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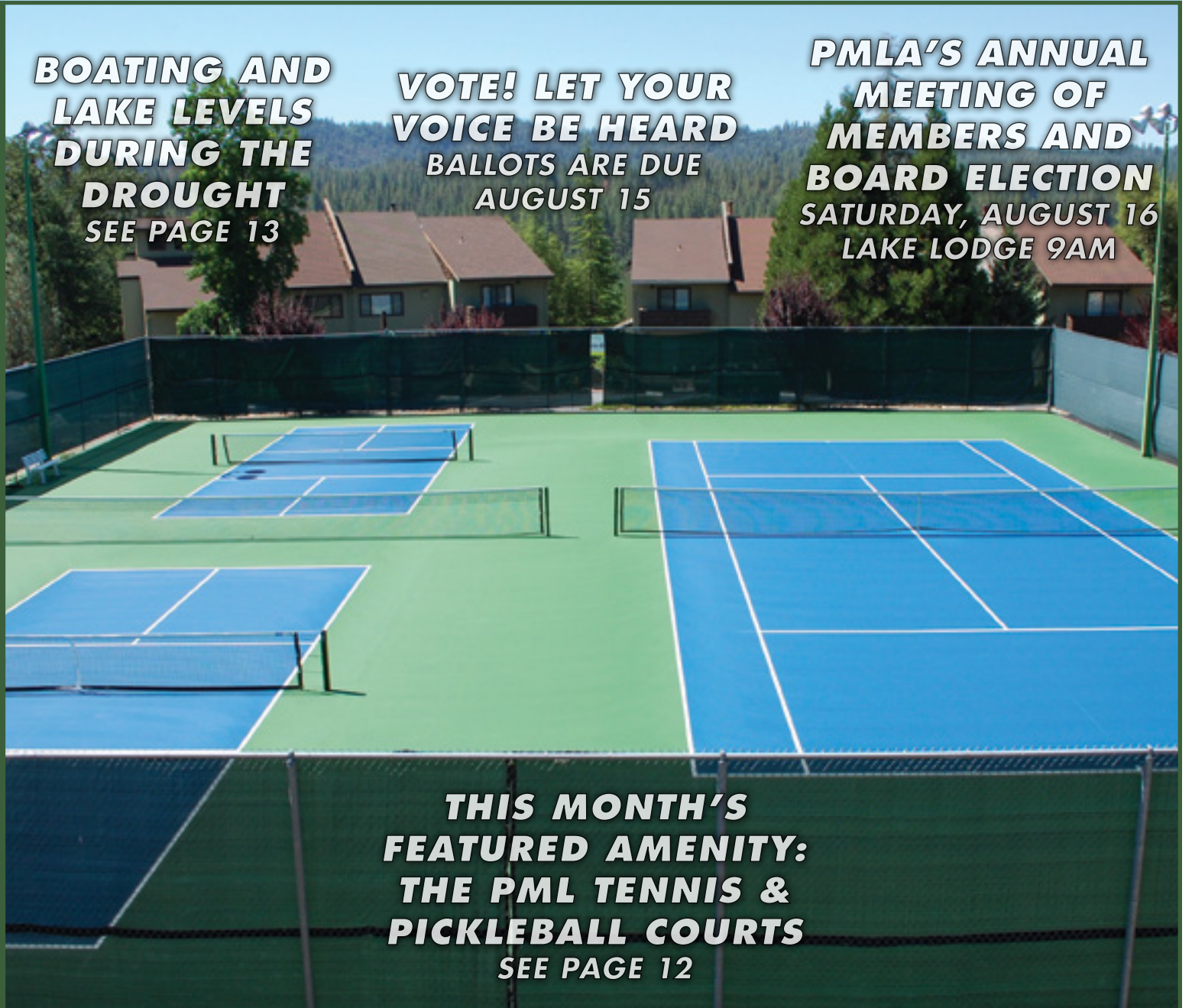
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**VOTE! LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD**  
BALLOTS ARE DUE  
AUGUST 15

**PMLA'S ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS AND BOARD ELECTION**  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16  
LAKE LODGE 9AM



**THIS MONTH'S FEATURED AMENITY:  
THE PML TENNIS & PICKLEBALL COURTS**  
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## President's Corner

BY IAN MORCOTT • PMLA BOARD PRESIDENT

Well this is my last article as your Board President and I can tell you that I have been honored to serve our community. Serving on the PML Board has been a rewarding experience for me and we have seen all of our goals achieved and the Association is in solid financial shape. The governance of PML remains in the capable hands of my fellow Board members and I wish them well in carrying on the work. Our operations continue to be managed in an exemplary fashion by our professional, hard-working staff and we appreciate their loyalty and friendliness.

I do not plan to travel far and have applied for the Long Range Planning Committee (if they will have me). The LRPC has been integral in determining the direction and wishes of our membership through member surveys. The Board uses this information to determine strategic and annual goals for our community.

We have already held our 1st Annual 5K run and we are working on plans to create mountain bike trails near the Stables. Mountain biking is a family-fun activity and has turned into a nationwide, billion-dollar business. There are many members who are already taking part and getting some fresh air and exercise.

On a more somber subject, the drought has really wreaked havoc on many of the lakes in the region including ours. I believe our lake level is down twice as far this time last year and we have taken steps to assist our boating members and those who use the lake. To ensure that safety is our first consideration, our staff has had to remove the water docks and platforms

from the swim areas. The water level is just too low to risk an injury. Hopefully we will get the rainfall from the El Nino effect that the weather experts are predicting for the end of the year. Until then we encourage all members to do their part to conserve water.

On a happy note, the new Pickleball Courts have been installed at Tennis Court #6 near the Country Club Village condos. This new racquet sport has been taking the nation by storm and gained massive popularity. After a massive outpouring of interest that was expressed by the membership, the Board decided to give it a try and install the courts on a little-used tennis court. Only time will tell if it gains even more popularity. If it does, we may see even more Pickleball Courts within PML.

To ensure that our computer systems are secure, the Board recently approved the purchase of 32 new computers to replace the units that ran Windows XP. These units were scheduled for replacement in 2015 and 2016. We bumped up the acquisition as Windows XP is no longer serviced by Microsoft and there are many security risks with running this OS. By the time you read this article, our staff should have the new computers installed and up and running.

Again, I wish the next board all the best and they can count on my continued support.

I encourage all members to get out and enjoy our community. Until then, see you on the trails!

Warmest Regards,  
Ian Morcott



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## On the Cover



This month's featured amenity is the Pine Mountain Lake Tennis & Pickleball Courts.

See page 12 for the feature story on the courts.

# General Manager's Message

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

## Status Update on Annual Election

The Annual Meeting of the Members and Election of Directors will be held on Saturday, August 16th at the Lake Lodge. The meeting starts at 9 am and all members are welcome to attend. As of the end of July, the Inspector of Elections received over 900 valid ballot submissions. We need 34% or 1109 members to vote to reach a quorum to conduct business at the Annual Meeting. In the past we have averaged around 47% return on ballots. Last year it was 49%, so we anticipate having no problem reaching quorum for the election.

## July 4th Holiday a Big Success

After every big holiday, I hold a post-event debrief meeting with our managers. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss what went well, and areas of opportunity and improvement. We made it through July 4th Weekend with some minor issues but nothing major. As usual, the biggest challenges are the crowds and traffic control. We saw a lot of rental business during the week leading up to the weekend as the holiday fell on a Friday. As usual the complaints that came in were barking and loose dogs, people playing Frisbee and football on the Golf Course, vehicles speeding, loud parties late into the evening and early morning etc.

We work with Cal Fire, emergency services and law enforcement to ensure that we mitigate safety issues and everyone has an enjoyable time. Unfortunately we had incidents of illegal fireworks use. We were able to identify at least two individuals who were using illegal fireworks and our Cal Fire

officer issued two \$1,000 citations.

The Saturday of the fireworks display is the busiest day of the week, and we work to mitigate this by planning ahead. We try to encourage members ahead of time to pick up their entry wrist-bands for the event. The Administration staff set up a separate window a day or two before the event as it allows other members to conduct business in the office and speeds up service.

To reduce the impact of the lack of parking spots, we contract with a local transportation company and run shuttle buses from 4 pm until 11 pm. Even so, or Department of Safety issued more than 30 parking tickets over two days. We also encourage members to park at the Lake Lodge and Fisherman's Cove and take the water taxis over to the Marina if possible.

To reduce the number of crowd related incidents, we contract with an outside security company to augment our Dept. of Safety force. The security team is made up of off-duty and retired law enforcement. The company we use also provides security for events like the Oscars in Hollywood. This year we saw an increase in the number of wristbands being sold and the increase in short-term population within the community. We increased the number of security team members to ensure we had enough coverage. All in all the holiday weekend was a fun and safe event for our members and guests.

We received a lot of input and suggestions from our members. Those members who rent boat slips have requested a different-colored wristband at no charge so that they can access their boats on the day of the

event. The Board will be considering this and other ideas at a future Board meeting.

## 1st Annual July 4th 5K Run

Our 1st Annual 5K run was held at the Stables and it was a big success. This event is in conjunction with one of our annual Goals and that is to provide more family fun activities for our members and guests. We did better than expected with 122 runners and we partnered with the Tioga High School, ROOFBB's and the Groveland Trailheads Mountain Bike group in an effort to raise money for worthy activities. We are considering a Thanksgiving Day run for this year as well. This event was organized and managed by my Assistant Ivonne Deckard, with support and a lot of help from our Board President Ian Morcott.

## Movies at the Marina

In addition to 5K run Ivonne started a new, fun activity for our members. They are now holding outdoor movies at the Marina on Thursday evenings. The goal is to generate additional income for the Marina Cafe and to provide another activity for our members and their families. We have partnered with the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce and they have been very gracious in allowing us to use their equipment. We also partnered with Tioga High School so that the students can raise money for sports and the program provides a business mentoring activity that is positive for the community.

Looks like "Hot August Nights" are here. See you at the Grill!

## NOTICE

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The PML News is mailed to approximately 3500 PML property owner households each month. Up to 500 copies are rack-sold in the local Groveland area. Our circulation

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in capacity and your submissions are reviewed on a first-come-first-served, space-available basis.

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

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- Stables
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**ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAYS 2014**

(ADMIN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED)

**MON. 9/1** Labor Day

**TUES. 11/11** Veteran's Day

**THUR. 11/27** Thanksgiving

**FRI. 11/28** Day after Thanksgiving

**WED. 12/24** Christmas Eve

**THUR. 12/25** Christmas Day

**WED. 12/31** New Year's Eve

**THUR. 1/1/2015** 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)

**August 16 Annual Meeting/Election**

September 20

October 25 Budget Meeting  
 4th Saturday - Begins at 8am

November 8 2nd Saturday

NO DECEMBER MEETING

**RULES ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS**

Violations Report – June 2014

Courtesy Notices	2
Notice of Non-Compliance	2
Fines	0
Violations Pending	26

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## BOARD ACTION(S) VOTING RECORD

June 21, 2014 Board Meeting – Agenda Items	Board Members*					COMMENTS	COSTS
<b>SHOULD THE BOARD...</b>	IM	JD	MG	DC	BS		
approve the Anticipated agenda?	Y	S	Y	Y	M	A.I.F.	
approve Consent agenda?	Y	S	Y	Y	M	A.I.F.	
approve deletion of Board Meeting Recordings in accordance with PMLA Bylaws & Davis-Stirling?	Y	M	Y	S	Y	A.I.F.	
approve expenditure for intallation of Pickle Ball Court?	Y	M	Y	Y	S	A.I.F. Not to exceed \$6K	\$6,000
approve limiting types of guns used at PML Shooting Range?	M	S	Y	Y	Y	A.I.F.	
approve donation request from The Hill Top Musical Kids?	Y	M	Y	Y	S	A.I.F. \$100 Platinum Sponsorship	\$100
approve registration fee waiver for 4 non-motorized watercraft for Boy Scouts of America, Pack 564?	Y	S	Y	Y	M	A.I.F. 4 non motorized watercraft registration	\$180
approve expenditure to Replace/Upgrade Windows XP computers?	Y	M	Y	Y	S	A.I.F. Not to exceed \$40K	\$40,000
Total APPROVED Golf Donations this meeting (Retail Value)							\$0
Total APPROVED Other Donations this meeting (Retail Value)							\$280
Total APPROVED expenditures this meeting							\$46,000
M = Motion   S = Second   A = Abstained   A.I.F. = All In Favor   o = No Vote							
* IM=IanMorcott   JD=Jerry Dickson   MG=Mike Gustafson   DC=Dana Chavarria   BS=Brian Sweeney   /=Absent							
<b>MINORITY VOTES HIGHLIGHTED</b>							

## SAFETY TIP OF THE MONTH

It's not just your friends who can keep tabs on you via social media. Criminals utilize social media sites to get information about you and whether you're home or not. Stalkers have been known to watch a person's social media to find out where they will be so they can "run into them by chance." Be smart, be careful, be safe.

• **MAKE YOUR PRIVACY SETTINGS WORK FOR YOU**

Make sure your settings only allow people and businesses that you personally know to see your posts. Double check your settings often as they can change, sometimes without warning. If you allow "friends of friends" to view your personal posts or info you will have no control over who knows things they should not.

• **DON'T POST YOUR VACATION OR OUT OF TOWN PHOTOS UNTIL YOU RETURN HOME**

Posting photos or "check-ins" of your family on vacation in Hawaii lets potential burglars know that no one is home. Burglars do their homework by viewing your check-ins and vacation photos to see how much time they may have to break into your home.

• **MAKE GOOD CHOICES**

Don't add people that you don't know. Don't give out personal information online. Don't discuss your schedule on social media. Don't assume that what you post will stay between you and your friends. Never post about someone else's plans – "I have a friend that is in Hawaii right now. Bring me back something {friends name}!"

## FLEA MARKET

**IS IT TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE GARAGE?**

at the PML STABLES at 13309 Clifton Way

# SATURDAY

## Sept 13, 2014

**7 AM – 2 PM**

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

**Includes Tioga High School Refreshment Sales Fundraiser**

Hosted by the Pine Mountain Lake Association



## TIMELINE FOR 2014 PMLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

**August 15**  
**DEADLINE FOR RETURN OF BALLOTS (4:30 P.M.)**

**August 16**  
**ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING/DIRECTORS ELECTION**

**PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION**  
**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
 For The Six Months Ended June 29, 2014

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-	\$ 416,333	\$ 14,068	\$ 380	\$ 430,781	\$ 645,040	\$ (214,259)		\$ (214,259)	\$ (239,869)	25,610
Restaurant & Bar	-0-	4,794	367,574		372,368	579,577	(207,209)		(207,209)	(197,807)	(9,402)
Marina	-0-	157,129	46,558		203,687	185,827	17,860		17,860	16,580	1,280
Snack Shack	-0-		10,143		10,143	27,406	(17,263)		(17,263)	(13,283)	(3,980)
Stables	-0-	26,898		1,460	28,358	89,512	(61,154)		(61,154)	(60,293)	(861)
Recreation	-0-	19,866	1,225		21,091	46,349	(25,258)		(25,258)	(36,472)	11,214
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	10,485		260	10,745	767,375	(756,630)		(756,630)	(833,025)	76,395
<b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b>											
Safety	-0-	45,246		745	45,991	399,977	(353,986)		(353,986)	(404,944)	50,958
Administration	-0-	68,554		27,231	95,785	653,388	(557,603)		(557,603)	(582,395)	24,792
<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>											
Assessments	2,341,632			35,412	2,377,044	87,396	2,289,648	320,405	1,969,243	1,873,632	95,611
<b>Totals</b>	\$ 2,341,632	\$ 749,305	\$ 439,568	\$ 65,488	\$ 3,595,993	\$ 3,481,847	\$ 114,146	\$ 320,405	\$ (206,259)	\$ (477,876)	271,617

**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 June 29, 2014**

	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
<b>2013 Beginning Fund Balances</b>	2,243,037	\$ 19	2,243,056
Interest Income	1,150		1,150
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	532		532
Assessments Earned	908,598 <sup>(1)</sup>	83,430 <sup>(2)</sup>	992,028
Other Income/Expense	107		107
<b>PURCHASES BY AMENITY</b>			
Golf Course	(38,940)		(38,940)
Country Club		(1,283)	(1,283)
Bar			-
Marina	(571,537)	(10,257)	(581,794)
Snack Shack			-
Swim Center			-
Stables	(40,218)		(40,218)
Recreation	(1,070)		(1,070)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	(1,699)	(5,221)	(6,920)
<b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b>			
Safety	(1,875)	(1,398)	(3,273)
Administration			-
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(1,277,064)		(1,277,064)
<b>Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions and reserve expenses</b>	(1,932,403)	(18,159)	(1,950,562)
<b>Adjusted Fund Balances</b>	\$ 1,221,021	\$ 65,290	\$ 1,286,311

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

- (1) The Budgeted Reserve Fund assessment for 2014 is \$1,817,195
- (2) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2014 is \$166,857

# PMLA Money Matters

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

Who's ready for a pop quiz? Wait, don't stop reading because you hate tests, this one has interesting (I hope) questions and, most importantly, it includes the answers! Now how's that for an easy test. Here we go:

**What is the easiest, most efficient and fastest way to pay your monthly assessment?**

- a) Write a check
- b) Search under the couch cushions for spare change
- c) Break your piggy bank and bring all the pennies into the Admin office
- d) Enroll in PMLA's auto-pay program using either your bank account or credit card

The answer, of course is D. This simple program takes all the hassle out of remembering to pay your assessment each month. It's easy to enroll and then you never have to worry about making your payment on time.

**True or False – The amount of a property owner's assessment is determined by the size or location of their lot.**

Most of you know this is false. Assessments are allocated equally to each property in the same manner regardless of size or location.

**Which of the following items is NOT covered by a Property Owner's annual assessment?**

- a) Road maintenance and repaving
- b) 24 hour Department of Safety service
- c) Resolution of a dispute with a neighbor
- d) Annual fireworks show

While the Association attempts to mediate neighbor-to-neighbor disputes it is ultimately

an issue that needs to be resolved by the individuals involved. All of the other items are included as part of the annual assessment.

**Which of the following is a good reason to live in Pine Mountain Lake?**

- a) Beautiful, clean mountain surroundings
- b) A championship quality golf course
- c) A newly refurbished Marina facility
- d) A fantastic restaurant providing delicious food and great service
- e) All of the above

Another easy one. The answer, of course, is E. These and many other amenities and services are what makes PML a great place to live or vacation.

**True or False – If I want to "withdraw" from the Association and stop paying assessments all I need to do is write a letter to the Board requesting approval.**

You might be surprised at the number of property owners who believe this statement is true, when in fact it is completely false. The Association's governing documents (CC&R's) clearly state that ownership of property in PML entails membership in the Association and the liability for all assessments. The only way to withdraw from the Association is to sell the lot involved.

Now that wasn't too painful was it? No need to be scared of pop quizzes.

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

## Guest & Renters Handbook Now Available Online!

You can now view or print the Guest and Renters Handbook from the PML Website. Go to our website at: [www.PineMountainLake.com](http://www.PineMountainLake.com) and click on the Important Information & Forms tab under the Resource Center title. Then click on Guest and Renters Handbook. This handbook has valuable information for Guests and Renters in Pine Mountain Lake.

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## PML Safety Report

	June	YTD
Guest Passes Issued	2060	7320
Vendor Passes Issued	125	768
Temporary Resident Passes Issued	801	1921
Vehicles Admitted	16625	63964
Vehicles Refused Entry	330	1410
Phone Calls Received	7166	29249
Residential Alarm	14	61
Animal - Loose	22	113
Animal - Impounded	8	30
Animal - Dead/Injured	20	135
Animal - Disturbance	20	76
Public Assist	27	112
Welfare Check	6	18
Transport	5	23
Traffic Hazard	1	16
Traffic Control	0	1
Gate - Tamper	1	3
Gate - Follow Through	6	16
Gate - Malfunction	9	54
Gate - Struck by Vehicle	3	13
Control Burn Reported	0	358
Smoke Complaint	4	23
Residential Disturbance	4	26
Amenity Burglary	2	2
Residential Burglary	1	7
Grand Theft	1	1
Petty Theft	7	13
Trespass	4	19
Vandalism	1	6
Property Damage - PML	3	10
Property Damage - Resident	1	8
PML Reg Violations Resident	14	27
PML Reg Violations Guest	3	11
Vehicle - Citation Issued	0	1
Vehicle - Accident PML	2	8
Patrolling Unit	539	2965
Amenity Security Check	2463	14400
Resident Security Check	125	1418
Monitoring Tennis Courts	2	11
Weapon Violation	3	12
Fixed Post	0	21
Courtesy Notice Issued	1	17
All Fees Collected	\$15,306.50	\$72,319.83

## PMLA AUTOMATIC PAYMENT PROGRAM

Taking the time to write a check for your monthly assessment payment can be time consuming and costly. You can avoid his burden and eliminate the potential for late payment charges by enrolling in PMLA's Auto Payment Program. By completing the form, which can be found at [www.PineMountainLake.com](http://www.PineMountainLake.com) under the Financial Information tab, and returning it to the Administration Office, you can have your monthly assessment automatically deducted from your checking account or charged to your credit card. This means you never have to remember to write a check and mail it each month. The peace of mind that comes with knowing your payment will always be made on time is easy to attain. We can also arrange to have any other regular payment you make to the Association (such as golf membership, horse boarding fees, etc.) paid in the same way.

For more information on this simple, effective and time saving plan please contact us at (209) 962-8600.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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**SUPPORT FOR AMENITIES**

Though we don't agree with everything the board spends "our money" on, we do appreciate having the new snack bar, the Grill and the Golf Course. The new snack bar at the Marina was needed. It is now a very nice restaurant/marina store facility instead of a shack housing a stove and a closet with marina items...as for the Grill, would it be nice to have our wonderful Grill be making money, yes, but to close it down would be a detriment to all. The restaurant business is a difficult one, I know I worked in that industry for almost 10 years. Most businesses close down within the first two years of business. Is that what we want? A revolving door of "new owners" every 16 months at our Golf Course? No, we want familiar faces, friendly staff and great food! All of which we have now...I'm grateful for this establishment, the people that work there and the product they are delivering! Let's help them to become profitable, not unemployed....I think the \$163 in dues a month for all the amenities we have plus the wonderfully up kept roads, trails and beaches is well worth it. You get much less for much more money in many other lake communities in California....

PAULA H BIANCHI  
UNIT 4 AND UNIT 1

**TOO MANY SIGNS**

Signs, signs, everywhere a sign. It's now Summer, looking forward to all PML has to offer in these warm months, but that also means we have to look at all these obtrusive signs that board candidates insist on sticking in the ground. Why do we litter our community every year in this way? Does it in any way improve my understanding of the candidate's capabilities? Does it in any way increase my ability to make a better decision when voting? I think not. Today I drove from the market to home, a short drive, and counted nine signs from one candidate. (I'm sure there will be more, soon.). Nine signs, geez! We do not allow real estate signs, but these candidate signs are OK? I don't get it. If residents want to show

their support for a particular candidate, why don't they stick them by their front door? How about that for a compromise?

STEVE BURKE  
UNIT 2, LOT 183

**HOA DUES/AMENITIES**

I have been an owner for many years and noticed how fees go up almost annually. Years ago the golf course paid for itself now it doesn't. It would seem to me the simple answer is to raise green fees. I am sure our able staff could calculate what rate to charge to get us to a break even status. If there was less play due to the increase so much the better for the golf course. There is no reason a large percentage of homeowners should subsidize the golfers and I am a golfer! The restaurant is an excellent amenity and is now well run. Again I would submit, why not raise the prices to try to cut down on the loses. Again if we lose some patronage but get closer to break even so be it. The talk of closing either of these is ridiculous. Both are valuable assets to PML. On the flip side the new Lakeside Café was well done and the lawn and beach area at the main Marina look absolutely wonderful. Good job for all who made it happen. It was much needed and a good use of our funds. And finally, I can sympathize with the property owners near the gun range. What an unbelievably bad idea to open this range. I would be very upset if my home was located near the range. One of niceties of PML is the quiet atmosphere.

L.J.CECCHINI  
UNIT 8, LOT 31

**PROPOSED DROUGHT WATER RATES**

I am not in favor of the proposed increase in water rates. I am an owner who uses the facilities infrequently. I am already paying fees and operating expense for water over and above my limited usage. If we must have an increase, full time homeowners and those who rent their homes should pick up any additional cost.

In hard times, I have had to look at my budget and find ways to economize. I suggest that GCSD do the same. I am sure operating costs can and should be reduced just as we all must do. If you are forced to purchase water elsewhere, you are not looking hard enough.

CHERYL DOWNING  
UNIT 4, LOT 61

**BUYER BEWARE**

Even though PML is designated a "no solicitation" zone, those of us living along Ferretti involuntarily accommodate solicitors - secular and religious - with easy access. I contracted with an asphalt provider this way recently, and wish to sound a caveat emptor to others who may have such individuals drop in at their doorstep uninvited and unannounced. There was a small element of trust in that I had used this individual June 2013 to repair cracks and put a seal coat on my long driveway. To put it succinctly, he agreed to two jobs, completed only one while promising to return three days later to finish the other. I haven't seen him since. Not only did he fade into the ether, he failed to retrieve his hazardous waste pails discarded at the end of my driveway. My caution to PML residents is to use a more mature, established company in Groveland that's been around several years. I'm educated and should have known to trust my instincts, but my desire to give a new entrepreneur an opportunity overrode my common sense. Well, he's now been Yelped and Angie's Listed by me; character, integrity, and reputation are everything, especially in a small town. Simply do the appropriate search to view the details. I may look ancient to a kid that age, but I know how to use social media. I'm a retired senior living on one fixed income, and a young man who cheats an elderly homeowner must have to buy jumbo-sized tighty-whities.

L. N. SLOCUM  
UNIT 7, LOT 48

**RESTAURANT CONCERNS**

I must say that the food at the Grill has never been better and the entire staff is doing a fine job with great attitudes towards all of the guests.

Please correct me if I am wrong but I understand that "The Grill" loses roughly \$40,000.00 a month.

On busy nights "The Grill" makes no attempt to turn a table over twice in one evening by having a 6:00 reservation and then a 7:30 reservation. Currently there is only one reservation per night per table.

Why is there so much overtime for kitchen staff? Is there a reason that some of the kitchen staff is not salary?

Another thing I have personally experienced is that I have come in for dinner at 7:45 with a party of four and was told that I am too late since the kitchen staff goes home at 8:00 which was closing time that night. Any other "for profit" restaurant would be thrilled with having another paying customer.

I am not aware of any incentives for any of the staff or management to minimize losses while our association dues continue to rise.

I do not know what started this practice, but I understand that the restaurant management get bonuses each year. What is the reason for and what are bonus amounts based on? If there is a bonus paid at all, it should be a percentage of loss saving from the previous year.

BRADFORD BROWN  
UNIT 2, LOT 253

**COMPLIMENTS TO THE CHEF**

We think that PMLA Board President, Ian Morcott, left out one important person when discussing the turnaround at the Grill in his July message. After all, no amount of effort, management, or money can take the place of excellent food. Without great food, the customers won't come more than once. Chef Carrie deserves a lot of credit for the restaurant numbers "trending in the right direction". The execution of her fantastic menu and specials play a big part in people coming back. We look forward to every visit—



especially the specials. We enjoy the rest of the great staff, but Carrie deserves a gold medal in our book.

JOE AND KAREN HOPKINS  
UNIT 4, LOT 214

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### BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT

I have investigated many aspects of PML operations and have tried to enlighten the Board about my concerns. It closely resembles talking to a wall.

I don't know our opponent in the election, but if you look at the people endorsing him, a vote for him is a vote for the status quo with ever increasing assessments that, only a few, benefit from.

PML must change its attitude towards getting the best bang for our buck, or in the very near future our assessments will be over \$200.00 per month.

Assessments could easily be cut by 20% if PML were run more like a business.

To begin change, you have to vote. Vote for Ben Denson.

MARK POWELL  
UNIT 7, LOT 60

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### BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT

As a property owner since 1989, I watched election after election hoping that a new Board might set stringent management guidelines and standards for PML facilities and amenities managers and publish an understandable budget. It hasn't happened. Bar graphs and simplicity would be nice. What's the bottom line? No one knows.

Complaints concerning financial waste, irresponsibility, and personal agendas have continued over the years without abating. It is the Board's fiduciary responsibility to set a reasoned well-thought-out budget and insist it be followed by its managers. It is the Board, not the managers, who are the governing body of our Association.

I read the two candidates' statements and will be voting for Benjamin Denson since he best suits my views as to the direction the Board must take. I applaud the strength of character shown and (finally) an actual plan of action stated up front. The other candidate has no plan suggesting only that we must 'control our costs and expenses' further stating he 'will work to help management find ways to reduce our cost increases.' He doesn't state how or under what guidelines management must consider budgetary implementation; his hypothesis seems to be to work with management rather than insist management work under the direction of the Board. Directors direct;

managers implement.

Someone has to say enough is enough. Wayne Augsburger has not convinced me that the job should be his. I will not be voting for him.

PEGGY HEUBEL  
UNIT 1, LOT 49

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### RESTAURANT CONCERNS

Our association president has said about the restaurant what we all knew: "...the lack of customers was a key indicator of how bad it had become". He continued: ".....the boards have largely succeeded in not repeating the mistakes of the past" and have "finally turned around what had been a struggling amenity".

I disagree and our financial statement does not support any significant change in losses.

We should consider what losses are as related to the importance of the amenity to our association. Why do we continue to pour millions of dollars into a building over the last two decades just so a few members don't have to drive into Groveland to eat? Members have at least ten other choices in our immediate area (all profitable), not including eating at home.

Our association is not a country club; it's a property owners' association and should be managed as such. We are primarily a recreational community with stables, campground, tennis, golf, horseshoes, a very nice marina/lake, hiking trails, and lots of clubs.

It is ridiculous to say that members are entitled eat at a restaurant and that we all must pay for the food. Subsidizing the cost of anyone's food at a very substantial loss is not good policy.

We have attempted to pump new life into this amenity by renaming it "The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake." A mistake by any other name is still a mistake and one that we shouldn't keep making.

MEL THOMPSON  
UNIT 5, LOT 172

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### EDITORIAL POLICY CONCERNS

I am again writing to object to the PML editorial policy that allows members to submit letters that refer to employees by name, whether in a positive or negative way. As I have previously stated, printing an article containing a member's opinion serves a purpose. Printing an article that refers to association employees, whether hourly or contract, is not right. Employees have no standing to respond, nor should they.

An association that allows this policy

to continue should be denounced and exposed. That's what I'm doing. Shame on you, Board of Directors.

MEL THOMPSON  
UNIT 5, LOT 172

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### BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT

As a long time active community member, I have seen and voted in many of the local elections. I have never, however, written a letter of endorsement for any of the past candidates – until now.

I would like to fully endorse Wayne Augsburger for the office of PML Board of Directors. I find Wayne to be fair, honest and hardworking. He has a calm demeanor that can bring a needed sense of composure and professionalism to the Board, while still asserting his opinions and convictions. I'm certain that Wayne would never storm out of a meeting in frustration or anger, as has happened with past Board Members. He listens, prior to making decisions and considers all ramifications of an issue. He brings a long career of management and financial experience to the table. In order to be an effective Board Member, one must be able to deal with all types of people, know how to interpret, scrutinize, and improve a budget, know the operational aspects of the organization and handle objectionable issues that arise. This needs to be done with a delicate sense of balance between keeping the budget and finances manageable while maintaining the improvements to amenities that are often needed for us to all enjoy the level of comfort we've come to expect in our 'paradise'

Please join me in casting your vote for Wayne, and putting a man of integrity and intelligence on the Board.

PATTI BEAULIEU  
UNIT 13, LOT 62

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### BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT

There has been much ballyhoo lately about change. What I haven't heard is a plan for what needs to be changed and how to do it. Like the ad used to say "Where's the Beef?" What we don't need on the Board is someone to go off half-cocked trying to tear down all the good things we have here at PML. We need someone who is willing to listen to the membership and act on the facts not on half-truths or unsubstantiated rumors.

I have been a property owner for 37 years and have served as Board President, Treasurer, and on numerous committees. From that perspective, I know the kind of individuals that make good board members. They have to be able to communicate, listen to all sides and make intelligent

decisions. Management experience and an understanding of financial matters is definitely a plus. Most of all you have to know how to work with people.

For all these reasons I heartily endorse Wayne Augsburger as my pick for the PML Board. I have had the pleasure of knowing Wayne since he and Toni moved to PML. He has extensive executive experience managing large organizations and dealing with substantial budgets. He is very active in various PML organizations and is a true can-do individual. He communicates well and is not afraid to take responsibility for his actions. I believe he will make a very positive contribution as a member of our Board.

STEVE MARGOSSIAN  
UNIT 5, LOT 144

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### BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT

Qualities I look for when voting for a Board member: (1) Ability to consider different points of view and arrive at a decision that will benefit the majority of PML residents. (2) Experience in managing a business that involves knowing how to manage budgets and control costs. (3) Developing a general knowledge of all of parts of the whole operation; golf course, restaurant, marina, etc. This will aid in budget control and managing staff members. (4) Ability to be a stabilizing member of the board and community. (5) Reachable and open to ideas.

Wayne Augsburger represents the type of Board Member I feel our association needs and I am happy to support.

POLLY WRIGHT  
UNIT 1, LOT 195

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### BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT

Dear PML home Owners,

In the coming election you have a choice of voting for a new board member.

I would like to recommend Ben Denison for the board. He is a reliable and honest man and easy to talk to, and has serious concerns about how are dues are being used.

I don't know about the rest of you, but I can not have my home owners fees go up any more.

The golf course, and the grill need to make money and pay their own way. I am tired of paying fees for a part time golf course. My homer owners fees have double in 10 years.

Where is the money going?

LILLIAN CRAVENS  
UNIT 2, LOT 345

*(Letters continue on next page)*

**BOARD CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT**

With the upcoming PML board election only a few weeks away, it is important that we choose a candidate with good common sense, a sound financial background, and the business acumen to make good decisions for the benefit of all PML Association members.

I have known Wayne Augsburger professionally for over 30 years. We have worked together in high tech during that time, and I have seen Wayne steadily increase his management responsibility and his business depth. He is a very logical thinker, and would be an asset to our association members in evaluating new projects or considering improvements for existing amenities. Wayne's approach to business challenges is very methodical, and he is able to evaluate all aspects and costs associated with a project before arriving at a decision.

My wife and I have also known Wayne on a personal level for over 30 years. Our kids have grown up together, and have all secured jobs with great responsibility in their chosen fields. Since retiring, Wayne and his wife Toni have become involved in a number of organizations in PML including the Guardians, ROOFBB's, the Men's Golf Club, and Helping Hands just to name a few. They care about our community here at PML and have been more than willing to give of their time and resources to support the community.

We are backing Wayne Augsburger for election to the PML Board, and we urge you to do the same in the upcoming election.

Regards,

GLEN AND SANDY FIANCE  
UNIT 1, LOT 487

**RESPONSE TO LETTER**

I would like to address comments by Mr. Larry Hunt in the July issue. First, let's make this clear, Mr. Hunt served on the Board so of course he is going to discredit anyone who disagrees or wants the board to be Accountable for their foolish spending and raising our assessment's. Yes, I did my "homework", there are many homeowners in and around Unit 6 That do not want, or like, the Gun range noise. A simple Bar Graph that you mocked was, in fact, asked for originally by a former candidate for a board position several months ago, Mr. Hernandez. It was a good idea and brought it to the boards attention, again. If the Country Club and Golf Course continue to lose money then its poor management and they should close or restructure. That is how real business works.

Our homeowner dues have risen every year and the justification by the board is "things cost more." The Board needs to concentrate how to lower our cost. I have served on Youth Leagues, Community boards, I was directly in charge of financials for youth leagues for 7 years. Yes, I do have a little bit of fact and knowledge how to keep a budget. If you feel I am "wasting your time" please see the many letters that are sent into the PML News that are fed up with the arrogance of our board members. But you, Mr. Hunt, were a board member so you can understand this fact.

DANNY MALONEY  
UNIT 6, LOT 172

**WORD OF THANKS**

I would like to thank everyone for all the love, cards, prayers and phone calls I received while I was in Dr's Hosp., then in Evergreen Rehab this past 3 weeks. I am home and on the mend, my broken pelvis should be completely healed by the end of July. You people are the BEST.

With Love,

JUDY SHERIDAN  
UNIT 12, LOT 233

**REVENUES AND ASSESSMENTS**

In recent years, multiple board members espoused "adding value" to our PML properties. But value is not added by getting "more" or "improved" that is accompanied with ever increasing dues. Value is added/increased by getting "more" or "improved" amenities/services for the same or a reduced assessment. If member's money wasn't spent so freely and generously in some areas (matching 401k for part-time (20 hr + week) and short-term/summer employees as well as somewhat extravagant costs spent on improving amenities, etc.), perhaps dues could actually be REDUCED sizably. Last year \$4.8 million of assessment revenue was allocated to the operating fund. Salary and benefit expenses amounted to \$4.7 million. Are we paying salaries and benefits comparable to the local area, or much more generous ones comparable to the bay area, etc? In fairness, PML looks to be maintained well and the amenities look good. The board is apparently doing many things well. Any board can ALWAYS find reasons to need to increase our dues. But they can also CHOOSE to keep our dues down, MAINTAIN (not necessarily improve or ADD to) our amenities, and live within our means. PML certainly brings in enough revenue to do that. We

just need the will and restraint to do so. I encourage the board to do just that. If an increase is TRULY necessary, keeping the increase under 4% is at least absorbable for most members. Better yet- how about a PML Prop 13 goal of limiting annual increases to a maximum of 2%?

C. PHILLIPS  
UNIT 2, LOT 115

**CHEERS TO THE PML NEWS**

I would like to thank Sabre Design for consistently doing such a fine job on the PML News. The addition of color to the newspaper has made reading it even more pleasurable. It is edited and formatted well and I look forward to reading the variety of content within its pages. Thank you to those PML board members, employees, community businesses and volunteers who regularly contribute articles. I also appreciate the opportunity for property owners to have a sounding board to express their views. Again, thank you Sabre Design and David Wilkinson for making our PML community paper informative and an enjoyable read.

C. PHILLIPS  
UNIT 2, LOT 115

**GOT SOMETHING TO SAY?**

Let your voice be heard with a letter to the editor. Submit your letter to the editor by mail to:

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## From The Fringe

BY MIKE COOK, HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

The 2014 golf season is in full swing. We have successfully completed 2 of our big annual events; The Ladies Pine Tree Invitational and The Men's Mother Lode Invitational, here are some of the results:

### Ladies Club Pine Tree Invitational

This year's theme for the event was Tahiti-Sweeties. As you might have guessed by the name it was a Tahitian theme with everyone in festive floral island attire. The weather was mild for the time of year and everyone had a great time. The field of 23 four person teams were split into 3 flights. The format was 2 Best Balls of the four, 2 day total score and the winners of each flight were:

#### Mahina Flight

Elisa Hoppner ..... 247  
 Lisa Matsumura  
 Kristine Harris  
 Lynne Whelan

#### Orohena Flight

Iris Moffit..... 241  
 Jami Martin  
 Eleanor Ellis-Murphy  
 Tricia Whitley

#### Papara Flight

Sandy Derodeff ..... 254  
 Carol Chang  
 Linda Craig  
 Marianne Severe

#### Best Dressed Team Winners

Carolyn Delbo  
 Laverne Forrest  
 Pam Olivieri  
 Petie Olivieri-Carr

#### Best Decorated Carts Winners

Clarice Ligonis  
 Linda O'Hearn  
 Alma Frawley  
 Jane Harvey

#### Men's Mother Lode Invitational

This year featured a format change from the normal 2 Man Team 36 hole event. The 2 Man Teams played 27 holes on Friday (9 holes - Better Ball, 9 holes - Scramble & 9 holes - Scotch) and 18 holes on Saturday (both 18 holes net scores counted). There was also a Gross Score Award over the entire field winner added this year. The field of 52 Two Man Teams was split into 2 flights. The 2 day team totals and the winners of each flight were:

#### Gross Winners

Al Saisi ..... 267  
 Jeff Sera

#### Gold Flight Winners

Wayne Handley ..... 246  
 Al Craig

#### Silver Flight Winners

Bill Hippe ..... 247  
 Dave Conley

#### Upcoming Events

**JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS** – August 6, 7 & 8. This session still has a few openings. Call the Golf Shop.

**MEN'S CLUB** – Wednesday August 13; Shamle Format; 9:00 Shotgun.

**HAMBURGER TOURNAMENT** – Saturday August 30; 8:30 Shotgun.

**LADIES CLUB** – Thursday August 14; Birds & Butterflies Round 1; 8:00 Tee Times.

#### Rules Quiz

On hole #17 Joe hit his tee shot to the right into the trees. None of the players saw where the ball ended up so Joe hit a provisional ball into the front bunker. They searched for the allotted 5 minutes but did not find his original ball. He played his bunker shot to within 2 feet of the hole. When he removed the flag stick from the hole he noticed a ball in the hole which turned out to be his original ball. What is the ruling? This is an open book test.

- a) Since the 5 minutes had passed the original ball is lost and he must play the provisional ball. He lies 4 on the putting surface.
- b) Since the 5 minutes had passed and he played the second shot with the provisional ball he must continue to play the provisional ball. He lies 4 on the putting surface.
- c) Since the ball was holed, even though they searched for it and did not find it after 5 minutes, the hole is over for him and his original ball counts. He made a 1 on the hole.

The Golf Shop Staff  
 Mike, Doug, Dave, Dave & Vicki

## Rim Fire Revisited

BY TOM MOFFITT, MAINTENANCE MANAGER

It has been a year since the devastating Rim Fire invaded our surroundings. The fire that began in the Clavey River and Tuolumne River canyons Wild and Scenic River Area soon became the third largest fire in California history. Discovered August 17 with a hunter's illegal campfire, the escaped fire burned over 257,000 acres of private land, public land, national forest land and a large section of Yosemite National Park.

For days upon days we were engulfed in a dense cloud of smoke. Fire crews were everywhere; air tankers and helicopters flew constant sorties, and every agency worked together as a team to gain an upper hand on the wildfire. The Rim Fire came closer than we wished, with evacuations of many residences and threats that the fire would be rolling into Pine Mountain Lake. Destruction seemed imminent at times.

The Pine Mountain Lake Association staff responded to the situation immediately. News, communications, barricades, road closures, support and a fire break crew went into full response mode. The Safety Department was flooded with calls from residents who were outside the area and, having seen the sensationalized media reports, believed PML was about to be engulfed by the huge forest fire.

Requests were made for the PML bulldozer, water truck, tractors and fire equipment to be moved to the fire attack area near Tuolumne Trails. Social Media was ablaze with incorrect reports and false information. PML management was placed on reconnaissance to gather information on what was actually taking place at the scene, and to report the current status and any changes.

With the facts in hand and the situation coordinated, many fire teams were escorted through Units 14 and 16, moving through the greenbelt to attack the fire on its western boundary. An air-attack base was set up at the PML airport and bivouac areas were established for the police, fire teams and city fire units which were pouring into the area.

The PML Maintenance Department responded by moving personnel and equipment out to the Stables site. The

crews went to work clearing brush and trees on a fuel break along the Unit 12 boundary; this is the Rim Truck Fuel Break from Ferretti Road through the Graham Ranch. Their efforts were joined by linking with Cal Fire bulldozer crews working the break. This was the area of greatest fire threat to PMLA properties during the Rim Fire. Fire teams and air-attack teams were hard at work along the 300 foot wide SWIFT Rim Truck Fire Break above the Tuolumne River canyon. Bulldozing the borders of the fuel breaks, the air attack laying down fire suppressants on the burn side, and the fire crews working on the ground protected the homes from the encroaching wild fire from across the break. Fire teams were strategically placed to control any embers and wind-spread burns which could have ignited the foliage on the protected side of the break. This was the system utilized to keep the raging wildfire under control.

What we had learned and practiced regarding fire abatement was put to the test. The Rim Truck Fire Break held the ground during the blaze. Homes that had received basic fire abatement treatment were protected and saved. I watched as the smoke and flames surrounded some homes. The fire fighters kept working, the defenses held and the fire moved on. I saw firsthand how the dry, woody debris on the ground, the thick brush, downed limbs and the dead downed trees, all became fuel for this raging wildfire. Flames from this hot forest underbrush climbed the trees and set the forest ablaze.

PML and the surrounding properties will be working together to build and sustain many more defensible fuel breaks in our community. Areas of concern are Long Gulch, Big Creek, White's Gulch and the Highway 120 corridor. Work has already begun in these areas and will conjoin in the coming years. Reducing the woody debris and ground fuels, thinning the timber, improving the access and constructing the breaks is a clear and common goal each and every year. Even though many fuel sources were reduced this last year, the danger is an ever-present threat. The Rim Fire is now a memory, yet the cycle starts anew. Be safe.

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# Tennis Courts In Need of a Facelift!

BY IVONNE DECKARD, ASSISTANT TO THE GENERAL MANAGER



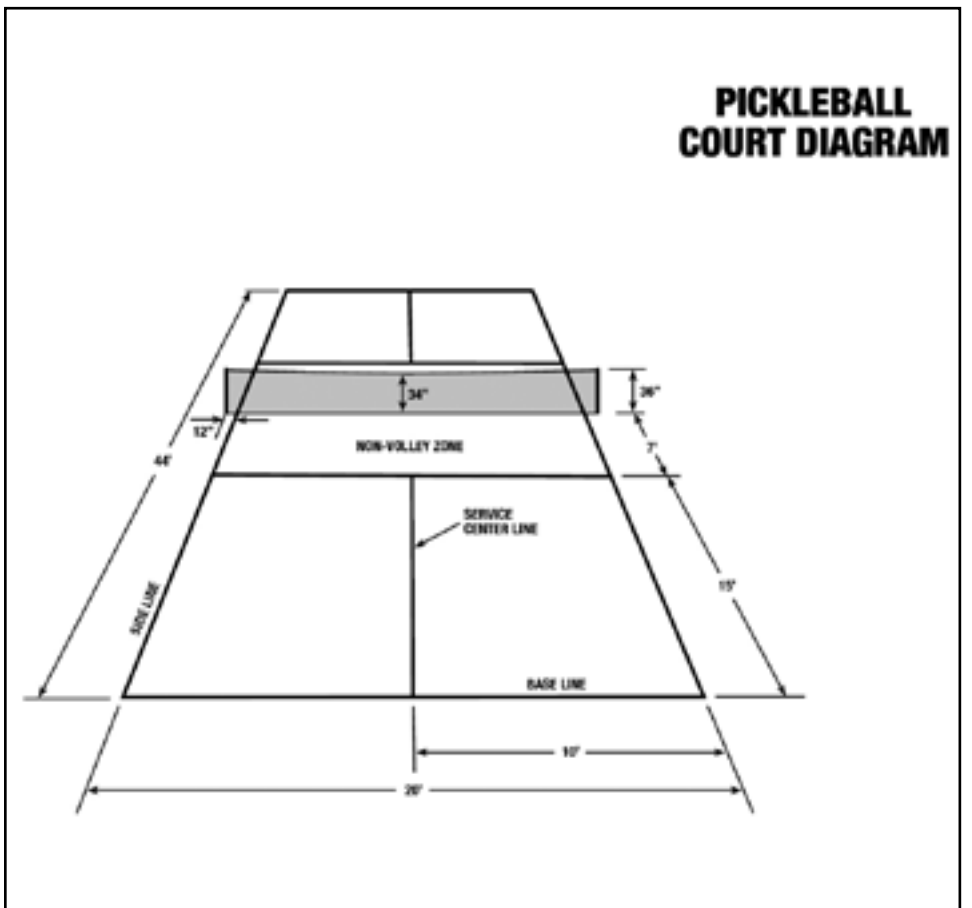
The patches applied to the cracks on the courts.



The patch material applied over the cracks, much like a band-aid.



Residents enjoying a game of Pickleball.



The layout of the Pickleball court.

## Tennis Courts

Tennis Courts 1, 2, 5 and 6 had a makeover in July. Due to the temperature changes we have up here, Tennis court cracks expand and contract. As a result courts 1 and 2 had 750 lineal feet of crack repairs and 5 and 6 had 400 lineal feet of repairs. To ensure a long-lasting, durable and seamless repair, we chose the RiteWay Crack Repair System. The RiteWay system utilizes a micro-technology that allows the existing cracks in the courts to move without breaking the repair.

## Pickleball

We have also added a new activity to Court #6. PICKLEBALL!

Court 6 now has two Pickleball courts that can have up to 8 players.

Pickleball is a racket sport in which two to four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a polymer perforated ball over a net. The sport shares features of other racket sports, the dimensions and layout of a Badminton court, and a net and rules similar to tennis with a few modifications. One of the fastest growing sports in North America,

Pickleball was invented in the mid-1960s as a children's backyard pastime but quickly became popular among adults as a fun game for players of all skill levels.

The Pickleball court is similar to a doubles badminton court. The actual size of the court is 20x44 feet for both doubles and singles. The net is hung at 36 inches on the ends, and

34 inches in the middle. The court is striped like a tennis court, with no alleys; but the outer courts, and not the inner courts, are divided in half by service lines. The inner courts are non-volley zones and extend 7 feet from the net on either side.

Please come out and enjoy our beautiful new resurfaced courts.

# Another Great Independence Day Holiday

BY JIM DAHMS, MARINA MANAGER



*Fireworks soar above the lake*



*The boat parade was a big hit again this year.*



*Sea creatures were spotted emerging from the lake during the sand castle building contest.*



*Pull harder! The kids had a great time with fun and games such as the tug-o-war.*

Well, Another great July with record temperatures and attendance at our newly renovated Marina and Café. The fireworks celebration on Saturday July 5th was incredible, thirty minutes of non-stop fireworks on a balmy evening. Also we had a great turn out for our annual Boat Parade. It was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone in attendance.

Our new Café and Marina Store has been extremely busy with positive feedback from

everyone on the new renovations.

August is now upon us and kids will soon be going back to school. August activities at the marina will include The Friends of the Lake scavenger hunt on Sunday August 10. If you are not a member of FOTL, applications are available at the Marina Store.

Please remember, the Marina Store will close for the season at the end of business on Monday, Labor Day, September 1. Holiday weekend activities will include a Sand Castle

contest on Saturday, August 30 at 9:30 to 11:30AM and on Sunday August 31, it will be Kids Fun Day from 11:00 to 1:00PM, lots of great PRIZES!

The Marina Café will be on the summer hours until September 2. On September 3rd thru September 14th, Fall Hours will be in effect, Sunday through Thursday 11 to 4PM and Friday-Saturday 11-6PM. The café will close for the season at the end of business on Sunday, September 14.

## Community Standards

BY DENNIS PIPAL

COMMUNITY STANDARDS, DIRECTOR

At the time of this writing we are winding down the fire safety enforcement process for 2014. The big focus this year was "fuel reduction." In light of last year's RIM fire we asked members to evaluate their Lots in terms of reducing the amount of vegetation as well as the limbing of trees and removing dead limbs on trees and brush.

If you've been to the Compost Area you can see the fantastic participation

we received from our members. And if you drive around you will notice how much cleaner we look with the reduction in excess startup trees, the removal of tree limbs that were too close to the ground and the removal of dead limbs from trees and brush.

We had a big reduction in the number of Non-Compliance letters we had to send out this year so most of the members are on board and we want to thank you for your support in making PML more fire safe each and every year.

We can still use some improvement in a few areas of our fire safety requirements. First, the 30' defensive space. This rule requires all fallen needles and leaves be removed within 30' of any structure. Our CalFire folks tell us that homes which have this defensive space clean will almost always survive a wildfire.

Second, roofs and gutters must be free of fallen needles, leaves and tree branches. Hot sparks from a forest fire can travel miles and if they land in a gutter full of dried needles/leaves there is a good chance your house may not survive. This is a tough job which can require tall ladders and/or climbing on steep roofs, something many of us should probably not try to tackle. Members can find vendors who will do this kind of work on our Preferred Vendor list under the fire safety tab on our website.

One more area is something we noticed new this year. Weeds were cut on some of the Lot, but not on the entire Lot. The rule is: weeds are required to be cut on the entire Lot. Please know where your property pins are and get all those weeds!

Thanks again for all your support! We have come a long way over the last 5 years and you have a lot to be proud of. Here's to a safe fire season and if we happen to have a fire close by, we know we've accomplished what we need to do to be a survivor.



## NOTICE TO ALL BOATING PML MEMBERS

Due to the on-going drought, the water level of our lake is twice as low as this time last year. The water level of the lake has reached a point that it may present a potential safety issue for members who launch and remove their boats at the Marina. Some dock floats are beginning to bottom out and access in some areas is becoming more difficult.

If you have your boat in the lake, the Association recommends that you consider removing your boat now. If you

take your boat in and out of the lake on a daily basis, we recommend that you closely monitor the water level so that you can safely access the lake. If your boat is small enough that you do not need to use the launch ramp to access the lake, please be aware of possible underwater and shoreline hazards.

Members who do not heed this safety warning and leave their boats in the lake, run the risk of having no way to remove their boats from the lake. If this happens,

these members will be responsible for any and all damage to their property, Association property and any fees or costs for continued boat mooring, or assistance.

The Board of Directors would like to thank you for your anticipated cooperation as we work to mitigate the impact of the drought.

If you have any questions, please contact our Marina staff at (209) 962-8631.

## GOT YOUR PIN?

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

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## Hot August Nights at the Grill

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



The Grill is the place to come and cool off during these hot August nights. As many of you that have visited us this summer have noticed, we have scaled back our regular dinner menu and Chef

Carrie has expanded the nightly specials. The goal is to add a little more variety because a lot of our guests visit us on a regular basis. The dinner specials run every night not just the weekends and are very popular.

As I write this article, we just wrapped up a very busy 4th of July weekend. My staff did a wonderful job giving the best possible service despite the heat and long hours. I just wanted to give a shout out to the kitchen staff, service staff, bartenders and management staff for a job well done. We saw a lot of new faces this weekend. I was chatting with a guest and he said it all. I greeted him with, "What beautiful day today is." And he replied, "When is it not?" That about sums it up, sometimes we take for granted what we have because we see

it every day. It's those little reminders that Pine Mountain Lake is such a wonderful place to be and I for one am very lucky to be a homeowner here.

### The 19th Hole Lounge

Enjoy these hot August nights every Saturday night from 8pm until midnight. Here is the entertainment schedule for August. The lounge is open 7 days a week.

**Friday Aug 1 – Karaoke**

**Saturday Aug 2 – TBD**

**Saturday Aug 9 – Rockslide**

**Saturday Aug 16 – ESP Band**

**Saturday Aug 23 – Hills Brothers**

**Saturday Aug 30 – Stone Kold**

Your questions and suggestions are always welcome, contact me at [clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com](mailto:clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com).

## GOT RESERVATIONS?

To better accommodate you & to provide you with the best dining experience possible at The Grill, call 209-962-8638 to make reservations.

## Shades of Green with a Little Brown

BY ALAN MACDONALD, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

As the title reads, welcome to mid-summer, 2014. You will see green and brown turf this summer. Not that you don't each summer, but this is more than just the hard spots that don't accept nightly irrigation. As you can see, there are many areas receiving much less irrigation than is needed to keep them green. The driving range being one of them, looks like it hasn't been irrigated in months, but is still being irrigated 3 times per week. Very few areas have been completely shut off, just very limited irrigation hoping we can keep the roots alive until the rains return. Through early July the golf course has used just a little over 3 inches of lake water for irrigation. Our goal is to keep this total around 12 inches for the entire year. Our crystal ball hasn't informed us as to what amounts of precipitation we will have during the next winter, so we are conserving as much as we can this summer while trying to keep the course fun and playable.

Fall aeration is scheduled for the last Monday and Tuesday in September, the 29th & 30th.

The Wednesday following aeration is October 1st, and our annual visit with the U.S.G.A. is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. This tour of the course is rewarding and educational. Brian Whitlark is the agronomist that will be here. He travels around the western United States and sees over a hundred different courses each year. He is here to assist our maintenance program. He will also answer any questions that you might want to ask, or discuss any ideas for improvements to the course. I encourage you to come on out and meet Brian. The tour will begin near the first tee and will last 3 to 4 hours. You certainly don't have to stay for the entire session, or if you need to come on out a little later, that would be fine.

Remember that the golf maintenance office is always open to you if you have concerns or questions or would like to say hello. Our phone number is 962-8610 if you would like to call. New ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

Enjoy your course, if it's too hot to play during the day, come on out and enjoy the late afternoons. You will be glad you did!

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## Swim Center

BY DESIREE LAFFRANCHI

We are having another great season here at the swim center. We have improved the pool environment with new umbrellas, chase lounge cushions, and beautiful Japanese maple trees. If you have not visited us yet, come down and check out the more comfortable swim center.

We have water aerobics from 8am-10am Monday-Friday and 9am-10am Saturday and Sunday. Homeowners only swim from 10am-noon, free swim from noon-9pm. Please have PMLA ID card ready to show pool attendant.

Swim lessons are in full swing! Our American Red Cross certified instructors have done the three sessions of lessons. We have one more session left, ending on August 7th. Visit [www.pinemountainlake.com](http://www.pinemountainlake.com) for price and session information, or call the swim center.

We also have the last pool party of the summer on August 9th from 5pm to 8pm. We will have barbequed hotdogs, chips and a drink for \$3.00! We will also be playing bingo for some awesome pool prizes. Bingo cards are \$0.50 each. Come on down

for a family fun night before the kids go back to school!

Have a birthday coming up? Make it a pool party! Call the swim center and make reservations for your party. We can reserve tables and even the propane BBQ for you. If you have any questions or would like to make reservations please call the swim center at 209-962-8634. Our friendly pool attendants would love to help you.



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## On the Lake, River, Reservoir??

BY MIKE HORVATH, LAKE CONSULTANT/LIMNOLOGIST

Apologies for missing the cut last month: it was a busy time finishing up my full time job with Hetch Hetchy and preparing for a rafting trip down the Grand Canyon. The rafting trip was a first class adventure through millions of years of geology, the history of water development, and the effects on water quality in the Colorado River.

The first thing I noticed about the Colorado water was the high concentration of dissolved salts in the water. After splashing through the many rapids, the water spots that dried on my sunglasses left them almost unusable. The term "salts" refers to the dissolved solids in the water and often includes sodium, chloride, sulfate, calcium, and bicarbonate. When the water dries, it leaves those white rings that are the solid version of the previously dissolved salts. It's fairly well accepted and understood that drinking water with high concentrations of these salts can contribute to kidney and gall stones. The users of Colorado River water and resource agencies worried about the affect on ecosystems are spending a lot of money to reduce the amount of these salts. The problem is somewhat natural, but has been exacerbated by agricultural practices and dams that block the huge flushing flows that used to sweep much of the salt out to sea. Without getting too technical about how much "salt" is in the water, I'll just say that it can get close to 1 gram in each liter of water!

But, "Alas poor Yorick!" It is interesting that the clowns/gravediggers that open that scene in Hamlet have a discussion about water's role in the death of Ophelia. Whatever the concerns might be about drinking water with high salt concentrations, we don't have that problem here. Whether we are drinking the fine Hetch Hetchy water, or water pumped from our Lake during Hetchy shutdowns, we have some very darn good water. When was the last time you saw water spots on your car or windows after using our water? I am not encouraging you to go test this during the current drought, but you get the idea. As a matter of fact, the water from Hetch Hetchy has so little dissolved stuff in it; they have to add calcium to the

water before it enters the transmission and distribution system. Otherwise, it would leach it from the pipes and prematurely corrode them.

So, as enjoyable as the rafting adventure was, it is good to be back to our own clean waters. We arrived back just in time to see the boats assembling for the parade and to enjoy the amazing fireworks display. I really loved the resounding echoes through the canyons. And a week later we were down at the Marina for music and margaritas hosted by Friends of the Lake. What a special evening that was with music provided by the Sierra Mountain Band. It was hot everywhere else, but the breeze off the lake kept it quite cool. And the margaritas added WAY COOL to the event. If you haven't checked out Friends of the Lake, I encourage you to look them up on the PMLA homepage and join their fun and informative programs.

I'm going to run out of room here, but I did have a couple of questions from homeowners about our Lake. One was a concern about a plant growing in the water near someone's dock. I haven't checked it out yet, but it isn't surprising that some of these plants look more prolific given the lower water level. I'll be cruising the entire shoreline in the coming weeks identifying the plants and making sure we don't have any nasty invaders that can cause real problems. Yes, I understand that if it gets wrapped around your prop or tickles you while you swim, it's a weed. But I'd like to remind you that the plants we have in our Lake are doing much more good than harm. Another question was whether a homeowner could do a little digging under their now exposed dock to make it more usable at the current lake level. That's a touchy, touchy question. What I would recommend is to take advantage of this opportunity to work on dry shoreline and make your dock more usable during low water. Check with Sandy in the office to get specifics on the environmental compliance guidelines.

One last thing, be assured that I did decontaminate after being in the mussel infested waters of Lake Mead.

Until next time... SPLASH!

And don't worry about the water spots.

## Horsing Around at the Stables

BY LESTER SCOFIELD, STABLES MANAGER

The summer has been good to us here at the stables. We had a very busy week leading up to the Fourth of July weekend. Our trail rides have been a big success this summer. If you are interested in one of our guided trail rides, give us a call at 209-962-8667. To go on a guided trail ride you must be at least 8 years old and at least 44 inches tall. We provide riding helmets for the riders.



The 5K run held here on Friday the Fourth of July was a big hit with the runners. It was amazing to see how well some of the young runners did on the course. We had a lot of positive feedback from the runners. I hope the next one is as good, as or even better than the last one.

The Fourth of July BBQ was also a big success with around 700 dinners served. The Rehorse Rescue Ranch of Jamestown did a super job with the BBQ this year. The ranch takes care of abused or neglected horses and then finds good homes for them. Donations to this group are always appreciated.

The 14th of August is the last day of our Little Wrangler Camp, so if you have

someone between the ages of 7 to 13 that would like to attend give us a call. This is a good way to introduce the young ones to horses and all that is involved in caring for them. The camps have been very well attended this year.

Our next big event at the stables is the Groveland Rotary Shrimp Fest on August 16th, so get your tickets from a club member before they are sold out.

Finally, on August 31st the South Tuolumne County Historical Society will put on their annual BBQ here at the stables. They always have good food and lots of stuff to look at so come on out and enjoy yourself.

Until next time, Happy Trails.

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**PML BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE**

**WAYNE AUGSBURGER**

Hello PML Property Owners,

After the encouragement of several property owners, past and present board members who know me and my background, I have decided to run for the PML Board. My personal objective is to help keep PML the best place in the Mother Lode to live and enjoy life.

In case I have not had the opportunity to meet you personally, I would like to share with you some key information about my background. Hopefully this will help you make an informed decision when it comes time to cast your vote this summer.

I grew up in a suburb of St. Louis, in the middle of farm and Bible belt, where I graduated with a bachelor's degree in mathematics and computer science from Southern Illinois University. I then spent 12 years in computer engineering positions in the Midwest. The next 30 years I resided in the Bay Area where I served in progressively more responsible positions in business

management with high technology companies, culminating in several vice presidential positions where I had a direct impact not only in increasing revenue, but cost containment.

My wife, Toni, and I have loved to visit PML for the past 25+ years. We decided to make it our permanent home 7 years ago. Toni has been active with Helping Hands in the past, the ROOFBB women's club and the Resident's club. You may remember her as the organizer for Monday Night Football dinners at the country club for several years. I am a member of the Resident's club, the Guardians and the PML men's golf club, where I am currently a member of the board. But due to full time obligations at work, in the past, I was unable to spend much time supporting our local organizations. Since retiring last year, I now hope to contribute my efforts for the good of the community.

My experience in managing both

large and small organizations in high tech, start-up companies, has prepared me to advise PML management in areas such as budgeting, finance, and people management. In my business career I have learned to listen carefully before speaking, ensuring that I can see the full picture and understand all points of view before coming to an informed decision. I feel that there is an opportunity to enhance revenue at the golf course, the Grill, and campground by outside promotion; often there are venues that can accomplish this at no cost. I also believe that there are ways to better control our costs and expenses, which it is imperative that we do. Our association cannot sustain, for the long term, the type of annual assessment increases we have seen in many of the last 10 years. I will work to help management find ways to reduce our cost increases.

I believe that idea sharing with people up here, who have such diverse

backgrounds, will help to make PML the best place to visit, live and enjoy life! I would like to share my thoughts and ideas in a leadership position on our Board of Directors where good judgment is crucial in addressing the continual changes and decisions that the PML Board faces each month.

If elected, I will always be open to hear your thoughts, and give them careful consideration, on any issue facing the PML board.

I am proud to have the support of many past and current PMLA board members; including,

Gus Allegri, John Case, Jerry Dickson, Larry Hunt, Parker Johnson, Steve Margossian, Dennis Scott, and Brian Sweeney, to mention a few.

Thank you for your support,

Wayne Augsburger

Candidate for the PML Board of Directors

*Let's Keep PML the Best Place in the Mother Lode to Live and Enjoy Life*

After 42 years of business experience with 15 years in vice presidential positions in business management of Bay Area technology companies, I feel I can offer property owners:

- Vision for the Future
- Integrity
- Responsibility
- Financial Vigilance
- Openness

If elected, I will strive to make changes for the better where needed, while maintaining the things that are working well for our PML Association.

My Goal is to Keep our Amenities pristine while keeping our fee increases to a minimum. I believe we can do this by controlling wasted expenses.



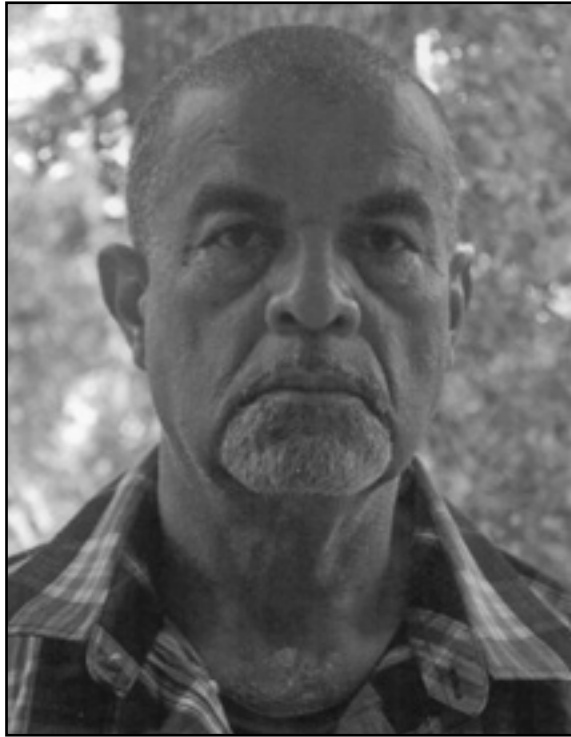
**Elect**

**Wayne Augsburger**

**PML Association Board**

## PML BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE

## BENJAMIN DENSON



My name is Benjamin Denson. I am 66 years old. I am retired. I attained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from California State University Hayward in 1978. I have been a resident, member of PMLA since 2006. I moved to Pine Mountain Lake following retirement from the Oakland Police Department, after 27 years of service as a Police Officer. I served on the Board of Directors of the Oakland Police Officers Association from 1992 until I retired from the Oakland Police Department in 2005. Since retirement, I have continued to work, intermittently, as an annuitant for the Oakland Police Department, doing background investigations.

Our annual assessments have

increased almost every year during the time I have lived here. In the last eight years the increase was from \$1,309 to \$1,956. Our Board of Directors must stop the practice of accepting and budgeting for huge losses on our revenue-producing amenities.

The annual budget determines the amount of the annual assessment. The only way to reduce assessments is to gradually reduce the amount budgeted to a more realistic figure and require managers to operate within those numbers. The ultimate goal is to eliminate those losses.

If I am elected, I pledge my full-time dedication to finding solutions to these problems.

I thank you for your consideration.

## Benjamin Denson for PML Director

My name is Benjamin Denson. I, like most property owners (both resident and part-time), invested here to enjoy the wonderful lifestyle and amenities available at PML. I am a retiree, on a fixed income and like many other association members, I bought here some years ago. However, higher and ever-increasing, assessments are putting some retired, association members in a bind; and they can no longer afford the enjoyable activities at PML, which they looked forward to in their senior years. Association members should not be forced into this predicament because of irresponsible financial management. Even those property owners, who can afford the luxury of ever-increasing assessments are alarmed at the seemingly unending cost increases.

It's time for "serious" change. We must do everything reasonably possible to reverse the long-standing practice of simply accepting and budgeting for losses in our revenue-producing amenities. Privately-operated businesses would soon go broke using present PML management practices. There must be a new approach by the PML Board of Directors. I served on a fifteen-member, elected, Board of Directors for the Oakland Police Officers' Association for many years. As you can imagine there were many divergent points of view; but I always gave full consideration to all ideas, helped work out compromises to solve problems and always sought the right course of action.

It's time for a course correction by the PML Board of Directors. To that end, I am making the following recommendations:

- Hire a professional management firm to review PML operations from top to bottom.
- Insist on positive recommendations—not just rubber-stamp current practices.
- Require identification of where our operation needs improvement—because we know such areas exist.
- Require all levels of management and employees to fully cooperate and honestly participate in this review.
- Immediately adopt and enforce the recommendations by this firm of qualified experts.

## PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!  
(All numbers are 209 area code unless noted otherwise)

<b>Aviation Association</b>	
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Frank Perry	962-0728
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Alice Stoll	962-1948
<b>Exercise</b>	
Barbara Elliott	962-6457
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Lonnie Roman	962-6001
<b>Guardians of PML</b>	
Gus Allegri	962-6915
<b>Ladies Club</b>	
Maddie Sousa	962-5708
<b>Ladies Golf Club</b>	
Yvonne Mattocks	962-4165
<b>Men's Golf Club</b>	
Dick Faux	962-4617
<b>Men's 9-Hole Golf Club</b>	
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<b>Monday Bridge Club</b>	
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<b>Pine Needlers Quilt Guild</b>	
Wina Helm	962-6534
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Miles (Ned) Nuddleman	925-371-2287
<b>PML Niners</b>	
Stacie Brown	962-5129
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<b>PML Waterski &amp; Wakeboard</b>	
Dean Floyd	(408) 378-7725
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Ivonne Deckard	962-1904
<b>Sierra Professional Artists</b>	
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<b>Southern Valley Srs. Golf Group</b>	
Jim Sample	962-4747
<b>Sunday Couples Golf</b>	
Alma Frawley	962-5578
<b>Windjammers Sailing Club</b>	
Bob Haliwell	962-4137

## PML Community Airport Day

SAVE THE DATE – OCT. 4

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON

The Pine Mountain Lake Aviation Association invites everyone to our Annual Community Airport Day on October 4th from 12:00 – 3:00pm at the Pine Mountain Lake County Airport. This is a great fun and free way to visit your airport and see lots of interesting aircraft.

Special events this year include a radio controlled model airplane demonstration, flying demonstrations, formation flying, precision flying contests, skydivers, and car vs. airplane races.

This is a great opportunity to check out your county airport, observe aircraft on



Skydiver Rex Pemberton over PML Airport. Photo by Virginia Gustafson.

display and meet our local pilots. PMLAA will be selling refreshments for your convenience. Admission is free. Please use the Elderberry Way entrance to the airport. Bring folding chairs.

In addition, the local chapter of EAA is providing Young Eagle free airplane rides for kids (with parental permission) on Oct. 4th from 9-11:00am.

Appreciation for our local airport certainly increased during the Rim Fire last year. Having a local airport also makes medical helicopter evacuations possible. Mark your calendar and come spend the day at your local airport!

## Garden Club Clippings

BY JOYCE SMITH

“Go Native...From Drought to Beauty” our theme for the Garden Tour & Luncheon, our 17th Garden Club Tour and Luncheon held June 9th was a great event. There were some new people present and we hope to see them back. Maybe they will want to join our group. We don't meet in July so members watch for your August Newsletter for meeting information. Ask your guests at the tour to come to our next meeting. Or, If you are interested in Garden Club, we meet on the 2nd Monday of the month. Just show up and see what we are about.

We couldn't have a tour without our gardens. We want to thank: Barbara and Tom Connelly; Dick and Thelma Faux;

Janet Gregory; Bill and Michalene Martin; Lynne Orloff; and Linda & Tony Flores Jail Chairmen. Plus Garden Club members who worked at the Jail getting it ready for the tour. A lot of work goes into this event.. And what would our luncheon be without our creative table setters and members for their great salads.

Thanks to everyone, but a special thanks to Sharon Haggerty and Marlene Johanson, Vice Presidents and Chairs of this event and Lonnie Roman, our President for keeping it all going smoothly. If I left anyone out, please forgive me, it was not intentional.

See you at the August meeting or maybe at the Jail.

## Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club

BY MADDIE SOUSA, SECRETARY

For our June meeting the Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club held an informal picnic at the Marina. Attending were: Willie & Betty Boatman; Dave & Carol Morgan; Louise Riggs, Louise Turney, Paul & Jane Sperry, Dennis & Darlene Hoagland, Chuck & Pat Pasha and Joe & Maddie Sousa.

Our gracious hostess, Lou Riggs provided our group with a cooked ham and the rest of the gang filled in the rest.

Coming up on Aug 12th – 16th we have a trip to Half Moon Bay planned.

September outing will be Jackson Rancheria.

If you would like to go with us as guests please call Ned Nuddleman.

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

## PML Lady Niners

BY SHARON KENYON

ACE OF ACES FOR JUNE was TRUDY REID 33

### WEEKLY PLAY RESULTS

June began with a very hot and muggy and challenging course!

### June 5 “Putts Day”

1st Place tie 19 = Stacie Brown, Shirley Haliwell, June Moore & Sarah Zimmerman  
2nd Place 20 = Marilyn Alexander  
3rd Place tie 21 = Carrie Carter, Patty Nelson & Wanda Patterson  
Pars: #14 Carrie Carter, Mary Hauser & Sarah Zimmerman;  
#17 Pat VanGerpen  
Chip-In: #15 Sarah Zimmerman  
Low Net: Trudy Reid with 33 net.

### June 12 “Blind Partners” plus 4th Eclectic round and 2nd Tournament of Champions.

1st Place Team 73 = Pat VanGerpen and Trudy Reid  
2nd Place Team 76 = GERALYN DIELMAN and Flo Jansen  
3rd Place Team 78 tie = Stacie Brown and Pat Price; and, Judy Michaelis with blind draw.  
Pars: #13 Trudy Reid; #10 & #14 GERALYN DIELMAN...nice game!  
Low Net: Trudy Reid with 33 net...looks like a trend for Trudy!

### June 19 “Red, White & Blue”

1st Place Team tie = 63 Darlene Hoagland, Flo Jansen, Judy Michaelis, June Moore; and, Bonnie Ayala, Wanda Patterson, Trudy Reid, Anne Toner.  
2nd Place Team = 64 Karen Dickson, Mary Hauser, Patty Nelson, (+blind draw)  
Pars: #2 Anne Toner; #6 Shirley Haliwell & Pat VanGerpen; #7 Stacie Brown  
Low Net: Flo Jansen with 34.

### June 25 “Tee to Green”

1st Place 31 = GERALYN DIELMAN  
2nd Place tie 35 = Carrie Carter & Pat VanGerpen  
3rd Place 36 = Karen Dickson  
Pars: #14 Carrie Carter; #17 GERALYN DIELMAN  
Low Net: Flo Jansen with 33

### TEAM PLAY

June 3 our players competed at Spring Creek; and June 24 six players headed out at the crack of dawn to play at Sequoia Woods in Arnold.

We are now in 5th place out of six teams, while Oakdale, Turlock and Twain Harte hold the top 3 spots.

## Fun at the Lake!

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON



Swim race winners Petr Henkel, Cameron Lawrence and Chris Baker.



Kayak race winners Arthur Schweitzer, Leif Water, Aaron Aseltine and Sean Thompson

Friends of the Lake hosted a very fun annual Lake Swim from Dunn Court to the Marina followed by kayak races across the lake on a beautiful July Saturday afternoon.

**LAKE SWIM:** a record 26 swimmers tackled the almost 1/3 mile swim – some real competitors and some just for fun. Prizes were awarded for the top three finishers and every swimmer received a certificate of completion. There was lots of encouragement from enthusiastic spectators too.

Leading the pack was Chris Baker of Folsom with a great time of 6 minutes, 28 seconds. Second place was won again by Cameron Lawrence, a PML part-timer from San Jose. Cameron, a financial planning manager for Lockheed, is about 30 years older than his closest competition but his Olympic training in 1980 still shows. He swam the distance in just 6 minutes and 42 seconds. Third place went to Petr Henkle who finished in just 6 minutes, 56 seconds. Petr just graduated from Deer Valley high school in Antioch where he was on the swim team.

**KAYAK RACES:** The kayak race followed with furious paddling from the marina to a point near the dam and back. The fastest paddlers were Aaron Aseltine and Sean Thompson, who were visiting friends at PML and completed the race in a speedy 10 minutes and 3 seconds. Just behind at 10 minutes 13 seconds, was Arthur Schweitzer of PML and his visiting nephew Leif Waters, from Vancouver, WA. Congratulations to all!

Special thanks also to our kayak safety line, the Marina and boat patrol staff and the Friends of the Lake volunteers.

**MUSIC AT THE MARINA:** The following evening, Friends of the Lake gathered for a beautiful evening at the marina, complete with abundant food, margaritas and the toe-tapping old-time country music of the Sierra Mountain Band.

**AUGUST EVENT:** Our next event is Sunday, August 10, including a potluck dinner at 5:00pm at the marina followed by a very special trivia night. There's no charge and everyone is welcome. Just bring a potluck dish and your place setting.

See you on the lake!



The Sierra Mountain Band

### To PML Members From Mark Powell

I have investigated many aspects of PML operations and have tried to enlighten the Board about my concerns. It closely resembles talking to a wall

I don't know our opponent in the election, but if you look at the people endorsing him, a vote for him is a vote for status quo with ever increasing assessments that, only a few, benefit from.

PML must change its attitude towards getting the best bang for our buck, or in the very near future our assessments will be over \$200.00 per month.

Assessments could easily be cut by 20% if PML were run like a business.

**To begin change  
You have to vote.  
Vote for**

## Ben Denson

**For the PML Board**

Send us your Email address. All information about members will be kept confidential.

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## Flintstones Everywhere!

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON

The theme of this year's PML Boat Parade was "classic TV show," and that meant Flintstones to lots of people! We had a Flintstone boat in every category and they were really well done – complete with costumes, dinosaurs, and stone wheels on the boats. Yabba Dabba Doo!

First place in the electric boat category was won by Siri and Paul Lackovic and friends channeling the Flintstones. First place among gas pontoons also went to a Flintstones entry, by the McKinley family who had their Yabba Dabba Doos down pat! The best ski boat was (wait for it ...) another Flintstone incarnation interpreted by Rene Duzac and family, complete with a huge cudgel. Finally, the non-motorized category was won by Roberta Thompson in a very patriotic pedal boat.

The judges were impressed with the creativity of lots of other entries too, including a great Mickey Mouse Club, Wheel of Fortune, Gilligan's Island, Cheers, and Batman. Congratulations to all. The PML boat parade is organized by Friends of the Lake.

Prior to the boat parade, PML pilot Silvano Gai thrilled the audience with a deft landing of his Lake Amphibian airplane on the lake. We look forward to that every year.



## WELCOME TO TENNIS AT PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE!

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### FREE TENNIS

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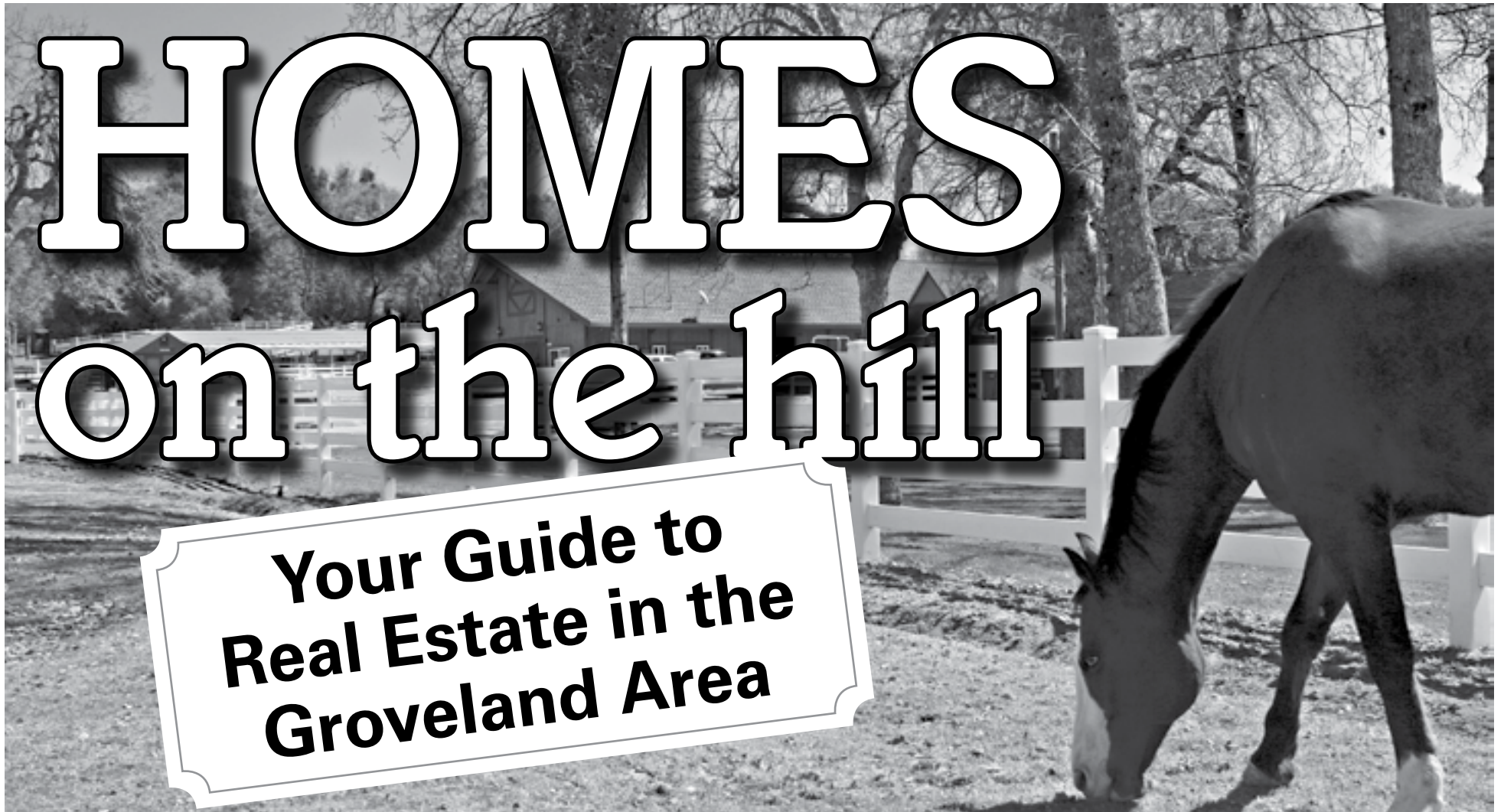


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**\$445,000** 1/191 20220 Pleasant View Drive



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3,018Sq.Ft. 5bd/3 full ba. Mtn design/decor. Room for family & plenty of parking. Designer landscaping leads down to lake. New dock & deep water. Fantastic Lake views.

**\$775,000** 4/108 - 20616 Longridge Ct

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Very nice, cute & cozy. Nice decks. Free standing wood burning fireplace & fenced area for pets. 1,404 Sq Ft of upgrades. 3bd/2ba & attached 2 car garage.

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### SPACIOUS COMFORTABLE HOME

2,970sq.ft. 3bd/3ba. bonus rm, Office/Den plus reading rm. 2 lg decks w/peek of lake. 2 car gar & RV parking. 1 owner, well maintained. Close to Tennis, Fisherman's Cove and Lake Lodge.

**\$308,000** Unit 3 lot 101. 20634 Nob Hill.



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Very close to Grill, Pro Shop, Tennis and Pool. Perfect for the vacation get-a-way and Vacation rental. 1,900 sq. ft w/4 bedrooms 4 baths. Separate/Private Suite downstairs. Golf Course and Mountain views. Has Vacation Rental History.

**\$157,000** CCV # 21 12735 Junipero Sera



### LAKE FRONT W/ MOUNTAIN DECOR

3b/2ba 1,797Sqft Upgrades, walking distance to marina. Lake access, views & dock. Stainless appl. Lvg Rm & Fam rm w/fireplaces. Screened porch. Comp decks. Lg enclosed storage under home for "Man Cave" or sleeping area.

**\$399,999** 13/381-19834 Pine Mtn Dr.



### BEAUTIFUL HOME & TWO LOTS

5b/3.5ba 2,144Sqft 2 lots, not merged, total 1.02 acres. Free-standing FP, trash compactor, wet bar, jetted tub, 4 new window sliders on main lvl. Lake access via the Lake Lodge inlet. Short distance to Lake Lodge & Beach.

**\$595,000** 4/59 & 60 - 20238 Pine Mtn Dr.

## LOTS & LAND

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

**Prime 5 ac.** in Yosemite Acres w/well and storage bldg. **\$175K**

**Prime Gentle Slope Lot** Touching the 6th fairway. Easy Access outside the gates. **\$24,000.** 5/201 Mueller Drive.

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

## OTHER HOMES

**LOVELY OPEN FLR PLAN MTN HOME**  
**REDUCED \$214,500** 2/362 - 19358 James Cir.

**3BD/2BA SINGLE LEVEL CUSTOM**  
**\$275,000** 7/228 - 19092 Digger Pine

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**PARKLIKE SETTING & PRIVATE BOAT DOCK** Newer 2 story home on Fisher-



man's Cove. A stamped concrete path-way and a wooden staircase takes you down to the lake. This half acre lot boasts park-like grounds and lake cove views. The 3 bedroom/ 3 bath 2300+sq ft floor plan has an open great room with vaulted wood & beam ceilings. The main living area, master suite and guest rooms are on the main level, with a huge bonus room, full bath and lots of storage downstairs. 3-172 \$795,000

SET THE STAGE for every weekend



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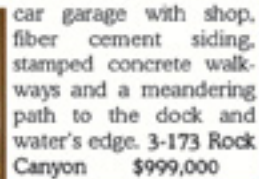
to be a vacation across the street from the beach! 4 bdrm 2 bath chalet has the perfect location for a vacation rental, too. Your family will enjoy watching the kids having summer fun at the lake. Diamond in the rough needs some work.  
4-49 Cresthaven \$179,000

**DESIGNER WATER FRONT HOME**

with a master suite as the entire top level overlooking woods & water views of Fisherman's Cove. Over 3400 sq feet of living area with 3 guest bedrooms, a bonus room and an exercise room. This is a first class remodel with granite counter tops, dual zoned ht/ac, varied width plank oak flooring, plush carpet, 75 gallon water heater, circulating hot water, synthetic decking with powder coated rails, new windows, detached 2 car garage with shop, fiber cement siding, stamped concrete walkways and a meandering path to the dock and water's edge. 3-173 Rock Canyon \$999,000



**NEW LISTING**



**2005 FAUX CHALET on .62 ACRE**



Contemporary beauty has the look of a chalet, but the

**\$5000 BUYER CREDIT**

design of a ranch. Set back in the trees with a floor plan that maximizes the treed views & southern exposure with a wall of windows & a partially covered deck. You'll love the modern kitchen with granite counter tops, gorgeous cabinets, 2 car garage. 4-248A \$359,000

**MOUNTAIN OASIS** a home you can



enjoy with pride. This immaculate 3 bd, 2 ba home has professionally landscaped yard with plenty of mature trees & a fire pit. Parking for boat & RV. Kitchen has granite countertops, energy-efficient stainless appliances, large breakfast bar. Large picture windows allow for plenty of light and views of the backyard. Main level master with walk-in closet. 2600 sq. ft. built in 2006 4-507 Cresthaven Dr \$399,000

**THE BEST VIEW OF THE LAKE!**



Updated chalet has a magnificent view; Easy walk to Lake Lodge Beach where you will find a playground & a sandy beach. 3 bd, 2 bath, vaulted wood ceiling, open floor plan. Large bedrooms on the entry level, upstairs master bedroom and a loft.  
3-211 Pine Mtn Dr \$390,000

**AN ARBOR OF OAKS**



Well-maintained newer 3 bedroom, 2 bath with living areas all on one level. Large garage, lots of parking for boat, RV or guests. Light-filled great room with vaulted ceilings. Propane cookstove, breakfast bar. Absolutely move-in ready-most furnishings negotiable! 3-412 Green Valley Cir \$180,000

**CANYON VIEWS** Tucked into the



canyon where BlueLine Creek feeds into PML, a 3164 sq ft home with 3 bdrms, 3.5 baths is nestled along the hillside on a .95 acre lot. The private setting offers distant "peek of the lake views" from the deck that overlooks a granite rock formation and seasonal creek below. Plenty of storage, hobby room, bonus room, an office. Easy walk to Marina Beach. 13-380 \$419,900

**FIVE ACRES IN THE PINES**



Enjoy fresh vegetables & fruits from your garden. Well-maintained 2 bdrm + den, 2 bath, adorable eat-in kitchen, & large finished porch with slate-look tile flooring. Detached over-sized finished 2 car garage. Paved driveway with electronic gates, lots of level parking. 20709 Morgan Dr \$175,000

**NESTLED IN THE TREES** on a



large lot a 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath double car garage home awaits your getaway from the busy life you lead. Minutes to Dunn Ct. beach, golf, tennis and the Grill. Master suite on main level + 2 bdrms, a bath & laundry downstairs. Come take a peek! 2-188 \$194,500

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**ENJOY RESTFUL LIVING IN THIS**



remodeled 3 bdrm 2 bath 1-level home.  
**PRICE REDUCED** Beautiful hardwood floors in the living/dining, kitchen & hall. New cabinets with granite tile countertops, slate backsplash, stainless appliances, wine cooler. New roof, gutters, stucco, windows, decks & light fixtures. room. Spacious parking area. 7-143 Jackson Mill \$186,000

**VACATION HOME** or vacation



rental? This two story 2024 sf home near P M L amenities has the potential to provide vacation rental income for its new owner. The design features two bonus rooms on the entry level-one with a fireplace and the second with a kitchenette, a full bath & storage room. 3 bdrms dining area, kitchen & 2 full baths are situated on the upper level. 13-126 \$124,900

**SURF OR TURF** Gorgeous lake cove



home with 2 covered decks overlooking water views. Grand oak trees frame this newer home and a gated courtyard in front adds an impressive entrance. Upscale finishes include tall ceilings, walls of windows, french doors and a grand open floor plan. The main living area is on the entry level and the lower level includes a large rec room with a wet bar, a bathroom and a 4<sup>th</sup> sleeping nook. 4-56 \$795,000





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**OUTSTANDING '07 HOME LIKE NEW WITH VIEW! \$479,500**

12094 HILLHURST CIR., Unit 8 Lot 146  
 4 Bd 3 Ba 2car appr. 2700sf .60ac Quality built in '07. Granite cnts, stainless kit appl, pntry, brkfst bar, engineered wd flooring, grt rm w/firpl, lg dnstr fam/game rm, cement driveway, tall tree views, synthetic decking w/decorative mtl rail, custom interior doors, dual/sep fir HVAC units, landscaped grnds, stamped concrete. <http://www.tourfactory.com/1182734>



**MUST SEE**

**BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM LAKE FRONT CABIN HOME \$899,000**

12435 CASSARETTO CT. Unit 1 Lot 462  
 4Bd 2.5Ba, 2 car gar, ~4000sf near Marina. 1018sf dck/3 lvls, dock, built-in BBQ, int hnd-peeled log rail & stair, 60' knotty pine clngs, rvr rck f.p., cust.kit.cab/mtch oplanc, lg island butch blk, lg tile fam rm w/bar, 3 gst rms ent lvl, 3 bon. rms Lg MBed w/3X size walk-in dst + addl dst & heat stove, chl vac, lg lntry, patio w/dng fan & misters. <http://www.tourfactory.com/1170123>



**MUST SEE**

**BEAUTIFUL LAKE VIEW HOME!!! \$309,000**

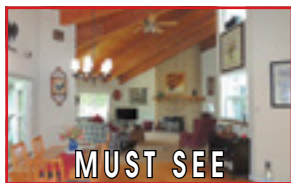
20287 PINE MOUNTAIN DR. Unit 3 Lot 207  
 Everyone Loves a Lake View! 3Bd 2 Ba 2 car, extra paved prkng/across from Lake Lodge Beach & Playground. Covered deck, tall 20ft + knotty pine ceiling grt rm w/f.p., open kitch, skylights, cntrl H/AC, lvl back entr, single fir lnvg + downstairs gar. bonus rm. Lots of windows w/open & spacious fir plan. <http://www.tourfactory.com/1176623>



**MUST SEE**

**CUSTOM HOME/LAKE VIEW & BEACH 1/2 BLOCK \$564,000**

19881 DUNN CT. Unit 1 Lot 269  
 Towering open bm knotty pine clngs, open kitch. dining & lnvg rm w/brick gas f.p. w/lake views! Huge pantry rm, 2 Mstr Bd, 1 Den/Bed w/Ba, wd kitch. flrs, tall windows to middle tree atrium, cntrl H/AC, 3 car gar + paved extra prkng, circular drive, dbl mtged lot, cvrd frnt deck patio overlooking Dunn Ct. Beach! <http://www.tourfactory.com/1154708>



**MUST SEE**

**MOVE IN CONDITION & INCREDIBLE VIEW \$184,900**

20600 QUAIL RIDGE LANE, Unit 3 Lot 146  
 3Bd/2Ba. Grt rm concept w/mstr bd on main lvl w/ access to balc/deck. 2Bd & full ba on lwr lvl, strg in & under, grt for canoe for Fisherman's Cove nearby. Covered porch front deck. Many improvements made, home well taken care of. Has Inside lntry, free standing fpic, plus room to bld gar & plans available. See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1117400>



**MUST SEE**

**CULDESAC PRIVACY & ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL HOME \$384,000**

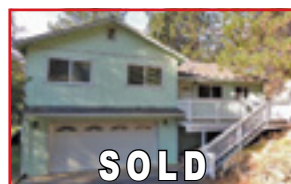
12660 Eagle Ct. Unit 4 Lot 492  
 App. 2400sf cul-de-sac, dbl lot w/views. RV + boat prkg. Courtyrd, 2 decks, hot tub, wd fp in Grt Rm & MBdrm. open beam tall clgs, .5ba on main lvl, 10' isld, tile & hardwood flrg. Mbdm upstrs lg ba, sep tub/show & dbl van + lntry chute. 2nd Mbdm dnstrs + Family Rm w/ wood flrs, bonus enclosure off of garage w/bench. See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1167703>



**MUST SEE**

**DARLING HOME AWAITS NEW BUYER! \$179,000**

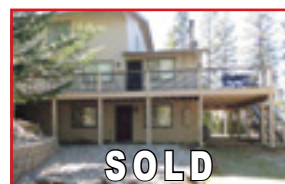
19785 FERRETTI RD., Unit 6 Lot 112  
 3/2 2car 1617 sf. Beautiful home w/fresh paint, granite counters, maple cabinets, breakfast bar, wd stove, bonus room, front and back decks, 8 yr new HVAC. .35 Ac lot plus .33 Acre next door lot available w/right price to merge into total .68 acres. In Beautiful Pine Mountain Lake near Yosemite Nr'1 Park! See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1149646>



**SOLD**

**3 LEVEL AWESOME CABIN \$283,500**

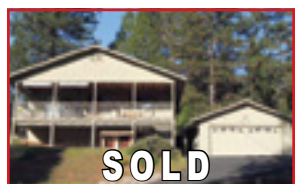
19723 BUTLER WAY, Unit 8 Lot 281  
 4Bd 2Ba 2240sf .75+ac. Grt rm w/wd f.p., lg deck, views. Upgraded: applncs, grnt kit. cnts, tile flr, lg comp. deck, cntrl HVAC, septic, bath van. tops, lghtng, fans. 2 Bd main lvl, 2 up lvl. dnstrs lg fam/game rm, pellet stv, lntry/strg/shop area, cvrd patio. Lg stor. (smaller bdrm w/out closet can be bdrm/den/ofc). See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1129609>



**SOLD**

**YOUR PERFECT FAMILY CABIN \$225,000**

20701 POINT VIEW DR., Unit 4 Lot 261  
 3/2 2car 1600 sf. Single lvl w/grt rm, lg kitchen bar, spacious lvg & dining area, stone f.p. w/wd stove, freshly painted interior, new carpet & kitchen flooring, indoor laundry, large covered deck -Move-In Condition! Garg fits a ski boat with collapsible trailer tongue hitch. Lots of storage and kids play house too! See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1149641>



**SOLD**

**LAKE FRONT HOME 1 BLK MARINA \$425,000**

19824 PINE MNTN DR., Unit 1 Lot 463  
 3Bd/2Ba, 1700sf cabin style 2 story, grt rm kit. lvg rm w/grnt cnts, brkfst bar, pantry, tile and lam. flrg, stone wd fp, tall wd open beam clng, 2 Bd & Ba main lvl, Mstr Bdrm/Ba on lwr w/fam rm/game rm & wd fp. Lg up & lwr decks, wtr frnt access, paved drive/RV prkng, loft, indoor lntry, glass french doors, beautiful views! See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/982929>



**PENDING**

**CABIN SWEET CABIN \$179,000**

19079 Raboul Ct. Unit 2 Lot 276  
 3bdrm/2ba, A-Frame cabin w/tall knotty wd clngs, tall windows w/private deck w/views! On cul-de-sac, dbl lot .56 acres, septic. Upstairs open loft, Cntl H&A/C, indoor lntry, synthetic easy care decking, wood f.p. w/wd mantle, brkfst bar. Parking for RV, Boat, guests. Freshly painted kitch, hallways & loft. Gotta love it! See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1167707>



**PENDING**

**BREATHTAKING VIEWS VIEWS VIEWS!!!!!! \$194,000**

20787 Point View Dr. Unit 4 Lot 225  
 3bdr 2ba 1 car Amazing views of the valley! Nestled back from main road, adorable cabin w/knotty wd o.b. clgs, lg windows & synth. wrap around deck. Essentially a flat round-a-bout drive & entry. Main lvl living w/indoor lntry, Cntrl Heat/AC, bonus rm & bath on lwr lvl. 2 of 3 bdrm very lg & xtra closet stor. See virtual tour at <http://www.tourfactory.com/1167709>



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18919 FERRETTI RD., SUITE A. • IN THE MARVAL MARKET PARKING LOT

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### *Absolute Beautiful Lake Front Home!*

20914 Big Foot Ct 4-77  
\$1,150,000  
MLS#20141134

4 Bd, 3 1/2 Bth, 2 Car Garage, Approx. 3,206 Sf, on 0.44 Acre, 158 ft of Shore Line, Lake Side Gazebo, Dock, Level Entrance Great Rm, Family Rm, Den, Loft, Wine Cellar, Inside Laundry, Central Air, Central Propane Heat, Fire Place, Master Bdrm - 2 Walk-in Closets, Fire Place, Bath w/jetted tub-separate shower. So Much More - A Must See!!



### **Cozy Log Cabin!**

12804 Cresthaven  
3/353  
\$122,900  
MLS#20131745

2 Bd/2 Bth, Single Level, Approx 1026 SF, Approx. 0.4 Acre Home, Built in 1989. Great Room, Large Kitchen, Central Propane Heat, Evaporative Cooler, Inside Laundry, Covered front porch, deck in back.



### **Great Views! Trees/Mountains & Part of Lake**

19700 Ferretti Rd  
\$189,900  
MLS# 20140484

Sparkling Clean 4 Bd/3 Bth, 2 Car Garage, Bonus Room. Approx 2,800 sf, Cathedral Ceiling, Central Air, Propane Heat, Wood Burn FP, Master Bed/Bath, Inside Laundry, New Wrap Around Deck, Lots of Extra Parking. Come See This One!



12725  
Cresthaven  
4-510  
\$229,000

3 Bd/3 Bths, 0.60 Merged Lot. Open beamed ceilings, split level, Shop & lots of extra storage area for boat or other toys. Heat pump for heating & Cooling. MLS# 20121545



### *Spacious Ranch Style Home*

21179 Hemlock  
12-124  
\$395,000  
MLS# 20130073

4 Bed/3Bath/ 2 Car Attached Garage, 2760 Sq Ft, Single Level, Flat 1.60 acres, Great Room, Cathedral Open Beam Ceiling, Large Kitchen, Breakfast Area, Sun Room, Guest Suite, AC, Central Vacuum, Zoned for Horses .



### **Great Summer Home!**

12272 Sunnyside Way  
8-3  
\$162,900  
MLS# 20142393

3 Bed/2 Bath, Approx 1,740 sf. Cute and Cozy with Open Beamed Ceiling, Great Rm, and a Family Rm., Easy Access w/no steps to Main Level. Master Bedroom also on Main Level. 2 Fireplaces. Spacious Deck with Beautiful Tree Views.. Sold "As Is".



**Pilot's Dream Home Beautiful Views**  
21110 Jimmersall  
12-114

5 Bd/5.5 Bth, Approx 5,400sf, Approx 0.86 Acre Taxi Way Lot. 2 Car garage, 3,600sf Hanger, 1125sf Shop, 3 Fireplaces, Large Pantry, Wet Bar, Wine Storage, Fully Landscaped, Elevator, and So Much More!  
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**Clean & Neat Single Level Cabin**  
\$149,999  
12400 Tannahill Drive 1-52  
MLS#20131661

2 Bd/2 Bth, 2 Car Garage, Approx. 1248 SF on 0.26 Acre, Built 1979, Great Rm, Central Propane Heat & Air, Inside Laundry, Septic. Near Main Gate and Easy Access to all Amenities.



### *Great Location - Superbly Maintained Home!*

19141 Ferretti Rd. 5-235  
\$269,900

3 Bed/3 Bath, Oversized Finished 2 Car Garage, 2 Levels, Approx 2776 sf, 0.33 Acre. Built 1990, Central Air, Central Propane Heat, 2 Free Standing Fire Places, Brfst Bar, Wet Bar, Walk-in Closet, Main Level all Bdrms & 2 Baths Lower Level Approx 600 sf Bonus/Game Rm w/Bath. Rv Parking. . MLS# 20140760



**Walk to Main Marina!**  
12415  
Sunnyside  
8-48  
\$188,000

4 Bd/3 1/2 Bth, 2 levels, Approx 2,053sf, on Approx 0.95 Acre, Great Rm, Family Rm, Central Air/Heat, Fire Place, Master Bdrm w/Fire Place, Master Bath w/Jetted Tub & Separate Shower, Bonus Rm, Inside Laundry, 1 Car Attached Garage w/shelves, Cabinets & Workbench, Finished 500sf Rm over Garage with the 1/2 bath, Cathedral Ceiling, Skylights, Deck with Awnings. MLS#20140791



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## PML Racquet Club News

BY KEN STEINER

Another report from the courts from the Racquet Club Scribe.

Like the summer weather, things are heating up for Racquet Club members.

### Quarterly Meetings

The Racquet Club held its second quarterly meeting of the year next to Courts 3 and 4 on June 24. Members shared a potluck dinner and discussed issues affecting the club, including resurfacing the courts and losing one or two of the tennis courts to Pickle ball. Everyone was very complimentary of the job that our President, Dr. Rick Gratian, has done this year with his new programs and the tremendous amount of time he and his lovely wife Femie have spent on behalf of the club. The Racquet Club scribe started a chant of "El Presidente for Life" at the meeting, but this chant was quickly stopped when Femie threatened to wring the necks of the Racquet Club scribe and several others.

The next quarterly meeting of the club is scheduled to be in the same location on September 23.

### Tuesday Tennis

Rick Gratian is organizing matches for those individuals who want to play on Tuesday mornings on Courts 1-4. If you are interested in participating, you can call Rick at 499-1001 or send him an email at [Rgratian@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Rgratian@sbcglobal.net).

### New Player Program

Property owners who have never purchased an annual tennis membership or who haven't purchased an annual membership for a while will receive a one-month free pass. Rick Gratian is providing free lessons for beginners and practice sessions for people who haven't played for years. The Club is even loaning racquets and balls to those that need them.

### Drop-in Tennis Program

Stop by any Saturday at 8:00 a.m. at the

Pine Mountain Drive courts for drop-in doubles tennis. To date, drop-in tennis has been very well attended and typically fills all four courts on Pine Mountain Drive. On court 3, players rotate in and out while other players go to the upper courts to play a full set. While cheering players on and socializing, attendees enjoy fruit, "exotic juices", coffee and various breakfast delights furnished by Rick and Femie Gratian or other Club members.

### Bar-B-Q Socials

Bar-B-Q Socials commenced on July 8 and are scheduled to run through September 23. Members and non-members are invited every Tuesday during this period to enjoy a barbecued hamburger, a side dish and a drink for only \$5.

### Davis Cup Tournament

This year's Davis Cup Tournament, which typically pits four "skill-balanced" teams in a friendly round robin competition, is scheduled to take place on September 27. Members of the winning team generally receive an award and get their picture taken. After the competition, participants and non-playing attendees partake in some food and drink. If you are a member and interested in playing please contact Dr. Rick (of course) at the number shown above or Ken Steiner at 962-0930.

### Court Construction Completed

By the time you read this, the work on Courts 1, 2, 5 and 6 should be completed so all our tennis courts should now be in good shape. And the old Court 6 will be converted to two Pickle ball courts.

If you are interested in joining the Racquet Club, the dues are \$10 per person per year. Contact President Rick Gratian or any other officer for information. The Racquet Club website is at [www.pmltennis.webs.com](http://www.pmltennis.webs.com).

## PML Windjammers Sailing Club

BY CHUCK BERGHOF OF OVER-EASY

### PML WINDJAMMERS SAILING CLUB KICKS OFF THE JULY 4TH WEEKEND WITH A BANG

No, we didn't have any fireworks. In our case the "bang" came from balloons bursting in air. Capt'n Bob (Haliwell), Commodore of the Windjammers announced to all sailors that we would have a "fun" event to kick off the day on July 4th. Participants got into vessels after about 40 inflated balloons were set afloat in the middle of the lake. About a dozen Windjammers were to simply sail on over and pick up as many as 3 balloons. Each balloon contained a number written on a piece of paper. Whoever had the highest individual number and the highest total number won. As the first boat to arrive at the flotilla of balloons, I just sailed right through them. After having several slip through my hands and even one burst as I picked it up, I had pulled 3 balloons into my boat Over-Easy. I started heading back to Dunn Court beach and looked back to see that the other boats hadn't even reached the balloons yet. I thought it was a pretty easy event until I noticed the balloons were blowing back out of the boat. Everyone discovered that picking up a floating balloon from a moving sailboat and then preventing the wind from blowing it away from you was a lot more difficult than expected! Awards were presented to the winners while everyone laughed over the challenges of simply picking up a few balloons off the water.

The fun event was followed by the competitive race of the day. Capt'n Bob handed out the race course description to all the skippers. In addition to a fast boat, to win a sailboat race requires course knowledge (each race course is made up of a predetermined route around some combination of the floating buoys, referred as "marks", that you see around the lake), skill in reading the wind and navigating, skill in handling the boat, and a bit of luck with favorable winds. I managed to sail very fast on the 1st leg of the race only to realize that I was racing to the wrong



buoy. Great example of poor course knowledge. Then as I was finally catching the rest of the fleet I managed to capsize Over-Easy. So much for boat handling skill ...but what should you expect on a boat named Over-Easy? Fortunately I was able to get the boat back up, crawl back in and get back to racing. After capsizing and being in a distant last place just two marks from the finish line I managed to catch the rest of the boats at the last turn as the wind came up from behind me and the rest of the fleet sailed into a wind lull. Sometimes it's better to be lucky than good. Despite my misadventures along the way I ultimately crossed the start/finish line (created by the imaginary line between the two red buoys in front of Dunn Court Beach) before many of the faster Hobie Cats and came in first among the two mono hauls. Hopefully this gives you a taste of the excitement that's happening on the sailboats you see gliding peacefully across the lake. The Windjammers really enjoy this special gift we share in the mountains called Pine Mountain Lake. If you don't own a sailboat, they are available for rental at the PML Marina. To learn more about joining the fun with the Windjammers checkout our website at <http://windjammers.webs.com/> and contact Bob Haliwell at (209) 962-4137. New members are always welcome.

### August Sailing Events (all welcome)

**OPEN SAIL DAY Aug. 2 @ 12:00**

**SAILING REGATTA Aug. 16 @ 12:30**

**LABOR DAY EVENT Aug. 31 @ 11:30**

## Mother Lode Invitational

BY ELEANOR ELLIS-MURPHY

This year's Mother Lode Golf Invitational commenced June 26 with a Horse Race (golfer's style) and wrapped up June 28 with a fun evening at the Lake Lodge. Tony Murphy, PGA Golf Professional, hosted this first class event on the beautiful PML course. Running this successful event took a village of resources which included committee members, volunteers, sponsors, the PML pro shop staff and the PML maintenance crew. In addition, a special thanks goes to Terry Kizzlar with Harris Ranch and to Harland Miller of Evergood Fine Foods for donating hamburger patties and hot dogs for two days of lunches; to Pat and Gail Wrinkle

of Mar Val and David Newell for supporting our tournament with food and beverage given to this event at slightly over cost.

The goal of the tournament was to assure that member players and their guests had a memorable time playing competitive golf, enjoying fun events, great food/drink and camaraderie. All of this and more - was attained. Over \$11,400 in gift certificates and cash were awarded to winners in the Gold and Silver flights.

Gold Flight: 1st - Wayne Handley & Al Craig; 2nd - Will Hoppner & Tony Gargiulo, Jr.; 3rd - Rick Lewis & Ron Saisi; 4th Dan

Davenport & Chris Ligonis; 5th - Jeff Ackerman & Roy Norris; 6th - Steven Broyles & George Dwyer; 7th - Sylvan Braa & Charlie Lucas.

Silver Flight: 1st - Bill Hippe & Dave Conley; 2nd - Kevin Green & Russell Roesslein; 3rd - Keith Nystrom & Victor Robles; 4th - Walter Moore & Jeff Moore; 5th - Rick Kennedy & Carl Gromacki; 6th - Rod Raine & Tony Gargiulo; 7th - Dennis Nystrom & Dan Ungles.

In addition, bronze trophies were awarded to the over the field gross winners, Al Sais and Jeff Sera and to the first place winners in each flight. Team winnings were also awarded for the putting contest and practice round.

All great events need a memorable ending, and thanks to Larry Hunt and his barbecue crew, some fabulous tri-tip and chicken was

prepared while guests enjoyed an open bar at the Lake Lodge and purchased raffle tickets for a chance to win rounds of golf at 18 different courses, golf lessons, booze and wine. The \$1,600 collected from the raffle sale and another \$1,400 in residuals was sent to our Wounded Warriors in honor of the ailing Tom Bickmore who for many years ran this tournament and also the Veteran's Day Tournament. The wish is to continue the annual Mother Lode Invitational Tournament with a purpose; that purpose being a monetary gift to the men and women wounded while protecting our country. When Tom heard this news as he neared the end of his life, he put up his hand and said "right on." Without a doubt, the 2014 Mother Lode Invitational was right on.

## PML Ladies Golf Club

BY SARA HANCOCK

We had great weather for our busy June golf schedule. The course is in good condition in spite of the drought.

### June 5th Mini-Match Play

Kathie Wood and Corky Graham 7 up over Eleanor Ellis and Sandy Braa; Janice Mussatto and Jenny Dwailebe 5 up over Thelma Faux and Patty Peebles; Clarice Ligonis and Barbara Connelly 1 up over Mona Tompkins and Kay Bettencourt; Lynne Dust and Alice Stoll all square with Ann Hankin and Sandy DeRodeff; Kitty Edgerton and Helena McMillan all square with Yvonne Mattocks and Sara Hancock. Birdies: Janice Mussatto #11, Jenny Dwailebe #10, Thelma Faux #6, Patty Peebles #12.

### June 12th Gross, Net, Putts

Ace of Aces: Thelma Faux and Susan Dwyer...Net 69

1st Flight Handicaps 12-20: Low Gross Thelma Faux 89...Low Net Patty Peebles 74; 2nd Flight Handicaps 21-25: Low Gross Marilyn Scott 92...Low Net Marcee Cress 70; 3rd Flight Handicaps 26-30: Low Gross Barbara Connelly 98...Low Net Eleanor Ellis-Murphy 74; 4th Flight Handicaps 31-38: Low Gross Susan Dwyer 103...Low Net Marlene Drew 78. Putter of the Month...Patty Peebles 33 putts. Birdies: Paula Vautier #7.

### June 20th and 21st Pine Tree Invitational

92 ladies participated in our 40th Pine Tree Invitational with a theme of Tahiti-tee Sweeties. The 23 foursomes were divided into three flights. Thank you to 40 organizations and 6 individuals who sponsored this event. We do appreciate their financial support and generous donations. Thank you also to our maintenance crew for having the course in great shape with perfect pin placements. They even added a palm tree on our Closest to the Line contest. Also thank you to the pro shop and staff for their help in coordinating the tournament and excellent valet service to our guests. Co-Captain Marcee Cress did a great job of chairing this tournament. She had great help from the following committee: Sandy DeRodell, Marlene Drew, Susan Dwyer, Alma Frawley, Corky Graham, Linda Johnson, Marche' Kizziar, Diane Lloyd, Iris Moffit, Jane Reynolds, Marilyn Scott, Kathie Wood. Always on hand to help was Captain Yvonne Mattocks.

The game was Two Best Balls played over 36 holes. Tournament results are as follows: 1st Flight: 1st Place 247: Elisa Hoppner, Lisa Matsumura, Kristine Harris

& Lynne Whelan; 2nd Place 252: Kitty Edgerton, Pam Powell, Paula Vautier & Edith Thompson; 3rd Place 253: Marjorie Rich, Debbie Stowe & Betty Baldacci; 4th Place 259 (Tie Broken): Joan Maxwell, Ann Hankin, Carole Pillow & Barbara Barton. 5th Place 259: Linda Johnson, Pat Jordan, Jeanne Pacco & Marlee Puppo. 2nd Flight: 1st Place 241: Iris Moffit, Jami Martin, Eleanor Ellis-Murphy & Tricia Whitley; 2nd Place 253: Helena McMillan, Thelma Faux, Sumi Ogata & Mary Lu Bishop; 3rd Place 261: Lynne Dust, Jeanne Abbott, Lynn Craft, Phyllis Oehlschlaeger; 4th Place 265: Ginny Lay, Chris Burdick, Nadine Compton & Alba Rodriguez. 5th Place 269: Priscilla Park, Gretchen Zaballos, Linda Kahn & Kathy McElroy Vicars. Third Flight: 1st Place 254: Sandy DeRodeff, Carol Chang, Marianne Severe & Linda Craig; 2nd Place 256: Clarice Ligonis, Linda O'Hearn, Alma Frawley & Jane Harvey; 3rd Place 258: Alice Stoll, Jan Ballard, Marcee Cress & Alice Teresi; 4th Place 260: Kathie Wood, Loretta Larsen, Corky Graham & Debbie Wood; 5th Place 264: Judy Campbell, Diane McClain, Perla Schmidt & Dixie Ruland. Day 1 Closest to the Pin #14 Member: 1st Place Marjorie Rich, 2nd Place Kitty Edgerton. Guest 1st Place Linda Ellis, 2nd Place Linda O'Hearn. Closest to the Line Member: 1st Place Eleanor Ellis-Murphy, 2nd Place Clarice Ligonis & Linda Johnson. Guest: 1st Place Mary Lu Bishop, 2nd Place Pam Powell & Alba Rodriguez. Day 2 Closest to the Pin #14 Member 1st Place Sara Hancock, 2nd Place Paula Vautier. Guest 1st Place Shirley Heinsen, 2nd Place Diane McClain. Closest to the Line Member 1st Place Eleanor Ellis-Murphy, 2nd Place Alma Frawley. Guest 1st Place Lynn Nolte, 2nd Place Barbara Barton. Birdies on Day 1: Marjorie Rich #11, 14 & 17, Elisa Hoppner #3, Kitty Edgerton #5 & #14, Marcee Cress #4. Day 2: Marilyn Scott #11, Marjorie Rich #2 & #6, Elisa Hoppner #2, Sara Hancock #14, Thelma Faux #17.

### June 25th Team Bingo

1st Place...39...Kitty Edgerton, Helena McMillan, Thelma Faux & Paula Vautier; 2nd Place...34...Sara Hancock, Yvonne Mattocks, Clarice Ligonis & Jodie Awai; 3rd Place...32...Kay Bettencourt, Alma Frawley, Mona Tompkins & Lynne Dust. Birdies: Kitty Edgerton #5.

Coming up in August is our popular Birds and Butterflies Match Play tournament on the 14th and 21st. Our General Meeting follows lunch on the 21st. See you on the course.

## PML Men's Nine Hole

BY STEVE ENGSTROM

Well, I see our games for the last several weeks were only posted several days ago. The delay was due to "Cart Boy" Dave being out with back surgery. Dave normally handles all the totaling of the games and awarding of the prize money. Since he has been out, his duties have been distributed to several other employees and with all the tournament activity and the July 4th holiday, they got a little behind, but did come through. Many Thanks! Dave has been seen around and while walking a little stiffly, seems to be out of pain. Hopefully, we'll have him back in a few weeks. Best wishes Dave!

Of course, the weather is getting hotter and with the drought, the course is drying up a little faster than usual. To conserve water, Alan MacDonald and his crew are letting some areas, like the driving range, go dry. We have several new members in our club, Jeff Mondlock and Dennis Perry; welcome Jeff and Dennis!

### Our game winners from June were:

#### 6/4 TEE TO GREEN:

Tie for First: Roger Peterson and Rich Robenseifner

Tie for Third: Kurt Petersen, Walt Bales and Steve Engstrom

Tie for Sixth: Paul Pieretti and Steve Ojeda

#### 6/11 4 MAN 2 BEST BALLS:

First: Wally Child, Dennis Perry, Jerry Hall and Steve Engstrom

#### 6/18 3 BLIND MICE:

##### Flight 1

First: Danny Ayala

Second: Jerry Hall

Tie for Third: Bob Haliwell, Steve Ojeda, Jack Leetham and Paul Pieretti

##### Flight 2

First: Harold Reno

Second: Jeff Mondlock

Third: Frank Biggs

Tie Fourth: John Klink, Kurt Petersen and Fred Mecum

#### 6/25 GREEN TEES:

##### Flight 1

First: Steve Engstrom

Second: Steve Ojeda

Third: Jim Van Gerpen

Fourth: Danny Ayala

##### Flight 2

First: Jeff Mondlock

Second: Harold Reno

Third: Walt Reimers

Tie Fourth: Fred Mecum and Bob Bangs

Sixth: Dick Eckman

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## Quilters' Corner

BY SANDY SMITH

I "borrowed" this description of quilting from The Quilters Cookbook, thought you would find it interesting. Quilting is an art form that has given thousands of women a creative outlet for their thoughts and talents and embraces warmth of home and friendship. Anyone who gives the special gift of a quilt can tell you it is stitched with love. Perfect description I thought. Loved it.

Tuesday August 19th will be the Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meeting, at 6 p.m. under the Library. Petra Keller will be our featured speaker. She will be presenting a program on wearable art, should be interesting, and fun. At this meeting Coline Simmons will present the Round Robin challenge. So gather 4 or 5 friends together and join the fun. I love mine

from several years ago.

On Thursday the 21st will be the Block Party at Deana's garage. We will be doing a couple of fun things this time, so come out and spend a couple of hours making several kids and families feel loved.

Wow, here is a website where you can take a virtual trip around their huge store, [quilterstation.com](http://quilterstation.com). Looks like an old Barnes and Noble store. Also check out [quickepatterns.com](http://quickepatterns.com).

Time is scooting by and the Stroll will be here before you know it. I have 2 ready to go, and hopefully will have 2 more done. And while I am at it the "theme" display at Foothills church is "Christmas in June", so be thinking about a quilt to show there too. Thanks and see you on Tuesday the 19th.

# AUGUST EVENTS CALENDAR



**Beer Tasting & Lunch Buffet at The Grill August 2**



**Junior Golf Clinics at PML Driving Range August 6, 7, 8**



**Wine Tasting & Dinner Buffet at The Grill August 21**



**STCHS Presents: Sixth Annual Labor Day BBQ August 31**

**8-2**

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WEDNESDAY - GCS D PROPERTY

**FIRST WEDNESDAY BIRD WALK**  
at the Groveland Comm. Services property at 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland is led by Jeanne Ridgley. Cassin's Vireo was seen in May for a total of 138 species seen at GCS D since Nov 2007. 38 species were seen in the month of May including Western Wood-Pewee and Cedar Waxwings. Call Jeanne at 962-7598.

**8-6,7,8**

W,TH,FRI - PML DRIVING RANGE

**JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS**  
Session costs \$40 per student with a maximum cost per family of \$80 per session. Includes 3 days of professional instruction, competition prizes, and other goodies. Beginning students 9-10:30AM. Intermediate 11am-12:30pm. Call the Pro Shop for more information or to sign up. 209-962-8620.

**8-16**

SATURDAY - THE LAKE LODGE

**ANNUAL MEETING/ELECTION**  
The annual meeting and Board of Directors Election will be held on Saturday at 9AM at The Lake Lodge. All interested homeowners should plan on attending.

**8-16**

SATURDAY - PML STABLES

**ALL YOU CAN EAT SHRIMP AND SAUSAGE FEST**  
The Groveland Rotary Club annual event with featured band PART TIME, raffles and live auction. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. Gates open at 5PM with dinner at 6PM Contact Jim Thayer for more information at 209-962-5007.

**8-16**

SATURDAY - GROVELAND HOTEL

**LIFE IN THE FAST LANE THE MUSIC OF THE EAGLES**  
The Groveland Hotel presents an evening of the music of The Eagles by Life in the Fast Lane. This group is back by popular demand and you won't want to miss this great tribute to the music of Eagles. Show begins at 8PM, dinner from 5:30. Call for reservations at 209-962-4000.

**8-21**

THURSDAY - THE GRILL @ PML

**WINE TASTING & DINNER BUFFET**  
at The Grill at Pine Mountain Lake. Featuring the wines from Francis Ford Coppola Winery. Wine, food, and fun! Seatings start at 5PM. \$23 per person plus tax. Reservations are required. Call 209-962-8638 to make your reservations for this wonderful evening.

**8-31**

SUNDAY - PML STABLES

**SIXTH ANNUAL LABOR DAY BBQ**  
The Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society annual event includes BBQ Tri-tip, beans, salad and all the fixin's. Games for kids, live and silent auctions, bake sale, the music of Rock Slide, 4H Petting Zoo, airplane flyover and more! Admission is FREE. Meal tickets are \$15 for Adults and \$10 for children.

## ENTERTAINMENT AT THE LOUNGE

**Every Monday  
OPEN MIC NIGHT  
7PM**

**Friday, August 1  
SHOWTIME  
KARAOKE**

**Saturday, August 2  
TBD**

**Saturday, August 9  
ROCKSLIDE**

**Saturday, August 16  
ESP BAND**

**Saturday, August 23  
HILLS BROTHERS**

**Saturday, August 30  
STONE KOLD**

## SAVE THE DATE

**OCTOBER 4  
"YOUNG EAGLES"**  
9:00-11:00am at the PML Airport. PML pilots will provide free airplane rides for kids, ages 7-17. Come to PML Airport by 9:00am. Parent or guardian must accompany to sign permission forms.

**OCTOBER 4  
COMMUNITY AIRPORT DAY**  
Noon - 3:00pm at the PML Airport. 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. Refreshments for sale. Bring a chair and enjoy the show. Parking on Elderberry.

# PML Action Heroes: John & Jackie Baker

## LIVES INTERWOVEN ON AUGUST 17TH

BY JANET GREGORY

August 17th is “burned” into all our memories because on that day last year the Rim Fire started. It’s a date that also marks two other very important anniversaries for John and Jackie Baker.

North Carolina baseball pitcher meets California beauty queen. John Baker was stationed at Parks Air Force Base in Pleasanton, teaching unarmed self-defense for USAF police forces. His talent as a pitcher also had him playing for the Air Force baseball league where he won all of the service championships and achieved an impressive 18 win – 2 loss record in 3-years of service. Jackie McManamy worked at the Mervyn’s store in San Lorenzo when she was chosen to represent the city of Hayward in a beauty pageant.

On Independence Day, John along with buddies from Park AFB went to the Alameda County Fair to watch the horse races. Between races a segment of the Miss California Beauty Contest was held. The girls in the pageant represented northern California communities. Miss Hayward caught John’s attention, she was gorgeous! Later that day John and his buddies stopped to get something to eat. The beautiful Miss Hayward walked in along with two girlfriends. The restaurant was jammed so John told the waitress to ask the girls if they wanted to join them. Jackie was smart, funny and independent. It clicked! John and Jackie were inseparable for the next forty-four days and on August 17, 1954 launched a 60-year partnership and love affair.

John wanted to play major league baseball but life had other plans for him. Baseball was a passion for this North Carolina boy playing

sand-lot ball. By 16, John had developed a sizzling fast ball which helped his team to the 1948 American Legion Junior World Series semi-finals. At the World Series meeting baseball icon Babe Ruth was inspiring and John treasures the baseball that Babe Ruth signed. On John’s 18th birthday, he pitched a perfect game. He graduated from high school with a contract to pitch for the Saint Louis Cardinals. Unfortunately, the US Military had other plans and rather than being drafted, John joined the Air Force, never making it to Saint Louis.

After military service John and Jackie headed to North Carolina, John’s childhood home. With one child in arms and one on the way, Jackie ran the home while John split time working in a hardware store and attending N.C. State-Raleigh. It was a different sort of hardware store and John learned every aspect of the business from the ground up, helping open their next two stores. This was the humble beginning of the Lowe’s Hardware.

After an ownership change at Lowe’s, John and Jackie decided to move back to California, Jackie’s childhood home. John was innovative and applied his hardware store skills in California creating a new hardware store concept. He opened Big B Lumberteria targeting D.I.Y. cash-and-carry buyers, not contractors. Colleagues said “you’ll go broke” but he proved them wrong as he pioneered the home improvement industry and business exploded. John ran the stores while Jackie managed the books and their household which grew to include a third child. They later sold Big B Lumberteria and John applied his professional selling skills to wholesale

hardware. They also owned and managed some mobile home parks.

John and Jackie discovered PML in the early 1970’s, moving here full time in 2000. This is their fifth PML home. Some call PML “God’s waiting room” but you won’t find them idly waiting.

John loves the PML golf course because it always plays differently nearly every day. For the past 14 years John has been taking a large group of players to a select U.S. golf course for the “JB Invitational.”

Jackie is very active in the community, working with Helping Hands and as co-founder and past president of ROOFBB, pronounced “ROOF-bee” because the great ladies of this philanthropic group hesitate to call themselves the Royal Order Of Full Blown Bitches (oh, it’s not what you are thinking ... bitch stands for babe-in-total-control-of-herself ... or maybe babe-in-total-control-of-her-husband!).

The Rim Fire saved Jackie’s life. You will find Jackie in water aerobics most mornings keeping Miss Hayward fit. Last year she was at water aerobics a few days after the start of the Rim Fire and finding it difficult to breathe. That started a lifesaving chain of events that resulted in a five-way bypass and two valve replacements. She feels wonderful and is ready to celebrate this August 17th the fire that saved her life so she could celebrate her 60th anniversary.

We wish John and Jackie many more great years as PML Action Heroes participating in our great PML community.

Everyone has a story to tell. Who’s next? Contact [janet.gregory@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janet.gregory@sbcglobal.net) or 962-5061.



## Helping Hands

### Helping Hands Happenings

BY JOYCE SMITH

Summer is here! School is out and we are seeing more and more people coming to enjoy our wonderful area. Aren’t we lucky to live here year round?

Our thanks to the Scholarship Committee for their time and thoughtful selection of students to receive our scholarships. (Article with students names, etc. in last month’s paper.) We awarded five. Congratulations to each of you! We also awarded cash Achievement Awards to six 8th Grade Tenaya students. We wish all our students continued success as you travel along life’s road.

The Store and Barn are very busy places. Our bag sales really bring in the people and everyone leaves happy. Keep an eye

on our sale banner in front of store. Thanks everyone for your patronage.

Congratulations to Jackie Baker, she was awarded our Extra Mile Award at the June meeting. Jackie joined Helping Hands in July 2007 and has been an active member since. She is a member of our Executive Board, Chairman of the Craft Department plus doing her in store work days. Thanks Jackie for all you do, you are appreciated.

September 20th is the date for the Groveland 49’er Festival and Parade. We plan to have an entry so mark your calendars for this fun event.

Welcome to new HH member Sarah Hancock. Sarah will be working 2 days in the sorting room. We look forward to



having Sarah with us. Sarah is not new to the community just new to Helping Hands.

Remember to bring your visitors in for a fun time at our store. We have something for everyone and seldom does someone leave without making a purchase.

Enjoy your summer. Be saving with water..

See you at Store or Barn.

### Troop Update

BY MARY

June saw a few more boxes going to our troops, with soap and shampoo & lotion, foot powder, toothpaste, toothbrushes,

magazines and games. Summer has finally caught up with us, and we think its hot at 90, we can only imagine it being 120 most of the time, day and night, but that is what our troops are living with every day. They are asking for anything that will help with the heat, foot powder, baby powder, deodorant, any toiletries, powdered drink mix ( I found a 44 pack of Crystal Light at Cost U Less in Sonora for around \$8. last week). Also items to entertain them during down time, books, magazines, DVD movies, small games. They always ask for “healthy” snacks. One guy wanted to try the new ‘BelVita’ he heard about, they have lunch and dinner available, but no breakfast. Thank you, everyone for bringing your donations into Helping Hands. Keep your donation items coming in and I’ll keep sending them out.

## From Your Supervisor

JOHN GRAY, 4TH DISTRICT TUOLUMNE COUNTY SUPERVISOR

In January of this year, The Board of Supervisors Declared a State of Emergency due to our severe drought. At this time conditions remain unchanged and the drought persists. Despite the obstacles, our local water companies continue to do an excellent job in managing the public water system. On July 14th the State of California Drought Task Force conducted a meeting here in Tuolumne County. The Task Force is charged by the Governor to work with all jurisdictions to identify ways to help with minimizing the effects of the drought.

At that meeting, a member of the State Water Board repeatedly asked those in the room if they had taken an opportunity to review the recently approved California Water Action Plan. This plan has been designated by the Governor as the directive to work toward solving California water problems. Details can be found on the State of California website. I would encourage all to take the time to read this plan. The good news is that it is only 25 pages long and only takes a few minutes to read. Whether you agree with all aspects of the plan is not as important as the overall plan itself. It is a defined direction and if followed could help resolve many of the State's water issues. As Governor Brown has stated "it is a tall order but it is what we must do to get through this drought and prepare for the next."

As I stated earlier, water districts and their customers have been doing a great job on the conservation front. We must remember that our other water sources, wells, are also in danger.

Wells in Tuolumne County tap into water in the hard rock fractures. Unlike the Valley, we do not have a water table in the foothills. A good analogy of the fracture system is a bathtub full of water and tightly stacked bricks. Placing a well in a brick filled bathtub will produce water, if and only if the well penetrates a joint between the bricks, the equivalent of fracture in bedrock. This fractured rock system not only limits recharge, or refilling of the well, it also affects the amount of time it will take to complete the recharge. As such, a well that produces a significant amount of water this year may produce very little the very next year due to the slow recharge caused by the drought.

If you are on a well it would be in your best interest to do what you can to conserve today with an eye toward the future. If you do experience a well failure there may be assistance available. For additional information on wells please contact Tuolumne County Environmental Health Director, Rob Kostlivy, at 209-533-5633.

Recently I received a call about a situation on Highway 120 east of Groveland where a

fatal accident had occurred. The process for addressing state highway begins when I get a complaint regarding issues and highway conditions. The subject is forwarded to Caltrans District 10 Traffic Safety Branch detailing the problems.

The Traffic Safety Branch, when necessary, gathers a team of engineers to conduct a detailed safety investigation to review the matter. The team studies the collision history by reviewing reports, and by gathering collision data. In this particular case they reviewed signage, striping, pavement marking, sight distance, pavement conditions and roadway geometrics to identify potential safety improvements.

In this particular instance, the team identified improvements that will help make this section of road safer. Caltrans has been extremely responsible in addressing safety concerns. If you observe something that you feel may be an unsafe condition please let me know and I will do my best to have it addressed.

On Saturday, July 12th, it was my honor and pleasure to attend an event recognizing 11 new volunteer firefighters that graduated from the fire academy. This accomplishment allows them to work as volunteer firefighters for Tuolumne County. They are to be commended for their hard work and dedication to the protection of the citizens of our county.

As Chief Josh White stated, "Volunteer firefighters are the backbone of fire protection". If anyone is interested in pursuing firefighting as a career or for public service, please go to

Tuolumne County fire webpage and fill out an application. We need many more volunteers to provide better service to our communities. You can be retired and just looking for a way to help your community or you can be looking for a career-filling out an application is the beginning.

Many inquiries have been received concerning high speed internet, cell phone coverage and broadband availability. I want you to know that all providers have been working diligently toward improving coverage. As many of you have heard, our local cell phone company, Golden State Cellular, has been purchased by Verizon. Verizon is already in the process of updating equipment at cell locations to provide a higher level of coverage. It will take some time but the good news is that the work is in progress.

I have also been informed that AT&T has plans for additional cell towers and coverage along the 120 corridor and in the Don Pedro area. This subject has been addressed before and once again I want to assure you that progress is being made. We may never be able to get to the level of a large city such as San Francisco but improvements will be coming forward.

As always, please feel welcome to contact me at my office number to schedule a time to discuss matters that are of concern or importance to you. Your comments are always welcome.

John L Gray, Fourth District  
Tuolumne County Supervisor  
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jgray@co.tuolumne.ca.us

## August Youth Activities in Groveland

### August 1-7 Swimming Classes

Mon-Thu, 10am - 2 pm. PML Pool. For children with access to PML lake. Call for cost. 2-week classes for 6 swim levels. Contact PML Pool Staff, 962-8634.

### August 6-8 Jr. Golf Clinics

9am-12:30pm. PML Golf Course. For children 7-18. Contact Doug Schmielt, 962-8620. **COST: \$40/SESSION**

### August 1-14 Little Wranglers Camp

Tue, Thu, 9am - 1pm. PML Stables. Ages 7 to 13. Contact Lester, 962-8667. **COST: \$35/DAY WITH LUNCH.**

### August 1-20 Youth Center

Tue-Sat, 11am-5pm. At Youth Center, Mary Laveroni Park. Ages 8 to 18. Contact Jacquelyn Pullen, 962-7263. **COST: FREE**

### August 1-31 Fishing Derby

All hours. PML Marina. For children with access to PML lake. Competitive fishing. Contact Marina Store, 962-8631. **COST: \$5**

### August 7 Movie Night - Rio 2

Thursday 8:30PM. On the lawn at the PML Marina. For children with access to PML lake. Bring your own lounge chairs and blankets. Contact Ivonne, 962-8604. **COST: FREE**

### August 8-9 Hilltop Musical Kids

Summer Christian Musical. Contact Louise Turney, 962-0609. **COST: PERFORMANCES FREE.**

### August 14 Movie Night - The Incredibles

Thursday 8:30PM. On the lawn at the PML Marina. For children with access to PML lake. Bring your own lounge chairs and blankets. Contact Ivonne, 962-8604. **COST: FREE**

### August 13 Monterey Bay Beach

Contact Y.C. Meet Youth Center. For children 8-18. Contact Jacquelyn Pullen, 962-7268. **COST: \$10**

## The Rambling Vets Corner

BY TOM BICKMORE

A big THANK YOU! To Tony Murphy and his volunteers for chairing this year's Mother Lode Golf Tournament and making it a big success. Also for donating \$3,000.00 plus to the Wounded Warriors Foundation.

Please save the date for our annual VETERANS GOLF TOURNAMENT!

This year it is on Tuesday, November 11, 2014. Hope to see you all there.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** It is with profound sadness that we report that as we went to press with this newspaper Tom Bickmore has passed away at a hospital in the bay area. We were always happy to read his articles on Veteran information and will miss his wit and friendship. The town of Groveland has lost an advocate for the town and a true friend. Rest in Peace Tom, you will be missed.



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## OBITUARY

### Dorothy Harte

Friends and Family gathered at the Country Club Saturday to celebrate the life of long-time resident Dorothy Harte who passed June 10th. Dorothy was socially active in the community



three laps!). A retired Special Education teacher of 37 years, Dorothy was always looking for ways to improve the lives of others. To her, waterskiing was a great way to

year-round for 16 years. She was a member of Soroptomists, Ladies Club, Garden Club and Tennis. Dorothy and her Husband Mel were strong advocates of safe and fun family Waterskiing at PML. They were both avid waterskiiers and taught twelve Grandchildren and many others the necessary skills behind their 1937 Chris Craft "Sweetharte". Mel was pictured on this front page skiing IN NOVEMBER of 2000 on his 80th Birthday (with Dorothy driving he did

get kids cheering for each other in accomplishing their goal, bringing out the best in them. We will all miss this wonderful Lady, and are grateful for all the incredible memories from Pine Mountain Lake family outings.

Although the "Sweetharte" will find a new home at Lake Tahoe, none will forget its throaty engine, the thrilled screams of its occupants, or of course the sweetest "heart" of all behind the wheel.

By Mark Montgomery D.D.S.

## GCS D News

JON STERLING, GENERAL MANAGER, GCS D

Thanks to all of our customers for supporting our water conservation efforts. We had our typical large surge in consumption over the 4th of July weekend (greater than last year which probably speaks to the resurgence of the economy than efforts to conserve) with our next largest being the Labor Day weekend.

Your conservation efforts have resulted in an 11% reduction from last year through May. We have requested a voluntary 20% reduction. This reduction reflects the Governor's drought emergency mandate as well as the requirement for a statewide 20% reduction by 2020. By the time you read this, GCS D may have implemented Stage 3 drought restrictions that mandate a 20% reduction in concert with rate changes and use restrictions to encourage conservation.

We have been successful in securing grants for the bulk of the \$1.7 million cost of a water filtration plant that will be required by year's end when the City and County of San Francisco begins

blending Hetch Hetchy water with Cherry Lake water. The pristine character of the Hetch Hetchy water has allowed us to avoid filtration and only provide for disinfection. The Cherry Lake water is not as pristine and requires filtration.

Look for our GCS D information booth at events around the area. We will be providing information on how you can reduce consumption, tips for grey water usage, and information on our low-flow shower head and low-flow toilet rebate program. You can also check our website, [www.gcsd.org](http://www.gcsd.org), for additional information. Please fix those leaky faucets and toilets as they can waste thousands of gallons of water per year. This is a good time to plan for winter weather by making sure your shut off valves are working and your water lines are protected against freezing. We lost about \$3 million of gallons of water last winter as a result of frozen pipes at residences.

Thank you again for your support of our conservation efforts.

## Kiwanis Club

BY SANDY SMITH

Save the date of Saturday August 16th for a great summer afternoon event. Greater Groveland Kiwanis is sponsoring an old fashioned ICE CREAM SOCIAL. Bring your friends, neighbors, family, and enjoy an Ice Cream cone, Sundae (with lots of toppings) or a cold frosty Root Beer Float. We even have mini sundaes for the smaller appetite. We will be serving at the Community Hall from 1 p.m. to 3:30. Prices are reasonable.

We will set up extra tables so if you want, you can play games, or just sit and visit. I would love to play Rummy Cube with neighbors. So bring your checkers,

Mexican Train Tiles, Monopoly or Clue, and an attitude of expectation. Great way to meet people in our community.

This is a fundraiser to help us in the fall with The Kids Shopping Spree. Our wonderful community is so generous in helping others. So please come out and enjoy a sundae in the afternoon and help our kids be dressed for the new school year. Serving the children of the world, one child, one community at a time.

See you on Saturday the 16th at the Community Hall for a root beer float!! (and Rummy Cube too).

## First Wednesday Bird Walk

BY JEANNE RIDGLEY

The first Wednesday of the month Bird Walk at the Groveland Community Services property at 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland is led by Jeanne Ridgley. The property encompasses an area of more than 200 acres of oak, pine and willow habitat with three water storage ponds. 138 species of birds have been seen there since November of 2007. Three Wood Duck families were seen on the large

sewer pond in June and July.

Dates for upcoming trips are Aug 6 and Sept 3.

Meet the group in the GCS D 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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## Big News from The Little House

BY JUDY GRAVINO

### Preview Night Fundraiser

Mark your calendar for Thursday, September 25th! The Little House will be hosting a special preview night fundraiser at the Fallon House in Columbia State Park of Sierra Repertory Theatre's production of *Mark Twain's - A Murder, a Mystery and a Marriage*.

Tickets will be sold in advance for \$25 each, and will include sweet treat refreshments and thirst quenching beverage at 5:30, followed by the lively and energetic theatre production at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased from:

The Little House - 962-7303, Dori's Tea Cottage - 962-5300, or from any Southside Senior Services, Inc. Board member. Open seating will be on a "first-come first-served" basis.

All proceeds will help fund many programs and activities, as well as the launch of The Village, our newest community initiative. The Little House is a project of Southside Senior Services, Inc. a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit organization, serving active seniors in Southern Tuolumne County.

### A 125 Year Saga

Nothing could be more remarkable than the astonishing appearance in 2001 of Mark Twain's short story, 125 years after it was first written by him in 1876. The saga of the manuscript's emergence is as interesting as one of his works.

Originally, Twain conceived his story to be a collaboration of short plots by twelve other authors of the time, including himself. The idea failed and the manuscript remained unauthorized.

In 1945, Lew D. Feldman purchased Mark Twain's original manuscript and held that ownership gave him the right to publish. To test this theory, he brought out a limited edition of only 16 copies of the printed story.

The case went all the way to the U.S. Court of Appeals before it was determined that "Ownership of a manuscript does not include the right of publication".

It wasn't until 2001 that rights to publication were settled and Mark Twain's story was finally published in the Atlantic Monthly.

### Solving the Mystery

Filled with heroes, heroines and villains, *A Murder, a Mystery, and a Marriage*, is Mark Twain's delightful rendition of the lives of fascinating characters, and disturbing death, in the mythical hamlet of Deer Lick, Missouri.

Twain's story chronicles the fortunes of a humble farmer, John Gray, determined to marry off his daughter to the heir of the town's wealthiest family.

The zany small town of Deer Lick is thrown into a frenzy when a mysterious visitor arrives. A young romance is put to the test and a town patriarch is murdered. Small town antics, homespun humor and Bluegrass melodies build to an adventure of clues.

You'll be asking yourself if it was the store clerk with a vendetta or if it was the suave Frenchman instead? Will Mary marry the wrong guy or will love and truth save the day? Only the wit, wisdom and satirical humor of Mark Twain could answer these questions.

Featuring great tunes, goofy jokes, some hot fiddlin', and a whole lot of singin' and dancin'...there's something here for everyone to enjoy!

### Season Ticket Holders

SRT season ticket holders who have pre-selected this play and wish to support The Little House by attending Preview Night are invited to contact SRT to exchange for another performance.

### Great Reviews

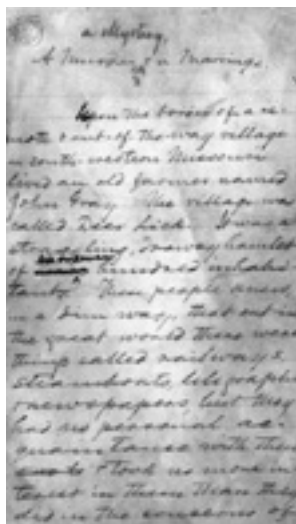
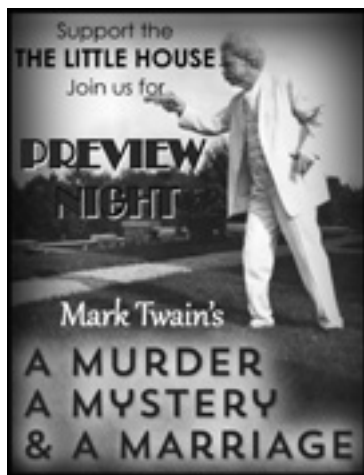
- NY Times - "Captures the spirit... of Twain's lively essence."

- *Talkin' Broadway* - "A highspirited evening for the entire family... a bouncy bluegrass score."

Book & lyrics by Aaron Posner  
Music by James Sugg

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## Summer at Tuolumne Trails

BY VIRGINIA GUSTAFSON



Camp director John Infelise and summer staff.

It's busy at Camp Tuolumne Trails!

Summer is our busiest season and the most wonderful time at camp. Kids will be swimming, playing soccer, fishing, hiking or wheeling, going on hayrides, doing crafts, making music and playing games – and no one is left out due to special needs.

During the school year, we had visitors from a number of schools for outdoor education and science camps. We also were proud to host wounded veterans and their service dogs.

In the summer, the special needs groups take over. June started with a large group of young campers from the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Fresno. The Justin Wood Foundation from Madera came next with a group of young adults with muscular dystrophy.

Camp La Honda followed for two weeks with two groups of campers with developmental disabilities from the Central Valley and Foothills. They have a very busy program including swimming, music, bingo, a dance, talent show, and lots of arts and crafts. They even made their own music and had a 4th of July parade around camp. Special thanks to Tom Radanovich for his help with the music program.

In mid-July the Cerebral Palsy Family Camp from the Bay Area returned. Tuolumne Trails is the one place where both special needs kids and siblings can all have fun together.

We're excited to welcome back the Grizzly Deaf-Blind campers and their support providers in late July. This is an international group with an ambitious program including field trips and horseback riding.

August starts off with the Creative Living Options group from Sacramento. We're very impressed with this well-organized group of young people with developmental disabilities learning to deal with their special challenges.



Muscular Dystrophy kids pamper Dandy, the miniature horse.



4th of July parade at camp

The Adult Muscular Dystrophy Support Group also comes in August. This is the 25th year in a row that these folks have been getting together to share friendship and support.

Camp director John Infelise has great summer staff trained and ready to take care of our special visitors: Chris Spring and Renee Baca, cooks; Doug Wilson, maintenance; Jen Hoover, activities coordinator; Melissa Callaghan, lifeguard; Diana Knutson, kitchen and office; Garrett Fernandez, grounds-keeper and kitchen; Zach Piper, assistant manager; and Tioga grads Harley Gottberg and Jarlin Martinez, camp workers. We're ready to provide a great summer for our special needs campers.

Check our Facebook page for photos and regular updates.



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## Rainbow Pool is Now Open

BY JOE DE NUNZIO

Rainbow Pool is a Northern California iconic swimming hole located just past Buck Meadows on Highway 120. Last year's Rim Fire damage the area surrounding the pool and it was closed to the public. However, this past spring a volunteer work party joined with the Groveland District of the U.S. Forest Service to make the site safe again for public access.

Rainbow Pool is a picturesque site with a small waterfall cascading over a rim into a granite bowl edged by short cliffs. In past years, jumping into Rainbow Pool was fun for all; it is one of the most unique swimming holes anywhere. The pool is located on a spur road just off Highway 120, east of Buck Meadows on the way to the Big Oak Flat Yosemite National Park entrance. On a hot summer day, Rain Pool makes a great short side trip.

Before 1870 traveling along the Big Oak Flat road to Yosemite was a challenge. The South Fork of the Tuolumne River could only be crossed during times of low water levels. This all changed in 1870 when a covered bridge was built across the river and later become a toll road. John Cox became the first toll collector and he built a cabin on the rocks overlooking the pool.

In later years, a lodge and restaurant called The Cliff House occupied this site. Today, Rainbow Pool is once again open to the public and back in its original natural state.

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## Attention Women 60+ Years

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD, LICENSED MARRIAGE, FAMILY THERAPIST

The Little House (a Project of Southside Senior Services, Inc.) on Merrill Road, is the golden nugget of Groveland. Many helpful services are provided to seniors 60+ years of age who may need them. Just to name a few: the WHEELS program provides transportation for those who need a ride to and from medical appointments, post office and local stores; Community Lunch Program which provides healthy lunches twice a week and Meals on Wheels which delivers meals on an individual and as needed basis; Grief Healing for those who have lost a loved one; healthy exercise, stress relief and pain reduction with Yoga, Balance and Core; and other social activities like Needlecraft, Mahjong and Wii Bowling. These and other programs are conducted with the most valuable asset – volunteers. Some require a small fee and others are free of charge.

There is another program that I would like to mention, Life Changes and Challenges for women who are 60 plus years. This is a FREE group that has been meeting weekly at the Little House for almost two years. I have been fortunate to facilitate a group of women who have the courage and willingness to discuss their lives, past, present and future. One of the participants took it upon herself to take a survey as to what the benefits have been to each of the participants. I would like to share some of the results with you. Of course no names will be given due to a contract of confidentiality; “What is

shared here, stays here.”

“I was suffering from a lot of physical pain which caused me to feel depressed. Since I have been in the group I have received a great deal of support which improved my attitude and gave me hope.”

“I initially joined the group to have the fellowship of women who were going through the some of the same challenges in life that I was and I could discuss things in a safe environment.”

“I’m just learning how to better deal with problems that I have.”

“My relationships, money issues, work were unsatisfactory. I needed to talk to women who had similar concerns and I didn’t want to confide in friends or family.”

“We listened, we laughed, we cried, all without judgment. We discussed our lives, where we were heading, where we wanted to go and how to get there.”

“I see women in the group moving forward. I too, am making progress with the help and encouragement of the other women.”

Our group has decided to take a hiatus during the summer as many go on vacations or have family and friends come to visit. We will start up again in September and I would like to extend an invitation to any woman 60+ who would like to join our group. We meet one time per week on Wednesdays at The Little House. If you are interested please call Etty at 962-5205 for an appointment to discuss your needs and answer any questions you might have.

## Hill Top Musical Kids

BY LOUISE TURNEY

“Come See The Musical”. Sponsored by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Your very own “Hill Top Musical Kids” invite you to come see them perform “Voice Message” at Groveland Evangelical Free Church on Ferretti Rd. in Groveland. Friday August 8th, at 7:PM or Saturday August 9th at 2:PM. You will be entertained by wonderful

and talented kids who have given up their summer to rehearse 2 times a week. Lots of singing, dancing and a great story to share. There is no admission but donations are graciously accepted. This is our 4th show and we think it’s a real “Winner”. For more information call Louise Turney 962-0609 or Mary Ann Kash 962-0200.

## Healthy Habits FROM PINE MOUNTAIN THERAPY

BY, JULIE TANAKA, PT

### Walk, Run or Wog?

A frequent question with a complex answer; “which is a better workout, walking or running?” As an avid runner for years I have been a strong running advocate, but as a physical therapist I have had to bite my tongue many times when seeing someone limp along on bowed knees and pronated feet professing to be “running” for their health. I want to take them by the shoulders and say stop, walk, enjoy and give your poor joints a rest! There needs to be some common sense in the decision to walk or run.

Running is a great way to burn calories. If you want to loose weight running wins as the best exercise. You also get a great workout in a short period of time and those endorphins do give you a great boost in mood and energy. Running is hard on your joints. You need good supportive shoes, soft surfaces to run on, awareness of posture; tummy in shoulders back.

Walking will take you about twice as long to burn the same number of calories as running. But it is gentler on your joints and beneficial in the prevention of osteoporosis.

Walking on level is a very mild form of exercise, throw in some hills and you increase your calorie burning and toning of the calves and buttocks. Walking in Pine Mountain Lake provides lots of opportunity for hill walking!

Metabolic demands differ a bit with walking and running. Walking may burn more fat. This is because when walking the body’s metabolism has time to switch from burning carbohydrates to burning fat. To run a mile will burn sugar, or carbs, due to the need for fast energy. This is where “wogging” comes in. A little jogging and a little walking. Adding some intervals of faster pace and slower pace will also help ramp up fat burning, and cardio fitness.

All research agrees that the most important thing is to enjoy what you are doing and to do in consistently. So whether you’re a fan of walking running, jogging or wogging, just be sure you get out there and do it. As I’ve said before, a body in motion stays in motion.



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## Rotary Shrimp and Sausage Fest Correction

BY RUDY MANZO

The date for the Rotary Shrimp and Sausage Fest is August 16th and not August 17th as stated in last months article. We apologize for the error and ask that you change the date on your calendars.

There is still time to purchase tickets for this annual event which promises to be a great one. Come hungry and go home stuffed to the gills. Thanks for your understanding. These things happen.

## The First Road into Yosemite Valley

BY DODIE HARTE

On Saturday, August 16, at 7 p.m., noted author, hiker and historian, Sharon Giacomazzi will present a very interesting talk on the first road into Yosemite Valley. This program is sponsored by the Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society and will be held at the Groveland Community Hall. Donations are accepted at the door.

For 23 years after the coming of the first sightseers, Yosemite Valley was only accessible by horse trail. These early tourists who frantically clung to their steeds during this period included many Easterners and Europeans not accustomed to rough mountain trails. They left home to see this valley of wonders filled with enthusiasm but arrived exhausted and disappointed in the crudity of the grueling mode of travel and primitive accommodations along the way and in the Valley.

Merchants along the travel routes and within Yosemite Valley realized the importance of improving accommodations and transportation so that greater visitation would result. The top priority was to get people out of the saddle and into the relative luxury of a stage coach. Obviously, this could only be accomplished by constructing wagon roads. Honors go to

Dr. John McLean, president of Coulterville and Yosemite Turnpike Company, who was the first to make the Valley accessible to wheeled vehicles in June 1874. Dr. McLean persuaded the Yosemite Commissioners to allow him to build and maintain a toll road to the floor of the Valley. Furthermore, it was agreed that no other company was to build a road for a period of 10 years.

McLean's road monopoly lasted only one month when the state legislature granted the Big Oak Flat Company permission to complete a wagon road to the Valley floor, and in 1875 the Wawona Road entered the Valley. These two roads functioned to the everlasting detriment of the Coulterville route. Though first, the Coulterville route through the Merced Grove of Big Trees was by no means the most successful. By 1879, BOF and Wawona Roads were transporting more passengers than McLean's road.

In the final analysis, Dr. McLean died a bitter, broken man and \$60,000 in debt.

For 30 years until his death in 1902, he whole heartedly pursued his dream of building the Coulterville Road which depleted his entire personal fortune and entangled him in a prolonged nightmare of political litigation and red tape trying to recoup his losses.

## The Soroptimist Scene

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT

Our mission: "Soroptimist improves the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment"

### SOROPTIMIST OF GROVELAND STARTS THEIR NEW YEAR

Like many of the clubs up here, the meetings have been canceled for the month of July. Many of the members have plans to be with friends and family – so we thought that was a great idea for the entire membership.

But that doesn't mean that we are sitting on the beach. Members are making plans for the 2014/2015 year. No, no, no – dues are paid and we are raring to go.

August 19, 2014 we will be attending a joint meeting with the Rotary membership. Our long-time member, Jan Hatmaker, and long-time Rotary member, Bob Hatmaker will be making a presentation on the good works being done in the small community in Guatemala. Bob & Jan have led work groups down there for many years. They have headed up work groups to improve the school and carry out other projects to benefit our friends in this community. Since the Hatmakers have left the Groveland area, they will hand off the projects. We will meet the new leader at this meeting. We have all grown attached to the young girls, encouraged them to continue with their education and shared the joy when "our girls" graduate.

Following August, we look forward to the 49er parade and happenings on September 20,

2014. The theme this year is Wild & Scenic Hwy 120, rebirth of a forest. Soroptimist members try not to be too wild while parading down Hwy 120, but we will give "scenic" a try. Look for us in the parade and give us a rousing greeting.

We will be looking for those special young ladies who want to upgrade their education and skills and prepare for the new world they will be facing. Also grants are available for women who are head of household and enrolled, or enrolling, in an educational program.

Our signature program is now called Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women. The name has changed, the look is new but the life changing program is still the same. The deadlines have been moved up - Nov 15, 2014 for club applications. Each year awards are given world wide – even in Groveland. So set your goals, plan for your applications, see the Guidance Counselor as soon as school starts; we look forward to reading your applications. Or get started right now – contact Liz 962-7648 for applications.

Beginning August 5, 2014, our regular meetings will resume, held in the lower level of the library (usually the 1st & 3rd Tuesday) at noon and an evening meeting on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

We would like you to visit one of our meetings. If you want to make a positive impact in this community, call Liz Mattingly at 962-7648.

## Pine Cone Singers Start Rehearsals for December Concerts

BY LINELLE MARSHALL

In the dog days of summer, the Pine Cone Singers are already thinking about the holidays! After several months of resting our precious vocal cords, we will reconvene on Tuesday, August 26th, for our first rehearsal. We'll meet at 3:00 PM at the Groveland Community Hall for a short rehearsal to see what musical gems our director, Ron Randall, has chosen for our December performances.

Immediately following the rehearsal, we'll have a casual potluck at the hall – picnic favorites will be shared by all.

We welcome new and returning singers, so come join the fun on August 26th! For more information, please contact Luke Sullivan (Pine Cone Performers Chairman) at 209-962-5952, or contact any current Pine Cone Singer.

## Genealogy Workshop

BY PEGGY ANDREWS

Several years ago I found a Family Bible in an antique shop in Ohio. Tucked among the pages I found newspaper obituaries, funeral cards and wedding announcements and, of course, the names and dates of children's births and family deaths, an almost complete family history. I remembered Ann Johnson telling about finding Family Bibles at flea markets and thrift stores and returning them to the families, so I found the owners and returned it to the grateful family. I can only guess how a treasure like that ended up where it did.

The point of the above story is that information you may already have will save you hours of research on the computer. Before you begin your research, take time to go through what you already have on hand. Obituaries, funeral cards, wedding and birth announcements are a treasure trove of information with the added benefit of learning more about the family.


You may find newspapers articles, letters and stories that make the people come alive and your research more interesting. I have in the past written about talking to your family about

your research. If you want to get their attention tell stories about the people, if you want to put them to sleep give them just the facts.

I cannot say it too many times, when you start your research write down everything you know about the family before you go to the computer. You can find free Family Group Sheets on line to help you organize your information and help you find a place to start and it will save you time in the long run.

Want to learn more? Whether you are a novice or have been researching your family for several years, there is always someone eager to share your enthusiasm for (or addiction to) family research. Feel free to join us at the genealogy workshops held from 1:00 – 3:00 on the 4th Friday of the month. We meet in the History Resource Center (HRC) housed above the Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum. Other arrangements can be made if climbing stairs is an issue.

Please contact either Karen Davis at [kidkaren@att.net](mailto:kidkaren@att.net) or Peggy Andrews at [pmlandrews@sonnet.com](mailto:pmlandrews@sonnet.com) so we can be better prepared for your visit.



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## Paul S. Bunt Real Estate Celebrates the Opening of New Office

BY LARRY JOBE

Five Experienced Agents form core of Yosemite Area Realtors Groveland, CA: Paul S. Bunt Real Estate is announcing the opening of a new office staffed with the well-known Top Producing Agents from the community and surrounding areas.

Working under the banner of "Yosemite Area Realtors" will be agents - Chris Lake, Jim Nagle, Krystal Bigger, Larry Jobe and Ryan Niedens. The new office is conveniently located with good parking at 18800 High Way 120, Suite B. Yosemite Area Realtors will occupy office space just below and behind Pine Mountain Therapy. (Local residents will recognize it as the former location of "Curves").

The new office will operate as a team, supporting each other to ensure that clients get the best real estate service available. "We are very excited about working together so that we can provide the best service in Groveland and the surrounding area" stated Jim Nagle, Chris Lake and Krystal Bigger all long time Multi-Million Dollar Producers. "Each agent brings individual skills and knowledge, such as business management, real estate sales, IT, marketing skills and aviation, which creates a



synergy that benefits our clients". The team said "our combined years of experience in real estate and as residents of Pine Mountain Lake and Groveland, offers a deep pool of knowledge, both historical and practical, about our area".

Living in an area where dreams become reality, the team has adopted a slogan of "Realize Your Dreams With Us".

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## The Groveland – China Connection!

BY NINA JOBE



An artist's rendering of the museum.



Larry Jobe with the Chinese Vice-Premier

The seeds were planted in 2006 during one of our annual VIP tours of China when local tour leader and retired UAL captain Larry Jobe and Major General JT Whitehead embarked on a plan to save access to the Command Cave used by Gen. Claire Chennault and his Flying Tigers during WW II. Those seeds have now grown into a 16,000 sq. ft. Museum built by the cave which will now be the centerpiece of the Flying Tiger Heritage Park outside exotic Guilin, China.

Larry and Gen. Whitehead formed the Flying Tiger Historical Organization to raise awareness of this remarkable shared history with the Chinese people and to solicit artifacts for the museum as well as seek tax-deductible donations for the retro-fitting of the command cave to its WW II appearance. A visit to their website, [www.FlyingTigerHistoricalOrganization.com](http://www.FlyingTigerHistoricalOrganization.com), will lead you to the history of the famous Flying Tigers packed into their quarterly newsletters as well as original photos and park and museum information plus a video clip of the 2013 flag-raising ceremony held at the site of the museum nearing completion. Their mission is not only to preserve our shared history but also to promote continued friendship

between our two peoples built initially by the special bond formed between the Flying Tigers and the Chinese people. The Chinese people have never forgotten what the Flying Tigers did for them in WW II.

The Flying Tiger Historical Organization has held special events including one at the Chinese Embassy in Wash., DC last fall and is hosting another one this fall at the Chinese Consulate in San Francisco. They were special invited guests this May in Beijing at a 4-day conference which included a very special private meeting with Vice Premier Liu Yandong.

To commemorate the new museum, a very special ceremony will occur during our 11th Annual American Aviators VIP Tour of China in March 2015 and our tour group will be treated as a special delegation. A 100-piece band will be flying to China to play at the Grand Opening Ceremonies. There will be some very special people with us for what could be our last tour to China unless we are successful getting some medical issues corrected. Full details of the China tour can be found at [www.TravelAireTours.com](http://www.TravelAireTours.com) as well as an ad appearing elsewhere in this newspaper.



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MARY KAY

## Preschool Enrollment Now Open!!

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## Tenaya Parent Club Announces Fourth Annual “Stuff the Bus” Campaign

BY WYNETTE HILTON

Tenaya Parent Club initiated the “Stuff the Bus” campaign four years ago to help alleviate state budget cuts in the classroom. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of the people in our community, collecting almost \$3000 in school supplies and cash donations. Tenaya Parent Club has been able to donate school supplies to every classroom in our district! We recognize that many families in our community still experience economic hardship and it is difficult for them to purchase school

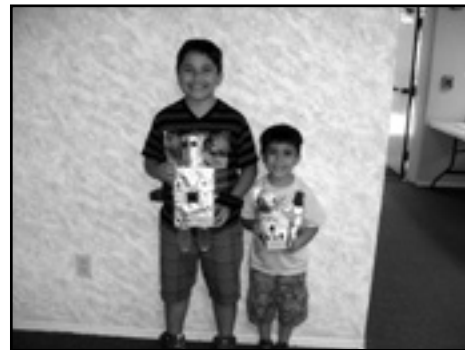
supplies. In partnership with the Big Oak Flat-Groveland Unified School District we will be collecting school supplies and/or cash donations on August 1-2 in Mary Laveroni Park from 9:00-1:00. Suggestions for school supplies include: pencils, binder paper, crayons, glue sticks, colored pencils, markers, binders, dry erase markers, pocket folders, white glue and highlighters. You can make the difference in the life of a student! For further information, please call Wynette Hilton at 962-5225.

## Groveland Summer Reading Program 2014

BY ETTY GARBER



Registration for the program Sami and volunteers.



Dustin and Lysander Arista showing the robots they made.



The group working on making their robots.

The Summer Reading Program at the Groveland Library began with a bang. Sami VanDerMeer has developed a “hands on” approach to the program suggested by the Tuolumne County Library SRP program, “Fizz, Boom, Read.” Nearly 20 children have been attending the once a week sessions held on Tuesdays from 3-5pm for 6 weeks at the Groveland Book Nook. The children show great enthusiasm and excitement in learning about scientific principles and applying them to everyday experiences. We know this because the sessions are supposed to be over at 5pm but their interests seem to go into overtime. Looks like we may have some

budding new scientists coming along. Great job to Sami and her volunteer helpers.

SOUTHERN TUOLUMNE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## Museum Happenings

BY CARRIE CARTER

We invite you to visit our newly designed STCHS web page ([www.grovelandmuseum.org](http://www.grovelandmuseum.org)). The user friendly site allows visitors to virtually tour the museum, access our newsletters, find out about upcoming programs and learn about activities you might want to participate in. You can also find a link to the California Association of Museums website and find out how you can get the new “Snoopy” license plate, the proceeds from which help to support museums like ours.



Last month's historic photo was Groveland's oldest wood frame building, located on the east end of town on Main Street. It is known as the Tannahill House and has been standing since 1858. It features a wrap-around veranda, a mortared stone foundation, and root cellar. Despite some remodeling and alterations over the years, the house still reflects its original architectural design. The house, built by Thomas H. Burns, sold in 1858 to John Watts and James Tannahill from Scotland for \$600.

In 1856, Tannahill bought the Winslow Hubbard Ranch (site of today's GCSD) and was part owner of the water rights of the Root and Tannahill Ditch, a significant water source for Groveland.

James was also a founding member and treasurer of the Mt. Jefferson Masonic Lodge formed on May 14, 1857. They met monthly on the second floor in what is now Firefall Coffee.

In 1852 in Garrote, John Watts and Peter King had constructed the stone building we know as The Iron Door Saloon. It housed the general mercantile called ‘Watts and Company’. James Tannahill, John Watt's partner, became sole proprietor in 1868 renaming the enterprise ‘The Granite Store’. The store, so named because of the solid granite blocks forming the front and back walls, also served as Garrote's post office from 1863 to 1880 while Tannahill was Postmaster. He was also a Justice in Tuolumne County's Fourth Judicial District from 1853 to 1855.

On Christmas day in 1859, James Tannahill married Mary Dexter, formerly

of Providence, Rhode Island. Over the years they had two children, James Alexander and Cordelia Agnes in the home.

Tannahill had large mining interests and actively mined until the early 1880's. He owned a great deal of property in Groveland and the surrounding area. Well known for his benevolent nature, James Tannahill died in 1884, at the age of 60 and is buried in the Divide (Oak Grove) Cemetery.

In 1895 Giacomo (Jake) De Ferrari purchased both the home and store. He turned ‘The Granite Store’ into a full-fledged saloon known as ‘Jake's Place’. After Jake's death in 1926, the saloon passed to his nephews, Frank and Richard De Ferrari. The saloon was renamed ‘The Iron Door’ in 1937 when bought by George Laveroni.

Carlo De Ferrari, Tuolumne County Historian, lived in the Tannahill home for several years while growing up. In 1927 it became the home of John and Mary (Giacosa) Franco, parents of Groveland's Postmistress Clara Fulton. John and Mary lived in the historic home for 60 years.

Don't forget to visit us on Facebook!

### DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS BUILDING?

If you can identify this month's historic photo from the STCHS archive you will receive a ceramic mug from the Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum gift shop during the month of August (one gift per family).



## Grief Support in Groveland

BY GAIL WITZLSTEINER, DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC RELATIONS

Hospice of the Sierra offers grief support in Groveland for adults who are suffering the loss of a loved one. Groups meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Little House, 11699 Merrell Road, and are facilitated by trained caring grief support

volunteers who provide practical coping skills in a safe supportive environment.

Sierra Grief Support Groups are free of charge. For more information and to register, please call Shauna, Bereavement Coordinator, at 209-536-5685.

## Music at Mountain Sage

Mountain Sage and Telele Foundation are proud to present Incendio closing up our summer music concerts along with Swing Gitane at Mountain Sage Summer Concert Series August 16, 2014 at 5pm.

Incendio, simply put, is instrumental world music. The primary "voice" of the band is the guitar, but to say the music of Incendio is solely guitar music would be an oversimplification.

Opening for Incendio is local swing band, Swing Gitane which started with Ralph

and Rick jamming at the Strawberry Music Festival in 2006. Within a few months Matt came aboard to play stand-up bass and Dan followed soon after to play rhythm guitar, accordion and uke.

As always, bring a blanket and a friend (but leave your dog at home) and come enjoy the music in the garden. Tickets are available at [www.mountainsagemusic.org](http://www.mountainsagemusic.org) for \$17 advance and \$20 at the door. Kids tickets 6-12 years of age are \$6. See you there!

## Church in the Park

BY SANDY SMITH

Even though it has been really hot this summer CHURCH IN THE PARK meets each Sunday @ 10 a.m. in Mary Laveroni Park. It is so delightful to meet outdoors for an hour to fellowship, sing, have great snacks, and learn from God's word. Jack

Woodland is teaching from the book of Galations. The praise team is awesome, and Kidz church is learning from Genesis 1... In the beginning God, all about creation.

Join us each Sunday and enjoy the service in the park with us.

## STCHS 6th Annual Labor Day BBQ

BY BRUCE CARTER

The Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society (STCHS) and local sponsors are finalizing plans for the 6th Annual Labor Day Country BBQ on Sunday, August 31, 2014 from 2:00 to 7:00 pm at the Pine Mountain Lake Stables in Groveland!

This community event includes something for everybody! Dance to live music by Rock Slide, a local favorite. A historical photograph display is always of great interest. Kids will enjoy various games including the water-balloon toss, a watermelon eating contest and the 4H petting Zoo. Local pilots (our own PML Air Force) will perform a wonderful airplane fly-over. Live and silent auctions with

great items to bid on are conducted throughout the day. The bake sale is like no other. And don't forget the BBQ food! A dandy country barbecue: Tri-tip steak, beans, salad and all the fixins! Admission is free, meal tickets are \$15.00, \$10.00 for children.

The objectives of STCHS are to preserve the historical treasures of South County and present them for public enjoyment and education. To further this mission, we rely on our fundraising activities. The money from fundraisers supports Museum operations, restoration and preservation projects and our collections and archives.

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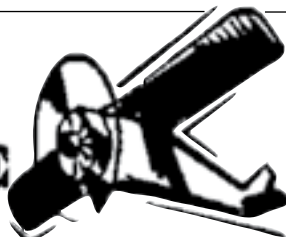
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### BUILDING PERMITS

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- Are the permit fees included in the contract?

### CHECK OUT YOUR CONTRACTOR

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- Did you get at least three local references from the contractors you are considering?
- Did you call them and see the work the contractor completed?

### CHECK OUT THE CONTRACT

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

drawing showing the shape, size, dimensions and specifications. It should include brand names, model numbers, quantities and colors. Specific descriptions now will prevent disputes later.

- Are you required to pay a down payment? If you are, the down payment should never be more than 10% of the contract price or \$1,000, whichever is less.
- Is there a schedule of payments? If there is, you should pay only as work is completed and not before.
- Did your contractor give you a "Notice to Owner," a warning notice describing liens and ways to prevent them? Even if you pay your contractor, a lien can be placed on your home by unpaid laborers, subcontractors, or material suppliers. A lien can result in you paying twice or, in some cases, losing your home in a foreclosure. Also check the "Notice to Owner" for ways to protect yourself.
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3. Using the property Owner's gate card or clicker

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1. Starting work before 7am or continuing after 7pm
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  3. Performing work on Sunday
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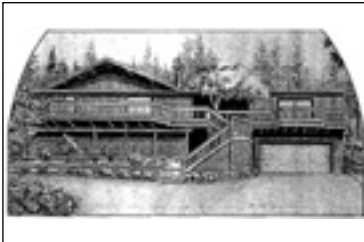
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**12762 Mt Jefferson-1/154 NEAR THE LAKE** and Dunn Ct beach. Beautiful 4bd, 3ba, 2914sf home features a rock fireplace in the living room, renovated kitchen with Corian counters & maple cabinets. Large office and bonus room. 2-car garage with workshop and 1/4 bathroom. Great location for vacationing or full-time living. \$369,900 #20141276



**20590 Morgan Dr BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAIN HOME** on five acres, with fish pond, year-round stream, manicured grounds and views of Duckwall Mountain. Granite counters, new roof and windows. Room on lower level for hobbies or "man cave". Decks on two levels. Garage, carport and 22x30 shop. Sprinkler system, fruit trees and partially-fenced lawn. Great potential for a horse property! \$299,000 #20140822



**19355 & 19375 Beck Rd TWO FOR ONE!** Two homes for one price on almost 20 acres. Single-level, 2bd, 2ba, with garage, built in 1978. 1bd, 1ba, 552sf, with garage, with no value or warranty. Property has been in the family since 1924. \$199,000 #20140915



**20135 Pleasant View — THREE-LEVEL HOME** with a peek-a-boo golf course view. 3bd, plus den, 3ba, over-sized master bedroom is the only room on the top floor, with a beautiful fireplace. Formal dining, vaulted ceilings in the living, dining, kitchen & main bdrm. Two decks to enjoy outdoor living! Located near many Pine Mountain Lake amenities. Most furnishings included. \$259,000 #20140035



**12346 Mills-8/90 POSSIBLE LAKE VIEW** by thinning some trees. The seller says that the lake view is what sold them on this home years ago, but the trees have grown and blocked the view. Three-levels, double-pane windows, granite kitchen counters, bonus room, wood fireplace, 3bd, 2ba, walk-in master closet and garden tub. Paved driveway and newer, large deck. 1-car garage. \$220,000 #20140951



**13181 Wells Fargo-2/380 SECLUDED FEELING.** Lovely home with a large deck and backyard. Near the pool, tennis, golf/pro-shop and Country Club and just a few minutes more to the nearest beach & the lake. Features: Fresh paint, comfortable layout, vaulted ceiling, 3bd, 2-1/2ba, 1552sf, central H/A, woodstove, indoor laundry, 2-car garage, paved driveway. \$198,995 #20140934



**13489 Yorkshire Rd-12/197 BACKS TO BASS POND!** 3bd, 2ba, chalet-style house, near the PML Stables and Airport. Separate guest quarters, with 1bd, 1ba, and laundry room, attached to garage. Partially-fenced property for large animals. Enjoy the amenities of Pine Mountain Lake: Golf, Tennis, Lake & Pool, plus Country Club dining. \$175,000 #20131994



**20808 Crest Pine-3/481 LOOKS LIKE NEW!** Spacious, single-level home, with granite counters, pellet stove, central H/A, jettied tub in master bath. Covered patio, surrounded by lovely oak trees. Near Fisherman's Cove, tennis, Lake Lodge, beach and Equestrian Center. \$269,999 #20130184

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**5843 Cuneo Rd A TRUE HOMESTEAD.** Custom home on 22.5 acs. Vaulted wood ceilings in living room and main bdrm. Tile, carpeting and wood-laminate flooring. New, life-time comp roof, solar radiant floors and wood-burning stove in master suite. Separate 3-car garage & 2-car garage, with extra room, full bath and W/D. Barn, greenhouse & chicken house. Fenced & cross-fenced. Meadow, pines, oaks & fruit trees. \$399,500 #20140785



**12703 Mueller-5/263 SO MUCH TO OFFER!** Beautiful three-level, 3-bd, 3ba, home with updates. Vaulted, pine ceilings, open loft and bonus room. Expansive upper deck and lower-level patio area. All this, plus a golf course view and just a hop, skip & jump from the Club, pro-shop, pool and tennis courts. \$299,900 #20140043



**19823 Cottonwood-6/106 THE "LIBERTY" HOUSE.** Cute cabin with 3bd, 1ba on the corner of Cottonwood & Ferretti Rd. Knotty-pine walls and retro-style interior. Enjoy all the amenities of Pine Mountain Lake, yet have easy access w/o going through the gate. Potential for a cozy get-away. Needs some tender loving care. \$82,000 #20140909



**12066 Breckenridge-13/123 SPACIOUS HOME.** Let the entry draw you to the great room with stone fireplace & large deck. Laminate flooring in great room & kitchen. Jennaire stove and newer counter-tops. Two roomy closets in hall. 4bd, 3ba, plus bonus/game room w/wet bar and free-standing wood-burning stove. Guest quarters w/walk-in closets. Tree view. \$269,900 #20140727



**12600 Cresthaven-4/45 A PERFECT LOCATION.** Near the Lake Lodge beach and tennis courts. Two-level home, with open kitchen & dining area. 3bd, 3ba, 2100sf. Central h/a, woodstove, jettied tub. Additional space downstairs can be used as bonus or 4th bdrm. Large covered deck and garage to accommodate an RV or boat! Established vacation rental. Most furniture incl. \$298,000 #20140445



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