that day there will be a

than a human being!! We are asking for donations, anything you can give even if it's just a penny, it will be gladly appreciated! We can guarantee you that every day you wake up you'll know you helped Caiden live a better life!!

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special service at 7 PM conducted by Pastor Ginger. At the close of the service the somber act of placing ashes on each person's forehead occurs. This day signifies the first day of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Season. Following this day there will be several mid-week soup suppers. This is a time of preparation for Easter - the resurrection of Christ.

We are still looking for a 2nd organist/keyboardist to share music responsibilities with Anita Millard. If interested, please see our ad in the classifieds.

Remember that everyone is invited to attend Mountain Lutheran Church. We always have a fellowship hour after the service when coffee and special food is served. People then have time to visit and get acquainted. Our Worship Service starts at 10 AM and we are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court, just off Ferretti Road, Groveland.

Fund" account # (8914067270). We will be having jars around school and town, and all for donations.

If you would like to know a bit more about Caiden and his surgery, you are more than welcome to add him on Facebook under "Caiden Waggle" Thank you so much for your help!!

Your Help = A Better Life for Caiden

BY MERILENNE MARTINEZ AND HARLEY GOTTBERG

Do you know what cerebral palsy is, or do you know anybody with this illness? We can tell you about an adorable three years old boy that was born with CP, that now NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!

Caiden Waggle was born April 1, 2007, in Sonora. To his parents Nick and Kim Waggle; Caiden was diagnosed at five months after birth with cerebral palsy and cortical visual impairment, caused by a car accident at 26 weeks of pregnancy. His parents Nick and Kim both attended Tioga High school.

If you were to see Caiden you would automatically fall in love with his precious smile and big green eyes, which are both impossible to miss. You would never get the idea that this little piece of sunshine would be a victim of this horrible illness.

At three years of age Caiden can't walk, talk, sit up, crawl, or see at a far distance; all he really can do is roll and make sounds. Even with all these downsides Caiden's smile never leaves his face; he is a strong little boy who doesn't give up and makes every effort to accomplish everyday struggles. That for us wouldn't seem like a big deal, but for him it's a huge goal.

We could never imagine the pain Nick and Kim go through every morning waking up knowing he won't be able to

grow up as a normal kid, knowing that there isn't much they can do to help him, but to show and tell him how much they love him and thank God for their adorable little boy. The pain he goes through every doctor visit, every time he sees kids playing around him and not being able to play because he can't walk or talk, but most of all not being able to tell his parents he loves them.

A while back, Kim met a 4 year old boy, who had cerebral palsy as well, and his parents took him to get surgery in Germany; the surgery was a success. He has made huge improvements in his life for example walking which has definitely made his life easier and better. The surgery Caiden will need is called Lumbar which will consist of taking a small amount of bone marrow from his hip and then taking stem cells (which are not blood cells) and putting them in his spinal fluid which flows to the brain. Stem cells are also able to make new cells that will spread throughout his body where they are needed the most. Caiden's surgery will take place in Germany, which will cost \$30,000.

We know the first impression you might think is," Oh WOW, that's a lot of money for a surgery!!" But once you actually think about it, it's not, because money could never be more important

To donate for his surgery you can go called "Caiden Waggle Lumbar Surgery

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

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CHECK OUT THE CONTRACT

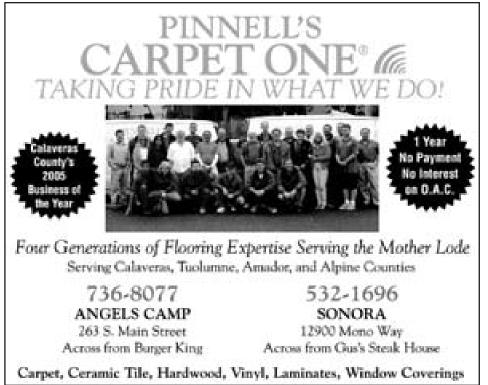
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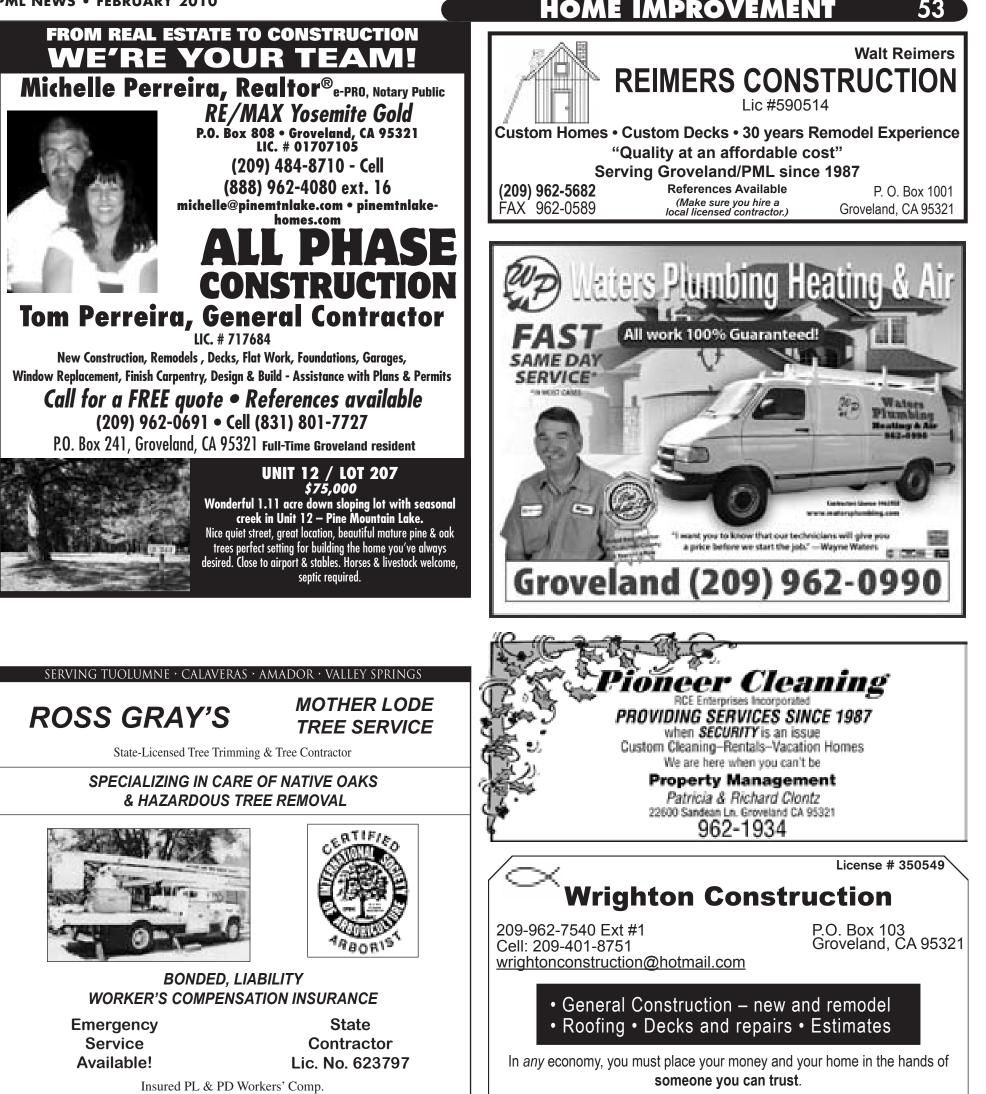




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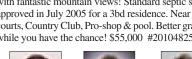
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