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President's Message

BY IAN MORCOTT • PMLA BOARD PRESIDENT



It is an honor and a privilege to have been chosen to lead as Board President. I would also like to congratulate Dana Chavarria, Mike Gustafson and Brian Sweeney on their elections.

I am looking forward to working with this board to improve our fine community for the enjoyment of all. The economy is still rough and we will continue to work hard to keep expenses under control while keeping the level of service high.

Pine Mountain Lake has been under attack for the last week and I would like to thank the Fire Fighters, Police and all the support personnel for their tireless work to save our community and the region at large.

I became Board President Saturday morning and that afternoon, while I was swimming with my family at Dunn Court Beach, the fire got started. The fire looked deceptively close as the column of smoke was very large. At the time the fire was across the Tuolumne Canyon and 10 miles away. Then by Monday it had grown rapidly and was threatening Buck Meadows. On Tuesday I volunteered to allow a Phos-Chek mobile retardant plant and crew



to setup on my taxiway.

By Wednesday the fire was coming up the canyon and crested the rim within a mile of Unit 12. Through the night the dozers and hand crews had been cutting fire breaks. And as the flames approached the rim of the Tuolumne canyon the intensity of effort picked up. We had a DC 10 doing drops along with other fixed wing aircraft. It is quite a sight to see a DC 10 flying low and dropping a mile long stream of bright orange retardant. In this hard push to protect PML there were two heavy helicopters were doing fast laps from the fire to the retardant plant to lay down a retardant line between the ridge and Unit 12. Also in on the action were several other helicopters dipping water from PML. It was an amazing sight. Thankfully, the line held.

All this time I was in contact with our GM Joe Powell and giving him updates from what I was hearing on the ground. The teamwork between PML and the external resources that have been applied to this effort has been

fantastic. GCSD also deserves a continuing big thanks for keeping the water flowing to the retardant plant and other critical needs.

I would especially like to thank every property owner and contractor who takes on the task of clearing their lots. This year was the year when we were tested. I have heard from many firefighters who have been impressed with our efforts. This yearly task makes a huge difference. It made our community defensible. Thanks!

I am sure there are many lessons to be learned from this disaster. It will be a topic that the board will discuss to see what else should be done to further lower our fire risks.

I would strongly recommend that when an mandatory evacuation order is given that it should be taken seriously. If your house is backed up to a green belt and there is a danger that the fire will come to your backyard please evacuate.

Our thoughts and prayers should be to those still fighting the fires and to those who are suffering.

On the Cover



The Rim Fire was the big news in August, and continued to burn as of press time. While sections of PML were evacuated and the rest was placed on and advisory, the lake was the scene of activity where firefighting helicopters pulled water out of the lake to defend PML homes and property.

Photo by Leon Leibster

The newly elected board of directors.

Photos by Ivonne Deckard

General Manager's Message

BY JOE POWELL, CCAM, AMS, GENERAL MANAGER

PML Survives the Rim Fire

As of the date of writing this article, PML has just survived the biggest fire threat it has seen in over 20 years. It was touch and go there for a while, but the firefighters prevailed. PML still stands and not one home in our community was lost thanks to these brave folks.

Over the past 20 years, I have experienced several evacuations and fire threats here in PML and Groveland. Each experience with a community emergency builds confidence in the ability to handle the responsibilities of keeping our members, employees and family safe. The enormity and spread rate of this fire however, was humbling.

One of the reasons I chose to live in PML this long is our caring community members. We all watch out for each other and assist in time of need. This held true with the Rim Fire disaster. When the evacuation advisory came in, we got the word out in coordination with the County Sheriff, and neighbors helped other neighbors get their important belongings together. Those who were physically challenged were given assistance so that they could be evacuated ahead of time and out of danger. Our emergency procedures worked because of planning and preparation, but most of all, members and staff who care.

Evacuation

When we received the evacuation advisory, we immediately moved to close down our amenities and lock them up. The purpose was to move folks out of the evacuation zone and inform our members and help them transition to emergency preparation. The next step was to allow our non-emergency personnel to go home and prepare to evacuate. After we shut down our amenities, we began assisting fire and law enforcement and set up communication channels. These included handouts, maps, radio, Internet, email and telephone. At one point during the week-long battle we received the evacuation warning for areas most threatened by the fire and then the evacuation order came for Units 12, 11 and 11A. Director of Safety, Natalie Trujillo, DOS Sargent Terri Cathrein and their staff assisted law enforcement and fire personnel with road control, evacuation and operational logistics.

Our Board President, Ian Morcott was right in the middle of the fray as his home is on an Airport taxiway and was used as the staging area for the air attack/fire retardant plant. Ian made sure his family and neighbors were evacuated, but stayed to assist the firefighters. Members of our Maintenance staff assisted firefighters by cutting in an additional fire break near the PML Stables. Lester Scofield our Stables Manager coordinated protection of the Stables and the boarded horses. My Assistant Ivonne Deckard worked with all of the amenity managers to coordinate evacuation and

emergency operations and then resumption of normal operations after the fire threat passed. Debra, Sandy, Renee, Terri, Stacy, Ken, Karen, Dennis and Ashley of the Administration team provided communication, and assisted members and emergency services.

PML Fire Safety Plan

The PML Fire Safety Plan was created back in the early 90's shortly after the massive Complex Fire of 87. Over the years, the plan has been updated and a lot of work has been accomplished in our green belts and properties within PML. Five years ago, we created a Fire Abatement Team and significantly upgraded our plan to include a more aggressive approach to lot clearing and green belt maintenance. A member of our Long Range Planning Committee, Ken Codeglia became our spokesman and our management team made fire safety a top priority. Over the years, we have been fortunate to have boards of directors who had the foresight to support our efforts with funding and policy implementation. Our team worked with SWIFT, Cal Fire, Groveland Fire, Tuolumne County and other agencies to develop the best plan of attack and coordinate our efforts.

The result of these efforts could be seen during the Rim Fire battle for PML. Several times we heard fire commanders and firefighters on the ground tell us that they were able to defend PML due to the lot clearing and massive mastication and fire safety work in our green belts. I am proud to say, the plan worked thanks to those members who kept their lots fire safe and a diligent maintenance staff.

Communication

Getting real time, accurate information was a challenge at times. The fire had an unprecedented spread rate and it was tough for the Fire Incident Command to get information out at times. Nevertheless, they did their best and our staff did everything they could to get the latest information and communicate it to our members. Many members called in concerned about their property, family and friends. The phones never stopped ringing and we never stopped getting the most up-to-date information out. While there were some rumors that spread by email and social media, we were successful in quelling most of them and reassuring our members that their property was secure. Our Department of Safety and Administration staff manned the telephones, website and sent out email blasts throughout the emergency.

A valuable resource for information was the Groveland Facebook page that was created and maintained by David and Christina Wilkinson. David and Christina are the owners of Sabre Design and they produce our PML News each month. They did a great job getting accurate information, photos and maps disseminated and stopping rumors before they grew.

Tuolumne County

Our County Supervisor John Gray is a long-time resident and he was integral in getting accurate information to me so that my staff and I could take action when necessary. John attended the morning and evening briefings at fire base camp and Striker Court and made sure that our community had the information and resources we needed to get through this emergency. John worked tirelessly to inform, assist and support during this emergency and the citizens of Tuolumne County can be proud to have such good leader. Our County Administrative Officer, Craig Pedro and Sheriff Jim Mele provided the support and operational logistic leadership. Our inter-agency emergency training and support efforts paid off.

Law Enforcement

When an evacuation advisory goes out, law enforcement comes into the area in force. Many other law enforcement agencies from all over California came up to assist our Sheriff's Department during the Rim Fire. When evacuation advisories and orders go out, the County Sheriff is responsible for making sure every single person gets out safely. They are committed to this and will not leave until an evacuation is successful. When an area is evacuated, law enforcement saturates the neighborhood with patrols and coverage to ensure there is no looting of homes. Lt. George Ruckman and his staff provided great communication, support and assistance during the emergency and it helped us get the correct information out to our members.

Thank You!

I could use up several pages thanking all those who were involved in protecting and safe-guarding PML during this emergency. I will be personally thanking some of these folks for their efforts.

To all of the firefighters, law enforcement, County and State agencies, PML Department of Safety, Administration, Maintenance, Marina and Stables staff, PML members, Groveland business owners and anyone else who stepped up during the Rim Fire.I give you my heartfelt thanks. I saw the 100 foot wall of flames that the firefighters faced and it takes very brave individuals to stand up to the beast. Thank you for risking your lives for us.

To my Wife Norma (our Groveland Postmaster) and my son Brandon for providing support and "fire reconnaissance", during the emergency you gave me peace of mind on the home front so that I could focus on taking care of community emergency operations.

For our friends and neighbors who lost homes, businesses and their livelihood in this disaster, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Knowing our community, the support and fundraising has already begun.

Submission Guidelines

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

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

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- Campground (restrooms)
- Dunn Court Beach
- Lake Lodge

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- Stables
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ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAYS 2013

MON. 9/2 LABOR DAY
 MON. 11/11 Veterans Day
 THUR. 11/28 Thanksgiving
 FRI. 11/29 Day after Thanksgiving
 TUES. 12/24 Christmas Eve
 WED. 12/25 Christmas Day
 TUES. 12/31 New Year's Eve
 WED. 1/1/2014 New Year's Day

UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS

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

SEPTEMBER 14
 2nd Saturday

OCTOBER 26
 Budget Meeting
 (4th Saturday-Begins at 8AM)

NOVEMBER 9
 (2nd Saturday)

NO DECEMBER MEETING

NOTICE

Main Gate personnel are
 available to issue gate
 cards on Saturday and
 Sunday from 8:30 AM to
 4:30 PM.

Please call in advance to
 schedule an appointment
 at 209-962-8615

PMLA 2013 SCHEDULED EVENTS

FLEA MARKET
 SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

AARP COURSE
 Saturday, November 2

FISH PLANT
 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

MARINA STORE
 Mon. May 13 – Mon. Sept 2
 (regular hours) — 7 am to 6 pm

MARINA CAFÉ
 Mon. May 20 – Mon. Sept 2

FALL HOURS
 11 am to 4 pm
 Friday & Saturday 11 am to 6 pm

SAND CASTLE CONTEST
 AND FUN & GAMES AT
 THE MARINA
 SUNDAY, SEPT. 1
 Fun & Games 11 am to 1 pm

FISHING DERBY – MARINA
 SATURDAY, MAY 4 TO MONDAY, SEPT 2
 Prize for heaviest fish

POOL
 Now OPEN • Closing: Sun. October 27
 Saturday, May 11 – Mon. Sept 2
 (summer) 10 am to 9 pm
 Tues. Sept 3 – Sun. Sept 15
 (Fall) 10 am to 7 pm – weather permitting
 Sept 16 – Oct 27, noon to 5 pm

2013 FREE STATE
 FISHING DAYS
 SEPT 7

Dates and times are subject to
 change without notice.
 Watch the PML News for updates.

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Violations sent July 2013

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Exceed 250 word maximum – 0	DENIED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 0
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The PML News is mailed to approximately 3500 PML property owner households each month. Up to 500 copies are rack-sold in the local Groveland area. Our circulation reaches approximately 1200 full-time, resident, PML property owners and approximately 2300 “weekender,” non-resident, property owners who maintain primary residence in Northern California, in Southern California, or in other states. For more information regarding the PML News, please call the PML Administration

Office at (209) 962-8600. We greatly appreciate your contributions but please note that the PML News fills up very quickly – often by the 7th or 8th of the month (long before the 10th deadline). To ensure that your submission is reviewed for publication please submit in full and as early as possible. Please remember that the PML News is limited in capacity and your submissions are reviewed on a first-come-first-served, space-available basis.

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

PML GOOD VS EVIL

BOO (thumbs down) to the Marlboro BS for brains that dumped 100’s of filtered butts in our community compost pile!

YEAH (thumbs up) to the conscientious resident that took an hour to pick out the toxic waste and deposit in the garbage can!

You may chose to poison yourself, and good riddance, but don’t endanger the rest of our community.

S. Kenyon
Unit 5 Lot 173

SIGN OVERLOAD

Dear Editor,

I am a letter writer and my friend asked me to write this letter.

For sale signs are not allowed so why all tese “vote for me” signs? And for so long. Why not from the middle or end of July and have a designated area by each entrance to Pine Mountain Lake? Then we would not be bombareded by so many.

Joan Sawday
Unit 5 Lot 112

GOT SOMETHING TO SAY?

Let your voice be heard with a letter to the editor. Submit your letter to the editor by mail to:
PML News Editor
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or by email to:
PMLNews@SabreDesign.net

CONTENTMENT & GRATITUDE BRING JOY

In my previous LTE, I urged you to NOT vote for Mike or Bruce. I have nothing against these gentlemen personally. While I do not know them, I imagine they are nice guys and quite likeable. My disagreement is with their apparent viewpoint and incessant drive to IMPROVE and ADD to the amenities at PML, which results in ever increasing annual assessments. The Long Range Planning Committee is a good example of this. Their surveys consistently ask ‘What NEW amenities would we like to have at PML?’ and ‘How much MORE would we be willing to pay in increased dues- 10%, 20%?’ Dues were \$960 yr when we first purchased our PML property. This year they were \$1,896. After the initial ‘honeymoon’ period of a property purchase at PML where many amenities are utilized, most owners settle into using only a few of the amenities regularly. But increased assessments are something we must ALL bear on an ongoing basis. We ALREADY have a great variety of amenities. People purchased their PML properties because they were pleased with what currently existed, NOT on the promise or hope of some future amenity. I believe we should maintain our EXISTING amenities in good order, making improvements only when able to do so within existing budgets NOT requiring an increase in dues. It would be quite unfortunate if PML turned into an elite country club and playground for the well-to-do, while many families and retirees were financially forced out of this place we love.

C. Phillips
Unit 2 Lot 115

ANOTHER VIEWPOINT ON “THE GREAT TRAGEDY”

For many months now, I have read each month the article “The Great Tragedy of the Groveland Fire Department” which has been published in this newspaper. I have a different opinion. I chatted with a shift commander at the fire station recently and was told that the fireman are much happier with the new CALFIRE takeover. They have received higher salaries, new equipment, more support from a statewide agency and fully guaranteed pensions in CALPERS. Additionally CALFIRE has deployed another firetruck to Groveland. Furthermore, Groveland fireman now have the personal flexibility to transfer to other locations throughout California where they have numerous stations. The homeowners are almost unanimously delighted to be relieved of several million dollars of unfunded pensions as well as the annual mid 6 figure cost of those pensions. CALFIRE has relieved us of that debt. Last year when Groveland experienced a great fire in the canyon, several thousand CALFIRE firepersons responded to save our town from possible destruction. So I ask the question, “Where is the great tragedy? I am delighted with the reorganization and hats off to the current GCSO board.

Lawrence Romanek
Unit 3 Lot 449

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PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES
For The Six Months Ended July 29, 2013

OPERATION OF AMENITIES	Revenues					Expenses				Budget (NET COST) INCOME	Variance Bud - Act
	Members' Assessments Net of Discount	User Fees	Sales, Net of Cost of Sales	Miscellaneous Income	Total Revenues	Total Expenses	(Cost)/Income Before Depreciation	Depreciation Expense	(NET COST) INCOME		
Golf Course	\$ -0-	\$ 508,542	\$ 22,725		\$ 531,267	\$ 724,188	\$ (192,921)		\$ (192,921)	\$ (237,711)	44,790
Restaurant & Bar	-0-	5,416	406,434		411,850	644,618	(232,768)		(232,768)	(230,458)	(2,310)
Marina	-0-	186,509	67,636		254,145	285,413	(31,268)		(31,268)	(4,392)	(26,876)
Snack Shack	-0-		17,991		17,991	31,251	(13,260)		(13,260)	(13,601)	341
Stables	-0-	43,733		1,780	45,513	116,992	(71,479)		(71,479)	(62,766)	(8,713)
Recreation	-0-	22,104	2,687		24,791	48,301	(23,510)		(23,510)	(27,601)	4,091
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	17,560		360	17,920	861,796	(843,876)		(843,876)	(926,843)	82,967
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES											
Safety	-0-	57,795		521	58,316	484,681	(426,365)		(426,365)	(460,829)	34,464
Administration	-0-	96,206		10,343	106,549	724,723	(618,174)		(618,174)	(679,542)	61,368
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	2,713,790			39,042	2,752,832	107,603	2,645,229	475,391	2,169,838	2,192,790	(22,952)
Totals	\$ 2,713,790	\$ 937,865	\$ 517,473	\$ 52,046	\$ 4,221,174	\$ 4,029,566	\$ 191,608	\$ 475,391	\$ (283,783)	\$ (450,953)	167,170

Notes to the Financial Statements

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

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CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 6 Months Ended July 29, 2013

	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
2013 Beginning Fund Balances	\$ 1,119,316	\$ 4,840	1,124,156
Interest Income			-
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	240		240
Assessments Earned	1,045,450 ⁽¹⁾	32,160 ⁽²⁾	1,077,610
Income Tax Expense			-
PURCHASES BY AMENITY			
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			-
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES			
Safety	(72,649)		(72,649)
Administration	(1,138)	(32,016)	(33,154)
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(219,166)		(219,166)
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions and reserve expenses	(412,552)	(32,902)	(445,454)
Adjusted Fund Balances	\$ 1,752,454	\$ 4,098	\$ 1,756,552

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

Remember when school started right after Labor Day? If you are old enough (and I definitely am) you remember the schedule. School ends for the summer the first or second week of June and starts up the Tuesday or Wednesday after Labor Day. Nowadays it seems that school ends in May and starts as early as the middle of August. Times have certainly changed.

Besides invoking a bit of nostalgia what does all this have to do with PML and, more importantly PML's financial situation? Well my point in all this is that situations seldom stay the same and that change is inevitable and necessary. The need for change is often driven by a set of circumstances that have become different over time or we have evaluated the "old" way and realize there may be a way to do things better.

For most of us change is difficult and uncomfortable. It shakes up our world and forces us to adapt to new situations and adopt a new "normal". We resist in and ask "what's wrong with the old way?" This, unfortunately, seems to be the case the more "mature" we become.

We ask ourselves, "why can't milk still cost \$.59 a gallon?" or "I remember when you could get a gallon gas for \$.39 and they had a thing called 'gas wars'." What happened? Why did things change so much? Many of you ask

the same questions each year when it comes to the Association's annual budget and resulting assessment. While the analogy may be a bit strained I believe the comparison is still valid.

The financial needs of any organization tend to increase as the entity gets older. Like us humans, things tend to break down more often and cost a whole lot more to fix. When we are 25 we sure don't need the medical care we do when we are 55 or 65. This is because the "newer" things are the less likely they are to require attention. Here at PML we lived our assessment "life" with that same expectation for many years.

By denying the inevitability of these realities we exhibited our natural reluctance to accept change. Unfortunately the change came whether we were prepared for it or not. Things got more expensive, our internal and external maintenance requirements grew exponentially. By the time we got around to finally accepting this new reality the more difficult it was to wrap our heads around the changing financial requirements that are necessary to keep PML in the shape we have come to accept and expect.

This is an especially important concept to grasp now that we are about to enter the annual ritual known as the budgeting process. We see this change in the cost of all the

goods and services required to support this large entity. We see it in the ever increasing need to repair and replace older aspects of the infrastructure of the Association (better known as the Reserve Study).

Change is uncomfortable. Change is different. Change is tough to accept. However change is a necessary part of life for us all, especially when change affects the vast organism know as Pine Mountain Lake. All we can do is try and manage the nature and depth of this change in such a way that it is easier to accept and causes the least amount of disruption while still achieving all of the requisite goals. Not an easy task but one that we take seriously and devote a great deal of time and effort to achieving. Hopefully you, as a property owner and integral part of this community, will work with your Board and management team to create an environment where change is welcomed as a challenge to make the future as great as the past.

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

PML Safety Report

	July	YTD
Guest Passes Issued	2987	10378
Vendor Passes Issued	163	1372
Temp. Resident Passes Issued	1335	2999
Vehicles Admitted	24397	84773
Vehicles Refused Entry	629	2438
Phone Calls Received	10815	40613
Residential Alarm	11	99
Animal - Loose	25	157
Animal - Impounded	7	33
Animal - Dead/Injured	46	144
Animal - Disturbance	8	76
Public Assist	33	180
Welfare Check	4	32
Transport	7	36
Traffic Hazard	2	11
Traffic Control	1	4
Gate - Tamper	1	2
Gate - Follow Through	1	23
Gate - Malfunction	9	66
Gate - Struck by Vehicle	3	13
Control Burn Reported	0	601
Smoke Complaint	4	28
Residential Disturbance	29	57
Amenity Burglary	0	0
Residential Burglary	1	4
Grand Theft	0	1
Petty Theft	3	12
Trespass	3	10
Malicious Mischief - Vandalism	6	26
Property Damage - PML	1	10
Property Damage - Resident	1	3
PML Reg Violations Resident	8	39
PML Reg Violations Guest	10	35
Vehicle - Citation Issued	48	54
Vehicle - Accident PML	1	7
Patrolling Unit	271	2135
Amenity Security Check	2186	16164
Resident Security Check	444	2585
Monitoring Tennis Courts	9	26
Weapon Violation	6	12
Fixed Post	4	40
Courtesy Notice Issued	3	32
All Fees Collected	\$17,996.12	\$77,721.54



Fire trucks from Fresno and Tulare counties staged at the PML Airport where the crews took a well deserved break. Photo by David Wilkinson.

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On the Lake: Who Owns Our Lake? Part III (final)

BY MIKE HORVATH, LAKE CONSULTANT/LIMNOLOGIST

Wow, I'm still standing after two months of water rights and legal stuff. This is going to be the final article where I hope to tie in the previous points along with the Association's codes and end with a few comments on how this affects all of us.

At various steps along the path to becoming a homeowner at PML, you should have been made aware of the special conditions of becoming a property owner in a "common interest subdivision." Well before closing, you probably signed a document called the PML subdivision disclosure that outlines the various codes, laws and ordinances specific to PML. It's fairly common practice for a HOA to incorporate these for the common interest of all of the residents. And, I don't think there is any dispute about the legality of the codes. Sometimes it's even spelled out in the original property deed or a special Declaration that the developer obtained before starting on

the project. These documents cover a lot of ground and often include language regarding water and mineral rights.

So, it should come as no surprise that in the First Restated Declaration of Restrictions for Pine Mountain Lake, there is specific language that addresses lake ownership, water rights, lake levels, docks, and easements. I'm not going to get into detail, but here are a few important points. No property owner (lake or stream) has any riparian rights. The land beneath the lake (at normal elevation) is owned by the Association. All docks must be free floating only with no structures fixed below the surface of the lake. The easement along shorelines extends 15 feet from the water. That last one is important to me when I'm looking for goose nests. Without the owner's permission, I stay real close to the shoreline.

Also included in the Declarations, is a statement that warns you that, even if you

comply with all of those provisions, you may still be subject to additional laws and regulations. Again, I'm not going to get too detailed, but various state and federal laws require that any work done in a wetland or waters of the state requires permits. Anytime you do work in the lake below the high water level, you are probably subject to regulations in addition to the Association's. I'm not a big fan of any entity stepping on what I believe to be my rights as a property owner, but sometimes they do have merit. And it's not just from a legal, jurisdictional standpoint.

The laws are designed to preserve and protect wetland habitat and the fragile ecosystems that support the health of the lake that we all enjoy. Lakes without shoreline vegetation are much more likely to suffer from nuisance algae blooms, cloudy water, and higher rates of sedimentation. Seawalls that extend below the water surface do nothing

to lessen the effects of wave action nor do they provide habitat for juvenile fish or birds that nest in the cattails and tules. And some of these laws don't just apply to lake front properties. There are codes that require all lots to be vegetated and restrict ground disturbing activities to certain times of the year. I know I'm sounding kind of "preachy," but remember that these codes are meant to protect the common interests of all of our members. If we want to preserve the high quality of living and enjoyment that brought us to this amazing community, it makes sense to help sustain it.

I know that you, we and I don't always live up to our shared responsibility to protect our resources, but just having a basic understanding of the laws and the need for those laws, is a good starting point. I hope you agree.

That's all the legal stuff I can handle for a long time. Enjoy your lake.

SPLASH

Our Changing Forest and Woodlands – Part Three

BY TOM MOFFITT, MAINTENANCE MANAGER

This is the third 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 and state.

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.

Drought periods have been recorded throughout history, with pests and disease close alongside. We are in a transition zone of the Sierra Nevada, beginning in the Foothill Woodlands and Chaparral Zone into the Lower Montane Zone. This 2500 to 3000 foot elevation area receives the impact of direct weather changes, above the valley heat and below the snow. Every year is a dual between sustained plant growth and seasonal watershed. Healthy trees in our climate thrive during the wet months, tolerate the warmer months, are resilient during the hot dry months of summer, and can last it out until

the rains return in the fall. Any change in this balance, ever so slight, can destroy the weaker plants and trees.

These dry climate years have impacted many tree species of oak, pine, fir, cedar, and even planted ornamentals. When the trees are suffering from the impact of dry weather, disease and pests are claiming victims. We are seeing a few trees in shock, unable to sustain the defense against these natural elements, suddenly turning brown and dying.

Configuring soil water retention is easier said than done in many areas. The rock substrates and slopes often determine the available water in the soils for supporting trees and foliage. As the density of the plant life re-adjusts to these changing elements, the sustainable deep watering systems are depleted as the competition rises. It is this competition that defines the survival of the fittest trees and plants. There are many springs throughout the area; some natural springs have gone dry, a few are down to a small seeping trickle.

Irrigation and landscape are fine for a private lot, but, the Sierra Foothills depend on periods of deep watering from rain storms and snow pack. Even in the history of the area, people have built earthen dams, creating ponds to store water to support grazing livestock. Without the small dams scattered throughout the Sierra, even creeks and some rivers would go dry in drought years.

The greenbelt at Rock Canyon use to have an earthen dam, midway on the trail, which held water for a small pond. This is the meadow area at the eastern section; the earthen dam captured storm water and spring water runoff and would last until the rains

returned. There are also several small springs, which feed into manmade concrete troughs, where wildlife often drink, that are being maintained in several areas.

We to will need to plan a system of retaining water in the soils. If you have trees that are suffering, especially ornamentals, apply a deep root watering at intervals, such

as a drip irrigation system. These watering techniques will assist the tree in surviving pests and disease. Erosion mitigation can be incorporated to assist our soils to retain water, increase the health of the foliage, and utilize the storm water run-off. These are small systems, enhancing the balance of available water during dry seasons.

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July 20, 2013 Board Meeting – Agenda Items	Board Members*					COMMENTS	
SHOULD THE BOARD...	B.S.	I.M.	J.D.	D.C.	B.L.		COSTS
approve minutes of June 15, 2013 Board Meeting?	/	Y	M	Y	S	A.I.F. Director Dickson – Item #17 to be corrected	
approve corrected minutes of March 16, 2013 Board Meeting?	/	Y	S	Y	M	A.I.F. Director Chacarria – Item #11 to be corrected	
affirm Covenants Committee Fines from June 25, 2013 Hearing?	/	Y	Y	S	M	A.I.F.	
approve recording property liens on delinquent assessments?	/	Y	M	S	Y	A.I.F.	
approve Sponsorship of STCHS Labor Day Country Bar-B-Q?	/	Y	S	Y	M	A.I.F. Silver Sponsor	\$100
approve Donation Request from PML Aviation Association?	/	Y	S	Y	M	Golf for 4 (no cart) & Dinner for two at Grill	\$50
						Total APPROVED Golf Donations this meeting (Retail Value)	\$200
						Total APPROVED Other Donations this meeting (Retail Value)	\$150
M = Motion S = Second A = Abstained A.I.F. = All In Favor o = No Vote						Total APPROVED Expenditures (This Meeting)	\$0
* BS=Brian Sweeney IM=IanMorcott JD=Jerry Dickson DC=Dana Chavarria BL=Bruce Lay /=Absent							
MINORITY VOTES HIGHLIGHTED							

Results of 2013 Annual Board of Directors Election

Pine Mountain Lake Association 2013-2014 Board of Directors
Ian Morcott, Jerry Dickson, Mike Gustafson, Dana Chavarria, Brian Sweeney

The results of the PMLA Board of Directors election were announced at the Annual Meeting of Members held on Saturday, August 17, 2013.

BALLOTS RECEIVED AND STATISTICAL DATA:

Total Envelopes Received	1,616
Deemed Ineligible	26
Total Eligible Votes Cast	1,590
Quorum Only Ballots Cast.....	48
Under Votes.....	132

Dana Chavarria received 865 votes.
Brian Sweeney received 739 votes.
Mike Gustafson received 731 votes.
Bruce Lay received 668 votes.
Tomas Hernandez received 569 votes.

Congratulations, Dana Chavarria, Brian Sweeney and Mike Gustafson.

YOUR PML BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2013/2014

Ian Morcott President
Jerry Dickson..... Vice President
Dana Chavarria Treasurer
Mike Gustafson Secretary
Brian Sweeney Director at Large

CC&R MERGER PROVISION

This measure required a 51% affirmative vote (1,681) of all eligible voting members. This ballot item DID NOT receive sufficient votes to reach quorum.



Ian Morcott, Board President



Jerry Dickson, Board Vice-President



Dana Chavarria, Board Treasurer



Mike Gustafson, Board Secretary



Brian Sweeney, Director-at-Large

For informational purposes
only the vote count
on the Merger Provision
was as follows:

Yes.....1,133
No..... 377
Quorum Only 58

2013 Black Parking Windshield Clings

We are having an issue with some of the 2013 parking clings not adhering well to vehicle windshields. We worked with our vendor and ordered replacements that have a low tack adhesive to eliminate the issue. If you need replacement stickers please stop by the office and pick them up. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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:

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Highlights of 2013 Property Owner Survey

BY LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The PML Long Range Planning Committee thanks the many PML Property Owners who took the time to give us their feedback in the recently-concluded 2013 Member Survey. The web-based survey was online from March 1 to July 1 and, during that time, we received ~800 surveys with ~730 utilizing the Internet and ~70 completing the paper-based forms that were available from the PMLA office.

This short article will highlight only a few of the results but a more complete summary of the results can be found on the LRPC webpage – www.pmlmgc.com/lrpc. That website contains two reports on the 2013 survey as well as comparable reports from the similar surveys done in 2010 and 2007. The LRPC presented the 2013 survey results data to all attendees at the July PMLA Board meeting and also conducted the drawing of three names provided by the responders and they will receive gift cards to use at PML.

In the initial section of the survey, we asked a few general information questions. A subset of the results from a couple of those questions are shown below.

What best describes the current state of your PML property?

- 38% Primary residence
- 48% Second/other home not used as a rental

What amenities/services are very important to your enjoyment of owning property at PML. Multiple choices were allowed and each of the following choices got more than 50% of the votes.

- 82% Lake/Marina/Beaches
- 76% Fire Threat & Fuel Reduction
- 75% High-speed Internet Access
- 72% Safety Department
- 62% Restaurant
- 55% Golf Course
- 53% Compost Pile

The survey then asked three questions (amount of use, overall quality, and specific improvement suggestions) about each of the four high-visibility PML amenities/services.

The percentage of responses that rated the indicated amenity/service as Excellent or Very Good is shown below:

- 96% Golf Course
- 85% Lake/Marina/Beaches
- 85% Restaurant/Bar
- 88% Safety Department

You are encouraged to check out the summary report on the webpage to see how frequently each of those amenities was used by the responders.

Then the aging current swimming pool amenity was addressed. Of the ~660 people who answered the question about what should be done, 47% said do nothing to change the current pool, 27% said build a new/larger pool, and 26% said add a heated enclosure to the existing pool. In a follow-up question, when asked how a property owner would vote regarding “building a new pool”, there were ~750 responses and 54% said they would vote no.

The last part of the survey posed a series of questions regarding which existing amenities/services need the most development, which add the most economic value to PML property values, and what potential new amenities/services were desired. It should be noted that in this section, the answers to these questions were randomized so no bias based on the ordering of possible selections could be inferred.

A subset of the results regarding the one question that asked “**What NEW amenity/service (or significant modification to an existing amenity/service) would you like to see at PML**” is shown below. One or more choices were allowed and there were ~730 responses to this question. The percentages of responses choosing the subset of indicated choices are shown below.

- 69% Expanded access to high-speed Internet service
- 48% Exercise facility/gym
- 34% Development of more walking/hiking trails
- 31% Renovation of existing Marina Café/Store building

Now that there is some recent, specific/hard data from a large contingent of PML Property Owners, the new Board of Directors and PMLA management and employees can use this in shaping the priorities, budgets, and action plans for 2014. In addition to the specific “numbers” (totals/percentages) reflected in the responses, there were also many “free form” comments/suggestions provided. As with prior surveys, Joe Powell and his amenity managers will review this data to consider implementing some of the “good ideas”.

In closing, the LRPC strongly encourages all interested property owners to look at more of the survey results detail via the reports at the webpage – www.pmlmgc.com/lrpc – or by visiting the PMLA Admin offices to view a hardcopy of the reports. The reports certainly illustrate how diverse a community PML is and that every amenity/service/activity of PMLA is valuable to some members.

Lastly, if you have a specific question on the survey results, feel free to send an email to lrpc@pinemountainlake.com and someone from the LRPC will respond.

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Please note the hours of operation for the following amenities:

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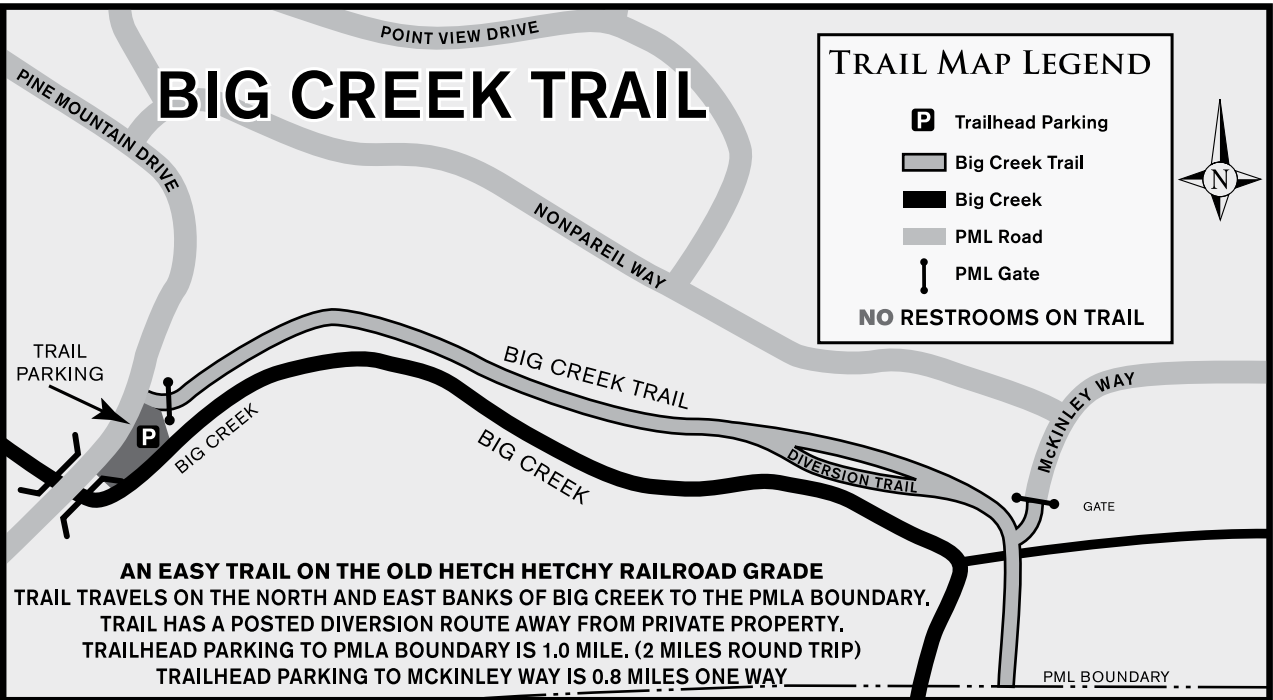
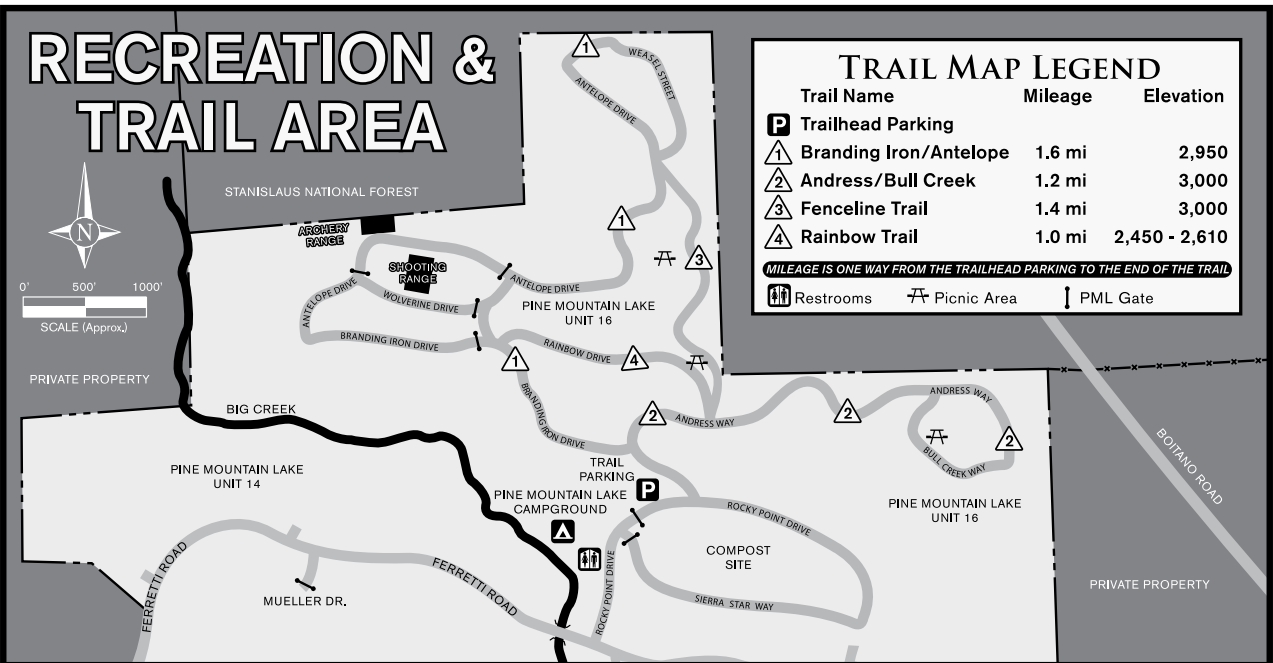
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Swim Center

BY DESIREE LAFFRANCHI

School is back in session, but the pool is still open! Starting Tuesday September 3rd we are open every day from 10am (noon for renters and guests) until 7pm. Morning aerobics are still Monday thru Friday from 8-10am, Saturday and Sunday 9-10am. Starting Monday September 16th we will be open from noon to 5pm. Water aerobics will be Monday thru Friday 10am-noon, Saturday and Sunday 11am-noon.

I would like to thank all the children and parents for an amazing summer of swim lessons. Thank you for your dedication and hard work. I would also like to thank everyone for coming out to our bingo pool parties. They were a great success and we look forward to more pool party fun next summer.

The pool store is stocked and ready for all your snack needs! We have ice cream from Producer's Diary, chips, soda, candy, floats, dive toys and much more. You can also come on down and use our pool side BBQ for your hotdogs and burgers! Sorry no reservations, it is first come first serve. Propane is provided but you must bring your own utensils (spatula, forks, etc.).



Phoenix Berggren

Come on down to the PMLA Swim Center for some after school fun. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Marina News

BY JIM DAHMS, MARINA MANAGER

Well, it was another great summer for all those who were here! Labor Day weekend will be here for one more summer fling, so come on out and enjoy our facilities. Kids fun day and a sand castle contest will be part of the festivities.

Please remember, the Marina Store will close for the season at 6 PM Monday, September 2. The Lakeside Café, however, will remain open under fall hours until September 15. Fall hours are Sunday through Thursday 11:00 am to 4 pm and

Friday and Saturday 11:00 am to 6:00 pm.

We are all looking forward to the proposed replacement of our Marina Store/ Café and the rock jetty for the 2014 season. Both projects will enhance our terrific marina and will be enjoyed by all.

A special thanks to Marty and his crew of volunteers who monitor our volleyball area and assist with our kid's holiday fun days. A big "thank you" for all of you who were here this year and our Marina staff looks forward to seeing you again in 2014.



Assistant General Manager Ivonne Deckard created signs placed at the front gate to say what we are all thinking.

PAR FOR THE COURSE

BY ALAN MACDONALD, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT



GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULED

A recent golf course improvement project was to eliminate the drainage ditch to the right of #10 fairway that continued over to #16.

Please remember that greens aeration is scheduled for September 23rd & 24th.

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News from The Grill

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



Another busy summer at the Grill comes to an end. As we start enjoying some milder temperatures in the foothills the Grill is the perfect setting to enjoy a great meal or just a drink. The weekends will still be very busy so be sure to make a reservation. If you like a little more intimate and quiet dinner join us during the week Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays are much less crowded.

While a number of recent studies indicate that menu labeling has little effect on diners' menu choices, a report from NPD Group may offer a glimpse into the reason why. According to NPD, only one in four consumers say they eat healthy when dining out, while the majority admits a desire to treat themselves when at a restaurant. Asked to give a reason for not making healthy choices, 37 percent of consumers said they want to eat what they want when they go out. Many simply don't

pay attention or don't feel that watching what they eat is a priority. And a number of people still don't find enticing healthy options on menus: 14 percent note a lack of variety among healthy items and 13 percent say healthy items don't sound or look appetizing. Operators that offer opportunities for customization are most likely to appeal to both health conscious and indulgent diners. According to NPD, the 24 percent of consumers who do make healthy choices still want to eat what they want—but they're more likely to switch the protein or preparation method or request their extras "on the side."

The 19th Hole Lounge will continue to have live music on Saturday nights from 8pm until 12 midnight. The first Friday night of each month is the standing room only Karaoke night. And for when there is no live entertainment, last month Jamie got a new updated Juke Box in the bar.

As always it's your Club so your questions and suggestions are always welcome, contact me at clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com.



A helicopter flies back toward the PML Airport to pick up more fire retardant while the pyrocumulus clouds formed by the fire loom overhead. Photo by David Wilkinson.

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PML Lady Niners

BY KAREN DICKSON

Happy August !! Can you believe it? July went by so fast!

We had a great July with “Charity Day “ on July 25th with the 18 Hole women. We enjoyed a wonderful lunch. Great way to help!

Then on July 27th we invited The 9 Hole Men to play golf and have dinner. Everyone enjoyed the golf and the very nice dinner.

We also enjoyed our Thursday play day with Eclectic.

Our captain Stacie Brown went to Mace Meadows for their Open.

Stacie said it was a very nice course and enjoyed playing golf with all the ladies.

JULY 11th PUTTS DAY & #5 ECLECTRIC
16 Players
1st Place: Mary Houser 14 Putts
2nd Place Tie: Pat Price & Sarah Zimmerman 15 Putts
3rd Place Tie: Wanda Patterson & Nancy Whitefield 16 Putts
4th Place Tie: Linn Faler & Pat Van Gerpen 17 Putts
PARS: #14 Stacie Brown, #17 Wanda Patterson
CHIP-INS: #11 Linelle Marshall & Carrie Carter (for a Par)
LOW NET: Linn Faler with a 29. GREAT.

JULY 18th BLIND HOLES & #6 ECLECTRIC
14 Players
1st Place: Flo Jansen
2nd Place: Carrie Carter
3rd Place: Marilyn Alexander
4th Place: Beverly Oakley
5th Place: Nancy Whitefield
6th Place: Sarah Zimmerman
PARS: #14 Carrie Carter
LOW NET: Nancy Whitefield
JULY ACE OF ACES: LINN FALER WITH A 29

I’d like to say “THANK YOU” for all the nice cards, gifts and wonderful dinners. All of you have made my time off of golf much easier.

PML Men’s Golf Club

BY DICK FAUX, SECRETARY

The PML Men’s Golf Club sponsored three golf tournaments in July which were the 2 men’s club sweeps and the Net Championship. The results of all three tournaments are listed below:

July sweeps 2 man point par:		
Flight 1	Score	
1st Dennis Scott, Wayne Doty	66	
2nd Al Saisi, Ron Saisi	65	
3rd Dan Davenport, Ron Saisi	64	
Flight 2	Score	
1st Jim Wilbanks, Blind Draw	79	
2nd Mike Hankin, Jim Sample	75	
3rd Doug Wall, Derrol Beaulieu	71	

Men’s club sweeps #2 Pinehurst		
Flight 1	Score	
1st Dave Gibson, Brian Sweeney	65	
2nd Chuck Bradley, Mike Hankin	67	
3rd Al Saisi, Jeff Sera	67	

Flight 2	Score	
1st Tom Connelly, Doug Wall	68	
2nd Pat Hennigan, Wayne Augsburger	68	
3rd Bob Stock, Jerry Dickson	68	

Flight 3	Score	
1st Jim Wilbanks, Glen Fiance	68	
2nd Charley Stoll, Jim Soderberg	71	
3rd Walt Bales, RichRobensefner	73	

PML Men’s Golf Club NET Championship		
1st Bill Wrighton	134	
2nd John Wilbanks	140	
3rd Jim Wilbanks	140	

In September we have the Couples Championship scheduled for Sept. 7th and the Hamburger Tournament scheduled for Sept. 14th.

If you want to download tournament entry forms or your 2013 tournament

schedule, you can access that information at www.PMLMGC.com.

LIFE’S OBSERVATIONS BY JOE SMITH

1. Every path has a few puddles
2. Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.
3. You cannot unsay a cruel word.
4. Common sense is like a deodorant. The people who need it most never use it.

DO YOU KNOW THE RULES OF GOLF?

Q. A player whose ball was on the putting green, marked his ball’s position, lifted it and threw it to his caddie for cleaning. The caddie failed to catch the ball and it went into a lake and could not be retrieved. The player holed out with another ball. Should he be penalized?

A. Yes, rule 16-1B under which the ball was lifted does not permit substitution of another ball. Accordingly, the player insures a penalty of loss hole in match play or a two stroke penalty in stroke play.

Goodbye Summer, Hello Autumn!

QUILTING WEATHER IS ON THE WAY

BY SANDY SMITH

Tuesday the 17th of September is the Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meeting. We meet under the library at 6 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday. Always have something interesting going on, great teachers, sharing, raffle drawings, plus good stuff to eat. Come and see what we are all about.

Let me share something really neat we have been doing this summer. At the July meeting we cut and made pillow case kits from fabric that had belonged to dear sweet Barbara Floren. Her husband Bill had donated it to us after her death. Each of us took home a kit (or two) and then at the August meeting we shared the pillow cases we made. It was heart warming because they were then donated to the fire victims in Colorado who lost their homes. I know Barbara would be pleased. It made all of us feel good. A gift of love to those who need a little encouragement.

Remember, September 21st and 22nd is the Sierra Quilt Guild Autumn Splendor quilt show at the Mother Lode Fair Grounds. Cheryl Ferreira is the featured quilter. Saturday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.- 4 p.m., \$7 admission charge. Make it a

great week-end by enjoying the 49ers day celebration in Groveland on Saturday, (don’t miss the parade at 9 a.m.) and then go to the quilt show on Sunday.

Have you ever wondered how, many years ago, fabric was dyed. After researching a little I found that TYRIAN PURPLE was originally acquired by squeezing, drop by drop, from mollusks caught near the ancient city of Tyre. Given its high cost, it was available only to society’s elite and was worn by royalty to flaunt their stature. Hope you found it as interesting as I did. Glad I wasn’t one of the slaves that had that job to do. EWWWW!

A really cute website is bugfabric.com., I loved the grouchy lady bug quilt. Another one is patchabilities.com. Both interesting and provide lots of fun things to ponder over.

The Block Party will be on Thursday the 19th from 1 pm to 3 pm at Deanas home. We are putting together small quilts for CNVC in Sonora. After we sew them all together we tie them. It is a great community outreach, if you would like to help just give me a call at 962-4950.

PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

Aviation Association Eric Henderson	962-0832
Computer Users Group Frank Perry	962-0728
Country Mountain Riders Dorothy Scofield	962-6902
Duplicate Bridge Bobbi Vandenberg Bill Parker	962-6965 962-5957
Exercise Barbara Elliott	962-6457
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Garden Club Louise Turney	962-0609
Guardians of PML Dan O’Connor	962-5770
Ladies Club Beverly Oakley	962-4799
Ladies Golf Club Yvonne Mattocks	962-4165
Men’s Golf Club Michael Guess	962-4970
Men’s 9-Hole Golf Club Bob Oakley	962-4799
Monday Bridge Club Bill Parker	962-5957
Needle Crafts Lee Isbell	962-5727
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PML Ladies Golf Club Events

BY SARA HANCOCK

There is only one word to describe July. HOT! Along with the hot weather there were some pretty hot scores.

July 3rd, Our Tournament Chair, Linda Johnson, put together a Firecracker Scramble. You might not believe this, but there were 3 foursomes. There was a 3-way tie with a net 63. Very friendly.

July 11th Gross, Net, Putts; Ace of Aces: Linda Johnson and Kitty Edgerton...Net 66

1st Flight Handicaps 14-19: Low Gross Kitty Edgerton 80...Low Net Linda Johnson 66; 2nd Flight Handicaps 20-25: Low Gross Helena McMillan 97...Low Net Mona Tompkins 77; 3rd Flight Handicaps 26-30: Low Gross Linda Wall 97...Low Net Yvonne Mattocks 73; 4th Flight Handicaps 31-38: Low Gross Kay Bettencourt 101...Low Net Marlene Drew 76. Putter of the Month...Kitty Edgerton 30 putts. Birdies: Kitty Edgerton #12, Linda Johnson #6, #10, #13.

July 18th Ladies Invite the Men

Marlene Drew and Joyce Smith once again did a wonderful job of putting this tournament together. The game of Red, White and Blue was played in the afternoon followed by a wonderful dinner. There were 2 flights with six foursomes in each flight. Stars Flight: 1st Place 121...Dick and Thelma Faux & Patty and Norm Peebles; 2nd Place 123...Tony and Eleanor Ellis Murphy & Kathy and Dave Egan; 3rd Place 125...Linda and Doug Wall & Barbara and Tom Connelly. Stripes Flight: 1st Place 119...Mona and Bob Tompkins & Kay Bettencourt and Jim Wilbanks; 2nd Place 120...Marcee and John Cress & Marjorie and Rudy Rich; 3rd Place 124...Yvonne and Dick Mattocks & Sara and Fred Hancock. Closest to the Hole on #14...Mona Tompkins 26'8" and Rudy Rich 25'2".

July 25th Charity Day

Mona Tompkins chaired this tournament with the designated charity being Hospice of the Sierra. The 9'ers joined in the fun. The

Pro Shop turned the course into all Par 3's. 41 ladies participated in the tournament. The winners in the 1st Flight, 1st Place with a score of 67...Mona Tompkins, Corky Graham, Mary Houser and Nancy Whitefield; 2nd Place with a score of 71...Linda Wall, Barbara Connelly, Marilyn Bolar, Blind Draw; 3rd Place with a score of 77...Thelma Faux, Kathie Wood, Pat Van Gerpen and Wanda Patterson. 2nd Flight, 1st Place with a score of 62...Eleanor Ellis Murphy, Kathy Eagan, Joyce Smith and Stacie Brown; 2nd Place with a score of 64...Helena McMillan, Jodie Awai, Anne Peterson and Judy Michaelis; 3rd Place with a score of 66...Marilyn Scott, Leanna Mattea, Marlene Drew and June Moore. With the course being all Par 3's, there were lots of birdies. Barbara Connelly had birdies on #1, #15 and #16. Shirley Vaughn on #9, Kathie Wood on #5, Mona Tompkins on #8, Jeanne Pacco on #14, Alma Frawley on #1, Yvonne Mattocks on #1, Jane Reynolds on #9, Leanna Mattea on #10 and Anne Peterson on #9 for the 18 Hole Ladies. For the Nine Hole Ladies, June Moore had a birdie on #9. A nice lunch followed the tournament. Following lunch, Connie Walthers, RN gave us some background on the Hospice, what services they provide our community and how donations are used. The Hospice provided Green bags filled with some golf goodies for each participant. Thank you to Stacie Brown and the 9'ers for donating several baskets, Linelle Marshall for her pies and cookies. Evan was able to get several golf packages for the raffle. Thank you also to Marlene Drew for making the center pieces and to Bambi, Jay and Grill staff for the great lunch. Thank you to Dave for putting the teams together and for printing the score cards. Through your generous donations, we were able to donate a total of \$1,264.45.

Coming up on September 5, 10 and 12, we have our Club Championship Tournament. Let's have a great participation this year. September 19th is our Home and Home Tournament. See you on the course.

Ladies Club Enjoys Luncheon at the Lake

BY MARY CHAPMAN

August 7th, 2013 the Ladies Club met at Pine Mountain Lake for games, a picnic, and boat rides. The luncheon began with socializing, plus card and board games played on the picnic tables. This was a great way to have fun and to learn a little more about each other. Lunch was a mixture of wonderful tasty salads, K.F.C. chicken, fresh fruit and desserts. After lunch and great conversations, the ladies departed for relaxing boat rides around

the lake. They were treated with sightings of the three beautiful swans, great views of lovely houses, and calm smooth boat rides due to the lovely weather. It was a wonderful day of fresh air and terrific conversation.

If you would like to be part of the fun, become a member of the PML Ladies Club contact Barbara Coldren at 962- 5168 or Maddie Sousa at 962 -5708. There is truth in the saying, "the more the merrier."

Country Mountain Riders Do It Again

BY LYNNE ORLOFF AND SHARON VOLPONI

Temperate weather, camaraderie and family gatherings punctuated the day as the Country Mountain Riders once again put on a tasty barbeque at the stables to celebrate our nation's birth. The color guard presented the symbols of our nation as they rode our country, state, and county flags for the crowd. The riders were Dorothy Schofield, Elaine North, Joan Giesler, and Michelle A'Dair. Lester Schofield read a moving poem about our flag. Paul Purifoy, ever the consummate announcer, brought our eyes skyward as our local aviators passed in review in their varied modes of flight...from stalwart aerobatic airplanes meant to twist and turn quickly through maneuvers to production airplanes that get you quickly to your destination, a smattering of experimental homebuilts, and even a Light Sport Aircraft. Nothing speaks of freedom more to an aviator than being able to take to the skies and defy gravity! Monies made at the barbeque are used to help local organizations. One such organization was helped immediately by one of our members.

David "Stilts" Volponi received donations at the Country Mountain Riders Independence Day Barbeque event for posing for family pictures in his Uncle Sam wardrobe. The following day he took the donated sum of \$100 and presented it to the Re-Horse Rescue Ranch in Jamestown at their Open House event. Re-



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Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club

BY MADDIE SOUSA, SECRETARY

For our August meeting the Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club traveled to Bodega Bay. We spent four days and nights taking in the sights, sounds, and smells of the ocean.

We drove up the coast to Jenner by the Sea, stopped to watch the coastline and the fate of some wayward kayaks.

We drove back through Occidental and stopped at Negri's for lunch and reminiscing.

Some of our members used a day for horseback riding and others went sight seeing around Bodega and Bodega Bay.

Ned Nuddelman got up early and took a party boat out fishing and caught some excellent Rock Cod. They made delicious fish tacos the next day. Other members choose to relax and read by the sea.

Every evening we sat around the fire pit and told stories. Many thanks to the Boatman's, the Hoagland's and the Gordon's for supplying the wood and the Sousa's for the fire pit.

The last night out we went to the



Sandpiper Restaurant for some good fresh fish dinners and lively conversation.

Attending were: Willie & Betty Boatman; Doug and Carol Imberi; Dennis and Darlene Hoagland; Dave & Carol Morgan; Ned & Pat Nuddelman; Paul & Jane Sperry; and Joe & Maddie Sousa.

Our September outing will be Jackson Rancheria, Sept. 10th. through Sept 13th. returning on the 14th. (3 sites still available).

For more information on our group and/or scheduled outings please call Ned Nuddelman at (925) 371-2287 or Maddie Sousa at (209) 962-5708.

PML Action Hero: Marle Hewett

BY JANET GREGORY

How does one person make so much happen in their life? Marle Hewett couldn't really say, and his only comment was that "it just happened." Commander. Doctor. Test Pilot. Executive. Record-breaker. Any one of those titles equates to accomplishments that define an action hero. All of them describe Marle Hewett (Marle sounds like Carl). Marle is a makes-things-happen guy.

Strong values and respect for service were prominent in his early years in rural Maine. Marle's father ran away from home, joining the Marines at 17. He'd left the Marines in the mid 30s and they wouldn't let him back in when WWII started, so dad joined the Maine State Guard. At age 6, wearing a Guard uniform his mom made, Marle joined his dad's company patrolling the shores of Maine. His dad assigned him the job of company Adjutant. He carried a 45 on his hip that hung below his knee and slept with it for the rest of the war. On his 12th birthday, dad got him a Winchester Model 1894 30-30 and they hunted together for years. Marle knew he was destined to join the military. Dad was disappointed when Marle picked Naval Air over Marine Air.

Commander Hewett served a distinguished 20-year career in the US Navy. He is a decorated Navy combat pilot and test pilot. He flew A-4s and A-7s while serving on the USS Oriskany ("the Mighty



O") and USS America (a super carrier of the era). He survived 100 combat missions in Vietnam. As test pilot he flew fighters at Edwards AFB Aerospace Research Pilot School. The F-104 Starfighter was his favorite, "high flying and fast, but a poor turner, it was a lousy fighter but a hell of a rat racer."

Test Pilot Marle was Chief of the Flying Qualities and Performance Branch of the Flight Test Division at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, MD in the early 70s. It was the premier test pilot job in the Navy at the time. The occupant of that billet was the first Navy pilot to fly any new Navy airplane.

Total commitment doesn't mean blind acceptance. He enjoyed the intensity of



combat and had a reputation amongst his peers as a superb flight leader. On the other hand "Vietnam changed me," becoming disillusioned with senseless rules, wasted resources and the human impact. "You don't understand the real cost of war until you are there." He rejects our country's near fanatic use of war, military aid or threat of war as tools to influence world affairs. That was the catalyst for changing his career path in the Navy. He gave up "Command at Sea" and pursued his Master's degree and Ph.D. at the Navy Post Graduate School in Monterey. He closed his Navy career teaching Aerospace engineering at the Naval Academy in Annapolis.

Executive Marle founded G&C Systems in 1989 where he developed

an internationally successful flight test software planning package. Today he still consults with both commercial and military contractors in constructing and executing flight test programs. His clients span the globe: Lockheed, Boeing, Saab Scania, Korea Aerospace, Hindustan Aeronautics, and others.

Record-breaker Marle served as mission director for the Red Bull Stratos project. He was part of a team that set five records in 2012 when Felix Baumgartner jumped from a specially designed capsule lifted to 128,000 feet over Roswell, NM. This was the highest skydive ever attempted, the

fastest (843 mph) and the first human to go supersonic without the aid of an airplane (Mach 1.24), among other records.

Marle has a great breadth of perspective. His wife, Judy is a big part of that. Marle works more from the head and Judy from the heart. Marle was more conservative and Judy was more liberal. They engaged in many long discussions. Today there are still long discussions but not so many differences. It's a partnership that brings insight, balance and broader perspective.

What's next for commander, doctor, test-pilot, executive, record-breaker, Marle? He has become a writer of sorts. He is writing a memoir for his family; a compendium of short stories and "free verse" poetry many focused on his war experiences. Here's a sample.

RESPITE

It's just after midnight in the South China Sea.
I'm walking the flight deck. The sea is calm.
The air is heavy and warm.

We're steaming slowly to the East.
Flight ops are over now; the ship is quiet.
I've survived yet another day of combat in the skies over the North.

This is my time, time to reflect, to leave the war behind.
Forward on the flight deck I move, all the way to the bow.
There are no souls up here, just me and the sea ahead.

I inch toward the round-down, the very edge of the deck.
Closer and closer I get until I can escape no further.
The smooth even hiss of the bow cutting the water below is comforting.

Tomorrow, chaos will return.
Tomorrow, I will drop more bombs on the enemy and he will shoot back.
But for now, my world is at peace.

I look out over the horizon to the East.
Home is out there, eleven thousand miles out there, but no matter.
In my minds eye, I can see past the Solomons, past the Marshalls.

I can see all the way to the coast, and that little brown house on the corner.
I wonder what my beloved is doing at this moment, at this very moment.
Lets see, what time is it back home? Lets see...lets see.

It's March '68. Word has it that the Marines have broken out at Khe Sanh.

PML Shooting Club News

BY CAROL SIMPSON, SECRETARY, PMLSC

The PML Shooting Club continues to work to improve the utility of our range for all PML residents. The range has been operating since June 2012. The Club has over 200 members and growing. Our Club-sponsored Women & Handguns classes and Range Safety Officer classes have provided gun handling and safety training for over 60 PML residents. We are planning for a third Women & Handguns class. The focus of range operations is on safety and ensuring that sound levels do not disturb our fellow residents. We responded to requests from property owners who want to use the range but whose rifles or pistols are not among the limited set initially authorized at the range. Currently these folks have to practice elsewhere, often in a remote location in the national forest or on private property outside of PML. We got approval from the PML Board to conduct limited, scientifically controlled sound level testing, and we have systematically

collected sound level data and found some additional, very common and popular sporting and self-defense calibers that have lower sound levels than those we have been shooting for the past year. The addition of these to the authorized list has greatly increased the number of PML folks who can now use this beautiful amenity. It's a win-win: more of us can use the range, and the Association garners more revenue from range fees to offset our annual assessments. The range is only open when we have a trained range safety officer (RSO) present. All users must obey the directions and commands of the RSO. 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.org and the PMLA website link www.pinemountainlake.com/Shooting-Range-430522-21389.htm for more information on joining the Shooting Club and on using the range.

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This 5 yr young, 3045sq.ft, 3Bd/2.5Ba custom Cape Cod style home will impress from the moment you walk up the circular drive to the cvrd front porch w/ceiling fans & plenty of room to sit & enjoy the mtn scenery. Gourmet kit. w/center island, granite, cherry cabinets, stainless appliances, Thermador LP range, compactor, side by side refrig & dual pantries. Spacious formal living rm w/gas f.p., recessed lighting & fan. Inviting mstr ste w/granite dual vanities, soaking tub & shower & walk-in closet. Family rm, study, under stair storage, Indry rm w/sink & plenty of storage, dining, oversized 3 car gar. are just a few more features of this gorgeous home. Situated on over an acre, the backyard has stamped concrete patio & lots of open space ideal for barn, workshop or whatever you desire. 2nd floor attic consists of 2,800 unpermitted sq. ft. 80% complete w/family rm, 2 bed & charming dormer windows, kitchen area & bathroom. Built to the highest standards by contractor/owner it has been thoroughly maintained and is in perfect condition, ready for its next family to enjoy.
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7/228 19092 Digger Pine Street



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\$213,500 3/444 12853 Cresthaven Dr.

LOTS & LAND

Nice Lot backs to Private Ranch Level Building area mtn & tree views. **\$4,950** Unit 10, Lot 75 - 20880 McKinley

Picturesque Lot .426ac. Apprvd Septic Permit Incl. Seller finance 30% Dn. 4% int. Due in 3 years. **\$30K** - 4/348 - 20774 Big Ft Cir.

Unit 7 Lot 49 Ferretti Rd Easy Access. Gentle upslope. **\$45K**

Large Merged Lot. .87 Acres Very close to Tioga High School. Easement off Ferretti Rd for easy access **\$9,600** 7-281 Ferretti Rd.

1.88 Acre. Prime Horse Lot Next to the Bass pond. Close to Stables/Airport. Seller fin. avail. **\$175,000** 12/173 - Clements Rd

Finest of the Golf Course Lots For Sale. 190 ft on 4th Fairway. Unbelievable Views **\$125,000** 5/284 19021 Dyer Ct.

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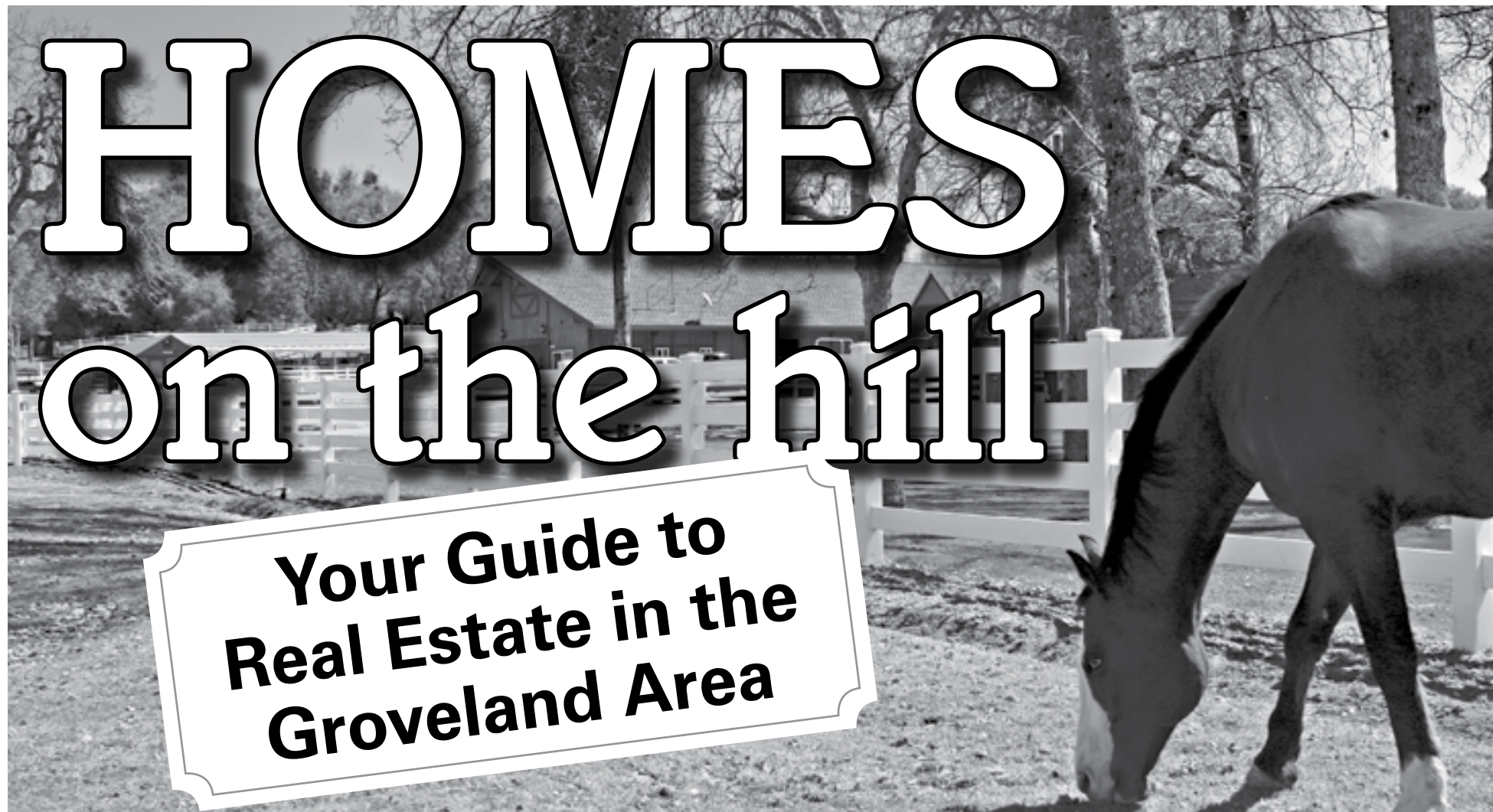
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3 Bed/2 Bth Approx 2,106 SF Home. Great Rm w/Fireplace & New Hardwood floors, Cathedral ceiling. Newly painted, New Carpet throughout. Room for 2 RV's. 4-512 Cresthaven Dr. \$265,000 MLS#20130396



Magnificent Victorian Style Home
12861 Boltano Rd
MLS #20130753
\$595,000

4 Bedrm/4 Bth, 2 Car Garage, Approx 3000 sf, .30 Acre, In Law Qtrs with full Kitchen & Living Rm Area, Master Suite with Exercise Rm, Walk-in closet, Greenhouse, Deck, Formal Dining, Den, Beautiful View over Cove, So Much More!



Custom Home - Airport-Quiet Back Taxiway
3 Bed/ 3 1/2 Bath, Gourmet Kitchen, Upper level wet bar, 3 sided decking, 4 car garage. Hanger w/Bed & Bath Apt, 42' Hanger Door
\$599,000 12-51 MLS#20120709
21101 Jimmersall Lane



Charm & Character!!
\$149,900
3-456
MLS #20130420

20695 Crest Pine Easement

Well cared for 2 Bed/2 Bath Home, Approx 1620 sf, on .32 Acre. Newer laminate flooring, carpet interior/exterior paint & roof. Timber Tech Deck with a great treed view.



3 Bed/3 Baths, 0.60 Double Merged Lot. Open beamed ceilings, split level, Shop & lots of extra storage area for boat or other toys. Heat pump for heating & Cooling.
12725 Cresthaven Drive
4/510 MLS# 20121545 \$239,000



TAXI WAY HOME!
2,200 SF 3 Bed / 3 Bath / 2 Car Garage & 40 x 46 Hangar on .68 AC! 1,900 SF Deck On Runway! Recently Remodeled & New Heating & Cooling System. Guest House & 2 Horse Barn/Tack Room & Shop
12-10 20945 Woodside Way
\$699,000 MLS#20130216



Backs to Greenbelt!
3 Bed/2 Bath, 2 Car Oversized Finished Attached Garage w/Cabinets, 2168 Sq Ft., Built 1991, Great Room w/ Free Standing Fireplace, Open Beam Ceiling, Breakfast Bar, Wine Storage. **MLS #20130474**
6-31 19601 Cottonwood \$269,000



12-114
Jimmersall Lane
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Contemporary Pilot's Dream Home!

5 Bd/5.5 Bth, Approx. 5,400 Sq Ft on Approx. 0.86 Acre Taxi Way Lot. 2 Car garage, Built 1989, 3,600 SF Hanger, 1,125 SF Shop, 3 Fireplaces, Large Pantry, Wet Bar, Wine Storage, Fully Landscaped, Elevator, 3 Fireplaces, and so much More! **MLS#20131033**



Spacious 2 Level Home with Guest Quarters!
13-123
\$289,990

MLS#20130106 12066 Breckenridge Rd.
4 Bed/3 Bath, Approx 2508 Sq Ft, 0.44 Acre Lot, 2 Car Garage, Car Port, Great Room, Family Room with Wet Bar, Wood Burning Fire Place, Inside Laundry, Bonus Room, Large Deck, Ample Guest Parking.



Beautiful Home Over looking part of the Golf Course. 3 Bedrms/3 Bath, 2 Car Garage, Great Rm, Living Rm w/ Fireplace, Master Bedrm with Fireplace, *Much More.* **MLS 20121419**
20135 Pleasant View 1-222 \$265,000

LOTS for SALE!!

4-16 - \$ 5,500 **GOLD**able Lot
5E/17 - \$49,000 For Sale by Owner - Golf Course Lot
7-108 - \$7,000 Golf Course Lot .50 Acre
8/135 - \$11,700
8/136 - \$8,000
8/137 - \$ 7,999
10-26 - \$39,700 **PENDING** .45 Acre
10-76 - \$5,500 Sewered Ready to Build
15-72 - \$200,000 Deep Water Lot



Lake Front Tranquil Setting!
MLS#20130797

3 Bed/3 Bath, 2 Level Home, Approx. 1,700 SF, 1.0 Acre Parcel, Private Dock, Dining Area, Living Rm, Family Rm, Bonus Rm, Inside Laundry, Deck.
20140 Pine Mountain Drive 4-134
\$450,000



Beautiful Custom Home!

3 Bed/4 Bath, 3 Car Attached Garage, Approx. 2,904 SF, on 1.44 Acre Lot, Bonus Rm, Guest Room, Office, Storage, Brfst Bar, Island, 2 Master Suites, Walk-in Closets, Propane Central Air/Heat, Fire Places, Much more!
11-42 30996 Elderberry Way \$590,000
MLS#20130662



Lake Front /Creek
3 Bed/2/ Bath 2 Car Finished Attached Garage w/ Workbench Built 1989, 1664 Sq. Ft. ~ One Level w/ Open Floor Plan, Free Standing Fireplace, Breakfast Bar, Double Deck "As-Is"
1-302 19565 Pleasant View
MLS# 20130126 \$320,000



Terrific Lake View!
Upper Skyridge Unit 15 Lot 15
MLS # 20130301

3 Bed/2 Bath, Approx 1,801 Sq Ft on 1.10 Acre Treed Lot! Plus 2 Bonus Rooms & 2 Car Garage. Open Beam ceiling, split level. Updated in 2003. Picturesque seasonal creek, just minutes from Main Marina—great place to enjoy the fireworks in July! As-Is

~~\$239,900~~ Reduced!! **\$230,000**



Spacious Ranch Style Home
4 Bed/3Bath/ 2 Car Attached Garage, 2,760 ft2 - One Level, Flat 1.60 acres, Cathedral Open Beam Ceiling, AC, Central Vacuum, Breakfast Area, Great Room, Guest Suite, Zoned for Horses
21179 Hemlock St 12-124
MLS# 20130073 \$395,000!



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**3-421 20771 Rising Hill Circle
\$234,900**

Beautiful House on Large Corner Lot !!

3 Bed/2 Bath, 2045 Sq. Ft., 3 Car Finished Garage w/ Flat Driveway, One Level - Great Room w/ Cathedral Ceiling, Open Kitchen w/ Large Island, Large Master Suite, Hardwood Tile and Carpet Floors, Lots of Storage, Dog Run, Tankless Water Heater - **NEW INTERIOR PAINT & CARPET**

MLS #20130389

**Excellent Maintained
Corner Lot Home!!
4-512****12729 Cresthaven Dr
\$265,000***Co-Listed with
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3B/2B, 2 Car Attached Garage, Great Room w/new hardwood floors, Dining Area, Master Bedrm with Private Deck, Vanity, Newly painted inside and out, Sub area, 2 Large Parking Areas, Fenced Area. **MLS# 20130396**

**21880 Ferretti Road
\$110,000 MLS**

**Rare Find! 2.2 Acre
Parcel with a
Beautiful View!!**
2 Bed/1 Bth, 1 Level w/
Level Driveway, 20'x42'
Mobile Hm, Central Propane
Heat, X-Large Shop, 2
Sheds, Well W/Triple O
System & Holding Tank,
Property Fenced. 6.2 miles
from Groveland

**6-173 19662 Cottonwood
MLS#20130571****\$99,200
A Must See!**

Delightfully Pleasant Cabin!

Spacious 1 Bd/1 Bth, 1 Car
Carport. Great Little Get-
Away! Approx. 936 SF.
Built in 1992, Large Living
Rm w/Vermont Free Stand-
ing Wood Stove. Large
subarea. Sitting on 1/3 acre,
provides for ample privacy
with lots of trees.



Each unit provides for many guests with 3 Bd/3 Bths,
w/extra 1/2 bath in Unit A. Seller advises the rented unit
provides major offsets for many of the monthly expenses.
Country Club, Pro Shop & Community pool are a very
short walk away. Perfect property for 2 friendly families.

Attractive Duplex Overlooks 3rd Green on Golf Course

**12616 Tannahill Dr. 5C-300
\$385,000 MLS# 20131427**

Charming Chalet Style Cabin

**MLS #20130456 20483 Ferretti Road Unit 3 Lot 40 \$129,900**

3 Bed/2 Bath + Family Room
1,231 Sq. Ft. on 0.48 acre
Cathedral Ceiling, Breakfast
Bar, Freestanding Fire Place,
L - Shaped Deck,
12' X 24' Shop/Storage Area,

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LOTS FOR SALE!

2/95 - \$6,500 Septic Approved for 3
Bdrms
4/128 - \$125,000 Lake Front with
Beautiful View
6/231 - \$19,500 Septic Lot-Nice View
7/252 - \$55,000 Septic Lot - Pretty
Surroundings
8/226 - \$8,750 Beautiful Level Lot
8/135 - \$11,700 Nicely Treed Lot
8/137 - \$7,999 Nice Lot- Good Local
13-313 - \$50,000 Beautifully treed Lot



Golf Course Lot!

**20060 Pleasant View
1-175****\$179,000**

MLS# 20130868

3 Bdrm/2Bath, **Pristine** 2 Level Home Sits back from
Road, Approx. 1,380 Sq Ft on 0.44 Acre, Recently
Renovated, Newer Carpet & Fresh Paint, Large Shed.
Large Master Bedroom. Ready to Move In!



Magnificent Victorian Style Home!

4 Bed/4 Bath, 2 Car Garage, Approx.
3000 SF, .30 Acre, Beautiful Kitchen
with Island, Stainless Appliances. 2 fire
Places. In- Law Qtrs with full Kitchen,
Brfst Nook & Living Rm Area with Sepa-
rate Entrance. Master Suite, with Exercise
Rm and Walk-in Closet, Central Heat &
Air, Finished Garage. Rare Lake View
with Ample Privacy. **MLS# 20130753**

*Co-Listed with Barry Scales***3-151 12861 Boitano Rd.****\$625,000 Reduced! \$595,000**

Spacious 2 Level

4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Approx. 2508
SF, .44 Acre Lot, 2 Car Garage, Car
Port, Central Air & Heat, Cathedral
Ceiling, Skylights, Large Rear Deck,
Ample Guest Parking, New Kitchen
Island Bar, Spacious Family Room
w/Wet Bar, Fire Place, Inside Laun-
dry, Large Bonus Room.

**13-123 12066 Breckenridge Rd
\$289,990***Co-Listed with Barry Scales
MLS# 20130106*

Unique Charm!

3 Bed/3 Baths + Office or 4th Bedrm, Up-
graded Kitchen, Breakfast Bar, Pantry,
Family/Den with Wet Bar/Kitchenette,
Mud Room Laundry Area - Ceiling Fans
through out. 2,508 Sq Ft, .33 Acre Lot,
Covered Porch with enclosed Jacuzzi,
Rock Patio Area, Shed for Storage, Tree
Enclosed Back Yard.

**3-120 MLS #20121279
20535 Nob Hill Circle
\$239,000**

Great Get-A-Way Cabin!

4 Bed/2 Bath, Approx. 1,438 SF, Built
in 1975, approx. 0.32 Acre, Septic,
Garage, 2 Levels, Deck, Open Beam,
Ceiling & Attic Fans, Pellet Stove/
Fire Place, Baseboard Heat, Central
Air on Main Level, Large Walk-in
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**8-211 19650 Butler Way
MLS# 20131131 \$169,000**



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PENDING

WELL KEPT SINGLE LEVEL HOME....with level driveway into home. Backups to 1100 acre ranch. Perfect retirement home or secondary home. 2 decks one covered in front and the other off living room. Private setting. Call Dave Lint or Ron Connick, \$244,000 3/404 MLS#20130839



PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP....very spacious 3bd/3ba. Possible in law qtrs. 2 lg decks, breezeway, 2 car garage. Mature pines surrounds home. Assoc amenities include pool, tennis ct. lake. ½ acre. Call Zane, 768-8889 \$280,000 2/401A MLS20131129



ENCHANTING LAKEFRONT...Beautifully maintained 3 level 3 bd, 2 sleeping areas, 3.5 ba lakefront home. The main level great room with its large kitchen is wonderful for entertaining family & friends. Call Linda \$675,000 15/71 MLS#20130178



SOLD!

SINGLE LEVEL HOME....level lot with lots of room for storing motor home, travel trailer, boats. Backs up to seasonal creek. 3 bd/2ba. Call Ron Connick or Dave Lint, \$219,500 1/359 MLS#20120599



SPECTACULAR GOLF COURSE VIEW....of the 10th through the 13th fairway can be seen from this beautiful home on the 12th green. Open floor plan, 3 bd. 3 ba. Large Master Suite. Call Linda \$442,700 5/92A MLS#20130828



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PENDING

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RELAXING RETREAT FOR A LRG. FAMILY... Remodeled 5bd/2.5 ba. + a bunk room. A cozy living room w/ brick fireplace, open beam ceiling & bonus room downstairs. Located on a Lrg. lot w/ great setting. Call Linda, \$225,000 3/331 MLS#20103754



SOLD!

DELIGHTFULLY CHARMING GOLF COURSE 3 Bd. 3 Ba. approx. 3600 sq. ft. home. Custom built in 2005. Loads of extras. Beautiful Setting. Call Linda \$449,900.00 5/258 Ferretti Rd. MLS# 20130419



SOLD!

A GREAT PRICE....Secluded property only 2 miles from the town of Groveland. 3bd/2ba. A little tender loving care will make this a great retirement, or vacation home. Call Dave Lint or Ron Connick 169,900 10922 Merrell Rd. MLS#20130958



SOLD!

PRIME GOLF COURSE HOME on the 4th Fairway. One Level Home with Open Great Room. Large Deck. Most Furniture Included. Call Dave Lint or Ron Connick \$215,000, 19179 Ferretti Rd. 5/245. MLS#20111408



PERFECT MOUNTAIN RETREAT....for the whole family. 3bd/2ba with a seasonal creek at the rear of the property. Centrally located to beach, tennis, restaurant & swimming pool. Call Dave or Ron, \$224,900 1/336 MLS#20131209



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LIGHT, BRIGHT & CHERRY....3bd/2ba home with oversized 2 car garage. Vaulted ceilings, open floor plan & large deck for entertaining. Call Michael or Patty, \$260,000 8/194 MLS20131172



NEW LISTING

Make It Yours...Great 3 bd 2 ba home with loads of potential. Central heat and air plus a 2 car garage. Vaulted open beam ceiling. New roof, carpet and linoleum in 2006 Priced to sell at \$174,000 Call Linda 7/81 Jackson Mill. MLS#20131236



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Large Family Home

This large very well maintained 3 bdrm, 3 ba, 2652 sq. ft. family home is move in ready. Large rec rm. with wet bar. Oversize 2 car garage. Living is on one level. Convenient to main gate, town and amenities. **Must see at \$239,000**



Unit 1 Lot 221 Pleasant View

Septic in 3 bdrm. House Plans. Owner can build. **\$39,900**



23.98 View Acres

City Water, Septic in for 3 bdrm home **\$200,000**



Stylish Home

Lots of interesting levels in this stylish 4 bdrm., 3 ba., 2700 sq. ft. home. Multiple decks, open, interesting floor plan. Walk to Lake Lodge, peek-a-boo lake view, recent upgrades. **Summer fun for \$309,000**



Location & Lake View

Open floor plan, deck has Lake view. 3 bdrm., 2 ba., 1482 sq. ft. Close to Dunn Ct Marina, Golf & Country Club. Two car garage can be rec room. **Take a look at \$189,000**



Cabin Getaway

Like new weekend getaway or full time home. 3 bdrm., 2 ba., 1769 sq. ft. Soaring fire place. In living room. Unique Master bdrm. And bath Suite. Close to main marina, town, country club and golf course. **Check it out at \$269,000**



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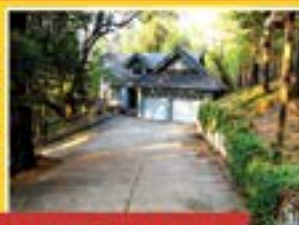
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3-111 Nob Hill \$239,900



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NEW LISTING



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1-201 Golden Rock \$445,000



NEW LISTING

SHALL WE CHALET? A great price for a 2-story cabin on a level lot. Up-grades include granite counters, new fixtures, flooring, decking & subtle paint tones. On a corner lot-even a seasonal creek at the rear of the property. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, central heat & air. 13-337 \$159,900



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MOUNTAIN CABIN RETREAT Relax on the deck with an incredible view through tall pines and cedars. Minutes away from the golf course, country club & Dunn Court Beach. This 2 bedroom, 3 bath home features a large bonus room and loft for nearly 2000 sq. ft. Backs up to Green Belt 2-467 \$189,000



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NEW LISTING



NEW LISTING

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Free Airplane Rides for Kids

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON



PML pilots give free rides to area kids.

Give your child a thrill! On October 5, from 9:00-11:00am, the Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association and EAA Chapter 1337 are offering free airplane rides for children ages 8-17 at Pine Mountain Lake Airport. Kids get the thrill of an airplane ride and the chance to see the world in a new and exciting way. Participating in a “Young Eagles” flight can show youngsters different ways to see the world and new possibilities for their lives.

The EAA Young Eagles program began in 1992 to give young people, ages 8 - 17, an opportunity to experience flying. These flights are offered free of charge and are made possible through the generosity of

EAA member pilot volunteers. Over 1.5 million kids have taken their first airplane ride with Young Eagles.

Registration begins at 8:30am on Saturday, October 5 at the PML Airport. Parents or guardians should accompany the kids and parental permission is required.

For more information, please contact Young Eagles Coordinator, Ed Sunday by email at esunday@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 533-1405.

Following the Young Eagles Rally, PML Aviation Association presents “Community Airport Day” with a variety of free exhibits and flying demonstrations at the airport from noon – 3:00pm. See separate article for all the details.

Garden Club Clippings

BY JOYCE SMITH

I just got home from our August meeting. We had such an interesting program and everyone was very enthusiastic about the subject. Our speaker, Connie Corcoran owner and operator of Tuolumne Lavender, presented a very interesting slide show of their mountaintop garden. The ten acre property also is home to an old orchard of pear, peaches, apricots, plums and apple trees, overlooking the historic township of Tuolumne. Much work went into reclaiming the old orchard and land from, overgrown brush and weeds. The planting of the lavender brought with it the bees that did double duty in pollinating the orchard and of course they love the lavender plants. Connie

was all “decked out” in a lavender dress showing she is very much into her subject. She brought many of her lavender products: oil, dried lavender buds, herbal moth repel, pure hydrosol lavender water, natural air and linen freshener, dried lavender flowers, or gift sachets, etc., plus lavender plants. All her lavender products could be purchased. (Remember I told you to bring some money with you.) Plus, Julie McVickers had a nice assortment of plants and another variety of lavender on her plant table for sale. Oh what fun! Go to a meeting, hear an interesting speaker and get to shop too. Tuolumne Lavender has a website: www.tuolumnelavender.com. Our thanks to Connie for coming and presenting this

PML Community Airport Day Oct. 5th FLYING EXHIBITIONS AND AIRPLANE DISPLAYS

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON, PMLAA



Above Left: Power gliders land at PML Airport (photo by Michael Thoben), Top Right: Bonanzas in close formation over PML Airport. (photo by Ed Peters), Bottom Right: Local pilot Wayne Handley and Vicky Benzing demonstrate their flying artistry (photo by Jeff Benzing)

The Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association invites everyone to our Annual Community Airport Day on October 5th from 12:00 – 3:00pm at the Pine Mountain Lake County Airport. This is a great fun and free way to see visit your airport and see lots of interesting aircraft.

Special events include a radio controlled model airplane demonstration at noon. There will be fly-overs, flying demonstrations, and stunning formation flying by “The Beech Boys” (Beech Bonanza pilots) and the West Coast Ravens (RV formation pilots). You’ll also be wowed by the precision sky-divers and power gliders.

The flying contests begin at 1:30pm

– including flour bombing and precision landing contests. In between special events, visitors can see lots of current and vintage planes up close.

This is a great opportunity to check out your county airport, observe dozens of aircraft on display and meet many of our local pilots. PMLAA will be selling hot dogs and soft drinks for your convenience. Admission is free. Please use the Elderberry Way entrance to the airport. Bring folding chairs, if you like.

In addition, the local chapter of EAA is providing Young Eagle free airplane rides for kids (with parental permission) from 9-11:00am. Please see separate article or www.eaa1337.org for all the details.

very interesting presentation.

Arlene Vorce our Horticulture Chair, told us how to use lavender in making a garden using plants to compliment each other in leaf and flower colors. Arlene puts in a lot of time and thought coordinating her presentation with our speaker and subject, plus what we need to be doing in our gardens. Right now, its clean up and watering.

Linda Flores announced we will have a Jail Work day on Wednesday Aug. 14 th. This will be mostly for clean up, but we may plant a few color spots. She also thanked everyone for their help in the very successful Garden Tour in June. Now we turn out thoughts to the 49er

Parade (don’t be confused this is the parade in downtown Groveland) on Sept. 21st. We will have an entry, so look for us! Also, candy for Halloween will be another item to think about. Collection places: Linda Flores or Louise Turney.

Be looking for your very informative Newsletter for Sept. Maddie has another good program planned for us. Joe Balch from Coulterville will be our guest speaker and his subject will be Irises. Time is 1:00 on Sept. 9th at the Lake Lodge.

Would you like to join us? You can come as a guest. Show up on Sept 9th at 1:00.

See you in Sept. at Garden Club.

Tioga High School Landscaping

BY RYAN DUTTON



Hello Groveland!! School's right around the corner once again! Our school landscape program will be starting its second year, and thanks to your help we have already been able to turn parts of our campus into something we can be proud of. Tioga High School is asking that if you have any items that can be used for our landscaping class this year that you step right up!! We have a couple of projects that are planned for this year including gymnasium landscape makeover and student patio/arbor project. If you have any plants/trees/flowers/shrubs and any

types of planters that may need a home we will gladly give them a spot here at Tioga. Any landscaping or gardening tools or materials that are in good working order that our kids could benefit from, please don't hesitate to contact us at 962-4763, or email rdutton@bofg.k12.ca.us!! Even if you aren't sure if we could use something or not, ask us and we can see if we could find a spot for it!! Thank you again for all of your generosity and stop by the campus to take a look at what our students have already accomplished!

New Opportunities at Tioga H.S.

BY RYAN DUTTON

As the 2013-14 school year approaches, we would like to let the community know about some new opportunities our students at Tioga will have this year. We have added a "Drum Corps" class that will give students a music option in a district that has unfortunately lost its music program due to budget restraints. In order to help get this class off the ground, we are looking for people who would be interested in donating drums or sponsoring drums for our class. We will put your name on the drum(s) that are sponsored. Students will also be in need of harnesses for the drums that will allow our students to march with them in parades, etc. The drums that students will be learning on this year will be snare drums. Please contact the school if you have any drums or would be interested in a monetary donation for drums for the class.

Another chance for community to get involved in their local schools is through internships. We are attempting to add internship opportunities for our upper classmen to participate in and get a chance to work in an industry that interests them. Students will be able to get hands on experience in that field and you, as a business owner, will have student assistance along with the chance to help mentor our local teens prior to their release into the real world! Contact the school at 962-4763 or email rdutton@bofg.k12.ca.us regarding questions or if you would like to participate!



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Rotary Shrimp & Sausage Fest – August 17



49er Festival/Chili Cook-off – Sept. 21

9-1

SUNDAY @ THE STABLES

STCHS ANNUAL LABOR DAY COUNTRY BBQ

BBQ Tri Tip, Beans and Salad. Bake sale, silent auction, children's games, petting zoo, bounce house, air show flyover, historical photo display and live music at the PML Stables. \$15/ Adults, \$10 Kids under 12.

9-7

SATURDAY @ THE STABLES

PML FLEA MARKET

Come sell your stuff or buy some stuff at the Flea Market at the PML Stables. Set-up begins at 7AM and the flea market runs till around 1 or 2 PM. Refreshments sold as a fundraiser for Tioga High School.

9-7

SATURDAY @ 11-2PM

TUOLUMNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S CSU OPEN HOUSE

The Groveland branch of the T.C.S. Community Services Unit open house. Meet CSU officers, see what the CSU has to offer, see the new CAP car, enjoy refreshments. Office is at 12720 Par Court, adjacent to the Pine Mountain Lake golf course.

9-14

SATURDAY @ GROVELAND HOTEL

THE KING PERFORMS

Rob Ely brings Elvis to Groveland in this tribute show spanning the '50s "shocking" hip swivel, Heartbreak Hotel, Don't Be Cruel and Hound Dog. Experience Elvis' tremendous energy as Rob Ely portrays the King! 8:00 p.m. Contact the Groveland Hotel for tickets.

9-14

SATURDAY @ 11-3PM

TUOLUMNE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER OPEN HOUSE

At the senior center building, next to the Sonora Library. September is National Senior Center Month so it's a good time for the community to find out more about our senior center services and activities. Come out and find out more about us!

9-19

SATURDAY @ 11-3PM

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9-21

SATURDAY @ M.L. PARK

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9-21

SATURDAY @ THE MUSEUM

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While your out for the 49er Festival stop into the Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum and from 10am–Noon meet author Alice van Ommeren as she autographs her new book *Yosemite's Historic Hotels and Camps*. Also meet author Carlo De Ferrari from 1-3PM as he autographs his book *The De Ferrari Family – Memories of Times Past*.

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Saturday, September 7
DYNA-MO

Saturday, September 14
THE ESP BAND

Saturday, September 21
THE HILLS BROS BAND

Saturday, September 28
ROCKSLIDE

COMING IN OCTOBER

Saturday, October 5

YOUNG EAGLES

PML pilots will provide free airplane rides for kids, ages 7-17. Come to PML Airport by 9:00am. Parents must accompany to sign permission forms.

Saturday, October 5

COMMUNITY AIRPORT DAY

PML pilots put on a show for the whole community. Highlights include aircraft displays, formation flying, model airplane demonstrations, skydivers and much more. Free admission. Hot dogs and sodas for sale. Bring a chair and enjoy the show. Parking on Elderberry.

Helping Hands Happenings

BY JOYCE SMITH

Sorry! I forgot to tell you in my last article that National Thrift Store Day was coming on August 17th. I had it marked on my calendar and for whatever reason I didn't get the information to you.

That 's why you need our website address (www.helpinghandsofgroveland.com). This will keep you informed about sales and anything special going on at the Store or Barn. We had drawings for gift certificates for our Store, plus special sales. Our customers that came in had a good time as did those of us working. Oh well, maybe we can remember for next year's event.

We will be continuing with the Troops Project until the end of the year or money for shipping is used up. Shirley Carman is taking over for Dar. Shirley will be assisted, as needed, by Pat Fernandez.

This month's focus will be on snacks, granola bars, nuts, canned meats and fruits, chewing gum, top ramen cup of noodles, all hygiene products for both men and women and magazines. We will not be

taking coupons anymore.

We thank Dar for her many hours of time doing this huge job, plus her job as Recording Secretary for several years. Dar, your minutes were truly exceptional. We thank Shirley and Pat for taking over the Troops Project at this time.

We thank each and every one of our volunteers. Plus, our volunteers who are also department heads. They put in many, many ours besides their workdays in the store. I will not list by name, as someone would be omitted, but know you are appreciated for what you do. It takes many hands and hours to accomplish what we do.

We still have a lot of summer items: clothing, beach toys, hats, bathing suits, you name it. Sales going on everyday on something. And for those hot days, our air conditioning is working well.

NOTICE: Beginning on Monday, September 30th, Helping Hands will begin their 3:00 pm closing time.

See you at the Store or Barn!

Groveland Highlander's 4-H Club

BY CAROL WILLMON

As the 2012-2013 4-H year comes to a close, and as we begin another year, we would like to thank the many volunteers and parents who have helped so many members "learn by doing" (4-H motto).

A BIG thank you goes to: Jodi McKinnon, leader – rabbits; Rachel Fristad, leader – swine and poultry; volunteers Pete Steinmetz and Wynette Hilton – rockets; Stacy and Brianna Deutsch, leaders – shooting sports; Susan Fisher, Kay Ayres, Dea Thomas and Jody Poulin for Home Arts.

Many members had successful exhibits at the Calaveras County Fair and The Mother Lode Fair, thanks to dedicated parents. At the Sonora Fair, members exhibited swine, turkeys, chickens, rabbits, and a variety of Home Arts (sewing and quilting) projects – all doing well. Our club participated in many local services this past year – kits for the Little House, made decorations for the Groveland Community Thanksgiving Dinner, donated

boxes of stuffing for the Groveland Christmas Baskets, and helped serve at two Lion's Club dinners. We appreciate the money the Lion's Club donates to us – it helps us be able to give back to our community!

Our first meeting of the year will be on the second Tuesday of September – the 10th, at Tenaya School from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. All boys and girls between the ages of 9 to 18 are welcome.

4-H is run by the Tuolumne County Cooperative Extension Office through the guidelines of University of California, with the assistance of local volunteers and community organizations. This program enables youth to reach their fullest potential through developing their leadership, citizenship, self-confidence, responsibility, and life skills.

We are looking for adults who are interested in sharing a hobby or special talents with our youth in this educational program. Please call Carol Willmon at 962-7528.

Museum Happenings

BY CARRIE CARTER

We're looking forward to seeing you at the Groveland 49er Festival on Saturday, September 21. We will have an informational booth in the park showcasing historical STCHS archive photos. On the same day in the Museum, we are featuring two notable authors signing copies of their latest books. So enjoy the fun activities in the park and then walk over to the Museum and take advantage of a great opportunity to 'meet and greet' two fine authors and historians.



Alice van Ommeren will be at the Museum on Saturday, September 21 from 10 am to noon to autograph her new book "Yosemite's Historic Hotels and Camps". Alice has chosen more than 200 vintage postcards from private and public collections to give readers a glimpse into Yosemite's past. Carlo De Ferrari will be joining us Saturday from 1 pm to 3 pm to personally autograph your copy of "The De Ferrari Family – Memories of Times Past". Over twenty years in the making, this historical epic chronicles the De Ferrari family and life in Groveland, Moccasin, and Big Oak Flat.

Mr. De Ferrari, historian and creator of the county archives that bear his name, has included profiles of colorful Mother Lode characters and hundreds of rare photographs. This beautiful hardbound book can also be shipped by the museum gift shop to friends and family off the 'Hill'.

In this column last month, many recognized the historic archive photo of the Groveland School House with an assemblage of students.

The original Spanish revival frame structure was built in 1916 with voter approved bonds.

In 1914 Groveland was selected to be the construction headquarters for the Hetch Hetchy Water Project and Groveland boomed with a sudden influx of workers and their families. This larger school house was needed and built.

In the late 1960s Tenaya School, on the outskirts of Groveland, was built and replaced this one. Then in 1969 this once abandoned school house became the sales office for Boise Cascade's new planned community called Pine Mountain Lake.

Since the early 1970s it has housed the Yosemite Bank.

Don't forget to visit us on Facebook!

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Mother Lode Art Association Art Show

BY BARBARA FARKAS, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN, MLAA FALL ART SHOW

The Mother Lode Art Association (MLAA) will present their 61st Anniversary Juried Art Show and Exhibit Oct. 11th through Oct. 16th, 2013. The Art Show will be held at the Sonora Opera Hall, 250 S. Washington St. in Sonora. Cash prizes will be awarded in seven categories as well as Best of Show and People's Choice. There will also be a Mayor's Choice Award.

Interested artists are encouraged to obtain a prospectus from the MLAA web site at www.motherlodeartassociation.org. Entry forms are due Friday, Sept. 20th, 2013 to MLAA PO Box 202, Sonora, CA 95370. Artworks are due Monday and Tuesday, October 7th and 8th, 2013. If you have any questions, contact Irene Taylor at 588-0959 or irenewcartist@gmail.com.



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Sheriff's CSU Office Open House

BY TERRE PASSEAU

The Groveland branch of the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Community Services Unit will hold an open house on Saturday, September 7th, from 11:00 to 2:00. Come meet your Community Services officers from the Sheriff's Department, see what the CSU has to offer the community, see the new CAP car, and enjoy some refreshments while you are there. One of the free services offered is house checks while you are on vacation; the form can be picked up at the office.

The office address is 12720 Par Court in Groveland, adjacent to the Pine Mountain Lake golf course. If you're not sure where the

office is located, from outside the PML main gate turn right onto Ferretti Road, make the first right onto Mueller Drive, then the first left onto Par Court.

The Groveland branch of the CSU is understaffed and could use your help. If you have some free time, please consider becoming a volunteer. CSU volunteers are both women and men, and prior law enforcement experience is not necessary. For more information about volunteering with the CSU, please contact Mike Cunningham at 962-8955.

Hope you can stop by on September 7th.

Summer's End and Still So Much to Do!

BY JONI GERKING

The end of summer always creates in me a mix of emotions. Long sunny days giving the illusion of endless opportunity are slipping into the past. Shorter days motivate to make the best of the hours. Holidays are coming!

Elvis is King on Saturday evening, September 14! It's the final Courtyard Cabaret show of the season and Rob Ely brings Elvis to Groveland in this tribute show spanning the '50s "shocking" hip swivel, Heartbreak Hotel, Don't Be Cruel and Hound Dog to his 1968 black leather Comeback Tour with In The Ghetto and Wonder of You. Experience Elvis' tremendous energy as Rob Ely portrays the King! Through incredibly accurate costume, vocals and movements you will feel the warmth and charm of Elvis' heart and soul. Come for an amazing evening with Elvis! Showtime is at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$22 per person. Find a video preview of the Elvis show on our web page at: groveland.com/events

Take that certain someone for a memorable evening with dinner at the Cellar Door Restaurant. Reservations are available from 5:30 to give you time for a leisurely meal before the Big Show. Reserve your table now!

Call 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314 to reserve your show tickets and dinner table, or send us an email: guestservices@groveland.com Our website is: groveland.com

Winter Magic is back! Each month, November through February, you will see a new magician perform a dinner show at The Cellar Door Restaurant. We are in the process of booking performing artists who will create illusions of the impossible. Although we cannot yet give you all the details, magician and comedian Robert Baxt will return in February to conclude the season. Baxt's show last year was completely sold out and we had to turn people away at the door. Make sure to get your seats; mark your calendar and come for Winter Magic!

If you would like to take a trip down memory lane at the Groveland Hotel, see photos and read about past shows and other news of note, check out our blog on our website: www.groveland.com/blog We're also on Facebook, Pinterest and YouTube.

Yes, the holidays are coming. Some of you are well aware and have been planning, working and stockpiling for months. Many more are happiest to let the seasons draw closer to them, taking the days and weeks as they come. That said, it is my hope to turn you for a moment to thoughts of crisp mornings and the return of waterfall producing rain showers, autumn colors, Thanksgiving feasts, friends and family, and Christmas joy!

The Groveland Hotel and Cellar Door Restaurant are making advance plans to furnish the best holiday experience for you and your guests. We will create the feasts and provide the parties to fill your spirits and hearts with seasonal cheer. Let us help with your holiday parties. Come for dinner. We will take care of the preparations and tidying up afterward so you can take pleasure in time spent with those nearest and dearest. If you need an extra room or two for guests, we have accommodations with all the extra amenities. Your guests will enjoy their stay and rather than additional chores, you will have time to share old times and make new memories.

Do you get our monthly e-newsletter? Each issue gives information on activities and what is new in Yosemite National Park and park videos as well as news from The Groveland Hotel and Cellar Door Restaurant. Sign up for the e-newsletter online at: www.groveland.com/join-our-mailing-list or call us at 209-962-4000 and give our front desk staffer your email address and we will do the rest. Please note that this is an online only newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you!

Pine Cone Singers Begin Rehearsals

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

The Pine Cone Singers will, despite the summer heat, begin rehearsing for our annual Christmas program, scheduled for December 12, 13, 14, and 15, 2013, at the Groveland Evangelical Free Church.

These concerts will feature many familiar holiday tunes, lots of opportunities for audience sing-alongs, and some of your favorite solos to help ring in the season.

Are you a singer? Did you used to sing in a choir? Have you always dreamed of adding your voice to others to create a choral sound that cannot be produced by just one person? You need to come to our first rehearsal and potluck dinner on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, and see what you've been missing!

Rehearsal will begin at 3:00 PM in the Groveland Community Hall, followed by a potluck dinner and lots of camaraderie (we are a FRIENDLY group!!). Spouses/significant others are welcome to join us for dinner, which should start around 5:30 PM. Bring a dish to share, and bring your place settings along with any special beverage you like. Water and soda will be

available. Questions? Feel free to call any Pine Cone Performer board member for more information: Bob Swan, 962-6535; Shirley Brasesco, 962-4815; Nikki Grimes, 962-0763; Sandra Menacho, 962-4238; Anita Millard, 962-7514.

The Pine Cone Singers sadly have had to bid farewell to their wonderful music director, Dennis Brown, who after nine years with us, is pursuing new interests down in the valley. We thank him for his leadership, expertise and guidance, which have helped the choir grow musically. We will miss him and wish him the best in the newest chapter of his life. We did have a fun reunion on July 5th, when Dennis returned to conduct us when we sang for one of the camp groups at Camp Tuolumne Trails. Former member Mike Kambeitz, who has many years experience in music education, has graciously offered to serve as interim conductor for the December concerts. The board has begun a formal search for a new music director for the Spring concerts in 2014. Inquiries should be made to Bob Swan at 209-962-6535.




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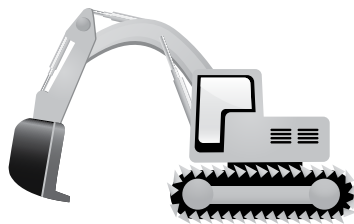
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Bill Manville offers writing class at Groveland Library

The published author and columnist Bill Manville has once again agreed to teach his popular and free Writing to Get Published class at the Groveland Branch of Tuolumne County Library. Bill's writing classes will run for six Saturdays starting September 14 through October 19, 2013. Classes begin at 2:00 PM and end at 3:30 PM.

Here is what Michael Korda, Editor in Chief, Simon & Schuster, says about Bill:

...the work I know best is your novel Goodbye, which I edited. What first attracted me was the dazzling prose; I was equally impressed by plot and characterization. A considerable literary accomplishment but also a Book of the Month choice, bringing an impressive price at paperback auction. What may also interest your students, I've

heard you in discussion with writers like Joe Heller, Patricia Bosworth, Lois Gould and Gay Talese, and remember thinking more than once, Bill ought to be teaching...

This free class is open to students of all ages and participants do not need to attend all of the classes. The only requirement is a desire to learn how to write. Sign up at the library or phone 962-6144.

Bill is asking that participants email him at whmanville@yahoo.com when they register at the library so that he can get to know his writers before the first class. So sign up at the Groveland Branch, and let's get started.

For further information contact: Michalene Martin, Groveland Branch, (209) 962-6144 mmartin@co.tuolumne.ca.us. www.tuolcolib.org.

Humane Society Annual BBQ

BY JEAN MCCLYMONDS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HSOTC

Red, White, Brew, and Chili, Too! Family American-style BBQ

The HSOTC's final fundraiser for 2013 will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2013 from 5:30PM at Hurst Ranch in Jamestown, CA. Featuring an Americana-style BBQ including hamburgers, hotdogs, corn-on-the-stick, chile, cornbread, salad and dessert, this event is catered by CC Taqueria and sure to be a family fun event. There will be train rides for the kids, or the kid in all of us, a live auction and music

by the Sierra Mountain Band. Tickets are now on sale at the HSOTC shelter in Jamestown, the Purrrfect Bargains Thrift Boutique and FurnitureSmart store in East Sonora, and at the Mountain Bookshop in the Junction Shopping Center. Tickets are \$20 for the general public, \$15 for HSOTC members and \$10 for children 12 and under. In addition, tickets will also be available the day of the event. For more information please contact the HSOTC at 209-9840-5489.

Yep, It's Coming!! Christmas Basket Preliminaries

BY PATTI BEAULIEU

As the first signs of fall hit us, we realize it's time to start thinking Christmas Baskets. Although it might be difficult to think about Christmas with the record HOT summer we've had this year, we all know it's coming and it'll be here sooner than we think. The Groveland Community Christmas Basket program is so HUGE that Dar Brown and I have to start working on it now.

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 our less fortunate 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 your organization has generously donated food, gifts, or financially in the past, you'll be receiving a letter this month confirming your donation again this year. If you don't receive a letter, but would like to contribute, please contact Dar Brown at 962-5930. If you've been a 'shopping elf' in the past, you'll be contacted soon. If you'd like to be a 'shopping elf', please contact Dar.

Again, this year we'll need volunteers for many different tasks. Some of the tasks will start as early as November (shopping), so if you'd like to help out with the project, please contact either Patti Beaulieu (962-7402) or Dar Brown (962-5930). We'll still need to have wrappers, sorters and assemblers during basket week (December 16-20), but there will be other days prior that we can use you. So, if you have commitments during that week (like

getting ready for your own holidays) and can't help then, give us a call. We'll be able to use you much earlier in the process.

APPLICATIONS

If you're struggling financially this year and need food assistance for the holiday season, the applications will be taken at the Groveland Community Hall on Friday, November 8th from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. and on 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 @ 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).

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TALKING TRASH...

One issue that plagues all counties in California is trash disposal. As a youngster growing up in Tuolumne County, getting rid of garbage and trash was not a big concern. The first dump I remember in Groveland was near the present Tenaya Elementary School. Whatever you wanted to throw away could be deposited there. Large heavy duty equipment batteries, tires, couches and even a car from time to time made their way to "the dump".

Control of what was dumped was pretty simple...there was none. When the pile got too big, it was set on fire. If there was a downwind, the smoke and smell settled in the downtown area and into the Big Creek Valley-where most of Pine Mountain Lake is located today. The dump was also used as a place to "sight in" your rifle or do a little target practicing. There was never a shortage of cans and bottles to use as targets.

One thing to note is that you saw very little of the large scale roadside dumping that we see today.

Most communities had their own dump. In Chinese Camp the dump was located just left

of the first creek ford on Red Hills Road. My Grandmother, Maude Gray, had a winter home in Chinese Camp. My brother, Glenn, and I would visit from time to time with my cousin, David, and we would always take a trek to the dump to see what treasures we could find.

I think we were some of the original "pickers".

The Chinese Camp dump was used by the National Guard to dispose of waste from their annual maneuvers in the Red Hills. The Guard had an active shooting range off Highway 108 across from Keystone Ranch. When they were done, they threw away all their ammunition cans and belts along with a myriad of other armory related items. For a ten year old it was what the American Pickers call a honey hole.

Sonora also had a local dump. This dump was first located on Stockton Street on the left going into town opposite Central Heating and Air present day business site. I can recall riding through thick, smelly smoke to get to Sonora. The dump was later moved to what is now the Tuolumne Utilities Services District Sewer Operation Plant.

A lot has changed; we no longer have our local dumps. At this time, garbage is hauled out of the county to Merced. For a few years, it was being hauled all the way to Tonopah, Nevada. The cost of disposal is rising and illegal roadside dumping has increased.

It is my opinion that landfills are not sustainable. We need to have a better solution.

One solution that I have spent a great deal of time researching is incineration. California can make it difficult for anyone to get into the business Biomass generation which is a by-product of incineration.

Due to the State air pollution requirement, garbage incineration is not an idea that is readily accepted although many states and counties have been doing it for nearly 30 years.

The good news is that technologies have changed. We have reduced the waste to landfills in California by 50% with a statewide goal of diverting 75% in the near future. The most recent technology is called Fast Ox Gassifier.. This technology is designed to convert waste that would normally go to landfills into domestic, non-fossil fuels and renewable energy, biofuel electricity through

biological thermal or chemical process. This process is designed to convert post-recycled residuals into usable materials such as metals and slag that are not otherwise recoverable.

A company that is at the forefront of developing this technology is Sierra Energy Corporation. For more information on the process, visit their website: www.SierraEnergyCorp.com.

It will take some help to advance these technologies. There is a bill in the State Senate being brought forward by Senator Ricardo Lara, (SB804) that would help us take a modest step forward to make this technology use a reality. It would give us another "tool" to manage our waste stream. More information on this bill can be found on the State Senate web page.

If you agree with my opinions, please ask our State Representatives to support this bill.

Let's face it...as long as there are people, there will be garbage. It's a by-product of everyday living in some shape or form.

As always, please feel welcome to contact me at my office number (209) 532-5526. Office hours will be "by appointment" in September.

Helping Hands Troop Program

BY SHIRLEY CARMAN

Helping Hands Troops Program sends care packages to all branches of our active military serving in Afghanistan. Every item packed in a box has been donated by volunteers of Helping Hands and members of the communities and the postage is paid for by Helping Hands. Please note we no longer take money, but we will take those items you have purchased. Please bring the items purchased to the Thrift

store during our normal operation hours. The items being added to our list from last month are Beef Jerky/Slim Jims, nuts, chewing gum, Q-tips, shaving cream, razors, peanut butter, lip balms, and Baby Wipes (non-alcohol) to wipe off the sand. The military personnel are so thankful for the packages from home and that we are still supporting them during their service in Afghanistan.

Friends of the Groveland Library

Back To School For Volunteers, Too!

BY NADINE PEDRON

As school begins at Tenaya Elementary this year, the Friends of the Library and other community volunteers will be gearing up to resume their schedules in a variety of activities designed to promote literacy.

The BOOKLEGGERS are beginning their 10th year, encouraging love of reading and books in grades K – 2. Volunteers bring library books into the classrooms twice a month, read, discuss and enjoy good literature with the students and leave the books for them to read until the next visit. Connections with the Groveland local library are encouraged with library card applications and fieldtrips.

The BRAINY GROVELAND program encourages reading in the 2nd and 3rd grades by providing cash incentives. Each week students bring books they have read to the corps of volunteers (28 of them) who talk with them one-on-one. When the volunteer is convinced the student has read and understood the book, the student is rewarded with \$1.00. At the end of the semester, the students receive a second dollar for each book read. During the 2012-13 school year, 52 students participated, read 972 books and earned a total of \$2030.00.

When the TENAYA LIBRARY lost its librarian in 2010, due to budget cuts, FOGL members Joan Mosby and Phyllis Gschwend volunteered to keep the library open for students and teachers. They organized the book collection, updated computer information, catalogued books and enlisted volunteers to check out books, shelve and maintain the collection. They will continue this program for the 2013-14 school year, providing much appreciated service to all grade levels.

The TAIL WAGGING TUTORS, one of our most popular literacy programs, brings loveable, furry friends to the school on a regular basis. These trained service dogs and their owners visit classrooms where children are invited to read to them. Even the most reluctant readers can't resist reading to such a patient and accepting friend.

The underlying theory for all of these programs is well accepted: the more you read, the better you read. Special thanks to all of these outstanding volunteers who give so generously of their time and energy in the service of promoting literacy and instilling the love of reading in the earliest school years. Three cheers for volunteers!

The 2013 49er Festival Presents Historic Trolley Shuttling Service

BY JAMES (JIM) NAGLE, 2013 49ER FESTIVAL

Take a step back in time and ride the Tuolumne County "Historic Trolley Bus" Hassle free parking for the day of the Festival September 21st. The Trolley will be shuttling festival goers from the Tenaya Elementary School, Yosemite National Bank and Mountain Leisure Center parking lots to the Mary Laveroni Park. Starting at 7 AM until 5 PM. AND IT'S FREE. Ride the Shuttle for the nostalgia and ease of finding parking during the entire day of the Festival.



Picture courtesy of TCTC

Friends of Groveland Fire Department The Tragedy of the Groveland FD - Part 5

BY CAROL SIMPSON

Continued from PML News, August 2013 – In August I reviewed the decision by the GCSO Board on 5 January 2012 to “proceed with a parcel tax to partially fund the fire department and ... to submit the Parcel Tax to registered voters for approval in the June 5, 2012 primary election”. During the six months leading up to the election there was heated debate among the public over this tax, ultimately designated Measure D. Even before the actual amount of the proposed parcel tax was known, the community was divided between the No and Yes sides. Proponents wanted to keep the status quo – maintain all fire personnel positions, maintain the fire house and all fire equipment and vehicles, and maintain all fire and medical emergency capabilities of the current local fire department. Adversaries thought that paid firemen could and should be replaced by volunteers, as in the old days, or if paid, should have their benefits cut, possibly also their wages. There was still uncertainty regarding the amount of the tax with the total to be raised ranging from \$300,000 to \$500,000. At the 5 January 2012 meeting General Manager (GM) Gary Mello said \$530,000 was needed to keep the Fire Department (FD) operating at its current level of service, “What we are talking about here is to keep the personnel that we have.” (GCSO minutes, 5 Jan 2013). At the 2 February 2012 meeting the GM lowered the amount needed to \$400,000, due to, he said, a miscalculation by the County auditor’s office regarding the amount the District would receive from the normal property taxes. Info: GCSO parks and fire are mainly funded by property taxes (i.e., ad valorem taxes) collected by

the County from property owners and allocated by the County back to the District. The special fire tax of 2002 to 2012 was an additional tax approved by property owners to supplement the ad valorem taxes and pay for additional fire personnel to improve fire and medical response time as well as to pay back funds to the State of California (See Part 1 of this series.)

Public comment at the 2 February meeting did not support a tax amount of \$400,000. According to the meeting minutes: 1) Virgil McVicker suggested that a measure be put on the ballot for the FD to bill for services instead of putting a tax measure on the ballot. 2) Craig Maxwell suggested a total tax amount of \$300,000 rather than \$400,000, that unimproved parcels pay no tax, and that there be no cost of living adjustment (COLA) for the tax.

Director Steve Pereira moved to make the total tax \$300,000 per year with \$85 per improved parcel and \$20 per unimproved parcel. His motion died for lack of a second. Recall that the community survey conducted in 2011 by SCI Consulting Group had concluded that the community would support a replacement tax of essentially the same amount, in this case \$85 compared to the sun-setting \$83.65 tax. (Part 1) Ultimately, disregarding the community survey results, the Board passed a proposal to levy a special tax of \$107 per improved parcel and \$53 per unimproved parcel and set a date for public hearing on 1 March 2012. These amounts would, if approved by the voters, raise \$400,000 per year from the tax.

Please read Part 6 next month.

High Country Line Dancers are at it Again!

BY SUE SALNICK

Hard to believe we’re coming into Fall again so soon, but here it comes, ready or not! High Country Line Dancers are ready... to dance! We meet every Tuesday night at the Groveland Community Hall from 7-8:30 p.m. From 7-7:30 we have a beginner lesson and then from 7:30-8:30 we have intermediate and advanced dancing/lessons. A \$2 donation is requested. All are welcome and first timers needn’t fear being laughed at or being embarrassed – we’re here to

teach you the basics and hopefully show you how much fun you can have!

And on September 3, we hope to have a special surprise guest – a former “regular” and PML resident – who is coming to town for a brief visit. In her honor, we’ll provide some refreshments and have a mini-reunion of sorts, so please plan to join us on September 3 at 7 p.m. at the Groveland Community Hall. Hope to see you there!

ITSA Film Festival Gearing up for 4th Annual Event

BY DAVID WILKINSON

It’s a bird, It’s a plane... Nope, ITSA Film Festival. The 4th annual film festival will be November 1–3 at the Historic Sonora Opera Hall. The festival has grown each year and just keeps getting better and better. The festival, founded by Groveland residents Christina & David Wilkinson, held its inaugural event in Mary Laveroni Park under the stars on one night and has just kept growing and is now a three day event with films shown at the Opera Hall and workshops at other venues in downtown Sonora.

This year’s festival features another slate of amazing short films and features. Films have been submitted from as far away as Russia, Australia, and Syria and from local filmmakers from right here in Tuolumne County and even from right here in Groveland. The films cover many varied genres including: Drama, Comedy, Sci-fi, Documentary, Music Video, and more.

Again this year, Saturday night of the festival will feature Reel Scary! the horror film segment for horror film fans. This year we are thrilled to have a world premier thriller and other great horror films.

Special guests this year include Rachele Brooke Smith and Noel Gugliemi.

Rachele is an actress, dancer, model and has been seen in films such as *Center Stage: Turn it Up, Bring it On: Fight to the Finish*, as well as *Iron Man 2*. She recently wrapped shooting *Pop Star* and the thriller *The Cloth* with Danny Trejo and Eric Roberts as well as the inspirational film *A Matter of Time*.

Noel G has over 100 acting credits to his name including the feature films *The Fast and the Furious*, *Training Day*, *Bruce Almighty*, *The Bucket List*, and *The Dark Knight Rises*. His television appearances include *The Walking Dead*, *The Handler*, *24*, *CSI Miami*, *Las Vegas*, and *Monk*, among many others.

Both Rachele and Noel will be speakers at the Gala that will be held on Friday November 1st along with Director/producer Alex Creasia and television production veteran Karl Dambacher. This year’s gala is themed



Actor Noel Gugliemi



Actress/Dancer Rachele Brooke Smith

for Dia de los Muertos (The day of the dead). Along with the more than 50 films that will be exhibited there will also be several workshops that include Sound for Film, How to Land the Role, Screenwriting, and Storytelling. Each workshop will be taught by industry professionals and are open to everyone regardless of experience.

There will also be an exhibit of experimental films at Cole Video in downtown Sonora.

For more information on the festival and tickets, and more exciting news about the festival visit www.ITSAFilmFestival.com.

Bird Walks

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 Aug 7, Sept 4, Oct 2 and Nov 6.

Meet the group in the GCSO 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.

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Health Habits FROM PINE MOUNTAIN THERAPY

BY JULIE TANAKA, PT

GETTING INTO THE "HABIT"

One of our goals in physical therapy is to make following through with exercises a habit for our patients. One of the reasons we have a job is that our patients often don't follow through with their exercises once their symptoms resolve. We joke with them when they show up in therapy again the next year, with the same symptoms, that that's why we have a job. "If everyone did what they are suppose to do we would be out of a job". That's not completely true, but at the risk of putting us out of a job, here are some tips on creating new habits.

Don't over commit yourself. Pick one new thing to do for one month. If your plan is to lead a healthier life, don't get grandiose ideas of an hour of exercise everyday, eating right, drinking more water, getting 8 hours sleep, curing cancer and of course world peace. It won't happen! Dedicating September to doing some sort of exercise for 20 minutes a day is a good place to start.

Create a list. Write down all your options for exercise. Walking, riding a road or stationary bike, following an exercise DVD, going to an exercise class, doing light arm weight exercises, etc. Keep this list posted in a very obvious place. Each day pick out something to do. This way if it's too hot outside to walk there is something else you can do.

Check it off. Every time you complete your 20 min give yourself a "star" on your calendar. There is something everyone likes about getting a star. It's like getting milk and cookies after a nap.

The "experts" say that if we do something 3-4 times a week for a month it will become a habit. Once we have made a new behavior a habit it become automatic. Also, once you start feeling the positive effects of exercise, like more energy and less aches and pains, you're more likely to want to continue.

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is to make the patient's exercise program a habit so that when we are done with them they will continue on their own for maximum long term benefit. But if you need a reminder or what we call a "tune up", Pine Mountain Therapy is here for you!

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The Soroptimist Scene

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT

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

LIVE YOUR DREAM

Live your Dream is the theme this year, designated by our newly-elected President, Liz Mattingly. The first event presented by Liz and her board is a social to introduce the Live your Dream program to ladies in the Groveland area who have not had the time to visit our luncheons. Many ladies have attended our fundraisers, knowing that the money raised will go to scholarships and other good works. We have often heard ladies express their appreciation of services we offer the community, some ladies have even helped at different events, but they just can't make the luncheon meetings. Guests will find out that they can contribute services to the community. There will be more in the following month – after we have dazzled everyone with the opportunities to help our community. We sincerely hope you attended.

We love seeing friends at our events so here is an advanced "save the date".

The Winter Tea is scheduled to be presented November 19, 2013. That is so fun.

We were not even 2-weeks into the term for President Liz, when nearly half of the membership drove down to Modesto, found the meeting facility (that was a big achievement) and attended the regional Leadership Conference. This was a good venue to meet Soroptimist members from other clubs in the Sierra Pacific Region. It was informal enough that ideas were exchanged amongst the different clubs. It was a lovely and energizing day for everyone involved – about 100 members attended.

Birthday time – our 13th. Tradition has it that the Past Presidents of SIG plan a birthday party to recognize the day that SIG received it's charter. Right now preparations are a secret. We will wait to see if there are any revealing pictures from the party.

Our meetings are held in the lower 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.

Smoking Addiction

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST

A smoking addiction means a person has formed an uncontrollable dependence on cigarettes where stopping smoking would cause severe emotional, mental or physical reactions. Nicotine is the drug in tobacco that causes addiction. It is absorbed and enters the blood stream through the lungs when smoke is inhaled. Studies show that tobacco use usually begins in early adolescence. According to studies 4,800 adolescents smoke their first cigarette and 42% of them go on to become regular smokers.

Nicotine induces structural and functional changes in the brain of smokers. When nicotine is withdrawn it takes time for the body to readjust to functioning normally without it.

Smoking related illnesses cause about 440,000 deaths each year in the U.S. Eighty percent of lung cancer, emphysema and chronic bronchitis are caused by smoking. Second hand smoke is known to cause cancer and is responsible for about 3,000 lung cancer deaths in nonsmokers each year. Smoking causes many other diseases which are preventable with stopping smoking. To successfully stop smoking one must be motivated. Think about the reasons you want to quit, the positive benefits that you will gain. Make a plan to giving up smoking priority over other tasks in your life for three to four weeks. Seek professional help with an addiction specialist if necessary.

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Mountain Lutheran Church

BY DOROTHY PARKER

After two inspirational memorial services one week apart, we are left to remember the outstanding words and stories that were recited on the occasions. One of Pat Herman’s longtime friends spoke of their friendship and teaching years, and the fun and wonderful times they had together. Pat was also dedicated to the Lutheran Church along with her husband, Pastor Ralph Herman. A delicious lunch was served to all after the service.

Elden Bruha’s memorial service was held a week later. Pastor Ginger told the story of his life and it was extremely interesting. His favorite things to do besides activities with his family were hunting and football. Elden’s older son talked about his life and all the activities he enjoyed doing. Elden also enjoyed doing work for the Church and was constantly dedicated with his wife, Mary, to do all that they were called upon to do.

Our parking lot sale turned out to be very successful. Everyone pitched in and worked hard setting up and baking goodies. Pastor Ginger and Bob did a great job of providing the hot dogs, potato salad, chips, and drinks for the volunteer workers and those who wanted to buy lunch. We were successful in selling all the Nike clothing at the special price of \$2.50 each. Now we can give \$2,666 with matching funds from Thrivent Financial to the Little House through South Side Seniors. Ten percent of the proceeds are a tithe to Mountain Lutheran Church. The balance of \$987 will be a contribution to the Habitat for Humanity house in Columbia. We wish to thank Shirley Carman for all her hard work and time in planning this sale, setting it up, and managing the event.

Our Second Mile Giving for September is the Lutheran School in Rwanda, Africa. Lutherans across the U.S.A. have been a tremendous support in staffing and building the school in Rwanda.

Mountain Lutheran Church has also been supportive in building two new classrooms for the school and a dorm for the girls. The boys sleep in the classrooms for now.

A brochure newsletter from the school describes the solar panels built for electricity; the rainwater catching system that provides the school with clean water; and biogas digesters to provide fuel for cooking. They raise much of their own food. The cost to pay expenses, room, board, and education is \$100.00 per month per student. The students come from a variety of economic and religious backgrounds. Visitors from many countries volunteer to help students get a wider world view. Their education motto is “an opportunity for a better life and a future full of hope”.

Bible Study days for September are Thursday the 5th at 1:00 p.m. and Thursday the 19th at 1:00 p.m. at Mountain Lutheran Church. All are invited to attend this study of the bible from scratch.

Our next 5th Sunday Gospel Sing will be at Buck Meadows Community Church on September 29th. The singing starts at 6:00 p.m. and refreshments are served at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring finger food since this is a very small church. So mark your calendars so you won’t miss this good time sing.

Ladies don’t forget to register early for Saturday’s one day Women’s Retreat, October 12th, at the Evangelical Free Church. The theme of the event is Encouragement from our God of Hope. Flyers concerning this program are available in the narthex.

Everyone is invited to attend our friendly church. Our Worship Service starts every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments are served after every service. We are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court just off Ferretti Road, Groveland.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel’s 2013 Christmas Faire

BY DIANE K. ABDELNOUR

Mark your calendars and reserve this important date – Saturday, November 9th, 9am to 4pm for Our Lady of Mt. Carmel’s fantastic Christmas Faire! There will be wonderful homemade baked goods, jams and jellies; a Re-Gifting table; “Once-loved jewelry; many handmade crafts and beautifully filled baskets to make your holiday gift giving a joy.

We will have wonderful raffle items this year, starting with our Cash drawing with a first prize of \$500. and our ever popular “Mountain Treasures” drawing. All drawings will be held at the close of the Faire and you need not be present to win. Tickets for the

drawings will be on sale at the Faire and in front of the Groveland Community Center often.

Starting at 11:30am a grilled sausage combo lunch (\$6.00) will be available until “sold out”.

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.

There are No Mistakes

BY KATHLEEN MALLOY

There are no “shoulds”. There are only choices. Join author and artist Eleanor Wiley at the September 29th Unitarian Universalist worship service at The Little House, Groveland, at 10:30 am.

Wiley, author of A String and A Prayer: How To Make and Use Prayer Beads, and There are No Mistakes will lead an interactive service on becoming comfortable with LIFE AS IT IS. “When we choose to know and accept ourselves, to take care of ourselves, to laugh at ourselves, to go with the flow, and to find a support community, we can approach life with grace and ease”, Wiley says.

Wiley travels around the world teaching workshops on creating and using prayer beads. Her pieces have been worn by Ram Dass and His holiness the Dali Lama, among others. Her own spiritual practice includes beading, sitting meditation with both Christian and Buddhist communities, and practicing Yoga and the Twelve Steps. She is also the creator of the Sacred Wheel of Peace, an interfaith medallion. Visit her website at www.prayerbdz.com.

The service will be followed by a potluck lunch. Please bring your place setting and something to share. For more information feel free to call Kathleen at 840-4777.

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12399 Sunnyside-8/51 FULLY-FURNISHED and ready for you to move in! Well maintained, 3bd, 2-1/2 bath, 2338sf home with open floor plan, vaulted ceilings and fireplace. Downstairs bonus room, with wood-burning stove and wet bar. 2-car garage and extra parking area. Just a couple of blocks from the Marina/beach. Excellent location for vacation rental or full-time living. \$235,500 #20130729



20611 Longridge-4/119 REMODELED LAKE-FRONT. Vaulted, open-beam ceiling, gourmet kitchen, w/ double ovens, garden window, granite counters, breakfast bar & plenty of storage. Formal dining w/ built-in hutch. Dwnstrs master decorated with Ethan-Allen furniture. Large sleeping loft has full bath, bdrm & bonus room. Covered patio & hot tub. Large 2-car garage has shop & attic. Gazebo, horse-shoe pit, boat dock. Boats & most furnishings incl w/ acceptable offer. \$795,000 #20131054



21131 Hemlock-12/118 CUSTOM, CAPE-COD STYLE home, near Stables & Airport. Trex-covered porch, cement-type siding & 50-yr comp roof. 3bd, 2-1/2ba, 3045sf. Formal living, gas fireplace & recessed lighting. Gourmet kitchen, island, granite counters, Cherry cabinets, stainless appliances, Thermador LP range, trash compactor & two pantries. Separate den w/ French doors. Master suite w/ granite counters, soaking tub & separate room w/ shower & toilet. Oversized 3-car garage. Much more! \$585,000 #20131239



12747 Junipero Serra -CCV #27 AT THE GOLF COURSE and near the Country Club, Pro-Shop, tennis courts & pool. Three-levels, 3bd, 3-1/2 baths and private, downstairs suite. Bathrooms for each bedroom. Golf course views from the rear decks. \$179,000 #20121054



20975 Hillcroft-12/234 UNIQUE HOME on 1.18 acres. Great room, vaulted, open-beam ceiling, sliders open to spacious decks, with mountain views. Master bedroom on main level. Full bathroom and sauna room. Plenty of storage. Attic area has beautiful oval windows and could be an extra room. Lots of potential. \$199,000 #20130755.



20747 Rising Hill - 3/424 NUMEROUS UPGRADES. Single-level home. 3bd, 2ba, 1650sf. Propane fireplace plus a/c & forced-air heat. Alarm system covers intrusion, fire & smoke. New roof in 2010. New HVAC in 2007 & ext/int paint in 2003. Large 2-car garage with work space. Motorized awning over back deck. \$169,000 #20130384



19240 Pleasant View-1/64 GOLF COURSE HOME at the 1st Green and 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



19795 Pleasant View -1/273 PRIME, LAKEFRONT LOCATION! Gentle down-slope with driveway to the dock and a 90% view of the lake! 4bd, 3ba, with two master bedroom suites. Covered deck and separate entertainment deck between the house & lake. \$749,000 #20131506

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12101 Hillhurst - 8/191 STUNNING CABIN with mountain views. Wrap-around deck, great room w/ 20-ft. wood-beam ceilings, stone fireplace, granite tile kitchen bar, plus island & breakfast nook. Master suite w/ fireplace. 2nd master & other guest room on main level. Downstairs 4th sleeping area/bonus room with full bath, pool table & extra storage. Finished 2-car garage. \$498,000 #20130837



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