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# **President's Corner**

BY IAN MORCOTT • PMI A BOARD PRESIDENT

We are now in what is normally the wettest part of the year and the streams are not running. The last rain was enough to open Dodge Ridge so the skiers are having a little fun and it brought the lake level up a few inches. However, if you drive up you will see that Lake Don Pedro is way down and with the creeks not running, like they normally do this time of year, Pine Mountain Lake has not started spilling over the dam. It is dry.

The good news is that the weather is very mild and there are more people in town than is normal for this time of year. Get a reservation if you want to eat at the Grill at Pine Mountain Lake. It is busy.

This drought is very serious and the prospect of some nearby communities running low on water is alarmingly high. We must conserve water as much as possible. If we don't conserve enough now, we could be faced with very harsh conservation requirements later. Please do your best and start doing everything you can to conserve.

Along with the drought comes an increase in fire danger this spring. We had a close call last summer. The Rim fire did help reduce a big area of risk. However, Pine Mountain Lake is still surrounded by woodlands and they are very dry.

Before the weeds start to grow and the hazard of sparks gets high, think about trimming the trees and bushes back. Think about defensible space and reducing the chances of a fire that could be avoided. If you need advice on what to do please call and ask for help.

Please take advantage of the good weather and start clearing your lots now.

Now for the good news! We are working on increasing the fun here at Pine Mountain Lake.

This year, on Friday July the 4th, Pine Mountain Lake will be hosting it's 1st annual 5K cross country run/walk at the stables. This event will be open to the public. More details to come, but plan on getting out on the trails and discover one of Pine Mountain Lakes hidden jewels.

Also still in the planning stage is the introduction of mountain biking, hiking and running trails in our open spaces behind the campgrounds and at the Stables. We are working with the Groveland Trailheads an International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) chapter to help identify potential locations for trails. The plan at this point is to use volunteer help to build the trails. This is part of a larger effort to build sustainable interlinking trails in areas both within Pine Mountain Lake and in the surrounding areas. This is one of the fastest growing outdoor activities with an estimated 40 million people going mountain biking each year in the U.S. Alone.

IMBA worked with funding from the U.S. Federal Highway Administration's Recreation Tails Program to develop a set of guidelines for the development



and management of trails. With careful design and construction the goal is to reduce user conflict, risk management and environmental impacts. Have fun stay fit, get outside and enjoy!

Now, please let it snow and rain!

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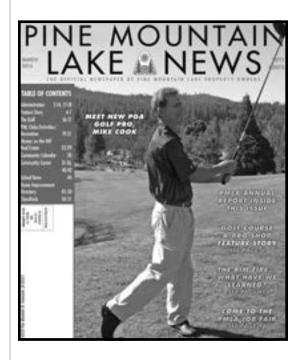
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# General Manager's Message

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

#### Welcome to our new Golf Professional

I recently hired a new Golf Professional and I am pleased to introduce Mike Cook. Mike comes to us from Mountain Springs Golf Club in Sonora where he worked in the golf operation as Director of Golf/Head Professional for 18 years. Mike has over 35 years experience and has been a PGA "Class A" Golf Professional since 1989. Mike also has 33 years experience as a golf instructor and is a four-time NCPGA Section Senior Player of the Year. We welcome Mike to our team and I am sure he will be a good fit for PML.

#### **Water Conservation**

As a life-long resident of California, I have seen droughts come and go along with earthquakes and fire. This drought began in 2011 and as all residents know, the change in weather patterns has caused an extreme shortage of water storage and resources. As a result, Governor Jerry Brown has declared a state of emergency and asks that all state residents to conserve water. Most California residents are used to conserving water and know all of the things they should do to help out.

Unfortunately, the drought conditions this time around are really bad. Many communities are close to running out of water in other areas around California. PML is in good shape so far, but we need to do our part. In an effort to mitigate the affect of these conditions, we

will be distributing water conservation information and have already started implementing measures to conserve. Some members have expressed concern regarding the water level of our Lake. The bulk of the water loss is through evaporation and the lack of rainfall to replace it, not irrigation. We do irrigate the Golf Course, but the Lake water that is used is a "drop in the bucket" in comparison to the loss by evaporation. Lake water is mixed with reclaimed/treated water from GCSD and this is all used for irrigation. It is a delicate balance and one that is monitored by our staff closely.

In the near future the Board will be discussing the short and long-term impacts to PML and planning for the future. The Groveland Community Services District has the latest information on water conservation and the drought. We recommend visiting their website at www.gcsd.org. The California Department of Water Resources also has a lot of information at the website www.water.ca.gov.

#### We Like Useful Suggestions!

PML Member Tom Hernandez submitted some useful suggestions for short, informative articles for the PML News that highlight safety and communication. Here is an interesting excerpt that Tom came up with as an example:

#### 9 Volt Batteries a Fire Hazard

New Hampshire State Fire Marshal's

Office encourages you to locate your extra batteries and learn how to store them properly.

In July, a fire broke out in a kitchen "junk" drawer which the resident stated she had just cleaned and organized. The fire produced smoke throughout the first floor of the home. In the drawer were spare keys, a cigarette lighter, paper clips, eye glass cleaner, and some batteries in a baggie along with everything else that you find in a "junk" drawer.

The local fire department determined the cause of the fire to be from a 9 volt battery stored in the same baggie with other batteries. The 9 volt battery rubbed against another battery and ignited the fire. In the homeowner's words, "We were fortunate not have been away for the weekend!"

A 9 volt battery is a fire hazard because the positive and negative posts are on top, right next to one another. If the ends come in contact with anything metal i.e. aluminum foil, steel wool, paper clip, other batteries, etc. this will create the object to heat up and ignite a fire.

To store, keep in original packaging or keep ends covered. For disposal, make sure that the positive and negative posts are safely wrapped in electrical tape.

Remember to check your smoke alarms each month to ensure your family has the early warning to get out safely if a fire should occur in your home.

Well...this is a good reason to recycle and/or dispose of your batteries properly! We appreciate positive suggestions from our members. Thanks Tom!

#### Marina Store/Café Project Update

The Marina Store/Café Project is currently ahead of schedule. The weather has been mild and dry, and our contractor is working at an efficient pace. Our Maintenance team has been assisting as needed in accordance with the agreement and the project team is working well together to see that the project is completed before the start of the season. The roof, exterior siding and building is completed and the plumbing, electrical is being finished up. Our team is working closely with the County to ensure all of the materials in the Cafe meet their standards and everything is coming together nicely. Members are welcome to visit the Marina to take a look, but please use caution and be aware that the work area has been secured for safety with fencing.

Be sure to take advantage of our great amenities during March. We appreciate your patronage. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

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

#### MARCH 15

April 19

May 17

June 21

July 19

August 16 Annual Meeting/Election

September 20

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

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#### **KEEP PML CLEAN**

I know that I have been ranting about the trash that we leave on our roads.

January there were 4 grocery bags full of trash. There were 10 aluminum cans that could have been recycled through our local schools. There were 490 cigarette butts abandoned on the side of the road.

I want to comment on the butts:

There are health concerns. Small children tend to pick up things and put them in their mouths. There are some 20 known carcinogens in those butts. Think of what that will do to those children. Do you like fishing? Half the fresh water fish died when subjected to chemicals leached from butts (four butts per gallon of water). Want to boat on our lake? Cigarette butts are not biodegradable, meaning they will be here long after we are gone. What a treat, a lake filled with butts and toxins so that we can no longer swim in it, fish can no longer live in it and no lake as it slowly fills with butts. Bad news for all. Go ahead and smoke, cancer will get you eventually. Please do not pollute our community. Take those butts back to the nearest trash can. Dispose of toxic wastes in a sane manner.

Don Taylor Unit 5, Lot 119

#### **MONEY CONCERNS**

New Year, New Board, Same Rhetoric

Dear Board,

You do not listen to the people that own and live here in Pine Mountain Lake. Instead you continue to spend, so you can continue to try and justify raising Our Dues here. I have never been more ashamed of our Board Members who think it is "not that bad, or much" to raise our dues every year. Besides board Member Brian Sweeney who did not vote to increase our dues again the rest of you should be Recalled. You say our association needs a new front entrance with a waterfall, a new golf Storage warehouse, now a new Concession stand at PML Lake, Really? Spend so you can Justify more money from us.

I would like to know what positions on our board and in our Association are paid positions and what is the salary. This should be open knowledge to all good standing home owners since we are paying for them. Who approves their salaries? Who approves their raises? Who approves the cuts? More homes foreclosed, more homes for sale, more people moving out is what this & past Boards have continued to create. It's arrogant, and a abusive of power.

Danny Maloney Unit 6 Lot 172 PML

#### **BOAT SLIP RENEWALS**

Dear Editor,

There is a big discrepancy that every year PML Boat Owners face to secure lake front dockage for their boats. Those that have slips on the docks have the right to renew their slips every year. Those who have beach slips have to line up in person on the first business day of February. At least previous years someone who is not a full-time resident could call in to the Administration office after 8am and reserve their slip for the boating season.

This year with no announcement of any kind, the Administration changed the rule to you have to appear in person. What about those who work? It seems to me that beach slip occupants should have the same rights as dock occupants! Namely the right to renew their slips and not have to line up an hour or more before the office opens and stand in line waiting for the Administration office doors to open on a weekday morning at 8am. Time to change the rules to provide the same rights as those who have dock space. And please announce the rules ahead of time.

Larry Seiden Unit 8/150

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## **Shades of Green**

BY ALAN MACDONALD, GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT



From left to right are Jim Adams, Tony Pavalkis, Rob Abbott, Alan Macdonald, Mike Allen, Ed Groothuyzen, Buster Capitanich, (seated) Jonathan Sheffield, Daniel Borges, John Brooks, Dennis Sorci, and Susan Capitanich. (Not pictured Matt Smith and Roger Peterson)

his month's article I'd like to focus on the golf course maintenance staff, some of the changes over the years, and what the future has in store for your golf course.

#### **OUR TEAM**

Pictured is our experienced and dedicated crew whose ages range from twenty-something to seventy-something.

Our team of ten (10) full time staff includes a mechanic, three seasonal employees, and me. The glue that keeps us together is Susan, along with her dog Buster who enjoys chasing the geese away. All of our full timers, except one, have a minimum of eight (8) years of service. The rookie, Jonathan Sheffield filled the vacancy left by Dan Gray, who retired. Rob Abbott has been with us for twenty-five (25) years, this May. Congratulations Rob! These folks are the reason for the continuing great conditions and improvements of the course.

They make what I do a little easier, and I appreciate their dedication and valued input in all aspects, from course conditions to finding ways to save money. I thank all of you for your efforts.

The golf maintenance team and street/building maintenance crew share the same facility, adjacent to the sheriff's substation, off of Par court. On occasions each department will assist the other, or share equipment, if there is a need. We appreciate these guys and thank them for their assistance during the years.

#### A LOOK BACK IN TIME

These are two pictures of the course in 1978, and one of the restaurant in 1996.

#### What are some of the changes we see today?

In the two pictures of the course the trees are young, and there are very few homes. On #15 there are two fairway bunkers that are no

longer there. There were no cart paths from tee to green. They didn't exist. If you played when the course was wet, then you had to walk.

Notice there are no automobiles in the parking lot in the picture of the restaurant.

Maybe the greens were slow or the beer was hot that day. Actually, it was a Monday in 1996. Until 2001 the course was closed on Mondays. On this Monday we were vertical cutting the greens. Our former superintendent, Tom Elliott was enjoying a plane ride and taking some aerial pictures of the course.

#### **COURSE CHANGES**

A significant change was made in 2000 when management made the decision to fund a new irrigation system. The golf maintenance staff appreciates the effort of all involved in this decision. Maintaining the old system was difficult and expensive. The new system has improved course conditions immensely. During hot summer months, the course would have many areas of lost turf due to the old system not providing adequate coverage. Spot sprinklers were needed in many areas of the course, trying to keep the grass alive. Following the installation of the new system, we had a reduction in budgeted labor hours. This was due to the efficiency of the new system and the reduction of often needed repairs.

Another change that was made about 12 years ago was bringing back the green tees. A few of these forward tees are to the front of the existing ones, and the rest were constructed closer to the fairway. Remember when all we wanted was a longer course so we could hit it a country mile and show em how strong we were. I guess our priorities have changed, and how far we hit the ball or how long the hole is doesn't seem as important any longer. Many of you are playing these tees and enjoying the game more. Keep it up.





# Do you recognize the person in the picture showing how far down the lake level was during the drought of 1976-77?

This is our current county supervisor, John Gray. John's hand represents the normal level of the lake. We call on John for his wisdom and advice when we need to know about things that occurred during the early years of P.M.L. Thanks John, for sharing your experience and knowledge with us.

During dry years the water level dropped below the intake line for the pump at Dunn court. This pump sends the water to the pond on the ninth hole to irrigate the course. P.M.L. needed to purchase another water pump to just to get the water up to the pump station. We still have that pump and hope that we never need to use it again for this purpose. John also mentioned that the lake would need to drop another 9 or 10 feet for this to happen again.

#### QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COURSE

# WHY does it always seem that the maintenance crew is doing that particular task while we are trying to enjoy a nice day on the course, and WHY do we do the things we do?

Our goal is to be of little impact to your game. We will schedule tasks to be completed ahead of or behind the majority of those days scheduled play. Sometimes groups play faster or slower than normal, either they catch up to us or we catch up to them. Often we are attempting to complete a task prior to a forecasted storm.

#### Why do we top-dress the greens or other areas?

A few of the reasons are thatch control, less disease and improved water and fertilizer infiltration. Top-dressing the fairways consistently will improve drainage when playing in wet conditions.

# Why are we currently making the bunkers bigger?

While it may seem that way, we are attempting to remove the buildup of sand





over the years around the edges. There is mounding leading into many bunkers from the sand that creates unhealthy turf that is difficult to maintain. Our goal with this project is to have accessibility to each bunker with our trap rake, a good clean definition of sand to turf and healthier turf leading to the bunker edge.

## Why did we remove one of the bunkers on the left side of hole number one?

We are not looking to remove any bunkers unless there is a good reason. Having two bunkers there was more difficult to maintain due to the thin island of turf between the two, and it was a difficult bunker shot that many times many players would simply hit it from one bunker to the other, slowing down the pace of play.

# Why are we removing trees or reducing the canopies of the larger ones?

To improve playing conditions and improve tree health! We remove dead wood and widow makers for safety reasons.

Earlier pictures of the eleventh hole show how much the trees have grown over the years. The trees on this hole, in particular, are all conifers that limit sunlight and impact the irrigation coverage.

We need sunlight to the turf. We've removed some smaller trees that were unhealthy to allow others to prosper. A few trees were removed because they were a hazard for the adjacent property owners.

#### What projects are we planning for in 2014?

Additional projects, other than the tree trimming and bunker edges that we are currently addressing will include;

- Improve the surrounds to the left of number 6 and 8 greens; similar to the improvements to the left of number 3 and 17 greens a couple of years ago.
- Level the collars

- Increasing the frequency of greens topdressing and vertical cutting.
- Increasing the frequency of green surrounds aerations
- Raising sprinkler heads; begin with the greens expanding out from there.
- Enlarging one or more of the green tees.
- Edging the cart paths.
- The 2014 culvert repairs project; improvements will be made to the right of the tenth tee and behind the chipping green.

# What is happening with the culvert improvement project?

Currently we are in year four of the five year project.

The existing culverts are rusting away after 45 years of being in the ground; they can and have caused sink holes. Instead of digging up these old galvanized culverts, we are purchasing a composite pipe that won't rust and inserting them into the old culvert.

In a few of these locations we were able to reduce or eliminate the lateral hazards that were present.

# Since our maintenance building and yard is 45 years old, what are some of the changes that have been made to keep up with current needs?

The building has been enlarged and there have been additional pole barns built for

equipment storage.

Equipment lifts have been installed in the main building and the golf mechanic bay.

We have a new, self contained recycling wash rack for equipment cleaning and a trash compactor approved for 2014 that will improve the efficiency of the disposal program.

#### What are some of the unseen requirements?

- Three of the crew members have pesticide licenses that are required by law for our spray program.
- Every two year period 20 hours of continuing education must be completed for license renewal
- Two staff members have completed the spill prevention training program that is required by the state. Continuing education hours are also required each year to be in compliance.
- Dennis Sorci, the golf course mechanic has just completed a refresher course in reel grinding and equipment maintenance. He is the reel doctor!

#### A LOOK INTO THE FUTURE

What are some of the ideas or priorities to keep our beautiful course in top shape looking forward?

Enhancing the playability and esthetics of the course while taking into account the needs of our members.

#### Where do we start?

- We continue doing many of the tasks currently underway with new ideas under consideration.
- Increasing top-dressing and vertical cutting of the greens.
- Improving tee surfaces-double aerate and roll.
- Leveling collars.
- Continue with the thinning of the trees and eliminating hazardous trees or ones that are unhealthy.
- Continuing evaluation of the bunkers and make improvements as necessary.
- Funding to make cart path improvements and improve cart path routing.
- Audit irrigation use while trying to keep playing conditions firm and reduce water usage in out of play areas.

# What about the playability of the fourth hole and the slope of the eighteenth green?

As you already know; the maintenance staff did not build the course and improving both of these areas is a challenge, from financing and that we prefer not to close any holes for an extended period of time.

Both of these changes may require outside professionals, an architect or skilled shaper. At the very least additional labor would be required to make these improvements while maintaining the rest of the course. A possible fix for the eighteenth green would be to eliminate the amount of green we now mow and maintain. Then any front or red flag locations would always be farther away from the front slope.

A short term solution for the fourth hole would be to learn to hit a fade or draw depending on which side of the ball you are standing. Our new golf professional has arrived! I am going to enlist the help of professionals in the industry who do this type of work every day and see if we can't plan for improvements that will fit into our budget without any major inconveniences to the membership.

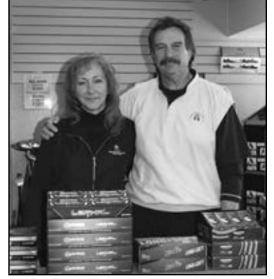
As always; have fun and enjoy your golf course. Appreciate and respect your fellow golfers; practice good etiquette; fix your ball marks and others; rake the bunker after the great shot you just hit; drive your carts in the rough and at 90 degrees when in the fairway-remember to remind your fellow golfers to do the same. Have a healthy and good year of golf in 2014.

Welcome to Pine Mountain Lake Mike Cook, our recently hired golf professional. All of us from the golf maintenance department wish you much happiness and good fortune. We look forward to working with you. Enjoy working with your staff as we do. They are a good group of guys and a gal that are a pleasure for us to work with.

# From the Fringe

BY DOUG SCHMIETT, ASSISTANT GOLF PRO





New PGA Golf Professional, Mike Cook

PMLA Pro Shop Staff, Vicki Amos & Dave Berthold

#### Where were you when ...?

... Monday Night Football first aired? ... The Beatles released Let It Be, their final album? ... You heard the words, "Houston, we have a problem" (Apollo 13 has some serious setbacks)? ... The floppy disk was invented? ... When Pine Mountain Lake Golf Course opened for its first rounds of golf?

Hard to believe that it has been 44 years since our beautiful course opened in 1970. Designed by Billy Bell, Jr, Pine Mountain Lake is one of nearly 100 golf courses that he designed. Some of you have probably played at least one of his other layouts but none of them have the views that we do! The course has gone through changes throughout the years, some subtle and some dramatic. Did you know that the original front 9 is today's back nine? Before the condominiums were built, the original Championship (Black) tees on #1 were on the other side of the cart path and to the right. For some reason when the condominiums went up and they started being peppered with tee shots, they figured they needed to move it. The Black tee box on #9 used to be lower and to the left, closer

to some PML lots. Turns out it was someone else's land and had to be moved. As Alan points out in his article, some bunkers have been removed and some have been renovated. Just as grass and trees grow and change so does our golf course. When a tree or branch goes down Tony Murphy plants another one! (Just kidding Tony!) Seriously, the golf shop and golf maintenance do their best to keep the golf course in the best possible condition so that all golfers can enjoy their play on the course.

Let me introduce you to the crew of Golf Shop operations. In the Golf Shop - Dave Berthold, Vicki Amos, our new Head Pro Mike Cook, and I have over 50 years of experience in the golf biz. Dave is celebrating 10 years of PML employment this April, Vicki is working on year 11 and I am approaching number twelve. Mike Cook spent 18 years at Mountain Springs and we are thrilled to have him leading the team. Please stop by the Golf Shop and introduce yourself. Among the "boys" of Outside Services, Mike Ireland has seniority with close to eight years here at PML. Dagan, Travis, Graham, Dave Nilan and Big Mike Allen have been around for anywhere between a year to three. (In addition, did you know that Big Mike is a former Men's Club Champion here? Check the trophy next time you are posting your score.) And I can't leave out Richard the mechanic. He is the one makes sure the carts are running smoothly, the batteries are serviced and kept under warranty and fixes anything that might get broken. Personally, I think we have a great group here and we are always trying to improve. Our members are the reason we are here. Anything we can do to improve your experience at the golf course and shop please let us know.

We are working on many things for the coming year. Inside the shop we are getting some new paint, which we hope, will spruce up the atmosphere, and the locker rooms are scheduled for refurbishment. On the golf course side of things, we are working on a series of Par 3 Days on Saturdays in late March, April and early May. We will set up the course so that every hole is a Par3 and less than 150 yards long. Our goal is to lure some "retired golfers" back to the course and for beginners to explore it for the first time. We are also setting up a couple of Demo Days for spring and the always-popular Bridgestone Ball Challenge. Dates for these events will be announced soon.

The Golf Shop also plans on hosting two Couples Cross Country tournaments this year, one in May and the other in September or October. Ask anyone who has played in a Cross Country and they'll tell you, this is the most fun you can have on a golf course going backwards! Or sideways or long. In addition, the Match Play tournament will be making a reappearance after a 2-year absence. We will also be holding clinics and lessons for all ages and abilities throughout the year.

This year's Mother Lode (June 26-28) is going to change things up a bit with 45 holes of golf and two Horse Races! The Ladies Golf Club always has something wonderful in store for their guests at the Pine Tree Invitational (June 19-21) and this year will be no different. Both of these events are great fun for our members and their guests and I suggest you sign up early before they sell out!

So come out and appreciate what a fantastic course we have. Share it with your friends. Show your respect by practicing good etiquette- play without delay and keep up with the group ahead of you, fix your ball marks and others, use the mulch mix on the carts to fill in divots, rake the bunker after that great bunker shot and drive your carts in the rough or at 90 degrees. We hope to see you soon!

And may all your putts be one putts!

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# PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES For The One Month Ended February 2, 2014

				Re	venues					E	xpenses						П		
	N	fembers'										(Ca	ost)/Income				1	Budget	
OPERATION OF	As	sessments	User	Sak	es, Net of	Misce	llaneous		Total	II	Total		Before	Depreciation	(N	ET COST)	0	NET COST)	Variance
AMENITIES	Net o	of Discount	Fees	Cost	t of Sales	Inc	come	R	evenues	E	xpenses	D	epreciation	Expense	Ι	NCOME		INCOME	Bud - Act
Golf Course	s	-0-	\$ 76,579	s	1,043			\$	77,622	\$	110,680	\$	(33,058)		\$	(33,058)	\$	(38,028)	4,970
Restaurant & Bar	1	-0-	509		53,682				54,191	II	101,688		(47,497)			(47,497)	1	(52,459)	4,962
Marina	1	-0-	2,235						2,235	II	8,552		(6,317)			(6,317)	1	1,014	(7,331)
Snack Shack		-0-			1,292				1,292	II	3,679		(2,387)			(2,387)	1	(2,917)	530
Stables		-0-	4,204				200		4,404	II	15,911		(11,507)			(11,507)	1	(11,147)	(360)
Recreation		-0-	3,891						3,891	II	1,999		1,892			1,892	1	(6,175)	8,067
Roads & Facilities Maintenance		-0-	418				140		558		175,834		(175,276)			(175,276)		(143,961)	(31,315)
PROPERTY OWNER																			
SERVICES										II							1		
Safety	1	-0-	13,872				175		14,047	II	77,722		(63,675)			(63,675)	1	(80,330)	16,655
Administration		-0-	11,313				458		11,771		126,076		(114,305)			(114,305)		(104,984)	(9,321)
ASSESSMENTS																			
Assessments	1_	343,033					1,846		344,879	_	11,916		332,963	64,941		268,022		262,272	5,750
										II_									
Totals	\$	343,033	\$ 113,021	s	56,017	\$	2,819	\$	514,890	\$	634,057	\$	(119,167)	\$ 64,941	\$	(184,108)	\$	(176,715)	(7,393)

#### 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.
- The Association combined the Operating Fund and the Property and Equipment Fund into one fund effective May 1, 2001.

# DID YOU KNOW... YOU CAN NOW MAKE YOUR PML PAYMENTS ONLINE?

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Pay via your credit card —quick & easy!

# Fire Safety Update

#### **Fuel Reduction Program**

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

#### **Inspection Schedule:**

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

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

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

#### CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 1 Month Ended Feb. 2, 2014

	TOTAL	NEW CAPITAL	TOTAL
	RESERVE	ADDITIONS	CONTRIBUTION
	FUNDS	FUND	TO CAPITAL
2013 Beginning Fund Balances	2,243,037	\$ 19	2,243,056
Interest Income	235		235
Bank Fees/Discounts Taken	12		12
Assessments Earned	151,433 (1)	13,905 🖾	165,338
Other Income/Expense	107		107
PURCHASES BY AMENITY			
Golf Course			
Country Club			
Bar			
Marina	(116,161)	(5,457)	(121,618)
Snack Shack			
Swim Center			
Stables	(40,050)		(40,050)
Recreation	(1,070)		(1,070)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	(1,699)	(5,221)	(6,920)
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES			
Safety	(1,875)	(1,398)	(3,273)
Administration			
Non-Capital Reserve Expenses	(22,624)		(22,624)
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment			
additions and reserve expenses	(183,479)	(12,076)	(195,555)
Adjusted Fund Balances	\$ 2,211,345	\$ 1,848	\$ 2,213,193

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

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

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# **PMLA Money Matters**

BY KEN SPENCER, ASSOCIATION CONTROLLER

Just as has been the case for many years the Association has passed its recent independent financial audit with flying colors. In the process we received an unqualified opinion on our results for 2013. This means that all property owners can be sure that our "financial house" is in order and the results you see reflected in the annual report included with this issue of the PML news are complete and

Many of you have not had the "pleasure" of participating in an annual audit by a qualified CPA firm. I thought it would be informative to give you a little insight as to what is involved in this process and a peek behind the curtain so to speak.

Twice each year we are visited by our auditors as they go through the process of testing and verifying the validity of the financial information we present to all property owners. The initial visit (generally in November) consists of a thorough review of our internal control procedures. This entails them taking a look at how we handle cash, how we report sales data, and what is our procedure for approving and paying invoices. In addition they make sure that we have sufficient segregation of duties within the organization. This means for example that the same person who pays the bills does not reconcile the bank account.

These may seem like simple, common

sense types of things but you might be amazed by the number of organizations that do not take these simple precautions. This type of review is important because it gives them the confidence that we take our responsibilities seriously and have taken the necessary steps to reduce the potential for error. An internal control review is the cornerstone of the audit process because it is the basis for the underlying review of the individual transactions that make up our financial reporting process.

Also during this initial visit the auditors perform some transactional testing. During this phase of the audit the CPA's select a random, representative sample of many of our daily transactions including sales, purchasing, cash receipts and invoicing. These transactions are then tested to be sure we are following our own internal control procedures and that these items are being handled and reported properly.

The second and final visit occurs in late January after we have completed the recording of all related transactions for the year. During this visit the auditors perform additional transactional testing to confirm their earlier work. In addition they receive confirmation from our bank that the amounts we report correspond to the actual value of our accounts.

In addition they review the supporting

documentation that supports the balances being reported in the various accounts in our ledger. Finally they perform a variance analysis whereby they compare the account balances from prior years to look for unusual fluctuations that may require further review and explanation on our part.

Once all of these steps are completed the auditors are prepared to issue their opinion as to the material fairness of the financial statements that we report to all property owners. As I indicated earlier we are proud of the fact that PMLA has consistently received an unqualified opinion from our auditors.

By now I am sure you are either impressed with the thoroughness of this process or completely bored and confused. In either case I hope that this brief journey through our audit process has given you a greater level of comfort regarding our financial reporting and controls. Keep this in mind as you review the annual report included with this month's issue of the PML News.

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

# **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 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.

# **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 and click on the Important Information & Forms tab under the Resource Center title. Then click on Guest and Renters Handbook. This handbook has valuable information for Guests and Renters in Pine Mountain Lake.

# **PML Safety** Report

Jar	nuary	YTD
Guest Passes Issued	761	761
Vendor Passes Issued	122	122
Temporary Resident Passes Is	sued 67	67
Vehicles Admitted	8434	8434
Vehicles Refused Entry	154	154
Phone Calls Received	3831	3831
Residential Alarm	5	5
Animal - Loose	21	21
Animal - Impounded	6	6
Animal - Dead/Injured	25	25
Animal - Disturbance	5	5
Public Assist Misc.	14	14
Welfare Check	2	2
Transport	2	2
Traffic Hazard	2	2
Traffic Control	0	0
Gate - Tamper	0	0
Gate - Follow Through	1	1
Gate - Malfunction	3	3
Gate - Struck by Vehicle	3	3
Control Burn Reported	43	43
Fire Safety - Smoke Compl	aint 2	2
Residential Disturbance	3	3
Amenity Burglary	0	0
Residential Burglary	1	1
Grand Theft	0	0
Petty Theft	1	1
Trespassing	0	0
Vandalism	2	2
Property Damage - PML	2	2
Property Damage - Resider	nt 2	2
PML Regs Violations Reside	ent 2	2
PML Regs Violations Guest	0	0
Vehicle - Citation Issued	0	0
Vehicle - Accident PML	1	1
Patrolling Unit	604	604
Amenity Security Check	2518	2518
Residence Security Check	301	301
Monitoring Tennis Courts	1	1
Weapon Violation	0	0
Fixed Post	4	4
Courtesy Notice Issued	2	2
All Other Fees Collected	8,905.90	\$8,905.90

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# On the Lake: The Lake Never Sleeps

BY MIKE HORVATH, LAKE MANAGER/LIMNOLOGIST

Despite the fact that there aren't many people out on the Lake or the beaches right now, there is always something going on out there. In January I did a profile of the water quality from top to bottom to see if the lack of rainfall was having an effect on our Lake. We also had an engineer from the Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) come out to do their annual inspection, and on February 7th we did our annual exercise of the release gates.

With all of the warm weather we've been having, I expected the profile to show a little warming of the water near the surface, but I was wrong. I sometimes forget that the short days, cold nights, and low angle of the sun all contribute to keeping the lake pretty darn cool this time of year. The temperature at the top was about 44°F and at the bottom it was 43°F. The only thing out of the ordinary (besides the low elevation), was a new species of algae. The new species is one that can sometimes build up to problem levels. I suspect it is a result of the lack of refreshing inflows that help dilute the nutrients that rise to the surface when the lake "turns over" in the late Fall. And speaking of inflows, I kept watching the instrumentation on Big Creek hoping that our latest storm would bring some much needed water into the lake. While it was a significant storm, the dry ground soaked it all up before it made it to the creek. All in all, the lake only went up about 3 inches and the creek still isn't flowing.



The release gates on the PML dam running full open.

The DSOD inspection was all good. Ever since taking a geology course that spent a lot of time discussing dam failures, I really appreciate the observations and advice that the experts have to offer. They did point out a couple of areas where trees and brush should be cleared to prevent their roots from causing problems with the spillway. And, they always remind us to watch the downstream slope of the dam

for any lush growth that might indicate water seeping through the clay core of the dam. Those observations, along with the daily readings of our weir systems that measure seepage, are all good indicators that the dam is 100% safe and everyone on Cottonwood can sleep peacefully.

The annual exercise of the twin, 48" release gates went flawlessly. As a matter of fact, the opening and closing of each

valve went so quickly that the lake level only dropped half an inch and we were completely finished in less than an hour. For the past couple of years it took almost an hour just to open and close one gate. We all had suspicions that the pump mechanism or controls were getting beyond their useful life, so maintenance arranged to have the entire control system replaced over the summer. And did it ever pay off! Each gate only took ten minutes to fully open and return to the completely closed position. In the past, the lake could drop almost 6 inches during the exercise. I would try to dazzle you with some of my "fuzzy math" and put a price on the amount of water we saved, but at this point, I think we can all appreciate the value of any saved water.

And that's how I'll end it. We need to save water this year. GCSD and the folks at Hetch Hetchy originally asked us to voluntarily cut our use by 10%. I believe that has now been raised to 20%. So, I'll end with my usual SPLASH... and hope that it isn't the sound of wasted water splashing on your driveway or going down the drain as you brush your teeth. We would all rather hear the SPLASH of water coming from the clouds. Keep up the dance folks!

# ALL PMLA HOMEOWNERS EMAIL OPT-IN PROGRAM

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

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

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

**Reduced Clutter** – By receiving documents via email there is less paper

for you to deal with. All documents can be saved on your computer and viewed at your discretion.

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

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

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

Please read the Terms & Conditions for the email opt-in program on the website, www. pinemountainlake.com under the Resource Center Header > Important Information & Forms > Forms > Opt-In Email Program.

Mail form below to:		
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YES, I want to enroll in PMLA's email statement and

document service. I acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions set forth above as a condition for participation in this service.								
PMLA Account Number:	Unit/Lot #:							
Name:	Phone #:							
Address:								
Email Address:								
Signature:								

## **BOARD ACTION(S) VOTING RECORD**

February 15, 2014 Board Meeting – Agenda Items  SHOULD THE BOARD			d Mem	bers*		COMMENTS	
			MG	DC	BS		COSTS
approve the minutes of the January 18, 2014 Board Meeting?	Υ	M	S	Υ	Y	A.I.F.	
approve Pre-Liens on properties with delinquent assessments?	Y	Y	M	S	Y	A.I.F.	
adopt resolution #14.01 – Censure of Director?	Y	S	M	Y	0		
$M = Motion \mid S = Second \mid A = Abstained \mid A.I.F. = All In Favor \mid o = No$	Vote						
* IM=IanMorcott   JD=Jerry Dickson   MG=Mike G	Sustafs	on   [	C=Da	ına Ch	avarri	ia   BS=Brian Sweeney   /=Absent	

MINORITY VOTES HIGHLIGHTED

#### Rim Fire - What Have We Learned?

BY KEN CODEGLIA, FIRE ABATEMENT TEAM, PML LRPC

The Rim Fire really scared us. It was a close call, to say the least. In the months since, all of us involved in fire safety have been asking the question, "what have we learned?"

During the height of the fire, we had fire fighters from all over the west come to Pine Mountain Lake and assess the neighborhoods for structure protection. They were planning for how they would attempt to protect our homes should the fire roll into PML.

For me, I had half dozen fire fighters from Bakersfield on my deck. They complimented all of us on the work we had done, as property owners, clearing our lots, reducing fuels, and generally reducing the threat of fire. But they still felt there was too much fuel surrounding our homes, and that each property owner would do well to see what additional bushes and trees could be removed to lower our risk.

Looking at the green belt that borders my property, they felt that even though we had done good work with our 5 year mastication project, removing brush and smaller trees, there were still too many larger trees and that they were spaced too tight, and that's a formula for a crown fire.

With that news, the Fire Abatement Team at PML decided to resurrect a long standing objective to asses our need for a timbering operation. A timbering operation is where we invite a logging company to come in and cut down and remove trees from our greenbelt. PML has done several of these in the past, and we're looking to do it again.

But it's not like we can just make a phone call, order the service and it gets done. First of all, we want to design a plan to make sure that we understand how many trees need to be removed, and from where, so that our work provides the fire threat reduction we seek. Second, we want the operation to be environmentally friendly, and impact the ecology in the greenbelt as little as possible. Next, we need to understand the costs. Costs could range from having to pay a logger to do the work, all the way to getting check, because the timber removed from our greenbelts can be sold to a local sawmill.

To make sure we do this right, the PML Board has budgeted funds to allow our Registered Professional Forester to create in 2014 a timber operation plan, to be (potentially) executed in 2015. Planning involves surveying our greenbelts to:

- Decide which trees should be removed to maximize our threat reduction.
- Design an environmentally protective approach to the operation.
- Comply with all agency laws and regulations.
- Attempt to predict if PML will have to fund this project, or enjoy receiving a check.

We have begun this design process and have targeted our most heavily forested greenbelts:

- Treatment Area 3: 85 acres-bordered by Unit 8 on the west and Unit 13 to the East.
- Treatment Area 1: 81 acres- bordered by Unit 10 to the North.
- Treatment Area 5: 71 acres- bordered by Unit 6 to the North, Unit 5 to the South and the dam.
- Treatment Area 4: 53 acres- Northwest of Ferretti Road, near Unit 7.

Our next steps are to bring in interested logging companies to tour the targeted areas to get a sense of their needs and costs.

That will happen later this year.

For the budgeting exercise that happens in November, we will present to the Board our plan and the results of our cost analysis. The Board will then decide if this new fuel reduction effort is something we want to pursue.

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In wrapping up, I would say I've learned that the only way we have any chance of controlling the outcome of fire is to do our homework in advance. That means removing fuels each year, so we're lucky to have Dennis Pipal running these new mid-year inspections so property owners can learn what improvements can be made as we get ready for the approaching spring and summer. With the work we do on our properties, and the work PML does in the greenbelts, I know we will worry less about losing our homes the next time fire approaches. And it will. And yeah, the guys from Bakersfield will be happy too.

#### LET US KNOW YOUR THOUGHTS

As usual, we need your feedback, ideas, comments, questions and suggestions. Feel free to contact Dennis Pipal at communitystandards@pinemountainlake.com.

# Pine Mountain Lake Marina Store/Lakeside Café

#### Good News. **Bad News**

The bad news is that we had no rain in January. The good news is that we had great weather for our construction project. The Marina Store/Café looks beautiful. The Siding is up, the roof is almost done, the windows and the storefront doors are in. Now that

we are weather proofed our carpenters, electricians and plumbers are working hard on the inside. Due to the busy construction



site the boat ramp is closed for now. Please check with Department of Safety by calling 962-8615 or \*81 from the Marina ask that all Property Owners respect our



payphones and they will let you know if the boat ramp is open. And once again we



job site at all times. Thank you in advance and please come enjoy your new building this coming season.

#### VERBIAGE FOR RESOLUTION AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION # 11.01

The following is a proposed amendment to Board Resolution # 11.01, PMLA Shooting Range Policies and Procedures. The purpose of the amendment is to allow the use of additional caliber weapons.

The effect of the amendment impacts the types of weapons that may be used at the Shooting Range. The main effect and change in this draft is the definition of the type of allowable weapons. The amendment allows the use of any gun that is legal in the State of California. This draft was discussed at the January 18, 2014 monthly Board meeting. This published draft will also be discussed and considered for adoption at the April monthly Board meeting at the PML Lake Lodge. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. and all PMLA members are welcome to attend.

Resolution # 11.01 Adopted: May 21, 2011

Amended: November 10, 2012 Amended: June 15, 2013 **Amended: XX/XX/XX** 

#### PMLA SHOOTING RANGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 6 of the CC&R's gives the Board of Directors the powers and duties necessary to conduct the affairs of the Association and to make such rules and policies as the directors deem in the best interest of the Association; and

WHEREAS, for the safety, welfare and consideration of all residents, the Board wishes to establish Shooting Range policies and procedures so that the PMLA Shooting Range is used and managed in a legal, safe, and effective manner;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached policies and procedures referred to as "Exhibit A" are adopted by the Board of Directors effective May 21, 2011**as amended on XX/XX/XX.** 

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Dickson Mike Gustafson, Secretary

#### EXHIBIT "A"

## PMLA SHOOTING RANGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Adopted 5.21.11 Amended: XX/XX/XX

#### PMLA SHOOTING RANGE

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

#### **OPERATIONAL AUTHORITY**

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

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

#### RANGE SAFETY OFFICERS

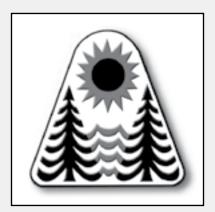
The Association may solicit volunteer assistance from the PMLA Shooting Club to provide members that have Range Safety Officer certification as defined by the NRA or other sanctioned training agencies. A certified Range Safety Officer will be present at all times that the Shooting Range is in operation.

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

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

#### **RULE VIOLATIONS**

Should the General Manager or designated PMLA management be made aware of any violation of the established Shooting Range rules, policies and procedures, they may close the range and convene a meeting with the Shooting Club officers and/or onsite Range Safety Officer as applicable to review the rules violations. The Shooting Range will



remain closed until the General Manager or designated PMLA management is satisfied that the approved rules are being applied properly. Multiple rules violations could result in the Shooting Range being closed for an extended period of time.

#### RANGE SCHEDULE

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

#### **RANGE ACCESS**

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

The range will be available to any PMLA resident in good standing in accordance with the current fee schedule. All shooting Range users must show documentation of completion of a certified hunter safety course, authorized NRA-sponsored gun safety course, or other authorized gun safety course as determined by the PML General Manager.

Those members using the range will be responsible for providing their own ammunition, paper targets and cleaning up after themselves when they are done. PMLA members that wish to use the range should call the Administration Office or Main Gate Department of Safety to determine if the range is open prior to driving to the range. A locked gate will control access to the range. The road to the range may be closed due to weather and road conditions.

#### RANGE USE FEE

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

#### AGE MINIMUM

The minimum age to use the Shooting Range is 12 years, with a parent or legal guardian present at all times. Shooting Range user's ages 12 years to 17 years old must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times. The parent or guardian is responsible for the actions of the child or young adult while at the Shooting Range.

#### **AUTHORIZED WEAPONS**

PMLA strictly controls the types and calibers of weapons that may be fired at the Shooting Range. Types and calibers of weapons .45 ACP and smaller are authorized to be used at the range. No rifles other than .22 caliber are allowed.

No magnum loads are authorized to be used at the range.

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

#### Any gun that is legal in the State of California may be used at the shooting range.

#### ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION

Alcohol is not allowed at the PMLA Shooting Range. No persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs may use the range.

Resolution # 11.01 Amended: June 15, 2013

# ADDENDUM TO RESOLUTION 11.01 PMLA SHOOTING RANGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors, after reviewing the results of the 3-month noise testing of different caliber weapons, has determined to amend that resolution by resolving to add the following as authorized weapons for use at the PMLA Shooting Range:

Pistols	Shotguns	Rifles
<del>.22 Mag</del>	12 Gauge	.22
.451 ball black powder	.410	.38 Spl
	20 Gauge	.357 Mag
		<del>7.62 × 39</del>
		.223
		.30-30
Respectfully Submitted,		
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Jerry Dickson, Secretary

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# Horsing Around at the Stables

BY LESTER SCOFIELD, STABLES MANAGER

As you read this, we have had some rain so I hope the pastures turn green. It's nice to have some wet ground around here instead of dust. When we do get rain it stops us from doing trail rides due to slippery trails so give us a call to see if we can help you. It usually takes a few days of sunshine to dry out the trails to make them safe to ride on.

Even though we did have some rain we still have to be cautious about the water that we use. Here at the stables we use well water for the horses that are in the turn outs and GCSD water in the main barn. All of our outside watering is done with well water. We use only what we need to keep things healthy around the stables.

All of the horse water troughs are set up with automatic floats so there is no waste and the horses always have good clean drinking water.

With the drought that we are still faced with likely means that the valley crops will cost all of us more money. One of the things that might affect us here is the cost of hay. We purchase most of our hay once a year when it is first cut in the fall of the year. The hay broker that we use has his own river bottom land here in the valley along with his own water wells for irrigation so hopefully the hay prices won't get out of hand for us. Most people can expect to pay a lot more for their hay if the drought continues. One of the problems with a high cost of hay and feed for horses is that some people can

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no longer afford to feed their horses. This causes a problem with horses being turned lose or put onto other people's property without their permission. I sure hope this does not happen.

Now onto some good news, we have made a decision on a local contractor to build a new tack room here at the stables. If the weather cooperates, it will be completed by spring. The old tack room has outlived its usefulness and construction of its replacement will be done with reserve monies. The building will keep with the western theme that is now present here at the stables.

In addition, we have ordered a new truck that will allow us to haul the horse manure to the PML compost site.

This truck should last at least 29 years here at the stables. Also we will be putting in an ADA compliant unisex restroom in the barn.



# **GOT YOUR PIN?**

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

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# Spring Time at The Grill

BY JAY REIS, THE GRILL MANAGER



It is spring time at the Grill. March 20th is officially the first day of spring. Daylight savings time is on March 9th, so we get one hour more of light in the evenings. At the Grill we will be

having a Mardi Gras celebration with some Cajun music by the BluesBox Bayou Band to go along with Chef Carrie's wonderful Cajun themed dinner specials on Saturday March 8th. St Paddy's day falls this year on a Monday so Chef Carrie will be preparing her corned beef and cabbage dinner special on the weekend before, Friday March 14 and Saturday the 15th.

Now is a great time to start planning those special events. Whether you are having a family reunion, golf tournament, birthday or anniversary, call our Hospitality Coordinator, Bambi Johnson to set up an appointment at 209-962-8638 or email her at cluboffice@pinemountainlake.com.

This month we will be hosting a wine tasting dinner featuring wines from the BNA wine group. Headquartered in Nashville (hence the name BNA, it is the airport code for the Nashville international airport) with an office in St Helena, the wine maker, Tony Leonardini uses grapes from all over California. They have created some excellent wines that you will enjoy tasting. With some pie themed names like Shortcake (a Zinfandel) and Humble Pie (Cabernet Sauvignon) and other creative names like The Rule and Volunteer (Cabernet blends) just to name a few. I found their Butternut (chardonnay) to be sweet and oaky and the Band Wagon Chardonnay to be fruity. So no matter what your taste in wines they have something for everyone. I think you will enjoy tasting their wines with Chef Carrie's maple and mustard braised Cornish Game Hens roasted with leek and baby carrot. Call now for reservations.

I found these wines at a recent trade show that I attended. If you have a favorite winery or microbrew (we just recently had Sam Adams) that you would be interested in tasting at a future event just send me an email at clubmgr@pinemountainlake.com and I will be glad to contact them to see if they would be interested in coming up to do a tasting.

#### **GOT RESERVATIONS?**

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

## **ECC News**

BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

The Environmental Control Committee (ECC) is composed of five volunteer property owners who work for donuts and coffee! Field inspections are made every Tuesday. These inspections are generated by information submitted to Sandy in the ECC office. The Committee meets every other Thursday to review the submitted items. Gene Stone is the ECC inspector who has a background as a building inspector for the City of San Jose.

ECC complaints or suspected violations must be submitted to the ECC in writing; forms are available in the Administration Office and on-line at www.PineMountainLake. com. The Department of Safety and the Community Standards Director, Dennis Pipal, patrol the 52 miles of roads daily. If violations are noted, they are brought to the attention of Joe Powell, PML General Manager, who then turns the appropriate matters over to ECC.

Some of the items under the review of ECC are access easements, all construction, erosion, fences, exterior paint, exterior lights, zoning compliance, retaining walls, etc. Again, all concerns must be submitted in writing to ECC at ecc@pinemountainlake. com or on forms available on-line or in the PML Administration office.

# Renting Your PML Property? BY RENEE STRMISKA, RENTAL COORDINATOR

In order to keep our community safe and secure, we require all renters to register with the PML Administration Office. The Property Owner must pay the Renter Registration Fee in the amount stated on the current fee schedule and provide the Association with a signed copy of the lease or rental agreement. You must notify your tenant to bring a copy of the lease or rental agreement to the Administration Office so they can register and obtain the proper access cards. The registration process takes approximately fifteen minutes. If your tenants move, please contact the Administration Office so we can update our records.

Owners who rent their homes will be contacted twice a year to verify the rental status has not changed. Renters who have changed residences but still reside within PML must re-register with the new lease or rental agreement.

If you have any questions regarding our Rental Registration policies or procedures please contact the Administration Office at (209)962-8600 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, or send an email to admin@pinemountainlake.com.



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## PAINT DISCOUNT PROGRAM

Kelly-Moore Paint Company has been serving Pine Mountain Lake for 40 years. They want to remind PML property owners of the discount program that has been established for them. This program offers a generous discount on Kelly-Moore paint and accessories such as rollers, brushes, tape, caulk, etc. Delivery is available on orders of 10 gallons or more. This special discount opportunity is available with proof of Pine Mountain Lake membership (Member ID Card) on a cash or credit/debit card basis only (no checks please).

Although this program was initiated through the Sonora store, it will be honored at any Kelly-Moore Paint Company store.

If you are interested in this discount program, please call your local Kelly-Moore Paint store for details.

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

#### Vehicle use:

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

#### **Personal Conduct:**

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

#### **Work Related Conduct**

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

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

# BEFORE YOU BEGIN CONSTRUCTION ON YOUR LOT

The Declaration of Restrictions (CC&Rs) states that no construction of any type (new construction, driveways, grading, lot clearing, etc.) can be performed without prior approval from the Environmental Control Committee (ECC).

Failure to obtain approval could result in the stoppage of work or even fines, and nobody wants that to happen.

Inspections are made every Tuesday and reviewed by the Committee every other Thursday, so we can accommodate our members.

Please contact ECC before you begin any type of construction at 209-962-8605.

# PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION JOB FAIR

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## **PML Men's Niners**

BY STEVE SENGSTROM

As I write this, it has been raining over the last two days and hopefully it will continue for the rest of today. As I am sure you are aware, the course can really use a good soaking even if it means that most of us wouldn't play in the rain. One correction from last month's article, our 3 Club game will still be played this year. Please see the attached schedule of games for the following year.

Our game winners from January were:

#### 1/1 - 3 Blind Mice

Tie for 1st: Walt Bales and Bob Haliwell

Tie for 3rd: Jack Leethem and John Cress

#### 1/8 4 Man, 2 Best Ball

First: Roger Petersen, Danny Ayala, Larry Fuller and Dick Eckman

Tie for 2nd: Walt Bales, John Cress, Lloyd Case, John Klink

Jack Leethem, Malcolm Brown, Bob Bangs and Rich Robenseifner

#### 1/15 Low Net

First: Jack Leethem

Tie for 2nd: Bob Oakley, Bob Bangs and Dick Eckman

#### 1/22 Yellow Ball

First: Rich Robenseifner, John Cress, Malcolm Brown and Dick Eckman

Second: Bob Oakley, Roger Petersen, and John Klink

Third: Larry Fuller, Walt Bales, Jack Leethem and Lloyd Case

#### 1/29 Green Tees

First: John Cress

Tie for 2nd: Roger Petersen, Bob Houser

Fourth: Jack Leethem

If you are new or returning to golf and don't want to play 18 holes, you are invited to join the Men's Nine Hole Golf Club.

- Play every Wednesday.
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- Walk or ride, it is still "a walk in the park."
- Annual Championship Tournament

Membership is \$25 per year and applications are available at http://pmlm9h.webs.com.

#### PML Men's Nine Hole Golf Club Preliminary Schedule for 2014

JANUARY		FEBRUAR	Υ
1	Three blind mice	5	Four man two best ball
8	Four man two best ball	12	Two man scramble
15	Low Net	19	Tee to green
22	Yellow Ball	26	Three blind mice
29	Green tee		
MARCH		APRIL	
5	Red, White, Blue	2	One two three
12	Par Three	9	Low net plus putts
19	Four club	16	Two man best ball
26	Four man one best ball	23	Yellow Ball
		30	Four man one best ball
MAY			
7	Low Net	JUNE	
14	Red, White, Blue	4	Tee to green
21	Two man scramble	11	Four man two best ball
28	Four man two best ball	18	Three blind mice
		25	Green tee
JULY			
2	Par Three	AUGUST	•
9	Two Man Scramble	6	Four man two best ball
16	Four man two best ball	13	Four club
***19	9er's Social Tournament	20	One two three
30	Low Net	27	Low net plus putts
SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	l .
3	One two three	1	Two man scramble
10	FALL TOURNEY FRONT NINE	8	Yellow Ball
**12	FALL TOURNEY BACK NINE	15	Par Three
17	Two man best ball	22	Red, White, Blue
24	Odd Holes	29	Four man two best ball
NOVEMBER		DECEMBE	
NOVEMBER	I	DECEMBE 3	
5	Low net plus putts	10	Yellow Ball
12	Even Holes		Four man two best ball
19	M9H Annual Meeting	17	One two three
	Followed by 4 man 2 Best Ball	24	Two man scramble
26	Four man one best ball	*30	Low Net
	* Tuesday		
	** Friday		
	*** Saturday		

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Men's 9-Hole Golf Club 962-4799 Bob Oakley

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**Needle Crafts** 962-5727 Lee Isbell

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# **PML Ladies Golf Club Events**

BY SARA HANCOCK

As the Union Democrat put it, we experienced Junuary this month. However, January decided to return on the 30th with some much needed rain and with temperatures dropping low enough to remind us that it is still winter. We did enjoy 4 play days with beautiful weather.

#### January 2nd Point Bogey

Flight A – 1st Place, Kitty Edgerton, 38 points; 2nd Place, Linda Johnson, 36 points; 3rd Place, Marilyn Scott, 32 points.

Flight B – 1st Place, Linda Wall, 37 points; 2nd Place, Helena McMillan, 31 points; 3rd Place, Mona Tompkins and Yvonne Mattocks, 30 points.

Flight C – 1st Place, Kathie Wood, 42 points; 2nd Place, Lynne Dust, 39 points; 3rd Place, Kay Bettencourt, 35 points.

Flight D – 1st Place, Corky Graham, 44 points!; 2nd place, Alma Frawley, 38 points; 3rd place, Jane Reynolds, 32 points.

Birdies: Corky Graham #17 and Barbara Connelly #6.

#### **January 9th Blind Partners**

1st Place, Mona Tompkins and Kathie Wood, 138; 2nd Place, Paula Vautier and Janice Mussatto, 142; 3rd Place, Kay Bettencourt and Blind Draw, 143; 4th Place (Tie), Ann Hankin and Alma Frawley; Thelma Faux and Kitty Edgerton; Jane Reynolds and Blind Draw, 146.

Birdies: Sara Hancock #10, Marjorie Rich #10, Jane Reynolds #17 and Paula Vautier #6.

# January 16th One Best Ball/ One Best Putt

1st Place, Kitty Edgerton, Thelma Faux, Helena McMillan and Marjorie Rich, 83; 2nd Place, Marcee Cress, Alma Frawley and 2 Blind Draws, 86; 3rd Place, Jodie Awai, Kay Bettencourt, Sara Hancock and Yvonne Mattocks, 87; 4th Place, Jenny Dwaileebe, Janice Mussatto, Patty Peebles and Sue Perry, 88. Birdies: Marjorie Rich #1.

#### January 23rd Individual Bingo

1st Place with the maximum 13 bingos, Janice Mussatto, Paula Vautier, Kathy Egan, Eleanor Ellis/Murphy, Lynne Dust and Ann Hankin. 2nd Place with 11 Bingos, Kitty Edgerton, Mona Tompkins and Sandy DeRodeff; 3rd Place with 10 Bingos, Sue Perry and Alma Frawley.

Birdies: Marcee Cress #6, Mona Tompkins #17 and Paula Vautier #9.

Our next General Meeting will be Thursday, March 6th at 9:30. You will receive your Pine Tree Invitational invitations at this meeting. Marcee Cress and her committee are working hard planning another great Invitational. See you on the course.

# FREE TENNIS

The PML Racquet Club and PMLA are offering a one-month free tennis pass to property owners who would like to get started playing tennis.

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For more information call Rick Gratian at 499-1001.

# PML Men's Golf Club

BY GUS ALLEGRI

The PML Men's Club started its 2014 season playing in beautiful springtime conditions. An interesting 4-club event was selected. This type of game provides the golfer an opportunity to improvise, think out of the box, and in the process learn valuable techniques. The results are as follows.

#### **Gold Flight**

- 1. Dan Davenport 70
- 2. Glen Awai 71
- 3. Tony Murphy 73
- 4. Michael Guess 75
- 5. Pat Hennigan 76
- 6. Dana Soloman 777. Jerry Dickson 77

#### Purple/Green Flight

- 1. Joe Vautier 69
- 2. Larry Fuller 69
- 3. Rick Higgs 70
- 4. Bob Stock 72
- 5. John Baker 74
- 6. Steve Burk 74

# **PML Lady Niners**

BY SHARON KENYON

The New Year was initiated with enthusiasm & lots of fun planned throughout 2014.

Our first meeting was a breakfast hosted by Karen Dickson—many thanks to all who provided the tasty fare. 2014 Roster & Calendars were provided by Linelle Marshall—our thanks to her. Several awards were given out by Pat Van Gerpen, Tournament Chair.

FAYE BUCKLEY (pictured at right), was awarded ACE-of-ACES for 2013.

Jan. 2 was a beautiful warm day enticing 11 ladies to "Low Net" competition.

Pat Van Gerpen took 1st place with low net 33; Carrie Carter, Mary Houser & Judy Michaelis tied for 2nd place at net 37; and, Darlene Hoagland & Flo Jansen tied for 3rd with net 39. Mary bagged a par on #17.

Jan. 9 brought out 12 players for "Low Net". These ladies are real sluggers as demonstrated by all the PARS. Faye Buckley won 1st place with net 32; Sarah Zimmerman net 33; Nancy Whitefield net 36; Marilyn Alexander & Marilyn Hathaway tied 4th with 37; and, Mary Houser & Linelle Marshall netted 39. Pars: #13 Sarah; #14 Marilyn A., Marilyn H., & Geralyn Dielman; #16 Linelle; #17 Linelle & Faye.

Jan. 16 was perfect weather and 19 ladies really strutted their stuff for "Putts Day". Pat VG won 1st place with 17 putts; Mary H took 2nd with 18 putts; 5-way tie for 3rd Faye B, Flo J, Marilyn H, Anne Toner, & Linelle all had 19 putts; and Stacie Brown came in 4th with 20 putts. Stacie, Faye, and Marilyn H had low-net tie=33.

Jan. 23 we played the front nine, which provides quite a challenge since we usually play the back. The game was "Cry Baby"



2013 Ace-of-Aces, Faye Buckley

allowing three worst holes to be deducted. Carrie Carter scored a beautiful gross 50/net 34/game 28, winning 1st place all around; 2nd Pat Van Gerpen; 3rd Anne Toner; 4th June Moore; 5th Sarah Zimmerman; and, tied for 6th Stacie Brown, Flo Jansen, Nancy Whitefield. Trudy Reid, a new member, dazzled us with a chip-in on #4. Linda Craig made a very smooth par on #2. What an outstanding day!

Jan. 30 play was rained out.

Niners will be hosting our INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT on Sept. 18.

Women members of PMLA interested in playing as a guest should contact Stacie Brown, or any officer of the PML Niners. New member forms are at the Pro Shop, or contact Nancy Whitefield, Co-Captain.

# **PML Shooting Club News**

BY CAROL SIMPSON

After several days of welcome rain, we've had some gorgeous sunny winter days at our PML Shooting Range. We are truly fortunate to have such a beautiful place out in the woods to shoot. The Club has now completed our sound level study at the range and reported the results to the PMLA Board. Thanks to the distance of the range from the rest of our community, as well as the ridges, trees, and other sound-blocking or absorbing features, shots fired at the range are mostly inaudible to barely audible within PML. Shots can be detected from some locations but are far below the sound level of passing cars and trucks, even of pedestrians conversing or swimmers at the pool. As spring arrives, we plan to again sponsor shooting classes for PML Residents such as the CCW class and the very popular

Women & Handguns class, taught by local firearms instructors.

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

# Garden Club Clippings BY JOYCE SMITH

Hello all! How are your plants doing? Thank goodness we don't have a lawn or excessive landscaping to water. It's that time of year when everything is already looking sad. Hopefully everyone is being careful with water both in and outside their homes.

We started our new year with an interesting program presented by Merry and daughter Karen, owners of Merry's Flowers and Gifts, a new business on Main St. in downtown Groveland. This is Merry's second flower shop here and you will remember her from her first business.

I hope you will stop in and tell them how much you enjoyed their presentation at Garden Club. Their shop is lovely. Thanks ladies for coming.

In addition to their presentation, Garden Club provided the makings for a small bouquet for each of us to take home for Valentine's Day.

Coming Up: Circle June 9th on your calendar. That is the date for our Tour of Gardens and Luncheon. This is always a popular event and will have a limited number of tickets. If you are interested in setting a table or want to help in some way, Call Chairperson Linda Flores 962-0824. Also, Linda has some new ideas for the Jail Garden. She said everyone will want to see it this summer. If you want to help at the Jail, (this means working, cleaning, weeding, planting, etc.), let her know. Her 'Jail Time' is usually done in mornings. Remember, this is our project and one we love maintaining.

Watch for your Newsletter for what is happening in April.

See you at the Lake Lodge.

## Lakers RV Club

BY MADDIE SOUSA, SECRETARY

For our January meeting the Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club met at Two Guys Pizza for a short meeting, a lot of pizza, a good amount of "Go 49ers" and then the ultimate loss! Oh no, well there's always next year.

We presented our 2014 tentative schedule, asked for volunteer hosts for some of our events and any input on the proposed schedule. Lou Riggs and Paul & Jane Sperry cheerfully volunteered for a couple of spots.

#### Our tentative schedule for 2014:

Feb. 9th at the Lake Lodge (5:30 PM) Valentine's Pot Luck

Mar. 16th at the Lake Lodge (5:30 PM) Pot Luck

Apr. 8-11th French Camp RV Park

May 27-30th Angel's Camp

June (OPEN) Smithwood OR Paradise Point in Bridgeport

July 6th BBQ Pot Luck at Ned & Pat's (Boat Rides)

Aug. 12th Bodega Bay OR Pelican Point Half Moon Bay

Sep. 4-8 Jackson Rancheria

Oct. 19th Pot Luck at the Lake Lodge

Nov. 16th Pot Luck at the Lake Lodge

Dec. 14 Holiday Dinner at Restaurant

Our February meeting will be a Valentine's Pot Luck at the Lake Lodge on Feb. 9th. at 5:30 PM.

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.

# **Quilters Corner**

Tuesday the 18th will be the March Pine Needlers Quilt Guild meeting, 6 o'clock under the library. Our program will be a trunk show provided by Shirley Herrera. Shirley teaches at the Quilters Cabin in Oakdale. She will also be teaching a class on a tri color table runner.

The guilds ongoing community outreach program is doing well. Last month we took 14 little quilts to CNVC in Sonora. They are always much appreciated. A very big thank you to all those who made this possible. On Thursday the 20th of March we will have our Block Party, at Deanas, to continue making them. If you wish to help with this project give me a call at 962-4950. Being a member of the guild is not necessary.

Have you heard of the 1600 inch quilt? It is something to think about. Check out 1600inchquilt.com. We have some strips available if you need a few.

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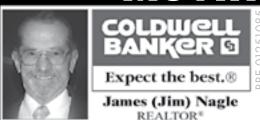
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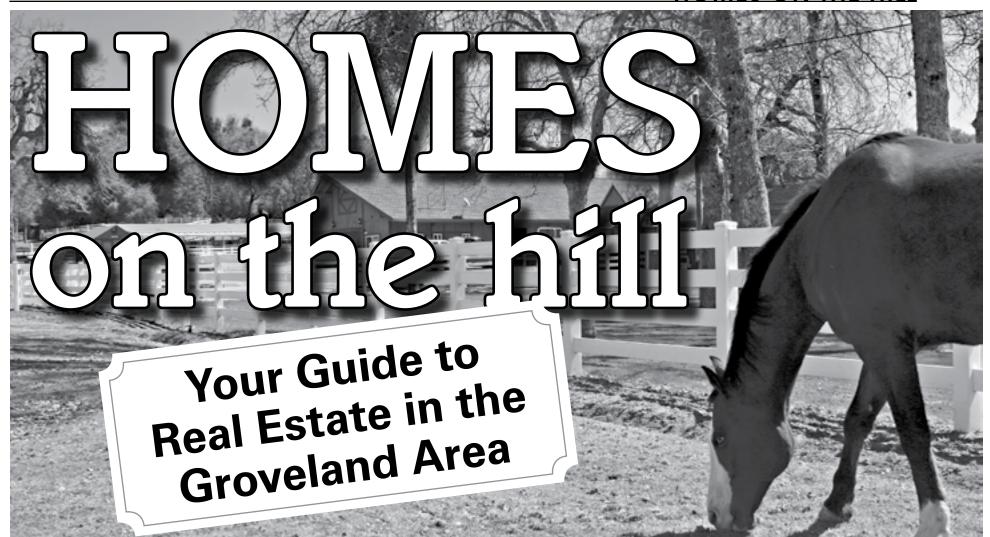
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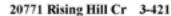
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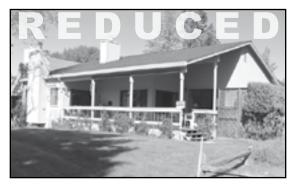


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# MARCH EVENTS CALENDAR



First Wednesday
Bird Walk
March 5



Mardi Gras Masquerade Party & Music March 8



Wine Tasting Dinner Buffet March 20



Soroptimist International Family Wellness Faire March 25

3-5

WEDNESDAY @ GCSD PARKING

#### FIRST WEDNESDAY BIRD WALK

Led by Jeanne Ridgley. 136 species of birds have been seen since Nov. 2007. 24 species were seen on the Feb 4 Bird Walk. Meet in the GCSD parking lot at 8AM. Bring binoculars and a birding field guide if you have one. Rain will cancel trip. Lasts about 2-3 hrs. If you have any questions, call Jeanne at 962-7598.

3-8

SATURDAY @ THE GRUU

# MARDI GRAS MASQUERADE PARTY & MUSIC

Featuring music of the BluesBox Bayou Band. Your favorite menu items and Cajun dinner specials. No cover charge. Come enjoy this amazingly fun evening of great food and great music. Music starts at 7PM. Call The Grill for more information and reservations at 209-962-8638. 3-8

SATURDAY @ COLUMBIA COLL

#### **BACK TO NATURE FILM FESTIVAL**

The ITSA Film Festival and Columbia College Forestry & Natural Resources Club are teaming up to present this one day festival of films about nature. Tickets are by donation. The festival runs from 3 until 10 PM. Go to www.ITSAFilmFestival.com for more details.

3-20

HIIPSDAV @ THE CRILL

#### **WINE TASTING DINNER BUFFET**

Featuring the wines from Youngs Market and the BNA Wine Group. Maple & Mustard Braised Cornish Game Hens and vegetables for dinner and Caramel Apple Pie ala Mode for dessert. \$23 per person plus tax. Call The Grill for reservations at 209-962-8638. Wines available at discounted prices this night only.

3-20

THURSDAY @ COLUMBIA COLL.

# BENEFIT PERFORMANCE FOR HUMANE SOCIETY OF T.C.

Footlight Theatre Company is presenting *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, the Musical,* at 7PM at Columbia College Dogwood Theatre. All proceeds from this performance benefit the shelter animals. For more information please call the HSOTC at 209-984-5489.

3-22

SATURDAY @ GROVELAND HOTEL

#### **GIANELLI WINEMAKER DINNER**

An evening of delicious food and fun learning what's new at Gianelli Vineyards. Tickets are \$65 per person, including wines tasted. Taxes and gratuities are add'l. Reservations are first come, first served. Phone us at: 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314 Send email to: guestservices@groveland.com.

3-25

TUESDAY @ 8AM - NOON

# SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL FAMILY WELLNESS FAIRE

Free screening for bone density, hearing, vision, blood pressure, diabetes, and chiropractic. \$25 blood chemistry panel. 8am – noon in the Tenaya Elementary School gymnasium. (For those having blood drawn, please fast after 9PM. Water only.)

3-27

THURSDAY @ 6:30AM - 5:00PM

#### **OPEN HOUSE AT CURVES**

18687 Main Street in Mtn Leisure Center. Come meet the staff, healthy snacks will be served. Come in and see the equipment and learn more about Curves programs. For more info 962-4908 or email curvesgroveland@att.net or curves. com to make an appointment for a no obligation consultation.

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Friday, March 7
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Saturday, March 8
BLUESBOX BAYOU BAND

Saturday, March 15
THE ESP BAND

Saturday, March 22 ROCKSLIDE

Saturday, March 29 STONECOLD

NO COVER CHARGE MUSIC BEGINS @ 8PM

#### **COMING IN APRIL**

Sunday, April 6th
SOROPTIMIST
INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL
CHINESE AUCTION AND
DINNER

At the PML Grill. Tickets are \$35 per person. Save the date now. More information will be provided in next month's issue of the paper.

Saturday, April 12th

COMEDY NIGHT AT THE GRILL

Dinner and show begins at 5PM Featuring the comedy of Ritch Shydner. Enjoy a menu of Top Sirloin with Garlic Mushrooms and Brandy Peppercorn Sauce, vegetables and Fresh Baked Rolls. Strawberry Shortcake for dessert. Tickets are \$50 per person inclusive. Call the Grill for reservations at 209-962-8638.

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# From Your Tuolumne County **District Supervisor**JOHN GRAY, TUOLUMNE COUNTY 4TH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR

In this article I would like to address a couple of matters that came before the Board of Supervisors last month and make your aware of a recently formed coalition with a focus on the young people in our communities.

The first topic concerns the medical marijuana ordinance. At the February 4, 2014 meeting the Board chose to table the ordinance until after the November Election. It is anticipated that there may be a ballot measure asking the voters of California to legalize recreational use of marijuana. The Board, by consensus, determined that putting an ordinance in place at this time was not in the best interest of the public. Tuolumne County has moved cautiously in the area of regulating activities related to marijuana accessed as a result of the Compassionate Use Act. As District Attorney, Mike Knowles stated in a letter to the Board of Supervisors, "That caution was primarily based upon a desire to avoid becoming embroiled in litigation in an area which involved such uncertainty and conflict between State and Federal Law". We must all remember that possession of marijuana is still illegal under federal law.

So, what is the answer? My personal opinion is that I do not want to see marijuana legalized as a recreational drug. I have heard every argument that you can think of as to why it should be and why it should not be legalized. I just know that in my life experience everyday pot smokers are not always our best citizens. Medical marijuana use is another matter. That use probably could be helped by reclassifying the drug so that it can be sold legally at a pharmacy with a doctor's prescription.

I am reminded occasionally that we can have the best rules and laws in place but it takes the individual to decide whether or not they wish to abide by these rules. That is why we have jails. I know I may have opened up a can of worms but so be it.

The second and last subject of concern is the Rim Fire.

The Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors approved a letter to be sent to the Secretary of Agriculture, Tom Vilsack. The letter was a request for information and multi-agency action review of the Rim Fire.

The reason that we sent the letter was to try and get as much information as possible from the correct sources to dispel any rumors

that have circulated concerning action during the first seven (7) days of the Rim and most importantly the first three (3) days.

In no way should the letter be taken as criticism of the many courageous people that fought the fire. Our goal is to bring everything that we can to the surface to make sure that if mistakes were made that they do not happen again. The Board of Supervisors are not being armchair quarter backs. We just want answers.

The Board members take transparency in government seriously and to that end we formally requested the Department of Agriculture to undertake an investigation.

We believe the investigation is necessary so that we may learn how to prevent such a catastrophe in the future. We believe that an open investigation is of great benefit to determine if resources could be used differently or in such a way as to better minimize growth of forest fires.

The Rim Fire will have lasting impacts and we do not want to have this happen again.

#### ON TO THE COALITION INFORMATION

TeaM RAD is the name of a new coalition formed for the purpose of reducing substance abuse among the youth in the Tuolumne County and Mariposa County between the Merced River and the Tuolumne River. This coalition with 40+ members and growing has representatives from the twelve sectors of the communities required by the Feds: faith based organizations, schools, local government/ law enforcement, youth, parents, service organizations, healthcare, senior organizations, businesses, and other interested local residents. Many more sectors are represented.

GAINs and the YES Partnership at ATCAA are working together as TeaM RAD in pursuit of a Federal grant from Drug-free Communities that will benefit youth in the TeaM RAD area. If you are interested in more information on this newly formed coalition, please contact the TeaM RAD administrator via e-mail at grovelandgains@gmail.com.

There will be no office hours in Groveland or Don Pedro for March but, as always, you can contact me at my office (209) 533-5526 or by email at jgray@co.tuolumne.ca.us to schedule a time to discuss matters that are of concern or importance to you. Your comments are always welcome.

## **GCSD Water Conservation Notes**

Groveland Community Services District would like to thank all of its customers for their conservation efforts during the Hetch Hetchy Mountain Tunnel shutdown and continuing those efforts during the current drought conditions. GCSD asks its customers

to voluntarily reduce water consumption by 10% in accordance with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's request. Water conservations tips and suggestions can be found on our website at www.gcsd.org and at the District office.

# SOUTHERN TUOLUMNE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY Museum Happenings

BY CARRIE CARTER

If you were unable to attend the February STCHS presentation of Ken Burns' documentary on the Yosemite Grant Act, "A Gathering of Spirit", you can still view the 25 minute film in the museum theater at your convenience. Just ask the docent and sit back and enjoy. The film tells the story of President Lincoln who had never seen Yosemite, but was moved by reports of its beauty. Lincoln signed the Act that set aside the land to be preserved for all to experience and enjoy.

2014 is the 150th anniversary of both this historic Grant and the California State Park system. The museum also has a wonderful display of three generations of Yosemite Park Rangers as well as books about the Yosemite that has inspired generations. So celebrate with us and get out and enjoy all that Yosemite has to offer this spring.

Did the fresh faced students and wraparound porch help you identify last month's historic archive photo of the Big Oak Flat Schoolhouse? It is an exceptional example of turn of the century public school architecture with some cosmetic alterations done over the years. It was built on School Street in Big Oak Flat in 1898 and now is a private residence.

Tuolumne County acquired the property in the 1890's and the school was built soon after to meet the demand of the growing population. The school consisted of one classroom and one game room with two outhouses in back. Each morning boys would carry water from the well to fill a water cooler on the school porch. Eventually, the WPA came and leveled the school yard so the students had a place to play baseball.

In his book "De Ferrari Family -Memories of Times Past" County Historian Carlo De Ferrari recalls in detail longtime



Big Oak Flat teacher, Rose Moynihan and her service to the community from 1929 to 1943 in the schoolhouse.

Rose Moynihan's daughter, Lou Ann Hellmers shared her own Big Oak Flat School memories at a STCHS Monthly Speaker Program. She fondly recalled holiday parties, pet shows, and plays presented to the community on the school stage. On snowy days, students brought sleds and slid down the hill behind the school at recess.

DVDs of Mrs. Hellmers' talk, including dozens of vintage school photos, are available to borrow, purchase, or view in the museum theater. Carlo De Ferrari's autographed book chronicling life in Big Oak Flat is also available in the gift shop.

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 25% off any single item from the Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum gift shop during the month of March (one gift per family).

# Genealogy - A Voyage To Discovery

What might you learn about your family that you didn't know before? Here are a few "discoveries" some of our local genealogists have made: 1) BLS learned that her greatgrandmother was only 2 months old when her family left Missouri bound for California in April, 1857. They had some bad advice en route and arrived in Carson City in late November. Can you imagine crossing the plains with a husband who was always off doing something else, a herd of cows, a 2-year-old and a new baby? 2) KD learned that her great-greatgrandmother was 9 years old when she came to America from Germany. She's credited with bringing Adventism to the Pacific Northwest in the 1860s. 3) RK learned in which company her ancestor served during the Civil War.

4) CW found her family listed on the ship's manifest that brought them to America.

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. Please 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 or Peggy Andrews at pmlandrews@sonnet.com so we can be better prepared for your visit.

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# Soroptimist in Groveland





#### THE SOROPTIMIST SCENE

BY BARBARA ELLIOTT

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

#### **WELLNESS FAIRE .. WELLNESS FAIRE**

Well, Fair Readers – it's that time of year. Soroptimist of Groveland invites you attend the Wellness Faire for 2014. The entrance is free. We invite you to visit all the booths; professionals have donated their time, their supplies, and their desire to make you healthy in 2014.

Sonora Medical has donated staff to take a blood draw and analysis. The cost is \$20 and you get a wealth of information – your cholesterol, minerals in your system, etc. And, their report provides you with the recommended guidelines for each item measured.

**Date**: March 25, 2014

**Location**: Tenaya Elementary School **Time**: 8:00 AM thru noon

Those folks desiring to have blood draws remember to fast from 9:00PM the previous day and drink lots of water before attending the blood draw.

Several ladies in Groveland have day time jobs and responsibilities, but want to contribute their talents to the community. They have organized into an evening Soroptimist group! These ladies spearheaded the Christmas party for SIG (excellent start!) This was a great time. This group was formed because they do want to participate in the good works provided by SIG for the community of Groveland. If you find this time is more convenient for you, and allows you to

help in events such as the Wellness Faire, please consider joining. Liz Mattingly can answer your questions. Liz can be reached at 962-1129.

Just a remember: Mar-Val is offering their shoppers an opportunity to send part of your grocery bill to a local charity. Just fill out a form for the "Mar-Val Community Card". Of course, we hope you choose to support us. (that would be \*other) Thank you Mar-Val for your ongoing support to the local charities.

It is almost time to award scholarships! If you attend our fundraisers, you participate in the effort. We also administer the Diane Lynn Pre-School scholarship ... you can donate to SIG and specify this fund. Whatever you want to do to do the help our community, we will appreciate.

So, here is a way to "donate". SIG provides the fun and you can keep the fun and the community efforts rolling. Yes .. it is time to think ... Chinese Auction. That is the annual Chinese Auction and Dinner, to be held Sunday April 6th 2014 at the PML Grill. Tickets are on sale for \$35 per person. There will be more information in the local, April newspapers, but please save the date and support your friends in SIG.

More fun ... did you see the picture in the paper of the award-winning bra?! This was a fantastic creation – and it allowed Marilyn Fields and her team to raise funds at the Winter Tea, we had a rollicking time stuffing the bra for charity. A donation of \$700 was presented to Sonora Regional Medical Center's Cancer Patient Support Fund.

If you would like to visit one of our luncheon meetings, and if you want to make a positive impact in this community, call Liz Mattingly at 209-962-1129.

# SOROPTIMIST IN GROVELAND PRESENTS PROCEEDS FROM AUCTION OF RIM FIRE BRA

BY LEE ISBELL

Marilyn Fields, Breast Cancer Awareness chair for Soroptimist International of Groveland, presents a check for \$700 to Deedra Hope, Susan Balcarcel and Shane Tipton, accepting on behalf Sonora Regional Medical Center's Cancer Patient Support Fund. These funds were raised at SIG's Winter Tea and Auction with sale of the Rim Fire Bra (being held by Deedra).

With the Rim Fire fresh in their minds, last fall a SIG committee conceived this design for a bra to enter in the Soroptimist District II competition, "Bras for a Cause," which won first place. They brought the bra home to auction off, which brought in not only the buyer's bid but paper bills stuffed enthusiastically into the bra as the model strutted her stuff throughout the room.

Our thanks to all who contributed to this effort on behalf of SMRC's Cancer Center patients.

# **New President & CEO for SRMC**

BY GAIL M. WITZLSTEINER, CFRE - SONORA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Andrew Jahn has been named president and CEO of Sonora Regional Medical Center (SRMC), according to Bill Wing, senior vice president of Adventist Health. Jahn, currently chief financial officer (CFO), will replace Jeff Eller who becomes the Northern California Network president in early February. Jahn will assume this role, effective February 3, 2014.

I am delighted to see Andrew promoted to president of Sonora Regional Medical Center," said Jeff Eller, current CEO of SRMC. "It has been a privilege to work with him in his CFO role and to personally see his dedication to this organization. His leadership experience and outcomes-based approach will help continue the growth of our services in the Sierra foothills."

Since 2011 Jahn has been a part of the SRMC executive team as its vice president and CFO In this position, he managed the hospital's \$200 million operating budget and oversaw business development, growth

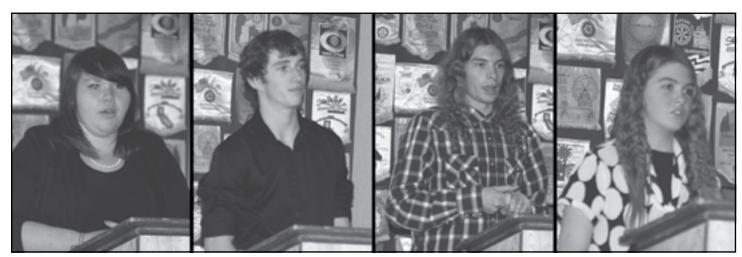
and acquisitions with direct oversight of key hospital service lines. Prior to this, he served in key roles in other healthcare facilities including director of finance at Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Merriam, Kan., and assistant to the CFO of Adventist Health System in Altamonte Springs, Fla.

"I am honored to be part of the continued growth of Sonora Regional Medical Center," said Jahn. "It will be a privilege to collaborate with this excellent team of physicians, staff and community partners in serving the needs of our community."

Jahn holds a bachelor's degree in business management from Union College in Lincoln, Neb. and a master's degree in business administration emphasis in healthcare administration from University of Central Florida in Orlando, Fla. Jahn and his wife, Marlena, have three boys: nine-year-old Ethan, five-year-old Camron and three-year-old Payton.

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# **Rotary Club News**



Tarynn Warren, 1st Place

Matt Spring, 2nd Place

Brando Nelson-Haven, 3rd Place Shana Haven, 4th Place

#### **ROTARY SPEECH CONTEST**

BY RUDY MANZO

At this time of the year, Rotary Clubs across California are conducting their speech contests with High School students as the participants. The Groveland Rotary Club had the pleasure of listening to four bright students give their speech on "Changing Lives" Each student is required to take the topic and present their own ideas on what this means to them. They are also asked to do research on Rotary and show how Rotarians change lives around the world.

The students are given a five minute window in which to present their speech. If they go long, or short, points are deducted. They were graded on delivery, content as well as length. When the speeches were completed the judges reviewed their scoring and the winners were announced as follows:

1st Place - Tarynn Warren 2nd Place - Matt Spring 3rd Place - Brando Nelson-Haven 4th Place - Shana Haven

Each student was presented with a check they can use to start building their college fund.

Tarynn Warren will now move on to the Area Rotary Speech Contest which will be held in Sonora in the weeks to come. She has time to work on the same speech she delivered and be prepared to give it her all when called to the podium. She has an excellent chance to walk away with another check for her college fund. If she can win in Sonora, she will them go to the District contest where she would be competing with the best of the best. We wish her well and have confidence that she will make us proud. We congratulate each of the participating students for speeches well delivered.

#### **ROTARY REVIEW**

BY RUDY MANZO

The Groveland Rotary Club President, Charlie Fields, presents the Rotarian of The

Month Award to a club member. The recipient has demonstrated his or her ability to live the Rotary motto, Service Above Self, shown outstanding leadership and a willingness to serve when called upon. Those presented the award during 2013 were as follows: July – Sharon Hunt, August – Patricia Whitley, September – Jim Goodrich, October – Larry SantaMaria, November – Paul Burkett, December – Herman Schaap.

These Rotarians have given of their time not only to Rotary, but to the community as well. It is their personal call to act as role models for those whom they come in contact with. Each and every one of them are a credit to Rotary and to our community and for that they have been saluted.

# GROVELAND ROTARY PROJECTS COMPLETED

BY RUDY MANZO



was Past President Rany Burke's project during his term in office. The project began in late 2012 and with the help of GCSD and others, it was completed in July of 2013.

The benches were late in arriving and the donation plaque was set in place in January. This bus stop has worked out very well for the YARTS bus trips into Yosemite from Sonora and Groveland. Randy took this project on as his community project and is proud of the way it turned out as well he should be. His involvement in this entire site development is a clear example of his belief in "Service Above Self".

The word came out that the Groveland





Community Hall was in need of a Freezer as the old one had just died. Groveland Rotary President, Charlie Fields stepped in and made this his project. In February the donation plaques were placed on the Freezer, Large Roaster and Commercial Coffee Maker. Tony Flores and Ruben Bactti were on hand for the plaque placements.

Charlie met with Tony prior to ordering the items in order to make certain that what they wanted would be ordered. He felt that the needs

of the community hall will fill the needs of our community in the future. This will be a big help to everyone who is involved in the Thanksgiving dinner preparation.

#### **ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH**



Rotarian of the Month is presented by Club President Charlie Fields to Rudy Manzo.

Rudy is being recognized as a Rotarian who has demonstrated Service above Self.

He has accomplished many things during his years in our Groveland Rotary Club, including serving as President, Sgt.at Arms, Club Service Chair and just about any task you ask of him. He keeps a good attitude and is always looking for ways to keep people Informed of Rotary and the good things our club does for our community.



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# The Challenges Of Middle School

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD

How many of us recall our middle or junior high experiences with relief that those difficulties are far behind us? Children have a great deal to contend with during this time of their lives. Some students stay in their elementary school for 7th and 8th grades and transfer to high school for the 9th grade, while some attend junior high school for 7th, 8th and 9th grades and then transfer to high school for the next 3 years to graduation.

There are so many changes and transitions to a new level of learning. They are faced with changing teachers with unique teaching styles, different expectations and requirements and changing classes. If they are on a new campus they may fear getting lost on campus and not finding their classes and being late for class. If they had been in the same school for the first 6 or 7 years they often feel alone and disoriented. Many students may be presented with enormous social and peer pressures. Unfortunately, this is the time when they may be introduced to drugs and alcohol. In addition, the physical and emotional changes normal in adolescence can put them in a tail spin. All of these challenges can cause great anxiety and a lot of unanswered questions. One student exclaimed, "I am so excited to go to junior high because I will be able to have more freedom, make new friends and do more things, but I'm kinda scared because I don't know if I'll be able to do it."

This is a critical time for students to learn their strengths, how to study and access information and how to relate to others. It is a time when students need structure at home and at school. This provides a feeling of connection and stability. On the other hand, they may have a feeling of being overwhelmed and unsure of themselves. Mood swings are very common with preteens and early adolescents. The sweet obedient child you knew in elementary school may seem to suddenly change into an obstinate, emotional, argumentative, self- absorbed gangly body of hormones. This is the time when the recollections of your own experiences have to be recalled.

Despite what your child says, parents need to be vigilant and actively involved in their children's lives. Yes, they are allowed to have more freedom, but it needs to be supervised. Positive parenting includes two way communication. That means listening and sharing information (on both sides) including expectations, rules, restrictions, and consequences. Sometimes you may need to remind your preteen that they are old enough to understand and appreciate what has been done to help them but you can only help them so far and they must do the rest themselves. Help them to see that life goes by quickly so they need to start building that solid foundation for themselves and their future.

But remember parents, this too shall pass and with your love and support, (which you tell them often) they will make you proud.

# **Healthy Habits**

#### FROM PINE MOUNTAIN THERAPY

BY, JULIE TANAKA, PT

#### **WALKING FOR LIFE**

Recently I went to a continuing education course for physical therapists. Our courses usually present the latest research or techniques in rehabilitation. This particular course with presented by one of the Gran Dams of our field, Shirley Sahrmann. Her body of work is extensive and impressive. Her message after decades of study and treatment in rehabilitation was simple, "Get your patients walking!" If our patients are able to walk or have the potential to return to walking, then that should be our goal. Walking benefits so many aspects of our health, requires no equipment, has the highest compliance rate and can be done almost anywhere. Admittedly we do have some challenges in PML with all the hills but there are some areas that are more level.

Here are some walking benefits that should motivate you to get out there:

Strengthens your heart: Anything that elevates the heart rate and gets your blood pumping helps prevent and control high blood pressure

Keeps weight in check: Walking burns calories and builds muscle tone. The more muscle mass you have the more calories you burn.

Helps prevent dementia: circulation nourishes brain tissue and stimulates its production of neurons, synapses and blood vessels. Studies in the UK show 6 miles of walking a week decrease age related brain shrinkage.

Decreases osteoporosis: Walking is a weight-bearing activity. Weight bearing activities are what stimulate bone density. This is especially important for women.

Boosts vitamin D levels: Walking outside exposes you to sunlight, sunlight is important in the synthesis of vitamin D.

Gives you energy: The more you move, the more energy you will have. Taking a walk will make you feel more alert and alive.

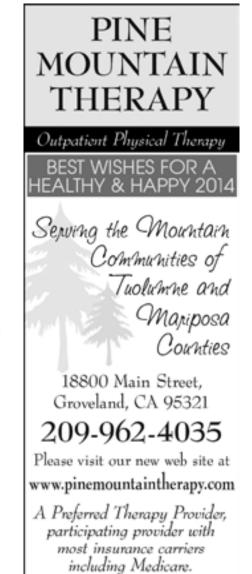
Boosts your mood: A brisk walk may be as effective as an antidepressant in

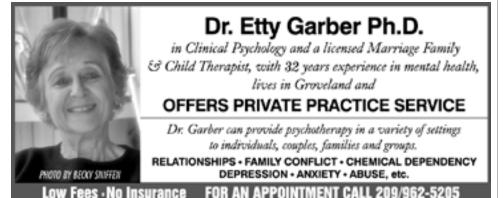
cases of mild to moderate depression. Being active releases endorphins into the bloodstream, reducing stress.

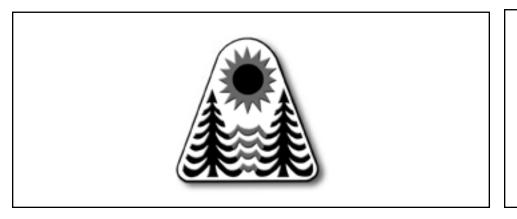
Decrease chances of diabetes: walking 30 minutes a day makes the muscles more sensitive to insulin, allowing them to utilize glucose. Cool!

It comes down to Newton's First Law of Motion, A body in motion, stays in motion.

Grab a buddy and get out walking. See you out there!







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## Free Computer Classes

BY ETTY GARBER, PHD

# FINDING INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET

10 am to noon, Monday, March 3, Library Meeting Room. Tips for finding all kinds of information on the Internet efficiently and great ways to use the Internet

#### MORE WAYS TO USE EXCEL, EXCEL 2

10 am to noon, Monday, March 10, The Little House. Learn more ways to use Excel for record keeping, calculating gas mileage, addresses, gifts given, etc.

# DESIGN YOUR OWN SLIDE SHOW, POWERPOINT 1

10 am to noon, Monday, March 17. The Little House. See how easy it is to set up a slide show, and then add movement, graphics and sound. Make one for the last big trip you took, then mail it to your family and friends.

#### FORMATTING NEWSLETTERS, USING MAIL MERGE, AND MORE, WORD 2

10 am to noon, Monday, March 24, The Little House. Learn how to use text boxes for newsletters and how to send your Christmas letters to a group of people, as well a much more in MS Word.

# FINDING INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET

1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Monday, March 31, Library Meeting Room. Tips for finding all kinds of information on the Internet efficiently and great ways to use the Internet.

These free classes are sponsored by GAINs and The Little House. Barbara Broad is the instructor. Sign up early because space is limited! Tell a friend! AND, if you have ideas for other classes, let Barbara know. For information or to reserve a space, contact Barbara Broad, grovelandgains@gmail.com or 962-7730. Please provide your name, phone number, and email address.

# Rambling Vet's Corner

BY TOM BICKMORE

The VA Mobile Medical Outreach Clinic Team, in collaboration with the Pine Mountain Lake Association, will be at the:

#### Pine Mountain Lake Lodge

20270 Pine Mountain Lake Drive Groveland, CA 95321 (Please Check in at the Security Gate)

Thursday, March 20th, 2014 11:00am - 3:00pm

No appointment necessary! Veterans Service Officers, Enrollment Specialists & Medical teams on site.

The VA Palo Alto Health Care system Rural Health Mobile Medical Team will provide examinations, consultations, & referrals.

If you are uncertain about your eligibility for medical or mental health services, members of our team can provide you with information about & assistance with, eligibility and enrollment for VA care. VA healthcare may complement your current insurance coverage. Eligibility

requirements have changed, therefore, if you have been denied in the past, please come meet with us. New benefits are available for Vietnam and Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans.

If you are NOT currently in the VA system, bring an extra copy of your DD214 (discharge papers) to attach to your enrollment form. Also bring a copy of your list of medications for the doctor to review.

In addition, Veteran Service Officers will be available to review benefits, & assist with updates on existing claims & filing new ones. The Area Agency on Aging will be present.

For more information, contact VA Rural Outreach Coordinator, Valerie Gabriel, @ 209-588-2604, or Tom Bickmore @ 209-962-5517.

We look forward to seeing you there. THANK YOU for your service to our Country!

# SAVE THE DATES Winemaker Dinner, Yosemite Grant Events, and Shows at The Groveland Hotel

BY JONI GERKING

My 6th-grade teacher-daughter remarked that now we are in the long slow stage until Easter. As calendar holidays go, I tend to agree. But the upside is we've had a bit of rain, and though we hope for more, we get to enjoy some spring weather as we await the tourist season.

Gianelli Winemaker Dinner: Come pop some corks and celebrate excellent wines at our Winemaker Dinner on Saturday, March 22 at 6:00 p.m.! You'll enjoy an evening of delicious food and have fun learning what's new with Gianelli Vineyards. Vineyard owner Ron Gianelli and winemaker Chuck Hovey will discuss the "hows and whys" of pairing each wine and dish. It's been two years since their last visit with us and we're delighted to have them return. Join us for an entertaining evening with brilliant company and the best of food and drink! Tickets are \$65 per person, including wines tasted. The evenings recreation is limited to the young in heart and mind, age 21 years and up. Please note taxes and gratuities are additional. Reservations are first come, first served. Phone us at: 209-962-4000 or 800-273-3314 Send email to: guestservices@groveland.com.

Easter is coming up on April 20. The Cellar Door Restaurant's Easter Dinner is a wonderful way to gift yourself and your family in honor of the holiday. Our menu offers mouth watering choices from traditional to updated classics. Please join us, we would love the pleasure of your company!

Yosemite Grant 1864 - 2014: By now, I hope you are aware 2014 is a year long celebration of President Abraham Lincoln's signing the Grant 150 years ago designating Yosemite as the very first national park. Throughout California many communities are celebrating the historic act and the

anniversary of the beginning of California's state parks, as well. This month is a great time to visit the park. Each Tuesday afternoon from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., join a National Park Service ranger at the Valley Visitor Center for an easy hour and a half walk for a description of the early years of Yosemite leading to the Yosemite Grant Act of 1864. If you'd like to know about local and state wide events, the calendar is on line at http://www.nps.gov/featurecontent/yose/anniversary/events/yosemite-events-list/index.html.

Save the Dates! Yosemite Courtyard Cabaret's Summer Season is only a couple of months away, and we are filling our calendar for another classic year of exciting shows and performers! May 24 is opening night and you'll want to see this hot entertainer! This show is still a secret until the details are finalized. You'll just have to take my word on it!

**June 14:** Johnny Cash is coming back to Groveland! One of our favorite tribute shows is back with James Garner and the band in Cash Tribute.

**July 5:** It's Vintage Day and we're celebrating the historic Yosemite Grant Act in style with the Music of Yosemite on the 4th of July Weekend! Come for a rip-roaring jamboree!

**August 16:** I'll tell you more when the file is Declassified!

**September 13:** Elvis Returns! We don't usually book shows two years in a row, so this is a must see one-off. If you missed Rob Ely's show last year, (and even if you didn't) you'll want to grab tickets now!

For more information or to make your reservations, phone our reception staff at 209-962-4000 or toll-free 800-273-3314. Send email to: guestservices@groveland.com.

# Pine Cone Players Present "As The Stomach Turns"

BY JIM SODERBERG

What happens when classical melodrama, vaudeville & burlesque collide? The result is a zany, unpredictable potpourri of fun and musical entertainment as your talented friends and neighbors take to the boards in the Groveland Community Hall on Friday, April 25th and Saturday, April 26th at

7:30 PM, and Sunday, April 27th at 2:00 PM. For anyone who's always wanted to be "behind the scenes", there will be an open dress rehearsal on Thursday, April 24th, beginning at 7:30 PM.

For more info contact Bob Swan at 962-6535.

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# Pine Cone Singers Prepare for a Fun Spring Concert BY LINELLE MARSHALL



Board members (left to right) Sandra Menacho, Bob Swan, Sally Salinas and Luke Sullivan welcome new music director, Ron Randall (back right)

The Pine Cone Singers began rehearsing on January 28th with their new music director, Ron Randall, who has selected a great set of pieces for our Spring concerts, scheduled for May 15-18 at Groveland's Evangelical Free Church. Audiences will be treated to lots of familiar tunes, as well as some new songs, including some arrangements by our new director, Ron! Jazz classics including songs like "All of Me" and "Take Five", and show tunes like "Do You Hear the People Sing?" from Les Misérables and "Popular" from Wicked are always popular with both the singers and our audiences; several pieces will also feature

guest instrumentalists, which is always a treat.

Ron received a great welcome at our first rehearsal - a great turnout, including a number of former and new members who have joined the group. Of course, everyone knows that musicians and food are a match made in heaven! Everyone brought in nibbles and treats to share in an impromptu buffet at the end of rehearsal - a nice opportunity to meet, greet and EAT.

So mark your calendars now – you won't want to miss a great concert in May. For more information, contact Luke Sullivan at 209-962-5952.

## June is Groveland Women's Health Month — SHOP LOCAL —

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## **Kiwanis of Groveland**

BY SANDY SMITH

We are the Kiwanis of Groveland. Kiwanis is an international service organization for helping children in our community and around the world. One of the many projects is ELIMINATE. They have joined forces with Unicef to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. Each year this disease kills 60,000 babies and many women. It will take \$110 million to immunize 100 million mothers and babies so that the disease can be eliminated. Goals are being reached every day, to eliminate tetanus in 6 countries. A worthy cause wouldn't you say?

Groveland Kiwanis serves our community in many ways. We have put together a calendar of events for the year.

January - Coat Collection begins for the October giveaway

February - Established a Book Box (mini library)in Big Oak Flat

March - Taco Bar

April - Home and Garden Show booth

May - Relay for life

August - Ice Cream Social

October - Childrens Shopping Spree for

Tenaya Elementary School

Coat Giveaway

Halloween Night Candy for the mind (free books)

November - Groveland Christmas Craft Faire December - Help with Community Christmas Baskets

Have you noticed the American Flags up all over town, and in Big Oak Flat too, on federal holidays? Kiwanis with the help of volunteers put them up. I personally love the look it gives our community, don't you?

Saturday March 29th we will host a Taco Bar at the community hall from 5 pm to 7 pm. The cost will be \$10 per adult and \$5 per child under 12. Make your own tacos or taco salad, drinks and dessert will be provided.

Sadly we had to say good bye to our good friend and Kiwanian Erma Holcomb last month. Her smiling face, giggles, and willing spirit will be missed. She loved this community, and worked for many years to make this a better place to be. Our hearts go out to David and her family.

If you would be interested in being a part of Kiwanis join us on Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 at the Pizza Factory. See you there.

# **Tenth Annual** Wine Tasting Cruise

BY HARRIET CODEGLIA

On Saturday, May 17th, the Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society (STCHS) will host its TENTH ANNUAL WINE TASTING CRUISE on PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE.

All proceeds will benefit the Groveland-Yosemite Gateway Museum and other STCHS projects.

As in previous years, taxis will transport guests between seven beautiful lakefront homes where wines from noted wineries will be available for sampling. Also, delicious appetizers will be furnished by leading area restaurants and caterers for your enjoyment. Cruisers will arrive back at the Lake Lodge around 7:30 where a Coffee & Cookie Reception will be waiting.

Each year this event sells out and we're looking forward to another fabulous day on the lake.

Tickets are \$50 per person, payable in advance and order forms can be picked up in the Museum and at Yosemite Bank.

If you have questions, contact Harriet Codeglia at hcodeglia@gmail.com.

Volunteers will be needed as always, so don't be shy! Come and enjoy!

# The Youth **Project**

BY BARBARA BROAD

The burst of activity continues toward a plan to develop activities and projects for the youth in southern Tuolumne and northern Mariposa Counties, directed to discouraging drug abuse. There are now 40 members of the GAINs coalition representing different parts of our communities, including Coulterville and Greeley Hill. With the help of the YES Partnership and ATCAA in Sonora, committees are developing a five-year plan and a one-year plan, as well as the other pieces required for the comprehensive Federal Drug-free Communities grant proposal, due March 24.

March will be a busy month of developing different parts of the grant proposal and looking at what we can do before we hear about the grant. If we get it, it will be \$125,000 a year for five years, renewable, starting in October. That can start up some great activities for the kids! If you'd like to join us or want more information or have something to offer, contact GAINs Chairman, Barbara Broad, at grovelandgains@gmail.com or 962-7730.

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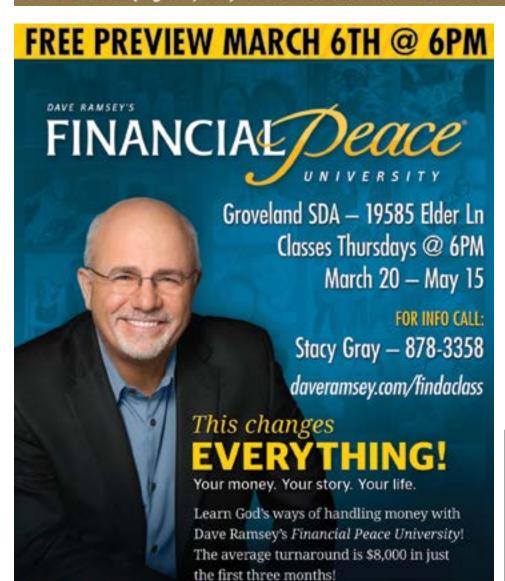
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# Yosemite Chamber of Commerce News



Busy Bee Bookkeeping & Tax Service held its official ribbon cutting on February 5th.

### **BUSY BEE RIBBON CUTTING**

The event was 3:30 on Wednesday February 5th, and an array of local business people and Chamber members were present for the official Ribbon Cutting for Betsy Erwin's new business. Feel free to contact Betsy for her personal quotes about their exciting Open House and the Chamber's ribbon cutting event, and her insights on opening a brand new business on Groveland's main street. Stay tuned for our next ribbon cutting, and even more new faces along the Groveland Highway 120 North Gateway to Yosemite. Thanks as always for all the coverage you give our neck of the woods.

## BIG CASH GIVEAWAY & SUMMER KICK OFF BBQ

is what many people around the world envision as a true representation of Italy. We will take it

all in as the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce

brings the dream of traveling to Tuscany to

details from the tour provider, everybody

welcome, at 5:30PM Wednesday, March 12th

at the Groveland Community Hall or call the

Chamber at 800-4HWY 120 or Paul Pieretti, Board of Directors, Yosemite Highway 120

Chamber of Commerce at 209-962-4143 for

See a video about the trip, Q&A and trip

life," said Tom Hernandez, President.

### TUSCANY

The Yosemite Chamber of Commerce announced today that it will be offering a fully escorted tour of the awe inspiring region of Tuscany. Tuscany is the place where movies are filmed and fantasies run

wild. Perhaps it's the cities of Florence, Pisa, or Sienna that evoke feelings of culture, art, or arouse the senses as do the smells and taste of the Chianti region. The fact is that Tuscany is home to some of the most famous tourist attractions in all of Italy. It is here that budding artists come to learn from the masters, and the world of fashion takes it cues. Tuscany is where romantics rekindle the flame and celebrate their love.

Emerging as a real business centre, Tuscany is home to thriving businesses in the furniture, leather, fashion, and manufacturing industries. These businesses keep the region in the 21st century while the people and culture keep one foot in the past. If romance, tradition, and culture are your idea of an ideal vacation, then Tuscany is for you. On the other hand, if shopping and the fast pace of a thriving city are your style then you will also find it in the Tuscany region of Italy.

"This is truly an amazing opportunity to discover all that Tuscany has to offer. Tuscany

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more information.

PML Lake Lodge: Saturday May 31, 2014 Doors open at 3:00 PM - BBQ served at 4:00 PM

\$100.00 ticket entitles purchaser to BBQ for TWO & Big Cash Drawings. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Need Not be present to win. Open to everybody. (Must be 18 years of Age to purchase Tickets)

1st Drawing	4:30 PM	\$250.00
2nd Drawing	4:45 PM	\$250.00
3rd Drawing	5:00 PM	\$500.00
4th Drawing	5:15 PM	\$500.00
5th Drawing	5:30 PM	\$1000.00
6th Drawing	6:00 PM	\$2,000.00

### Menu:

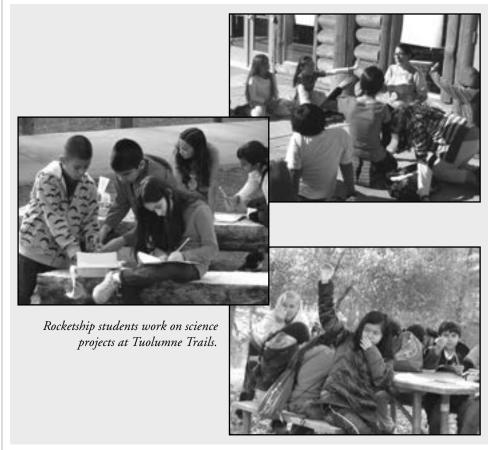
1 Lb. Prime BBQed New York Steak Baked Potato. Beans, Salad, Rolls/Butter, & Dessert

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## **Camp Tuolumne Trails**

BY VIRGINIA RICHMOND GUSTAFSON



Camp Tuolumne Trails has been busy this winter with several great groups of 5th graders visiting from the Rocketship charter schools in San Jose.

The mission of the Rocketship charter schools is to provide underprivileged kids with a first class education, focusing on math and science. The Rocketship philosophy is that a strong educational foundation will help propel these kids into greater opportunities.

We are impressed with each of the six schools, the inspiring teachers and the highly motivated fifth-graders. Most of these students had never traveled outside of San Jose before and certainly had not experienced the extraordinary nature that surrounds camp.

Six schools each conducted a weeklong Science Camp at Tuolumne Trails. The curriculum focused on the Scientific Method, so the students developed hypotheses and tested them. They studied geology and panned for gold; they studied fire ecology and built erosion control test stations; they studied weather and built thermometers and anemometers; and they studied land management and played the conflicting roles of special interest groups such as loggers, environmentalists and developers. In between classes, they ran, hiked, played and explored.

The Union Democrat wrote an article today about Science Camp at Tuolumne Trails. It's on the front page, and we hope it will be posted on *UnionDemocrat.com* as well.

Thanks to PML resident Joe Hopkins for starting up a birdwatching program for campers. It's another activity special needs kids can fully participate in. We're looking for donations of old binoculars for the program. Let us know if you have any binoculars you no longer need.

Be sure to check our Facebook page for frequent updates, photos and camp news.

## **Helping Hands News**

### **Troops Update**

Thank you to those that have brought items into Helping Hands for the troop boxes. If any of you want to see what soldiers are needing or wanting you can look on line at anysoldier.com, if you click on 'where to send' then click on a name on the left side you will get

information on where they are stationed, where the unit is from, how long they will be there, and how many males & females are in the unit. At this time we are only sending to troops in Afghanistan from CA. I could use some more snack & female hygiene products, toiletries, lotions, soaps, shampoo, including ethnic hair products.

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## **PML Action Hero** KEN COLE COMMANDER OF THE COMMANDER

BY JANET GREGORY

Action. That kind of quiet, intense, "get it done" action is what Ken Cole's life is all about.

At 16-years old Ken marched into the military recruiting office. Raised in Ohio, half-way between Cleveland and Columbus, he was inspired by hard-working Midwest values and heroes of the American Legion and VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars). The recruiter shuffled the papers on his desk mumbling "scrawny piece of crap" which motivated Ken into action all the more.

Ken was shipped off to Farragut, ID to be inspected, injected, drilled and trained. Lined up, counting off by twos; "ones" became seamen and "twos" were firemen. Thus was the unpretentious beginning of a 30-year career in the Navy.

Firemen learn everything about firearms and machinery. At Camp Pendleton Ken mastered rifles; how to carry, run, roll, clean and fire. They learned to move as a force, working synchronously. Next training stop was Brown Field for LTVs (Landing Track Vehicles) and tanks.

Liberty before deployment was at Treasure Island. San Francisco was the biggest city Ken had ever seen and he wanted to experience the wild Barbary Coast for himself. "Get outta here, kid" was all he heard from the bouncers. Disappointed, Ken shuffled into a cable car barn where an engineer took a-liking to him, giving him a full tour and let him work the clutch, "it was amazing."

Ken did five assault landings at Yap, Palu, Tinian, Saipan and Okinawa before his ship joined an armada. "It was 360-degrees, a fantastic armada of ships -



Ken Cole

cargo, carriers and tankers of every size". He had no doubt that we would win the war. After the Japanese surrender, Ken participated in disarming Japan, as people turned in guns and ammunition to be destroyed.

Life in the military suited Ken. When he reenlisted they gave 60-days leave but after only 20-days he was bored and returned for duty to the destroyer USS Leonard F. Mason. Ken hadn't finished high school when he first enlisted thus reading and writing skills were weak. The Chief ranted, "you are the stupidest piece of &#\*\$; I should take you out and drown you." This tirade whirled Ken into action and in 6-months he completed high school and continued taking courses to earn multiple engineering certifications and a full commission.

Commander Ken's distinguished 30year Navy career spanned World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He honed leadership skills in the Navy. Be respectful. Don't set any requirements that you wouldn't do yourself. Follow four-steps for success: organize, deputize, supervise and criticize. Those four steps



will keep you alive in wartime, make business thrive and any project successful.

After the Navy, Ken settled in California applying his engineering expertise to Boiler Machinery Insurance. His work spanned many industries from food processing to lumber to nuclear power, driving safety and minimizing business interruption.

The seeds of aviation were sown as a child watching airplanes and barnstormers at the grass field outside of town. Right after WWll, Ken got his pilot's license, requalifying after retiring from the Navy. Ken has built an impressive collection of aviation memorabilia through the years including over 3000 aviation history books. He has owned several airplanes and the Rockwell Commander is his favorite. Ken is the Commander of the Commander as he and his wife, Dianne, commute between the Bay Area and Pine Mountain Lake.

Ken bought his PML lot in the early 1970's. He preferred oak trees to pine and airport to lake so unit 12 was the place to be. He built a few years later. Ken still loves the quiet, great view, watching satellites overhead at night and those spectacular cantaloupe sunsets. Ken is an artist in paint, metal and multiple materials. He painted PML's cantaloupe sky in his recreation of the famous Curtis Wright Learn-to-Fly poster featured in his home.

Ken has been a quiet force in the development of Pine Mountain Lake Airport. Ralph Butler and Ken took action to raise money, grade and pave the north taxiway. It was a bit of a fiasco but the job got done opening up airport

access for more of the community. Next time you walk by the airport office look for the plaque that Ken put up honoring Ralph's contribution to PML Airport.

After an aircraft accident in the area, Ralph and Ken roared into action again, raising money for airport safety. Ken tapped into his business network for a company that manufactured VASI lights. VASI (visual approach slope indicator) is a light system on the side of our airport runway providing descent guidance to approaching aircraft. These FAA-approved lights are visible up to 5-miles during the day and 20-miles at night. Thanks to Ken, the VASI has provided 25-years of guidance for many safe landings. Ken Cole is a man of action and a true PML Action Hero.

Do you or someone you know have story to tell? Contact me at janetg@ kickstartall.com or 962-5061.

# Service Recognition for Dick Collier BY JANET GREGORY

Dick Collier was recognized by the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors for 17-years of outstanding service. Dick is an active 35+ year resident of Pine Mountain Lake. He served as a member of the Tuolumne County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) where he devoted countless hours to attending ALUC meetings where often-challenging matters were considered.

Dick provided invaluable guidance and leadership serving as Chairman of ALUC on two occasions and Vice Chairman. He was particularly valuable during the 1999-2003 update of the Airport Land Use Policy Plan which wrestled with many tough and often-contentious decisions. One of the least thought out projects that Dick handled during his tenure was the proposal for a soccer field at the end of the runway. Based on approach and traffic patterns this project did not seem to be an appropriate solution for the well-being of the youth soccer program for both noise

and safety considerations.

Inspecting development sites from both air and ground provided helpful perspective for project safety. Considering important elements like height, obstruction and lighting are important to airspace safety as well as safety for those on the ground. Dick also served as member of the Airports Advisory Committee for 11 years, doing multiple terms as both Chairman and Vice Chairman. He played an integral part on many airport issues

facing both Columbia and Pine Mountain Lake airports.

Recognition and commendation was approved and extended to Dick Collier on Tuesday, 7 January 2014 in the Board of Supervisors Chambers in Sonora by Chairman Randall A. Hanvelt. To learn more about Dick Collier read his December 2013 PML Action Hero article in the PML Newspaper, online at www. pinemountainlake.com, or request a copy PMLNews@sabredesign.net.

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## **OBITUARIES**

## **JESSICA (JESSI) JAMES**OCT 1, 1965 – DEC 30, 2013



Jessica (Jessi) James

Jessica (Jessi) James, a ten year resident of Pine Mountain Lake, passed away at Stanford Medical Hospital on December 30, 2013. Jessi was born to Ben and Fern James on October 1, 1965 in Arroyo Grande, CA. Jessi's father, Ben, trained race horses so the family traveled the race horsing circuit in the Southwest in her youth. She graduated from Coronado High School in El Paso, Texas in 1983 and soon after left Texas for an exciting life in California. She started her professional career at Gibralter Savings in Pleasanton where she met her lifetime soul mate, Duane Marsh. She worked for 20+ years in the mortgage lending industry including a long stint at Wells Fargo and Co. in management. She later worked at Stearns Funding in Campbell, Ca. as an operations Manager

Jessi and Duane bought their dream vacation home in September of 2003 at Pine Mountain Lake. She was surprised by a Christmas present from her niece, April Manion, of her horse, Elliott. Elliott continues to be a fan favorite for kiddie rides and kids camp. She later added another horse, Sonny. If you're familiar with the PML Stables, Sonny is the one with the beautiful blue eyes.

Jessi was preceded in death by her

father, Ben James. She is survived by her husband, Duane Marsh of San Jose, her mother, Fern James (Mario Martinez) her brother, Travis Woolf (Vickie) her two sisters, Gloria Toney (Tommy) and Jackie Barker (Terry), one nephew, Travis Woolf (Samantha) and three nieces, April Manion (Garett), Tarra Barker and Kodi Mireles.

Jessi would have wanted to give special thanks to her friends at the stables including Lester and Dorothy Scofield, Dave Balek, and Eric King all from Groveland and Dan Frasier of Jamestown.

No formal funeral arrangements are planned.

## PHYLLIS J. MARSH

1919 - JAN 17, 2014

Phyllis passed away on Friday, January 17, 2014 at the age of 94. She was a retired RN and a homemaker. She was a resident of Pine Mountain Lake from the early 70's to 2003.

Phyllis is survived by her children, Marilyn Steinberg and her husband Mark, Barbara Schmal, Frank Marsh and his wife Laura; daughter-in-law Diane Marsh; sister Betty Sommer; six grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband Richard Marsh and a son Robert Marsh.

## JAMES "RED DOG" WOLF

FEB 17, 1927 - FEB 6, 2014

Commander James David Wolf (call sign "Red Dog" - USN Retired) age 86, of Gilroy, California passed away Thursday, Feb. 6, 2014 at St. Louise Hospital at approximately 15:27 hours attended by his wife Marian and one of his five sons. James was born in North Canton, Ohio February 17, 1927 and attended North Canton High School and later Bowling Green State University where he lettered in swimming. James married his first wife, Carolyn Campbell, in 1953 and they

had 3 sons John, David, and Stephen. James and Carolyn divorced in 1973. In 1977, James moved to Groveland, California where married his second wife, Marian Carson, and had sons Ted and Max.

James joined the U.S. Navy in 1945, attended Bowling Green, and was commissioned upon completion of Naval Flight School in April of 1953. James flew various aircraft with fighter squadron VF 53 and worked closely with VF 51. He was an officer in Carrier Air Group 5's staff, serving as a landing signal officer (LSO). According to those who knew James, he did not lose a single aviator for whom he served as LSO, a.k.a. "paddles." He also served with VP 49 as a tactical and squadron maintenance officer.

During his Naval career, James qualified and received the following: the Vietnam Service Medal (5 Awards), the Vietnam Armed Forces Meritorious Unit Citation (Gallantry Cross), the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Navy Unit Commendation Medal (2 Awards), the National Defense Service Medal (2 Awards), the Navy Commendation Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea), the American Campaign Medal, WWII Victory Medal, the China Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, and the Meritorious Service Medal. James retired from active duty in October of 1972.

During his post-military years, James was very active and connected to his community at Pine Mountain Lake (PML). His many hobbies included flying, antique truck and car restoration, woodwork, metalwork, masonry, skiing, bar tending at the slopes, bicycling, bird watching, and travel. He was an active member of the PML Airport Association until 1996 and enjoyed refurbishing and flying unique single engine aircraft. James was fascinated with antique cars and trucks - restoring two Model "T's" and relentlessly scouting parts and preparing his 2.5 ton 1926 Mack truck.

Surviving James are his wife of 26 years, Marian Carson Wolf of Gilroy, his ex-wife Carolyn Campbell Wolf of



Left to right: LTJG J. SERVICE, LTJG J. SAX, LT Paul KENNEY, LTJG J. WOLF, and LTJG R. STANTON, Kneeling.

John Wolf of Pleasanton, David Wolf of Oakland, and Stephen Wolf of Alamo and sons from his second marriage: Theodore and Maxwell Wolf of Gilroy as well as grandchildren: Ben and Hannah Wolf of Oakland and Caroline, Christian, and Carson Wolf of Alamo. James' sister Ann Wolf of North Canton sends condolences. In addition to these, there are many brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

James will be remembered by those closest to him for the twinkle in his eyes,

Dublin, sons from his first marriage:

James will be remembered by those closest to him for the twinkle in his eyes, the mischief in his mind, the kindness in his heart, his enduring love for his family and his fondness for all things mechanical. He was also known for making goofy faces, singing funny songs, spontaneously singing the Marine Corps Hymn, telling funny stories, practicing a little bit of watercolor and oil painting, and being "all Navy" in his younger years. May James fly high in heaven without the burdens of a body that would no longer do his bidding.

A full military burial will take place on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at Santa Nella National Cemetery with an informal breakfast reception to follow at Anderson's restaurant also in Santa Nella.

Contributions in James' honor may be made to: The Wounded Warriors Foundation and/or the Alzheimer's Association.

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## Mountain **Lutheran Church**

BY PASTOR GINGER DUMARS

Lent begins on Ash Wed., March 5, and is a special season of walking with and focusing on Jesus and his Journey to the Cross of Calvary. We invite you to a somber Service of Confession & Forgiveness, Scripture Reading & Reflection, Hymn Singing & Holy Communion, Marking our foreheads with ashes in the shape of a cross. This Ash Wed. Eve. Service is on March 5, at 7:00. We will continue Wed. Eve. Services for most of the 40 days of Lent with Soup Suppers at 6:00 and the Holden Eve. (musical) Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m. on March 12, 19, 26 and April 2. These Wed. Eve. Services include a short time of quiet meditation on a Lenten or Crucifixion theme or saying. ALL are WELCOME to these Wed. Eve. Services as well as to Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00.

Our Guest Preacher for March is Rev. Lloyd Schneider, who recently retired from Angel Camp's Union Congregational Church, U.C.C. We look forward to hearing his Message on Sun., March 16, at our 10 a.m. Worship Service! We are also looking forward to the 5th Sunday Gospel Sing at Evangelical Free Church on March 30 at 6:00 p.m.!

Mountain Lutheran Church is located at 13000 Down to Earth Ct., just off Ferretti Road (4 miles from Highway 120). We warmly welcome everyone and enjoy getting to know our guests & visitors during the Coffee Hour which features delicious snacks every Sunday after our Worship Service. Come & Worship & See!

## **Support Groups** for Cancer Patients

BY GAIL WITZLSTEINER

There are several support groups meeting regularly throughout the Mother Lode to provide comfort and a place for cancer patients to share common concerns and emotional support:

## **SRMC Cancer Support Group**

Sierra Cancer Center Conference Room 900 Greenley Road, Sonora Thursdays, 3 to 4 p.m. Contact the Cancer Center at 209-536-5155 for more information.

## SRMC / MTMC **Cancer Support Group**

Camps Restaurant at Greenhorn Creek 676 McCauley Ranch Road, Angels Camp First Thurs of each month, 10–11:30 a.m. Contact the Cancer Center at 209-536-5155 for more information.

## **Sonora Prostate Group**

Sierra Cancer Center Conference Room 900 Greenley Road, Sonora First Tuesday of each month, 6 p.m. Contact Bob Leslie at 209-532-4453 for more information.

### **Breast Cancer Support Group**

Tuolumne County Public Library 480 Greenley Road, Sonora First and third Mondays of each month, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Contact Claire Mills, FNP, at 209-533-0333 for more information.

## Big Oak Flat/Groveland Student Poetry Anthology 2014 BY RACHEL PHILLIPS

Once again the Big Oak Flat/Groveland Student Poetry Anthology project is underway. This is the third consecutive year for the student poetry anthology undertaking to be supported by the district, teachers, students, parents and local service organizations. This publication is created to give students an opportunity to see their poetry, art and short stories in print. Publishing is the final step in the writing process and usually is given little time in classrooms already over-burdened with standards and lessons to meet them. This small token supported by the community gives students a chance to see

their own work as well as work by fellow students in the Big Oak Flat/Groveland School District. It is impressive what talent comes through in this publication. Students and teachers are working toward the March 21 deadline, just before spring break. The publication will come out in May with celebrations at each of the three schools. Sponsors for this year are the Groveland Rotary, Garrotte Lions Club, Friends of the Groveland Library, and GAINs as well as Black Oak Casino. Parents are encouraged to encourage their students to participate. We look forward to yet another successful project.

## **Unitarian Universalist Meeting**

Unitarian Universalist service will be held March 30th, at 10:30 am. We will meet in the Groveland Library / Museum's meeting room, downstairs.

Henry David Thoreau, Shaper of the Unitarian Universalist Tradition, will be the topic presented by Lloyd Kramer. Everyone is welcome, please join us.

## **RELIGIOUS SERVICES**

## **Big Oak Flat Baptist Church**

Wards Ferry Rd., 3 blocks from Hwy. 120, Pastor: Jim Lowe • Sunday School 9:45 am, Worship 11 AM & 6 pm

## **Buck Meadows Community Church**

Old Hwy. 120 & Buck Meadows 209/962-5789 Pastor: Josephine Ellis Sunday School & Worship 10 am Food Pantry Open each Sun before & after service Potluck 3rd Sunday after service

## **Groveland Christian Church**

(Non-Denominational) 18829 Foote St., Groveland, 209/962-7654 Pastor / Elder: Jack Woodland, Dennis Smith Sunday Worship 11:00 AM; Bible Study 9:30 AM; AA Tuesday & Thursday 7 PM • Ladies Bible Study Monday 4:00 PM ● Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 PM Call 962-4950 for directions

## **Church of Jesus Christ** of Latter Day Saints

19870 Hwy. 120, Groveland 209/962-5345 Branch President: Vern Shumway, 209/962-6955 Sun. Sacrament 10 am, Sun. School 11:15 am Sun. Prsthd Mtg. & Women's Relief Soc. Noon

## **Evangelical Free Church** of Groveland

19172 Ferretti Rd., 209/962-7131 Senior Pastor: Ron Cratty • Services: Traditional 9:30 am, Contemporary 11 am, Adult Bible Class 11 am, Mid-week Bible Studies (please call for information)

## **Foothills Community Church**

18717 Main St., Groveland Sunday Worship 10:45 am; Christian Ed. Hour (groups for all ages) 9:45 am, Child care provided at all services. Weekly Home Bible Study, call for times

## **Grace Episcopal Mission**

At Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Hwy. 120, Big Oak Flat Fr. Jim Stout 209/962-1899 or 209/768-0450 Services 2nd & 4th Sundays 4 pm

## **Groveland Seventh-Day Adventist**

19585 Elder Lane, Groveland Pastor: David Bello • Sabbath School 9:20 am; Worship 10:50 am • Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm

## **Jewish Services**

Call 209/962-5995 for more information Friday 7 pm followed by Kiddush Saturday 10 am followed by Kiddush & Kibbitz

### Mountain Lutheran Church

13000 Down to Earth Court (off Ferretti) Pastor: Ginger DuMars 209/962-4064 • Sunday Service 10:00 am, Bible Study 1st and 3rd Thurs at 1 pm MountainLutheranChurch.com

## **Northside Church of Christ**

18584 Main Street, Groveland 209/878-0263 Located behind Yosemite Bank Sunday Bible Study 10 AM Sunday Worship 11 AM Wednesday Bible Study 7 PM

## **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church**

Hwy. 120, Big Oak Flat, 209/532-7139 OLMC Parish Services - 209/962-1030 Pastor: Fr. Ray Abella Mass Saturday 4:45 pm, Sunday 9:15 am

## **Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

**Groveland Community Hall** Contact Kathleen 209/840-4777 Service 5th Sunday, 10:30 am, at the Groveland Library

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# Tioga High School News

## TIOGA HIGH SCHOOL **EXERCISE EQUIPMENT**

Here at Tioga our kids are working hard in weight training and P.E.. We have an awesome facility due to many of our locals donating equipment. Our treadmills get so much use that we are always in need of new ones. If anyone has a treadmill they just don't use anymore we would be more than grateful to take it. Also, we are in need of dumbbells of any sizes, exercise balls, and aerobic steps. We have a lot of equipment so we can usually only accept donations of equipment we are in need of. Please call Ryan Dutton at Tioga High if you'd like to arrange a day to drop off the equipment. We can give you a tax receipt so that you can use it as a tax write off.

Thank you again for all your kind contributions!

## LANDSCAPE CLASS **Hello Groveland!**



The landscaping class' Student Patio.

Tioga High School Landscape class has begun its next big project with the help of our recent weather! We won't complain at all about the rain that has finally made it however, and neither will all of our plants!! The class is hard at work planning and designing a student patio area that kids can gather, eat lunches, and hang out at break. They have been using some of our scrap wood to build the foundation that will hold a floating patio in the shape of a capital "T" for Tioga! The class will also include a planting design that will border the patio. An arbor will be constructed over the top of the patio to give them a chance to plant vines that can climb and provide shape in the spring and fall

heat during school hours! If you have any items that you feel could benefit our patio project, please don't hesitate to call Tioga at 962-4763 to talk to Mr. Dutton about item donation. Items that would look great or that we could use inlcude:

- Table & Chairs (With umbrella?)
- Plants & shrubs
- Lattice for our arbor
- Planters or large pots that could be set on finished patio

We thank you for your generosity in helping us make our campus something to be proud of!!

Tioga High Landscape Class

## **TIOGA HIGH EARTH SCIENCE**



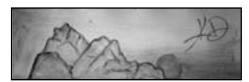
Tower skeleton by the Earth Science students.

Recently, the Tioga High School Earth Science class has been diving into plate tectonics and the makeup of our Earth. They learned about earthquake structure design by studying the University of San Diego program that tests and builds earthquake structures. The class specifically learned how base isolator systems work in building sturctures in earthquake areas. They now are getting a chance to build their own tower skeletons and test them with a shake table that simulates seismic wave movement. We have 100% predicted an earthquake for next week that will strike Tioga High School! The kids will get to see how their designs hold up and hopefully we get some that withstand the big one! This

specific program and kit was purchased through our recycling program. Thank you community members for your generous donations of recycling so our kids can have real world application in class to make learning fun and concrete!!!

### **TIOGA HIGH ART**





Tioga High School's Art class has been doing some great work this year! We would just like to share a couple of awesome landscape canvas paintings by our class taught by Mrs. Emily Hanchett!! Great work!

## ACADEMIC DECATHLON **RESULTS!!!**

Big congratulations go out to Tarynn Warren for placing 1st in the essay and speech, 2nd in Social Studies, and 3rd in the interview. Ian Campbell took 2nd place in Economics and 3rd

in History. Tiara Gomez finished 2nd in Math. Brando Nelson-Haven took 3rd in Math, and Adrien Selvey placed 3rd in Math as well. Katelyn Dauth had a great day competing also! Heidi McAdams basically aced the Super Quiz event, which brings on questions from a wide variety of topics!

Way to go Tioga ACADEC!!!! We are all proud of you and want to help get you to the top! Our Timberwolves did so well in their first competition back that their team total was better than that of our county rival Sonora High School!

Academic Decathletes take 30 minute multiple choice tests in the subjects of Art, Economics, Music, Language and

## Tioga High Student of the Month



Jarlin Martinez

Our Senior Jarlin Martinez is a pleasure to have on campus. She always has a ready smile and is happy to help out a friend or member of the staff. She's very involved in just about everything here at Tioga-Including serving

as Secretary to the Student council, and being an active member of S-Club for 4 years. She plays volleyball, basketball and softball. and this year, Jarlin has added drama to her repertoire of activities- She is a natural!!

She is currently rushing to finish putting the yearbook together, making sure every student, every club and every activity gets its fair share of attention.

Next year, Jarlin plans to attend CSU Stanislaus where she will study law enforcement or business. Jarlins very proud parents are Juan and Deanira Martinez of

## **Tenaya Elementary** Student of the Month



Caitlyn Fagundes

Sixth grader Caitlyn Fagundes is Tenaya's choice for Student of the Month. Caitlyn has a great enthusiasm for life. She works "head down" hard, completes her work and all with an artistic flare. Difficult

task – she's there. Someone needs assistance - she's got it. Stay after school to help - no problem. What a bundle of good energy! Caitlyn is the granddaughter of Debra Smith of Big Oak Flat.

Literature, Mathematics, Science, and Social Science. In addition, each team member gives a planned 4 minute Speech and a 2 minute impromptu Speech, participates in a 7 minute Interview, and has 50 minutes to write an Expository

The Super Quiz Relay, the final event, is open to the public and features questions from subject matters including Art, Economics, Music, Language and Literature, Science, and Social Science.

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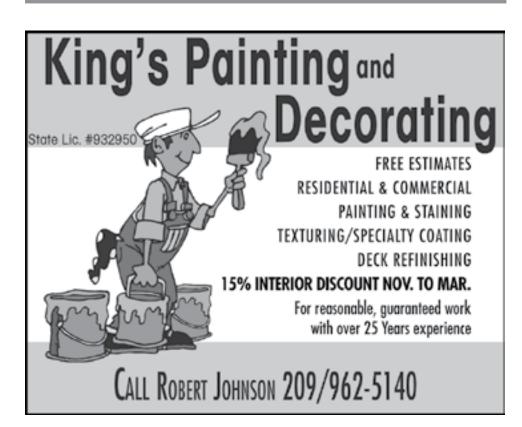
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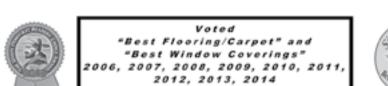
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- Will the contractor get any needed permits before the work starts?
- ☐ Are the permit fees included in the contract?

### **CHECK OUT YOUR CONTRACTOR**

- □ Did you contact the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) to check the status of the contractor's license? Contact the CSLB at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752) or visit their Web site: www. cslb.ca.gov.
- 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?

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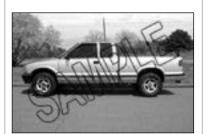
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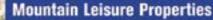
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