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## President's Corner

BY IAN MORCOTT • PMLA BOARD PRESIDENT

November is here and the transition from fall to winter is beautiful at PML. I love this time of year with our crisp evenings and warm days. For those of you who are runners and bikers, the weather could not be better. If you enjoy the winter sports, winter is fast approaching. I am praying for a good season as the last two years have been challenging. Soon all our first winter storm will arrive and the leaves will be gone, and the regrowth will begin. Change is the only constant.

With winter coming, this is the time of year to start raking those leaves and getting the house ready for the wind and rain. The boats are leaving the lake as the water level continues to drop. The maintenance crews have already moved the sand back up the beaches and the play toys are off the lake and in safe storage. The change in seasons is in high gear.

While the change in seasons is just getting started, the budget season coming to an end.

With the budget comes the questions: What is happening to the assessments this year, and why do they keep going up? Projecting needs for the next year can be difficult and the choices are often hard. There is no such thing as a free lunch. As our association ages, more of the amenities we have enjoyed for years start to wear out. This year the Marina is getting some much needed attention with the rebuilding of the Jetty already underway and the Marina Store/Café slated for rebuilding this winter.

Excessive delays of projects often comes

at a higher cost. The lake dredging project is a perfect example. The involuntary permitting delays substantially increased the costs of that project. If you combine voluntary delay with a lack of adequate reserve funding then you create self-inflicted, longer term problems. The odds will increase the need for a special assessment, if there is no funding available to maintain our amenities. Fortunately, Pine Mountain Lake has been funding its reserves and has not had to do any special assessments since. That said, we need to keep systematically building the reserves with a mindful eye towards the anticipated impacts of time.

So while there is an argument to delay the expenses now during hard economic times, the association also recognizes that delay often comes with a hidden wave of future costs. This Board and management is mindful of the delicate balancing act that is needed to keep expenses under control while not causing foreseeable problems in the future.

Finally, as budget season comes to a close, the plans for the year are being set and decisions made. The final tweaks and formal adoption of the budget plan is made at the November meeting. At that point, goals and objectives will have been set and from there on it is execution.

There is always more work to be done and the policies and procedures become more of the focus as we prepare for our peak season starting in spring. Keeping our amenities running with a high level of quality and service requires constant



vigilance and hard work. Pine Mountain Lake runs so well because of the team work of its staff and volunteers. I would like to thank each and every one who plays a part in the organization. Your efforts are noticed and appreciated.

Aside from all the work needed to keep this association running well, and the nature of our busy lives. We should remember that Pine Mountain Lake is a fabulous launching point to see some of the most beautiful places on earth.

The weather is fantastic, so get outside and enjoy the beauty of nature. Yosemite is open for visitors and if you don't like crowds, now is the time to go. Our local businesses need your support.

Year around, Pine Mountain Lake is a great place to visit and live. Come and enjoy!

## On the Cover



The Grill kitchen staff would like to invite everyone to have a fabulous Thanksgiving Dinner this year. Either dining at The Grill or enjoying a Thanksgiving Dinner-to-go prepared by The Grill kitchen and served in your own home. See page 14 for details.

Happy Thanksgiving to you all.

Photo by Ivonne Deckard.



# General Manager's Message

BY JOE POWELL, CCAM, CMCA, AMS, GENERAL MANAGER

## 2014 BUDGET AND ASSESSMENT!

Well another annual October budget meeting has come and gone, and I am never disappointed by the predictability of the process. Whenever the topic of assessments comes up, the discussion can get emotional, because any additional cost hits home with every member.

The Board and management worked hard to prepare a budget that allows us to properly maintain the facilities, operate the Association and provide the service our members have come to expect. In recent years, we have been able to reduce labor costs through reductions in headcount. Nevertheless, other factors contribute to overall increases, such as lot mergers and rising costs in utilities and fuel. We will continue to find savings where we can and implement new methods of efficiency so that we can provide the same level of service to our members going forward.

I would like to thank our Budget and Finance Committee for their diligent review and assistance during this process. I know that the Board took their recommendations seriously as did I. Having multiple reviews of the proposed budget, only serves to improve it with each iteration.

The final draft of the 2014 Budget is scheduled for approval at the November monthly Board meeting. The assessment and budget package will be finalized and mailed out to the membership at the end of this month.

## RIM FIRE POST-INCIDENT MEETINGS

After any emergency, we conduct a post-incident meeting to review what went well and what can be improved. Last month we met with local emergency services to discuss the Rim Fire and what we can do to improve coordination and communication. We held a follow-up meeting with our PML Fire Abatement Team to work on planning and strategic budgeting based on the conclusions reached at our post-incident meeting.

The main focus of the Fire Abatement Team will be:

- Upgrading our communication systems so that we can reach more of our members during an emergency.
- Focusing more fire safety attention on neighboring properties that surround PML.
- Scheduling time with the County Office of Emergency Services to assist with improving dissemination of their public information, so that we can better educate our members.

We found that given the size, speed and scope of the fire, there was a delay in getting real-time information from Incident Command to the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department. There were several technological challenges that caused problems including cellphone reception in remote areas. Nevertheless, we quickly adapted and utilized every tool we had to get the word out.

PML will continue to work on improving

our operational response internally and seek to assist the County and State in improving their operations. I am pleased to announce that your PML Board has already taken steps to improve communication in our area, by approving the installation of a cell tower in PML. It will take some time to get the tower approved by the County and installed, but once it is, we anticipate much better cellular coverage.

## MARINA JETTY PROJECT UPDATE

The Marina Jetty Project continues to progress and we anticipate completion of the main structure before the end of the month. The Marina Jetty is an outcropping that extends out from the end of the Marina near the boat ramp. The purpose of the Jetty is to provide a barrier to limit the impact of wave action on our boat slip area.

Unfortunately, the project was delayed due to manufacturing issues with the blocks that provide the foundation and outside wall. The vendor quickly moved the processing system to a local provider and we were soon back underway.

## MARINA STORE/CAFÉ PROJECT

As I mentioned in last month's article, the Marina Store/Café building was funded for replacement this year. The project has been deferred for several years, and our maintenance staff did a great job keeping the building repaired, but it is time for an upgrade.

The final floor plan for the Marina Store/Café design will be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval at the November Board meeting. Once the final plan is prepared and receives Board approval, we will move to secure the appropriate permits and put the project out to bid. If everything goes as planned, we should be able to secure the permits and bids by January 2014.

Until next month.....

## 2014 ASSESSMENT/BUDGET PACKETS NEW MAILING DATE

The 2014 Assessment/Budget Packets will be mailed to members by **December 1, 2013**.

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This will assure you receive your 2014 Assessment/Budget Packet in a timely fashion and save you and your Association money.

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**WED. 12/25 Christmas Day**

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NEW FACILITIES?

I would strongly agree with C. Phillips letter in the September issue of PML Lake News. The whole reason and Idea of buying a Home here in PML was because of the back to yesterday idea and life. If I wanted to bring my family to life of the rich and endless amenities, I would moved to Tahoe or Las Vegas! Every year our dues increase because of new amenities and improved conveniences? Really? Enough is enough. We don’t need better golf facilities. We do not need a better entrance to the main gate. We do not need a indoor swimming pool!

The Board needs to listen. The main reason we buy here is to get back to the wilderness, the high sierra, the pines. The empty homes and the many foreclosures here now are due in part because of increased dues every year. That is a fact. Keep raising the dues and the board will continue to lose its community.

Danny Maloney  
Unit 6 Lot 172

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DUES INCREASES?

I’d like to echo the sentiments in C. Phillips’s letter. I also rue the status quo elections. My parents paid \$40 dues in 1970. But given inflationary forces, HOA fees will increase. I retired here fully aware of the existing amenities, not because of “what might be.” I use the hiking trails, lake, and pool. Want to swim year round? Invest in a light neoprene wetsuit that’ll extend your swim season by three months. I can tell you where to get one. Let’s form a polar bear swim club. No need for an indoor pool. Want to work out and have a juice bar? Curves designates coed hours, and several Groveland cafes would love your business. Pickle ball? I’d like to meet the four aficionados who can tell this geek what that is. Like Phillips, I don’t wish to finance a retrofit of PML, but to maintain it. I don’t own a private plane or boat. People like me don’t have taxiways, we have driveways. I’m not married to a doctor, I visit one. I didn’t use my J.D. to become an attorney landing in a substantial golden parachute, but a high school government teacher. Before buying, I secured an inflationary history of HOA fees and determined I could keep pace. Any additional 10-20% “one time only” assessment amortized over ten or twenty years would, for me at 63, be a lifetime, now wouldn’t it? Unlike Star Trek’s Borg, I am not infinitely adaptable and resistance may be futile.

Loretta Nardi-Slocum  
Unit 7 Lot 48

GUN & ARCHERY RANGES

In response to William F. Lane’s philosophical question posed in October’s issue: simple bows and arrows are no longer weapons of modern warfare, having given way to more efficient - and deadlier - technology. Even the best archer armed solely with a bow and quiver of arrows would find it difficult to exterminate an entire schoolyard of children or office full of workers in mere seconds. Using historic artifacts of distant times, archery is universally a socially acceptable sport. Of course the type of ramped-up mechanism employed by the likes of Ted Nugent for that truly authentic hunting experience, well, the indigenous peoples of America, Australia, and New Zealand could have only dreamed.... All this being said, go enjoy your shooting range. The Second Amendment has you covered. Guns are an undeniable part of our revolutionary history: they put food on the table, protected families from two- and four-legged predators on the frontier, and for colonial militiamen, evened the odds somewhat against British military might. But states can, and do, also have the right to regulate the manufacture and sale of firearms, at least until the U.S. Supreme Court changes precedent; very unlikely.

Loretta Nardi-Slocum  
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**For The Eight Months Ended September 30, 2013**

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	Members' Assessments Net of Discount	User Fees	Sales, Net of Cost of Sales	Miscellaneous Income	Total Revenues	Total Expenses	(Cost)/Income Before Depreciation	Depreciation Expense	(NET COST) INCOME		
Golf Course	\$ -0-	\$ 660,223	\$ 29,967		\$ 690,190	\$ 948,106	\$ (257,916)		\$ (257,916)	\$ (265,796)	7,880
Restaurant & Bar	-0-	7,454	529,922		537,376	826,594	(289,218)		(289,218)	(295,189)	5,971
Marina	-0-	210,471	94,325		304,796	378,739	(73,943)		(73,943)	(47,042)	(26,901)
Snack Shack	-0-		22,826		22,826	41,456	(18,630)		(18,630)	(17,273)	(1,357)
Stables	-0-	52,596		1,940	54,536	147,207	(92,671)		(92,671)	(95,639)	2,968
Recreation	-0-	27,387	2,795		30,182	71,998	(41,816)		(41,816)	(41,284)	(532)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	21,948		420	22,368	1,113,039	(1,090,671)		(1,090,671)	(1,180,023)	89,352
<b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b>											
Safety	-0-	69,133		690	69,823	628,465	(558,642)		(558,642)	(596,387)	37,745
Administration	-0-	122,063		11,815	133,878	899,499	(765,621)		(765,621)	(863,540)	97,919
<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>											
Assessments	3,515,730			50,628	3,566,358	135,631	3,430,727	606,904	2,823,823	2,848,730	(24,907)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 3,515,730</b>	<b>\$ 1,171,275</b>	<b>\$ 679,835</b>	<b>\$ 65,493</b>	<b>\$ 5,432,333</b>	<b>\$ 5,190,734</b>	<b>\$ 241,599</b>	<b>\$ 606,904</b>	<b>\$ (365,305)</b>	<b>\$ (553,443)</b>	<b>188,138</b>

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

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

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## Fire Safety Update

### Fuel Reduction Program

Starting October 1, 2013, our Fire Safety team will be inspecting Lots by Unit number for fuel reduction opportunities. The purpose of these inspections is to let members know what areas of their properties need additional fire safety work.

### Inspection Schedule:

October	Unit 1
November	Unit 2
December	Unit 3
January	Unit 4
February	Units 5 & 6
March	Units 7 & 8
April	Units 9, 10, 11, 12
May	Units 13 & 15

Lots that are found to need additional work will receive an inspection report with the work required to be completed by July 1, 2014.

For more information, please contact our Community Standards Director, Dennis Pipal at (209) 962-1240.

## CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 8 Months Ended Sep. 30, 2013

	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
<b>2013 Beginning Fund Balances</b>	\$ 1,119,316	\$ 4,840	1,124,156
Interest Income			-
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	395		395
Assessments Earned	1,344,150 <sup>(1)</sup>	32,160 <sup>(2)</sup>	1,376,310
Income Tax Expense			-
<b>PURCHASES BY AMENITY</b>			
Golf Course	(99,821)	(886)	(100,707)
Country Club	(6,165)		(6,165)
Bar			-
Marina	(13,613)		(13,613)
Snack Shack			-
Swim Center			-
Stables			-
Recreation			-
Roads & Facilities Maintenance			-
<b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b>			
Safety	(72,649)		(72,649)
Administration	(1,138)	(32,016)	(33,154)
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(267,544)		(267,544)
<b>Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions and reserve expenses</b>	<b>(460,930)</b>	<b>(32,902)</b>	<b>(493,832)</b>
<b>Adjusted Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 2,002,931</b>	<b>\$ 4,098</b>	<b>\$ 2,007,029</b>

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

- (1) The Budgeted Reserve Fund assessment for 2013 is \$1,792,195
- (2) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2013 is \$32,150



# PMLA Money Matters

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

By the time you read this the Rim Fire will be fully contained and probably on its way to extinction. Unfortunately the same cannot be said about its impact on the individuals, businesses, wildlife and forestland that were its victims. Some lost their homes or other buildings. Some lost the gorgeous scenery that used to surround them. Others suffered both short and long term financial impacts. Fortunately there was no loss of life, although some would argue that a large portion of our wildlife population did indeed suffer such a loss.

So what does all this have to do with our financial situation here at PML? After all we did not suffer any damage as a result of the fire, thanks to the efforts of the thousands of firefighters on scene during this crisis. However while no obvious physical damage occurred, there was a financial cost to PML from this fire.

During the period in which evacuation warnings were in place all of the amenities within the Association were closed as a precautionary measure. With the amenities

closed we saw a marked decrease in our revenues from all of these facilities. In addition for several weeks after the evacuation warnings were lifted the impact of the fire’s smoke continued to take its toll as conditions were not conducive to outdoor activities. This included the Labor Day holiday weekend, which is generally one of our highest revenue periods of the entire year.

The primary areas of impact were the Restaurant, Golf Course, Marina, Stables and Pool. The Grill saw sales drop about \$8,000 below last year, while the Marina lost approximately \$15,000 in product sales and \$6,000 rental revenue. The Golf course took the biggest hit with over \$8,000 less product sales and \$42,000 lost golf play revenue. Smaller impacts were felt at the Stables with revenue off by a little over \$5,000 and the pool which saw its sales decline by \$2,000 as compared to last year.

The combined total of lost revenue for these amenities was approximately \$86,000. That is a fairly good sized number. Now several factors tend to mitigate the negative

impact of such a loss. For example the cost of sales on the product sales revenue reduces the negative impact of this loss. In addition staffing adjustments were made in several areas to reduce the labor cost during this time.

A dramatic loss of revenue such as this could prove troubling for the financial health of any organization. Fortunately for PML we have seen the operating results for the first half of 2013 coming in less than our budgeted level. This means we were able to absorb these losses without a major impact on our financial health. While some of our amenities and departments are showing operating results that are not up to our budgetary expectations we have been able to offset this with positive performances in other areas.

I encourage each of you to review the financial results published here in the PML news and for a more detailed look at our situation go to the PML website ([www.pinemountainlake.com](http://www.pinemountainlake.com)) and click on the financial statement information which contains a complete set of our financial statements each month.

As always your Board and management team will continue to monitor this situation and take any steps necessary to control and mitigate any potential negative impact on our financial situation going forward. For now we remain in good shape and I anticipate we will remain that way through the end of 2013.

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

## On the Lake

BY MIKE HORVATH, LAKE MANAGER/LIMNOLOGIST

### ON THE SHED?

I can’t remember if I ever talked about the “watershed,” but even if I did, this would be a good time to talk about its importance. Basically, a watershed is the area of land that drains into another body of water. Of interest to us, is the area that drains into our Lake. We are part of the “bigger” Big Creek watershed, but not all of that watershed drains into the lake. There is a large portion of the Big Creek watershed that drains the area downstream of the dam and eventually into the Mighty Tuolumne. On the map, the entire Big Creek watershed is outlined in blue. The blue line that extends to either side of the dam delineates the upper part of the watershed that does drain into our Lake, from the lower part.

So why is this important? Well, without a watershed, we wouldn’t have a lake. More seriously, it determines how much water flows into the lake and what is in that water. A poorly managed watershed can cause serious problems for a lake. In a watershed with heavy agriculture, excess nutrients from overuse of fertilizers can cause serious algae problems. Likewise, toxic chemicals and excessive amounts of sediment can be a problem from poorly managed lands.

In our case, we are pretty lucky to live in a relatively undeveloped watershed. Not to say that we don’t have potential threats. If you look at the map, you can see that the lake gets water that flows in from the

Garrotte Creeks. I always get First and Second Garrotte mixed up, but one flows in from the “downtown” Groveland and the other from near Tenaya School. Of course the biggest contributor of water is Big Creek which starts pretty close to the fire lookout on Smith Peak. So, if you care about the health of the lake (and I know you do), pay attention to what goes on in the watershed.

The reason I chose this topic, was because I was “sort of” paying attention. I was certain the Rim Fire didn’t burn into our watershed and we wouldn’t have any serious impacts from rain on bare, burned slopes causing ash and sediment to flow into the lake. Then I saw a document from the county that estimated how much road and culvert work needed to be done due to the fire. It included an estimate for work near Kassabaum Meadow (which does drain into our Lake). It turns out that they included damage to the meadow that may have been caused by staging that took place there.

So, pay attention to what goes on in the watershed and drop me a line if you have any concerns. Over the past couple of years, we had reports of someone building an illegal dam on Big Creek upstream of Pine Mountain Lake. It was true and was quickly resolved by California Department of Fish and Game (now Fish and Wildlife).

Until next time...

SPLASH (that was ice... on malt)... I did sneak some home.

## Guest & Renters Handbook Now Available Online!

You can now view or print the Guest and Renters Handbook from the PML Website.

Go to [www.PineMountainLake.com](http://www.PineMountainLake.com) and click on the Important Information & Forms tab under the Resource Center title. Then click on Guest and Renters Handbook. This handbook has valuable information for Guests and Renters in Pine Mountain Lake.

## PML Safety Report

	September	YTD
Guest Passes Issued	1026	13116
Vendor Passes Issued	173	1700
Temp. Resident Passes Issued	195	4134
Vehicles Admitted	10572	113109
Vehicles Refused Entry	240	3079
Phone Calls Received	4947	59489
Residential Alarm	6	113
Animal - Loose	26	190
Animal - Impounded	5	42
Animal - Dead/Injured	44	213
Animal - Disturbance	6	109
Public Assist	21	224
Welfare Check	2	39
Transport	1	40
Traffic Hazard	0	11
Traffic Control	0	4
Gate - Tamper	3	5
Gate - Follow Through	3	27
Gate - Malfunction	6	92
Gate - Struck by Vehicle	4	20
Control Burn Reported	0	601
Smoke Complaint	1	32
Residential Disturbance	3	70
Amenity Burglary	0	1
Residential Burglary	0	5
Grand Theft	0	1
Petty Theft	2	20
Trespassing	3	17
Vandalism	2	28
Property Damage - PML	3	17
Property Damage - Resident	0	3
PML Reg Violations Resident	1	43
PML Reg Violations Guest	6	43
Vehicle - Citation Issued	1	69
Vehicle - Accident PML	0	9
Patrolling Unit	360	2796
Amenity Security Check	2461	20635
Resident Security Check	474	3504
Monitoring Tennis Courts	5	36
Weapon Violation	0	12
Fixed Post	1	42
Courtesy Notice Issued	4	41
All Fees Collected	\$4,204.80	\$94,953.85

# Our Changing Forest and Woodlands – Part Four

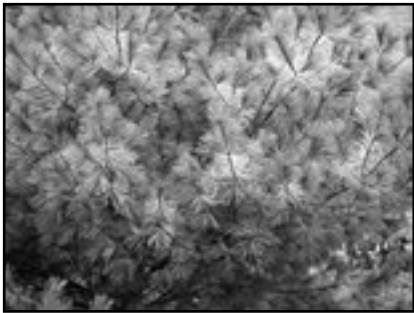
BY TOM MOFFITT, MAINTENANCE MANAGER

This is the forth article, in a series of six, which are intended to provide introductory information for the very noticeable tree problems here in our rural forest. With even casual attention, we are seeing the evidences of an ever changing environment within our forests and woodlands. These evidences are occurring throughout the foothill regions, throughout the state of California, and most mountainous regions of the Western United States. I had omitted publishing of the fourth article in face of the Rim Fire, since so many of the pertinent variables conjoined in bringing the wildfire, and the inherent tree problems, right to our doorstep.

An excerpt from the Part Three article: We have had dry seasons and drought conditions during our cyclical weather periods over these current decades. The long range climate periods have seen alpine glacial ice fields and subalpine climates give way to a

warmer climate; with noticeable adjustments in the snow and water shed patterns. Plants and trees are adjusting to both climate extremes; a harsh winter followed by a mild winter, back and forth. The affects will always support the hardiness of the healthier foliage, and decimate the weaker growth. This die-off will create spaces in the forest canopy, a chance for new growth, and the forest cycle is repeated.

When the conditions are right, the trees are vulnerable to destruction. The elements of pests, disease, damage, weather cycles, and terrain, all culminate for dramatic hardships



The fall needle drop is close.

for the forest trees. High fire danger declarations are directly associated with these elements. As we come out of the dry months, and into the wet season, the trees will molt and drop their leaves and needles. This is the natural cycle in preparation for winter snow and winds.

Nature’s husbandry will prune and thin the forest with broken limbs and downed trees during wintry storms. Areas which have had the trees thinned will see more damage, as the fewer trees are exposed to the snow and wind, especially the live oaks. Winter snows will load the trees with added weight, and over time, the tree will strengthen and endure.

This fall season is unpredictable at best, continued low rainfall, cold nights, the trees are changing leaf colors sooner than usual, and the pines are dropping their older needles. At first glance, many are drawn to believe the pines are in a stressed condition, with large groups of needles turning brown. This is the natural cycle of the pines, shedding the older needles and replacing them with new needle

growth. As the season progresses, the pines and firs will green again. If not, then the tree is in serious danger. Hopefully, with good rainfall and healthy soil, the trees will survive the climate impacts and revive.

Creating a healthier soil and increased water retention is crucial to the health of the trees. Leaving a bed of leaves and pine needles on the forests floor is a valuable mulching. Though many of us have our properties treated and reduced to bare soil for fire abatement, this may not prove satisfactory to the health of the trees. Bare soils will not retain moisture, and will only increase the chance for erosion. There is a balance between fire safe ground and healthy soils. Adapt the soils to the terrain in the fall, knowing that a mixture of this season’s falling leaves, some rain, and healthy topsoil, will build a mulch layer for better water retention in the following summer.

Following the age old knowledge of annual pruning during the winter months, will prove a trusted friend. The sap is low in the trees, the leaves are off, and the wood is dormant. Insects and pests are hidden away in the dark, and are less active. Trimming lower branches, sculpting and balancing the trees, removing dead growth, will all provide a healthier foothill forest and urban landscape.

## ALL PMLA HOMEOWNERS EMAIL OPT-IN PROGRAM

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

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

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

**Reduced Clutter** – By receiving documents via

email there is less paper for you to deal with. All documents can be saved on your computer and viewed at your discretion.

**Timely Receipt** – Documents sent electronically are received in minutes as opposed to the days it takes for regular mail to arrive.

If these sound like good reasons to you, please sign up for the Document Email Program today using the attached form. Simply return the completed form to the Administration office at your convenience.

If you have any questions on this program please feel free to give us a call (962-8600) and we will be happy to explain the details and the advantages.

## Canada Goose Problem WINTERIZE YOUR PROPERTY AGAINST THE GEESE

BY THE PMLA WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

18,900 . . . that’s the approximate number of pounds of goose poop picked up this season from Lake Lodge, Dunn Court and Marina beaches. Last year it was approximately 21,000 pounds. This slight drop can be attributed to the bald eagles that were on the lake in July and to the Deputy Dogs chasing the geese off the beaches.

If your property is affected by the geese, here are some ideas to keep the geese off your property this winter:

You can install a rope fence along your shoreline. String a 3/16” nylon rope at a height of about 6-8”. In wooden stakes, drill a hole large enough to string the rope through and then put the stakes in the ground every few feet. If you decide to leave the rope fence up year round, it is high enough to prevent the geese keep from coming in from the lake but low enough for you to step over and still be able to enjoy the lake. You will have to adjust the placement of the stakes as the lake rises and lowers throughout the year. These rope fences were very successful last winter in keeping the geese off the beaches.

There is also something called a Goose D-Fence System. It is a retractable fencing

system which their website says can be installed or removed in less than 10 minutes. If you’re not handy with a drill to make the rope fence above, this may be an alternative for you. We have not personally tried this here yet. Their website is <http://www.lakerestoration.com/p-32-geese-d-fence-system.aspx>.

If you have a dock, you might want to try a “bird spider”. This device has arms that move in the wind and make it difficult for the geese to get on your dock. They were used this season on the swim docks at Lake Lodge and Dunn Court and they were very effective at keeping the geese off. Lots of property owners are also using these devices with great success. One website you can get more information at is <http://www.goodlifecompany.com/shopexd.asp?id=3794&storeid=bcp>.

The best deterrent to keep the geese away is a dog. Whether the dog is small or large, the geese do not like them. If you don’t have a dog, you might want to consider letting a neighbor or friend let their dog on your property to chase the geese away.

You can reach us at [PMLAWMC@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:PMLAWMC@pinemountainlake.com).

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PMLA Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit/Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



# Community Standards

BY DENNIS PIPAL, COMMUNITY STANDARDS, DIRECTOR

## FALL/SPRING 2013/14 FUEL REDUCTION PROGRAM

We have developed this program to identify Lots which require additional fuel reduction in order to reduce the risk of a wild fire in light of the recent RIM fire. The reason the Rim fire was so catastrophic is the forest was left unattended for the last 25 years and the fuel load became excessive.

We will be inspecting each Lot between October 1, 2013 and May 31, 2014. We are primarily looking for too many trees/brush for the area occupied, removal of dead limbs and tree pruning/limbing, and removal of fallen limbs and dead vegetation.

## OUR INSPECTION SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

- October - Unit 1
- November - Unit 2
- December - Unit 3
- January - Unit 4
- February - Units 5, 6
- March - Units 7, 8
- April - Units 9 – 12
- May - Units 13, 15

At the time of this writing, having completed about half of the Unit 1 inspections, here are a few observations:

Many members have done an awesome job of complying with the PML fire safety guidelines.

Some members have done a good job in the 100 foot defensive space around their house but the rest of the Lot needs work.

Some members require improvement throughout their Lot.

If improvement is needed we will be communicating these requirements via an inspection report with the areas of improvement to be completed by July 1, 2014.

Several questions have come up so far: why are we doing fire safety inspections in the winter months?

We want to give members more options for completing this type of work. The removal/limbing of trees/brush lends itself for burning if the member so chooses, instead of hauling it to the compost pile. In addition, the member will have a longer timeframe to complete this work.

Also, why do we have to reduce the number of trees and ruin my forest atmosphere?

In the areas where tree removal is required, too many trees prevents a healthy existence. Our water and mineral resources cannot support excessive vegetation. Thinning out the number of trees improves the health of the remaining trees and allows them to grow faster with a stronger root structure.

In some cases we are identifying problem areas with ribbons attached to trees/brush. If the ribbon is tied to the trunk of the tree, the tree should be removed. If the ribbon is tied to a branch of the tree, the tree needs limbing or branch removal only. These ribbons are used to aid the member in identifying areas for fuel reduction. If the Lot has many trees with dead limbs, only a few trees will have ribbons. The intent of the ribbon is to provide an example for what needs to be done on the entire Lot. The same holds true for tree removal. If you have a lot of tree startups or many trees in a small area, a few trees may be marked as an example for the rest of the Lot.

We are here to help, so contact our fire safety team if you have any questions. We can be reached at (209) 962-8616.

# Horsing Around the Stables

BY LESTER SCOFIELD  
STABLES MANAGER

The Rim fire caused a big loss of revenue for the stables due to all the smoke and the road closure of Highway 120. Labor Day weekend is always a big weekend for us. I sure am glad that the fire is now under control.

We still do trail rides in the fall and winter although we just do them on the weekends unless prior arrangements are made. So give us a call if you, your family or friends would like to go for a ride. The cost of a 1 hour ride is only thirty five dollars, a 2 hour ride is sixty five dollars. Riders must be at least 8 years old and 44 inches tall. Closed toe shoes are a must and we provide the safety helmets. Reservations for rides are required so call us at 209-962-8667.

Now that we have a new shipment of hay for the year we will be able to sell it to those that need a bale.

I hope everyone had a happy Halloween. With fall in the air a lot of trees are changing color and it sure looks good.

The stables are a very good place to have your family events. We have a very nice BBQ area with lots of grass. We have seating for up to 426 people. People use this for weddings, birthday parties, family reunions and other get-togethers.

Until next time...Happy Trails!

# NOTICE TO PMLA MEMBERS

2014 ASSESSMENT COUPONS AND PRO FORMA BUDGET PACKETS WILL BE MAILED BY DECEMBER 1, 2013

If you have not received your packet by December 15, 2013 Please notify the Administration Office at (209) 962-8627.

PLEASE NOTE:  
Prepayment Discount will only apply when Annual Assessment is paid in full by January 31, 2014. Postmark will prevail.

# Shades of Green

BY ALAN MACDONALD

It is early October and it has been a couple of weeks since greens aeration. They are healing nice, the weather has been good. We are in the process of aerating all of the fairways and roughs now.

Why do we aerate? Aeration has many benefits and they are; reduces thatch or organic buildup, reduces soil compaction, increases oxygen to the soil and roots, and stimulates root growth. If you have been rolled or mowed almost daily for the last five months and had thousands of golfers parade on your back, you too would like to take a deep breath. We do appreciate your patience during these projects.

Our annual U.S.G.A. visit was on the first of October. Some of the suggestions that came out of this report after evaluating our turf and playing conditions were; increase light sand topdressing and additional vertical cutting to the greens, 8-10 times a year to solid tine the greens, 3-5 fairway aerations a year, 6-8 green surrounds aeration a year. The goal with this kind of program is to improve drainage and soil structure in all areas of the course.

If you happen to be playing during the transition from summer to winter, then you can see the need for improved soil structure. If you hit it in the shade of a large oak or pine, the turf can feel like a sponge, if you hit it on a south facing slope it will appear as though we don't even irrigate, this is one of the reasons why we need to change our soil structure through aeration and topdressing. Playing conditions

would also improve if we had just one type of turf instead of the many varieties that we now have. I will thank you now for your patience when you are playing and when are performing different methods to improve our nearly 45 year old course. Due to a variety of conditions, we will never be as aggressive as this report suggests, we do have a limited crew, other projects and daily course maintenance to perform.

In addition to our daily routines this fall, we are repairing the course each morning from all of the raccoon and skunk damage, along with cleaning up after the geese have been around. It has been a long time since we have seen this amount of turf damage from the skunks and raccoons. I kind of think that the fire and all that goes with it has changed their feeding habit some. They are after the European Chafer for the most part, but will feed on anything they can. Many of the sections they are scouting for grubs has no grub activity, they are just hungry and destructive.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. We have many things to be thankful for. As destructive as the fire was, we were fortunate that there wasn't additional damage or injuries. Uncle Milt and his lovely wife survived the oak tree that fell on their home. All of the folks living around the course have survived {I think} all of our own Eddie's tee shots to date.

Come on out, enjoy your course, and most of all, have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

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## GOT YOUR PIN?

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

Office at: (209) 962-8600  
Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 4:30 pm and we will gladly supply this information to you.

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

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

### Vehicle use:

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

### Personal Conduct:

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

### Work Related Conduct

1. Starting work before 7am or continuing after 7pm
2. Allowing dogs at construction sites
3. Performing work on Sunday
4. Cutting down a tree in excess of 5" without PMLA approval
5. Trespassing on neighboring property
6. Using neighbors water or electricity without written permission
7. Leaving construction signs longer than 5 days after work has been completed
8. Nailing signs to trees
9. Storing building materials on street or easement
10. Beginning exterior construction without PML Association approval

Any Questions...call Dennis Pipal, Community Standards Director @ (209) 962-1240

## SUPER SAVINGS ON 2013 GOLF CLUBS



## PML Golf Pro Shop

For the remainder of 2013 all in stock golf clubs will be an additional 10% off of our already low member prices!!

Choose from Taylor Made, Ping, Adams, Titleist and a wide variety of putters!

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# PML Men’s Golf Club

BY DICK FAUX, SECRETARY

The PML Men’s Golf Club sponsored four golf tournaments in September (several of which were postponed from August due to the smoke from the Rim Fire). The four tournaments were the Couples Championship, 2 men’s club sweeps and the annual Hamburger Tournament. The results of all four tournaments are listed below:

COUPLES CHAMPIONSHIP:		
FLIGHT 1		SCORE
1st	Gus Allegri & Marilyn Scott	68
2nd	Will Hoppner & Elisa Hopner	68
3rd	Mike Butera & UnChu Butera	67
FLIGHT 2		SCORE
1st	Dick Faux & Thelma Faux	76
2nd	Barry Scales & Alma Frawley	74
3rd	Mike Hankin & Kay Bettencourt	63

MEN’S CLUB SWEEPS #1 Four Man Shamble		
FLIGHT 1		SCORE
1st	Dick Faux Norm Peebles Allen Craig Rudy Rich	116
2nd	Bill Hippe Dan O’conner Gus Allegri Larry Hunt	117
3rd	Evan Boone Tom Connelly Eddie Wright Dave Egan	119
FLIGHT #2		SCORE
1st	Dan Shuey Charley Mills Milt Foster Michael Guess	120
2nd	John Case Bill Johnson Larry Zimmerman Jim Springer	122
3rd	Dana Solomon Barry Scales Tom Borup Chuck Ross	123

MEN’S CLUB SWEEPS #2 Two Man Scramble		
FLIGHT 1		SCORE
1st	Brian Sweeney/Derrol Beaulieu	61
2nd	Will Hoppner/Doug Schmeitt	62
3rd	Gus Allegri/John Baker	62
FLIGHT #2		SCORE
1st	Del Stockstill/Jim Van Gerpen	61
2nd	Rick Higgs/Dick Mattocks	62
3rd	Chris Ligonis/Dan Davenport	62

HAMBURGER TOURNAMENT		
FLIGHT 1		SCORE
1st	Derrol Beaulieu/Wayne Doty	56
2nd	Dave Needham/Ted Toffey	58
3rd	Charlie Shehorn/Frank Jablonski	59
FLIGHT #2		SCORE
1st	Larry Culler/Dan Shuey	59
2nd	Bill Johnson/Eddie Wright	60
3rd	Dave Frock/Jim Wilbanks	60

In November we will end the golfing season with the annual Italian Open which is a 4-man scramble followed by an Italian dinner at the Lake Lodge.  
If you want to download tournament entry forms for the Italian Open or your 2014 tournament schedule, you can access that information at [www.pmlmgc.com](http://www.pmlmgc.com).

**Life’s Observations by Joe Smith.....**  
1. I always take life with a grain of salt, plus a slice of lime and a shot of tequila.  
2. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

- 3. Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won’t expect it back.
- 4. The evening news is where they begin with ‘Good Evening’ and then proceed to tell you why it isn’t.

**Do you know the rules of Golf?**  
**Q#1.** **A** requests **B** to mark his (**B**’s) ball because it interferes with **A**’s play. As **B** is walking up to his ball to mark it, he accidentally kicks it. What is the ruling?  
**A#1.** **B** incurs a penalty stroke because the movement of the ball was not directly attributable to the specific act of marking the position of the ball. **B** must replace his ball.

**Q#2** In a match, **B** used a wooden tee to mark the position of his ball. **A**’s ball was deflected by the tee. What is the ruling?  
**A#2.** The tee was not **B**’s equipment. There is no penalty. **A** must play his ball as it lies.  
**A** could have requested **B** to move the tee one or more club lengths to the side or to mark the ball position with a ball marker or small coin.

## Garden Club Clippings

BY JOYCE SMITH

Our temperatures are falling, trees are showing a lot of color and leaves are falling so it must be fall. We have some really lovely color in our area so if you look around you will be rewarded and you don’t have to go away from home.  
We took part in the 49er parade. We didn’t know until almost the last minute if it was going to happen or not, but it did happen. The breakfast, parade, Summerville Band, chili cook-off and all park festivities were a great success. We had a great time!  
Away we go! We met at the Jail at 11:00 on October 14th to carpool for our trip to Covers Apple Ranch. This was our regular monthly meeting date. First we had lunch, then a tour, train ride, and a visit to the gift shop,what fun. Of course lunch included apple or berry pie, apple cider, tea or coffee and our pre-ordered sandwiches. An added plus was a side of Cover’s applesauce. MMMMMgood. The Cover’s are special friends to our Garden Club. We thank them for having us. We usually invite them to come sometime during the year to share some of their plants with us. We always learn something from their visits.  
We wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! See you soon.

## PML Men’s Nine Hole Golf Club

BY WALT BALES

**ANNUAL CLUB CHAMPION TOURNAMENT RESULTS**  
  
**Men’s Nine Hole Club Champion for 2013:**  
**Wally Child**  
  
**INDIVIDUAL PLAY:**  
Second: Larry Fuller  
  
Third: Steve Burke  
  
**TWO MAN BEST BALL:**  
First: Danny Ayala and Wally Child  
  
Second: Lloyd Case and Rich Robenseifner  
  
Third: Steve Burke and John Klink  
  
**LOW PUTTS:**  
First: Larry Fuller  
  
Second: Danny Ayala  
  
Third: Larry Culler  
  
**CLOSET TO THE HOLE:**  
John Klink

## PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

<b>Aviation Association</b>	
Eric Henderson	962-0832
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Frank Perry	962-0728
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Yvonne Mattocks	962-4165
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Eric Heim	962-5401

## PML Action Hero: Paul Weaver

### WWII PURPLE HEART – PUBLISHER – OCEAN SAILOR – RESORT OWNER

BY JANET GREGORY

For some people life is well organized, like a classical music concert. For others, like Paul Weaver, life is more like a jam session. He characterizes it as “life by accident” but downplays the talent and attention he brings to both work and play. Most importantly, it does not honor his high-spirit, feisty-nature and mischievousness!

As a college freshman Paul got caught in WWII hysteria. He quit school, enlisted in the US Army Infantry and found himself in basic training in Arkansas. Paul’s feisty side led to the “thrill” of digging a 6-by-6-foot hole and refilling it! At the end of training he qualified for officer training but chose the Army Specialized Training Corps which promised an engineering degree and officer rank. Sounded good! Months later the program was cancelled, Paul was shipped to the 96th Infantry Division, became a BAR rifleman and sent overseas. Ugh, not good.

Paul’s combat experience started in an amphibious tank landing with the first assault wave retaking the Philippines on Leyte Island,



Paul Weaver

October-1944, just ahead of General McArthur. “It’s a dramatic war memory – rockets firing, dense smoke from chemical mortar shells, the roar of planes overhead, bombs sounding like freight trains and people shooting at us.”

A few weeks later, advancing against heavy enemy fire while digging a foxhole, Paul was hit in the left shoulder and arm by machine-gun fire. As he was crawling to the rear, he was hit in

the right shoulder by a sniper. He and a medic decided it was time to get the hell out of there and headed in a dead run to the rear.

After full recovery a year later, he returned to University of Nevada-Reno and finished his journalism degree. He worked for his father briefly but got a spark to break-out on his own. He started a weekly newspaper in Pacific Palisades, California. It was an exciting success. After four years of hard work he sold the paper (which is still publishing today) and bought a one-way ticket to Paris.

Traveling in Mallorca, Spain, Paul bought a small sailboat, became captivated by sailing and sailed the Mediterranean for a year. He and a friend had a boat built and sailed across the Atlantic. Fabulous days: no motor, no electronics, just a good sextant and the trade winds – destination Barbados.

Back to reality, next stop: Flagstaff, Arizona, where Paul bought a small printing business. Teaming up with a fine book designer, Paul “accidentally” got into book publishing. Publishing became a passion, capturing the vibrant beauty and art of the Southwest in print: “from the first glimpse of an illustration the romance begins and doesn’t end until the book is complete.” Every book has a personality of its own from paper to final binding. His work at

Northland Press won great acclaim, national awards and today collectors treasure his books.

The sea called again. After 25 years in Arizona high country, Paul was asked by a friend from Spain to sail the 1976 China Sea Race. He loved it, deciding to enter the race himself in 1978. He had a boat built in Newport Beach and sailed the Pacific to Hong Kong to enter the race to Manila. Paul damn-near sailed around the world - in sections.

British Columbia held the next adventure. Paul bought a small island that faced the inside passage to Alaska. The next 25 years were spent designing, building and operating Farewell Harbor, a fly-in fishing destination. Operating from June to September, the waters brought Chinook, Coho, halibut and Dungeness crab to the table for the guests of the resort. Ask Paul for some great recipes.

PML has been home for Paul since he sold the resort four years ago. He was introduced to Groveland by a regular guest at Farewell Harbour. PML offered great climate, people, tennis, stables, swimming and more. The grandkids love it too. You can find Paul most mornings at the Cross Country Café for breakfast. As an action hero or “accidental” hero, Paul knows when things are right; there is a spark that says, “Hell yes, gotta do it.”

## RIM FIRE AFTERMATH: The Rim of the World Before & After



Before photo, with fog & clouds in the canyon, courtesy of Heidi Stolp



After photo courtesy of David Wilkinson

## An Open Letter from the Groveland Cal Fire Battalion Chief

I would like to take a moment to thank the Property owners and Management of Pine Mountain Lake. Your efforts concerning defensible space and vegetation management in the green belt areas significantly reduced the threat of damage from the Rim Fire. The community was praised by Incident Management Teams from out of State

on your fuels treatment and defensible space programs. The Community is a model for others to follow and should be proud of the work accomplished in the last 5 years.

In the past two fire seasons the Community of PML has



been threatened by wildfire and has seen evacuations in several Units during both fire events. This stands as a reminder to not only maintain the outstanding work that has been accomplished but to continue to improve on proposed projects.

I look forward to working with PML Management and Staff in the future to accomplish these goals.

Jeff Sanders  
Battalion Chief  
Cal Fire  
Groveland Battalion



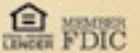


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# News from The Grill

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



N o v e m b e r already? Where did the time go? Well it's been a busy year and even though the summer has ended, there is always something to do at the Grill or the 19th Hole Lounge. And as we close out 2013 next month I thought I'd recap some of this year's highlights. To start this year we had 2 wonderful Sunday brunches on Easter and Mother's Day. We held a Comedy dinner. We just had our Murder Mystery dinner. We hosted monthly Wine Tasting dinners and also a few Beer tasting dinners in addition to a Sake tasting dinner and Tequila tasting lunch. Some of the more popular days and weekends were Valentine's Day (for a romantic dinner), St. Patrick's Day (for corned beef and cabbage), Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends, and the entire week of the 4th of July. The 19th Hole Lounge will continue to have live music every Saturday from 8pm until midnight and the always popular Karaoke on the first Friday of each month. The hardest part of my team's job is trying to please everyone, but as you can see I think they have done a very good job satisfying

a very diverse range of property owners. If there is an event that you would like to see us host for you feel free to contact me and I will be happy to look into it. We are here to serve you and we welcome any new ideas.

There is so much to do in and around Pine Mountain Lake, no matter what your interests are the Grill is the place to celebrate that special occasion or have a nice family meal. During these winter months come relax with us after a day on the slopes or ice skating in Yosemite Valley. We serve lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday and breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. We close a little earlier for dinner during the winter Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday at 8pm and Friday and Saturday we serve until 9pm. We still do quite a few events so call ahead for reservations.

November is the month to give thanks. So, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you that continue to support your restaurant. Whether you bring friends to dine with you or you recommend us to someone looking for a place to dine, your support is vital to our success. I would also like to thank all our hardworking employees, because I think you will agree, the Grill is only as good as the people that work here.

I also encourage you to keep emailing me your questions and suggestions at [clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com).

See page 28 for the upcoming Entertainment Events in the Lounge



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## PML Racquet Club News

BY KEN STEINER

### Another report from the courts from the Racquet Club Scribe.

2013 Davis Cup/Celebration: On the beautiful, smoke-free morning of Saturday, September 28, twenty-four spirited Racquet Club members took to their annual Davis Cup competition with gusto. In addition to getting an opportunity to play some tennis, this year's event was also a celebration of the survival of our community, so the members were pleased to participate.

The four teams competing this year were the Racqueteers, the Tornadoes, the Penn Pals and the No Name/No Leader team (not lead by your Racquet Club Scribe). Each team was comprised of a Men's Doubles sub-team, a Women's Doubles sub-team and a Mixed Doubles sub-team. Each team played six-game sets against each other team in their respective groups. Because of uneven gender sign-up, Dennis Hoagland was designated a woman for purposes of the tournament.

Play did get a little rough in the Mixed Doubles division. Tom Hernandez aggressively pursued a ball that his partner, Priscilla Park, figured was her ball as Tom was quite a distance from the ball on its first hop. Priscilla failed to account for Tom's blazing speed and Tom failed to



account for the fact that his brakes were not as efficient as his speed. Unfortunately, Tom ended up prostrate on the ground, having landed on his shoulder. To add insult to injury, Priscilla plunked Tom in the forehead with her racquet as Tom was attempting to put on the brakes. Tom played the rest of his matches (and cooked the hot dogs later) with an ice pack on his shoulder. Sorry, Tom.

Of course, as with all Racquet Club events, everyone who participated (and even those who did not play but attended the subsequent lunch) went home a winner. In

terms of the team scores, the Racqueteers and the No Name/No Leader teams tied for third place with 24 points, the Tornadoes came in second place with 27 points and the Penn-Pals finished in first place with 33 points. The nearby picture shows the very proud Penn-Pals puffing themselves up and beaming over their first place finish. The Penn-Pals are: Brad Vaughan and Jan Soltys (Men's), Jane Reynolds and Jim Hassay (Mixed) and Bev Oakley and Joy Thompson (Women's). In addition to getting their picture in the paper, these folks received gift certificates from the club.

### Holiday Party

The date of the Club's annual holiday party and its 4th quarter meeting has been changed from Wednesday, Dec. 11th to Tuesday, Dec. 17th. More details to follow.

### Other Racquet Club Business

The Racquet Club is seeking candidates for three open positions on the Board of Directors. The positions are President, Treasurer and Director of Facilities, and will be for two year terms. The President's position is for one year as President and the second year as Director-at-Large. The election will take place at the 4th quarter meeting. Anyone interested in the positions or seeking additional information should contact President Larry Santa Maria at 962-7904 or e-mail at [larrysm@ymail.com](mailto:larrysm@ymail.com).

The tennis facility, located between Pine Mountain Drive and Rock Canyon and consisting of courts 1 thru 4, is looking very good thanks to the resurfacing of courts 3 and 4, and the work by the PML Maintenance personnel in painting, repairing a concrete walkway, cleaning and oiling the picnic tables, and installing a drinking fountain for courts 1 and 2. The Racquet Club thanks the PML Association for their efforts in improving the tennis facility.



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## PML Ladies Golf Club Events

BY SARA HANCOCK

September brought some lingering smoke until rain cleared the air on the 21st. Again, thank you to all the fire crews, personnel, law enforcement and our administration for the great job they did in saving our beautiful community.

### September 5th, 10th and 12th Club Championship Tournament

Congratulations to Kitty Edgerton for winning the 2013 Club Championship Tournament with a 3-day score of 256. Second Place went to Priscilla Park with a score of 266. 1st Flight...1st Place 274...Marilyn Scott; 2nd Place 284...Sara Hancock. 2nd Flight...1st Place 286...Yvonne Mattocks, 2nd Place 298...Jeanne Pacco. 3rd Flight...1st Place 299...Jodie Awai, 2nd Place 315...Lynne Dust. Birdies for Day 1: Kitty Edgerton #17, Linda Johnson #14, Marilyn Scott #12, Helena McMillan #3, Jane Reynolds #7. Day 2: Priscilla Park #3. Day 3: Edgerton #14, Priscilla Park #17, Yvonne Mattocks #15, Jodie Awai #11, Mona Tompkins #9. Thank you to Iris Moffit for running this tournament.

### September 19th Home and Home

Helena McMillan and Kitty Edgerton

did a great job of running this tournament. Beautiful invitations were sent to a number of surrounding clubs. There were 71 participants with ladies attending from Mountain Springs, Phoenix Lake, Saddle Creek, Sequoia Woods, Spring Creek, Turlock and Twain Harte. The game was One Best Ball on the Front and Two Best Balls on the Back. 1st Flight...1st Place 88...Cathy Trevena, Thelma Faux, Jennifer Suter and Kaytee Lively; 2nd Place 90...Sue Perry, Darlene Gibaut, Mona Tompkins and Alba Rodriguez; 3rd Place 92...Becky Romero, Sara Hancock, Rie Kooiman, Paula Vautier; 4th Place 93...Laurel Moore, Mary Ellen Lazarus, Eleanor Ellis, Marcee Cress. 2nd Flight...1st Place 90...Corky Graham, Cindy Overbaugh, Harriet Johns, Paula Maucere; 2nd Place 92...Lynn Manfree, Irene Machado, Marlene Drew, Laurie Shanks; 3rd Place 93...Shirley Gahm, Ardele Fisher, Leanna Mattea, Dolores Baker; 4th Place 96...Diana Felber, Kay Bettencourt, Anne Peterson, DeAnna Watson. Closest to the Pin on #14 for the guests: 1st Place Ellie Duste - 8'1"; 2nd Place Lautrel Moore 10'3". For the members: 1st Place Helena McMillan 8'11"; 2nd Place Sara Hancock

11'9". A luncheon buffet was followed by the awards presentation at the PML Grill.

### September 24th Phoenix Lake Home and Home

Nineteen ladies from PML traveled to Phoenix Lake for their Home and Home. The ladies there do a wonderful job of entertaining us with their home cooked food and great raffle prizes. We played their nine hole course twice from different tees with a scramble format. Great fun.

### September 26th Alternate Shot

1st Place...78/66...Kitty Edgerton and Marjorie Rich; 2nd Place...93/71...Sara Hancock and Yvonne Mattocks; 3rd Place...91/73...Marilyn Scott and Linda Johnson; 4th Place...91/75\*...Thelma Faux and Janice Mussatto; 5th Place...106/75\*...Alma Frawley and Jane Reynolds. \*Tie broken on the back nine. Birdies: Scott/Johnson #8, Edgerton/Rich #16.

Coming up in November is our Turnover Meeting on the 7th at 9:30 followed by our 11:00 Shotgun start. See you on the course.



## PML Lady Niners

BY KAREN DICKSON

### HAPPY FALL!!!

We had some pretty hard golfing days because of the fire and then the smoke. Very Blessed to have this all behind us. So sad that it will take years to fix!

September 5th we had 10 players come out and play even with all the smoke. It did clear up just as they were getting done.

### GAME: BLIND PARTNER'S

1st Place Tie: Marilyn Alexander & Faye Buckley  
2nd Place Tie: Carrie Carter, Ann Toner, June Moore & Pat Van Gerpen  
Pars: #14 Carrie Carter, Nancy Whitefield & Pat Van Gerpen, #17 Carrie Carter & Nancy Whitefield  
Low Net Tie: Faye Buckley & Pat Van Gerpen

### September 12 – Putts Day – 9 Players

1st Place Tie: June Moore, Ann Toner & Wanda Patterson  
2nd Place: Pat Van Gerpen  
Pars: #10 Ann Toner & Pat Van Gerpen  
#14 Carrie Carter & Judy Michaelis  
Low Net: Nancy Whitefield

### September 19th – Point Par Tournament. (Front Nine) – 8 Players

1st Place: Beverly Oakley  
2nd Place: Mary Houser  
3rd Place: Pat Van Gerpen  
4th Place: Carrie Carter  
Pars: #3 GERALYN Dielman  
Low Net: Beverly Oakley

### September 26th – Odd Holes (minus 1/2 HC) Front Nine – 14 Players

1st Place: Flo Jansen  
2nd Place: June Moore  
3rd Place: Wanda Patterson  
4th Place: Sarah Zimmerman  
5th Place: Nancy Whitefield  
6th Place Tie: Marilyn Hathaway & Pat Van Gerpen  
Pars: #7 June Moore  
Low Net Tie: June Moore & Nancy Whitefield  
Ace of Aces for September: **Faye Buckley** – NICE GOLFING FAYE!!!!

We had our General Meeting September 26th. Our Christmas Party will be December 3rd, Tuesday at "The Grill".

## Pine Needlers Quilt Guild

BY SANDY SMITH

The silly season has begun, so much going on with everyone and so little time to get everything done. So I guess we just relax and enjoy it all. Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours. We have so much to be thankful for, in Groveland especially.

The Guild does so much in our community, so I wanted to mention several special ladies who donated quilts for Tuolumne Trails annual fund raiser in August. They are Carol Willmon, Sharron Wahman, Joyce Reitzen, Lonnie Roman, Jan Sloan, Dee Small and Wina Helm. Thank you for your generous donations. Also a big thank you to everyone who made the pillow cases for the Clover fire victims. We were able to send 72. Great job everyone; I know Barbara Florin would have been excited to be a part of helping others.

Be sure to drop into the Christmas Boutique at the Coldwell Center downtown during Thanksgiving weekend.

On Friday and Saturday, November 29th and 30th, the Quilt Guild will be holding its second holiday boutique between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:00

p.m. at the Coldwell Banker Building, located at 18687 Main Street. Beautiful, handmade items for you home and for gift giving, all lovingly made by local Guild members, will be available. The Boutique will be the inaugural showing of our new Opportunity Quilt whose profits benefit The Little House. In addition, The Little House will be selling homemade goodies to eat, take and give. Hope to see you there.


Also the Odd Fellows are having their Christmas Craft Faire in Big Oak Flat at the Odd Fellows building. Lots of fun things to do and see. Come on down and enjoy the time with family, friends, and neighbors. Great way to avoid the crowds and enjoy being outside in the pines.

November 19, at 6 p.m., under the library is the date, time, and place where the Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meets. The Block Party will not happen this month because of Thanksgiving; however I do have little quilts to tie if you need something to do.

Whatever you do have a great time, and God bless your holiday.

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## PML Ladies Club Celebrated "August in the Pines"

BY DAR BROWN, PUBLICITY CO-CHAIR

On a simply beautiful fall day on October 2, the PML Ladies Club celebrated the arrival of fall with the annual Home Tour, chaired by Linda Hunter. Attendees had the opportunity to view the spectacular homes and enjoy the warm hospitality of Barbara and Don Lacy, Michalene and Bill Martin, Wanda Patterson, Sue and Kurt Petersen, and Diane and John Weisenburger. The Lacy's "farm house" sleeps ten and is also home to chickens and horses. The Martins built their home board by board and they say it is "well loved and remains a work in progress". Wanda's home boasts a wonderful great room for family/friend gatherings and has two lovely large covered decks. The Petersen home is a unique hexagon design with spectacular lake views. Kurt's G-scale train is a highlight of this home, and we assume his putting will improve as he takes advantage of the putting green. The Weisenburger's beautiful home is built of insulated concrete forms, which provide exceptional sound and heat insulation. Looking rather small-ish from the



*Event Chair Linda Hunter thanks homeowners and welcomes attendees.*

outside, this home is actually 3900 square feet. Everyone who participated in the tour thanks the home owners for opening their homes to us.

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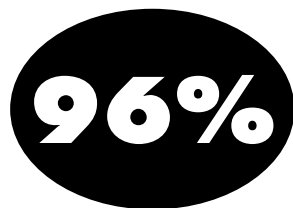
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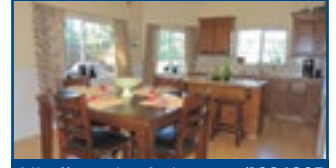
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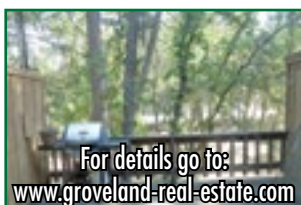
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## PML Air Racers

BY JANET GREGORY

Air racing is the world's fastest motor sport. It is electrifying! Speeds start at 200 mph and accelerate from there to beyond 500 mph in Jet and Unlimited Class races! For spectators it is exciting to watch a race in three dimensions and hear the sounds of those powerful engines roar by.

September marked the 50th anniversary of the National Championship Air Races in Reno, Nevada. Pine Mountain Lake was well represented in the races, spectators and air show performance.

PML Aviation Association air race pilots Lee Behel, Vicky Benzing, Colleen Keller and Shane Margraves raced in the Sport Class. Lee is the President of the Sport Class Air Racing Association and one of its founders. He is an innovator that brought modern high performance kit-built aircraft into the air race arena. At the PML airport you might catch a glimpse of "Breathless" or "Poncho" the Lancair Legacy's flown by Lee and Colleen, or the Glasair "Cruse Missile" Vicky flew or Shane's Zlin Z50 "Czechster". Look sharp, they are fast! Racing at speeds up to 324 mph!

Lee and Vicky also raced in the Jet Class. The Jet Class is new to air racing and began in 2002 by invitation only. This year Lee and Vicky were racing in Czech-built L-39 jets. Lee raced "Miss Independence". Vicky raced "Reality Czech" placing first in a Silver race, moving up to Gold and hitting lap speeds of 425 mph!

Lots of other PML residents were at this



year's Reno Air Races. Some were working as part of air race crews like Geoff Benzing and Jim Thomas, our PML Airport Manager. Many others were spectators with heads tipped skyward and cameras clicking electrifying races and sensational air show performances. One other, Clay Lacy thrilled the air races with an aero-performance in his Lear 25 business jet.

The Air Races take place at Reno-Stead Airport every September. The race course is defined by pylons which are 50' telephone poles with specially-made drums mounted atop and painted with bright orange-red panels. There are four oval courses that vary in circumference from 3-mile to 8.4-miles based on the speed or class of racing airplane: formula-one, bi-plane, sport, jet, AT-6 or unlimited. Want more information on air racing? Go to [www.airrace.org](http://www.airrace.org) or look on YouTube for some great clips.

## PML Shooting Club News

BY CAROL SIMPSON

We are all grateful to our firefighters, law enforcement, GCSD, PMLA, PG&E, AT&T, and many others who worked around the clock to save our PML homes and community. Thankfully, our shooting range came through the Rim Fire unscathed, and after being closed since the fire in August, we were finally able to re-open the range on Saturday 28 September. One of our missions within the Shooting Club is to sponsor shooting classes for PML Residents. We are pleased to announce an upcoming Concealed Carry class at our range on 21 November 2013, taught by NRA Certified Firearms Instructor and CCW Instructor for Tuolumne and Mariposa Counties, Bill Tidwell.

### Concealed Carry Weapons (CCW) Course for Tuolumne County

Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department Groveland substation and PML Range

**DATE:** November 21, 8:30am to 3:00pm (approx.)

**COST:** \$75.00 per person plus range fee. Fee for PML Gun Club members \$5.00

all others \$10.00.

Students will need their concealed carry handgun and 50 rounds of ammo (no magnums) Space limited to 12 students.

To register call Bill Tidwell at (209) 878-3056 or e-mail him at [bill@train2besafe.com](mailto:bill@train2besafe.com).

Like our Women and Handguns class, we hope this will be the first of many CCW classes. All PML property owners may use the range; Shooting Club members get a discount on range fees paid to PMLA. See the Club website [www.pmlsc.com](http://www.pmlsc.com) and the PMLA website link <http://www.pinemountainlake.com/Shooting-Range-430522-21389.htm> for more information on joining the Shooting Club and on using the range. With over 200 members so far, we hope to see more PML Residents join the Shooting Club. The Club staffs the range with trained range safety officers (RSOs). Whether you are an experienced shooter, want to get back into shooting, or are just learning, we welcome you and offer camaraderie and a safe place to shoot.

## Tenaya Elementary Student of the Month



Brooklyn Blue

Tenaya Elementary is proud to announce that Second Grade student, Brooklyn Blue, is Tenaya Elementary's Student of the Month.

According to her teacher, Beth Palmer, Brooklyn is a quiet leader in our classroom. She sets an example for others by her actions. Brooklyn does her personal best on all of her assignments. She is an excellent student!

Brooklyn's parents are Michael and Abigail Blue of Groveland.

## Tioga High School Student of the Month



Sierra Burkart

Sierra Burkart is Tioga's student of the month for November. A multi-talented student, Sierra is an excellent writer and speaker who placed in the Speech Trek Statewide competition last year. She's

established herself as an AP English Diva two years in a row, and is an accomplished artist to boot. Sierra has proved herself a true friend by encouraging others to get the high school grades they should. Her dedication to helping others, Sierra plans to study to become a n EMT after graduation from Tioga this Spring.

## Tenaya Elementary's Principal's Lunch

Students earn Tenaya Tokens for showing acts of kindness or demonstrating character traits that we are trying to encourage. September's character trait was Responsibility. Then each class picks a name out of the many tokens that were accumulated throughout the month. Georgia

Loh, Dylan Kappl, Aubrey Harris, Carlos Batista, DeJuan Martinez, Chase Ellis, Maricela Martinez and Deven Shafer

were this month's students chosen for Principal's Lunch. Congratulations to all of them.



## Share Your Family!!

Discover the joy of sharing cultures by inviting an exchange student in to your home this year. Host families are needed for students ages 15 - 18 who will arrive in January and stay for 5 months.

Students are eager to experience the "American way of life." The program is sponsored by Nacel Open Door. Students bring their own spending money and are

covered by Nacel Open Door's insurance. For more information, please contact your local Nacel Open Door Representatives:

Local Coordinator: Carol Berger  
Local Representative: Susan Berger  
Phone number: 209-863-2140  
E-Mail: [arielpdog@sbcglobal.net](mailto:arielpdog@sbcglobal.net)  
Website: <http://www.nacelopendoor.org/>



NOVEMBER

EVENTS CALENDAR



**AARP Driver's Safety Course**  
**PML Lake Lodge**  
**November 2**



**Wine Tasting & Dinner**  
**The Grill at PML**  
**November 7**



**CCW Course**  
**TCSO Groveland Substation**  
**November 21**



**Thanksgiving Buffet**  
**The Grill at PML**  
**November 28**

11-1,2,3

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY

**4TH ANNUAL ITSA FILM FESTIVAL**  
Featuring short films from across the globe. The festival began in the park in Groveland and has expanded to a 3-day event at the Opera Hall in Sonora. Saturday night will also see the 2nd Annual REEL SCARY segment featuring horror films. Go to [ITSACinemaFestival.com](http://ITSACinemaFestival.com) for details.

11-2

SATURDAY @ PML LAKE LODGE

**AARP DRIVER'S SAFETY COURSE**  
8 am to 4:30 pm. \$12 each if you are an AARP Member (bring your AARP Member number to obtain this rate) \$14 each for Non-AARP Members. FREE to veterans. Class limited to 25 people, sign up early!

11-7

THURSDAY @ THE GRILL

**WINE TASTING & DINNER BUFFET**  
Featuring the wines for Ironstone Vineyards and menu by Chef Carrie including Barolo Braised Beef and Pumpkin Cheesecake for dessert. 5-7pm at The Grill. Call 962-8638 for reservations. All wines offered at a discounted price this night only. \$23 per person plus tax.

11-16

SAT. @ GROVELAND HOTEL

**WINTER MAGIC COMEDY MAGIC DINNER THEATER**  
Featuring the magic of second-generation Illusionist from Las Vegas, Bryan Gilles. \$10 cover with Dinner Entrée. Show starts at 7 with tableside magic. Call the Groveland Hotel for reservations, 962-4000.

11-21

THURSDAY 8:30AM - 3PM

**CONCEALED CARRY WEAPONS (CCW) COURSE**  
At the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Dept. Groveland Substation and the PML Gun Range. \$75.00/person plus range fee. Fee for PML Gun Club members \$5 all others \$10. To register call Bill Tidwell at (209) 878-3056 or e-mail him at [bill@train2besafe.com](mailto:bill@train2besafe.com).

11-28

THURSDAY @ THE GRILL

**THANKSGIVING BUFFET**  
Carving Station with turkey and all the trimmings. Slow Roasted prime rib, Holiday sides and salads. Dessert station. Seating times: Noon, 2 and 4 pm. \$32 adults, \$25 Seniors, \$12 for kids 6-12, Under 5 free with purchase of adult buffet. Call 962-8638 for reservations.

11-29&30

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 9AM-4PM

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIRE**  
At the Groveland Community Hall. Everything from jewelry, pottery, quilted items, hand made dolls, stained glass, and more. Come and shop for that "special" person on your list. Enjoy a cup of coffee or a treat too. Don't forget Santa will be at the Firehouse on Saturday for pictures for just \$5.

11-29&30

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 9AM-3PM

**QUILT GUILD HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**  
At the Coldwell Banker Building. Beautiful, handmade items for you home and for gift giving, all lovingly made by local Guild members, will be available. The Boutique will be the inaugural showing of our new Opportunity Quilt whose profits benefit The Little House.

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE LOUNGE

<b>Friday, November 1</b> <b>SHOWTIME KARAOKE</b>	<b>Saturday, November 16</b> <b>ROCKSLIDE</b>
<b>Saturday, November 2</b> <b>DYNA-MO</b>	<b>Saturday, November 23</b> <b>HILLS BROTHERS BAND</b>
<b>Saturday, November 9</b> <b>THE ESP BAND</b>	<b>Saturday, November 30</b> <b>HIWAY 99</b>

COMING IN DECEMBER

<b>Thursday, December 5</b> <b>WINE TASTING &amp; DINNER BUFFET</b> The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake Featuring the wines from Perry Creek Vineyards. Italian dinner by Chef Carrie and fabulous wine tastings. \$23 per person plus tax. Wines offered at a discount on this night only. Call the Grill for reservations 962-8638.	<b>December 12 - 15</b> <b>TRIM UP THE TREE CONCERT BY THE PINE CONE SINGERS</b> At the Groveland Evangelical Free Church. Holiday favorite songs and a sing-a-long sement. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Children under 13 are FREE. For more information contact Bob Swan at 962-6535.
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## How Things Have Changed!

BY DORI JONES

While some things change, some things stay the same. Back in 1993, Edie Wilson, owner of Coffee Express, was featured in an article titled, "They've Got High Hopes." The article talked about the development of a large shopping center in Big Oak Flat. Her hope was that the new center would attract more tourists and business to Groveland. Fast forward 20 years, and although the shopping center did not materialize, the merchants are still devising ways to entice tourists to stop in Groveland and see what our cute town has to offer.

Picking up somewhat from where Edie left off, Dori's is now using some of the same recipes that Edie used when she owned Coffee Express, in the very same location. We are now serving biscuits and gravy, as well as mini zucchini and banana bread loaves, and other goodies. We invite you to come in and give them a try. For



*Dori Jones in front of Dori's Tea Cottage.*

some, it will bring back some fond memories and we promise – you won't be disappointed.

And don't forget, Christmas is right around the corner. We're offering a \$25 gift certificate for just \$20. A perfect stocking stuffer gift, or to add to a gift basket. We invite you stop in and see what else we have for Christmas gifts.

## Free Computer Classes

BY BARBARA BROAD

The Little House and GAINs offers free computer classes on Monday mornings. Start your week out with a challenge! The Word, Excel, and PowerPoint classes are hands on using the GAINs laptops.

### NOVEMBER CLASSES: Finding Information on the Internet

10 am to noon, Monday, November 4, Library Meeting Room. Tips for finding all kinds of information on the Internet efficiently and great ways to use the Internet. Veteran's Day, November 11, no class.

### Design Your Own Slide Show

10 am to noon, Monday November 18. The Little House. See how easy it is to set up a slide show, and then add movement, graphics and sound. Make one for the last big trip you took, then mail it to your family and friends.

### Formatting Newsletters, Using Mail Merge, and More

10 am to noon, November 25, The Little House. Learn how to use text boxes for newsletters and how to send your Christmas letters to a group of people, as well as much more in MS Word.

### DECEMBER CLASSES: Using Facebook Safely

1 pm to 3 pm, Monday, December 2, Library Meeting Room. How to enjoy Facebook contacts with family and friends and not expose yourself to others. An online tutorial will be used, and you can refer to it on your own computer.

### Creating Holiday Letters, Fliers, and Using Graphics in Word

10 am to noon, Monday, December 9, The Little House. Learn how to format letters and fliers and to use graphics in MS Word.

### Ways to Use Excel

10 am to noon, Monday, December 16, The Little House. An introduction to spreadsheets and some ideas of what to use them for, learning the basics of Excel.

Barbara Broad is leading these classes. She has been offering adult MS Office training classes for the County Office of Education and elsewhere for sixteen years. Sign up early because space is limited! And tell a friend! AND, if you have ideas for other classes, let Barbara know. For information or to reserve a space, contact Barbara Broad, 962-7730 or [bbroad226@gmail.com](mailto:bbroad226@gmail.com). If she is not home when you call, please leave your name, phone number, and email address.

## Yosemite Highway 120 Chamber of Commerce & Groveland Visitor Center

BY CAROLYN BOTTLE



*The Oak tree above is growing at the Rim of the World, out of the ashes.*

From Wildfires to Wildflowers: This little oak tree is pushing its way out of the ash from the Rim Fire, we are cheering for it to survive, we hope this will be the Mighty Oak of tomorrow, casting its shade over the Rim of the World Vista Point, for travelers to shelter from the sun and to protect from the elements the Monuments to lost Fire Fighters that stand there in silence. Grow little tree, grow.

The Yosemite Highway 120 Chamber of Commerce "Community Event Calendar Detail" (at [http://www.groveland.org/Calendar\\_Detail.html](http://www.groveland.org/Calendar_Detail.html)) now includes Rim Fire Economic Recovery Specials & Discounts, as well as Regularly Recurring Events, plus Upcoming Events going out over a YEAR INTO THE FUTURE for all your planning needs. Whether you live here full time, part time, or are passing through on your holiday or vacation, this is the place to get information. So, HEADS UP TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS be sure to send your event details to YCC by email to [info@groveland.org](mailto:info@groveland.org) so they are included in the Community Event

Calendar Detail on YCC's website, on handouts that are given to people who come into the Visitor Center, and on flyers posted in shop windows.

In addition to supporting local businesses, as well as travelers coming to and thru our area, the Chamber office has information on local "service providers" for property owners, such as members of the Chamber who provide things like house cleaning and pet sitting, tile work and flooring, technical and professional services, you name it we have the information you need, right here in DOWNTOWN Groveland. To stay current with the ever changing list of AMAZING FUN things to do and see in the Groveland Highway 120 Northern Gateway to Yosemite area you really need to:

LIKE our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/yosemitechamber>

FOLLOW our Twitter Feed too at <https://twitter.com/YosemiteCOC>

and WATCH for some EXCITING new marketing and media developments coming to OUR TOWN soon.

## First Wednesday Bird Walk

BY JEANNE RIDGLEY

The first Wednesday of the month Bird Walk at the Groveland Community Services property at 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland is led by Jeanne Ridgley. The property encompasses an area of more than 200 acres of oak, pine and willow habitat with three water storage ponds. 133 species of birds have been seen there since November of 2007

Dates for upcoming trips are Oct 2, Nov 6 and Dec 4.

Meet the group in the GCSD parking lot at 8:00 AM. Bring binoculars and a birding field guide if you have one. Rain will cancel the trip. The walk will last about two-three hours. If you have any questions, call Jeanne at 962-7598.



## Quilts for Sale at the Groveland Library

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON, FOGL

Friends of the Groveland Library organizes both the seasonal exhibits in the library and quarterly art shows downstairs in the Book Nook. Our summer exhibitor was Robb Hirsch and his stunning Sierra photographs.

We now have an exciting new exhibit: members of the Pine Needlers Quilt Guild are presenting a beautiful array including full-size quilts, lap quilts, wall hangings, table runners and placemats at very reasonable prices. They are on display and for sale in the Book Nook every Saturday.

A percentage of all sales benefits the Groveland library. Please come by any Saturday and see these beautiful items; think Christmas presents!



*Jan Sloan and Maggie Jacobson arranged the quilt exhibit.*

## Hill Top Musical Kids

BY LOUISE TURNEY

The Hill Top Musical Kids were very excited to receive "First Place Award for Best Theme" with their float in the 49er Parade. They had just presented their 2nd musical and were delighted to share their singing talent in the parade.

They are now rehearsing for their Christmas Musical "Charlie and The Cherub Cheerleaders". We rehearse at the Groveland library Wednesdays & Thursdays after school. There is always room for more Kids, come and join the fun. Call Louise Turney 962-0609 for more information.

Our next show will be presented at Groveland Evangelical Free Church on December 20th & 21st. Be sure to come see and hear a very talented group of performers.

## Helping Hands Happenings

BY JOYCE SMITH

Happy Fall, Autumn, and Thanksgiving. This is a wonderful time of year.

Did you see Helping Hands in the Parade? It all turned out well even though the weather was a bit unsettled. The brief rain was welcome, but it's timing a little off.

We had a really nice assortment of Halloween costumes this year. The word is out that we have a lot to choose from, so remember next year to check us out. Gone are the costumes and related Halloween items. We are now putting out fall and winter clothing. If you can't find some specific item, ask one of our friendly salespersons at the register. For weekly sales and information, check our website or visit us on Facebook, we're "Helping Hands Thrift Store and Furniture Barn of Groveland".

We had our Free Fall Clothing Giveaway on Oct. 11th and 12th. It's always a popular event open to all our

community. I say clothing giveaway, but it includes all kinds of things from our store. This is a win win for our area.

We went to our 3:00 p.m. closing time on September 30th, so a little reminder, drop offs should be brought in no later than 2:30. Amanda Klaahsen was the winner of our "Extra Mile Award" at our September Meeting. Amanda is always willing to help out when called on, in addition to her many other duties. She has been on our Board for 6 years and does a wonderful job as Corresponding Secretary. I could go on and on. Congratulations, to a very deserving and busy lady.

Congratulations are in order to Ann Toner, one of our volunteers, for becoming a U.S. Citizen in August.

Get well wishes to all our volunteers who are a little under the weather. We miss you.

Happy Thanksgiving!

See you at the Store or Barn.

## A New Meaning of Christmas

BY PATTI BEAULIEU

After the traumatic Rim Fire we experienced, it's time to recover and get back to 'normal', which includes being ever so thankful that our lives, homes and community was spared. This year, Christmas will have a special meaning for this Community, as we have all taken stock of what we have to be thankful for, especially all the firefighters, law enforcement officers, bull dozer crews, PG&E crews, Red Cross and anyone else who helped save us from destruction.

As we saw neighbor helping neighbor, stranger helping stranger and friend helping friend, it reaffirmed how lucky we are to live in such a generous and giving community. The Christmas Basket program also reinforces this attitude. The program has been around for over 30 years, with the assistance of Helping Hands volunteers, local business and organizations and many other community members. It's still going strong and will continue to assist those each holiday season.

If you're new to the area, this is the program that brings all businesses, clubs, citizens, groups, friends, schools, churches and neighbors together to help struggling community members. Food stuffs of all kinds are donated, gifts of all sorts are purchased and donated at several different venues and the process is all brought together during a week in December when the donations are wrapped, sorted and assembled, awaiting distribution. This event truly shows what a generous and kind community we live in – truly unlike any other. If you need affirmation of this, just come down to the Community Hall during Basket Assembly week and see what our little community of caring citizens can do.

If you'd like to help out with the process in any way, donate financially or with food or

children's gifts, please contact Dar Brown (5930) or Patti Beaulieu (7402), program co-chairs.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

**APPLICATIONS** – Friday, November 8th from 10 a.m. -2 p.m or Thursday, November 14th from 4-7 p.m. We can only accept applicants for those residing in Moccasin, Big Oak Flat, Groveland or Buck Meadows. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! – MAKE ARRANGEMENTS!!** You must apply in person on one of the application days and be prepared to show all sources of income. If you have children residing in the home 17 or under, please bring their clothing/shoe sizes as well as their 'wish lists' for Santa. If you miss the application days, you will be wait-listed so watch the local papers, businesses and bulletin boards for flyers about the application dates and times and mark them on your calendar.

### CHRISTMAS BASKET PROJECT IMPORTANT DATES:

**December 4th (Wednesday):** PML Ladies Club Christmas Brunch (Children's gifts are donated by attendees)

**December 12th – 13th (Thursday and Friday):** Shoppers wrap days and gift drop offs @ the Community Hall. Times announced later.

**December 16th – 20th (Monday – Friday):** Basket Assembly Week. Times announced later.

**December 21st (Saturday):** Basket Pick Up day

If you have any questions about the Groveland Community Christmas Basket program, please call either Patti or Dar (phone numbers listed above).

## Groveland CSU

BY AUTUMN PESTONI

It's once again time for the holidays. Do you have a vacation planned or worry about damage from winter weather? The Sheriffs' Department Community Service Unit, located in PML, is available for home security checks. Give yourself some piece of

mind while away during winter months. We check the security of your home and grounds at no cost. This service is available for all of Groveland, PML, and Big Oak Flat. For further information call Judy Walsh at (209) 962-7616 or at our CSU office (209) 962-6974.

## Veterans Day Ceremony

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

On November 11th at 11 a.m. the Divide Cemetery will have a short ceremony intended to honor and thank all who served in the United States Armed Forces.

We recognize that all our veterans have given something of themselves to this country, some laying down their lives to defend our country's freedom.

The flag will be lowered and taps played and a few words spoken by Roland Eliot.

There will also be time given to those who would like to share memories.

The trustees will be placing flags on the veteran's graves on Friday, November 8th beginning at 3pm and anyone who would like to help is welcome to join us. Please call Peggy Andrews at 962-7264, if you know of a veteran at the Divide who does not have a Veteran's Grave Marker, so that their grave may be recognized.

## Odds Are, It If Sounds To Good To Be....It's A Scam

BY LUCI TYNDALL, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COORDINATOR, THE LITTLE HOUSE

Many scammers these days are specifically targeting the senior citizen population. The Better Business Bureau (BBB) and FBI have released a list of scams and fraud schemes seniors should be aware of. They are:

**HEALTH CARE/INSURANCE FRAUD:** Scammers may pose as a Medicare representative to get seniors to give them their personal or financial information. This is especially prevalent during open enrollment times.

**DOOR TO DOOR SALES/REPAIRS:** Scammers will often go door-to-door offering repair services or equipment sales.

**FUNERAL/CEMETERY FRAUD:** Scammers will attend the funeral service of a stranger to take advantage of the widower or other family member, claiming the deceased had an outstanding debt with them.

**COUNTERFEIT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS:** Consumers can now refill prescriptions online, but an unauthorized site with the best price may send ineffective or harmful drugs.

**TELEMARKETING FRAUD:** Telemarketing scams often involve calls and email offers of free prizes, low-cost vitamins or health care products. You should never need to mail or wire a "small amount" to claim your prize.

**FRAUDULENT "ANTI-AGING" PRODUCTS:** Scammer-distributors will suggest bogus homeopathic remedies that do nothing or will use renegade labs to create versions of products which can have health consequences.

**INTERNET FRAUD:** Pop-up browser windows simulating virus-scanning software will fool victims into downloading a fake

program. In some cases a virus will be downloaded allowing scammers to steal personal and financial information.

**GRANDPARENT SCHEME:** Scammers will place a call to a senior posing as their grandchild or a relative in need of help or trapped in a foreign country. They will usually ask for cash to solve the problem and ask for payment through a money wiring service.

**INVESTMENT SCHEMES:** Because many seniors find themselves planning for retirement and managing their savings, investment schemes have been a successful way for scammers to take advantage of them.

**REVERSE MORTGAGE SCAMS:** Scammers like to take advantage of the fact that many seniors own their homes and will send fraudulent letters on behalf of the county's assessor's office offering the homeowner to arrange a reassessment of their property for a fee.

Act cautiously when dealing with offers that sound too good to be true. Be aware of high pressure sales tactics. Avoid the pressure to act "right away". You should be wary of any unsolicited correspondence - this can include anything from government agencies, credit card companies and banks. And don't be afraid to hang up if you suspect a scam.

Never send money via wire transfer and do not share any personal information - this includes social security number, bank account information, birth date or address to anyone over the telephone.

Forward suspicious e-mail solicitations to our local Tuolumne County Sheriff's Community Service Unit (CSU) at [scams@mlode.com](mailto:scams@mlode.com) and/or contact them at 588-1221. You may also report suspected fraud to the Better Business Bureau online at [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org) or call 404-766-0875.

## Museum Happenings

BY CARRIE CARTER

There are lots of new things to see and do in the Groveland Museum while awaiting the most wonderful of all holidays this month—Thanksgiving! What's not to love about a whole weekend focused around food and family, shared with an attitude of thankfulness? Whether you celebrate religiously or secularly, Groveland has much for which to be grateful. The heroic efforts of the Fire and Law Enforcement personnel will undoubtedly hold a special place in all of our hearts this Thanksgiving.

The next time you visit the museum let us introduce you to the Touch Screen Experience. You can look up local flora and fauna, historic photos, information on early settlers and much more...all with just a touch on the screen. New content is being added daily.

The Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum gift shop is also featuring brand new items for holiday gift giving. Whether you need the perfect hostess gift, a special thank you gift that is uniquely Groveland, or just presents for your Christmas list, the museum can help you out. Distinctive Christmas décor items, Yosemite memories, jewelry, books, and children's toys offer something for everyone.

Last month's historic archive photo was one of the most recognizable structures in Big Oak Flat known as the Gamble Block or the Wells Fargo Building. Probably erected between 1849 and 1852, Wells Fargo & Co. was continuously located in the eastern suite from 1850 to 1893. The meat market was established about 1923 in



the same suite by Benjamin Weast.

The building is constructed primarily of slate rock and brick and has three paired heavy iron fire doors which served as front entries for three separate businesses.

Besides the Wells Fargo & Co. Express Office, a tinsmith, post office, cobbler shop, grocery store, and a saloon have been historic tenants. Also known as the Gamble Block in the 1850s and '60s, the building was originally constructed for Alexander Gamble, a successful Gold Rush merchant.

The Cobden Family donated the building to the Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society in 2007 with the goal of preserving it for future generations.

Don't forget to visit us on Facebook!

### DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS BUILDING?

If you can identify this month's historic photo from the STCHS archive you will receive 20% off any single item from the Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum gift shop during the month of November (one gift per family).

## Christmas Craft Faire

BY SANDY SMITH

November means the busy holiday season is right around the corner. Remember to save some time during your family festivities to join us at the Community Center from 9 a.m. to 4p.m. the day after Thanksgiving, Friday 29th and Saturday the 30th. The Groveland Kiwanas proudly sponsor our Christmas Craft Faire.

Get in the Holiday spirit early, enjoy that "community feel" at the Faire. Wonderful vendors with a variety of handmade one of a kind items. Everything from jewelry, pottery, quilted items, hand made dolls, stained glass, and more. Come and shop for that "special" person on your list.

One sad note regarding the vendors, our beloved Jelly Lady will not be there this

year. She was one of the very first vendors and has not missed a Faire. In the spring she was in a horrific accident and is still in recovery. Our best wishes are sent her way.

Remember too that Santa will be at the firehouse on Saturday. For a charge of \$5 you can have your picture taken with him. This is a wonderful opportunity to make this a holiday family tradition. Just a little suggestion, even dogs like having their picture taken, just ask Mallory and Scout.

Also the Pine Needlers are having a Boutique showcasing local quilt artists, at the Coldwell Center.

Enjoy a cup of coffee, a treat, and a super day getting in the spirit of the season.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family, from all of us at the Craft Faire.



## Magic and Gratitude NOVEMBER AT THE GROVELAND HOTEL

BY JONI GERKING

If you are like me, you have probably heard "Count your Blessings" since we wore footed pajamas. Sources as varied as Buddha, Hellen Keller, the Bible and Albert Einstein agree that what we focus upon is what we become. The idea and apparent necessity of gratitude is nothing new. As communities and individually we have had a rough time dealing with both the Rim Fire and the National Park Shutdown. We've worked to support our local businesses and encourage neighbors. Perhaps we need that focus on gratitude more than ever this year.

Amazing illusionist, Bryan Gilles, is the featured magician for Winter Magic Dinner Theater on Saturday, November 16 at the Groveland Hotel's Cellar Door restaurant. Gilles is a second-generation illusionist and comedy magician who began performing at age 5. Rather than using YouTube videos, his family's entertainment background gave Bryan the chance to study the tricks and techniques of magic nobility David Copperfield, Doug Henning and Lance Burton. In 2007 Gilles had the rare opportunity to be employed in Las Vegas with one of magic's leading acts. Hint: think white tigers! Bryan says, "Working shoulder to shoulder with (those who have) giant magical minds--those known in magic's "inner circles" as the real geniuses...made it all worthwhile. It was an experience I'll never forget."

Come see Bryan Gilles Comedy Magic and Illusion show November 16! Seating for show begins at 7:00 p.m. Pay only a \$10 cover charge per person additional to the cost of your dinner and/or drinks. Call to make your reservations for an evening of Magical Entertainment. Call: 209-962-4000 or toll free: 800-273-3314.

Do you have a Thanksgiving tradition? Early memories of Thanksgiving as a child with my family are of trips down to Ensenada and negotiating special prices at the shops. However, I married a young man whose Thanksgiving history was all about the giant

table, turkey and the big football game. This gave way to entirely different negotiations... mostly acceptable to all concerned. We agree the Thanksgiving holiday really is about more than food, football and shopping.

This years Cellar Door Restaurant menu will be a delicious way to savor Thanksgiving and has all the time-honored favorites!

Thanksgiving Dinner begins with your choice of appetizers: spice Pumpkin and Butternut squash soup or Spinach Apple Walnut salad.

Entrée options are: slow-roasted free-range Turkey - \$30, Cognac-pineapple glazed smoked Ham - \$28, 12-pepper crusted Prime Rib - \$33, Petit sampling of all three items - \$39

All entrées are served with Cajun cornbread stuffing with gravy, butter whipped mash potato, bourbon-brown-sugar glazed yams and green bean casserole.

Remember to save room for dessert! Choose from Pumpkin Crème Brûlée, warm Apple Pie with ice cream or Pecan Pie.

Make reservations early to get your preference of dining time and table! Then on the big day, just bring your company and your appetite for a memorable 3-course meal. Taxes and gratuities are additional. Restaurant hours are 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Reservations are strongly suggested!

Christmas holidays are flying forward with spirit, joy and expectation. Our Chef is preparing imaginative and delightfully toothsome menus for the Cellar Door Restaurant's holiday dinners on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Eve. Watch for news on our 2013 into 2014 New Year's Eve celebration.

The Groveland Hotel and Cellar Door Restaurant are available for office or private holiday parties. Make reservations for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve holiday dinners online: <http://groveland.com/dining>, by phone: 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314, or email: [guestservices@groveland.com](mailto:guestservices@groveland.com)

## Helping Hands Troop Program

BY SHIRLEY CARMAN

The Helping Hand Troops Program sends packages to all branches of our active military serving in Afghanistan. Helping Hands only pays for the shipping of the boxes, so the items that go into the boxes are donated by members of the community. We no longer take money to purchase items, but will take those items you have purchased. You can go to Helping Hands website at [www.helpinghandsofgroveland.com](http://www.helpinghandsofgroveland.com) and click on the "Community" tab and then the troops program to find items that the

troops are asking for. The troops are asking for granola bars, nuts, canned meats and fruit, chewing gum, cup of noodles, all hygiene products for men and women, magazines, beef jerky, hard candies, foot powder, lip balms, razors, shaving cream, hand sanitizers, hot sauces, drink powders, playing cards, greeting cards, DVD's (new or used), toothpaste/brushes, shampoo, and body wash. Please bring these items in during our normal Thrift Store hours.

## The Sierra Cowgirls Thank the Rim Fire Heroes

BY KAREN ALDEN



(l to r): Renee Beckett (2012 Wine Country Rodeo Queen), Suzy Moore, Janean Amos, Karoline Waggle, Nancy McGuire, Debbie Lucas, Rita Moore, and Janet Heuer. Photos by Marc Wellman

Tuolumne County's local color guard team, The Sierra Cowgirls, proudly led this year's Groveland 49er parade and won Best Equestrian Adult.

Their community holds a special place in each of the rider's hearts. Some of them were born and raised here, moved here for work, family, or school, and some have successful businesses in this area.

The entire Sierra Cowgirls team wants to thank all of the Rim Fire Heroes for keeping their precious community safe!



Darryl and Kim Green helping the team.

## 3x4 = Brainy Groveland Math!

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON

Brainy Groveland, the reading incentive program for elementary school students, has expanded into a math program for fourth graders this year.

Volunteers meet one-on-one with each fourth grader once a week to help them memorize their "math facts." These basic math facts – like the multiplication table – are important for the kids to master, so they have a good foundation on which to build additional math skills.

Each student will work with a Brainy Groveland volunteer to drill and memorize important math facts. As each student masters a section, they receive a crisp new one-dollar bill. Research has shown that practice and

incentives can help kids focus and learn.

If you would like to volunteer (most volunteers are scheduled for one school visit a month), please contact Virginia Gustafson, 962-6336.



Brainy Groveland math mentors Steve Ryan, Joan Mosby, Blaine Cluff, Mary Chapman, Kathy Ryan, Luci Tyndall and Warren Belisle demonstrate math flash cards. photo credit: Virginia Gustafson

More Savings in Downtown Groveland

BY WILLOW POLSON

As the holidays quickly approach and the summer season comes to a rocky end for 2013, the Downtown Groveland Merchants Association are finding new ways to encourage local shopping, which benefits everyone.

In addition to the Rim Fire Specials that have been running, there's another town-wide promotion for smart Groveland shoppers. Participating businesses will give you 10% off your purchase if you show them the receipt from another participating business. For example, if you purchase something at Yosemite Adventure Supplies, you'll get 10% off your purchase

at Oso Hostel when you show your receipt, and vice versa.

The sale runs November 1st to December 31st, and the receipt must be currently dated within the sale period (no fair digging through old receipts!). As of this writing, participating merchants include the Hotel Charlotte, Firefall Coffee Roasting Company, Oso Hostel, Yosemite Adventure Supplies, Precision Optics, The Iron Door, Mountain Sage, and The Groveland Hotel. Contact these merchants, and others as they join in, for more details. Stores will have signs showing that they're part of the 10% off partnership.

Trim Up the Tree with Pine Cone Singers!

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

Cooler weather and chilly nights tell us that the holidays are fast approaching! That means that your Pine Cone Singers are practicing madly in preparation for our upcoming Winter Concert, "Trim Up the Tree", which will be presented on December 12, 13, (7:30 PM), 14 and 15 (2:00 PM), at the Groveland Evangelical Free Church. These performances are always eagerly anticipated by our community as an essential part of holiday celebrations, so be sure to mark your calendar now.

Holiday favorites, solos, duets and even a men's quartet will surely bring smiles and nostalgic memories to the audience. Don't forget, you'll also get to stretch your vocal

muscles during the popular sing-along segment. Conductor Mike Kambeitz will introduce a few new songs, too, including two fun arrangements of melodies from "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas", a rowdy drinking song dating back to the Renaissance and some foot-stompin' traditional spirituals.

Tickets are \$10 advance donation, available in Groveland at Yosemite Bank, Hotel Charlotte, Dori's Tea Cottage & Café, Marijke's and from any Pine Cone Singer; tickets at the door are \$12. Children under the age of 13 are admitted FREE. For more information, please contact Bob Swan at 209-962-6535.



Marv Dealy cuts the ribbon on Throckmorten Enterprises' new location in downtown Groveland. Chamber of Commerce board members Marc Fossum and James Nagle hold the ribbon as members of the Throckmorten team look on.



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## The Soroptimist Scene

SOROPTIMIST WINTER TEA, NOVEMBER 19, 2013

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT



*Our mission: improving the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world.*

Our Winter Tea is always the fun and helpful (we help you decorate your home and help you start your Christmas shopping!) high light of the year. Just seeing the Lake Lodge transformed into a gorgeous, holiday splendor is worth the price of admission. Of course, it is not a "tea party" without the the numerous teas, tea sandwiches and delicate desserts from Dori's Tea Cottage.

Decorator extraordinaire, Sonja Palmer, has even given a workshop for our members to teach them her tricks for creating wreaths and other decorations. The auction tables should be loaded and groaning with beautiful selections. All the profits will fund scholarships. For further information, contact Sharon Volponi at 209-962-6848.

Soroptimist International of Groveland won a trophy in the 49er Parade for the best entry by a community service organization. Member, Donna Thayer, came up with the winning concept: Travelers to Yosemite. Some travelers were really styling in a Morgan. The umpteen year old wheel chair was a great hit. Donna did the pushing of member, Cindi Goodrich (who was scheduled for an operation on her hip) -- good type-casting. Yes, we are a community service

organization – but we do like to have fun in the process – and a trophy is really neat.

Along those lines – of service and fun – many of our members attended a fundraiser for The Little House at the home/vineyard of Cheryl and Ron Harms. Our members do get involved with the community on many levels.

It would have been difficult to miss Think Pink this year, SIG sported a really great banner this year. Hope you all did a lot of pink thinking - resolve to eat healthy, exercise, and get your mammograms.

What does a club do to celebrate it's 13th Birthday? About the same thing as a 5-year old kid --- cake and goofy activities.

It was written last month that we needed to reschedule some activities due to the fire. We are so grateful that all our friends and neighbors managed to get through the threat safely and return to normal – even the smoke is gone. Ya-hoo! I will never understand how the fires were fought by so many teams, from so many locations, and managed to save our special place on this earth.

Our meetings are held in the lower level of the library (usually the 1st & 3rd Tuesday) at noon. We would like you to visit one of our luncheon meetings. If you want to make a positive impact in this community, call Liz Mattingly at 962-1129.

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## GM, Committee Chairs, Team Leaders

### Event General Manager & So Much More:

Earl Wright & Pizza Factory

**Auctions & Raffle:** Erna Joncich & and Penny McKey & Christine Leaman

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**Beer Booth:** Rick & Annette Martinez, their Family and Team of Volunteers

**Bounce House:** RE/MAX Yosemite Gold

**Cash/Money Management:** Cathy Leetham, Accounting Plus

**Chili – All Things Chili:** Debbie Wood & Family with a Team of Helpers

**Mary Laveroni Community Park Venue:** All of GCSD & it's Staff, Hessler Construction & Danberger Construction (park chalk striping), Kyle Wright Sr. & Kyle Wright Jr. for set up & take down, CalFire for filling the Dunk Tank

**Master of Ceremonies (Parade & Event):** Ann Schafer, All Seasons Groveland Inn, Big Creek Meadow Ranch

**Music, Entertainment & Equipment:** Bob LeBarre, Pine Cone Singers, Jackie Sample

**Photography:** Rudy Manzo, Digipix Photography

**Raffle:** Ticket Sales, Lions Club & Kiwanis Club; Event Day Raffle Walker: Sharon Volponi

**Sponsorships & Road Banners (and SO much more!):** James & Laurie Nagle

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**Traffic Control:** California Highway Patrol; Ken Weeks, CALTRANS; Jennifer Flores & Jon Sterling, GCSD & all GCSD Staff

**Vendor Booths (everything!):** Tom & Gina Hernandez

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## PARADE

Considering how close we came to not having one, this deserves really special note!

**Parade Event Team:** Michelle Hendrix & Shelia Cenicola, Yosemite Bank; Kristy Brower, Yosemite Adventure Supplies; Ginny Williams & Sami VanDerMeer, Tully & Wihr

**Parade Event Judges:** Nadele Manzo, Red & Patti Rossio, Mike & Virginia Gustafson

**Parade Opening:** Jackie Sample, Star Spangled Banner

## Parade Entries:

Sierra Cowgirls, Parade Color Guard

**Grand Marshall Banner:** Christina Wilkinson & Laurie Nagle

**Emergency Services Grand Marshall Parade Entries** – All of You, so much to be Thankful for!

David "Stilts" Volponi

Tuolumne County Transit: Historic Trolley with Chamber President, James Nagle

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Wheels, the Little House

Rock On Propane Tank Covers

Cobblestone Homes, Fisher Family in a vintage Morgan

Hilltop Musical Kids

George Navarro, Model T Hot Rod

**All Things Chili**

**Chili Contestants:** Red Hot Chili Chicks, KBK Homes, Kick Ass Chili Chicks, the Salsa King

**Chili Judges:** Terri & Rick Clayton, Union Democrat Sonora; Jed Warneke, Yosemite National Park Ranger; and our local chili expert repeat judges the Brown Brothers

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Again, from us to YOU, Thank You so very much! If we missed anyone on this list, a Thousand Apologies. Sincerely, your Yosemite Highway 120 Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** See October issue for a list of Parade & Chili Cook-off winners.

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## Healthy Habits FROM PINE MOUNTAIN THERAPY

BY JULIE TANAKA, PT

### No Winter Hibernation for Humans

Our tendency as cold weather blows in, is to gradually move away from our summer fitness routine and become more sedentary. It's so tempting to stay inside and replace our walks outside with reading a good book by the fire. But keeping in the fitness habit will payoff in chasing away the winter blues and when you want to start up your outdoor activities in the spring.

Start by replacing outdoor activity with indoor options. Your motto is to "do something everyday". Here are some simple, but effective, in-home exercises:

#### • Sit to stand to sit from a chair

Sit at the edge of a firm chair, stand without using your arms if you can. The goal is to stand 10 times in a row without using your hands. This strengthens the front of the thighs, quad muscles and helps with climbing stairs, squatting and standing up.

#### • Chair push-ups

Sitting in a firm chair with arms, place your hands on the arms of the chair, lift your bottom off of the seat by pushing on your arms. Repeat x 10. Build up to 3 sets.

#### • Step ups

Use the bottom step of stairs to step up and down. 10 times with the right foot first, 10 times with the left foot first.

#### • Sink exercises

Stand at the sink so you can hold onto the edge. Toe raises and heel raises for ankle strengthening. These go a long way for balance and ankle stability

And, here is the big one, move the laundry off of the stationary bike or treadmill. I can't count the number of homes I've been in to do rehab and discover there is an unused piece of exercise equipment buried under the laundry.


If you've got it, use it.

These are just a few ideas to keep you moving. Set up a 20-30 min routine you can do daily. When you can't get outside you'll have an option. Stay warm and keep moving!

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## Self Harm - Emotional Cutting

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST

What is cutting and why would a person cut on themselves?

When someone has experienced a psychological trauma, such as long term childhood sexual abuse, family or school problems, the emotional pain is very intense and overwhelming. Not being able to tell anybody or ask for help they find a way of coping with the secret they are forced to keep sometimes by cutting their skin, usually on their arms or legs.

As reported by a former client, "When the emotional pain is too much I use cutting as a distraction. It's a way to feel control over my body because I can't control anything else in my life."

Jeri, an adult female came to see me and reported that she had been cutting herself with a razor during her adolescence and has continued intermittently afterwards. It started shortly after her stepfather had been sexually abusing her. Her mother had married and moved him into their home after only knowing him for 3 months. Jeri was unsure about the new arrangement until her stepfather took advantage of her mom's night shift work. He slowly seduced her and told her that he loved her. Jeri was confused and frightened as she was warned not to tell her mom because it would break up the family. While she was shaving her legs she started to cut on them. She explained that she could concentrate on the physical pain which was far less than the emotional pain and it provided a temporary sense of emotional relief. "I didn't want to kill myself, just shut off the


feeling of pain in my chest." This impulsive behavior became an addictive one and she used it whenever she felt she couldn't cope with the stress in her life.

When she came into therapy she explained that she could conceal the scars from the cuts and slashes by wearing long sleeve shirts and long pants. She had a fear of detection and being criticized, rejected and punished by being isolated. It is therefore difficult to discover, especially with the styles of the day.

Parents, teachers, friends may become suspicious if a child is wearing clothing that is not appropriate with the weather. If the victim is willing to acknowledge the abuse and self harm, legal and professional help are essential. Individual/group therapy to learn more appropriate coping skills, medication and having a safe, supportive environment would provide relief from fear. Cutting is diagnosed by the mental health experts as an impulse control disorder not a disease. It is not cured. It is finding more appropriate options to deal with mental and emotional pain.

It must be mentioned that emotional cutting is not exclusive to girls. It has only been reported with mostly adolescent girls. Reports have increased in the past 20 years in the U.S. However, due to the problem of secrecy, there may be many more unreported cases.

To find out more about self harm and cutting 2 books may help with understanding: "Cutting: Understanding and Overcoming Self Mutilation" by Steven Leveskron and "Body Under Siege" by Favazza. Ety Garber PhD LMFT 209-962-5205



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# Mountain Lutheran Church

BY DOROTHY PARKER

We are looking forward to all the celebrations in November and the beautiful Fall weather. On Reformation Sunday, October 27th, it is important to wear red clothes at our Church Worship Service. It helps to put more spirit into our Celebration of Martin Luther and his theology.

All Saints Sunday is celebrated on November 3rd. We will have Pastor Lee Worford from the 49er Presbyterian Church in Columbia giving the sermon (message). He is Assistant to the Pastor there.

November 17th, 2013, is Thrivent awareness Sunday and Chapter Voting (for officers). Thrivent Representative, Jeff Costello, will present Financial Information about Social Security and

other benefits during a pizza & salad lunch after the worship service.

Pledge Sunday, November 24th, will culminate our Fall Stewardship emphasis which highlights our need for thankfulness and our need to give thanks for all of God’s gifts, and show our grateful heart. Temple talks will be given by Tom Carman and Stan Bruederle to remind us of our yearly pledge. Our pledge cards will be turned in that day and we will enjoy a delicious Giving Thanks pot-luck lunch after the service.

The celebration of Thanksgiving, November 28th, 2013, is close upon us. Many of us travel to be with our families. However, Groveland serves a lovely dinner at the Community Hall

for those not traveling. It usually has a large turnout and is most enjoyable.

Bible Study days are Thursday, November 7th, and Thursday November 21st at 1:00 p.m. at the Church. We are enjoying discussions on reading the Book of Numbers and having a better understanding of this Old Testament book.

Our choir group has resumed practice and will sing on special Sundays in November and December.

Mountain Lutheran Church welcomes all people. The Worship Service starts at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday morning with refreshments and fellowship following. We are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court, just off Ferretti Road, Groveland, California.

# Our Lady of Mt. Carmel’s 2013 Christmas Faire

BY DIANE K. ABDELNOUR

Saturday, November 9th, 9am to 4pm, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is excited to present our Christmas Faire at the Groveland Community Hall. You will be treated to the wonderful aroma of delicious homemade baked goods, jams and jellies. Looking around you will be amazed to see so many beautifully filled baskets and handcrafted “xtreme” Crafts to make your holiday gift-giving a joy. Continuing your stroll, you will find a perfect treasure waiting for you at the “Re-gifting” table

and as you listen to the Christmas music don’t forget to check out the lovely “Once-loved” Jewelry.

There are many special prizes this year, starting with CASH prizes of \$500. \$200. and \$100. And be sure to try your luck at the popular “Mountain Treasures” drawing. All drawings will be held at the close of the Faire and you need not be present to win. Tickets will be on sale at the Faire and also look for us at MarVal market.

Hungry?? Starting at 11:30am, a grilled

sausage combo lunch will be available until “sold out”. The cost is \$6.00 for a grilled sausage sandwich, chips, soda or water.

Please come, bring the whole family and join us at the Faire on Saturday, November 9th to enjoy shopping, and just being with family, friends and our awesome community. Know we truly appreciate and thank you for your support in our goal to raise money for special projects and to continue to provide scholarship funds for active Catholic high school students.

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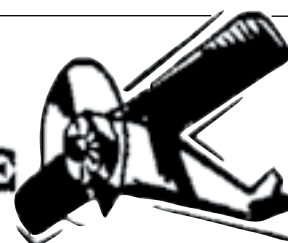
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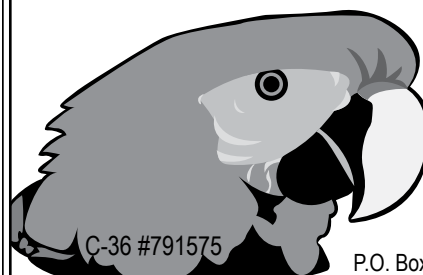
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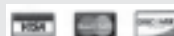
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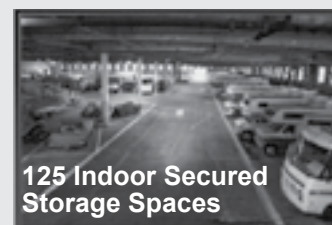
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**19925 Pleasant View-1/236 TONS OF POTENTIAL.** This "fixer" is situated across from the golf course and about 2 blocks from Dunn Ct beach. 4bd, 2ba, 1310sf cabin, set back on the property for seclusion. Great for vacationing, investment/rental. \$70,000 #20131606



**19092 Digger Pine-7/228 CUSTOM HOME.** Single-level, built in 2005, with 2-car garage, attached by breeze-way. Great room has vaulted, knotty-pine ceiling. Granite counters, laminate flooring. Jetted tub, separate shower & double vanity in main bathroom. Guest rooms access decks. \$275,000 #20130024



**21131 Hemlock-12/118 CAPE COD STYLE** home on over an acre, near the stables & airport. Easy-maintenance siding & 50-yr comp roof. 3bd, 2-1/2ba, 3045sf. Formal living room w/ gas fireplace & recessed lighting. Gourmet kitchen w/ center island, granite counters, cherry cabinets, stainless appliances & two pantries. Master suite & bath w/ granite counters, soaking tub & separate room w/ shower & toilet. Oversized 3 car garage. Much more! \$585,000 #20131239



**12662 Eagle Ct-4/491 PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP!** Beautiful home on spacious lot, with landscaping & several sitting areas. Great room, propane fireplace, granite counters, Master suite & laundry on main level. Private views from every room. 3bd, 2ba, French doors to stone patio. 1-Car gar, RV pkg. Covered deck to enjoy year-round entertaining. \$295,000 #20130881



**19240 Pleasant View-1/64 THIS GOLF COURSE HOME** is one-of-a-kind. Located at the 1st green & elevated above the road for prime golf course views. 3bd, 2ba, oversized 3-car garage, with a "Dumb Waiter" from the garage to the main level. Very near the Country Club, Pro-shop and other PML amenities. \$319,000 #20130257



**20771 Buttercup-4/300 TREE-TOP VIEWS.** Well-maintained home on two merged lots. Great room, spacious kitchen, pantry, laundry room & many storage cabinets. Full bathroom in hall. Family & game/bonus room downstairs, plus full bath & bedroom. Central Heat & A/C. 2 car garage w/attic storage and access to kitchen. Beautiful landscaping. \$275,000 #20131153



**20275 Pine Mtn Dr-3/204 LOCATION! LOCATION!** 3bd, 2ba, home across from Pine Mountain Lake Lodge. Bonus room, bathroom & bedroom downstairs. Easy access to the lake & beach. Some furniture/furnishings available on separate bill of sale. \$229,000 #20131097



**20793 Non Pareil-10/30 UPGRADES THRU-OUT!** Custom floor-plan, bay window, granite counters, easy-glide drawers & gas range. Master has bay window & crown moldings, jetted tub, dual vanity & separate water closet. Oversized garage, with workbench & sink. RV parking. This cul-de-sac property also backs to green-belt. \$187,500 #20131086



**19358 James Cir-2/362 MOUNTAIN HOME** with knotty-pine ceilings, 3bd, 2ba, 1408sf. Free-standing, wood-burning fireplace, Bay window and Great Room. New ext/int paint, washer/dryer & dishwasher. Remodeled master bathroom. Covered, wrap-around deck. 1-car garage and plenty of room for your RV. \$221,500 #20131672



**19935 Pleasant View-1/235 3-LEVEL CABIN** beautiful lot, with numerous oaks for privacy. Knotty-pine walls & ceilings, mountain theme thru-out. 3bd, 1-1/2 baths, 1500sf, swamp cooler & wall-mount heater, plus gas log fireplace. Deck w/ ramp. Community pool, tennis courts, golf course/pro shop, County Club dining all nearby. \$190,000 #20131211



**19664 Pine Mtn Dr-1/434 ROOM TO EXPAND!** This 2-level, lake home comes furnished. Fireplaces on each level. Country-type oak cabinets, Jenn-Air cook stove. Each level opens to a spacious deck with great lake views. Bonus room downstairs, with bar and 2nd bedroom/bathroom, utility & storage rooms. Cement stairs to private deep water boat dock. 4 person paddle boat included with sale. \$399,000 #20120802

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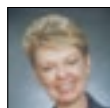
**20975 Hillcroft-12/234 VERY UNIQUE HOME** on 1.18 acres. 4bd, 2ba, great room, vaulted, open-beam ceiling. Sliders open to spacious decks, with mountain views. Master bdrm on main level. Full bath & sauna. Plenty of storage. Attic area has beautiful oval windows and could be an extra room. Lots of potential. \$199,000 #20130755



**20611 Longridge-4/119 REMODELED LAKE-FRONT.** Vaulted, open-beam ceiling, gourmet kitchen, dbl ovens, garden window, granite counters, brkfst bar, + formal dining built-in hutch. Dwnstrs master w/ Ethan-Allen furniture. Lrg sleep loft w/ full bath, bdrm & bonus rm. Covered patio & hot tub. Lg 2-car garage w/ shop & attic. Gazebo, horseshoe pit, boat dock. Boats & most furnishings incl w/ acceptable offer. \$795,000 #20131054



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