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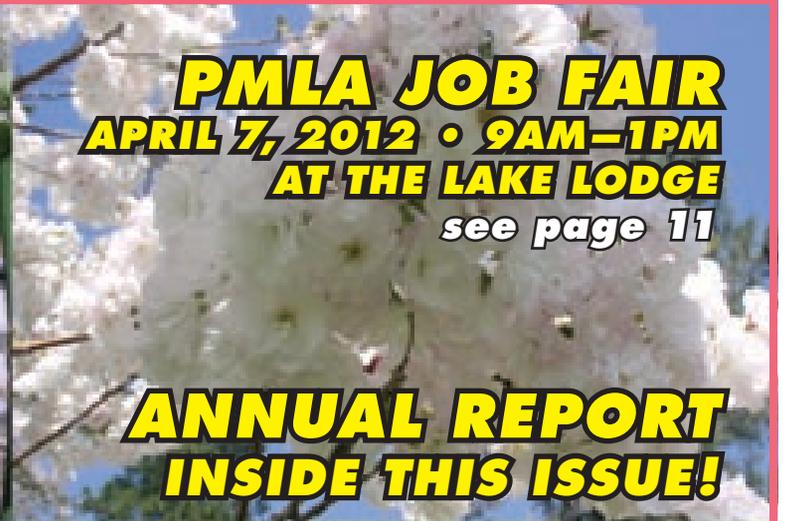
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President's Message

BY BRUCE LAY • PMLA BOARD PRESIDENT

My article topics for April do not normally include fire prevention, but the unseasonably dry winter and the intermittent rainfall followed by sunny weather has brought it to the forefront. Brush and grasses are already growing and many lots will need attention to stay in compliance with our Fire Safety rules. It is important that all members take a look at their properties and plan ahead for the lot cleanup deadline.

Along those lines, PMLA is taking action to assist the membership with achieving Fire Safety objectives.

Last year, many of our members requested that the compost area be open and available during lot cleanup season. Director Brian Sweeney was a big proponent of this idea, and led the charge by proposing that additional labor dollars be added to the budget to accommodate our members and their contractors. The rest of the Board agreed and beginning in May, the compost area will be open 7 days a week throughout the cleanup season.

This year there also is a new "Auto Cleanup Program". Members choosing this plan can have their lots cleaned by a pool of approved Vendors according to the standards of Resolution #95.04 (revised). The deadline for participation in this program is May 15, 2012. Call (209) 962-1240 or go to www.pinemountainlake.com (fire safety tab) to sign-up for this program. I would like to thank our Community Standards Director, Dennis Pipal for coming up with this program.

On a related subject that is of

concern to all PMLA property owners, is the Groveland Community Services District ballot issue in June of 2012. Many of our members have approached me asking about the GCSD tax for the Groveland Fire Department. I discussed this measure with one of their directors so that I could provide factual information to our members.

Some facts to consider before voting:

This fire tax will be an increase of about \$23.00 per year for most people on their property tax.

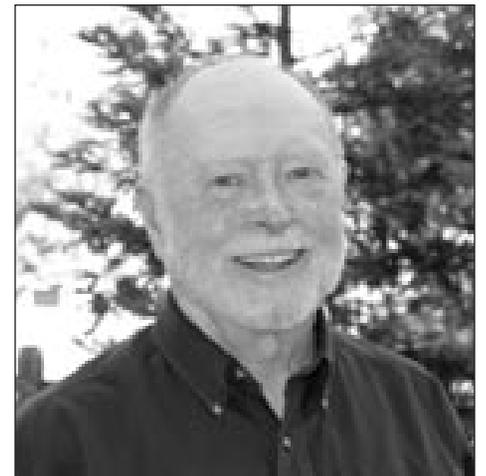
This is not a new tax. It is a replacement for the current special assessment, which will expire on June 30, 2012.

This money can only be spent for personnel costs of the Groveland Fire Dept.

The ballot will be available to all PMLA members who are registered voters in Tuolumne County.

It is important that all PMLA members investigate and get the facts, but more importantly, VOTE!

I am happy to report that our restaurant is busy and ready for your dining enjoyment. We would like to encourage all patrons of THE GRILL to be sure to call ahead for reservations



whenever you will be dining there. It will ensure that there are staff and kitchen help available to serve all efficiently in a timely manner.

Please obey the traffic rules. We work hard to keep PML safe, and we appreciate your help.

Please do not feed the wildlife, it is against the law, bad for the animal's health and causes problems as the animals become too familiar with humans and then become a nuisance to other members.

"Keep a positive attitude, because a negative outlook will wear you down like a tire out of balance."

On the Cover



Spring is here! The beautiful flowers around PML. Photos by Susan Capitanich, Maintenance Staff Member.

NOTICE

Main Gate personnel
are available to issue
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Please call in advance to
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General Manager's Message

BY JOE POWELL, CCAM, CMCA, GENERAL MANAGER

Radio Narrow Banding Project

PML has owned and maintained radio towers and a license to operate radios on a wideband frequency for many years. This radio station is important to our association as it provides communications between Facilities Maintenance, Golf Maintenance, Department of Safety, and other departments.

The FCC mandated that all radio operators move to narrow band frequencies by January 2013. Last year we worked with two communications companies to come up with a plan and a cost estimate. I was not satisfied that we had enough information or solid proposal to allow the Board to make an informed decision. The cost of this mandated transition project is significant, and it is imperative that we have the right information so that we can keep our costs as low as possible.

I assigned the project to key staff and pushed this it to a high priority status. Sergeant Natalie Moffitt collected detailed data on all of our current equipment and we have narrowed down our requirements. We are finalizing the project timeline and the team is working on the RFP documents so that we can go out for quotes. Now that the Project Preliminary Report is finished, we can move towards improving our overall infrastructure and upgrading our equipment during the remaining months of the year.

Shooting Range Project

Our staff met with the County to ensure that the permit applications for this project were submitted without any problems. We applied for the grading permit and onsite development permit. After another review, county planning sent us a letter informing us that in order to proceed with our project, we would have to rezone the property and file for a conditional use permit or file for a general plan amendment. Meeting either of these conditions would put our project behind, and over budget, with no guarantee of approval.

Director Gustafson is the Board liaison for this project and provided input and suggestions for a minimalist design alternative to our original project plan. The head planner confirmed that this option could resolve our issues as no permits would be required. Our Maintenance Manager, Tom Moffitt and a Shooting Club board member, Dick Collier worked on the design and met with the head planner to confirm it will be acceptable. We received formal approval from the County and our staff is proceeding with the project.

Campground Improvements

Our maintenance department is working on improvements to the PML Campgrounds. Camping sites have been cleaned up, trees trimmed, the soil graded, and the tables replaced. The weathered wooden tables have

been replaced with permanent concrete tables. The concrete tables are more resistant to vandalism and theft and we currently use them at the Marina and near the Lake.

The campground restroom buildings are being renovated this year. The upper restroom/shower building was recently completed. We had a serious problem over the years with woodpeckers. The birds damaged the siding in many places, creating a deterioration of the plywood siding and trim. The siding is being replaced with a fiber reinforced cement board is resistant to woodpecker assaults, and will discourage the birds from attacking these buildings. With new siding, trim, paint, concreted pathways, and split rail fencing, the building has a fresh new look.

Roads Refurbishment Project

Some members have asked when our roads project is set to begin. This year's project will include two years worth of roadwork and is tentatively scheduled for May. Once the engineer finishes the evaluation, he will update our pavement management plan and prepare the bid packages for the project. These bids will go out to pre-qualified contractors prior to the bid date. We anticipate spending around 1 million dollars on the project this year.

Editor's Note

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

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

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

Submission Guidelines

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

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

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

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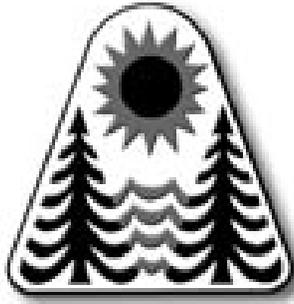
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Violations sent February 2012

Courtesy Notices	10
Notice of Non-Compliance	2
Final Notice	1
Fines Assessed	0
Violations Pending	27

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In an emergency, call 911

- Campground (restrooms)
 - Dunn Court Beach
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ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAYS 2012

MON. 5/28	MEMORIAL DAY
WED. 7/4	INDEPENDENCE DAY
MON. 9/3	LABOR DAY
MON. 11/12	VETERANS DAY
THUR. & FRI. 11/22 & 23	THANKSGIVING
MON. & TUES. 12/24 & 25	CHRISTMAS
MON. 12/31	NEW YEARS EVE
TUES. 1/1/13	NEW YEARS DAY

NOTICE

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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.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS

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

APRIL 14TH (2nd Saturday)
MAY 19TH
JUNE 16TH
JULY 21ST
AUGUST 18TH Annual Meeting/Election
SEPTEMBER 8TH (2nd Saturday)
OCTOBER 27TH Budget Meeting (4th Saturday)
NOVEMBER 10TH (2nd Saturday)
NO DECEMBER MEETING

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

The Pine Mountain Lake News welcomes letters and articles for publication provided they meet the criteria established in the current PMLA Editorial Policy (See excerpt below – entire policy on file at the Administration Office). Letters must be limited to 250 words, typewritten using upper and lowercase letters (no handwritten material, no all-capital material) and signed with name, unit and lot by a property owner in good standing. **LETTERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE EDITOR BY 4:30 PM ON THE 10th OF THE MONTH.** Letters deemed by the Editorial Committee to be improper will not be accepted. Readers are advised that the opinions expressed in these letters are those of the individual authors, not of PMLA. Letters appear in order received.

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GOT AN OPINION? GOT A COMMENT ON PML?
 Let your voice be heard. Write a letter to the editor.

Horsing Around The Stables

BY LESTER SCOFIELD, STABLES MANAGER

Well I hope we have a good March after the rain and snow stops. February was a good month for our trail rides. The dry and warm weather really helped.

Now onto some of the upcoming events at the stables this spring, summer and fall.

To start things off we will host our first flea market of the year on May 12. This is the time to get rid of the stuff you piled up after spring-cleaning. Come on out and take a look at all the treasures, and buy a hamburger or hot dog from the Tioga High School Timberwolves who are fundraising for the school.

Then next we have the Rotary Club putting on the Music Festival on June 23, 2:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Tickets will be \$25 for adults and \$5 for kids 10 and under. Ticket includes pulled pork sandwich/soft drink/chips. There will also be a no host bar with wine and other adult beverages for a fee.

On July 6, our very own Country Mountain Riders will do their annual

Independence Day BBQ offering tri-tip with all the trimmings and hot dogs for the little wranglers. The time for this great event is 5:00 pm until 10:00 pm. Music will be by the Wild Rangers. Trail rides and wagon rides will be available and a 50/50 raffle.

Then on July 21, the Soroptimist Club will hold an event from 11:00 am until 7:00 pm. More info will be coming later on this event.

On August 11 the Groveland Rotary will be doing their famous "ALL YOU CAN EAT" shrimp festival. There will be a live auction, raffle prizes, live music, and lots of fun. Refreshments at 5:00 pm, dinner at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$25.00 adults and \$10.00 for kids 6 to 12 under 6 is free. For more info, call Jim Thayer (962-5007) or Charlie Fields (962-5070).

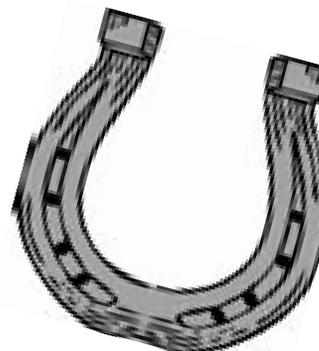
On September 2 the STCHS group will be doing their annual BBQ as more info becomes available I will let everyone know.

On September 8 we will host our fall flea market. The flea markets at PML stables start at 7:00 am and

continue until the buyers leave. Starting this year the Tioga Timber Wolves will be hosting food and beverages for those who need their morning goodies and hamburgers/hot dogs for lunch.

All of these groups really appreciate your support. Bring your family and friends because all of these events are open to the public. If there is anyone else that would like to put on an event at the stables please contact the Stables Manager at 962-8667.

Until next month – Happy Horsing Around!



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Independence Day Wristbands Now Available at the PML Administration Office.

Fireworks show is Saturday, July 7th, at dusk.

Property Owners receive 2 wristbands per property at no charge. Free wristbands are available through the Administration office only. Office hours are Mon - Fri, 7:30 am to 5:00 pm. To speed things along please be ready to show your PML Gate Card photo ID. Additional wristbands can be purchased at the Marina (beginning May 12th) and the Administration Office now. Adults are \$6 ea. and children \$1 ea. (8 yrs and under).

If you are unable to pick up your free wristbands at the Administration Office they can be mailed to you. In order to maintain a "free" status please mail in a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Please include a brief written request, include your unit/lot, sign and mail in to the address below.

MAILING: Your signed request and

self addressed, stamped envelope must be received by Friday, June 22nd. Wristbands will be mailed to the address of record only. Envelopes received without prepaid postage will not be mailed back to you. PMLA is not responsible for delivery.

MAIL TO: PMLA Free Wristbands
ATTN: Nancy
19228 Pine Mountain Drive
Groveland, CA 95321

PICK UP: Free wristbands are available through the Administration Office until Friday, July 6th during regular business hours.

We're sorry but lost, forgotten or misplaced wristbands cannot be replaced.

The Administration Office will be closed Wednesday, July 4th.

PMLA WRISTBAND REQUEST

I hereby request that PMLA mail my two (2) free July 4th wristbands per property to me. Enclosed please find a #10 self-addressed, stamped envelope with required postage affixed. I understand my free wristbands will only be mailed to the address PMLA has on record as my mailing address.

I hereby accept responsibility for delivery of the wristbands and understand that PMLA will not replace lost or missing wristbands.

Any requested change of address must be submitted in writing and signed by a current property owner.

Requests for mailing of free wristbands must be RECEIVED in the PMLA Administration office by June 22, 2012.



Property Owner Signature

Property Owner Name

Date

Unit/Lot

Mail To: PMLA Free Wristbands – Nancy
19228 Pine Mountain Drive
Groveland, CA 95321

July 7th Marina Information

The Marina parking lot hours are from 6 am to 10 pm. Cars must be removed from all beach location parking lots after hours or they will be subject to towing.

On July 7th the Marina closes to vehicle traffic at 4 pm. The Marina parking lot usually fills up by 7 am. You will be allowed to drop off people & gear until 3 pm. The shuttle buses will begin running at 4 pm until 11 pm.

PARKING & TOW AWAY ZONES

Unfortunately every year we are forced to tow vehicles parked in marked tow away zones and unauthorized areas. It is costly to the owner (\$300, or more — cash or credit card only) and it is an unpleasant ending to a fabulous day at the Marina. To keep the tow zones clear we offer a FREE Marina Shuttle Bus with pick up from designated locations.

- NO HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE • NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL •
- NO ACCESS TO THE MARINA "BY ANY MEANS" UNTIL 6 AM •

2012 PMLA Board of Directors Election Calling All CANDIDATES!

Pine Mountain Lake Association is seeking candidates for two (2) positions on its Board of Directors. With this election, the Association seeks to fill two (2) open seats for three-year terms. This is a voluntary position.

Board application information is available at the PMLA Administration Office. Applications and nominations must be received no later than **4:30 PM, Friday, May 18, 2012.**

Serving on the Board requires a commitment to attend monthly Board Meetings, Executive Sessions and other interim meetings, as required, and to review materials diligently prior to taking Board action.

According to CAI (Community Associations Institute), characteristics of good Board members include being fair and impartial, detail-oriented, dependable, flexible, people-oriented, a team player, punctual and able to weigh the overall good for the majority of owners against the rights, freedom and the good of the individual.

If you are interested in becoming an active participant who makes decisions for the Pine Mountain Lake Association membership and you are willing to devote your time for this purpose, we encourage you to submit an application and nomination materials for candidacy to the Pine Mountain Lake Association

Administration Office by **4:30 PM, Friday, May 18, 2012.**

PML News Advertising

The Association offers each candidate one-half page (info and text to be supplied by the candidate) in the June, July, and August issues of the *PML News* in addition to a 450-word resume. Candidates may utilize the advertisement in any manner they choose, i.e., written statements, charts, pictures, letters of endorsement, etc. in accordance with the *PML News* policy.

The cost of the space in the *PML News* is \$200 per qualified candidate to be paid at the time the Petition of Candidacy is filed. **Ads must be submitted to the *PML News* by the 10th of the month for publication the following month (May 10 deadline for June edition, June 10 deadline for July edition; July 10 deadline for August edition).** For ad/article submission, please follow the *PML News* SUBMISSION GUIDELINES.

Candidates may also purchase a maximum of an additional half page of *PML News* space per edition (June, July, and August) at regular advertising prices.

For more information, please contact Debra Durai, Administrative Assistant, at 209-962-8627 or debra@pinemountainlake.com.

PMLA Money Matters

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

How many successful relationships last over 10 years? How about more than 20? What about 30 or more! Besides your family (who you are stuck with for better or worse) it is pretty rare for any good relationship to last that long. One of the great ones has just recently ended here at PML.

After more than 33 years on the job, the Association's Assistant Controller Gene Zanoni has hung up his eyeshade, turned in his slide rule and balanced his last ledger. Gene announced his retirement in early March and quietly ended his remarkable tenure with PML on March 9.

In today's workplace it is almost unheard of to log that many years with one employer. Back in the days when Gene started here it was considered a sign of loyalty and dedication to stick with a job for the long haul. Over his three plus decades of serving the property owners of Pine Mountain Lake, Gene displayed those qualities every day.

Long before there were computers on every desk Gene handled his responsibilities with an attention for detail that was unmatched. Some of us remember columnar pads that contained row after row of figures that had to be balanced. Gene tirelessly made sure every one of those figures made sense and added up to the right total.

Gene is a walking history book. Want to know anything about PML's past? Ask Gene. He probably remembers it. He has seen more Board of Directors come and go than we have Canada Geese on our golf course. He has worked with more fellow employees over the years than can be counted on one of those old time spreadsheets. The one thing they all have in common is their shared belief in the integrity, work ethic, dedication and loyalty to Pine Mountain Lake Association and all of its property owners that Gene displayed every single one of those over 8,700 days that Gene called this

office his "home away from home".

I have only had the honor and privilege to know Gene for almost six years. In those six years I have learned much of what I know about this Association from him. He has been an invaluable resource for me (just as I am sure he has been for past Controllers) not only in the financial matters we deal with every day, but also about the personality of this community and the people who have made it what it is.

Gene was always ready to help in any way he could. He was generous with his knowledge and experience. He grew with the technology that came along during those 33 years and learned to take advantage of those capabilities without losing his sense of how things should be done and what the end result of those efforts should be. You could always be confident that any task that Gene was given would be done accurately and completely. This is a dedication to his craft that, sadly, is in much shorter supply today. His contributions to the Association, his fellow employees and all of PML's property owners, past and present, will long be remembered and never

truly replaced.

For me personally it has been a great joy and privilege to work alongside Gene for these last six years. He has been a rock of steadiness for me and always had the time to discuss anything that was on my mind. I will miss his sage advice and insight. I will miss his dry, low key, sense of humor. I will miss his worldly financial advice and insight. I won't say that I will miss his friendship for that is something that, unlike his physical presence here, will never go away.

Good luck Gene, thank you for 33 years of dedication, hard work and being able to make that drive up the hill. Enjoy your retirement. If anyone has earned that right it is you.

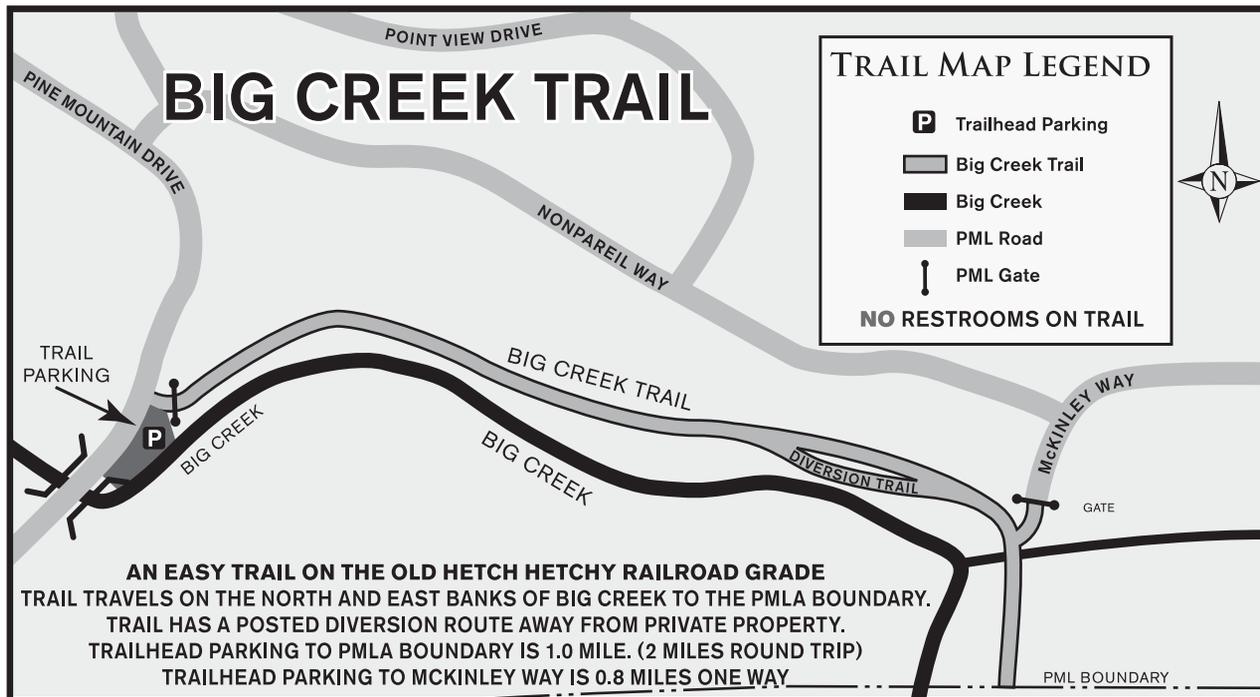
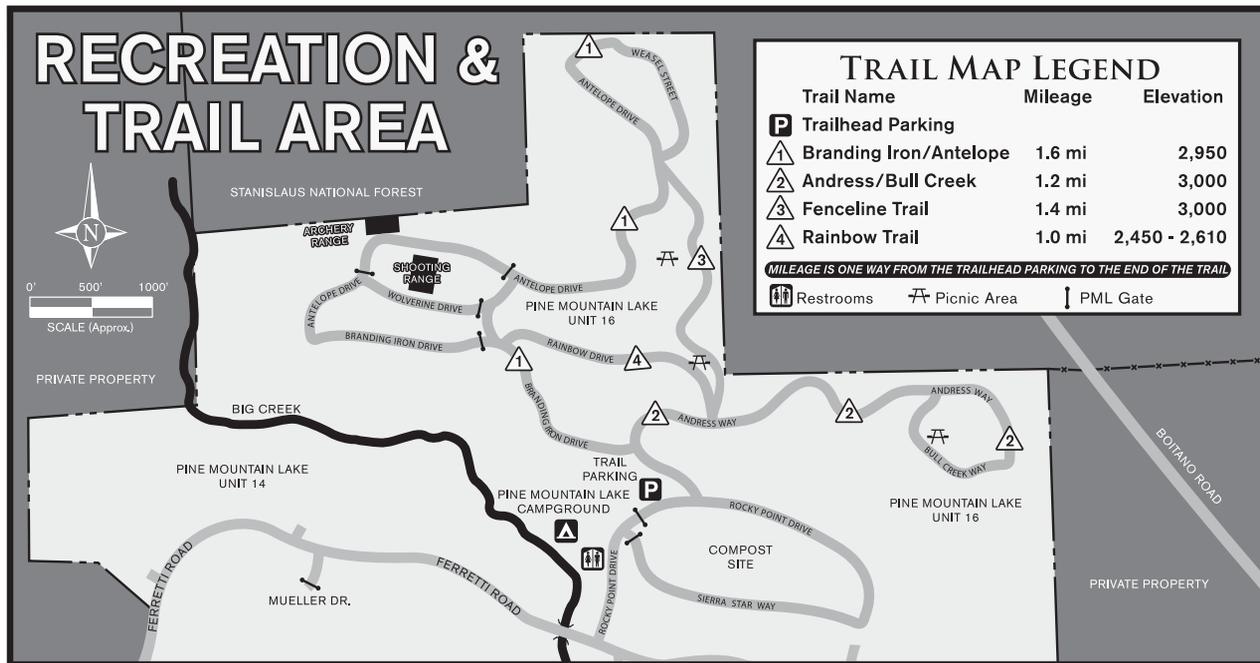
Well that's it for this month. If you have any PMLA Money Matters you would like to see discussed in this column in the future or have specific Association related financial questions please drop me a line at controller@pinemountainlake.com or give me a call at 962-8606. Thanks for reading and I hope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

PML SAFETY REPORT

February – YTD		February – YTD		February – YTD		February – YTD					
Guest Passes Issued	989	1768	Water Main Shut Off	0	0	Fire Safety - Smoke Complaint	6	11	PML Reg Violations Guest	3	3
Vendor Passes Issued	135	245	Escorting Vehicle	22	36	- Monitoring Ctrl Burn	2	2	Citation Issued	2	2
Realtors Passes Issued	61	92	Report Writing	6	14	- Non-compliance	1	1	Parking Warning	0	0
Vehicles Admitted	7189	14834	Gate - Related	13	27	Hazard	5	16	Towed	0	0
Vehicles Refused Entry	139	302	- Tamper	0	0	Hazard - Tree Down	0	0	Marking Tires	0	0
Phone Calls Received	3534	7143	- Follow Through	1	3	Suspicious Circumstance	25	56	Accident PML	1	2
Residential Alarm	10	18	- Malfunction	4	12	Suspicious Person	24	27	Patrolling Unit	434	953
Amenity Alarm	4	10	- Struck by Vehicle	2	4	Suspicious Vehicle	1	1	Amenity Security Check	2116	4090
Animal Related	29	56	Unauthorized Use of Gate Card	3	4	Campground Envelopes Collected	28	57	Resident Security Check	407	770
Animal - Loose	14	32	Confiscated Gate Access Card	2	6	Campground Dump Station	2	5	Opening/Closing Buildings	155	322
- Impounded	2	8	Mess/Pkg P/U or Delivery	24	50	Residential Disturbance	1	1	Opening/Closing Gates	295	597
- Dead/Injured	3	15	Posting Flyers	44	96	Amenity Burglary	0	0	Posting Tennis	57	117
- Disturbance	3	5	Posting Stop Work Orders	0	0	Residential Burglary	2	2	Monitoring Tennis Courts	0	3
Dispatch Assist	92	152	ECC Inspection	0	0	Grand Theft	0	0	Personal Injury PML Property	2	3
Patrol Assist	159	306	Miscellaneous	52	128	Petty Theft	2	2	Weapon Violation	0	5
Complaint-Non PML Regulations	0	1	Scanner Traffic	14	36	Malicious Mischief	0	2	Amenity P/U & Del to Bank	32	84
Public Assist Misc.	9	23	Emergency Vehicle entering PML	24	62	Trespass	0	0	Patrol Vehicle - Maintenance	4	6
Welfare Check	1	3	Lost and Found	5	11	Law Violations - All Other	0	0	Patrol Vehicle - Safety Check	109	220
Transport	2	5	Fire Safety - Patrol Assist	0	0	Law Violations - TCSO	0	0	Fixed Post	8	10
Civil Stand-by	0	0	Fire Safety Violation	0	0	Malicious Mischief - Vandalism	2	4	Courtesy Notice Issued	3	6
Traffic Hazard	0	0	Control Burn Reported	201	242	Property Damage - PML	1	2	Notice of Trespassing Violation	0	0
Traffic Control	0	0	Permissive Burn Day	27	36	Property Damage - Resident	0	0	Tennis Fees Collected	\$57.00	\$104.00
Water Leak	5	13	Non Permissive Burn Day	2	24	Training/Meeting	0	0	All Other Fees Collected	\$5,689.57	\$9,739.31
Jump Start	4	10	Fire Safety - Hazard	3	4	PML Reg Violations Resident	1	4			

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Campground Improvements

BY TOM MOFFITT



New concrete tables have replaced the weathered wooden tables.



Two new horseshoe pits have been added to the recreation area of the group camping area.

The recreation season will be here soon, and there are several improvements being made at the Campground. Camping sites have been cleaned up, trees trimmed, the soil graded, and the tables replaced. The weathered wooden tables with steel frames have been replaced with permanent concrete tables.

These picnic tables are similar to the concrete tables we have at the Marina and Dunn Court. The tables will last many more years than the wood and steel tables, and will remain in place. The PML Maintenance Department handled the delivery and placement of the tables at the sites. Two semi-trailers were on site in March, direct from the manufacturer, for this delivery. The tables were craned off the trailers, and put in place with the rough-terrain forklift.

Campground restroom buildings are being renovated this year. The upper restroom/ shower building has a face-lift. We have had a

serious problem over the years with woodpecker problems. The birds have damaged the siding in many places, creating a deterioration of the plywood siding and trim. To remedy this destruction, the buildings are being sided with shiplap coursing of Hardiplank siding. The fiber reinforced cement board is resistant to woodpecker assaults, and will discourage the birds from attacking these buildings. With shiplap siding, new trim, paint, concreted pathways, and split rail fencing, the building has a fresh new look.

Additional improvements are under way at the Campground. The group camping area, in the middle of the lower Campground section, has added recreations. Besides the sand volleyball court, there are now two horseshoe pits. Plans for more recreation uses are being considered for placement in this common area.

In conjunction with the Trails Project, an annex of parking and trails access is being constructed at

the lower Campground entrance. The access road from the upper restroom building to the trailhead has been improved. Signs are posted to direct visitors to the trailhead annex.

The hiking trails have picnic sites available for day use only. Some of the tables from the Campground have been placed at these sites along the trails. The picnic sites are displayed on the sign mounted to the trailhead kiosk at the trailhead. The picnic sites range from a shaded site, to sites with panoramic views. Hiking trails are moderate to strenuous, wear adequate footwear, and always carry water. Keep in mind, this area is habitat for local wildlife, be attentive to these wild creatures. Warnings will be posted on the Campground signboards, and at the trail kiosk.

The Pine Mountain Lake Recreation area is available for use year-round, and be aware that conditions may change. Weather and fire danger may demand the area to be closed to use.

CANADA GOOSE PROBLEM

PML has formed a Waterfowl Management Committee. The quest of this committee is to control the growing Canada Goose population. Since we formed we have contacted others that have the same problem; Sequoia Woods and Lake of the Pines. We read about Turlock's problem in the paper. None have had any long term success. The geese nest in the early spring and have goslings in May. Spring is here. We welcome any suggestions you might have. Please email the Committee at: PMLAWMC@pinemountainlake.com

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JULY 1 DEADLINE FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

**Please Have your Lot Cleaned and
Ready for Inspection**

Shades of Green

BY ALAN MACDONALD GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

“Spahn and Sain and pray for rain” is exactly what we need, two good days followed by two days of rain. Remember that last March and April it was so wet that #11 was unplayable at times, did we think the following spring we would be asking for more rain and snow? What a difference a year makes. The good news is that as I write this, it is still winter and maybe spring will be good to us.

Now April is here. What is harder to do, pay Uncle Sam or to have to putt on those sanded greens? Yes, it is time to aerate all areas of the course, finishing with the greens on the 23rd and 24th of April. Our fall greens aeration is scheduled for September 24th and 25th. In July we will do a light aeration and we will not close the course for that. Those dates are July 9th and 10th. We appreciate your patience while performing these tasks and do all we can to avoid disrupting your game. Our annual soil tests are calling for over thirteen tons of gypsum to be applied to the fairways this year; we will do that right after we aerate the fairways.

Other projects we continue to work on are tree trimming, improving bunker edges and drainage improvements. Recently we leveled areas on #3 and #17 tees

that had settled out over the years. Speaking of settling out, there are various locations around the course where the soil around the main irrigation line is sinking, due to the dry conditions.

Have you seen that the coyotes are back on the course? They don't bite or eat very much, but, for the last ten days or so they have been keeping the geese away from #8 & #9 fairways. These decoys are hard at work and seem to be assisting in keeping the geese out of the area. From previous experience, we will need to relocate these decoys with some frequency. The suggestion to try them again came from our waterfowl committee that will be trying various methods to keep the geese away from different locations around P.M.L. The geese have too many places to go in our area, and that it makes it difficult to try one method to be successful to persuade them to move on.

One of the battles we fight each spring is the seed head that is produced by the poa annua, which is an annual blue grass that is part of our putting surfaces. Having the bent grass and poa share the same surface is demanding at times to manage, due to their different needs. We do use a plant growth regulator in hopes of reducing the amount of

Community Standards

BY DENNIS PIPAL, COMMUNITY STANDARDS DIRECTOR

Our enhanced Fire Safety enforcement under Resolution #95.04 has been in force since 2009. We have been inspecting every Lot in the month of June each year. If members hadn't complied during our first inspection we sent a Courtesy Notice that July 1 is the deadline. On July 15 we re-inspected and those Lots still not in compliance were fined \$500 and we hired a crew to bring these Lots into compliance and added these amounts to the member's account.

We have made great strides over these last three years and our hats are off to our members for your cooperation and support.

We now feel we can go to a new level. No longer will we be inspecting member's Lots in June. We feel members are now aware of what needs to be done and they have this annual job set up to be completed by July 1 every year. Some members hire vendors to perform this work and others do this work themselves and also, this year members have another option... our new Auto-

Cleanup Program. Members who choose to participate will have PMLA arrange to have their Lot cleaned from a pool of approved vendors according to our standards, and have this amount added to the member's account.

We will be inspecting all Lots starting July 1. Those who are not in compliance will receive a Notice of Non-Compliance and a 15 day notice before a fine is levied and we hire a Preferred Vendor to perform the work. The cost to perform the work and the \$500 fine will be turned over to the Covenants Committee for hearings and decision making.

This process is, in fact, how the Resolution was written back in 2009. We now feel everyone is sufficiently educated and we can return to the original intent of the Resolution.

Remember, nothing has changed as far as our Fire Safety requirements. Please be ready for our annual Fire Safety inspections which start on July 1, 2012.

seed heads that is produced, and as an added benefit we will see a healthier plant with the regulator.

I hope Uncle Sam is easy on all of you, and if so, bring the savings you had on out to the course and play a

few extra times this spring. Get that needed driver from your friendly pro shop staff and get those extra yards. You will be glad you did, maybe that first hole in one is waiting to happen. Enjoy your spring!

2012 SCHEDULED EVENT DATES AND TIMES

FLEA MARKETS

Saturday, May 12th & Saturday, Sept. 8th

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

July 7th

MARINA STORE

Opening date: April 28th – May 11th (limited hours) 8 am to 5 pm
May 12th – Sept 3rd (regular hours) 7 am to 6 pm

MARINA LAKESIDE CAFÉ

Opening date: Saturday, May 12th to May 18th 11 am to 4 pm
May 19th – Sept 3rd summer hours
Sunday to Thursday 11 am to 6 pm
Friday & Saturday 11 am to 7 pm
Sunday (holiday weekends) 11 am to 7 pm
Sept 4th – Sept 16th – Fall hours 11 am to 4 pm
Friday & Saturdays 11 am to 6 pm

POOL

Opening date: Saturday, May 12th, closing date October 28th

Saturday, May 12 – Sept 3rd, (summer) 10 am – 9 pm
Sept 4th – Sept 16th (Fall) 10 am to 7 pm – weather permitting
Sept 17 – Oct 28, noon to 5 pm

SAND CASTLE CONTEST & FUN AND GAMES

Sunday, July 8th, 9:30 to 11:30 am
Sunday, July 8th, Fun & Games 1 – 3 pm
Saturday, Sept. 1st, 9:30 – 11:30 am
Sunday, Sept. 2nd, Fun & Games 11 am to 1 pm

FISHING DERBY

Saturday, May 5th to Monday, Sept 3rd

FISH PLANTS

Friday, May 11th & Friday, Sept 21st

FISHING DAYS FOR KIDS

Saturdays, June 16th, July 14th and Aug 11th

FREE STATE FISHING DAYS

July 7th & Sept 8th

AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS

Saturday, Nov 3rd

For detailed, updated information check the website

www.PineMountainLake.com

Times & Dates are subject to change without notice.

Tee Times Are Back

BY DAVID RAU, PGA HEAD PROFESSIONAL

I'd like to welcome everyone to the 2012 Spring Season at Pine Mountain Lake Golf & Country Club. As of Monday, March 12, 2012 we said farewell to the 11:00 Shotguns and hello to tee times. As a reminder, all players are to check in at the golf shop at least 30-minutes prior to their tee time. This is a minimum that enables our staff to best serve you and all your comrades in keeping things on time at the course.

We are continuing the "Bring Your Guests" special of \$45.00 Monday through Thursdays and \$50.00 Friday through Sundays. So round up your cronies for some great golf at a great rate.

The 2012 Spring Merchandise has begun to arrive and we've got some great new lines of apparel and shoes to spruce up your closet. For you equipment enthusiasts, come check out the new TaylorMade ROCKETBALLZ line of clubs and

balls. TaylorMade is promising 17 extra yards from this bold new line of irons, rescue clubs, fairways and drivers so come "Strap a Rocket to Your Ball". Another bold move on TaylorMade's part is a money back guarantee on their newest R11s Driver. No questions asked. We have demos available to try but the best opportunity to try all this new equipment will be:

Saturday, April 28th Demo Day at Pine Mountain Lake Golf & Country Clubs Practice Facility from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

TaylorMade, Cobra will be their show off their latest and greatest so mark your calendars and take advantage of this opportunity not only try this equipment but to be professionally fitted by the experts.

Lesson Corner – Stop Putting Around!

On average all of us spend 40-50% of our strokes on putting. Do you

spend 40-50% of your practice time on the putting green? While it's fun to beat balls at the Practice Facility we should all spend more time working with the "flat stick". Here are some keys to making your practice and your rounds more enjoyable and spending less of those strokes on 3 and 4 putts:

Eyes above the ball - Avoid having your eyes in front of the ball or beyond the ball. Try holding your putter with two fingers from the grip end a few inches below the eye and what you want to see is the putter head dangling directly above the ball.

Every Putt is a Straight Putt – most of the work in putting is done before we stroke our putts. First you line up the putt, figure out speed and direction and then we address the ball and make our stroke(s). Avoid trying to help the putt break left and/or right. Once you pick your line; think about only hitting a straight putt on that line and let the slope and grain do the work.

40 – 60 Rule – One of the biggest culprits of missing putts is deceleration. Try taking the putter back 40% and then accelerate through the ball to 60%. In other words; if you take the putter back 4-inches,

accelerate through to 6-inches past where the ball was.

"No Peeky Rule" – This is my favorite. This drill will help keep you from decelerating. Once you've lined up your putt and have addressed the ball. Take your back swing/stroke (40%) then as you start your forward stroke; rotate your head back away from the target. In other words, look away from the target and your ball as you make contact. This drill helps eliminate the pulls, pushes, and coming up short on your putts associated with decelerating.

Try these tips on the practice green and get that "flat stick" working for you instead of against you.

As always, the Golf Shop welcomes you come demo any of our new equipment but we continue to have great "steals" on demo equipment from 2011. As always, 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 email at golfpro@pinemountainlake.com.

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On the Lake:

PLANTS VS. WEEDS... NOT ON MY PROP!

MIKE HORVATH, LAKE CONSULTANT/LIMNOLOGIST

When talking to folks about the plants that grow in and around our lake, I've rudely interrupted the conversation more than once to point out the difference between plants and "weeds." So, what is the difference? To a lot of people, I think the main criterion is: "if it's on my propeller, it's a WEED." Or perhaps if it blocks your view of the lake, gets tangled on your feet, or eats your favorite fishing lure. The truth is, we really don't have a weed problem in Pine Mountain Lake. The aquatic vegetation (plants) that grows in the lake, serves a very useful life function for the lake. It comes in three broad categories; submersed aquatic vegetation (SAV), floating, and emergent.

The SAV that is most prevalent on our lake is Elodea. As the category suggests, it usually stays below the surface. It is quite common in 10-15 feet of water in the coves. It does have a wicked stepsister, Hydrilla, which so far, we don't have in the lake. For the floating category, we have pondweed. That's right! Even the common name sometimes incorrectly calls a very beneficial plant a WEED. You will recognize this one from the floating, lance-like or elliptical, reddish-green leaves that float on the surface (or wrap around your prop). The last category is the emergent vegetation. These are the tall cattails and tules (too-leez) that grow near the shore. All serve a very useful function in maintaining a healthy lake.

Wherever these plants grow, if you look closely (put on a snorkel for a really good look), you'll see an amazing variety of critters from bugs and snails to fish of all sizes. In the emergent vegetation, you'll find bird nests and more great habitat for fish, especially the little ones

that don't want to become dinner. And it's not just the value as habitat that the plants provide. The cattails and tules (aka bulrush) help stabilize the shoreline and prevent erosion. They also break the action of waves. They are so much better for the health of the lake than seawalls which merely reflect waves back into the water. I'll save my seawall talk for another day... maybe after I hire a bodyguard.

Perhaps the greatest benefit that these plants provide is on water quality. They soak up nutrients that would otherwise be available to the algae that grow in the lake. The algae, or plankton (specifically phytoplankton), are microscopic plants that float in the water column. If you have too much algae, you can end up with green, gooey looking water with scum on the surface and some very unpleasant smells. In lakes without a lot of aquatic vegetation, algae become the main beneficiary of all the nutrients that are in the water. That results in water that isn't very clear and often ends up with recurrent "blooms" of algae that can cover large areas or even the entire surface.

So, although they might restrict your view a little, or slow your prop, they are doing a valuable service by keeping the water more clear, protecting shoreline, and providing valuable habitat.

FACT: Once established in a lake, Hydrilla can quickly spread and cover the entire surface of the water wherever the depth is less than 20 feet. Most coves in PML would be inaccessible. **INSPECT YOUR BOATS!** Hydrilla has already invaded Calaveras and Mariposa counties.

Interesting Conceptual Ideas: MORE Feedback Requested

BY GARY OING, LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

In the March PML News, a request was made for property owner input on the Conceptual Ideas (CI) that have been submitted to the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC). A few comments were received, but *we would like to hear from more of you* about whether you think a serious effort should be undertaken to implement one or more of these ideas.

Of course a large "expression of positive interest" does not necessarily mean that an "idea" can be immediately implemented because there will always be monetary/budget and practical considerations. However, it would be helpful to know that a particular idea is (or is not) popular with the community. Read the list below and let us know what you think.

The table below shows key elements of the five CIs that have been received at the time of this article's submission. Please note that if the submitter

has been contacted or given his/her permission, the name of the submitter is shown. *For the latest information on CI submittals and to make comments or provide feedback,* visit the official CI website, pmlmgc.com/lrpc/ci/index_ci.html. It gives the complete information (as provided by the submitter) on each CI as well as how the process works in taking a "conceptual idea" forward to possible implementation and/or funding in a future PMLA budget cycle.

Have a new idea? Please submit it for consideration on the Long Range Planning website.

The official PMLA website, www.pinemountainlake.com, also has a link to the LRPC webpage (under the Committees link) which has details about other activities of the committee as well as a link to the CI website. The LRPC welcomes your feedback and suggestions for future projects.

CI# | DESCRIPTION | PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE | SUBMITTED BY

1111-01 **Build a Year-Round Lap Pool** | A swimming pool that is open year round and allows for lap swimming. | Unknown | Carolyn Botell

1201-01 **Replace Current Marina Building** with a more modern and efficient building. | \$360,000 - \$500,000 | Mike Gustafson

1201-02 **Bike Lanes** – widen selected roads and construct bike lanes. | Unknown | Property owner

1202-01 **Inground Swimming Pool Cover for current pool** – maintain water temperature at 84 degrees, reduce heating costs, water evaporation, chemical usage. | \$5,000 | Janice Mussatto

1203-01 **Exercise Room** – install treadmills, bikes, weight machines, etc. in a dedicated space at the Clubhouse or Lake Lodge. | \$10,000 for initial equipment; \$2,000 - \$3,000 per year for maintenance and replacement costs, | Property owner

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If you are interested in this discount program, please call the PML Administration Office at (209) 962-8600 for further information.

We Are What We Eat!!

BY CARRIE TAYLOR, HEAD CHEF, THE GRILL



In the past few years there have been a lot of 'new' catch phrases in the Food Industry, and these can lead to some confusion. What is 'sustainable', a 'localvore' or the even the oldest 'organic'. In the media these days these words are tossed around with ease but very little explanation, so let me attempt to make these words a little friendlier.

The most common phrase as of late seems to be 'sustainability', simple enough sounding. Sustainable food production takes into consideration a lot of history and science, the history is remembering things like the Dust Bowl in the '30s and the causes. And the science entails enhancing the environment around the Farm; proper soil building can help the farmers achieve almost the same yields as heavily fertilized fields. Over fertilization causes many problems, from selenium build up in ground water to algae blooms in the Gulf of Mexico. In the Gulf, this has devastating effects on, specifically, the shrimp population. The algae blooms consume vast amounts of dissolved oxygen in the water, causing unlucky critters, in this case the shrimp, to suffocate. In a sustainable situation, the food producers try to impact the fields with as little chemical additives as possible and a much more aggressive soil conservation plan. Better soil means fewer pollutants in the soil, water and air... It's all connected.

When I was young, I remember 'pen raised, corn fed beef' was touted as the 'most flavorful, most tender cuts available', and now all you hear about is 'open range grass fed', why? It's easy, cows eat grass! Before man intervened in the Bovine world, modern cows' ancestors wandered grasslands and plains, foraging on the grasses and plants available. At the time, not a stalk of corn in sight! We took advantage of the cows 'want' to herd, then we fenced them in and finally with the introduction of cheap feed corn, a new animal was born. The modern cow has a lot of maintenance involved, pens need to be cleaned, twice daily feedings, etc. But the American Farmer

is smarter than that! He realized that a cow in a large pasture has a source of free/inexpensive food (i.e. grass), exercise proved beneficial, and no pens to clean. What resulted from stepping back in time a bit was a healthier, tastier cut of beef, with little or no antibiotics, free fertilizer for the free food, less labor and sustainable food production. When we as humans stray away from what mother nature provide, we are left with an inferior product.

The most misunderstood word of all is 'Organic'. Certified Organic means that the produce or animals were raised in a natural, sustainable, chemical free and environmentally friendly way. If you frequent some of the local Farmers Markets (which I encourage you to do) you will see 'certified organic growers' and 'certified producers', the difference being that a producer can only sell items that he grows himself, whereas 'Certified Organic' indicates that this guy has grown at least 3 years without the use of chemicals (pesticides or fertilizers) and completed the rigorous government program to prove it. Most 'Certified Producers' are on that path and produce a mostly if not all organic product already. One of the benefits to locally produced vegetables and meats are 'trace elements'. The FDA only test for certain items, we see those on the nutrition labels, but organically or naturally grown produce is shown to have significantly higher trace elements such as Folic acid, Potassium and Zinc, to name just a few. The term 'Localvore' describes individuals who try to get all their food from local, usually within a 60 mile radius, to get the freshest and healthiest foods possible. Living in California with the worlds' Salad Bowl at our feet we are able to enjoy the 'localvore' lifestyle with ease. Please take advantage of our local Farmers Markets, I know I do and look forward to the weekly trip.

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

Until we eat together...

Summer Fun at the Lounge

BY AARON HAMBLIN, ASST. GRILL MANAGER



Summertime is just around the corner. Although, with the weather we have had it's hard to believe there was a winter. The Lounge will be filled with fun and, of course, your favorite beverage this summer. Bar trends are changing constantly. New drinks are popping up all the time. Be sure to check our "Special" board for the latest in "trendy" drinks. Flavored Vodkas, bright, colorful mixed drinks and a variety of wines are the new trend at many bars. We are keeping up! In fact our flavored Vodkas are very popular. As far as wine goes, it is ever changing. We have recently taken on a new line of wines by Peirano Estates Vineyards. Below is a little about Peirano Estate and their wines we will be carrying:

In 1879, with only fifty dollars in his pocket, Giacomo Peirano, a grape farmer from Genoa, Italy, immigrated to San Francisco, CA, in the hopes of fulfilling the American dream of striking it rich with gold during the historic Gold Rush age. Soon realizing the days of really collecting a big share were no longer in sight, he decided to take whatever he had left of his fifty dollars and moved to Lodi, CA.

In 1992, Lance Randolph, the fourth generation of Peirano to farm the 300 acre estate, began making Peirano wine simply for himself and to prove Lodi could produce desirable wines. After considerable praise for his ability to make elegant wines, he decided to start bottling and selling Peirano wine using his estate grown grapes. Since then, Peirano has won numerous awards for producing top of the line wine using many of the old techniques valued by Giacomo Peirano.

The history of Peirano Estate Vineyards is a tale deeply rooted in Lodi history and the importance is felt by every member of the Peirano family. Legend has it that Lodi was named after Giacomo's famous racer horse, Alta Genoa, he brought from Lodi, Italy. Over the years, the vineyards have grown to not only include the same naturally rooted, head trained Old

Vine Zinfandel imported to the United States by Lance's great grandfather, but Cabernet Sauvignon, Viognier, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Muscat Canelli, Merlot, Shiraz, Tempranillo, Petite Sirah, Barbera, Syrah and Malbec as well. The difficult times in the Peirano family history, did prove to be challenging but showed their tenacity through desperation and hard times. How, you might ask, were they able to persevere? As Lance Randolph says, "A family that works together stays together, and the vineyards are

A big part of our family. And it's as "simple as that".

Here is sample of Peirano Estates Wines available in the Lounge now:

VIOGNIER: Peaches, pineapple, and tropical fruit are complemented by the scent of lemons and ginger. Lush flavors of fresh ripe peaches so juicy they drip down your arm are balanced by flavors of apples, pears and orange marmalade. The balance of fruit and a touch of sunshine lead to a refreshing finish. This wine will remind you of a spring day on a mountainside. We suggest serving this wine at 57-60 degrees, to allow the full characters of Viognier to shine through.

PETITE SIRAH: The senses are tempted by an array of black raspberry, spice, coffee, cocoa, cola and white pepper. The palate is filled with ripe boysenberry, black raspberry, plum and sweet black cherry and firm tannins, with a hint of smoke and dark chocolate. Enjoy this wine along with a nice grilled steak, baked potato with all the fixings, and good friends. This is a wine that can please now, as well as age out for many years to come.

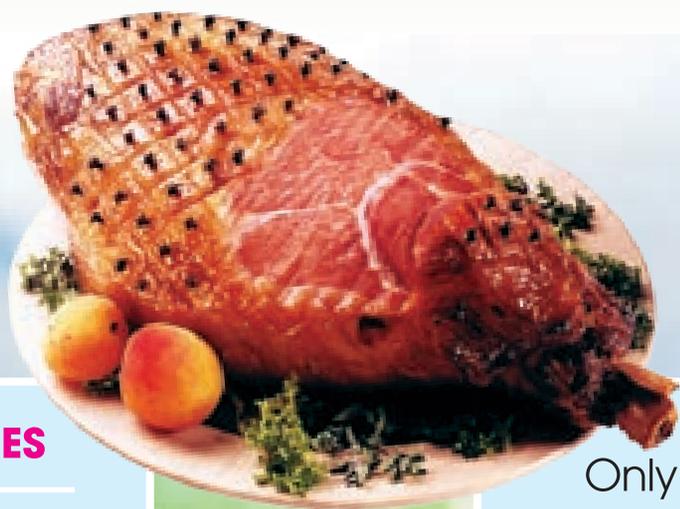
MERLOT: Aromas of rich ripe cherries, blackberries with hints of toast, and vanilla coalesce into a single sensation of olfactory bliss. The mouth is filled with an array of flavors, including cherry, plum, cranapple, sweet raspberries and strawberries with lingering hints of cocoa and cinnamon, while supple tannins leave a pleasing finish. Each juicy sip is more comforting

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EASTER BUFFET

April 8, 2012



MENU FEATURES

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Success Has Its Advantages BUT NOW RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



I highly recommend that if you plan on dining at The Grill on Friday and Saturday nights that you make a reservation at least a couple of weeks in advance. Reservations are not just recommended but essential this time of year. There are some great alternatives to the long waits for a table on the weekend and they are to have lunch or breakfast or maybe dine with us during the week. Even with a reservation there can still be a short wait for the next available table. Don't be surprised if you call by Thursday and we are full for the weekend.

I know that bringing guests through the front door is the first step to success. Hence, the Grill is obliged to make the seating and reservation procedures as smooth and fair as possible in order to elevate the total quality of the Grill experience. By having a seating procedure that shows courtesy and care for our guests, it aids us in building a pleasant first impression at the Grill. We can only do this with your help in making that reservation in advance. Gone are the days of walking in on a Friday or Saturday night and getting a window seat or booth or a seat on the outside

terrace. It is our goal to fill as many seats as possible every day, while still maintaining high standards of food and service.

We take reservations in order to assist our guests or parties, whose plans require a specific seating time. Reservations can also help us make that special occasion even more special. When a couple or a party wants to enjoy a special occasion such as an anniversary, holiday or other celebratory event, they want to make sure they can get a table without waiting too long. Another reason to make reservations is if you have a large party. We consider it a large party if you have 8 or more guests. Large parties can take a little more time and space to serve. This is especially true for large parties, such as reservations being made for 10-20 people.

Reservations help us plan ahead. When we are aware of the reservations for the night, we will be able to better plan the preparation required to serve them. We can make sure that we have the staff to serve our guests. We can properly prepare enough food for the reservations. We can maximize our seating arrangements for each time slot. By staggering our seatings and not filling all tables at the same time, we can insure that our servers are not

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Here Comes Peter Cotton Tail (HOPPING DOWN THE CART PATH TRAIL)

BY BAMBI JOHNSON, HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR



Here comes Peter Cotton Tail hopping down the cart path trail, hippity-hop and Easter is on its way! That's right, join us for Easter Brunch on April 8th and you just might get a glimpse of the famed, furry friend carrying a basket of goodies to share with the young and old alike.

In keeping with the season, things have really been hopping around The Grill (no pun intended!). In February, we enjoyed two romantic Valentine celebrations hosted by The Grill. One Sweetheart Dinner & Dance on Saturday, February 11th and another quieter, intimate dinner on Valentine's Day itself.

On March 3rd we debuted our Saturday Champagne Brunch. This incredible brunch includes a flute of champagne, mimosa or sparkling cider and offers new menu creations monthly. Which allows Chef Carrie to showcase her very talented culinary expertise. There will be a new and exciting Saturday brunch menu to look forward to every month. Also in March we celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a buffet luncheon and an array of varietal wines from Irish Vineyards. The wonderful lunch, and dinner specials with an Irish flair would satisfy any leprechaun! Fun and excitement was had by all who

attended these four wonderful events! Here are a few up and coming functions that our staff would like to invite you to attend:

Sunday, April 8th, Easter Buffet! This is a very popular event so make your reservations early. Seating's are at 9:00am, 11:00am, and 1:00pm. Expect to see all of you favorites like carved prime rib, old fashion baked ham, omelet station, and an amazing assortment of entrees, salads, baked goods and desserts. All for only \$29.95, guests 65 and better are \$23.95, and kids 6-12 are only \$15.00, with the little ones 5 and under free! Call today 962-8638

Thursday, April 19th, Wine Tasting and Dinner Buffet 5pm-7:30pm! In April we will be featuring wines from Classic Wines of California. Classic Wines of California is a major representative of a vast portion of wineries throughout California. They will be showcasing an array of vineyards sure to please even the most particular of connoisseurs. Chef Carrie will prepare a dinner buffet of Coq au Vin (French Chicken stew with wine), herb and butter pommes (potatoes), sautéed seasonal vegetables, and green salad with lemon vinaigrette. To top it all off she will satisfy your sweet tooth with Chocolate Éclairs

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Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet

Hosted by Youngs Market
Featuring Wines from various wineries & regions

May 17, 2012 5 pm - 7:30 pm

MENU

- Cuban Style Roast Pork Loin
- Steamed Rice, Salad with Corn, Black Bean, and Avocado
- House made Dulce de Leche with Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

\$23.00

plus tax/per person
All wines are offered at discount prices for sale this day only

Reservations are required, so make yours today! 209-962-8638



THE LOUNGE

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than the last always leaving the palate to want more.

CHARDONNAY: The aromas of vanilla, lemon meringue pie, and tangerines are complemented by hints of buttery notes entice a sip. The mouth fills with tropical fruit, homemade lemon pie and vanilla, which round out the wine and leave a lingering finish.

IMMORTAL ZIN: The deceptively subtle aromas of this wine combine red and black cherry, mineral, earthy rhubarb and red fruit, with slightly spicy characters. In the mouth, the palate is wrapped in a velvety layered mix of sweet red cherry, strawberry, cocoa and juicy red fruit followed by light toast and smooth, chiseled tannins, leading to a lengthy, almost breathless finish. This is a wine for great food, friends

and conversation, or an intimate meal for two by a flickering fire. Whichever your pleasure, our "Immortal" Old Vine Zinfandel will make it memorable.

We will be changing and trying new wines all summer long. If you have suggestions about your favorite wine, just let us know, We will see if it is available to us.

As always, we will feature some of your favorite bands throughout the summer. Here is a list of bands for May:

MAY 4TH SHOWTIME KARAOKE

MAY 5TH DYNAMO

MAY 12TH ROCKSLIDE

MAY 19TH HIWAY 99 BAND

MAY 26TH THE HILLS BROTHERS BAND

In closing, the Lounge recently said "GOODBYE" to an old friend. Steve Chisolm left us in February. His presence at the Lounge was unparalleled by anyone. Even strangers were Steve's friend at the Lounge. You will be missed Steve. We wish his family well.



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Each new homeowner at Pine Mountain Lake receives a copy of the Bylaws, CC&Rs and other important documents when they purchase their home. These governing documents are updated periodically, so if you purchased your home years ago, you may not have current copies. These documents are important to have handy. May we suggest if you need current information, use the internet and go to our website at www.pinemountainlake.com as we work hard to keep this information current. If you do not use the internet, you can purchase a hard copy of the Bylaws and CC&Rs (\$5). If you want to replace the entire new homeowner information packet that includes all of the governing documents including Resolutions, plus additional information you can purchase, a CD (\$40) or a complete hardcopy of the Homeowner's Binder for (\$85). If you have any questions, please contact the Administration Office at (209) 962-8600.

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overwhelmed by all guests arriving at once and in turn swamping the bartender with cocktail orders and burying the kitchen with food orders. This staggered seating is why there may be empty tables when you arrive.

Reservations don't always help restaurants. They do have their drawbacks as well. Overbooking, miscommunication, no-shows and guests adding more people to their party when they arrive are some of the more common concerns. But, the good news is that we had a great start to the year and our success, thanks to you our members, has made it necessary to make reservations at the Grill. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com

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to complete your dining experience! All featured labels may be purchased at discounted prices this night only. The cost of this event is only \$23.00. Reservations are required so call today for yours 962-8638

Sunday, May 13th - Annual Mother's Day Champagne Brunch! Expect to see all your favorites like carved Prime Rib, Old Fashioned Baked Ham, Eggs Benedict, an omelet station, and an assortment of salads, sides, baked goods, desserts, and a complimentary glass of champagne for each guest over 21 years of age. The price of this wonderful all-you-can-eat buffet is only \$35 per person. For guests 65 and better the price is only \$29. Children 6 through 12 are only \$15, and kids 5 years old and under Eat Free!

Seating for this incredible feast are at 9 am, 11 am, and 1 pm. This event is very popular and fills quickly so call today for reservations at 962-8638.

Thursday May 17th – Wine Tasting and Dinner Buffet 5pm-7:30pm! Young's Market will feature Wines from various wineries and regions. Chef Carrie will be preparing a wonderful Cuban-style pork buffet dinner and dessert. All of the featured wines will be available for purchase at discounted prices this night only. The price of this fun-filled evening is only \$23 plus tax. Reservations are required, so make yours today at 962-8638.

More Grill News!

On another note I would like to take this opportunity to promote some beverages that have been rapidly gaining in popularity! The Grill restaurant now offers steaming, hot Mochas, Lattes, Cappuccinos, Americanos, and more, with all sorts of flavorings to add such as Caramel, Vanilla, Irish Cream, and Hazelnut. We even have sugar free! All of these beverages can be made with non-fat milk, 2%, or whole milk. They can also be prepared decaf or iced, which I'm sure will become popular when the weather warms up. You can top them off with a nice steamed head of froth, rich whipping cream, or have

just plain, made to order, customized to your liking! So come in soon and try one of these to see which will become your favorite! What a great way to start your day!

We are also open for lunch 6 days a week, Tuesday through Sunday from 11:00am to 3:00pm. Believe it or not, our outside terrace has been the preferred dining spot with the afternoon temps lately near the 70's, with magnificent views of The Sierra's and our beautiful championship golf course. If dinner is what you desire we also serve it 6 days a week, Tuesday through Sunday starting at 5:00pm. We have something to satisfy everyone in the family from children's menus, to small plates, to hearty meals! And after dinner let us tempt you with a luring look at our dessert cart filled with tantalizing creations made fresh daily by Chef Carrie.

In addition to our wonderful planned events and ala cart dining opportunities, please consider us for all your special celebrations. We accommodate banquets of all kinds, on site and off. You will be proud to have The Grill staff cater any of your events. Our staff is professional and dedicated to maximize your dining pleasures! You can contact me 24/7 at cluboffice@pinemountainlake.com or call 962-8638. I look forward to hearing from you. Bon Appétit!

IS IT TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE GARAGE?

May 12, 2012 at the PML STABLES
on 13309 Clifton Way

- Spaces are first come-first served on the day of the event
- Please bring your own tables, tarps, blankets, etc.
- Space set-up starts at 7 am
- Space fee is \$7 per space. Pay in advance at PML Admin Office or at the Stables the day of the event

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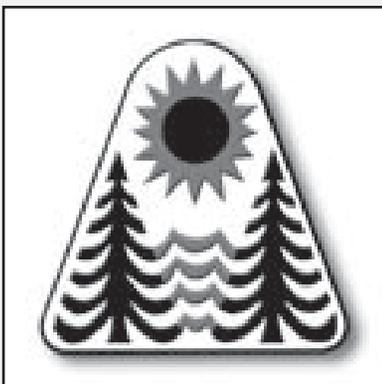
The following Board resolution is an amendment to Resolution # 95.04,

FIRE SAFETY PLAN POLICY AND PROCEDURES.

The purpose of the amendment is to make an adjustment in the inspection process and policies.

This serves as notice to all members that the amendment was adopted by the Board of Directors on March 17, 2012 at a duly noticed monthly meeting.

The main effect and change in this draft is a reduction in the number of letters sent to members, fire safety inspections and the addition of burn pile regulations. The draft was discussed at the February 18, 2012 monthly Board meeting and published for member review and comment.



Amended Resolution # 95.04

FIRE SAFETY PLAN POLICY AND PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined there exists a threat to property occupants and others should wildland fire strike the subdivision,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has conducted a study to identify those fire safety concerns,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors does hereby approve and adopt the fire Safety Plan developed by Robert Irwin and William H. Bowman to reduce or eliminate the wildland fire potentials, the attached policy entitled "Fire Abatement Notice and Enforcement Standards and Procedures".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the annual deadline for property owner fire safety compliance is July 1.

Respectfully submitted,

Ian Morcott, Secretary

FIRE ABATEMENT NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS

California's wildfire history over the last several years has caused those residents who live in rural areas to understand the need to do fuel reduction work prior to each fire season. Pine Mountain Lake is clearly one of those communities at risk for major loss. That is why volunteers and staff have developed a Community Wildfire Protection Plan. It is a strategy for PML that articulates what we need to do to reduce the threat, and helps us focus on specific tasks. As an example, our Board of Directors has taken aggressive measures to reduce fuels in our greenbelt areas.

Similarly, our staff and Board of Directors have reviewed the status of fuel reduction work done by property owners on privately owned lots. Thankfully, there are hundreds of property owners who do a stellar job of reducing fuel loads and maintaining their properties. Unfortunately, there are hundreds of lots that are not fire safe. This has resulted in a decision to strengthen our enforcement policies and procedures.

Please read the attached PMLA FIRE ABATEMENT STANDARDS, INSPECTION SCHEDULE AND FINE POLICY. It provides:

- Reference to sources for fuel reduction standards
- Revised inspection schedule
- List of actions for those properties found not in compliance

Also, be aware that Cal-Fire is empowered to inspect PML properties and levy fines for non-compliance.

You are welcome to contract with a private firm or to perform the work yourself. However, if you wish to obtain a bid from the company that will be providing fire abatement services to Pine Mountain Lake Association on common areas, as well as many of the owners of developed and undeveloped lots, please contact the PML administration. And if you would like assistance in deciding what action needs to be taken on your property, contact the PML Fire Safety Coordinator. He can help you develop an "Individual Fire Abatement Plan" that not only brings your lot into compliance with standards, but also provides a park like setting for your property, as well as improving the health our forest.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Only as a community taking action together can we reduce the threat of wildfire.

Sincerely,

Pine Mountain Lake Association
19228 Pine Mountain Drive
Groveland, CA 95321

Fire Abatement Enforcement Standards And Procedures

STANDARDS:

For a complete picture of legal statutes, PMLA policy, and fire abatement best practices, property owners should refer to the following documents:

1. PML website, Association Information:
 - a. PML "Fire Program Clean Up Requirements"
 - b. PML "Community Wildfire Protection Plan", August 2008, PMLA
 - c. "Fire Prevention Guidebook", March 1996, Revised July 2006 by CDF and GCSD
 - d. "Living with Fire in Pine Mountain Lake". A Fire Abatement Guide for the Property Owner. Fire Safe Council, Highway 108 (revised 2010)
 - e. PMLA Burn Pile Standards
2. Pine Mountain Lake Fire Safety Plan, December 1994, Robert L Irwin and William H. Bowman

INSPECTION SCHEDULE AND FINE PROCESS

1. All properties must be in compliance with fire abatement standards on July 1 of each year.
2. PML staff will conduct inspections of private property starting July 1 of each year.
3. Those properties found not in compliance will be sent non-compliance letters, stating necessary changes.
4. Property owners will have 15 days from the date of the letter to remedy non-compliance issues called out in the letter.
5. PML staff will conduct a follow-up inspection for those properties notified as not in compliance. PMLA will take the following action for those properties found to have uncorrected deficiencies:
 - a. "Final Notice Letter" sent to property owner.
 - b. Property owners will have 15 days to request a hearing regarding these actions
 - c. Property owner fined \$500 as a charge to the property owner's member account.
 - d. The property will be immediately abated by the company providing fire abatement services to Pine Mountain Lake Association, with the cost of the fire abatement services being charged to the property owner's member account.
 - e. The property will be scheduled for abatement the following year by the company providing fire abatement services to Pine Mountain Lake Association, with the cost of the fire abatement services being charged to the property owner's member account.

Authority: special individual assessment, as set forth in Article IV, Section 4 (a) (iii) of the First Restated Declaration of Restrictions). A special individual assessment shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made per PMLA CC&Rs, Article IV, Section 4 (a) (iii) in accordance with the members right to notice and hearing pursuant to Article XIV, Section 6.

PMLA Burn Pile Standards

November 1 – May 31 (burn season)

- Maximum pile size is 4' x 4' x 4'
- A ready water source available
- Attendance by an Adult until fire is out
- 10' Diameter clearance from vegetation or flammables
- PML burn permit required by property Owner and any other required permits.

June 1 – October 31 (no burn season)

- Disposal at the compost dump is required for all brush, limbs, leaves/needles
- A cut and stack (burn pile) for future burning must be authorized by PML Fire Safety Coordinator
- Conditions at the time will dictate the criteria for authorization to maintain a burn pile for future burning

PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

Aviation Association	
Marle Hewett	962-0701
Computer Users Group	
Frank Perry	962-0728
Country Mountain Riders	
Dorothy Scofield	962-8667
Duplicate Bridge	
Bobbie Vandenbergh	962-6965
Exercise	
Barbara Elliott	962-6457
Friends of the Lake	
Richard Hathaway	962-7595
Garden Club	
Louise Turney	962-0609
Guardians of PML	
Brian Sweeney	962-5737
Ladies Club	
Catherine Santa Maria	962-7904
Ladies Golf Club	
Diane Lloyd	962-4386
Marathon Bridge	
Joe Sousa	962-5708
Men's Golf Club	
Gus Allegri	962-6915
Men's 9-Hole Golf Club	
Bob Oakley	962-4799
Monday Bridge Club	
Bill Parker	962-5957
Needle Crafts	
Lee Isbell	962-5727
Non-Residents' Club	
Kathy Coon	(510) 656-0162
Pine Needlers Quilt Guild	
Susan Halstead	878-3111
PMLakers RV Club	
Ned Nuddleman	925-371-2287
PML Niners	
Geralyn Dielman	962-5818
PML Shooting Club	
John Graham	president@pmlsc.com
PML Waterski & Wakeboard	
Tom Duprey	(510) 796-4180
Racquet Club	
Emily Van Vleet	962-0930
Residents Club	
Dick Faux	962-4617
ROOFBB	
Rita Hart	962-0670
Sierra Professional Artists	
Heinie Hartwig	(209) 586-1637
Sunday Couples Golf	
Alma Frawley	962-5578
Windjammers Sailing Club	
Fred Mecum	962-7989

Garden Club Clippings

BY JOYCE SMITH

Garden Club held our 2nd Meeting for 2012. We met on March 12th at the Lake Lodge. We have 67 Members so far this year and everyone is eager and in good spirits. We are already into plans for our June 11th Garden Club Tour, Raffle and Luncheon. This is a really big event and a must 'do'. The theme this year is "Wild N' Wonderful Wildflowers". I mention this now so you can put the date down. You will be reading more in all my articles until time of the event. If you would like more information call Louise, 0609 or Dart, 1980. If you have an interest in joining or would

like to be doing something for the Tour call either of these ladies. It's not too late to get involved.

Arlene Vorce, Horticulture Chairperson demonstrated how to properly re-pot a plant that has outgrown its container. She featured a primrose and told us the many good points of this lovely, colorful flower. A primrose plant was given as our door prize. Arlene also touched on now is the time to feed your roses and other timely garden tasks. Thanks Arlene for your expertise. A needed changes to our by-laws, as discussed at the February meeting, was read by Lonnie Roman

and approved by membership.

April 9th, we will gather at the Jail at 9:00 A.M. to carpool for our outing to Ironstone. We have a 11:00 time for a conducted tour. Lunch will be on your own as your carpool decides. The flowers should be a real sight. Speaking of sights, have you seen out Daffodils at the Jail? They are appearing all over and really making a splash of color. We will be having a planting at the Jail sometime in May. Remember our May 12th meeting at 1:00, Lake Lodge.

See you on April 9th at the Jail for the trip to Ironstone.

February PML Niners Lady Golf

BY CYNDY KROUT

February kicked off with a breakfast and general meeting at Karen Dickson's house. We had a delicious breakfast and our new captain Stacie Brown and co-captain Nancy Whitefield started off our year with some great information and ideas for the year. They handed out a flyer provided by David Rau to speed up play on the course and even provided a prize for those that had speedy play.

Faye Buckley started our month off with an amazing low putt score that will be pretty hard for any of us to match. And, Darlene Hoagland started the month off with low net and ended the month as Ace of Aces. Did anybody else have a chance against these ladies? Wanda Patterson and Nancy Whitefield came in second for putts and third was a three-way tie with Marilyn Alexander, Linelle Marshall

and Beverly Oakley. Stacie and Cyndy each got a par on #14 while Linelle, Judy Michaelis and Pat Van Gerpen did on #17. Darlene Hoagland was low net for the week.

On February 9 we played Par Point with 14 players enjoying our Spring-like weather. Darlene H. came in first place while Flo Jansen was second and Bev O. third. Stacie tied with Pat V.G. for fourth while fifth place was a tie with Karen D., Pat Price and Nancy W. Stacie and Karen D. each got a par on #14 and Flo Jansen got a chip-in on #18. Darlene again was low net.

Then on the 16th we played Red, White and Blue (in reverse). The first place team included Marilyn A., Darlene and Nancy while second place was Faye B., Flo J., and Pat V.G. And, you guessed it Darlene H., was low net for the week.

Final play day of this month had

12 players playing with four clubs for low gross and low net. First thru third place for Low Gross Pat V.G., Linelle M., and GERALYN Dielman. First thru third place for Low Net Nancy W., Judy M. and Marilyn A. Marilyn also chipped in for a Bogie and Nancy got Low Net.

In April we will see the tee time change again and we will be starting at 8 AM on the 12th. We have the opportunity to play at Oakdale for a Home & Home or an Open at Almaden and another one at Sierra Pines. Check your calendars for dates and be sure to sign up if you are interested. Our first team play will be at Del Rio on the 26th. Our golf shirt committee is narrowing in on one shirt and our team should be sporting the new look for our first team play. Come out and play we are having lots of fun!

PML Niners Looking for Women Golfers

The Lady Niners are looking for women golfers who would like to play nine holes of golf on Thursdays with a great bunch of ladies. One has to be a resident of PML and has to have a score of 80 or less for nine holes. Yes, I said 80 on 9 holes. We invite you to come play

with us as a guest and you can also play to establish your handicap. Establishing your handicap is easy as you just play 10 rounds of nine holes and turn in the cards.

We have a lot of fun as a group and this includes occasional breakfasts or lunches and the opportunity to

play others courses and participate in Team Play with other nine hole clubs.

If you are interested in learning more or joining please contact Nancy Whitefield (962-5348) or Stacie Brown (962-5129).

PML Aviation Association News

BY LARRY JOBE, PMLAA PUBLICITY

Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association third meeting of 2012 will be April 7th, 6 PM at Carol Simpson's hangar. Standard Pot Luck so bring a dish to share. Our speaker will be Einar Enevoldson—Soaring Beyond the Clouds. Einar will talk about Project Perlan and the current sailplane record he set with Steve Fossett.

Einar is a lifelong glider pilot, former jet fighter pilot in the USAF, and exchange officer with the Royal Air Force where he attended the Empire Test Pilot's School in Farnborough, England. In 1992, Einar first envisioned the Perlan Project when an image of a stratospheric mountain wave, at 75,000 feet above Northern Scandinavia, was first shown in Germany. Einar believed that such mountain waves could be

used to fly a sailplane to astonishing heights. Einar and Steve Fossett proved this concept when they set a world record altitude for gliders of 50,671 feet on August 30, 2006.

Our aviation community celebrated with Danielle Coelho on the occasion of her first solo. Her instructor, Larry Jobe, climbed out of the plane and sent her alone into the skies on February 28th. Danielle reported it was much quieter, lighter, and more pleasant in the cockpit and she was surprised at how much better the plane performed. She and her instructor were greeted by an enthusiastic and congratulatory crowd upon Danielle's safe and successful solo flight.

Danielle is a member of the Pine Mountain Lake flying club which owns the Cessna 172 Danielle used

to do her training and solo in. Interested in joining the club? Then check out their web site at <http://www.pmlaeroclub.com>.

Our May meeting is planned for Saturday, May 12th, at Norm and Patti Peeble's hangar, 6 PM, also a pot luck. The speaker is our own neighbor and very interesting speaker, Dr. Ken Orloff. He will talk about recent accident case studies.

New members of our Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association are always welcome. You can join by filling out the application on our web site at <http://www.pmlaa.org>. Applications can also be requested at PMLAA, P. O. Box 131, Groveland, CA 95321. Annual dues are \$20 per person or per family. A check can be made out to PMLAA and sent to the above address.



At Top: Einar Suited Up
Above: Einar suited up in front seat of sail plane.

Fitness at The Lake Lodge

HOMELESS WALKERS OCCUPY THE GRILL

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT

The first four months of the year are usually the highest attendance of the ladies who join together at the Lake Lodge for aerobic activity.

The second week in January, we were informed that significant electrical work was scheduled for the Lodge. Well, that sent us into a flurry of activity -- where could we carry on with our walking? We were

officially "homeless". We developed a list of alternatives - none of the suggestions was very acceptable.

Since the weather was (supposed to be) wet, the golfers weren't at the club early mornings. We asked Aaron Hamblin, Bambi Johnson, and Jay Reis about the possibility of using the dance floor at The Grill. They made it work, opened the doors at 8:00AM for our group. Bob set up the connections to the TV facing the dance floor. We loved the resolution of that TV and wanted to take it with us. We had a great time.



The "homeless" walkers exercising at The Grill.

Dave Rau and the other golf pro staff members are probably very happy to see that the ceiling is no longer shaking.

We really want to thank the Grill management and the crew for providing us a venue for 1 1/2 months.

We are now back at the Lake Lodge, walking 5 miles, using resistance bands in the program. These classes are MWF at 8:30 AM and are FREE. Zumba is offered TTH at 8:30AM and is also free.

If you have any questions, call Barb Elliott at X6457.

PML Men's Golf Club

BY ROY CONLEY, SECRETARY

Our first Wednesday Sweeps of the year was held on February 15. First place in Flight 1 went to the team of Sylvan Braa and Sylvan Braa, with a score of 61.1. OK, I guess that deserves some explanation. Sylvan's partner didn't show, so he played two balls on each hole. (If anyone else would like to try that, I might be persuaded to sign up as your partner and then not show. But there is always the danger that I might actually play.) Second place went to Brian Sweeney and Ron Maguire with 64.6.

Flight 2 went to Wayne Doty and Rich Graham with 65.4, followed by Bob Stock and John Petkewich with 66.4. Flight 3 was won by Frank Hicks and Bob Ells at 66, followed closely by Larry Fuller and Dan Shuey at 66.2. Congratulations to all.

Our only April tournament is a 4-man scramble scheduled for Monday, April 9. Tee times begin at 9:00. Entries must be in by Friday, April 6.

Now for another rules quiz, prompted by bad advice I've been given on the course.

You tee off on number 14. Your tee shot is a little long, a little left, and ends up on the 15th tee. When you get to your ball, you find that the wooden tee sign is between you and the hole. Your ball is far enough from the sign that it won't interfere with either your stance or your swing, but it is definitely in your way. What are your options?

The sign, being artificial, is an obstruction. Since it cannot be moved without undue effort, it is an immovable obstruction. Rule 24-2 states that interference from an immovable obstruction happens when your ball lies in or on the obstruction, or when the obstruction interferes with your ability to take your stance or make your swing. The rule specifically states that intervention on your line of play is not interference according to this rule. In other words, you have to play the ball as it lies or declare it unplayable, and follow the procedure for that rule.

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

PML Ladies Golf Club News

BY SUE PERRY

We enjoyed a "Sweetheart" of a month for golfing. Warm, dry weather prevailed so we could golf in shirtsleeves all four play days. Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, I won some money and hope you did too!

February 2nd... 2 BEST BALL ON ODD & 1 BEST BALL ON EVEN HOLES

1st Place 92..Kitty Edgerton, Thelma Faux, Helena McMillan, Kathy Shehorn; 2nd Place 93..Marche' Kizziar, Sharon Kenyon, June Moore, Iris Moffitt; 3rd Place 96..Jennifer Dwaileebe, Sue Perry, Jane Reynolds, Virginia Tallman; 4th Place 97.. Patty Peebles, Marjorie Rich, Marilyn Scott, Anne Toner: BIRDIES: H. McMillan # 6, T. Faux # 11, J Mussatto # 11 & K. Bettencourt # 14

February 9th... BEST BALL PARTNERS TEAM

1ST Place 135..Jennifer Dwaileebe, Janice Mussatto, Patty Peebles, Jane Reynolds; 2nd Place 135*.. Lynne Dust, June Moore, Alma Frawley, Sara Hancock; 3rd Place 136.. Dotty Davis, Priscilla Park, Marjorie Rich; 4th Place 140..Kay Bettencourt, Mary Houser, Anne Peterson: BIRDIES: Janice Mussatto # 1, Marjorie Rich # 10 & 14

February 16th ... ST. VALENTINE'S DAY MASSACRE

1st Place 149..Kitty Edgerton, Thelma Faux, Helena McMillan, Priscilla Park; 2nd Place 151*.. Kay Bettencourt, Lynne Dust, Sara Hancock, Joyce Smith; 3rd Place 151*.. Clarice Ligonis, June Moore, Marilyn Scott, Anne Toner: BIRDIES: Marjorie Rich # 14

February 23rd ... SIX - SIX - SIX - COMBO TEES

1ST Place 122..Kay Bettencourt, Joanne Foster, Sara Hancock, Alice Stoll; 2nd Place 128..Alma Frawley, Mary Houser, Sharon Kenyon, June Moore; 3rd Place 131.. Jenny Dwaileebe, Marche' Kizziar, Ginny Lay, Sue Perry: BIRDIES: Alice Stoll # 3, Kay Bettencourt # 6, Mona Tompkins # 7

Lots coming up in May so be sure you don't miss out on the Handicap Championship on the 3rd, 8th and 10th; Men's Club Spring Mixed Partners on the 4th (not 11th as stated on our calendars); 18 Hole Ladies invite the 9ers with luncheon on the 17th; Team play on the 24th No Play ; 9ers Team Play at PML on the 31st so our tee times start at 11:30 am. Happy Mother's Day!

PML Men's Nine Hole Golf Club

BY WALT BALES



Does anyone recognize this golfer? This photo was actually taken at the end of Big Creek. If you quietly round the last bend of Big Creek you will see PML's turtle population and I have seen as many as thirty turtles at the end of Big Creek.

February was an amazing month for playing golf. The golf course is in great shape and the weather was perfect for playing golf. Thank you PML maintenance. The golf course also lost a couple of branches, on the tenth fairway, that were always in the way of my handicap play. One tree branch down and 5288 branches left to cut down, at least that was my last count of branches in the way of my golf game.

FEBRUARY RESULTS

2/1/12 (Four Man Scramble)

First: Rich Robenseifner, John Klink, Rich Eckman, and Tom Polek
Second: Malcolm Brown, Jack

Leetham, and Dan Ayala.

2/8/12 (Three Blind Mice)

First flight
First: Steve Engstrom and Roger Peterson
Second: Walt Bales
Second flight
First: Bob Oakley and Dick Eckman
Second: John Klink

2/15/12 (Two Man Best Ball)

First: George Young and Bob Oakley
Second: Roger Peterson and Dan Ayala.

2/22/12 (Red, White, and Blue)

First: Del Stockstill, Steve Engstrom, Bob Oakley, and Dave Lint.
Second: Doc Van Gerpen, Felix Gswend, and Lyod Case.

2/29/12 (Two Man Scramble)

Rained out

"Where Did All that Gold Come From?"

FRIENDS OF THE LAKE PRESENTS GEOLOGY OF PML

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON

Friends of the Lake is kicking off our 2012 schedule of fun and educational events in April. We have speakers in April and May, followed by lake-centered fun events all summer, including the June Poker Run, July Boat Parade and Lake Swim, August Music at the Marina, and September Scavenger Hunt on the lake.

At 5:00pm on April 15, geologist Jim Goodrich will present the geologic history of the Groveland area – about 500 million years described in 40 minutes! We have been at the bottom of an ocean and on an island similar to Japan. We've had huge volcanoes in

our backyard and of course mountain glaciers. And finally, we have been on the flanks of a huge granite rock, whose heat brought gold to the land surface. Jim will also point out some of the interesting geologic features we can still see around us today.

Jim Goodrich received his BS degree in Geology from UCLA, and an MS degree in Engineering Geology and Water Resources Engineering from USC. He has over 35 years of experience as a hydro-geologist, water resources specialist, and public agency manager; he is a registered geologist and certified

engineering geologist. After retiring as general manager of GCSD, Jim is now working on water, sanitation, health and hygiene projects for Rotary International.

The April 15 Friends of the Lake meeting will be held at Lake Lodge, starting at 5:00pm with a potluck dinner. This event is free and open to all. Please bring a dish to share, your beverage and your placeware.

We invite you to join Friends of the Lake. Membership is open to anyone interested in the health, safety and equitable use of Pine Mountain Lake. Annual dues are just \$10/single or \$20/family. Please mail your check with your email address to Friends of the Lake, PO Box 591, Groveland, CA 95321, or you can join at any of our events.

Country Mountain Riders Welcome Otto, Our Spring Kick-off

BY LYNNE ORLOFF

Nothing says spring like a new Colt and Otto came on a beautiful warm clear day in the Sierras. His Mother, Sophie, giving birth, urging him up as fast as possible and cleaning every inch of him to proudly present him to the world. Newborn horses are amazing. Born ready to run, albeit more like wobbling along, but certainly knowing who is Mom and where are the "eats"! Like most mares, Sophie is not letting even her most ardent family friends near her baby. So as cute as they are, if you should spy a newborn, let Mom bring baby to you...don't initiate the relationship and stay out of her range! She can move fast and unless you want to see the pasture in fast forward, it is best to leave her be and stick to telephoto lenses for your "ah-h-h-h" shots. This picture of Otto was taken just hours after his birth... from a safe distance.

Hawke, his father, lives on the same ranch and was really strutting his stuff, letting all on the ranch know that his new baby was born. Several of Joan's friends were lucky enough to share in these firsts for the newborn; first steps, first feedings, first sounds, first poops. Ah yes, you know a really involved horse owner when they talk about the poops. So, don't make fun of them when that pops up in the conversation. It is a serious indicator of the health of a horse



Proud mother, Sophie, keeps her new Colt, Otto close by her side.

and we owners subconsciously literally count the piles in the paddock to make sure there is an amount that fits the norm for our equines, not to mention that we check color, size, and composition, too! You laugh? Well, it's true!

Otto and Sophie belong to Joan Gisler. Otto is named after Joan's Father who just passed recently. This is his "barn name" and the name Joan will use when she talks to her horse, but he will also have a Quarter Horse

registered name. Little Otto is sure to entertain and teach us for many months to come.

Every Spring and Fall, our Groveland equine owners bring their horses to our Vaccination clinics. On March 31st, a vet from the Mono Way Clinic will be at the PML Stables for vaccinations, sheath cleanings, etc. Jerry Pocan, our Equine Dentist, will also be there. Call Bonnie Belisle at 962-4309 to see if there are any slots if you need these services. On April 7th, Dr. Eck will be available at both the PML Stables and Dorothy and Lester Scofield's D & L Ranch to give vaccinations. Call her at 962-6902 to schedule your visit.

A reminder... about the Yosemite Gold Cup Endurance Ride coming up April 20th- 21st; Volunteers still needed. Website is: <http://yosemitegoldcup.com>

Irish Eyes Were Smiling on the PML Ladies Club

BY DAR BROWN, PUBLICITY CHAIR



Linda Craig belting out "Danny Boy"



Nadele O'Manzo



Guest Speaker Ann Nilson

On a glorious March day, the members of the PML Ladies Club met to enjoy each other's company, celebrate an early St. Paddy's Day, and learn a little history of our very own Sierra Repertory Theater from speaker, Ann Nilson.

Nadele O'Manzo started us off leading a sing-a-long of Irish favorites "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling", "MacNamara's Band", "Harrigan" and "Danny Boy". Following a delicious buffet of tortellini and salad served by Bambi and the staff at the Gill, speaker Ann Nilson provided

a fascinating presentation on how Sierra Rep grew from the simple idea of 5 theatre students to try providing local theatre, to a thriving and award-winning theatre in its 33rd year. The first performances were staged using borrowed (and begged) seed money, 99 seats from the former Sonora movie theatre, and borrowed costumes and sets, and the 59 shows were a huge hit. Sierra Rep currently stages 9 shows with 310 performances for an audience of 50,000 happy and enthusiastic theatre-goers! Ann introduced our members to

PML Aero Club

BY CATHERINE SANTA MARIA

More exciting news for the women in our club. Danielle Coelho did her first solo flight on February 28, 2012. You can tell from her photo that she was so excited to have accomplished this task. Larry Jobe is Danielle's instructor and Nina and Larry had a reception at their place to celebrate Danielle's accomplishment. There were several members of the club present and other pilots from PML were there to congratulate her.

If you are interested in becoming a pilot or are a pilot without a plane we are the club for you. We have a special running right now that would allow you to try us out. Contact Dennis Smith at 962-4950 for details of this promotion. Our goal for the future is to purchase an LSA,



Danielle Coelho is greeted by Larry Jobe after returning from her solo flight.

however in order to accomplish this we will need to obtain more members to cover the costs associated with the purchase of another aircraft.

"Spotlight on Sierra Rep", which offers participants a presentation of the history of the theatre followed by a tour through the costume shop, scene shop, warehouse, rehearsal space and backstage area at the East Sonora theatre.

Our April meeting on April 4 will

be our always popular Silent Auction followed in May by our special May Tea. If you would like to become a member and join in the fun, simply mail your check for \$15 for annual dues to P O Box 100, Groveland, CA 95321. Hope you see you there!!

APRIL EVENTS CALENDAR



PML Job Fair – Apr 7th



Easter Buffet at The Grill – Apr 8th



Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet – Apr 19th

4-7

SATURDAY

PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION JOB FAIR

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the PMLA Lake Lodge on Pine Mountain Drive. Hiring for Summer positions at The Grill, Marina, Pro Shop, Pool, and Marina Lakeside Café. Come join PML's Summer Team.

4-7

SATURDAY

Giant Easter Book Sale

at the Groveland Library, 10am-2pm

4-8

SUNDAY

Easter Buffet @ The Grill

Seatings at 9am, 11am, and 1pm. Prime Rib, Ham, Omelet Station assorted entrees, salads, baked goods, and desserts. All for \$29.95, 65+ \$23.95, 6-12 \$15, Under 5 FREE. Call 962-8638 to reserve your spot.

4-15

SUNDAY @ 5PM

Geology of PML: 500 million years in 40 minutes!

Friends of the Lake potluck and presentation at Lake Lodge

4-19

THURSDAY 5-7:30PM

Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet

Featuring Classic Wines of California. Dinner buffet includes Coq au Vin, herb & butter pommes, vegetables, and green salad. Dessert will be Chocolate Eclairs. Cost is \$23.00. Call 962-8638 to reserve your spot.

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

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE LOUNGE

APRIL

**Friday, April 6th
Showtime Karaoke**

**Saturday, April 21st
ROCKSLIDE**

**Saturday, April 7th
DYNAMO**

**Saturday, April 28th
CRYSTAL IMAGE**

**Saturday, April 14th
HIWAY 99 BAND**

MAY

**Friday, May 4th
Showtime Karaoke**

**Saturday, May 19th
HIWAY 99 BAND**

**Saturday, May 5th
DYNAMO**

**Saturday, May 26th
THE HILLS BROTHERS
BAND**

**Saturday, May 12th
ROCKSLIDE**

COMING IN MAY

May 13th

Sunday at The Grill
Mother's Day Champagne Brunch
Seatings at 9am, 11am, and 1pm. Prime Rib, Ham, Omelet Station assorted salads, baked goods, and desserts and Champagne (for 21+ guests). \$35, 65+ \$29, 6-12 \$15, 5 & under FREE. Call 962-8638 to reserve your spot.

May 17th

Thursday at 5-7:30pm at the Grill
Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet
Young's Market will feature Wines from various wineries and regions. Wines available for purchase. Cuban style pork buffet dinner and dessert. \$23 plus tax. Reservations are required, so make yours today at 962-8638.

ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

Aerobics & Sculpting

Exercise by Video

Mondays, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 AM
Reach your fitness goals! These classes are suitable for all fitness levels. Classes are free. Join us at the Lake Lodge to be led by a variety of videos featuring certified fitness instructors. For more information and scheduling contact Barb at 209/962-6457 or Michelene at 209/962-4467.

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings

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

Blood pressure readings

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

Book Sale

Every Saturday 10am - 2pm
Downstairs at the Groveland Library
Gently used books at great prices; all proceeds benefit the Groveland Library.

BRIDGE at The Grill

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

Bridge (Duplicate) at the Lake Lodge

2nd & 4th Thursdays
All bridge players are welcome. Call Bobbi Vandenbergh 209/962-6965 for information.

Chair Dancing

Every Monday at The Little House at 10:00 am

Garrotte Lions Bingo

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

"High Country Line Dancers"

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

Historical Aircraft Display

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

Kiwanis Meetings

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

Library Hours

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

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.

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

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.

Sierra Club Hike of the Week

Thursdays at 9 AM
Midweek Hikes in the Groveland Area on Thursdays. Weather permitting, each Thursday meet at Mary Laveroni Community Park in Groveland at 8 AM for an approximate 6-mile hike. Bring a bag lunch, jacket, water, sunscreen and a snack in a daypack and wear hiking boots. The hike is followed by lunch under the shade of the trees. Call Frank Oyung for further details 209/962-7585.

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.

Sonora Senior Center

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

Soroptimist Meetings

The Soroptimist International of Groveland meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the Hotel Charlotte at 12 noon For information regarding membership, please contact Jeanne Brunk at 962-6276.

Strength for Life

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

List your On-Going Activity here. (Nonprofit, PML Clubs or activities, and Community Organizations only)

Helping Hands Building

INTERVIEW BY PATTI BEAULIEU WITH LEONARD CASSARETTO, BUILDING OWNER

In case you are asked, or were wondering, here is some history on our current Thrift Store location. The building is owned by Leonard Cassaretto and was previously owned by his grandparents and parents. It was built c.1850 and its original use was as a store/trading post. Its' historical name of record is Raboul's Trading Post. In 1873 Casimer Raboul sold the property to Michael Noziglia for \$500 in gold coin. Noziglia's wife transferred the property to Luigi Cassaretto (Leonard's grandfather, who was in Italy) in 1873 and it has been in the Cassaretto family since then. It then became the Cassaretto Market and run by the family. Leonard's father was one of 9 children born in the family living quarters, above the store, which is now our attic. Then they built the house next door. The closed off door on the west side of our building was so they could go between 'work and home'. It was always a market, trading post or

stage stop. In the 1930's the Cassaretto family began renting it to different people for their businesses. It was Pigg's Market, Ken's Market, and then Tiano's Market for many years, with next door being Tiano's Coffee Shop. It has gone through several remodels to become what it is today. What is now the 'Green Room' was the walk in freezer and meat locker. The back room and kitchen were storage and, at one time, the wall between us and the Cocina was open and the only entrance to the Tiano Coffee Shop. After Tiano's Market left, it was closed off from next door and became several businesses, including a gift shop named "Class with Sass". Two iron doors (that are still laying out back) were removed to install the windows we now have in front. We occupied the building in the mid 90's, and hopefully have found our permanent home.

Thank you to Leonard Cassaretto for this interesting information.

Quilters Corner

BY SANDY SMITH

At last spring is here! A celebration of new life for sure. A new season for quilting too. Remember to block out some time for beginning a new project.

Here is block #3 in our series of civil war blocks. Chisholm Trail. Jesse Chisholm, an indian trader, first traveled from San Antonio, Texas, north to Abilene, Kansas by wagon in 1866. The next year, cattle ranchers drove their herds north, following Chisholm's wheel ruts, through Indian territory in Oklahoma to railroad points in Kansas. Traffic peaks in 1871 with 600,00 cattle.

Unlike the easy swing of the classic song The Old Chisholm Trail, the cowboy had plenty of troubles with weather, food, his boss, and pay.

Tuesday April 17th is the Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meeting at 6 p.m. under the library. We always meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month and then on the 3rd Thursday is the Block Party!

The Block party meets at Deanas to put together little quilts for CNVC. Last month thanks to Mary Brown, Carol Willmon, Judy McKinnon, and Deana Medinas, we got 9 quilts ready to tie. If you would like to help us with these little projects we meet at 1:00 and sew like crazy while laughing and having a great time.

Two websites for you to check out, quiltershaven.com, and bugfabric.com Enjoy!

Quote from designer Joanna Figueroa, "My favorite part of each project is the Beginning. There are just so many possibilities." Good quote and really true. This lends sometimes then to UFO's, right?

Remember Pine Needlers meet at 6:00 p.m. under the library on Tuesday the 17th. See you there.

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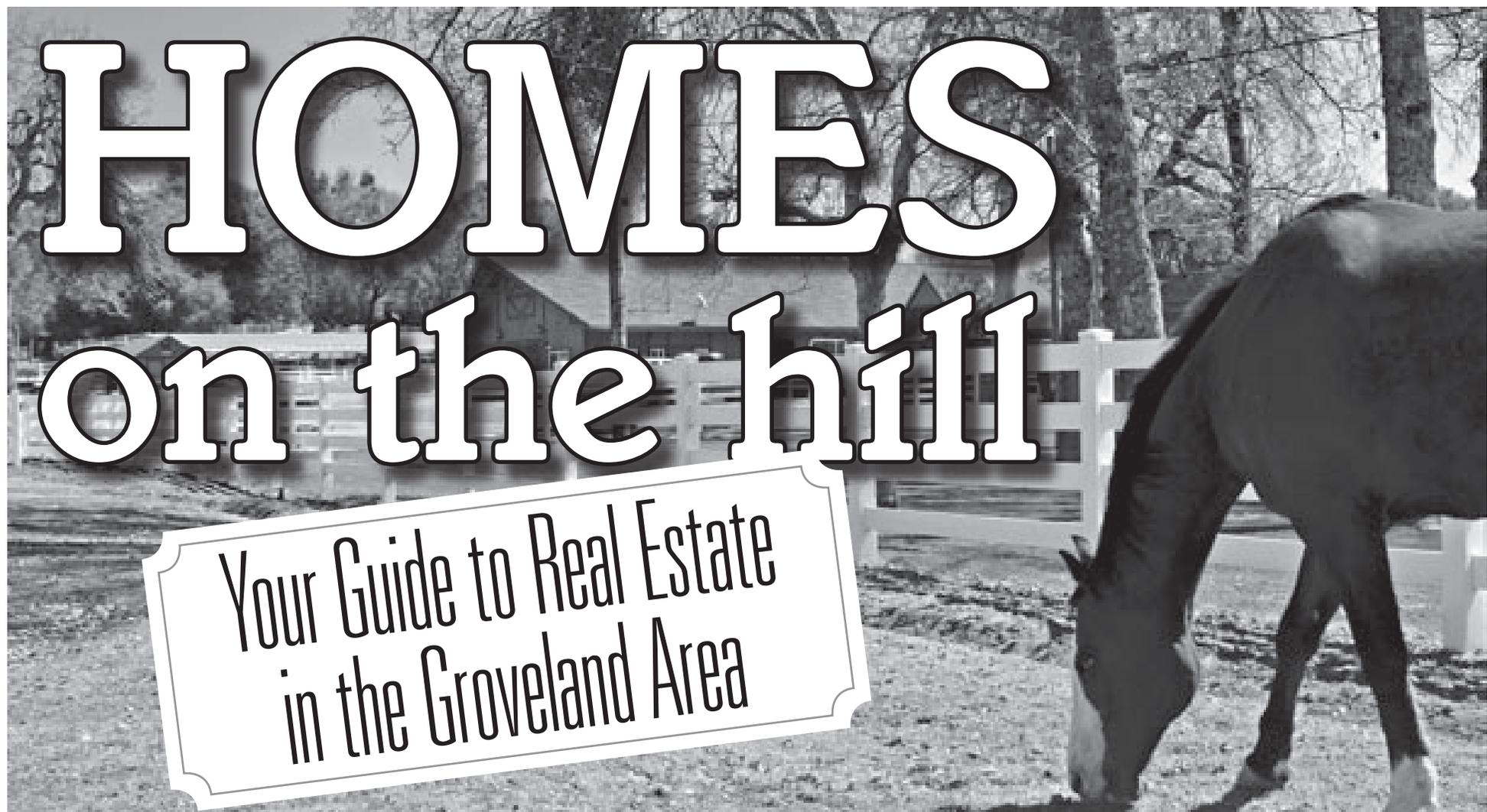
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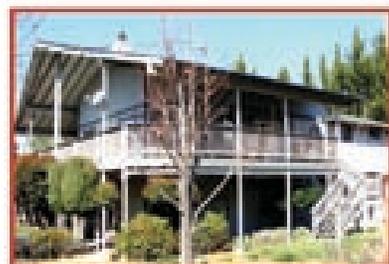


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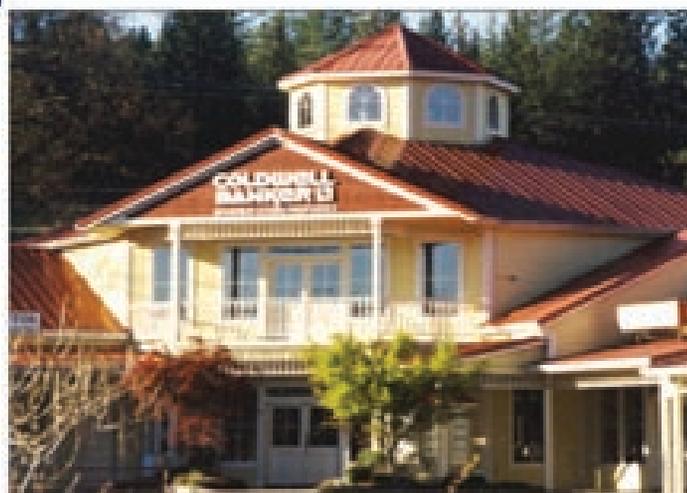
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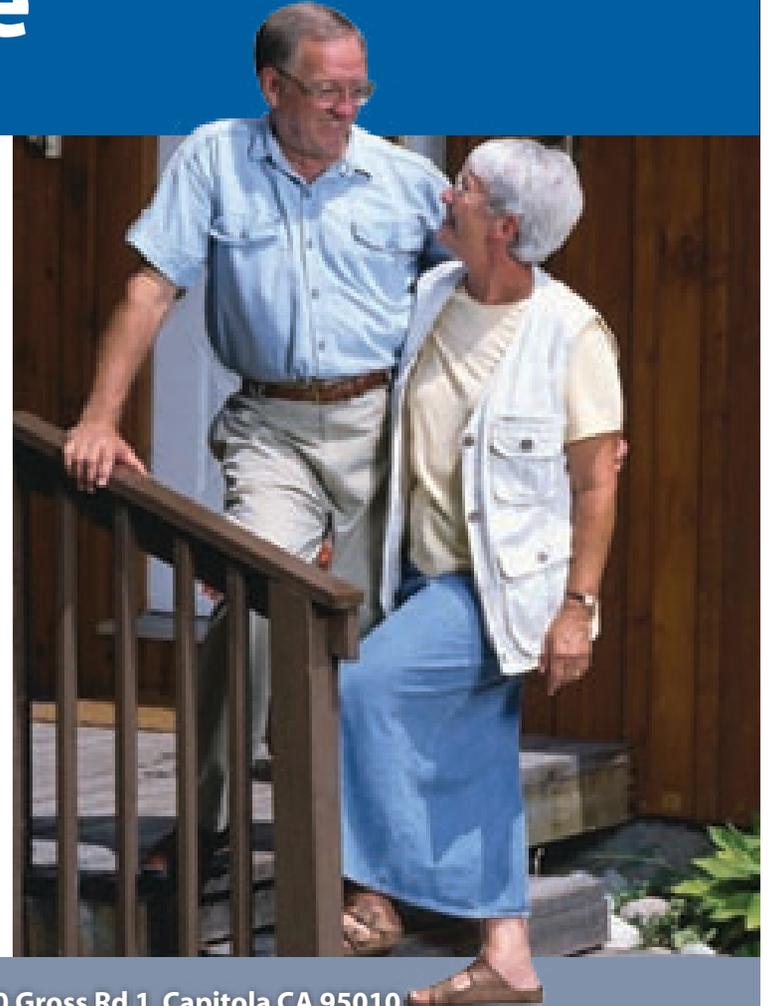
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Just Who Are The Pine Cone Singers?!

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

Do you know who the Pine Cone Singers are? Sure, they are your neighbors, golf buddies, quilting club members, karaoke singers at the Grill, fellow members at your church and community volunteers. Certainly the choristers, over 40 members strong, share a love of singing. But in a recent survey, the singers also shared some interesting and fun facts about themselves. Can you guess which of the 12 singers pictured above have done the following - gone down the Amazon; been a bus driver; has done stained glass and woodworking; decorated a Rose Parade float; solo sky dived; was a certified scuba diver; went river rafting down the Colorado; flew a small plane for a birthday present; biked from Paris, France to San Sebastian, Spain; became a member of MENSA; square-danced on an iceberg in Alaska; traveled solo for 6 months around the world?

If you can guess 10 of 12 correctly, your name will be entered in a drawing

for two free tickets to the upcoming May concerts, "Let There Be Music", on May 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2012. Email your answers to galenlinelle@earthblink.net no later than April 15th. Choir members and their immediate family members are NOT eligible to participate. Be sure to mark your calendars now - 7:30 PM on May 17 & 18, 2:00 PM on May 19 & 20. Tickets are \$10 advance donation, available in Groveland at Yosemite Bank, Hotel Charlotte, Dori's Tea Cottage or Marijke's, or \$12 at the door.

Due to the great response from audiences at the December performances, choral selections will include many numbers that will make use of the musical talents of local musicians Gordon Giedt, Lawrence Drummond, Fred Faiella and Allen Cordle. Director Dennis Brown has programmed familiar standards like "Nice and Easy" and "Embraceable You", among others, while a selection of American and folk songs like "Deep River", "Home on the Range"



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and "Danny Boy" will take you back to days of yore. The chorus will channel the spirit of Marilyn Monroe and Hollywood with "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend", and the audience will be dancing in their seats listening to rhythmic arrangements of "Fly Me To the Moon" and an African-inspired "VoiceDance III"!

STCHS April Program

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

STCHS April program features Bob Holton, Union Democrat columnist and historian. Mr. Holton discovered Gold Rush history while working in the 60's at the San Francisco Chronicle, when he wrote a column on the History of the Gold Rush. The response was so overwhelming he began coming to the Sierras on weekends and in 1999 moved to Sonora, full time to learn more and began writing his column for the Democrat.

Mr. Holton will begin by talking about the history of the Union Democrat and ease into the history of our area, taking questions along the way, so please come prepared with questions.

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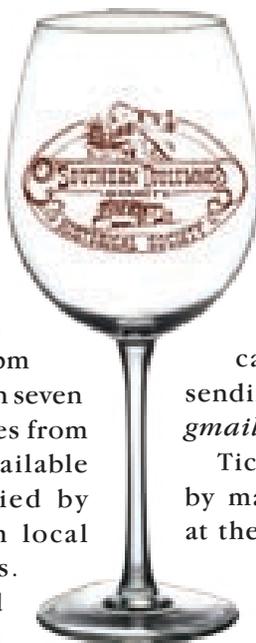
Eighth Annual Wine Tasting Cruise

BY HARRIET CODEGLIA

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Water taxis will leave from the Lake Lodge starting at 4 pm and transport guests between seven lakefront homes where wines from noted wineries will be available for sampling, accompanied by delicious appetizers from local restaurants and caterers. Everyone will be returned to the Lake Lodge by 7:30 pm for a coffee and cookie reception.

Don't delay! This event is a sell-out each year, as tickets are limited to 225 (must be at least 21 years



of age). Tickets must be purchased in advance, paid by check, and ordered by mail. Order forms are available in the Museum and in Yosemite Bank or you may send your request to STCHS, P.O. Box 180, Big Oak Flat, CA 95305. Forms can also be requested by sending an email to hcodeglia@gmail.com.

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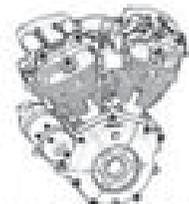
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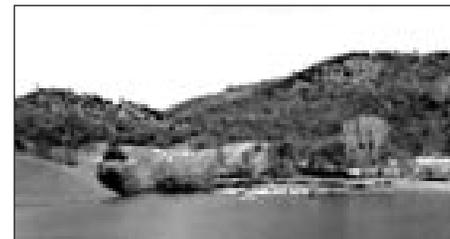
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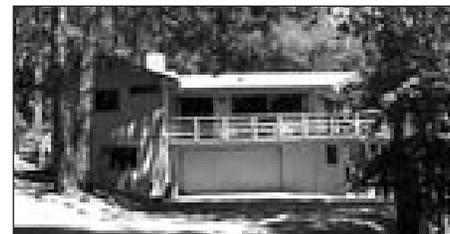
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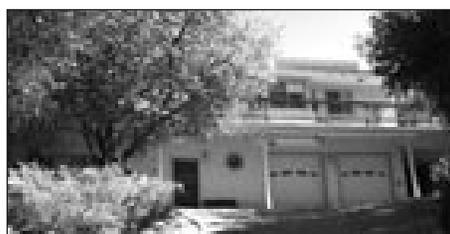
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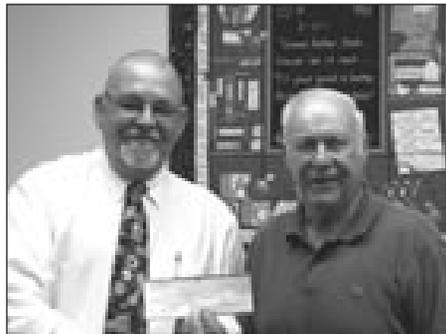


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Groveland Area Realtors Golf Tournament

BY DAVID LINT

The Groveland Area Realtors held their 11th annual golf tournament benefitting our local schools. \$1500 was donated to Tioga High School. Jim Frost, Principal/Superintendent, says this donation will be used by the AVID program (Advanced Through



David Lint presents Dennis Cyphers, Tenaya Principal, with a check for \$1,500.



David Lint presents Jim Frost, Principal/Superintendent, Tioga High, with a check for \$1,500.



David Lint presents Vickie Bradshaw, Don Pedro Secretary, with a check for \$800.

plant projects. They have already built the program to include a turf plot, rose garden, propagation house, shade house, and vegetable plots. There are only three high schools in the state that have achieved this status and Don Pedro High is working diligently to be number four.

Individual Determination) to help student transition to college. This includes both instructional materials and the cost of college visitations.

\$1500 was donated to Tenaya Elementary School. Dennis Cyphers, Principal, says this donation will be used to fund an all school assembly. They are looking at a couple of

fun, exciting, and interactive presentations to entertain the student body. Last year they had "Street Beat:", a re-purposed percussion group, entertain the students with their unique rhythmic presentation. This year they are looking forward to an assembly that is equally as entertaining and fun.

\$800 was donated to Don Pedro High School. Jim Frost, Principal/Superintendent, and Vickie Bradshaw, Secretary, say this donation will help with the construction of a new industry and acceptable state-of-the-art digital greenhouse, which will allow students to increase their agricultural experiences by propagating numerous

The three schools wish to thank David Lint and Ron Connick for all their hard work on the 11th Groveland Golf Tournament.

The 13th Annual Groveland Area Realtors Golf Tournament benefitting local schools will be held on Friday July 13th, 2012.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Salsa Verde

RECIPE PROVIDED BY TOM KNOTH AND PAULA MARTELL OF "TWO LITTLE PIGS BBQ CATERING"

Salsa Verde or "green sauce" can range in spiciness from mild to mouth-searing. It may be served warm, as in a "Chile Verde", or cold, as a condiment. In Mexican cuisine, salsa verde is frequently used as a dip for tortilla chips, or served with tacos or enchiladas. It compliments pork, beef, poultry, and fish; and it's also great on eggs.

You can sample a great salsa verde at Cocina Michoacana in Groveland or you can make your own with this recipe:

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 lb Tomatillos
- 1/4 Cup White Onion
- 1 clove Garlic
- 2 Chipotle Chiles (from a can of chipotle chiles in adobo)
- or 2 fresh Serrano chiles (remove the seeds for a milder salsa)
- 1/4 cup fresh Cilantro, with stems
- 1 tsp Lime Juice

- 1/4 tsp Cumin
- 1/2 tsp Salt
- 1/2-1 cup Chicken Broth
- 1 tbsp. Vegetable oil

DIRECTIONS

Remove papery husks from tomatillos and rinse well. You can cook the tomatillos by either a roasting or boiling method; we prefer roasted. Roasting method: Cut in half and place cut side down on a foil-lined baking sheet. Place under a broiler for about 5-7 minutes to lightly blacken the skin. Boiling method: Place tomatillos in a sauce pan, cover with water. Bring to a boil and simmer for 5 minutes. Remove tomatillos with a slotted spoon.

Place tomatillos, onion, garlic, chile, cilantro, lime, cumin, salt and chicken broth in a blender and blend until desired consistency is reached (in Mexico, Salsa Verde is thin and smooth, not chunky).



The salsa can be eaten at this point, or it can be cooked. Cooking the salsa gives it a different flavor and color. Try cooking half the batch and see which you like better.

To cook: Heat oil over medium heat and then add the salsa. Cook for 15-20 minutes, until salsa thickens slightly and turns a different shade of green.

If using this salsa for enchiladas, add a bit more chicken broth to make the salsa juicier. The extra juice gets absorbed by the tortillas and creates a moist enchilada.

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Mother Lode 2012 News

BY TOM BICKMORE

All competitors in the past few years have had an opportunity to reserve their spot in this year's event! As the recent articles have stated it's time to think outside the box. As of now all flights are open to Property Owner and if you have additional non-property owner friends you can advise them we will accept teams of guests. The Guest teams will pay an additional \$100.00 for their entry. We will fill the field this year (72) teams. Don't miss out! Postmarks will determine your spot.

Platinum Division Challenge

The Saisi Brothers (AKA Ronnie and Big Al) have issued a challenge to all the low indexes out there, they will prevail in this years as Ron coined it Brother Lode!

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FREE! FREE! FREE! Spring Give-Away Coming This Month

BY PATTI BEAULIEU

Helping Hands Thrift Store will, once again, be having it's twice yearly Give-away on Friday and Saturday, April 13th and 14th. This is the time when we clear the store of winter clothing, shoes, household items, purses and linens that are out of season or have been in our inventory for a while.

We open the doors to the Groveland Community Hall from 10 a.m – 4 p.m. on both days and allow all who enter to take black bags and fill them with as much as they want. We clear the way for spring and summer items to fill the store and allow the community

to 'stock up' on last season's clothing and what ever else is available. This time we expect to have VHS videos, books, records, luggage, home décor items, housewares, linens and much more, in addition to the huge amount of clothing and shoes.

Mark your calendars and be sure to come and get what ever you and your family can use in the coming months. We ask that it be for your personal use, and not used for resale.

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Birding Field Trips at GCSD

BY JEANNE RIDGLEY

On Wed, April 4, join Jeanne Ridgley on the Groveland Community Services District property for a birding field trip. Jeanne has been birding there since Nov 2007 and has seen a total of 128 species. The property encompasses an area of more than 200 acres of oak, pine and willow habitat with three water storage ponds. The walk will be 2-3

hours. This field trip will be held the first Wednesday of every month, weather permitting.

Jeanne will meet the group in the GCSD parking lot at 8:00 AM. From Groveland on Highway 120, turn left on Ferretti Rd and just past Two Guys Pizza, turn left into the driveway for GCSD and proceed to the parking lot.

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Domestic Violence

BY DR. ETTY GARBER

Domestic violence is recognized globally as a critical public health problem and a human rights violation that robs victims of “full and equal participation in all spheres of life.” According to surveys from around the world, 10% to 50% of women report having been physically harmed or hit by an intimate male partner. Intimate partner violence is the major reason for injury to women in the United States. Women and children are especially vulnerable to violence from family or other household members. However, no one is immune as it affects both men and women and occurs in all forms of intimate relationships regardless of sexual orientation and includes all races, ethnicities, socioeconomic backgrounds and levels of education.

Unlike street violence, DV occurs in the context of shared lives in which the victim and the perpetrator share, or once shared, a residence, financial obligations and resources, children, or friends. DV is often taken less seriously than from a stranger or street violence because it is considered a “family concern.”

The primary victims of DV are women, aged 16 to 24 years old are considered most at risk, although older women have been victims but often do not report it.

In nearly 50 population-based surveys from around the world, 10% to over 50% of women report having been physically harmed or hit by an intimate male partner. Intimate partner violence is the major reason for injury to women in the United States. From the findings from the National Violence Against Women Survey, researchers estimated that approximately 1.3 million women are physically assaulted annually by an intimate partner or ex-partner. Findings also from this survey reported that 200,000 women are raped each year in the United States by a partner or ex-partner.

Female violence against male partners is less frequent and is generally not reported. Physical injury of men is

no less acceptable and should not be overlooked any more than same gender abuse. Although the majority of DV is by men against women, same gender partners are also targets.

Domestic violence is defined as physical, sexual or emotional/psychological abuse directed toward partners in current or past familial or intimate relations. This also includes violence directed toward dating partners. Typically, DV does not involve a single violent assault, but rather is a progressive process increasing in intensity to control one's partner. Physical violence is almost always accompanied by psychological and emotional abuse. Common features include keeping the victim isolated, lack of privacy, patriarchal attitude, rigid gender stereotypes, acceptance of aggression, intimidation and economic hardship.

Victims are often not allowed to stay in contact with their families or friends. They are required to stay in the home, not work or have any money of their own. The physical abuse can start with a push or a slap and can intensify to punches and beatings and sometimes rape. In many cases the victim is too fearful or ashamed to tell anyone. Their comments often are: “It was my fault I shouldn't have said or done what I did that made him mad.” Another typical comment is, “I can't leave because I have nowhere else to go and I really love him.” The worst possible consequence of domestic violence is death. According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics Crime Data Brief (2003), on average more than three women are murdered by their husbands or boyfriends in this country every day.

Some questions you may want to ask yourself:

- Does your partner consistently control your actions?
- Can you leave the house, go shopping, or visit with family and friends

- whenever you want?
- Do you have access to money or your records?
- Does your partner make you do things you don't want to do?
- Has your partner hurt you physically purposefully?
- Does your partner belittle or humiliate you?
- Do you feel responsible for your mistreatment?
- Has your self esteem been destroyed?
- Do your fear for your safety or that of your children?

- Have you hidden your fears from everyone?

If you have answered “yes” to any of these questions you might consider talking to someone, perhaps your religious leader, your parent or a counselor. There are local agencies that want to help victims of Domestic Violence, like Tuolumne County Behavioral Health, Mountain Women's Resource Center and Center for a Non Violent Community. There are also private counselors who are trained in preventing and treating victims of Domestic Violence. REMEMBER: No one has the right to abuse another person.

Groveland Rotary Speech Contest Winner Correction

BY RUDY MANZO

We would like to take this opportunity to correct the article that came out last month regarding the winner of the speech contest. The actual winner was Anthony Hatton, second place went to David Pennington and Beau Casazza place third.

On March 8th, Anthony Hatton

took part in the Rotary District Speech contest held in Sonora and we are pleased to announce that he place second in this years contest. Our congratulations to Anthony for a nicely presented speech. He represented Groveland Rotary and Tioga High School very well and we are proud of him.

Donate Movies to the Library

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON, FOGI

Did you know that the Groveland Library offers DVDs that can be checked out like books – for free! This is a great service for local residents, renters and visitors.

Unfortunately our collection is a little skimpy and rather dated. But there is an answer – you can donate the DVDs you bought over the last few years and no longer watch.

Other members of the community will enjoy them and you'll clear out some space! We can even give you a tax-donation receipt.

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Photographing the Nighttime Sky

BY EDDIE PAVLU, WWW.GROVELANDASTRO.COM

Many of the images from the articles that I write in the Pine Mountain Lake Newsletter are taken with the aid of an array of telescopes, telescope mounts, and cameras – but anyone can take beautiful pictures of the evening sky with just about any camera. One thing that I like to do is to take photographs of the evening sky shortly after the sun sets. Often I will include some terrestrial reference like a tree line or the horizon in the same photograph. This terrestrial reference can give night sky objects more perspective.

Taking a photograph after sunset requires some special considerations. First of all, in order to collect enough light, the exposure time will be greater than day-time photographs. Longer exposure times require a very steady camera so the image doesn't come out blurry. The best way to accomplish this is by using a tripod. If a tripod isn't available, try setting your camera on a steady location, like a wall or chair, and use the "countdown timer" feature for your camera shutter. Using the countdown timer on your camera will also minimize the shaking that would normally occur when you press down on the shutter button.

Another challenge when taking photographs in low light conditions is camera focus. The auto-focus feature on your camera requires a minimum level of light to operate properly. One trick that I usually use is to focus on a distant bright object so the camera can focus, and then use that focus setting when taking photographs of dim objects that are a similar distance away.

Another fun thing that I like to do in the early evening is to look towards the west and see what bright sky objects are visible. Then I try and fit as many of these objects in the same photograph as possible. Often various bright objects will be close together, or aligned in a way that will make the photograph more interesting than if you just zoomed in on each object individually. Start by looking at the sky just after sunset. As the sky darkens, look for bright objects. Often the brightest "stars" in the sky aren't stars at all, but planets. Naked eye visible planets (that don't require the use of a telescope or binoculars) include Mercury, Venus, Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter. The Sun, moon, and naked eye visible planets all travel approximately the same ecliptic path in the sky from our point of view on Earth. Because our solar system is almost flat



it forms a plane. This plane is called the ecliptic of our solar system. Take notice of the path that the sun and moon travel in the sky, and look for naked eye visible planets traveling along the same ecliptic path. Many web sites are available to help you identify what's good to look for in the evening sky. Many of these web sites even include what bright objects will appear close together. One web site that I like to use is www.SkyAndTelescope.com.

I took the photograph that's printed in this newsletter on February 25, 2012 from a high point in Big Oak Flat overlooking the Priest grade. I used a DSLR digital camera mounted on a tripod. The exposure time was 15 seconds. You can easily see the valley lights in the horizon and low cloud formations. The long exposure time helps to highlight these features. This image shows an interesting alignment of two planets and the moon taken about an hour after the sun set. In the upper left is the planet Jupiter. Jupiter is the fifth planet from the Sun and is the largest one in our solar system. If Jupiter were hollow, more than one thousand Earths could fit inside. The brightest object in the photograph is the moon. Just below and to the left of the moon is the planet Venus. Venus is the second planet from our Sun and is often mistaken as the brightest "star" in the sky. Venus is an "inner planet" – this means that Venus is closer to the sun than our planet. Because it's an inner planet, Venus is only visible a few hours before or after the sun rises or sets. This is why Venus is also called the "morning star"

and the "evening star" So next time you look up at the early nighttime sky and recite "star light, star bright, first star I see tonight ..." – just remember that first "star" probably isn't a star at all, but rather a bright planet like Venus or Jupiter. I've added labels to this photograph so you can easily identify the location of the moon and planets. The resolution of a newspaper print photograph can make it difficult to see details as faint as a single "star" (or in this case a planet), but with the labels you can see where they are in the photograph.

The position of the planets varies from month to month. During the month of April 2012, Venus and Jupiter will be visible as you look towards the west after the sun sets and the sky starts to darken. Mars is also visible high in the sky and Saturn will be visible as it rises in the east. Mercury will not be visible in April because it will have already set in the west by the time the sky darkens.

Newspaper print, like the PML Newsletter, doesn't have nearly the resolution or color range to show all the fine details in this image. Please visit my on-line astrophotography gallery at www.GrovelandAstro.com to view a higher resolution version of many of my astrophotography images.

Here are some more details about the image:

Camera: Canon Rebel T2i DSLR
Total Exposure Time: 15 seconds
ISO: 800

The Little House is Sweet on Volunteers

BY SYDNEY AVEY

A small but mighty group of volunteers braved wind and cold to sell See's Candy for Valentine's Day—all to keep the doors open at The Little House. Sales were as brisk as the weather at the Barn and in the Mar-Val market parking lot.

Our stalwart core group, Maggie Jacobson, Regina Tilly, Mary Brown and Kathy Ryan, marshaled volunteers and moved inventory to keep things sweet in Groveland. Thanks are due to the following people: Rick and Diane Shelby, Sandy Finace, Tony Ausburger, Flo Hansen, Judy Basey, Dawn Silva, Ron Smith, Carol Morrison, Shari Ells and Sydney Avey.

The Little House depends on community support to provide the facility on Merrell Road that hosts programs such as computer classes, Strength for Life and yoga exercise classes, Al-Anon, craft and game groups and so much more. A yoga session for a young mom; help for retirees to conduct personal business or connect with their scattered families; a place for caregivers to relax while their loved ones enjoy the company of others; these are all activities that enrich the lives of individuals and our entire community.

To all those who sold candy for us, bought candy to gift or enjoy, or allowed us to tuck a candy laden table in a corner of their enterprise we offer a chocolate covered, cream-filled thank you!

Come Meet "The Martins" in Hawaii!

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

Have you dreamt of joining the ideal couple for a fabulous vacation in Hawaii? "The Martins", a hysterical new comedy written by Ruthann Peirona, will give an entirely new meaning to "vacation from hell"! You'll thank your lucky stars that you aren't personally sharing a vacation with Edgar and Louise Martin, played by Greg Jones and Sally Salinas! Their dream vacation to the Islands quickly becomes one disastrous event after another. The Martins will cross paths with a host of

characters played by Nadele Manzo, Bob Swan, Anita Millard, Bill Mingus, Barbara Klahn, Glen Awai, Frank Jablonski and Donna Wines-Lint. Behind the scenes, crew members include Sandra Menacho, Ann Mingus, Marijke Spilman, Sharon Volponi, Paul Klahn, Al Peirona and Luke Sullivan. Mark your calendars now for performances on June 21-24, 2012, at the Groveland Community Hall, and be sure to bring your traveler's insurance with you!

From Your Tuolumne County District Supervisor

JOHN GRAY, TUOLUMNE COUNTY 4TH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR

As I prepare this article, we find ourselves getting a little relief from the dry winter season with spring-like rains and a bit of snowfall. We all hope that this will contribute to more abundant water storage and help to avoid water shortages over the warmer months ahead.

The Board of Supervisors has established a number of goals for 2012 and we are well on our way in accomplishing them.

One of the Board of Supervisor adopted goals for 2012 was to revise the County Code Compliance Ordinance. It has been my opinion that the Code Compliance Ordinance adopt in 2005 was not "user friendly". Frustration with the procedure was expressed by County Staff, complaining property owners and the community at large.

The cumbersome 2005 ordinance was punitive in nature. The goal of any code compliance regulation should be to gain compliance, not create more difficulty.

I am happy to say that at the March 6th Board Meeting, we passed a new Code Compliance Ordinance.

The new revised ordinance has two primary goals. (1) To protect the health and safety of Tuolumne County residents and visitors, and; (2) to gain compliance with the County Ordinance Code. As a secondary goal, the new ordinance aims to provide quick resolution on the determination of violations to provide closure for property owners, complainants and the County.

To address enforcement frustration, the key features of the ordinance cover:

Failure to prosecute : Except for violations impacting health and safety, where in the event the County has no record of the violation a final administrative order must be satisfied. If this is not done within 2 years of the date the code compliance case was opened, the case shall be deemed closed and the County will not re-open or re-file the case under the provisions of the Code Compliance Ordinance.

Statute of Limitation; Violations which have been in existence for 5 years prior to the date of discovery by the County are not subject to the Code Compliance Ordinance. However, all allegations of non-permit violations will be referred to the County Assessor's Office for potential reassessment.

The new Code Compliance Ordinance makes it clear that the prosecution of a violation is up to the discretion of the County. Given the limited resources available at this time, physical abatement of violations will likely be limited to the most serious in regard to health and safety issues.

In cases where the violation is not corrected and do not impact health and safety, the County will consider the case "closed" upon the recording of the Final Abatement Order.

Should the property owner/responsible persons desire to seek any entitlements from the County; those recorded violations will have to be resolved. It is unlikely that a property with a Final Abatement order against it would be transferred with a new mortgage. Under health and safety, resolution of the code compliance would

be part of any transfer.

I know that I have gone into a considerable amount of detail on this topic and I hope that I have not confused anyone but for further information you may refer to the County Web page for the Ordinance in its entirety. The County has struggled for years to gain Code Compliance. As a County Supervisor, I field many complaints concerning property violations. This new ordinance should help to resolve many of those long-standing problems.

On the State Level, It's "Business as Usual... Let's Make Deal". In an effort to provide constitutional protection for the Governor's public safety realignment (AB109-early release from state prison for less violent offenders) there is a new proposal which would lower the proposed sales tax increase from 1/2 cent to 1/4 cent for us all. Then, there would be an adjustment for the two upper income brackets from 1.5% to a 2% increase-for those earners or joint filers with combined incomes of \$600,000, or more. There would be an increase from 2% to 3% for those joint filers whose combined incomes exceed \$1,000,000. The bracket for joint filers earning up to \$500,000 will remain at a 1% increase.

According to an independent legislative analyst, even with these changes that include cuts to the arts, education and other important programs, there will still be a \$2.5 billion dollar shortfall under the Governor's new proposed plan. The tax increase may go a long way towards balancing the budget but it still will not

make up the entire deficit.

Recently, I read an article that during Governor Brown's first governorship personal income tax generated about 1/3rd of the state revenue but since that time, personal income taxes have become the dominant source of state income. I have to ask myself the question "Could the continued increase in the state income tax cause some major financial fallout?" It certainly hasn't fixed anything so far.

I'm not an economist, but it seems to me that planning a budget based on the assumption that a handful of higher income Californians will continue to do well in stocks and other speculative investments will be the answer to solving the State's financial difficulties..

Maybe a better fix to solve our problems would be to make California as business friendly as possible. We have had enough companies leave the State to relocate in non-or lower income tax states to build their businesses.

If you have a solution let me know and I will pass it on to the Governor.

In closing, we have made tremendous strides to improve our local government over the past three years. I look forward to continuing this challenge.

As always, please feel welcome to contact me to discuss matters that are important to you.

You may contact me by calling (209) 533-5521 or email me at: jgray@co.tuolumne.ca.us

Office hours in Groveland 9-11 last Wed. of the month office hours in Don Pedro 9-11 last Thurs. of the month.

Nearby Genealogical Research Libraries

BY KAREN DAVIS

In February, several participants in the monthly Genealogy Workshops made a "road trip" to the new Family History Library at the Church of the Latter Day Saints on Old Highway 120. There were three LDS members there to greet us and they were well prepared with handouts, one-on-one assistance, cookies and punch. It's a beautiful facility with 2 desktop and 3 laptop computers. They offer high speed connection to the Internet, access to the FHL portal and have several genealogy site subscriptions (ancestry, fold3 (formerly footnote), heritagequest, etc.) Anyone is welcome

to use this wonderful facility; it's open and staffed Wednesday evenings 6:30 - 8:30 and Sunday 1:00- 3:00.

Another LDS Family History Center is located at 19481 Hillside Drive in Sonora. Their resources include a large reference library; inter-library loan from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah; computers linked to numerous subscription databases; a microfilm library; microfilm and microfiche readers. They're hours are Tuesday-Thursday, 10am-4pm and 6:30pm-9pm (closed first Thursday evening of each month).

The Tuolumne County Genealogical

Society Library at 158 W. Bradford in Sonora is another research library you'll want to check out. The library contains local records as well as over 1000 books on all states and some foreign countries, miscellaneous microfiche, family histories, school yearbooks and a collection of exchange and donated periodicals from most states and some foreign countries. They also have access to *World Ancestry.com*. They're open Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 - 4:00 and Saturday 10:00 - 3:30.

You certainly don't want to overlook the Tuolumne County Library System. The main library at 480 Greenley Rd. in Sonora has a small genealogy section plus microfilm and fiche readers. One of their greatest assets to genealogists is their ability to borrow books and microfilmed records from the Sutro

Library in San Francisco. If you're not familiar with the Sutro Library, it has the most extensive genealogy collection west of Salt Lake City as well as a comprehensive U.S. local history collection. The County library also offer us in-home access to Heritage Quest Online, a comprehensive treasury of American genealogical sources. It's accessible through the library's web site: <http://www.library.co.tuolumne.ca.us/#focus>.

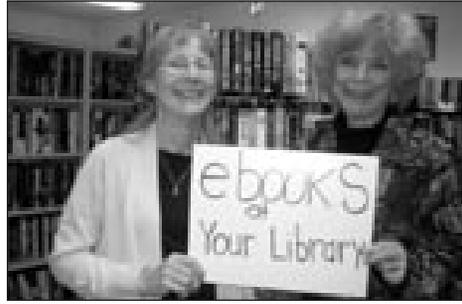
If you're interested in researching your family and would like help getting started or have already done research and would like to meet people who share your interest, please come to our monthly workshops held in the downstairs meeting room of the Groveland Branch Library at 1:00 on the 4th Friday of each month (excluding November & December.)

Friends of the Groveland Library

BY NADINE PEDRON



Big Spring Book Sale raffle baskets designed by FOGL member Joan Hart.



Michalene Martin, Groveland librarian and Maggie Durgin, Tuolumne County librarian are delighted to announce the arrival of ebooks to our library.

BIG SPRING BOOK SALE AND RAFFLE - SATURDAY, APRIL 7th

FOGL's biggest book sale of the year will be held on April 7th from 10:00 – 2:00 downstairs at the library in the Book Nook. ALL HARD BACK BOOKS WILL BE ON SALE AT HALF PRICE, along with other great deals. So, bring a big bag and stock up! While you are browsing and buying, you can enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and homemade snacks. Also, it will be your last chance to buy raffle tickets for gift baskets brimming over with items with these themes: "Totally Chocolate", "Mexican Fiesta", and "Italian Feast". Also being raffled is a lovely framed print of the Iron Door by local artist Leslie Rolfe. The baskets and print are on display at the library where the tickets may be purchased prior to the sale. Proceeds from the raffle and sale are used to support the library and its literacy outreach programs.

eBOOKS ARE HERE AND THEY ARE FREE!

Tuolumne County Library branches

now offer ebooks available to download from the library's website, free of charge. Users may browse the library's website, check out books with a library card and download to their reading devices such as Kindle, Nook and a variety of many other similar readers. The books automatically expire at the end of the lending period. There are no late fees! Visit the website to get set up or if you need help come into the library with your electronic reader and one of our librarians will assist you. County website: <http://www.tuolcolib.org>.

WON'T YOU JOIN US?

The Friends of the Library meet every 4th Tuesday of the month, downstairs at the library at 2:00. We welcome visitors and love new members. For further information on membership please contact Virginia Gustafson at 962-6336 or email: v_mailto:v_richmond@yahoo.com.

Helping Hands Cross the Border

BY JOHN BRUNK GROVELAND ROTARY

March 8, 2012 eighteen US citizens crossed the Mexico border at Calexico to bring vision, foot and dental clinics to two elementary schools nine miles so. of Mexicali. Medical equipment and supplies were delivered. Seven custom picnic benches that were made in Calif. by the Groveland and Escondido Sunrise Rotary clubs were assembled cemented in and painted by the construction crew. The eye clinic did 245 eye exams and dispensed 170 pair of glasses. The mobile dental clinic provided 65 exams, 6 fillings and 5 extractions. One hundred forty

seven fluoride treatments were given. The medical equipment and supplies total value was \$8,700.00 which included an almost new physician's office exam table complete with all the options. The medical crew was Oakdale Lion Dr. Tom Mihok OD, Karen Mihok, Escondido Sunrise Rotarian Debra McIntyre OD, Neil Nebeker OD, Leslie Nebeker, Yvonne Desales, Janie Marchini, Sonya Schali, Paula Thompson, and Alameda Breakfast Lion Ted Mihok DPM. The construction crew consisted Vic Marchini, Oakdale Lion Erwin Schali, Groveland Rotarians

The Soroptimist Scene

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT

Don't forget!!! The 12th annual Family Wellness Faire, presented by Soroptimist International of Groveland (SIG) and held at Tenaya Elementary School, is on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 from 8:00AM to noon. Since this is a project developed to benefit the entire Groveland community, we do not want you to miss out on all the



Members of the Tioga High Volleyball team present a plaque to the Soroptimists in Groveland on March 6th.

beneficial exhibits, information and services, such as blood analysis, bone density, vision and hearing tests. The exhibitors are prepared to bring you so much information to maintain or improve your health. The return of favorite exhibitors is something we all anticipate, but we also hope that some new offerings this year will be just perfect for your needs. Look for more information in this newspaper.

Save JULY 21, 2012 for SIG's 2nd annual "Summerfest." Planning is underway to bring you and your family a really fun, family-oriented day at the PML Stables. We will have fun games and activities for the youngsters, as well as dancing at the "band shell." This year several organizations, including Tenaya Parent Pre-school, have committed to having booths at Summerfest to help raise funds for their respective organizations. This will be a terrific time to invite your out-of-town family and friends, enjoy a picnic at the stables, and SIG will cook and clean up the mess!!

The members of Tioga's girls' volleyball team made a surprise visit to SIG's March 6 meeting. They presented the club with a plaque and a certificate of thanks for the contribution we made to their team. They used the funds, which were a result of our July 2011 Summerfest, to attend several volleyball clinics and tournaments. What a delightful surprise their visit

was for all of us.

Thanks to all of you who purchased a balloon bouquet from the "S" Club during Valentine's Day. By making and selling these bouquets, this fundraising effort enabled the girls to earn money to help defray costs to attend a leadership conference. We're very excited that 10 "S" Club members are attending this year!

Luci Tyndall is a very active member of SIG and mentors the "S" Club girls. She also works at The Little House, and was the featured speaker at SIG's March meeting. Luci provided current information regarding SSSI and its funding, as well as the results of a study that The Little House conducted regarding transportation needs of the residents in Groveland and surrounding areas. It was a very informative and lively presentation.

For the women who have a choice of Spring cleaning or becoming involved and a contributor to this lovely community, please call and join us for one our luncheon meetings and meet all of wonderful members (your neighbors). We meet on the first and third Tuesdays each month at Hotel Charlotte.

Our mission is improving the lives of women and girls in our community and throughout the world. If YOU have an interest in helping your community and having a really great time, call Jeanne Brunk at 962-6276.

John Brunk and Jim Goodrich, Oakdale Sunrise Rotarian Ken Cosner, and Escondido Sunrise Rotarians Ralph Tavares, PE, Silvana Tavares AIA, and Mark Hoekstra. We must thank the following retail stores for there generous donations, Orchard Supply Sonora, and Oakdale Ace Hardware. While Dr. Jose

Bustos DDS of Groveland could not make the trip this year his office donated the fluoride treatments and associated supplies. If you or your friends would like to participate in either monetary or hard donations or have a-medical skill notify me at 209-962-6276

Dinners, Packages and Concerts at The Groveland Hotel

BY JONI GERKING

April is a great month. We are celebrating the arrival of Spring and the early reopening of Highway 120 into the park! The tourists are coming, but haven't arrived in huge numbers, so the roads are still easy to navigate here on the hill.

The Groveland Hotel and Cellar Door Restaurant have a toothsome selection of dinner events this month. Easter Brunch and Dinner figure prominently along with our fourth in the series of Italian Heritage Dinners. We also have the 2012 Yosemite Courtyard Cabaret lineup. You can see the posters on our website and soon they'll be out on the message boards.

Chef Michael Pritchard is putting the final touches on the Easter Brunch and Dinner menus. This year you can celebrate Easter with Brunch served from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Sunday, April 8. You'll find a carving station with choice of ham and roast beef, omelets made to order, eggs benedict, red potatoes, Belgian waffles, fruit, assortment of home baked goods, juices, coffee and a Mimosa for our guests aged 21 and over. The cost is \$25 for adults and \$13 for children aged 3 to 12 years.

Come for Easter Dinner, served from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. Four courses include appetizers of artichoke fritters or Bruschetta, second course is your choice of lobster bisque or asparagus salad, entrees are seafood linguine, choice prime rib, or grilled halibut or salmon, each with succulent side dishes. Dessert options are both homemade, choose carrot cake or warm apple tart. Prices are \$39 per adult and \$19 for children 3 to 12 years old. Reservations are always best for our holiday dinners. Reserve by phone at 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314. Reserve online at: <http://groveland.com/dining/>

On Friday, April 27 our Italian Heritage Dinner features guest speaker Ron Gianelli of Gianelli Vineyards and the Gianelli Vineyards award-winning wines

at 6:00 p.m. Ron's parents were born in Liguria, Italy, their villages within walking distance of each other, but didn't meet until coming to America. Come hear more of the story, learn the history of the Gianelli family's migration to Jamestown while you relish the delectable Italian dishes. \$25 per person includes a three course Italian dinner with coffee or tea; taxes and gratuities are additional. These evenings are social events with long time chums and just made friends sharing stories, swapping tales and laughter. Come for the stories, dinner and fun! Call 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314 for reservations.

The Groveland Hotel is offering a Golf Package for our guests through May 15. The package includes one of our Extremely Nice Rooms, Innkeepers full hot breakfast, \$35 Dinner Voucher for the Cellar Door Restaurant, bottle of wine, and a round of golf for two with green fees, a cart and range balls. Pay \$299 for the package value of \$362. This package is valid March 29 through May 15, 2012. Not available with any other offer or discount or on holidays. Taxes and gratuities are additional.

Hertz is coming to Groveland...on a car by car basis from Sonora's Hertz Local Edition. They offer car drop off and pick up at the downtown hotel of your choice or at the PML airport. Call 209-588-1575 to reserve your car. Note: Hertz charges an additional \$40.00 fee per vehicle for delivery or pick up in Groveland.

Yosemite Courtyard Cabaret 2012 lineup is a mixture of returning performers and brand new shows, and starts on Friday of Memorial Day weekend, May 25! First up is Patsy Cline via country tribute artist, Joni Morris. In June we welcome the Fab Four when the Beatles come to Groveland on Saturday, June 16. Our next show is scheduled for Friday,

July 27 with the Eagles. Friday, August 10 brings The Perfect Gentlemen in a return of their incredibly hilarious performance. Our final concert of the season is a tribute to Tim McGraw on Friday, September 7. We're going back to One Price for Every Seat. Every show will be Terrific!

Find our Yosemite Courtyard Cabaret poster online with the complete lineup and details of dates, times and ticket pricing at: <http://groveland.com/events> Be sure to get your tickets early for best choice of shows and seats!

Coming up in May, we have even more events to share with you.

Mark Twain is coming! On Friday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. Pat Kaunert returns to bring the persona of the celebrated author and humorist to dinner. Join us for an evening filled with wit, satire and homage to the man known as "the father

of American literature."

Join us to celebrate Mother's Day, May 13, with Brunch or Dinner at The Cellar Door Restaurant. Make her day a special one with a delicious variety of breakfast or dinner fare. Stay with us and pay tribute to Mom all weekend long.

May 16 the Amgen Cycling Tour takes off from Sonora's Courthouse Park and follows Highway 49 south on the way to their destination at Clovis. Take a trip down Sonora and see them off or just down Priest Grade to wave and cheer. Remember to bring your cameras!

The Groveland Hotel and Cellar Door Restaurant are easy to find at: 18767 Main Street, Groveland, CA 95321. Phone: 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314. Website: www.groveland.com Email: guestservices@groveland.com

Soroptimist Family Wellness Faire on April 10

We invite the community to take advantage of the Family Wellness Faire on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at Tenaya Elementary School from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Presented by Soroptimist International of Groveland, join us for one of the most valuable annual events for our community. There will be more than 35 health care and wellness-related exhibitors. Health professionals will provide free screenings for bone density, hearing, vision, body fat, blood sugar, diabetes, chiropractic and many more.

Sonora Regional Medical Center will be conducting a standard lipid panel (blood test) for a nominal fee of \$20 (must be 18 years of age or older), and a PSA test

for men for \$10 (a 12-hour pre-test fast is required for these tests). In addition, "BOB," a Mobile Health Van (operated by the Tuolumne County Public Health Department and the Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools, with assistance from many local partners) will be on site, providing sports physicals and valuable health information.

The Family Wellness Faire is one of SIG's major annual service projects as it encompasses the Soroptimist mission of improving the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world. For more information about Family Wellness Faire, contact Linda Hunter at 962-0291.

Sierra Club Hikes

Leader, Frank Oyung, e-mail: frank-oyung@sbcglobal.net, ph. (209) 962-7585, for details and to sign-up.

Sat, Apr 7—Sierra Club Day Hike (2A) Table Mountain Wildflower Hike, near Tullock Reservoir

View the spring wildflowers in full bloom on Table Mountain. Distance is about 5 miles round-trip and elevation gain of 600-700 feet. Rain will cancel this hike. Reservations

required to participate.

Sat, May 5—Sierra Club Day Hike (2B) Mohegan Mine

Hike to the Wild and Scenic Tuolumne River above the confluence of Main Tuolumne and North Fork, Tuolumne River. This is a strenuous, 8-mile, round-trip hike. Be prepared for warm weather, carry sufficient water, a lunch, etc. and be on the lookout for poison oak while on this hike. Reservations required.

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Randi Scott is Tenaya Student of the Month

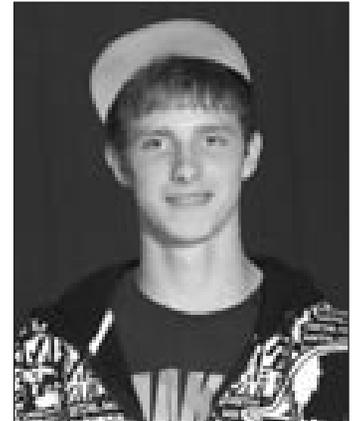
Randi Scott is vivacious young lady who is committed to excellence. Her positive attitude is second to none. Randi arrives at school each day with an admirable determination to achieve her personal best. In addition to her academic achievement, Randi is a three sport athlete; basketball, volleyball, and track. Randi reminds us all that setting a goal, staying focused, and working hard is the key to success. Randi is the granddaughter of Rebecca and Randall Deaton of Groveland.



Randi Scott

Angelo Amoruso is Tioga Student of the Month

Tioga High Schools April student of the month is being nominated by Teacher Jude Hawkins. Angelo is a senior here at Tioga High who is a fantastic athlete. He has been involved in sports all four years, including being the goalie for the soccer team, a leader on the basketball team and a pitcher on the baseball diamond.



Angelo Amoruso

As one of his teachers, I can say he is a pleasure to have in class. His work is always top-notch and on time.

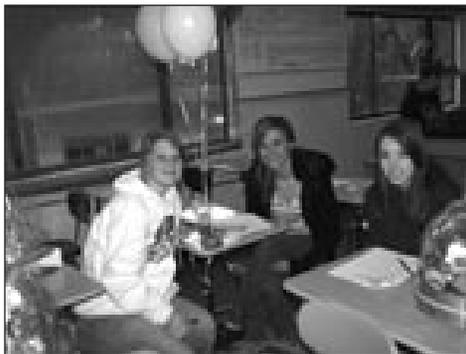
Angelo is liked by his teachers and his peers because he is kind, considerate and generous.

Angelos parents are George and Cecilia Amoruso, of Moccasin.

Tioga S Club Fundraiser

BY DAWNELLE DUTTON

Tioga's S club had a Valentine fundraiser in February. The girls sold Valentine balloon bouquets. We expected to sell around 40 bouquets and we sold 105 bouquets, so the girls had to work extra hard on getting them made. We only had 1 day to make them as the balloons will deflate if were to make them earlier, so the girls spent all night making them. I like to brag about them because they only fund-raise so that they can give the money back to their community. They don't get to take field trips or anything exciting with the money they earn, instead they help others in need. Here are some photos of the girls and their hard work!



(S club members) Nichole, Patricia and Destinee with their balloon bouquets

The girls are off to their annual conference on March 10th to learn about "saddling up for service". We will report to the community what they learned, so be on the lookout!

Tioga Homecoming Court



This year's Tioga High School Homecoming Court included from L to R: Justin Brown, Caleb Decoster, Tyler Mann, Sadie Bryant, Brianna Trevino, Patrisha Trevino, King Anthony Hatton, Queen Delicia Olvera, Kelsie Klaabsen, Shauna Paiz, Jazzmine Hill, Chris Hatton, Skyler Hebert, and Justin Teichert.

Thank You from Tioga High

BY RYAN DUTTON – TIOGA HIGH SCHOOL PERSONAL FINANCE PROGRAM, TIOGA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT BODY

Here at Tioga we would like to take the extra time to thank the PML Guardians group who donated money to us. We have added a complete set of kettlebells to be used in our Physical Education and Athletic PE programs to help prepare our athletes for competition and teach them about physical health. Kettlebells are a new and innovated weight that has a handle on them allowing you to swing

the weight as well as lift it.

Our kids have benefited greatly from these donations already, and it's because of people like you that the kids get to enjoy some of the "extras" that they usually wouldn't see around campuses such as ours. Here is a picture of Tioga Weight training students with their new kettlebells. Thank you so very much.



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APRIL 6

5:30 MR. POPPER'S PENGUINS

Jim Carrey, Carla Gugino, and Angela Lansbury (2011) PG

8:00 THE PRINCESS BRIDE

Cary Elwes, Mandy Patinkin, and Robin Wright (1987) PG

APRIL 27

5:30 ICE AGE: DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS (Animated)

Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, and Denis Leary (2009) PG

8:00 NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM: BATTLE OF THE SMITHSONIAN

Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson, and Amy Adams (2009) PG

MAY 18

5:30 FERGULLY: THE LAST RAINFOREST (Animated)

Samantha Mathis, Christian Slater, and Robin Williams (1992) G

8:00 BRIDE WARS

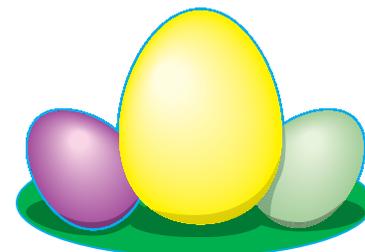
Kate Hudson, Anne Hathaway and Candice Bergen (2009) PG

Please check for the suitability of each film for you and your family. Websites such as www.imdb.com are recommended. Schedule is subject to change without notice.

Scholarships Available

BY JUDY MYERS

The Groveland Thanksgiving Dinner Committee invites Tioga graduating seniors to apply for two awards in the amount of \$250 each. One scholarship will be awarded to a female student and one to a male student. Criteria for selection includes a 2.0 GPA and a statement of community service above the minimum requirement for graduation. Deadline for applying is May 1, 2012. Please contact Judy Myers at 962-5157 for additional details of application.



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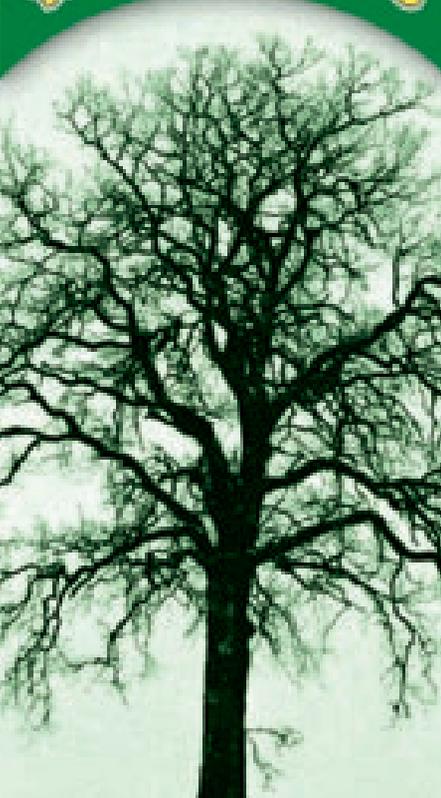
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This two part class is for novice computer users. You'll become more knowledgeable and confident in using your computer, and you'll leave with valuable handouts to help you along. Classes are held at The Little House, 11699 Merrell Road at Hwy 120, from 1 to 3 pm, Monday, April 9th and 16th. The class is free; however seating is limited unless you bring your own laptop. Pre-registration is also required. Send an e-mail to info@thelittlehouse.org or call 962-7303. Provide your name, phone number, e-mail address, and whether you have a laptop or not. The mystery about your desktop is over; now you'll be in command.

Introduction to computer Use is taught by Groveland resident Gary Weinstein. He has been an Information

Technology Professional since 1999, is "A+" and "Network Essentials" certified, and does private computer technical support and training. Gary can be reached at 2techie4me@gmail.com or 962-1875.

These and other computer classes are sponsored by The Little House and Groveland Area Involved Neighbors (GAINS). Other classes include PC Maintenance and Security, from 1 to 3 pm, Monday, April 23, also taught by Weinstein, along with Word II - Cards, Fliers, Newsletters from 1 to 3 pm, Monday, April 2, Excel I- Introduction to spreadsheets from 9 to 11 am, Thursday, April 12, Basic Internet Searching from 9 to 11 am, Thursday, April 19, PowerPoint from 9 to 11 am, Thursday, May 3, and Excel I from 9 to 11 am, Thursday, May 10, all taught by Barbara Broad.

Men's Boot Camp

BY RYAN DUTTON

Calling all local men—all fitness levels! Have you wanted to get in shape, but don't know how? Have you wanted to challenge yourself beyond what you can personally do? If you want to get in shape, gain muscle, push yourself beyond your limits and most of all learn the best techniques available then join the May Men's Boot camp. It will 100% benefit the Tioga weight room and it's equipment. It will be every Saturday in May 8-9:30 a.m. at Tioga High. You will be required to fill out a medical waiver form. Current students will be helping with teaching the techniques they have

learned as well! Taught by Ryan Dutton, current teacher (previous professional athlete)

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We need 10 sign ups to make this possible, so if you want to sign up please email: rdutton19@yahoo.com or call Tioga @ 209-962-4763. If you can't make every Saturday, it's okay...if this goes well we will offer more in the future! Come get yourself in shape and learn a lot! Plus, you'll be giving back to the local school in the meantime!

Adult Softball in Groveland?

BY LORETTA DOOLEY

Last year after a prolonged absence adult softball returned to the Groveland area. We had a GREAT season that was a lot of fun. It was good for the fans, the players and the community and I hope to see this program continue! However, myself, nor any of the other former organizers are able to organize and run the league this year. It is my sincere hope that some community members will step up and take over the responsibility of running the league and that this community event will continue for years to come.

Therefore I am scheduling a meeting for all interested parties on April 4th, 2012 at 6pm at the Iron Door Saloon. Anyone who has an interest, whether as a player, sponsor, spectator, umpire, manager, or organizer, should attend this meeting and be willing to get involved if they wish to see the league continue. If more than a few individuals

are willing to accept this challenge I suggest an informal vote be held to establish league officers.

If by the end of this meeting, no one steps up to run the league, a discussion will be held on how to disperse the remaining funds and equipment to a local cause. A few suggestions are to donate the equipment to the Tioga High baseball and softball teams and the remaining funds to the endeavor of upgrading the snack shack at the Leon Rose Field for use by both the high school teams and any future adult leagues that may develop. Another possible beneficiary is the local Little League but other suggestions are open for discussion.

Your input and participation is needed – Its Time to Step Up to the Plate!

If you have any questions or concerns on the matter I may be contacted via email: yosemitel@yaboo.com.

Helping Hands Happenings

BY JOYCE SMITH

It looks like Spring outside. Come to Helping Hands and you will see we are really looking like spring. We had a workday on a Sunday to take out some winter things and Valentine stuff. However, we may have a few St. Patrick items around. We do this every year to make room for Easter. We have tons of Easter stuff. We look like a bunny farm. We have Easter bunnies galore, waiting to go home with someone special. We aren't limited to just bunnies. We have all kind of things for Easter. We will be stocking our racks with clothes the first and second weeks of April as time and space permits.

Check your calendars for April 13th and 14th, those are the days for the free clothing giveaway at the Community Hall. There is another article regarding this event in this paper. We do this for the community and are happy to help in this way.

Also you will find another article regarding the Helping Hands building. The building is very historic and interesting. Patti Beaulieu, our Store Manager interviewed our Landlord, Leonard Cassaretto. Helping Hands is celebrating our 30 Years this year, and we will be sharing some history facts from time to time.

Welcome new volunteers, Susanne Woods and Linda Kocher. Susanne joined us in February and Linda started in March. They are will be working at the barn. We are happy to have them join our group..

Daylight Savings started on March 11th but we will not be changing our closing time until Monday April 1st. ON Monday April 1st our hours will be 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Happy Easter!

See you at the Store or Barn.

Kiwanis Book Drive

BY ERMA HOLCOMB

Does your child or grandchildren have books they have read so many times that they are tired of them? Kiwanis would like to give you the opportunity to recycle them. You can bring used books, in good condition, to Tenaya School, and put

them in a designated box. They will be added to the books Kiwanis give away to children on Halloween night. Thank you for your participation in encouraging children to read more.

Tenaya Parent Club

BY ERIN SERRA

What is Tenaya Parent Club?

Tenaya Parent Club is a group of volunteers that provide fun events for students and fund raise to make improvements at Tenaya School. Members include teachers, staff and parents.

What does Parent Club do?

Parent Club organizes annual events such as Stuff the Bus, Scholastic Book Fairs, Fall Festival, Avon fundraiser, Santa's Secret Shop, and the staff appreciation luncheon.

We also organize ongoing fundraisers. Tenaya t-shirts and sweatshirts are available for purchase at reasonable prices, so students, teachers, staff and parents can show their Tenaya pride. Gift cards are available for purchase at the school office – a percentage of the gift card value goes to Parent Club. We collect and submit Box Tops; 10 cents per Box Top may seem small but it adds up when many people participate.

Two new programs kicked off this school year, thanks to local businesses. Miller Brothers Automotive Repair is donating \$5 from each oil change to Parent Club, and Mar-Val is donating 1% of purchases for receipts turned in to the school.

What does Parent Club do with the money they raise?

Parent Club purchased new basketball and track uniforms last year, as well as giving \$1,500 to teachers for classroom supplies. This year, Parent Club purchased playground equipment, commissioned a playground equipment cart, and is helping to fund painting of the playgrounds.

Brainy Groveland donated \$600 and Parent Club \$1,100 to purchase over 160 books for the school library. The

students have really been enjoying the new books. Special thanks to Brainy Groveland and to the library volunteers. Parent Club gave an additional \$100 to Mr. Egger to purchase new book quizzes, and \$300 is being set aside for future book purchases.

In the works is the purchase and installation of an electronic marquee near the school parking lot to display important announcements.

What can parents and the community do to help at Tenaya School?

Tenaya School welcomes volunteers. In addition to classroom and library volunteers, there are several local organizations that provide enrichment at Tenaya, including Brainy Groveland, Bookleggers, and Tailwagging Tutors.

Parent Club welcomes volunteers to help with ideas, organizing, and staffing events. You do not need to attend meetings to be part of Parent Club. There are many people who help out from home, or who help out with events that happen outside of work hours. Donating your time at even one event during the year will improve Parent Club's success. Stop by or call Kelly Hawkins at the school office to ask how you can help.

Don't have time to volunteer?

Support the school by turning in Box Tops and Mar-Val receipts, get your oil changed at Miller Brothers, buy gift cards or a t-shirt at the school office, attend an event, buy something at one of Parent Club's fundraisers, or thank the teachers and staff for their hard work.

Thank you to all those who support Tenaya School.

Senior Events...at The Little House and Beyond

THE LITTLE HOUSE

By now the Free Senior Lunch and Elder Financial Abuse Event has come and gone. We'd like to thank everyone who participated in this wonderful event. We learned a lot about elder financial abuse. Unfortunately, it's more prevalent than we'd like to think. Do you know what to look for? If not, drop us an e-mail at info@thelittlehouse.org and we'll share what we learned.

Do you know someone in our community who is just one of those incredible volunteers quietly going about their business, but there helping in any way they can? If they are 60 years or older, consider nominating them for Tuolumne County Senior Volunteer of the Year! The Tuolumne County Commission on Aging is once again honoring our senior volunteers. Nominations are due by April 25th. Contact Cathie Peacock at 586-4802 if you would like a Nomination Form or if you have questions.

If you are still interested in Computer Classes, take a look at the upcoming classes. In addition to the Introduction to Computers, Parts 1 & 2 described elsewhere we have:

Word II – Cards, Fliers, Newsletters

Thurs, Apr. 2 - 1:00 p.m. Barbara Broad

Excel I – Intro to Spreadsheets

Thurs. Apr 12 - 9:00 a.m. Barbara Broad

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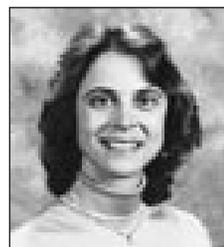
Thurs. May 3 - 9:00 a.m. Barbara Broad

Excel I – Intro to Spreadsheets

Thurs. May 10 - 9:00 a.m. Barbara Broad

As in the past, classes will be taught at The Little House using laptop computers donated to GAINS. All classes are free.

Space is limited to 10 people per class, so sign up early. You can register for the class by sending an e-mail to info@thelittlehouse.org or leaving a message on the answering machine at The Little House. The number is 962-7303. In either case, please provide your name, contact information, and the class you are registering for. Someone will get back to you and confirm that you are registered for the class.



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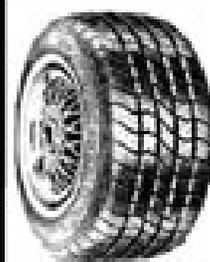
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Mountain Lutheran Church

BY DOROTHY PARKER

Easter is just around the corner and we are preparing in these 40 days to be ready for this festive worship service on April 8, 2012. Pastor Ralph Herman will conduct the 10AM Easter service. Mountain Lutheran Church will also host the 7 AM Community Worship service on April 8 with Pastor Ginger DuMars hosting the service.

The meaning of Lent originally meant Spring and is to be understood as a time to reflect on baptism and its basis in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Therefore it is a time for rebirth and renewal in preparation for Easter.

There will also be a Good Friday worship service at noon at the Evangelical Free Church on Ferretti Road.

Our Bible Study meeting days for April are the 5th and the 19th as we continue to study 1st Corinthians at Mountain Lutheran Church. Friends and neighbors are invited to attend these classes.

The next 5th Sunday Gospel Sing will be on April 29, 2012 at the Evangelical Free Church. These are enjoyable events when you can sing your heart out. It starts at 6 PM with refreshments served at 7 PM.

The 2nd Mile Giving planned for April is Tornado Disaster Relief. The Seven-State

Tragedy desperately needs our help. For May it will be the South Side Seniors. And for June it will be Feed the Children-USA. Remember this donation is above and beyond our regular giving.

We are planning a parking lot sale at our church on July 13th and 14th, 2012. So if you have any items you're not using anymore please drop them by our church. You may also call Shirley Carmen at 962-5647 or Dorothy Parker at 962-6248 to pick them up.

Mountain Lutheran Church is in the process of buying bibles for our congregation. So we are looking forward to donations for this effort.

At our last council meeting we discussed the benefit of working with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Any projects we undertake must involve members from 6 households. The effort must be mentally, spiritually and physically and they will match the profit from the work which benefits the community and our church.

We hope that you will visit our church and enjoy the friendship. Our Worship Service starts at 10 AM every Sunday morning. We are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court just off Ferretti Road, Groveland.

OBITUARY

Robert J. Wrighton, Sr.

April 6, 1923 – February 9, 2012

Robert J. Wrighton, Sr. passed away peacefully at home on February 9, 2012 in Vista, CA. He was born in Detroit, MI on April 6, 1923.

Bob served in the Army Air Corp in World War II and flew 59 missions over Europe as an engineer gunner on a B-26 bomber. He received the Purple Heart and the Air Medal. After the war, he worked in aircraft manufacturing and held eleven patents with Pacific Scientific Company. He also designed and held patents for a pneumatic car wash, and other private sector products.

Bob's passion was cars. In 1988, with his longtime friend, Bob Mills, they restored a 1934 Buick sedan and participated in "The Great American Race" from Anaheim, CA to Boston, MA.

He was predeceased by Robert J. Wrighton, Jr. on May 3, 1970. He

is survived by his wife of twenty years, Caroline, son William G. Wrighton (Charlene) Groveland, CA, daughter Mary K. Wrighton, San Diego, CA, sister Margaret (Peggy) McIntosh, San Gabriel, CA; stepchildren, Steve Wilkins, Seattle, WA, and Jay Dee Wilkins, La Porte, TX. In addition, Grandpa Bob is survived by three grandchildren and five great grandchildren along with many nieces and nephews. Bob will be lovingly missed by wife, Caroline, family and friends..."Thanks for the Memories"!

A Celebration of Life was held on March 10, 2012 at Shadowridge Country Club where Bob played many enjoyable rounds of golf and many games of Bridge and cribbage. The family suggests donations to Silverado Hospice Care, 3750 Convoy St, San Diego, CA 92111 or a charity of choice.

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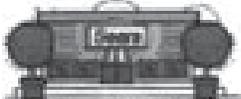
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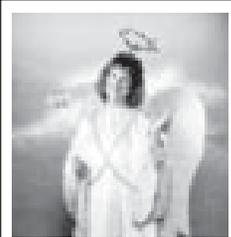
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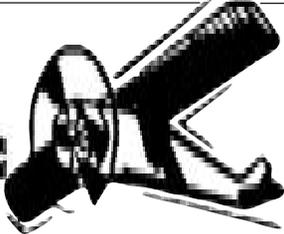
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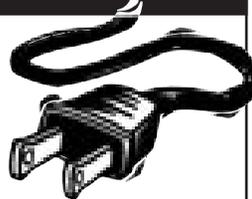
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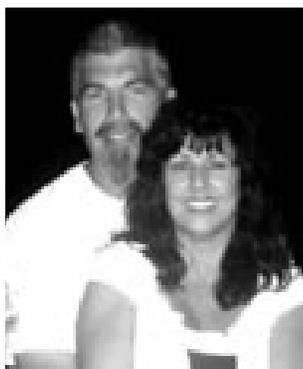
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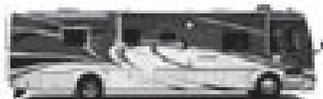
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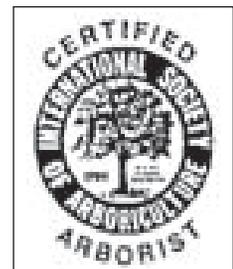
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CRAFT FAIR/FLEA MARKET
 Spring is on its way and its time to have a **Craft Fair & Flea Market** at the Odd Fellows Hall in Big Oak Flat April 20, 21, 22, 2012 9:00 am till 5:00 pm. \$10 per day per space. You can sell and shop all three days or just 1 day. For info or space call Joanne Bacci **209-962-5912** or email *cookiesax1948@gmail.com*



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90 YEARS YOUNG!
 Hal Mayo celebrated his 90th birthday with a surprise party at The Grill on March 11th. Attending were Hal's wife Sonja, his three Children, Judi Wilkinson of Groveland, Don Mayo of Pleasant Hill, and Terry Mayo of Las Vegas. Stepdaughter Catherine, 7 of his 8 grandchildren, and 3 of his 8 great-grandchildren. **Happy 90th Birthday Hal!**

ANNOUNCE IT HERE! BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, NEW BABY, GRADUATION, THANK YOU...
 Place an announcement in this section for 30¢ a word. Add a photo for just \$10. Call **962-0342** today.

NOTICE

New Ads, Changes & Cancellations are due by the 15th of the month.
 Please remember, **classified ads run, and you will be billed, until you contact us, cancel your ad, and receive a cancellation #.**

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Lots For Sale

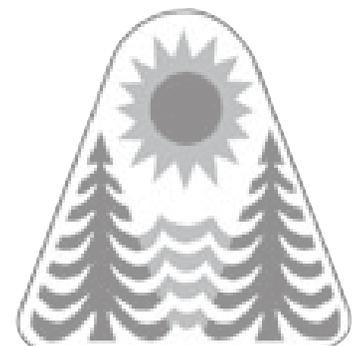
Contact PMLA at 209.962.8600

PMLA LOTS FOR SALE AT REDUCED COST

PMLA OWNED LOTS FOR SALE:

Unit/Lot Numbers	Street	Asking Price
2/020	Mueller Drive	\$500
3/057	Pine Mountain Dr.	\$500
5/212	Ferretti Road	\$500
6/057	Cottonwood St.	\$500
6/118	Ferretti Road	\$500
7/061	Ferretti Road	\$500
7/062	Ferretti Road	\$500
7/063	Ferretti Road	\$500
7/283	Ferretti Road	\$500

For further information regarding any of these properties please contact PMLA at (209) 962-8600



Pine Mountain Lake Association
 19228 Pine Mtn. Dr.
 Groveland, CA 95321



12754 Mueller – 5/193 BANK-OWNED 3bd/2ba home, across from Country Club/golf course/pool/tennis. Open floor-plan w/master suite up. 2-car gar. Needs a little TLC. Pre-approval ltr from BofA Home Loans required prior to submission of offer. \$93,900 #20120333



13150 Wells Fargo – 2/216 CUTE MOUNTAIN HOME, being sold "As Is". 3bd, all on one level and 1-car garage. Concrete driveway. A/C and forced-air heating. Whatever furniture/furnishings are left will be included at no value or warranty. \$95,000 #20120018



20046 Pine Mtn Dr – 13/281 GREAT OPPORTUNITY! Take advantage of this great price and own a cabin in the mountains. 4bd, 3ba, 1884sf. Guest quarters downstairs, with separate, private entrance. Short Sale! \$123,000 #20111988



12900 Green Valley – 3/410 SPACIOUS CHALET with upgrades. Newer hardwood floors, newer kitchen granite counters, large pantry and new roof in 2010. Nice-sized front deck. Bonus room off garage has full bathroom & laundry room. \$145,000 #20111226



20283 Marina Ct – 13/318 SURROUND YOURSELF with the sounds of nature. Chalet-style home on two merged lots. Newer roof, deck & exterior paint. Knotty-pine interior, vaulted open-beam ceilings and wood-burning stove. Loft can be extra sleeping area for 4. \$149,500 #20111607

Happy Birthday
**Our
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Kim Medeiros

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CONGRATULATIONS!



20771 Big Foot-4/322 SELLER FINANCING! 3bd, 2ba, home, near the Lake Lodge & beach. Renovated in 2005, with newer roof, double-pane windows, garage door, decks, gutters, interior & exterior paint, carpet, cabinets and vanities. 2-car garage. \$199,000 #20103621



12716 Mueller – 5/200 GREAT LOCATION! 3bd, 2ba, 1975sf home overlooks 6th fairway. Very near Country Club, swimming pool & tennis courts. Being sold "as is" condition. All furniture/furnishings included in sale at no value or warranty. \$172,900 #20120364



20795 Non Pareil – 4/29 CUSTOM CEDAR HOME set back on 1/2 acre, w/views of mountains. Mountain-style decor and room for all. Huge family room and private 3rd sleeping area for guests. The beauty of this home brings the expansive living area to all but retains its warmth and serenity. \$325,000 #20104112



20240 Lower Skyridge – 15/73 PRIME LAKE-FRONT. 4bd, 3ba, 2304sf, and large workshop under home. Nice views of the lake & mountains. Extra parking for boat or RV. New asphalt driveway and concrete parking pad. \$425,000 #20111039



20765 Big Foot – 4/319 SINGLE-LEVEL home with separate studio and covered deck. 3bd, 2ba, 2-car garage. Nice renovation thru-out the home—flooring & carpeting, cabinets, lighting and great room windows. \$150,000 #20120227



19865 Pleasant View – 1/243 GOLF COURSE VIEW. Well-maintained 3bd, 3ba, with 2-car garage. Most desirable 2400sf home, perfect for full-time living or vacationing. Enjoy sunny days on the covered deck or cozy up to the warm fireplace on winter nights. \$235,000 #20103737



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



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