

The Official Newspaper of Pine Mountain Lake Property Owners





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pril is now upon us. Spring has sprung, the grass is green, the sky is blue and the birds are twittering. You will also notice that all of our staff are busy little campers scampering around getting ready for another fun filled season and putting the finishing touches on a myriad of projects.

You may have noticed that our roads have sprouted a number of new markings. This is not the PML version of crop circles but the delineation of the roadwork that is to be done this year. We now are in the process of obtaining bids so we can get this project done (weather permitting) prior to the start of the peak season. As I had mentioned in a previous message, the work planned for last year was not done due to a scheduling problem so this year will encompass two year's worth of work to bring us back on schedule. There may be some disruptions but bear with us, our roads will thank you.

The new point of sales (POS) system is now here and is scheduled to go live this

# resident's Message

month. The hardware and software are installed and the training is about complete. We are now in the process of loading the system and setting up the menus. Once we get through the transition period and down the learning curve, our operation should be much more efficient. We will now have the capability to look in-depth at each area and make changes in real-time. This will be a real boon to both the Country Club and the Pro Shop. Since this meshes seamlessly with the new accounting package, the reinstitution of the in-house charge system that everyone has been clamoring for should quickly follow. Ah, the wonders of technology.

The Kitchen floor repair is just about complete. We ripped up the old floor, added some new drains and installed the new seamless flooring. This is a project that has been long overdue but better late than never. I wonder if the ladies are going to miss the unique roof shower in their locker room? With the repairs now complete, it will enable us to start looking at remodeling both locker rooms sometime in the near future.

Now from our potpourri file, the new Website is finally up and running and we are experiencing over 6000 hits per month. We are attempting to keep it fresh with constant updates. We hope that you find it more to your satisfaction. Next on our list is examining ways to incorporate on-line

reservation capabilities for the Country Club, Golf Course and Marina. This will probably be a project for next year.

Phase II of the Stables fencing project should be well on its way to completion by date of this publication. This is the culmination of a much-needed facelift for an ageing amenity. The vinyl fencing is not only less expensive but more eye appealing and virtually maintenance free. Best of all, bids indicate the project should come in under budget. (I love it when a plan comes together!)

Finally, April brings with it the infamous "T" word as in tax time. So I figured this would be an ideal opportunity to fill you in on our latest endeavor. PML, in conjunction with our new accounting firm, is preparing a filing with the IRS to obtain tax-exempt status under the provisions of IRC 504 (c) (4) as a Social Welfare Organization. The cost to the Association will be just \$9,000, which we will incur only if we are granted the tax-exempt status. This will allow us to save over \$20,000 per year in taxes. Since this involves dealing with the government, this could be a long drawn-out process but we'll keep you informed.

That's about all the news that's fit to print so hit them straight, practice your volley, wet a line or just kick back and enjoy the sun. It's Spring!!

# On the Cover

Easter has been celebrated, since at least, the fourth century and an annual celebration of the resurrection. Even

when some churches didn't accept some of the religious holidays, Easter has always been a special day for Christians.

Before the fourth century, Christians celebrated "Pascha or Pesach," adapted from the Jews. Pesach was a celebration of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, this was celebrated in Spring. Many gentile Christians didn't want to accept Jewish traditions, but gradually, after the fourth century, Easter became an accepted holiday.

Easter and holidays related to it (Passover) are movable feasts. They do not fall on a certain date. They're based on the lunar calender, created by the Council of Nicaea, in A.D. 325. The calculations of their dates are complicated but Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday following the first full moon after the Spring Equinox (March 21st). Easter can be from March 22nd to April 25th. In Western Christianity, Easter marks the end of the forty days of Lent. During Lent, we fast and pray to prepare for Easter, beginning Ash Wednesday and ending on Easter Sunday. Easter has not fallen on March 22nd since 1818 and won't until 2285!

Easter also has a non-religious side. During the second century, Easter was originally a pagan festival. The ancient Saxons celebrated this holiday for their Goddess of Offspring and Springtime, Easter. When the Christians noticed many tribes were worshipping Easter, they attempted to change their faith to Christianity. The Christians slowly, but surely, spread their faith but allowed the tribes to celebrate pagan feasts, Easter occurred at the same time as Christ's Resurrection. Over time, Easter was converted to a Christian celebration and named Easter.

The Easter Bunny has been an Easter symbol since pagan festivals. It's goddess, Easter, was worshipped by Anglo-Saxons via her earthly symbol, the rabbit. The rabbit also means fertilization and growth (Springtime).

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# **Employment Opportunity**

Pine Mountain Lake Association is currently accepting applications for Depart- ment of Safety and Country Club positions. Applications available at the Pine Mountain Lake Administration Office or send resume, cover letter, and references to Allie Henderson, H/R Administrator, Pine Mountain Lake Association, 19228 Pine Mountain Drive, Groveland, CA 95321: email to hr@ pinemountainlake.com.

**An Equal Employment Opportunity** employer.

# **GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE**

By Joe Powell, CCAM, General Manager

### **New State Laws Regarding Pets**

Two new California laws designed to protect companion animals went into effect at the start of the New Year. SB1578 makes it illegal to tie a dog to a stationery object for more than three hours, while SB 1806 stiffens the penalties for pet owners who leave their animals unattended in cars during extreme weather conditions.

### SB 1578: No chaining or tethering

It is now illegal in the State of California to chain or tether your dog to a doghouse, tree, fence or other stationary object for more than three hours a day. Our staff runs into this all the time. PML members leave their animals chained up or tethered outside for hours at a time and leave to go have fun within PML and up to Yosemite. The animals often knock over their food and water and bark incessantly, causing a nuisance for the neighbors. Several times our staff had to rescue a pet that became entangled.

We are working directly with Tuolumne County Animal Control to provide information to pet owners and to assist the County with their enforcement efforts.

### **Real Estate Signs**

In response to numerous complaints regarding real estate open house signs and enforcement, I have contacted representatives from the Groveland, Pine Mountain Lake real estate community and set up a meeting at the end of March to discuss the amendment of Resolution # 95.12, PMLA Real Estate and Construction signs. Times have changed and we will be looking at updating the resolution. The companies have been very responsive to our concerns and I look forward to working with them on this project.

### **Fire Safety Inspections**

Our Fire Safety Coordinator, Larry Woodruff, asked me to remind the membership that inspections of lots and notices will be sent out reminding property owners to ensure their lots are Fire Safety Compliant. Remember, all lots must be in compliance by June 15, 2007. If you have any questions, feel free to call Larry at (209) 962-8616.

### **Quarterly Senior Management Opera**tional Review

On March 17th we initiated the first Quarterly Senior Manager Operational and Project Review for this year. At the March Open Board meeting a session was held between senior management and the Board to review the operational performance of each department. The status of goals, objectives and projects assigned to each manager were discussed and the management team briefed the Board and members attending the meeting.

### **Country Club Kitchen Floor Project**

By the date of this publication, the replacement of the Kitchen Floor should be nearly complete. Our Maintenance and Country Club crews and the contractor have all worked together to complete this project in time for our yearly Easter Buffet and I applaud their efforts! The project includes proper floor drainage and sealed flooring seams to help eliminate water leaks into the Ladies Locker Room below.

### **Stables Phase II Fencing Project**

Phase II of the Stables Fencing Project is currently on schedule and on budget and we anticipate completion of this project by the middle of April (weather permitting).

### **Lake Dredging Project**

As part of the supplemental environmental studies required by the County to address environmental and biological concerns by all of the governmental agencies, studies were conducted by wildlife experts to survey the impact on plants, birds, fish and amphibians. The last of these studies and surveys are complete and we are waiting for the contractor to finish preparing the report. We are confident the report will culminate in the granting of permits by all of

the agencies involved so that we can start dredging and we anticipate completion of the supplemental report soon.

### **Main Gate Entrance Project**

The final decision on a design concept was made by the Board on March 17th. The decision was made to combine portions of each of the two design concepts, incorporating the best of each into a new design. We will be reviewing these changes with our architect and finalizing the plans to move this project forward.

### **Point of Sale Hardware and Software**

The new POS system project for the Club and Golf Pro Shop is nearly complete. Staff training was conducted and everyone is pleased with the new system. The Restaurant and Pro Shop staff have already started building menu and retail functions into the system in anticipation of going live with the program. The features of this new system will increase service for our members, ease of use for our staff and provide our management team with timely reports and information so that we can run our operations more effectively.

### **ADA Ramp for the Pool**

The permit application process for the new ADA Ramp for the Swimming Pool has begun and we have contacted concrete contractors to review the engineered plans and provide bids for this project. Designs for the handicap accessible restroom and shower have also been submitted. Our goal is to have the ramp in place for the Summer Season.

# **Local Rainfall**

by Jerry Dickso

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30 (7")	14.72
0.55	15.27
0.33	15.60
0 (snow)	17.80
60 (7")	18.40
Trace	18.40
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The PML News is dedicated to reporting PML Association business and PML Association news to Pine Mountain Lake Property Owners.

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

# All Ads and articles must be received by 4:30 PM on the 10th of the month!

Articles are accepted as an e-mail attachment, on CD-R, on disk, laser printed or in these programs

Word, Excel, PageMaker, Illustrator, Photoshop or Acrobat files ONLY.

HANDWRITTEN MATERIAL IS NOT ACCEPTED.

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# LOCATION OF PAY PHONES

In an emergency, call 911! In case of a death-related accident, call the Coroner's Office at 209/533-5833.

- · Campground (restrooms)
- · Dunn Court Beach · Lake Lodge
- ·Main Gate (restrooms) · Marina
- ·PML Airport · Stables
- Tennis Courts (Pine Mountain Drive)

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Country Club Reservations HOTLINE...209/962-8638



Every third Saturday of the month at the PML Lake Lodge. Meetings start at 9 AM. \*Unless scheduled otherwise

April 21, 2007 May 19, 2007

June 16, 2007

(will be held at the Country Club)

July 21, 2007

August 18, 2007 (Annual Election)

September 8, 2007 (due to 49'er Fest)

October 20, 2007

November 17, 2007

## **NOTICE • NOTICE • NOTICE**

# 2007

### **Monday**

May 28 Memorial Day

# (National Observance Day) **Wednesday**

July 4 Independence Day Monday

September 3 Labor Day

Monday

November 12 Veterans Day

Thursday

Nov. 22 Thanksgiving **Friday** 

Nov. 23 Day after Thanksgiving **Monday** 

December 24 Christmas Eve **Tuesday** 

December 25 Christmas Monday

December 31 New Years Eve **Tuesday** 

January 1, 2008 New Years Day

**OFFICE CLOSED ON THESE DAYS** 

# **Editor's Note**

We greatly appreciate your contributions but please note that the PML News fills up very quickly – often by the 7th or 8th of the month (long before the 10th deadline). To ensure that your submission is reviewed for publication please submit in full and as early as possible.

Please remember that the PML News is limited in capacity and your submissions are reviewed on a first-comefirst-served, space-available basis.

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

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

**Fixed Post** 

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# PMLA Department of Safety Report

As of February 2007

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CLASSIFICATION	Монтн	YTD
Vehicles Refused	89	183
Phone Calls Received	3963	7560
Resident Alarms	13	16
Amenity Alarms	2	9
Animal Related	8	17
Animal - Loose	11	34
- Impounded	6	8
- Registered	1	2
- Dead/Injured	6	0
- Disturbance	7	16
Assist-Dispatch (General)	70	192
Assist-Patrol (General)	126	328
Complaint-Non PML Res	3	9
Illegal Burn/Fire	9	16
Report Writing	1	4
Downloading Photos	2	2
Gate - Tamper	0	0
- Follow Through	0	5
- Malfunction	4	11
Confiscated Access Card	2	3
Mess/Pkg PU or Delivery	29	69
Posting Fliers	10	31
Miscellaneous	234	563
Lost and Found	0	4
ECC Inspection	1	2
New-Sale Inspection	0	0
Lot - Fire Inspection	1	1
Hazard	16	44
Suspicious Circumstance	7	23
Suspicious Person	3	7
Suspicious Vehicle	3	11
Camp Envelope/Dump St		22
Residential Burglary	0	1
Grand Theft	1	1
Petty Theft	0	1
Malicious Mischief	3	6
Trespass	3	5
Law Violations - All Other	3	6
Law Violations - TCSO	2	5
Training/Meeting	7	9
PML Reg Violation Reside		9
PML Reg Violation Guest	2	3
Vehicle - Illegally Parked - Towed	1 0	2 1
- Accident PML	5	8
Amenity Security Check	1559	3564
Resident Security Check	443	1122
Opening/Closing Building		381
Opening/Closing Gates	236	507
Posting Tennis	27	84
Monitoring Tennis Courts	17	22
Personal Injury PML Prop	1	2
Weapons	1	2
Amenity P/U & Del to Bar	_	134
Patrol Vehicle		'
- Maintenance	10	25
- Safety Check	86	181
Vehicles Admitted	6424	13041
Hetch Hetchy Realtors	118	325
Passes Issued	1734	3594
Fixed Post	20	11

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

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

LETTERS RECEIVED – 2

DENIED BY EDITORIAL COMMITTEE – 1

Exceed 250 word maximum – 0

Content – 1

Not a property owner – 0

DEFERRED TO NEXT EDITION BY
EDITORIAL COMMITTEE – 0

DENIED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 0

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 0

# Rapidly Rising Costs for Property Owners!

ooking back over say the past five years you will see that the costs of P.M.L.A. and Groveland C.S.D. far exceed the broadly based consumer price index, increases in salaries/wages and the increase in Pension/Social Security payments.

# Letters From Our Readers

The biggest problem with PMLA is it looses money year after year on all of its activities (except the campground!) and passes the shortfall on to you for payment! If you don't like paying out of your pocket every year, go tell the Board!

Groveland C.S.D. is too small a district to be cost effective. If it won't band together with many other small CSD's to lobby against Federal and State mandates for very expensive upgrades and seek ways to operate more cost effectively within a much larger structure, we will go broke paying for their services. If you want to avoid going broke, go tell the Board.

Look back at your costs for PMLA and your utility bills (and Property Tax bill) for G.C.S.D. and project them forward for say five years. Will you be able to handle these costs along with all the other costs of owning property at P.M.L.? Will prospective buyers want to buy at P.M.L.?

Go tell the boards your concerns. They are there to listen and strive to meet your needs. Talk to them! Write them! Fax them! E-mail them! Let them know your concerns!

—The Campbells 5c 318A

# The Cost to PMLA Members for Pending Litigation

In response to property owner concerns and questions regarding pending litigation and the costs to the Association, we have listed the current pending cases by title and the amount the Association has paid so far.

Ken Lett v. PMLA

(Arbitration) \$51,515.00

**Ken Lett and Mel Kauffman v. PMLA** (Member Lawsuit) \$43,913.07

PMLA v. Thomas Huey

(CC&R Enforcement Lawsuit) \$64,840.31

Dane Nielsen v. PMLA

(Lawsuit - Labor Code 132(a) Claim) \$20,834.50

# PMLA Board Campaign Guidelines



Pine Mountain Lake Association is seeking two candidates for its Board of Directors, a three-year voluntary position.

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

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

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

If you are interested in becoming an active participant who makes decisions for the Pine Mountain Lake Association membership and you are willing to devote your time for this purpose, we encourage you to submit an application for candidacy by 4:30 PM, Friday, May 18.

### **Mailing Labels**

Candidates are entitled to purchase

labels for mailing at a cost of \$100 to be paid at the time the labels are ordered.

### **PML News Advertising**

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

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

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

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



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# PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES For The Two Months Ended February 28, 2007

			Revenues			Expenses					
OPERATION OF AMENITIES	Members' Assessments Net of Discount	User Fees	Sales, Net of Cost of Sales	Miscellaneous Income	Total Revenues	Total Expenses	(Cost)/ Income Before Depreciation	Depreciation Expense	(NET COST) INCOME	Budget (NET COST) INCOME	Variance Bud - Act
Golf Course	\$-0-	\$88,573	\$6,011	\$-0-	\$94,584	\$168,785	\$(74,201)	\$35,114	\$(109,315)	\$(118,084)	8,769
Country Club	-0-	318	35,925	249	36,492	134,145	(97,653)	5,619	(103,272)	(95,999)	(7,273)
Marina	-0-	35,064	-0-	-0-	35,064	10,360	24,704	8,702	16,002	26,329	(10,327)
Lake & Beach	-0-	400	-0-	-0-	400	11,835	(11,435)	2,154	(13,589)	(19,584)	5,995
Stables	-0-	7,625	-0-	-0-	7,625	26,429	(18,804)	3,124	(21,928)	(23,061)	1,133
Recreation	-0-	11,222	-0-	-0-	11,222	9,207	2,015	8,083	(6,068)	(10,192)	4,124
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	1,089	-0-	210	1,299	164,142	(162,843)	24,246	(187,089)	(191,436)	4,347
PROPERTY OWNER SE	RVICES	-				1					
Safety	-0-	7,573	-0-	19	7,592	119,496	(111,904)	2,498	(114,402)	(105,221)	(9,181)
Administration	-0-	32,956	-0-	11,290	44,246	201,562	(157,316)	1,968	(159,284)	(188,519)	29,235
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	617,253	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	617,253	-0-	617,253	617,528	(275)
Totals	\$617,253	\$184,820	\$41,936	\$11,768	\$238,524	\$845,961	\$9,816	\$91,508	\$(81,692)	\$(108,239)	26,547

# Notes to the Financial Statements

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

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 2 Months Ended February 28, 2007								
		ESERVE FUNDS						
2007 Beginning Fund Balances	AMENITY REFURBISHMENT FUND		REFURBISHMENT REPLACEMENT		TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND		TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
	\$1,537,933		\$195,390		\$1,733,323	\$32,062		\$1,765,385
Interest Income	10,788		1,037		11,825	177		12,002
Less Bank Fees	17		15		32			32
Assessments Earned	139,016	(1)	47,183	(2)	186,199	7,325	(3)	193,524
Income Tax Expense					0			0
PURCHASES BY AMENITY	PURCHASES BY AMENITY							
Golf Course			(22,110)		(22,110)			(22,110)
Country Club	(3,854)		(36,809)		(40,663)			(40,663)
Bar	(7,059)		(5,494)		(12,553)	(6,127)		(18,680)
Marina	(4,888)				(4,888)			(4,888)
Lake & Beach	(15,034)				(15,034)			(15,034)
Swim Center					0			0
Stables	(19,884)				(19,884)			(19,884)
Recreation					0			0
Roads & Facilities Maintenance					0			0
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES								
Safety	(1,600)		(28,697)		(30,297)			(30,297)
Administration	(66)		(25,945)		(26,011)			(26,011)
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions	(52,385)		(119,055)		(171,440)	(6,127)		(177,567)

\$124,570

\$1,759,939

\$33,437

\$1,793,376

\$1,635,369

**Adjusted Fund Balances** 

# Notes to the Financial Statements

- (1) The Budgeted Amenity Refurbishment Fund assessment for 2007 is \$834,095.
- (2) The Budgeted Capital Equipment Replacement Fund assessment for 2007 is \$283,100
- (3) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2007 is \$43,950.

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# PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES For The One Month Ended January 31, 2007

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			Revenues			Expenses					
OPERATION OF AMENITIES	Members' Assessments Net of Discount	User Fees	Sales, Net of Cost of Sales	Miscella- neous Income	Total Revenues	Total Expenses	(Cost)/In- come Before Depreciation	Deprecia- tion Expense	(NET COST) INCOME	Budget (NET COST) INCOME	Variance Bud - Act
			,			,					
Golf Course	\$-0-	\$51,158	\$7,788	\$-0-	\$58,946	\$88,514	\$(29,568)	\$17,555	\$(47,123)	\$(63,758)	16,635
Country Club	-0-	184	17,811	51	18,046	70,453	(52,407)	2,757	(55,164)	(49,379)	(5,785)
Marina	-0-	1,494	-0-	-0-	1,494	5,722	(4,228)	4,347	(8,575)	15,147	(23,722)
Lake & Beach	-0-	200	-0-	-0-	200	6,045	(5,845)	1,077	(6,922)	(8,992)	2,070
Stables	-0-	3,525	-0-	-0-	3,525	12,692	(9,167)	1,562	(10,729)	(12,135)	1,406
Recreation	-0-	8,369	-0-	-0-	8,369	3,400	4,969	4,041	928	(4,396)	5,324
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	494	-0-	135	629	90,222	(89,593)	12,132	(101,725)	(101,319)	(406)
PROPERTY OWNER SERV	/ICES										
Safety	-0-	4,545	-0-	-0-	4,545	68,034	(63,489)	1,249	(64,738)	(55,834)	(8,904)
Administration	-0-	17,536	-0-	4,578	22,114	107,564	(85,450)	950	(86,400)	(98,231)	11,831
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	308,346	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	308,346	-0-	308,346	304,764	3,582
Totals	\$308,346	\$87,505	\$25,599	\$4,764	\$117,868	\$452,646	\$(26,432)	\$45,670	\$(72,102)	\$(74,133)	2,031
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# Notes to the Financial Statements

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

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 1 Month Ended January 31, 2007								
RESERVE FUNDS								
2007 Beginning Fund Balances	AMENITY REFURBISHME FUND	NT	CAPITAL EQUIF REPLACEMEN FUND		TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND		TOTAL CONTRIBU- TION TO CAPITAL
	\$1,537,933		\$195,390		\$1,733,323	\$32,062		\$1,765,385
Interest Income	5,315		553		5,868	104		5,972
Less Bank Fees					0			0
Assessments Earned	69,508	(1)	23,592	(2)	93,100	3,663	(3)	96,763
Income Tax Expense					0			0
PURCHASES BY AMENITY								
Golf Course			8,333		8,333			8,333
Country Club	3,784		6,292		10,076			10,076
Bar	3,175		5,495		8,670			8,670
Marina	501				501			501
Lake & Beach	1,590				1,590			1,590
Swim Center					0			0
Stables					0			0
Recreation					0			0
Roads & Facilities Maintenance					0			0
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES								
Safety	640		28,245		28,885			28,885
Administration			19,864		19,864		П	19,864
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment additions	9,690		68,229		77,919	0		77,919
Adjusted Fund Balances	\$1,603,066		\$151,306		\$1,754,372	\$35,829		\$1,790,201

# Notes to the Financial Statements

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(3) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2007 is \$43,950.

# Breakfast Menu

Saturday & Sunday 8am - 11am

All breakfasts come with country potatoes and fruit

### **Omelets**

<b>Denver Omelet</b>	\$9.95				
Mozzarella & Tomato O	9melet				
Southwest Omelet\$9.95					
Goat Cheese, Olive & A	rtichoke Omelet\$8.95				
<b>Grav Lox Omelet</b>	\$10.95				
	Eggs Your Way				
2 Eggs the way you wan	t them\$7.95				
(Eggs come with choice	of bacon, ham or sausage)				
Steak & Eggs					
Chicken Fried Steak w/	Country Gravy & Eggs\$11.95				
<b>Biscuits &amp; Gravy</b>	\$9.95				
<b>Breakfast Burrito</b>	\$7.95				
Chillaquilles	\$7.95				
Eggs Benedict					
Traditional	\$10.95				
Crab Cake w/Lemon Hollandaise\$12.95					
Grav Lox w/Orange Ho	llandaise\$11.95				
Grav Lox & Bagels	\$10.95				
Crab Cake Salad	\$14.95				
	French Toast				
Tall Stack (4 pieces)	\$7.95				
Short Stack (2 pieces)	\$5.95				
	Pancakes				
Tall Stack (4 pieces)	\$7.95				
Short Stack (2 pieces)	\$5.95				
Add Blueberries	50				
Crepes					
Fruit (stuffed w/Peach &	& Cream Cheese)\$9.95				
Shrimp	\$14.95				

# MUSICIANS WANTED!

If you are a solo pianist or guitarist, jazz duo, trio or combo vocal group; play contemporary rock, bluegrass or country music and can entertain for 3 to 4 hours, Please contact the Country Club Bar Manager, Charlie Bishop, at 962-8636 Monday through Friday 9am-4pm.

Pine Mountain Lake Country Club is

looking for experienced musicians.

Please have a promotional photo, bio and CD available. Fee negotiable.

The 19th Hole Lounge at

# Ala Carte – April '07 Country Club Grand Reopening

by Tom Dorsey, Country Club Manager

pril will be like a grand reopening at your Country Club. We are back in business with our new kitchen floor project completed. Our new lunch and dinner menus are in production, offering many new, tempting culinary delights from our Executive Chef Orpheus. The front of the house staff is looking sharp in their new uniforms, and the new point of sale system is allowing them to operate much more efficiently, enabling them to spend more time on the floor taking care of customer needs.

Not a big eater? Look for our "Early Bird" special from 5pm -6pm offering any menu item at half portion, half price.

Got a big family? Want to treat them to a nice evening out without breaking the bank? Check out our Sunday Family Night Buffet, back by popular demand beginning April 15th from 3pm-8pm!

Mark your calendars for our first "blockbuster" of 2007. On Saturday, May 5th, Pine Mountain Lake Golf and Country Club presents The Main Street Market Celebrity Golf Tournament (formerly the Eddie Money Classic). This year will be like nothing you have experienced at a PML Golf Tournament, more like a golf tournament inside of a street fair! Local wineries, culinary delights, a famous band "Back Beat", a Beatles tribute act, all in an open air setting, with proceeds to benefit the Groveland Youth Center. Sign up now if you want to play because spots are selling fast. Don't worry if you're not a golfer, passes for the entertainment and beverage garden are available to the general public.

For info on player sign-ups call the Pro Shop at 209-962-8620.

For additional info contact Bob LeBarre at boblebarre@sbcglobal.net.

As you can see, your Country Club staff is committed to bringing you exceptional dining experiences and in Evative events so be proud to say "I belong to Pine Mountain Lake Country Club!"

# Easter Sunday Buffet 9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

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State	Zip	Phone Number
Home Club _		GHIN/NCGA #
		Guest
		City
		Phone Number
Extra Dinners	or Entry Fee Team  @ \$ 30	
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# **PML Organized Groups & Clubs**

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

### **Aviation Association:**

Allen Craig 209/962-6757

### **Computer Users Group:**

Gerald DeHart 209/962-7429

### **Country Mountain Riders:**

Connie Soderberg 209/962-5299

### **Crafts Guild:**

Loraine Jordan 209/962-6707

### **Dance Party:**

Harry Maier 209/962-6760

### **Duplicate Bridge:**

Ann Laffin 209/962-6394

### Exercise:

Marie Humphreys 209/962-7905

### Friends of the Lake:

Marilyn Hathaway 209/962-7595 Barb Elliott 209/962-6457

### **Garden Club:**

Arlene Vorce 209/962-7186

### **Guardians of PML:**

John Nielsen 209/962-4934

### **Ladies Club:**

Kym Purifoy 209/962-5100

### **Ladies Golf Club:**

Virginia Tallman 209/962-4637

## Men's Golf Club:

Frank Jablonski 209/962-4375

# Men's 9-Hole Golf Club:

Wally Child 209/962-0723

### Monday Bridge Club:

Bill Mingus 209/962-4240 (M) N. Anderson 209/962-0337 (W)

### Non-Residents' Group:

Kathy Coon 510/656-0162

## **PML Niners:**

Linelle Marshall 209/962-7931

### PML Waterski & Wakeboard Club:

Rick Whitacre 408/582-3081 e-mail: rwguard55-pml@yahoo.com

### **PM Lakers RV Club:**

Tom Taylor 209/962-6596

### **Poison Oakers Square Dance Club:**

Irene Rhyne 209/878-3537

### **Racquet Club:**

Al Rodriguez 209/962-6457

# **Residents Club:**

Thelma Faux 209/962-4617

### ROOFBB:

Jackie Baker 209/962-6295

## **Sierra Professional Artists**

Heinie Hartwig 209/586-1637

# **Sunday Couples Golf:**

Norma Baldinger 209/962-5332

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# Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group

by Tom Carman

Several months ago, Tom Carman presented a study on Excel Basics. Tom will continue that presentation with a short review of some Basics followed by some more advanced functions of Excel. He will also use a tutorial by Individual Software for your evaluation. If you have a laptop, you may bring it along and follow the lessons. This tutorial is a very inexpensive program and if you like it, you may wish to add it to your collection.

Remember, dues are due April 1st, so don't forget your checkbook. Dues are \$12.00 for the family.

The CUG is composed of members at all levels of computer experience, and guests are always welcome. Remember, you do not have to be a resident of Pine Mountain Lake to attend the CUG meetings. For non-PML residents, please contact Gerald DeHart or Bob Oakley if you plan to attend so PML Safety Department can issue the proper pass. To learn other information about the CUG, such as past meeting content, monthly newsletters, club by-laws, and officer info, check out the club's website listed in this article.

We look forward to seeing you on April 17th, 7:00pm at the Lake Lodge. The Multi-Media Sig will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Be sure to check out the CUG Web Site at http://www.geocities.com/pmlcug.

Further information about the CUG may also be obtained from Bob Oakley at 962-4799 or Gerald DeHart at 962-7429.

# Garden Club Clippings

by Jan Sloan

The Pine Mountain Garden Club meeting of 2/12/07 started with President Arlene Vorce presenting certificates of appreciation to all 2006 board members. Then the 2007 board was introduced to all.

It was decided all new members are to have "blooming buddies."

They will spend the first meeting with them to introduce members, answer questions and orient them to the club.

The June garden tour and luncheon were discussed. Terri Melinn could use a few more gardens to tour. If you would like to show off your gardens, call Terri at 5743. A sign up list was displayed to set a table for the luncheon.

Vice Presidents Lonnie Roman and Dian Watson announced the exciting program roster for the year.

March 22 - San Francisco Garden Show bus trip

April 9 - Burchell Nursery tour in Oak-dale

May 14 - Growing grapes by Catherine

SantaMaria

June 11- Garden tour and luncheon

July 9 -Annual brunch at Mountain Sage Nursery

August 13 -Sierra Institute herb discussion

September 10 - Pruning with Dick Dentino

October 8 -Covers Apple Ranch tour and lunch

November 12- Craft project

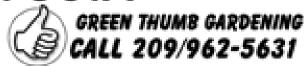
December 2- Installation dinner

We watched and enjoyed a video "Spring Fever." It made us eager to buy flowers and plant!! Have to have restraint for now. Everyone is encouraged to volunteer time and labor at the jail, our community project .

We received a certificate of appreciation from Helping Hands for the club donation for Christmas baskets.  $\mathcal{C}$ 

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# Pine Mountain Lake Ladies Golf Club

February Highlights by Sue Perry

Pebruary was a"Lovely" month for playing golf. We had only three play days this month with the following results:

Feb. 1st: Hate 'Em...1st Place...269 pts. N.Harlan, J. Foster, J. Sample, T. Faux

2nd Place...283 pts. S. Perry, J. Maguire, K. Oing, V. Tallman

3rd Place...286 pts. A. Hankin, K. Edgerton, M. Scott, H. McMillan

4th Place...287 pts. A. Frawley, A. Peterson, K. Dickson

Birdies: P. Parks #1 & Y. Mattocks #14

Feb. 8th: Partners Odd and Even...1st Place...net 65

J.Dwailabee, V.Tallman, A. Hankin 2nd Place...net 68 A. Peterson, A. Frawley, Y. Mattocks

3rd Place...net 71 K. Edgerton, H. McMillan, T. Faux, K. Sheehorn

Birdies: H. McMillan

Feb. 15th: Red, White, and Blue...1st Place...136 K Bettencourt, N. Baldinger, J. Dwailabee, P. Gschwend

2nd Place...140 E. Ellis, A. Frawley , L. Mattea, J. Smith

3rd Place...141 K. Edgerton, H. Mcmillan, T. Faux, Y. Mattocks

4th Place...145 M. Drew, S. Perry, S.

Vaughn, L. Wall

Birdies: E. Ellis #14

In other news, our general meeting was held on March 8th with our new captain, Virginia Tallman, presiding. The highlights were as follows: Team play captain, Marlene Drew, announced that April 17th starts the beginning of the season of team competition.

Janice Mussatto unveiled the Rochelle Roderick trophy that will be displayed in the posting room. It is a tribute to Rochelle's grand achievment of being our club champion for nine consecutive years. It is to be our club's perpetual championship tournament trophy and will have the names of all the club champions in the past and in the future.

Virginia stated that the Green Tee game on Thursday play days will be disbanded by the end of this year if it is not being utilized.

The Charity Day tournament will be for the benefit of the Sonora General Cancer Fund this year,

Marche Kissiar needs contributions for the Pine Tree Invitational baskets. Please leave them in the ladies lounge.

The Pine Tree Invitations were distributed and Jenny Dwailabee asked that they be mailed with the appropriate payment on March 15th. See you out on the links.

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# PML Men's Golf Club

by Dick Faux

Your Pine Mountain Lake Men's Club tournament schedule is into the high season with numerous tournaments scheduled for the next three months. The tournament committee believes that there is something for everyone.

As always, entry forms and tournament information may be found on our website WWW. PMLMGC.com or in the proshop. Listed below is the PML Men's Golf Club schedule of tournaments for the next three months:

Tournament	Date	Format	Registration Deadline
Match Play Championship Sign -Up	April	Schedule your match each month of May, June, July & August. 80% of April Handicap Throughout.	April 25
NCGA Zone Qualifier	Sat. April 7	Sign up as 4 man team. Scoring is best 2 balls of the 4. One 4 man team to qualify. Pairs will not play in same foursome.	April 4
Men's Club Monthly Special	Wed. April 11	One Man Scramble	April 9
NCGA Qualifier: Four Ball Net Championship	Sat. May 5	Sign up as 2 man teams. Better Ball Format. Top 2 teams qualify. Max. Index of 18.4- Play will be 90% of existing handicap.	May 2
Men's Club Monthly Special (Ham & Egg)	Wed. May 16	Sign up as 2 Man Team. Each player is responsible for 9 holes.	May 14
Spring Mixed- Foursome Tournament	Fri/Sat May 18/ 19	4 Person ScrambleDinner Friday & golf on Saturday	May 15
Men's Club Monthly Special	Wed. June 13	A-B-C-D Computer Draw; 2 Best Balls plus Orange Ball	June 11
Club Championship	Sat/Sun June 16/ 17	36 holes, gold tees, individual stroke play, full handicaps. Low gross and low net will be paid in each flight. Player with the lowest gross score in the field will be the club champion.	June 12

Congratulations to Brian Sweeney for his hole in One on Hole #14 on February 3, 2007!

### **GOLF RULES QUIZ**

- Q. 1. A player whose ball lies in the rough close to the fairway is entitled to relief from an immovable obstruction. In obtaining relief, may the player drop the ball on the fairway?
- Q. 2. A player's ball lies just off the putting green and casual water on the green intervenes between the ball and the hole. Is the player entitled to relief?

### **QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

If profanity had any influence on the flight of the ball, the game of golf would be played far better than it is.

—HORACE G. HUTCHINSON

### **ANSWERS TO GOLF QUIZ**

- 1. Yes. There is no distinction in the rules between fairway and rough; they are both "through the green."
- 2. No. You would only get relief if the ball lies on the green. Also, you are prohibited from removing casual water from your line of play.

# 12 RECREATION/CLUBS

# THANK YOU!

Although most of us have been aware all along that this is the most caring and generous community on earth, I am overwhelmed and humbled by the depth and extend of support that my family and I have received during the illness and passing of our dear Gordon.

With sincere gratitude, Nancy Jones and Family.





# PML Waterski and Wakeboard Club Addresses Lake Rules

by Perry Constantine

t the February PMLA Board Meeting, the Pine Mountain Lake Waterski & Wakeboard Club (WWC) was given an opportunity to comment on the proposed changes in the lake rules.

The WWC felt it important to clarify for the Board who it is that waterskis and wakeboards at PML. It's primarily kids, and with almost 2/3 of the families at PML being families with second homes at PML, access to the amenities they enjoy during the limited time they have at PML is critical. We strongly encouraged the Board to maximize access to all amenities, not create further restrictions

With kids being the primary users of the waterski times, this leads to the usage of ski hours being low from May until mid June when school lets out, high from mid June until late August, packed on holiday weekends, and then low from late August through October. It's also interesting to note that for all days of the week, usage is significantly higher in the afternoon timeslots, (teenagers sleep in). Hardly a day goes by during the summer that someone isn't skiing on the lake.

Secondly, we wanted to address the perception that has been created that during ski hours, no one else can use the lake. That simply is not true. Other boats co-exist on the lake during ski hours all the time. There are no restrictions on any other boats and the ski pattern takes up less than 25% of the lake. Those of us who ski actually register about 30% of all boats at PML and register a significant share of the boats in every other category. When we're not skiing, we're fishing, kayaking, sailing, or just cruising on the lake, quite often during ski hours with many others homeowners.

Many members of the association are not aware that if no one has signed up to ski, the center of the lake remains open for others to use. The Marina did an excellent job this past summer of raising and lowering the flag to signal when the center of the lake was closed for skiing. As for wakes, if only 1 or 2 boats are skiing, there are minimal wakes to impact anyone on the main part of the lake. A boat will make 8 – 10 trips around the pattern per hour and 8-10 sets of wakes when skiing. The only time when wakes are potentially an issue for other boats

near the pattern is when the pattern is fully utilized, and that is generally limited to the busiest weekends and holidays. The more spread out skiers are, the more fun it is for the skiers and the less impact there is on other boaters and the lake itself.

It was the WWC's recommendation that no changes be made to the lake rules and in particular to the hours when power boating is allowed in the ski pattern. We think that the current rules provide a good balance between the competing activities on the lake and that better awareness of operational procedures can address most of the concerns.

We expressed our willingness to participate in the dialogue and work with the Board to promote the best interests of the total membership. To that end we submitted some recommended changes to the Lake Rules which were published in the PML News last month.

- The WWC proposed the existing sign-up procedure be removed from the Lake Rules and allow us to work with the Marina to find a better solution. The current process is very user unfriendly and makes it very difficult for members to plan their day.
- The WWC proposed the removal of the current restriction on boats towing people in tubes and allow it in the 5 MPH areas.
- The WWC proposed to cap the number of weekend afternoons during the summer that skiing can be suspended for other activities on the lake to 2 days. Saturday is by far the most popular day for skiing.
- Lastly, if changing ski hours is considered, the WWC proposed increasing ski hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings. These days have the greatest demand through the ski season. It would provide a greater opportunity to spread out the usage of the times creating the least impact on the lake, property, and other boats using the lake.

If you're interested in getting on the WWC e-mail list and participating in our events and surveys, please send your e-mail to rwguard55-pml@yahoo.com.

# **Shades of Green**

BY ALAN MACDONALD **GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT** 

y the time this article is read it will be spring time. While winter will be a thing of the past I would like to discuss what we do at Golf Maintenance in the winter months.

Because the cold weather prevents the grass from growing very much we use this time to prepare our mowers for the upcoming season. We do preventive maintenance and any major repairs that call for a mower to be down for a length of time. This winter we did some research and discovered we needed reflectors on all pieces of equipment that use the roads for safety reasons. These have all been installed.

Also, on the winter schedule along with course clean up from the storms is tree trimming, maintenance on the tee blocks, tee signs and benches.

We encourage our crew members to use their vacation time during the slower parts of the year.

If the weather permits we will do projects such as drainage and landscape improvements.

Another topic I would like to cover is golf cart traffic on our fairways. It is the golf course maintenance staffs job to provide a course for golfers to enjoy. It is also our duty to provide consistent healthy turf throughout the season, even if this means placing restrictions on golfers from time to time. Not only does driving on fairways create tracks and visual turf damage, it can lead to a slow decline in the health and playability of the turf. Persistent traffic on certain soils can result in compaction problems that inhibit good water infiltration, reduce oxygen content and restrict root growth.

When you come to play after a rain or periods of heavy frost please be patient with our cart restrictions as we also want the best playing conditions each and every

Happy golfing and please observe the 90 degree rule.

# **Birds of a Feather** Flocked Together for **Two Niners!**

ow exciting to have not only one but two ladies birdie number #14. Congratulations to Barbara Davis and Judy Michaelis. Also, congratulations to Linelle Marshall for her 14 putts. What great playing for these cold, damp days.

### **Reminders:**

April 4th	WNHGA rules seminar
•	@ the Villages,
	San Jose
April 5th	8:30 am shotgun
April 12th	9ers invite 18-holers –
•	18 hole games & lunch
April 12th	Open @ La Rinconada
April 17th	"B" Team Play
_	@ Turlock
April 19th	8:30 am shotgun
April 23 & 24	Aeration
April 26th	8:00 am shotgun
	(front nine)
April 26th	"B" Team Play
	@ Elkhorn

### **PLAY DAY RESULTS**

Linelle Marshall (14), Claudette Babyak & Barbara Davis (18). 2nd flight: Barbara Haiges & Mary Reynolds (18). 3rd flight: Darlene Hoagland (19) and Judy Michaelis (21). BIRDIES: Barbara Davis & Judy Michaelis (14). PARS: Linelle Marshall #13, Gloria Burkley #14, Claudette Babyak & Barbara Davis #10. LOW NET: Judy Michaelis.

Feb. 8th, CRY BABY: 1st flight: Linelle Marshall, net 27.5. 2nd flight: Faye Buckley, net 27.5. 3rd flight: Darlene Hoagland, net 26.0. PARS: Linelle Marshall, Darlene Hoagland & Faye Buckley #14. LOW NET: Judy Michaelis 37.

Feb. 15th, CRY BABY: 1st flight: L. Marshall, net 23.5, A. Clark, net 24.5 & B. Davis, net 25. 2nd flight: M. Reynolds, net 21.5, W. Patterson, net 26.5 & D. Hoagland, net 25. CHIP IN: P. Price #18. PARS: B. Davis #14, L. Marshall & D. Hoagland #17. NET LOW: B. Davis, 37.

# HOPPY EASTER! №

# **PML Racquet**

**Club** by Al Peirona

ith no socials scheduled in April, the Racquet Club members are gearing up for Cinco de Mayo slated on Saturday, May 5, at the Tennis Center.

Cinco de Mayo is a mixed doubles social and over the years has been well attended. The weather is typically pleasant and this generally stimulates interest and participation.

Davis Cup then follows in June. The date has been changed (initially was to be on June 30) to MONDAY, June 25.

Tuesday night BBQ - Tennis socials again are scheduled for June, July and August at the Tennis Center.

The Board, consisting of Al Rodriguez, Larry Santa Maria, Walt Bales, Dick Thomson and Mark Nouillan, will be overseeing activities this year. They continue to seek volunteers to assist throughout the year.

There will be a work day to revamp the storage area at Courts 3 and 4 in the Spring. In conjunction with this, Administration will be installing a more secure door and lock. Also, a speaker system will be installed at Courts 3 and 4.

There now are 84 paid members in the Racquet Club. New members are invited

- Approximately 100 attended the 50 year Wedding Anniversary Party for Jerry and Joanne DeHart. It was held at the Country Club on March 10.
- Results of Wearing of the Green Social (March 17) and Cinco de Mayo will be published later.
- The first quarterly meeting was at the Country Club on March 9.
- A reminder to members who change their e-mail address. Kindly contact a Board member if this is the case.



# **Hotel Charlotte**

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Easter Sunday, April 8th:

We will offer a special Holiday multicourse menu with a choice of Prime Rib or Leg of Lamb along with selections from our regular menu, serving from 5:30 on.

What do you say to more Cabaret? On Sundays, Apr 15, Apr 22 & Apr 29 we will host an all new Cabaret show. Same great director, Dennis Brown, same super singers, all new Broadway songs and a fresh menu of bay shrimp stuffed avocado, cream of asparagus soup, lamb shank cabernet or grilled salmon and tiramisu for dessert \$49 includes tax, tip and donation to Pine Cone Singers.

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# PML Aviation Association to hear USAF Viet Nam War pilot

# Mark your calendars for June 2 – Community Aviation Day

he PML Aviation Association held its March meeting at the Benzing hangar on March 3rd. Dr. Ken Orloff of Orloff Consulting, Groveland, was our guest speaker. Ken fascinated the audience of over 100 pilots and friends with his stories of midair collisions he has investigated. Each story illustrated how the accident could have been avoided. It was an interesting, educational, and sobering presentation.

The April meeting of the Aviation Association will be at 6:00pm on April 7 at the Peebles hangar on Jimmersall. Guest speaker will be Marle Hewett, a highly decorated Viet Nam era Navy pilot. Marle flew 100 missions off the USS America during the war, earning the Distinguished Flying Cross, 13 Air Medals, the Navy Commendation Medal with combat "V", and the Navy Unit Commendation Medal. Marle will tell us about his tours in the

Pacific on the USS Oriskany flying A-4s with "The Saints" and on the USS America flying A-7s with "The Marauders." The presentation also includes experiences from his test pilot days with the USAF at Edwards AFB and the Naval Air Test Center in Patuxent River, MD.

The Aviation Association is pleased to announce that we are organizing a great day of aerial spectacle for the Groveland area community on June 2. There will be a professional aerial aerobatic airshow over PML Airport in the afternoon. Admission is free. Refreshments will be available. Watch for more details in next month's paper and on flyers around town. Invite your friends and family – this is an amazing event.

To join the Aviation Association, visit our website www.pmlaa.org or come to any of our monthly meetings.



# **PML LADIES CLUB**

ur PML Ladies Club moved into high gear for our 2007/2008 year with the installation of officers. The event was held at PML Country Club, and a nice, fun setting it was. Our own Jane Hansen, Decorations Chair NONPARIEL, chose a fine St. Patrick's Day theme, and it was fun to see. The tables were laid in white cloths with green centerpiece squares on which were placed vases of glittery green leaves, gold clusters and with gold coins scattered along the table surface. Its cheeriness spread quickly to our members and guests. And, timely it was for the skies showed bright blue, puffy white and grey clouds, with rain threatening. We were pleased to be in such a bright setting.

Following a fine luncheon we moved along to the Installation of Officers. We

first held a divestiture of the 2006/2007 officers, followed by installation of the 2007/2008 officers. The rites were conducted by past president Rosemary Adams, assisted by past president Joyce Smith.

Outgoing officers were: Membership/ Reservations, Shirley Brasesco; Historian/ Parliamentarian, Judy Michaelis (Judy was unable to be with us); Secretary, Diane Abdelnour; Treasurer, Carol Voyvovich; Vice President, Kym Purifoy; and President, Harriet Wallace.

Incoming officers are: Membership/Reservations, Barbara Coldren; Historian/Parliamentarian, Harriett Wallace; Secretary, Beverly Clark; Treasurer, Barbara Lacy; and President, Kym Purifoy.

Our members saluted the outgoing

# Friends of the Lake Learn about Lake Quality on April 15

pril 15 will mark the kick-off of the Friends of the Lake meetings for 2007. Our first meeting will be at 5:00pm, Sunday, April 15, at Lake Lodge. It's a potluck supper followed by guest speaker, Mike Horvath.

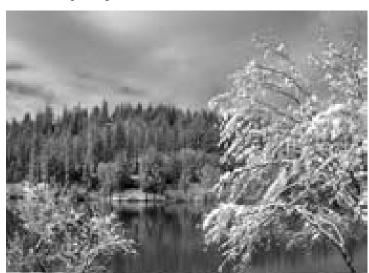
Mr. Horvath is the Pine Mountain Lake consulting limnologist. Mike is responsible for monitoring the physical, chemical and biological condition of our lake. He's a lake biologist and also takes care of the scientific reporting on our lake to various

state agencies. Mike will report to the group on the current state of the lake and the quality of our water.

During 2006, Friends of the Lake donated and maintained the buoy lights in the lake, we donated over a dozen beach umbrellas to the marina, we donated safety buoys to the boat patrol, and we organized the 4th of July boat parade and the August lake swim. This year we have a similar line-up of interesting and fun activities for our members, and we will continue to contribute to the health,

safety and equitable use of our lake.

To join or renew your membership in Friends of the Lake, please mail a check for \$20/family, \$10/single to Friends of the Lake, PO Box 591, Groveland. Be sure to include your email address. Memberships will also be taken at the April 15 meeting.



A rare scene: our lake during last month's snow storm

(Top) Incoming Board L to R: Beverly Clark, Harriett Wallace, Kym Purifoy, Barbara Lacy, Barbara Coldren, Anne Clark

(Bottom) Outgoing Board L to R: Harriett Wallace, Kym Purifoy, Diane Abdelnour, Carol Voyvovich, Shirley Brasesco (not pictured Judy Michaelis)

officers and thanked them for their grand service. And, we saluted our incoming officers and assusred them of our support in the coming year.

President Purifoy outlined plans for coming events, including several new offerings. Sooooo, we all look forward to a grand 2007/2008 year.





# ANNOUNCEMENTS, ACTIVITIES, & CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# **CALENDAR**

### **CNPS APRIL MEETING APRIL 5**

The Sierra Foothills chapter of the California Native Plants Society's monthly meeting will be

Time: 6 pm - Board Meeting (all members welcome)7 pm - General Meeting (General public is welcome).

Where: Tuolumne County Library on Greenley Road, Sonora. Refreshments will be served.

Program: "The Wildflowers of the Sequoia Groves and nearby areas of Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Parks". Steve Stocking, Education Chair of our CNPS Chapter will give a presentation.

Steve recently retired after 30 some years teaching Botany and other Biological Science at San Joaquin Delta College. He is the Author of "Wildflowers of Seguoia-Kings Canyon National Parks", "Seguoias of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks" and "Trails of Grant Grove Area of Kings Canyon National Parks".

### **FIELD TRIPS APRIL 7**

Red Hills. Leader: Kathy Burnett. Hiking level: easy. The Red Hills are a long-time favorite. This will be a car tour of the best wildflowers in the Red Hills serpentine in Tuolumne County. Meet at 8:30 a.m., at the Sonora McDonalds gravel parking lot next to Gottschalks, on Mono Way, in the Junction Shopping Center, in East Sonora. Car pooling encouraged. Call Kathy for more info at (209) 770-5494.

### **GCSD APRIL 16**

GCSD intends to turn on the chloramine disinfection system on April 16th.

### PINE NEEDLERS QUILT STROLL SPONSORED BY SSSI **JUNE 9TH 9AM TO 4PM**

The Pine Needlers Quilt Guild will present their first Annual Quilt Stroll presented in GROVELAND JUNE 9th from 9AM to 4PM. Stroll Main Street and delight in the beautiful local quilts to admire or purchase. Demonstrations and refreshments along the route. Parking Available.

# **ON-GOING ACTIVITIES**

### **COMMUNITY DRUMMING CLASSES**

Sponsored by the Gatherina Place Second Wednesday of every month Time: 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Place: Groveland Library Conference Room

(bottom floor)

Everyone is welcome, kids too! If you have a drum bring it. We have extras.

### **SWISS BALL EXERCISE CLASS**

SPRING SESSION: March 26 - May 30, 2007 Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. at the PML Lake Lodge. It's more fun than a barrel of monkeys! Get in shape, too! \$30.00 per session (SORRY NO REFUNDS)

For more information please leave a message for Leah Stafford at 962-8600 and she will return your call.

This class is not to replace medically needed exercise. All participants must be healthy and physically fit. If you have any health concerns and issues in regards to your participating in this class, please consult your physician before participating. Regrettably there are no refunds offered.

### **HOT LUNCHES FOR SENIORS**

Sierra Foothill Senior Management Inc. serves hot lunches at noon Mondays & Tuesdays at Groveland Community Hall, also Thursdays at Big Oak Flat First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 11345 Wards Ferry Road. For information and/or reservations, call 962-6700. Anyone 60 or older is welcome. If a couple, only one needs to be 60. A \$3.25 donation is requested but no senior is denied a meal. There is a \$6.25 charge for anyone younger than 60.

### **AMERICAN LEGION POST #300 WEEKLY LUNCHEON AND DINNER POTLUCK**

2nd Tuesdays (lunch), 3rd Thursdays (dinner)

Luncheon meets at 11:30 at The Big Oak Restaurant, Hwy 120, Big Oak Flat. Potluck dinner meets at 6:15 PM at the Groveland Community Hall 209/962-5647.

## **BRIDGE AT THE LAKE LODGE** Mondays • 10:15 AM & 10:30 AM

All bridge players are welcome. Men (10:15 AM) call Bill Mingus at 209/962-4240 for reservations. Women (10:30 AM) call Norma Anderson at 209/962-0645 for reservations.

### **AEROBICS & SCULPTING EXCERCISE BY VIDEO**

Mondays & Wednesdays • 9 AM

Reach your fitness goals! These classes are suitable for all fitness levels. Classes are free. Join us at the Lake Lodge to be led by a variety of videos featuring certified fitness instructors. For more information and scheduling contact Barb at 209/962-6457 or Marie at 209/962-7905.

### **HORSESHOE PITCHING** Mondays & Thursdays • 1 PM

Meet at 1 PM at the pits (corner of Tannahill Dr. & Pleasant View)! Men and women of all skill levels welcome to participate. Instruction available to all beginners. Shoes furnished. Pits are available for use by all property owners and their guests on a first-come, first-served basis seven days a week.

### SIERRA CLUB HIKE OF THE WEEK Thursdays • 8 AM

Midweek Hikes in the Groveland Area on Thursdays. Weather permitting, each Thursday meet at Mary Laveroni Community Park in Groveland at 8 AM for an approximate 6-mile hike. Bring a jacket, water, sunscreen and a snack in a daypack and wear hiking boots. The hike is generally followed by a no-host lunch at a local restaurant. Call Frank Oyung for further details 209/962-7585.

### **BRIDGE (DUPLICATE) AT THE LAKE** LODGE

2nd & 4th Thursdays

All bridge players are welcome. Call Ann Laffin 209/962-6394 for information.

### **WOMEN'S SUPPORT/ DISCUSSION GROUP**

Attention Pine Mountain Lake and Groveland Area Ladies: A new women's support/discussion group will be forming. Days and times will be determined by participants. It is time to do something for yourselves. Make new friends, get rid of some old emotional baggage, and share your knowledge and experience. Call me. Let's talk.

Etty Garber, PhD. 209-962-5205.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **GROVELAND ART STROLL**

Are you an artist and want to be in this year's series of Groveland Art Stroll's? Contact Christina Wilkinson at 209-962-0342 for an application.

## **PINE CONE PERFORMERS ('SINGERS' AND 'PLAYERS')**

The Pine Cone Singers will begin rehearsing for their spring concert on Tuesday, January 30th at 3:00 PM in the Groveland Community Hall. Under the direction of Dennis Brown, the chorus is 47 members strong and growing! All voices are welcome. Dues are \$30. per season. The concert is slated for performance the weekend of May 18, 19, and 20. For further information, call 962-6892.

Meanwhile, the Pine Cone Players have held auditions for their spring play, due to go on stage under the direction of Nancy Robichaud, on Memorial Day weekend, May 25, 26, and 27. Actors chosen for the play, "Curse You, Jack Dalton", include Kris Corey as Jack, plus Faith Rosenberger, Ann Schafer, Sharon Stewart, Marijke Spilman, Carl Ehret, and Gail Perlee. Actors chosen for the radio theater interlude. "Fibber McGee And Molly" include Bill Mingus as Fibber, Marge Smith as Molly, Harry Maier as Harlow, plus Kelsie Klaahsen and Carolyn King, with Barbara Klahn doing sound effects. There will also be olios (in front of the curtain numbers) between the play and radio show. For further information, call 962-7389.

### **SWING DANCE LESSIONS**

Swing Dance Lessons, Monday Nights at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club, 6-7:30 pm. For more info contact Tom Knoth at 209-962-5838

### **HIGH COUNTRY LINE DANCERS**

High Country Line Dancers at Groveland Community Hall - 7-9 p.m. every Tuesday evening. Beginner line dancing lessons 7-8 p.m.; intermediate/advanced lessons and dancing 8-9 p.m. Everyone welcome! Instructor: Susan Nash. \$2.00 per person. For more info, call Carol Stevens at 962-5198 or Sue Salnick at 962-4155.

### **MOVIES AT MOUNTAIN SAGE**

What ever will you do with that friend visiting on a cold March day? Come drink a latte and catch an old flick in the cozy café of Mountain Sage. We thought you'd appreciate more than one, so on Saturdays we will have a theme of movies playing all afternoon and into the early evenings. Come let your hair down after a morning of shopping, hiking or playing and catch a classic scene! For specific movie listings, check with Mountain Sage at www. mtnsage.com or 962-4686.

### WHITEWOLF ART GALLERY EXHIBITS

The Whitewolf Art Gallery features a new artist every three weeks. Come on in to see what's happening. Youth arts & crafts classes will be available for FREE during Spring Break. Please call 962-0342 to register.

# **SOROPTIMIST MEETINGS CHANGE**

The Soroptimist International of Groveland will meet the first four Tuesdays of the month at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club at 12:30 pm. For information regarding membership, please contact Gail Shaw at 209-962-0907.

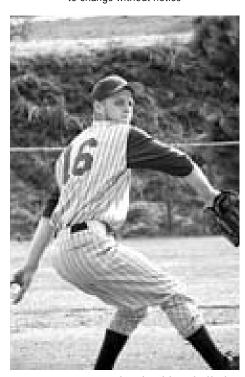
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# Have an announcement, on-going activity or an event? This is a great way to get Pine Mountain Lake residents (full-time and part-time) information about your fun so don't miss out!

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
4/3	Mountain Oaks	San Andreas	3:00 pm
4/5	Mountain Oaks	Tioga	3:00 pm
4/24	Stone Ridge	Tioga	3:00 pm
4/26	Stone Ridge	Merced	3:00 pm
5/1	Mountain Oaks	San Andreas	3:00 pm
5/4	Mountain Oaks	Tioga	3:00 pm

**Note**: This schedule is subject to change without notice



# Tioga High School School Boy's Girls Softball Baseball

DATI	E OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
4/3	Mountain Oaks	San Andreas	3:00pm
4/5	Mountain Oaks	Tioga	5:30pm
4/17	ROP	Murphys	3:00pm
4/20	ROP	Tioga	4:00pm
4/24	Stone Ridge	Tioga	5:30pm
4/26	Stone Ridge	Merced	3:00pm
5/1	Mountain Oaks	San Andreas	3:00pm
5/4	Mountain Oaks	Tioga	5:30pm
5/8	ROP	Murphys	3:00pm
5/11	ROP	Tioga	4:00pm

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Tioga High School baseball photos by Tioga Senior, Brittany Bradley





# No Crips in This Town

by Sandra Bradley, Principal, Tioga Higb School

oday (Monday, February 20, 2007) when I arrived to work, my secretary had me listen to a telephone message from an irate community member who called on Saturday to inform the school that she was "disgusted" to see our picture in the Union Democrat on Friday, February 16th. Had the individual left her phone number or name, I would have taken the time to call her back and assure her that what she thought she saw was not at all what she actually saw. As an educator and a parent it is disheartening to think that we are so tainted in our society that all we think of when we see teenagers is "bad" stuff. Gone are the days in almost all parts of California where kids can be kids and just be happy and safe and proud of their youth and fully enjoy their zest for life. However, let me reassure you that the days are not gone here in Tuolumne County. Although there is the influx of city kids who move up here and bring some of their surroundings with them, not all of our kids are into drugs and drinking and causing trouble in the community. In fact, when most kids come to our small community from the valley or the inner city, we find that they quickly dispose of their defensive attitudes and "tough guy" demeanor and trade it for dirt biking, skate boarding and other healthy outlets. Most of our kids are just plain good, with common sense, worthy work ethics and educational goals that really do put them in colleges, vocational schools and good jobs post high school.

The picture that this "phantom cynic" was referring to was a picture taken by Ben Hicks of the Union Democrat. The kids in the picture were making the letter "T" (which by the way stands for "Tioga", not Thizz or street name for the ecstasy drug as our telephone whiner supposed). One of my teachers, Sheri Gempler (whose husband happens to be a Tuolumne County Sheriff) and Cindy Green, Principal's secretary, whose hardworking son graduated from THS in 2003 and is now a Hotshot for US Forestry Service, along with a number of

the kids on the basketball team, including the Principal's son, were all proudly posing for the picture. The photographer made the suggestion that the kids make the sign of a "T" for Tioga. I cannot help but feel sorry for this poor community member who thinks that we are so naïve and out of it, that we would allow our kids to make gang signs or drug suggestions in a photo representing our winning basketball team. I am very cognizant of the fact that bad stuff infiltrates our schools. Having come from Stockton prior to my work here in Groveland, I am all too wise to what goes on in the streets and the schools. I am not administering Tioga with my head in the sand, but instead I am administering with my head held high with pride and joy that we don't have the major problems that exist elsewhere. Last week was "spirit" week. The kids all dressed up in pajamas on Tuesday, they dressed like Hippies on Wednesday and wore Blue and White on Thursday. Now I suppose that if this individual had driven by the high school on Thursday, she would have thought all of the kids at Tioga were members of the Surenos or the Crips because they were wearing "blue". Sorry to disappoint her but we (teachers, students, staff included) were ALL decked out in blue because that's one of our school colors. Simple but true!

And, oh yeah, let's not forget to reprimand the refs at our basketball games that they are flashing inappropriate signs when they call "Technicals".

Just a reminder to the community members who have a propensity of thinking the worst all the time, not all teens are druggies, not all teens are gang bangers and not all teens are losers. In fact, the majority of young people in this community are very intelligent, logical, kind, compassionate, motivated, loving and forward thinking kids.

If you have any doubts about my innocent view of young people, just drop by the high school at any time and come and see for yourself.

# **Tioga Student of** the Month

Student: Chelsea Rovera Grade: 12th Grade

Parents: Charlotte and Rick Rovera

**Community of parent's residence:** Groveland Nominated by: Emily Hanchett, Drawing Teacher



Chelsea is a soft spoken, kind hearted soul. She is exceptionally talented in the arts and is extremely artistic. Chelsea hopes to apply her capabilities in art in a career that will include design in some way shape or form. Chelsea will be graduating in June with her class of 2007.

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# Tioga Basketball by Cliff Owens, Tioga High School Student

lioga High School's boys' varsity basketball team had an excellent season this year. The team was a great success, but not because of any single person. Each player on the team was a great help in their own way because of their own personal strengths. The team captain, Danny Irene, standing tall at 6'5" was great in many ways. Not only is his height a tremendous help down low, but his quick thinking and foot-work helped keep most players from getting any inside shots. Also whenever needed he would surprise the competition by pulling up at the 3-point line and nailing a three right over the opposing team. Another great post player for the team is the second senior, Jake Rose. He also comes in at 6'5" and while he doesn't have as consistent an outside shot as others, all he needs to do is get the ball near the basket and when he powers up it's almost unstoppable. The final senior post-player for the T-Wolves is the 6'0" Jeromey Niedens. He may not be as tall as the others but he more than makes up for it with his strength and hustle at the block. Not only is he a great defensive player, if

you give him the ball up at the free-throw line he's almost guaranteed to either make the shot or get a great dish out to somebody else to score. The fourth and final senior on the team is Matt Scialabba. He stands at about 5'9" and is the quickest person on the team. With Matt's intense speed and ball handling skills he is a force to be reckoned with on the court. As Matt speed's up the court, there are two almost guaranteed ways to score, either give it to him for a lay-up, or dish him the ball at the three-point line to have him shoot a beautiful three-point jump shot.

The first of two juniors playing on the team is Steven Rogers. He stands at an astounding 5'9" and has so much speed when he handles the ball that he can drive by just about any player. Since he doesn't have as much height, he primarily takes his shots from the 3-point line and is very consistent out there. At 5'9" CJ Owens is the second junior on the team. His quickness on defense is almost sure to stop a player in his tracks, Although his 3-point shots aren't too consistent he makes up for it when he drives down the lane and takes his 15 foot jump shots. A

sophomore playing on a varsity team, how many times has that happened? This year it did. Billy Hilton has not only the skill but the height to play at the varsity level. Billy stands tall at 6'3" and can drive through the lane with power and a light touch to make those inside jumpers. Not only does he have a nice inside shot, but his 3-point shot is also impressive. Another sophomore player was brought up to varsity this year. His name is Todd Armstrong. Since Todd is 5'8" his inside shots don't go up that often but he makes up for it with his 3-point shots. Todd is also an extremely quick defender that isn't afraid to take a charge from an oncoming player.

Due to the skill of all of those players, the Tioga T-Wolves not only made it into the playoff's, but made it into the second round as well. Though the team lost in the playoffs they did accomplish something else astounding. Their incredible season play helped them shatter the school's record for most wins in a season. It was originally 16 wins but they shot it up to 21 wins. Hopefully Tioga's winning streak can continue next season.

# **Important** School **Information**

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**962-4732** Transportation

**962-5765** District Office

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# **PML News Works with Local Journalism Students**

lioga High School students are submitting original articles and photography for the Pine Mountain Lake News. Where applicable, we will note which ones are done by a student.

We do encourage local youth of all ages to submit to us each month.

—PML STAFF



Tenaya Parent Preschool Alumni and Prospective Preschool Parents and Students are cordially invited to

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# **Tenaya's Second Trimester Honor Roll/Honorable Mention**

## 4th grade

4.0>

3.50-3.99> Raymond Albanez, Allison Carver, Christine Conley, Adam Gonzalez, Dylan Marburg, Heidi McAdams, Krysti Mitchell, Lelan Sawtelle, Shawn Shimer

3.35-3.49>Kailey McDonald, Donavin Lingley, Daniel Peters

### 5th grade

4.0>Danielle Perreira, Cyrena Scott 3.50-3.99> Giovani Amoruso, John Anthony Bustos, Cassidy Gempler, Harley Gottberg, Kyle Kirk, Jenna Leija, Christopher Mendoza, Ryan Puou, Dominick Salazar, Matthew Spring

3.35-3.49>Savannah Taylor, Megan Toney, Caleb Wooldridge

### 6th grade

4.0>Maeve Moriarty

3.50-3.99>Adam Carver, Gabriella Costa, Rebecca Gray, Brandy Johnson, Leland Miller, Twinkle Mistry, Taylor Powell, Justin Rago, Jordan Rodriguez, Mariah Selby, Marguerite Williams

3.35-3.49>Robert Marshall, Joshua Martinez, Samantha West

### 7th grade

4.0>Preston West

3.50-3.99> Jonathon Hilton, Kelsie Klaahsen, Austin McKinsey, Ian Merzwinski, Alexia Ragan, Adam Russell

3.35-3.49>Jessica Dunne, Shauna Hancock, Kylie Gempler

### 8th grade

4.0>Christy Emel, Dana Marler

3.50-3.99> Trevor Barnes, Derek Dauth, Krystal Edman-Wilson, Stephanie Hoffman, Kendall Jose, Stefan Karunos IV, Patrick Kerrigan, Michaela Maier, Sabrina Maley, Danny Martin, Logan Shaw, Bethany Wilkinson

3.35-3.49>Colin Campbell, Christopher Guerrero, Tori May, Courtney Miller

# Photos from Tenaya's Winter Formal Photography by Ron Stringer







# **Tenaya Student** of the Month

Student: Amanda Bullock **Grade:** 6th Grade

**Parents:** Amy Bullock of Big Oak Flat Nominated by: Jane Townsend - Teacher

Amanda has worked very hard and has improved in all academic areas. She is well liked by her peers and a pleasure to have in class.





# **Tioga Track Meet Results**

lioga High School participated in one of it's first track meets of the year. The meet included schools from Southern League, Harvest Christian League, and Mountain Valley League. A total of fifteen teams were in attendance. The following Tioga High School students placed in their events:

**Justin Lucas** placed 1st in the high jump. He cleared the bar at 5'10". Justin also placed 4th in the 800 meter run.

**Billy Hilton** placed 1st place in shotput. His throw was 41'. Billy also placed 3rd in discus, and took 3rd place in high jump.

**Thoren Bradley** placed 1st in the 300 meter Int. Hurdles, as well as placing 3rd in the long jump, and 2nd in the triple jump.

**Thomas Hoffman** placed 1st in the 100 meter. His time was 12.11. He also placed 3rd in the 200 meter and 3rd in shotput.

**GinaMarie TiTorre** placed 1st in the 3200 meter run and 4th in the 800.

**Tanya Hagen** placed 1st in the shotput event for girls. She also placed 4th in the 1600 meter run and 1st in the 3200 meter run.

Alyssa Leija placed 2nd in the shotput event for girls.

# **Foods We Want & Foods** the Government Provides at Schools Today

by Marissa Martin, Tioga High School Student

oday kids are eating foods they want and what their parents allow. Weather its healthy, fast, or junk food. Kids have their right to eat whatever they want unless their parents say not to. But now the government is making schools eat healthier. Teachers can only buy healthy foods to give to the students. I believe we should make an end to that & change the governments mind by letting us have the foods we want. Plus, we are the ones buying

the food and we should buy the foods we want. I think that all kids should have a right to eat whatever they choose where ever they go. I don't think that the government should make sure we eat healthy, they're not our parents & if they were & our parents wanted us to eat healthy they would make sure of it by making our lunches everyday. Its not a big deal but I'm sure everyone would want other foods than what we are getting today.

# A Gym at Last, **Gym at Last!**

by Thoren Bradley, Tioga High School Student

ince Tioga's inception in 1990, it has been the dream of every student athlete, teacher, coach, parent, and community member for the high school to have a gymnasium that the Timberwolves could call their own.

Along with a master plan that proposed permanent classroom buildings, sports fields, cafeteria, vocational arts building, library and administration building, the hope for a gymnasium was always something burning in the hearts of every basketball player and volleyball player that has represented the Timberwolves, and yet, that was all it ever seemed to be, a drawing on a wall for some distant future that never seemed to arrive.

Around 1991, when our district gymnasium was built, it was a wonderful addition to the community. It was utilized to the max by all three schools in the district. Unfortunately for everyone other than school personnel, because of the successful sports programs that Big Oak Flat Groveland Unified School District produced the Tenaya gym was never available long enough to serve the needs of the general public as was planned in the initial debut of the gym. Community members were disappointed that what they had hoped would be a facility that could be used by many philanthropic groups, was booked every single day after school until all hours. Although the gym has been used for a variety of community affairs ranging from town meetings to memorial services, the gym is occupied most regularly by the students of BOFGUSD.

It became evident to the teachers, parents, students and school administrators that our district could actually use another gymnasium meant solely for the high school. It was a tough sell to establish with people who did not have any children attending school. Why does the high school need another gym, they already have one? The gym that was built previously was promised to be available to community members, will they exclude us again? For many years our community did not support the idea of a gym for Tioga. It took lots of hard work on everyone's part to convince the people of Southern Tuolumne County that this indeed was a prudent decision. When the opportunity arose for a bond issue in 2002. School Bond issue. Measure A was given a whirl. It fell flat on its face when the public rejected it by only a small percentage but still, it wasn't a go! For a few years, the school district waited to see what could be done to change the minds of the community so that another bond could be attempted, but this time with greater success. According to the people who spent lots of hours working on Measure M, it was the right recipe the second time around. Key

people in the community were involved in campaigning for Measure M. The teachers were behind it and they were very vocal about their support. Not only would Measure M build a gymnasium at Tioga, but there would be major modernization at Tenaya Elementary School, and Don Pedro High School would receive a much needed multi-purpose room. Many phone calls were made, bumper stickers were passed out, and people went to community meetings such as the Rotary Club, Kiwanis, Soroptimists and Lion's Club to talk up the Measure. Even people who had been vocal before about not wanting Measure A to pass, kept quiet, and, although they didn't outwardly support Measure M, neither did they speak against it. It seemed that everyone had finally realized that it was time to support the local schools with a bond that was fair and reasonably priced for all property owners. It appeared to be a good value and there was matching money from the state that would make the money from the bond go even further. There was 1.5 million dollars available for Tioga's facility and another 1.4 million dollars for Don Pedro's facility.

In November of 2005, Measure M passed with a huge margin of support. Everyone celebrated and everyone seemed to be extremely excited about the future building that would soon happen at all three BOFGUSD schools. The decision to finally begin building at Tioga, after the bond was passed, has taken 14 months in total. At the BOFGUSD Board meeting held on January 10, 2007, the school board made up of five board members, (some of which are brand new within the last couple of months) and one seated the night of January 10, 2007 to take the place of Cindy Green, made the unanimous decision to start the ground breaking the minute school is out for the 2006-07 school year. The three buildings on the farthest side of the campus will be relocated. Ground will be moved to prepare the site for the new gym. It will be a beautiful facility.

The Timberwolves will take pride in having their own gymnasium on their own campus. No longer will visiting teams drive to the top of the parking lot at Tioga and wonder, "Well, where's the gym that we are scheduled to play in?" No longer will we have to perform a juggling act to fit four Tioga basketball teams in the gym every winter night for practice. Our gym is slated for construction starting this summer. There are many, many current Tioga athletes who cannot wait to step foot in our own gymnasium. Thank you BOFGUSD Board of Trustees. you have made a long time dream finally begin to come true.





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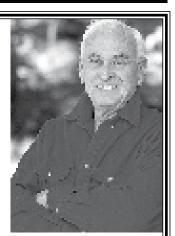
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# Friends of the Groveland Library

Spring! Books! Baskets! by Marilyn Bangs

t last Spring has arrived! The snow has melted (?), the sun is shining, the daffodils can hold up their lovely, bobbing heads...So, where does all this lead us?

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BIG BOOK SALE, SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2007, DOWNSTAIRS IN THE LIBRARY FROM 10:00AM TO 4:00PM. All hard cover books will be half price and a large variety of fiction and non-fiction will be available. SPECIAL EVENT! THREE BASKETS WILL BE RAFFLED OFF AT 3:00PM that day. The themes are Chocolate, Wine with Nibbles and Mexican and they will be on display upstairs in the library

where you may buy your raffle tickets: one for \$1.00 and six for \$5.00.

What do we do with the proceeds of the Saturday sales? Of course, they go to support the library in various ways and FOGL in its various outreach programs for the community. Here are some examples:

- 1. Recently two new "Teen Friendly" chairs were purchased for the newly established teen center in the library.
- 2. New books were purchased for the ongoing "Born to Read" and "Booklegger" programs.
- 3. FOGL rejoined the GAINS organization.
- 4. Contributions are made annually to purchase new books for the Tuolumne County Library System for distribution throughout the county.
- 5. Books are donated to the Youth Center and to Tuolumne Trails Camp for its new library.
  - 6. Funding will be available for the Sum-

mer Reading Program to be held in June.

(More information is forthcoming.)

Another special event at the library in April will be another opportunity to take Bill Manville's writing class which will begin on April 7, 2007, upstairs in the library from 2:00 - 3:30. These classes are free and will continue for six Saturdays. As always, the FOGL volunteers are the driving force for the many wonderful things which are the "icing on the Cake" that is our beautiful library, the pride of our community. We currently have 73 members and new volunteers are always welcome to sort books downstairs for the sales, shelve books upstairs to assist our librarians, donate cookies for the sales, haul discards to various charities, read to children on Friday mornings, think of signing up for the successful "Booklegger" Program for the new school year starting in September.

Library hours are: Mon-Thurs 2:00-6:00, Fri and Sat 10:00-2:00. Book store hours are Saturdays from 10:00-2:00, except for the Special Sale on April 7th when we will be open until 4:00. For membership information call Elsie Stock (962-4564). We welcome our newest member, Karen Davis! Come and hear for yourself the great activities going on in YOUR library!

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# **Pine Mountain Lake Stables More than Horsing Around**

by Lester Scofield, Stables Manager

hile some may think a day at the Stables consists primarily of frolicking around with the horses, Pine Mountain Lake Stables staff can attest to the extensive labor it takes just to keep the facility functioning. Occasionally boarders, such as Syl Deponte, Bill and Betsy Hass will stop by to lend a hand. Even though Pine Mountain Lake Stables is a full care facility providing daily maintenance and handling of horses, the boarders say they often enjoy participating in the care of their horses when time allows.

Recently Syl Dopente has united with Terri Lires in some horse business; in exchange Terri has donated her time to teaching the fundamentals of dressage (dressage meaning training in French) every Friday afternoon at the Stables. Dressage initially reflected the training of horses for military purposes but today dressage can be defined as classical horsemanship, combining art, equitation, sport and training. Riders of all disciplines are sure to benefit from these classes and the techniques that constitute

dressage.

If you have had the opportunity to drive by the Stables lately, then perhaps you have noticed the new fencing that has been in place since July 2006. We are still awaiting the construction of the interior fencing with an expected completion date of May 1, 2007 (weather permitting). Pine Mountain Lake Department of Maintenance has also been working diligently with us through the cold weather and winter freezes replacing water pipes in the barn, grading and leveling stall runs and running electrical wire to the PA system outside the arena and to light up the facilities entrance sign.

With all of the hard work and contributions, the Stables were rewarded this month with three new boarders. We still have room for a few more horses. Please call for availability and prices (209) 962-8667. If you are not yet a horse owner, visit our Stables Friday through Sunday for our one hour trail rides guided by Dan Frazer. Twenty-four hour advanced reservations are recommended. HAPPY Trails!





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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE AT 962-8600

# **Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum Looking at Yesterday**

by Rosemary Adams, Publicity

ward for digging, History Exhibit. we know. However, Groveland Community District Booth has undergone a Services recently found a bit of Museum gold when they were digging in the area just behind our Museum in connection with work on a pipe drain. They uncovered two artifacts that had been part examples and information of the Hetch Hetchy Railroad facility that had been buried for almost 90 years!!! ya School Photography One was a section of rail- Exhibition are on display road track, the other artifact together with their winning consisted of segments of a railroad track switching assembly. It had been built by Hayes Track Appliance of Richmond, Indiana in 1904. We are unsure what its authentic use was, and we invite anyone who might know to share their knowledge with us. The artifacts

ur area no longer have been incorporated into has gold as a re- our Hetch Hetchy Railroad

The Hilltop Stitchers major change reflecting the latest activities of that group. Whether you are an advanced or beginner stitcher, or would like to learn, this booth offers of all levels of work.

The winners of the Tenaribbons. This has been a very popular exhibit and has drawn many visitors. Come by to see it, do.

Our shop has some fun items particularly suitable for Easter, such as Fabric Easter Baskets – Bunnies. Youngsters would certainly enjoy them.

# Rotary's "Night at the Races

by Sharon Hunt

ome play the ponies at the "Night" at the Races" with Rotary. This is an exciting charity fundraiser. All the proceeds will go to support rotary's local service projects in our community. "Night at the Races" is almost like being at Bay Meadows...six races...horses with many creative names...a full service bar and snacks and lots of cheering. What's different is you will be able to parlay your win, place and show tickets into raffle tickets. Tickets are \$25 and include \$20 in "Racing Bucks" a raffle prize ticket, one food ticket and one beverage ticket. You won't want to miss this fun event.

Date: Tuesday, May 8, 2007

**Time:** 5:00 pm doors open...6:00 pm Races

Place: Pine Mountain Lake Lodge (Come through the Main Gate at PML...tell them you are on your way to the Lake Lodge, show them your event tickets and the Gate will let you go through).

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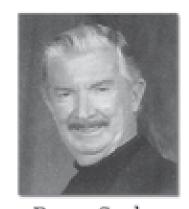
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PEEK OF THE LAKE VIEWS This home has a party deck w/ view of PML Lake thru trees. On main level is living-dining-kitchen, master suite & 2 bedrooms. On lower level is 2nd master suite & bonus room w/ wet bar. 8-91 \$399,000



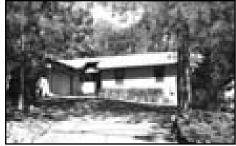
2 bedroom, 2 bath home w/ extra large rooms, a separate laundry & walk-in pantry, open kitchen & dining room, 1504 sq ft. Covered front porch with treed views. Yosemite Highlands \$287,500



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by Carolyn T. Botell

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Contact Carolyn Botell, Hetch Hetchy AOR, at (209) 962-4034 or Dave Lint, Sugar Pine Realty GMAC, at (209) 962-7765, for more details about this event!

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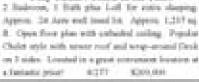
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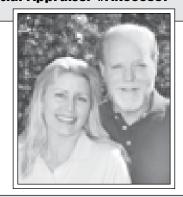
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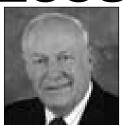
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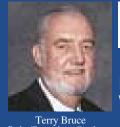
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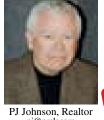
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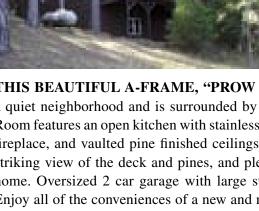


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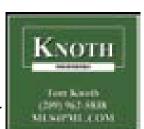
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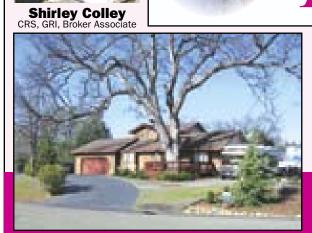


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# Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors® 2006 Hall of Fame Award

by Carolyn Botell



he Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® is proud to announce that James Nagle, with Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties, is the recipient of its 2006 Hall of Fame award for Service to the Community!

James' most recent major undertaking



in the Community is in his role as General Manager for the annual 49er Festival and Parade, James and his wife Laurie took personal responsibility for organizing more Children's Activities for this event in 2006, including a Petting Zoo, Bounce House, Pony Ride, Clown with Balloons, Face Painting, and Games, all sponsored by local companies. James belongs to the local Chamber of Commerce and is involved

in many other community and local activities each year.

James started out life in Santa Barbara, lived in the Central Valley and graduated in 1967 from Fresno State college. He has held a General Contractors license in California since 1974 and worked for several years as Construction Project Supervisor for the Texas State Prison system during the early 1990's, after which he returned to California, got his real estate license, and came to Groveland to join the Hetch Hetchy AOR membership!

James is also very involved in the Hetch Hetchy AOR as well as the community. James has been on the HHAOR Board of Directors since 2003 and is serving as our 2007 Board President, plus representing our organization at the State Level as a Director for the California Association of REALTORS®. James also represents his firm on many other Hetch Hetchy AOR committees, such as the Membership Committee, the Awards Event Committee, and as Chairperson for the Parade of Homes Event Committee. He was a co-recipient of the Realtor of the Year award in 2002 and is a member of the Coldwell Banker Presidents Circle Club. James takes an active role in every meeting, every event, and every education class that we do, and we really appreciate his involvement!

Thank you, James for all your hard work on behalf of our local community and our organization and congratulations on your Hetch Hetchy AOR 2006 Hall of Fame award!

# Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors® 2006 Realtor® of the Year Award

by Carolyn Botell

he 2006 REALTOR® of the Year for the Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® is none other than... the envelope please... Eleda Carlson, with RE/MAX Yosemite Gold!

This prestigious award is governed by specific guidelines. The person(s) who receives this award must be an Affiliate or a REALTOR® member of the Hetch Hetchy AOR, support our organization in its efforts and activities, give generously to the local community, and conduct their business dealings in a professional manner. In addition, the person must show general excellence, effective leadership and cooperation, take a responsible position in community affairs, and make impartial and respected decisions. Anyone who knows Eleda and her work for Hetch Hetchy AOR and the Community will agree that she is Very Deserving of our 2006 REALTOR® of the Year award!

Eleda Carlson is a native of Tuolumne County and has been in real estate since 1977. As a youngster she worked closely with her Dad, who was a licensed general

building contractor, and she has worked in real estate in Idaho and as a Home Loan Mortgage Representative as well. Eleda holds designations from Senior's Real Estate Specialist (SRES), Graduate REALTOR® Institute (GRI). and "E-Pro" in the real estate profession.

Eleda became

a member of Hetch Hetchy AOR in 1987. She received the REALTOR® of the Year award from Hetch Hetchy AOR in both 1993 and 1998 and has received one of the Top Producers awards from the Hetch Hetchy MLS every year since its inception in 1987. Eleda is also a recognized member of the Chairman's Club and Platinum Club for RE/MAX of California and Hawaii. She has served on the Hetch Hetchy AOR Board of Directors in various roles over the years and is the 2007 Secretary/ Treasurer for our Board. In the past, Eleda has served as our MLS Tour Director and MLS Committee Chairperson, and she continues to represent her company on many of our Committees. Our members and staff know that they can always count on Eleda to participate in and lend her support to the work of our organization, and for her dedication and hard work we want to say Many Thanks!

Our sincere congratulations to Eleda Carlson, the Hetch Hetchy AOR 2006 REALTOR® of the Year!





Above: Realtor of the Year, Eleda Carlson with her award, and Coy Knapp. Left: James Nagle (HHOAR Board President for 2007) and Coy Knapp (Master of Ceremonies, the Tuolumne County AOR Board President for 2006). Bottom: Coy, Eleda and James.

# HETCH HETCHY AOR 2006 TOP PRODUCERS AWARDS

by Carolyn Botel

he Hetch Hetchy AOR Top Producers awards go to the top 20% of the members of the Multiple Listing Service, based on sales volume, who also met a minimum number of Transaction Sides during the year. There is no "number one" Top Producer, all winners are considered equal and deserve recognition for their hard work and success in 2006.!

We want to say a Special Thank You to Coy Knapp, the 2007 Board President for the Tuolumne County Association of REALTORS® in Sonora, who graciously agreed to come "up the hill" to Groveland to be our Master of Ceremonies for the event this year!

After one postponement for snow, our annual awards event was held Thursday, March 1st, 2007, at the

Pine Mountain Lake Country Club, with 90 people attending the dinner, awards and raffle, with Live Music by the local band Rock Slide for dancing afterwards. Thanks to everyone who helped organize and prepare for the event, and a BIG congratulations to all of the Hetch Hetchy AOR 2006 Top Producers Awards recipients!

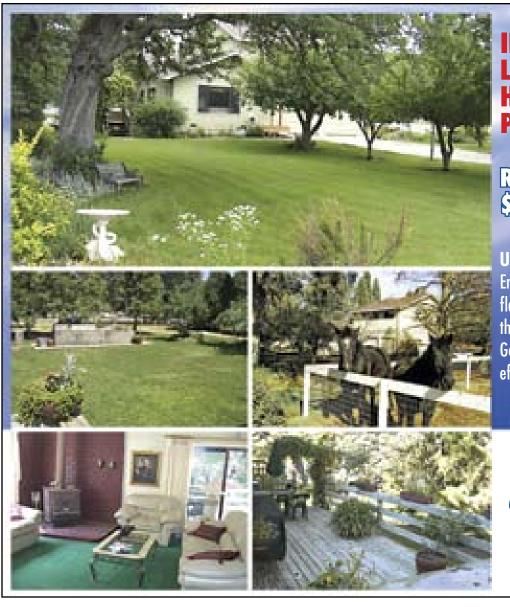


The Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® is pleased to announce the recipients of its 16 Top Producer Awards for 2006, pictured here as follows:

Front Row Left to Right: James Nagle, Kathleen Love, Chris Lake, and Krystal Bigger with Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure
Properties; Linda Willhite and Dave Lint with Sugar Pine Realty GMAC.

Back Row Left to Right: Larry Jobe, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; June Dee Stone, Century 21 Pleasant View Properties; Rob Stone, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; Eleda Carlson, RE/MAX Yosemite Gold; and Bruce "Red" Rossio with Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty.

Not Pictured: Lynn Bonander with Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty; Lauree Borup and Constance Elliott with RE/MAX Yosemite Gold; Jack Welch with Village Realty; and Shirley Colley with Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties.



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# Pine Cone Singers on "Broadway!"

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Dennis Brown of Sonora, who most recently directed the musical Crowns (now playing at Stage 3 in Sonora through March, 25th), is again the Director of our program. He and eight of the Pine Cone Singers, Harriet Causey, Kathy Seaton, Charlie Mills, Shirley Brasesco, Jackie Sample, Connie Scott, Tom McLaughlin & Jim Soderberg will entertain guests in 4 sets around a wonderful menu, including:

Bay shrimp stuffed avocado Cream of asparagus soup Lamb shank cabernet or Grilled salmon Tiramisu for dessert Coffee or tea

The price of the event remains the same at \$49 which includes the dinner, show, tax and tip. Proceeds from the show will be donated back to the Pinecone Singers. Having earned enough for the portable sound system, the group has discovered a new reason to sing—proper concert wear for the ladies. This spring the group will be singing their way into new formal black choir dresses for next year's Christmas Concert, replacing the recently retired bright blue dresses.

This ensemble of music, food, friends & fun can't be beat so put Cabaret Charlotte on your calendar for April 15th, 22nd or 29th. We look forward to serving you!



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# STCHS PRESENTS

by Jim Phillips

n Saturday, April 21, 2007, the audience will be treated to a dual subject program. The speaker is a geologist with a special interest in Gold Mining plus an avid interest in the life of the famous bandit Joaquin Mur-

rieta. Buddy Munck has owned and operated gold and other mineral mines for several decades and describes himself as a geologist's geologist. A very hands-on miner, Buddy lives in Mariposa and is a former curator of the "Mariposa Mineral

Museum". He graduated from UC Davis in Geology. Residing at his family's summer home at Lake Tahoe during college vacation, he was supervisor of a trail building crew building a new trail from the West end of Fallen Leaf Lake up into the Desolation Valley area. In that endeavor he discovered gold and mined there until it was designated a

Primitive Area so he had to abandon the mine. Buddy has scoured the mountains practicing with knowledge, experience and ability, the gold miner's search for the hidden treasure – GOLD. Buddy is a wealth of knowledge about gold mining, its history and his personal experiences...plus some insights into Joaquin Murrieta.



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# **Obituary of James Rumsey Thompson**

ames Rumsey Thompson passed away Dec 27, 2006. Born in Denver, Colorado in 1918, he was a graduate of UC Berkeley in food technology. Shortly following graduation, he joined the U.S. Navy. For much of his service, he was captain of P.T. Squadron One serving in the South Pacific and retired as a Lieutenant Commander. A no-nonsense guy, he was a Pearl Harbor survivor and a true member of "The Greatest Generation." His working career spanned 23 years as General Manager of a frozen food processing plant in Salinas, California until his retirement

in 1970. Thereafter he moved to Pebble Beach with his wife, and subsequently to Napa, California.

James is survived by his wife Jean Porter Thompson of Napa, daughter Lee Thompson Mentaberry of Napa, and son Bruce MacVeagh Thompson of Davis, California as well as grandchildren Darby Bryant of Reno, Nevada, Hayley Bernardi of Winnemucca, Nevada, Whitney Mentaberry of Reno, Nevada, and Natalie and Cameron Thompson of Davis, California and great-granddaughter Hallie Jean Bryant.

# Helping Hands Happenings by Joyce Smith

his is the third year we have had the twice yearly Clothing Giveaway. The days are April 13 and 14, starting at 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., at the Groveland Community Hall. We are "cleaning house" at the store and the community is the benefactor. We will have clothes, luggage, linens, housewares, home decor, shoes, purses and more. We are getting rid of an overabundance of donations and making room for spring items coming out this month in the store.

- Store Hours Change: Beginning Monday, April 2nd, our store hours will be

11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. until sometime in October.

- Did vou know? Our own Patti Beaulieu and Dar Brown were nominated and selected as KKBN Volunteers of the Week in January for their work on the Community Christmas Baskets. Congratulations ladies, you are very deserving of this recognition.
- We woke up on Wednesday morning February 28th to 9 inches of snow and a power outage. A double whammy, to

be sure, but we needed the moisture and having our power out for 14 hours makes us appreciate our conveniences all the more. Of course, the store did not open that day.

- The Helping Hands By-Laws, after 25 years, were needing some revisions.

The By-Laws Committee has been hard at work on the proposed changes that will be presented at the March General Meeting and voted on at the April General Meeting. Thanks to Judi Maguire, Jean Cox and Jo Thomson for taking on this difficult but necessary task.

- When you need something and you can't find it in one of our other local businesses, come to Helping Hands. My hair blow dryer "just quit" one day. I called around to several businesses and did not find one, I went to Helping Hands and yes, you guessed it, I found a dryer that I have been using for over a year now. You just never know what you will find at our "Macy's on the Hill".
  - See you at the store.

# Legion Bunco Tourney 2007 Schedule by Jerry E. Cozad

ere is a fun event for all you Bunco enthusiatists out there. American Legion Post 300 in Groveland is pleased to offer it's revised 2007 quarterly schedule for our Bunco Tournament. Six teams of twelve persons each (men and women) are organized in advance through Jerry and Judy Cozad (962-7144) to play approximately two hours at the at the newly renovated Groveland Community Hall in pursuit of 21 different cash prizes from a pot of \$360. The entry fee is \$10, with \$5 going into the winners pot and the other \$5 is a donation to the American Legion to support their community projects. We play an opening round of three games to qualify two persons from each team to play a final championship round where the two top winners (most Buncos and Most Wins) take away \$90 each. We start at 7:00 p.m. sharp but plan to arrive by 6:30 p.m. to get checked in and situated at the tables. Waters and soda plus the usual munchies are provided by the Legion hosts. Here are the 2007 play dates (third Thursdays): April 19th, July 19th and October 18th. Please contact Jerry or Judy if you want to play with us, have some community fun and possibly win big. Let's Roll!



# HEALTHY 2 cups confectioners sugar, sifted

ith winter doldrums seemingly coming to an end, our attention turns to Spring and Easter celebrations. This might mean you will be looking to satisfy your "sweet tooth". Keeping in mind that if you are more than 25 pounds overweight, eat fried foods 3 times a week or more or have diabetes, that you have three of the risk factors for heart disease...you may want to try this low fat cake recipe instead of all the high sugar candy you find during this season!

### **Red Velvet Cake with Raspberries** (serves 12; 1 slice per serving)

Vegetable oil spray

2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1 1/4 cups sugar

2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa

1 teaspoon baking soda

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 cup fat-free or low-fat buttermilk 1/2 cup unsweetened applesauce egg substitute for 2 eggs or 2 large eggs

1 tablespoon red food coloring 1 tablespoon white vinegar

12 ounces frozen unsweetened raspberries, thawed with juice reserved 4 ounces fat-free or light cream cheese, softened

1 teaspoon grated orange zest fresh raspberries (optional)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly spay two 9-inch round cake pans with vegetable oil spray.

In a large bowl, whisk together flour, sugar, cocoa powder, baking soda and salt.

In medium bowl, whisk together buttermilk, applesauce, egg substitue, food coloring, and vinegar. Pour into the flour mixture. Whisk until ingredients are just moistened. Pour half the batter into each cake pan.

Bake for 27 to 29 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Transfer cakes to cooling rack for 10 minutes. Then loosen sides with knife, and invert cakes onto cooling rack to cool for 1 hour.

Set colander inside slightly larger bowl. Put thawed raspberries in colander. Reserve the juice that drains into bowl (about 1/4 cup juice).

In medium mixing bowl, beat cream cheese until smooth. Add confectioners sugar, orange zest, and reserved raspberry juice. Gently stir to incorporate most of the confectioners sugar. Beat at medium speed until smooth.

Put 1 cake layer on cake plate. Spread half the cream cheese mixture (about 3/4 cup) over the top. Spoon thawed raspberries over the icing. Repeat with remaining cake layer and cream cheese mixture. Top with fresh raspberries.

Nutrients per serving: calories 303; total fat 0.5 g; cholesteol 3 mg; sodium 243 mg; carbohydrates 69 g; total sugars 4 g; dietary fiber 2 g; protein 6 g.

# Genealogy Chat by Anne Wesley

arch 23rd Charlie Dyer of the Tuolumne Cty. Archives was our guest speaker, telling what the Archives offers and also how to preserve new as well as old documents.

We hope you will join us on April 27th to hear Jackie Root speak about her Carlon family and other locals mentioned in her ancestor's writings.

May 25th Rolene Kiesling will be showing us more genealogy sites on the

Also in May, Wally Anker, of the Priest family, will lead us on a history walk thru' the Divide Cemetery.

It has been noted that more benches are needed in the Cemetery - might your family want to provide a memorial bench?

We hope you'll join us at 1:00 PM on April 27th, in the downstairs library room, to hear Jackie.. She may have a bit of news about your local family. See you then.



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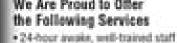
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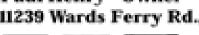
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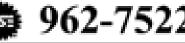
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The Gathering Place in July 2002 at the focus groups and community visioning meetings asked this community "What is your dream for your future?" You indicated strong support for an active adult center.

There has been long-standing community interest, dating from the mid 1980's, to build a center for active adults serving the Groveland-Big Oak Flat area. Strong community support has also been shown through the extensive volunteer program to fill gaps in services and through its fund raising efforts. See's Candy sales have been going on for eleven years as a way to both volunteer and raise money for the center. Further, our communities have long been interested in reaching across the generations in their support.

These are the words that you gave us on those 3x5 cards on the wall at the Community Hall:

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"I see a place where volunteers are available that have an expertise in health care, law, accounting, etc".

"My first thought was it would be a place where people can't move around

very much. But ... why can't we all go there and have a meeting place and a group place, and great shows, and entertainment ... And friendship ... I think that's the most important thing, friendship, having people to talk to."

"I see a place where the rest of the community can connect with the seniors in the area, allowing for increased utilization of the seniors skills, knowledge, and energy ... where we have a social gathering for the community ... where the whole family feels comfortable in attending ... where family events can be held ... where seniors and youth can enjoy each other ... a place that gives seniors an opportunity to interact with young people by being "grandparents" in a Day Care Center."

Our Board of Directors continues to work year round to obtain a five acre site and secure the money to fulfill your dream. Please continue to hold positive thoughts. It is time and we need all of our officials at the County and Federal level to recognize our need and dream. Please take this opportunity to write or call our elected representative and request that they honor our expressed desires. Send letters to the editor of the Union Democrat, the PML News and the Yosemite Highway Herald.,

# **Groveland Kiwanis Club Plans Mexican Dinner**

tet ready for the Groveland Kiwan-Tis Club Annual Mexican Fiesta Dinner, which is going to be held on April 28, 2007. This year's event will be held at the Groveland Community Hall, which is currently undergoing a face-lift. The dinner will be served from 5:00PM until 7:00 PM. The Fiesta Raffle will be held following dinner.

This years menu for the gala event will consist of your choice of beef, chicken, pork or veggie burritos, rice, beans and all the "fixins" A beverage will also be included. Tickets will be pre-sold for the dinner and the cost is \$ 15.00 for adults and \$7.50 for children ages 12 and under. If you don't buy your tickets ahead of time, don't worry; they will also be selling them at the door until the food runs out.

The Groveland Kiwanis Club will be holding a raffle at the dinner with several super prizes being given to lucky winners. The first raffle prize being offered this year is a Scenic Flight Over Yosemite. The second prize is for a Double Decker Houseboat rental on Lake Don Pedro for 1 day. But wait there's more; a Free one-day ski boat rental at Lake Don Pedro will be raffled. There will be many other items included in this year's raffle so you don't want to miss out on this event. Other prizes will be offered in the silent auction.

This is a fundraiser for the club and proceeds will be used to fund the annual Groveland Kiwanis Club Child Shopping Spree, Scholarships for Tioga and Don Pedro High School Seniors, Christmas Basket project and other Community Service Programs. Mark this date on your calendar. Come join us for a great evening of food and fun. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Tickets can be purchased from any Kiwanis member or by calling Gordon or Gloria Stevens at 962-1823.



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# **Third Annual** Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser by Sharon Hunt

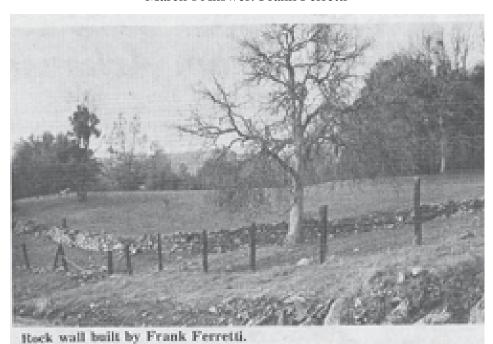
ring is here and Cinco de Mayo is right around the corner. This year the third annual Cinco de Mayo Gathering Place fundraiser is Saturday, April 28, 2007 at 5:00 pm at the Lake Lodge. The last two years have been sell outs. The evening begins with live strolling music and the no host Margarita bar, followed by a delicious Mexican dinner catered by the Hotel Charlotte. There will be wonderful donated raffle prizes for the price of a paddle. Buy a paddle and you are guaranteed to be a winner. Of course, we will have a live auction. The grand raffle prize is a Bar-b-que Swim Party for 12 people at Catherine and Larry Santa Maria's home or \$350 in

cash. The grand raffle prize tickets are 7 for \$10. One of the best parts of this raffle will be the homemade bar-b-que prepared by the Gathering Place Board. If you are not able to attend the dinner, you can purchase raffle tickets for the Bar-b-que Swim Party or the \$350 by calling 962-7904 or 962-7707. All the money goes into the building fund. Oh yes, dig out your Mexican Fiesta clothing. The dinner tickets are \$35 per person.

We want to thank the community for all the support you are giving us. Your encouragement spurs us on and convinces us all the more that it is just a matter of time when the Gathering Place will be a reality.

# **ANSWER TO "MYSTERY SCENE**

March's Answer: Frank Ferretti







Wine has become a major part of the activities of The Groveland Hotel over the past 17 years. We have received The Wine Spectator Award of Excellence for nine years, featuring almost 600 labels on our wine list, with pricing from \$15.00/bottle, to our aged Cabernets at \$435.00/bottle.

Our **Wine Discovery Program** has become a very popular mainstay on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month at 6 PM. Four wines are tasted – 2 white and 2 red, including one import. Information on the wines being reviewed includes data from the winemakers, varietals and vineyard materials, tasting and pairing notes, and actual tasting of the wines with various cheeses, fruits and crackers/breads provided as part of the Wine Discovery event.

**Cellar Tours** are also a fun part of the wine discovery. We have 3 cellars – all in the lower level of the Adobe Building, with the original stone walls laid in by the Chinese, providing the natural cellaring facilities for our wines.

Other fun stuff happens during Wine Discovers – such as borrowing the 5 oz., thick rimmed wine glasses from one of our neighbors and tasting the same wines in THOSE glasses and then in the fine stemware from our restaurant. The results were WOW!! – I had no idea stemware could make such a difference in the taste of a wine!

We've even gone totally extragavant on occasion, and brought out the Caymus Special Select for one of the wines for tasting! Wine Discovery happens in the upstairs conference room. Reservations are highly recommended. Cost is \$14 per person.

The Wineaux Shop is our retail wine shop and offers wines for off-site consumption from our wine list at 30% off the wine list price. This includes all items in the cellars, including the Caymus, Opus, Silver Oak, etc.

Many wine-related gift items, including, cloth or paper bottle covers, cocktail party wine glass holder plates. cheese plates, serving pieces, 'cork-pop' wine openers, Schott-Zwiesel Titanium Oxide Crystal stemware, Wine Preserve, wine bottle caps/sealers, etc.

Items from the **Wineaux Shop** make great Thank You Gifts for your clients when you close the deal, or finish the project – as well as Gift Certificates from the Hotel...and the best part – it's open from 7 AM 'til about 11 PM, daily, including holidays!

**Winemaker Dinners** are a great way to taste wines in their most exciting way – the way wine was intended to be served – with food! The food and wine enhance each other when properly paired to recognize the fruit, tannins, and all other elements of a great wine and how the wine enhances the flavors or the food and in return the wine is greatly improved when served with the food. This is one of the more exciting and rewarding elements of wine consumption. Our Winemaker Dinners are intended to recognize great wineries and present their products with our Exceutive Chef Greg Lutes marvelous food and his extensive knowledge of wine. Winemakers are generally available at these events to explain their wines, the fruit, vineyard, harvest, pairings, etc.

### The 2007 Winemaker Dinner Schedule is as follows:

Twisted Oak Winery - Murphys - Boy Brainerd, the wine guru (his business card says, 'Wine Pimp') of Twisted Oak delivers, without a doubt, one of the most fun, memorable and exciting winemaker dinners I've ever attended. A little risqué at times, but never too much. He keeps the crowd in stitches, with the tee shirts and above all, tossing around the rubber chickens!

And guess what?? I haven't even mentioned the wine or food yet!

Twisted Oak Winery produces some of the greatest Sierra Foothill wines I've tasted. They specialize in Rhone Style wines normally thought of as Spanish varietals, so you won't find the traditional whites of Chardonnay or the reds such as Cabernet Sauvignon. Instead you'll find the whites that include Viognier, Albarino, Verdelho and reds that sound like Tempranillo, Grenache, Syrah, The Spaniard, Meritage, etc. These wines are quite moderately priced and pair nicely with a large variety of foods. Jeff Stai, the owner, has created a new Port – aptly named Pig Stai Pour't' In spite of the name, it's really quite good.

Exceutive Chef Greg Lutes has put together the following menu, pairing it with Twisted Oak wines. I think you'll really enjoy this evening and we'll see you there. Cost is \$65.00 person, plus tax & gratuity.

### **First Course**

Smoked Salmon Two Ways • Fingerling Potato Salad • Smoked Mussel Vinaigrette

### **Second Course**

Seared Diver Scallop • Braised Endive and Citrus Butter

### **Third Course**

Pan Roasted Duck Breast • Sweet Corn Johnny Cake • Chipotle BBQ Sauce

### **Fourth Course**

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# "S" Club Attends First Conference by Bonnie Phillips

oroptimist International of Groveland (SIG) sponsors the "S" Club at Tioga High School. This year we were so proud to provide financial help so that seven students could attend the Sierra Pacific Region "S" Club Conference (All Hands On Deck) at Asilomar, March 2-4, 2007. Attending were Briana West, President, Brittany Bradley, Vice President, Amelia Nickell, Secretary, Roxanne Rogers, Treasurer, Jane Collier, Elise Vallotton and Tyler Hawkins.

The Asilomar Conference grounds are right on the beach and the over 100 attendees went to workshops, including rangerled tide pool and sand dune tours, as well as Saturday of Service, a Backpack project and discussion about "S" Club diversity and recruitment. More fun included a bonfire with s'mores, a fun mixer on the first night to meet and make new friends with other "S" Club members from 14 northern and southern California schools. There was a "no talent talent show", mealtime challenges to sing songs, do skits, form a conga line or just generally enjoy lots of fun and laughter together.

Saturday night, awards for best spirit,

participation and many other things were handed out. Congratulations to Jane Collier, who was one of the three recipients of the prestigious Mary Ellen George cash award!! Her friends just screamed and clapped when her name was announced. Jane will have a good start at Humbolt College this fall and we wish her well as she begins her exciting, and we're certain, successful college experience.

Also in attendance were advisors Judi Hawkins from Tioga and Etty Garber, SIG "S" Club liaison. They expressed great pride and appreciation in the conduct and cooperation of all of the attendees. Many thanks to Mrs. Hawkins for all of her hard work and time she put in to help her members prepare for this conference. Her positive and happy outlook is infectious and she is an inspiration to her students. The kids reported that the conference was "a blast", "really fun", and "we want to come back again next year!" We certainly hope you brought back wonderful new ideas that will help you with your service projects for others in our community and that you can repeat this positive experience next year!





# **New Free Chipping Service Offered by Fire Safe Council**

he Yosemite Foothills Fire Safe Council (FSC) announced today a homeowner program designed to eliminate hazardous fuels by providing a free chipping service to homeowners who cut and stack brush, small trees and other debris. The goal is to assist residents and land owners with the new state law requiring one hundred feet of defensible space around a residence or other outbuildings. Fire officials have mentioned that later this spring citations may be issued to homeowners that do not comply with the new regulations.

The FSC will subsidize the cost and hire a chipping service to dispose of the brush, trees and other fuels. The program is offered on a first come, first served basis and also depend on scheduling considerations to maximize the chipping of debris. "This is an excellent opportunity for residents to reduce the fire hazard on their property" according to Nancy Longmore, fire prevention specialist with the

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. "What a great tool to eliminate the flammable debris around homes and get in compliance with the defensible space regulations" Longmore added.

A community information session is scheduled for Monday April 2nd at the Groveland Library downstairs conference room beginning at 6:00 p.m. as part of the regularly scheduled Fire Safe Council meeting. By attending this information session you will become awareness of requirements and be able to sign for the free chipping of green plant and material waste. Sign-ups for the chipping will begin that night and continue until the limited funds have been spent. The program will absolutely end on July 31, 2007.

The chipping grant covers residential chipping for both southern Tuolumne County, and Northern Mariposa County. More information will be provided at the informational session on April 2nd or call the FSC at 962-4673.



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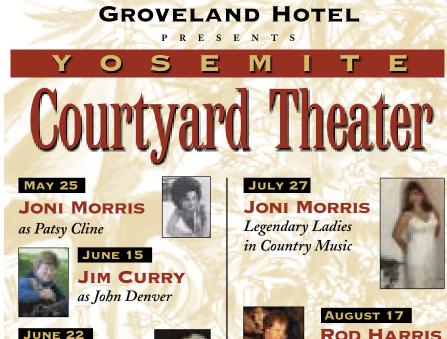
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# **Pine Cone Singers'** Spring Concert by Gail Perlee

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Sounds like a theme, but isn't. Just happy happenstance. And as usual, choral numbers will be interspersed with solos, duets, quartets and such.

The 40-plus members of the chorus, under the direction of Dennis Brown, are hard at work preparing for what they're certain will be a great concert. Tickets will go on sale toward the end of April at Yosemite Bank, The Hotel Charlotte, and Marijke's or call 962-4240 for reserva-



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# **Quilt Guild**

he Pine Needlers Quilt Guild met on February 20, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the lower room of the Groveland Library. President, Mary Brederle, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegience. Guests were Sally Copeland, Lynne Orloff, Wanda Pateree, Cheryl Ludolph and Debbie Peters. Our new member is Jane Peters. The Treasurer's Report was given by Dee Small.

Joyce Reitzen introduced the speaker, Sandy Turner, who has been teaching for over 20 years. She showed many beautiful quilts, including a spectacular orange poppy on a black background, which she had in the Pacific International Quilt Festival.

Show and Tell: Ann Johnson had a blue and white embroidered quilt top and a Christmas Quilt; Joyce Reitzen had a blue and white quilt; Barbara Rife showed placemats; Lillian Cravens had an appliqued quilt; Julia Brooks made several pillowcases for Tuolumne Trails, also a hand appliqued wallhanging of a turtle and a kaleidescope wallhanging. Jan Sloan had a reindeer-Santa wallhanging and another Christmas wallhanging; Georgette had pillowcases for Tuolumne Trials; Anita Millard showed an appliqued black and tan quilt; Bunny Kite bought a kit at PIQF which featured huge red poppies and she also had a blue, pink and yellow quilt. One of the guests had a cat Christmas wallhanging and a scrappy denim quilt from when she was a schoolteacher and her students did the blocks. Sandy Smith had two pillowcases and Sharron Wahman had a Christmas wallhanging.

The Log Cabin Blocks of the Month were won by Jan Sloan. The heart blocks were taken home by Lillian Cravens. Sandy Smith talked about the Quilt Stroll which will be June 9, 2007 and will have quilts on display from Yosemite Bank to Mary Laveroni Park. The Committee consists of Sandy, Pat Helling, Fran Fears, Harriet Zargas and Joyce Reitzen. There will also be vendors' booths and demonstrations by quilters.

Judy Cozad thanked everone who has made pillowcases for Tuolumne Trails Kids Camp. She received 74 pillowcases at the meeting.

Wina Helm gave a Directors' Report. Judy Basey asked for a Nominating Committee. Judy also talked about the Opportunity Quilt, using batiks. Sandy Smith said she will take the quilt and tickets to both the Modesto Quilt Guild and the Sierra Quilt Guild in Sonora.

The Raffles were won by Julia Brooks, Mary Bruderle, Coline Simmons, Judy Basey, Lillian Cravens, Catherine Santa Maria, Lonnie Roman, Darlene Arnold, Mary Brown and June Ross.

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month in the lower back room of the Groveland Library. The meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and we welcome any novice or experienced quilters.

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# Northern Yosemite Corridor Partners, Inc. NYCPI Partners with Mountain Sage

pring is here and we are all looking forward to lots of color. The NYCPI Downtown Venues Committee, Lorraine David, Cheryl Giles and Sharon Hunt have joined forces with Regina at Mountain Sage to beautify Main Street so that people will want to get out of their cars and enjoy our town. We walked Main Street from Mountain Sage to Iron Door. Further plans call for walking just beyond Main Street

Market. The beautification centers on planting redbud trees, hanging baskets and planter boxes. Regina will design the areas to be planted and the supplies needed free of charge. We plan to secure a grant to pay for this great splash of color. After the designs have been completed, we will be talking with the merchants in town to show them all the possibilities.

PG&E has a program where they are

putting in historical lamp posts in many of the towns along the Mother Lode. How do you think our town will look with historical lamp posts placed in appropriate spots along Main Street?

We have also been discussing putting up signage, another public bathroom and of course more parking. If these projects or any other ideas tickle you fancy we would love to have you on board. You can contact Cheryl Giles at 962-6314.



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# Groveland Community Hall Make-over Begins

n February 24th, the Groveland Kiwanis Club members got an early start on the kitchen in the Community Hall. Judy Connery, Rudy Manzo, Carolyn and Ron Baugher, Mark Ray, Gloria and Gordon Stevens and Colleen Carr broke out the pails, sponges TSP and anything else they could find to begin cleaning. The kitchen walls were scrubbed down, cabinets were cleaned out, windows were cleaned, and stainless steel surfaces were washed. The project was definitely under way. At days end, everyone was amazed at the transformation that had just taken place. They could only imagine what it would look like when the main hall, dining area and kitchen were painted.

February 28th brought in the next group of fired up workers, led by Mike Dwaileebe, painter extraordinaire, of the Groveland Rotary Club. His crew consisted of: Larry Shaw, Jim Goodrich, John Brunk, Joe McGrath, Red Rossio, Dick Fries and others. They began masking off the light fixtures so the ceiling could be painted. While this masking was taking place, the American Legion Group, led by Dennis Smith, came to move the U.S. Flag from the present location to the wall near the kitchen. This will give everyone an immediate view of the Stars and Stripes as they enter the hall. They did a great job of relocating the flag.

Once this relocation project and masking were finished, the Rotary Club began spraying the ceiling in the main hall as well as the Dinning area. What a difference this has made. On March 2nd the Rotary gang came back in force to start the wall painting. The main hall was taking on the look of a very inviting place to hold meetings and other functions. At days end the Rotary paint crew departed more tired than when they arrived. The hard work put into painting the ceiling and the walls was completed and what a fantastic job they did. Unfortunately, the painting took longer than expected and resulted in Bingo being canceled at the Community Hall. We extend our apologies to the Lions Club and their Bingo followers. We can assure you that Bingo will take place the first Thursday in April in a more inviting environment. We would like for everyone to come out and support the Lions Club at that time.

The morning of March 3rd was started off bright and early when Barb Elliot arrived to get the ball rolling (pardon the pun) as rollers, paint brushes, paint pans and buckets were lined up and ready for the Soroptimist work crew to come in. Just to make certain that they would be fully prepared, a huge pot of coffee was brewing. The feisty Soroptimist paint gang was ready to get started. The crew consisted of: Barb Elliott, Marilyn Fields, Faye Buckley, Thelma Faux, Bonnie Phillips, Linda Struhm, Nadele Manzo, Amanda Kleahsen, Shirley Brasesco, Donna Thayer, Jeanne Brunk, Gail Shaw and Catherine Santa Maria. Besides, Joe Elliott, Larry Shaw, Mike Dwaileebe, Rudy Manzo, and Al Rodriguez were there to lend a hand. When this group of ladies get going, it is a sight to behold. This is a jet propelled paint team. They completed their project and the dinning area glowed when they were done. Great job ladies. Winnie was on hand with praises and excited to show off the new Community Hall "LOOK" at the Rebekah Lodge's first Sunday breakfast on March 4th.

The Kiwanis Club came in the week of March 5th for another paint day to finish up the kitchen. On March 9th the ROOFB crew began the bathroom project. They have picked colors and accessories and have done a fantastic job. We are all looking forward to finalization of their project. Along with Mary Brown, The ROOFB crew will be getting the new curtains up to finish off the main hall.

The American Legion crew, led by Dennis Smith, will be coming in once everything else has been completed to refinish the floor in the main hall. This is a major undertaking and their efforts are greatly appreciated. Just to let everyone know, the magnitude of this phase of the makeover will require that the Hall be closed for one week. We will keep everyone posted as to when this will take place.

Studies are still being conducted to determine what media system would work best for the type of programs held at our hall. Once the determination has been made, we will be starting a fund-raiser to purchase what will be utilized. Lighting improvement for the Pine Cone Players performances is still being studied also.

Several individuals, clubs and organizations are asking how they can help with the many dream projects left on the list. If you are one of those, please contact Rudy Manzo, 962-5219, or Judy Connery at 962-4615. It really is fun to be a part of "What's happening in Groveland".

With everything that has been done thus far we feel this should be an example to other communities as to how service organizations can work together and achieve a mammoth project. All of the Groveland Service Groups that have participated in this undertaking deserve a very big "THANK YOU".

# Gains Community Service Award Nominations

by Judy Myers, Jim Goodrich, and Phil Yoor

o you know someone to nominate? The Groveland Area Involved Neighbors (GAINs) is asking the community to nominate the recipients of the third annual GAINs Community Service Award and GAINs Youth Service Award. The purpose is to recognize deserving members of the community who have made outstanding contributions for the betterment of Groveland and the surrounding areas and to encourage community service.

Awards will be given to an adult and a youth who have performed either through a community organization or through individual effort, on a voluntary basis, in 2007 and will be presented at the '49er Festival in September. In addition, there

is a plaque honoring winners in the foyer of the Groveland Museum and Library building.

GAINs is requesting nominations from local service clubs, other groups, and individuals. To nominate someone, submit the nominee's name, phone number, reasons for nomination, and examples of exceptional service during 2007, along with your own name and contact information. Or use a ballot available on posters around town or at the Groveland Library.

Submissions may be sent to GAINs, P.O. Box 179, Groveland, CA 95321, emailed to GrovelandandGains@aol.com, or dropped off at the Groveland Library in the GAINs COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD box. All nominations must be in by May 31st.

# The Gathering Place Annual Community Treasure Award

y Sharon Hunt

he Gathering Place is proud this year to present the Community Treasure Award to three outstanding women. Each of them has made remarkable contributions to the Groveland/Big Oak Flat communities. The 2007 recipients are Edith Gray, Winnie Black and Mary Lavoroni.

The Community Treasure award was established in 2006 to honor those persons who have truly made a difference in our community.

Edith Gray and her husband, Barney, moved to Pine Mountain Lake in 1991 laden with 187 containers of plants in their moving van. It wasn't long after that that Edith along with two other women, formed the Pine Mountain Garden Club. Under Edith's loving care and knowledge of plants, scrubs and trees, the Garden Club took on the community project of cleaning up the historic jail and turning it into a colorful beautifully designed garden for everyone to enjoy. To this day the Jail continues to be one of the show places in downtown Groveland. Edith has become the matriarch of the Garden Club. She is the stuff heroes are made of!

Winnie Black moved to Big Oak Flat when she was barely twenty. She says, "I came up the Old Priest Grade in a wagon." When Southside Senior Service started the congruent lunch program for the seniors at the Community Hall, Winnie got involved. She took on the leadership on organizing, serving the meals and cleaning up week after week. Winnie is now ninety-three and she continues to service lunches and clean up! "It keeps me young!" This sweet humble lady is an icon. She is the stuff

heroes are made of!

Mary Laveroni moved here in the early 1930's when Groveland was a small town with "iron red water that stained the sheets" and wells that ran dry in the hot summers. With Hetch Hetchy relocating to Moccasin, the amenities went with them. Tired of living in a 'rustbucket water' town, she got motivated. Mary fought for Groveland to have access to the golden pure Sierra water of Hetch Hetchy. Shortly after winning access to the prized water supply, she and her friend Lena Cassaretto put their minds together to form the Groveland Community Services District. Mary served as Chairperson for 26 years. Besides bringing water to the town of Groveland, Mary changed the community drastically once more. With the town full of youngsters and retirees needing modern medical care, she found doctors that would set up shop here in Groveland, and went one step further, she donated the land to build the Groveland Medical Clinic and Ambulance Center upon. Few people realize her donation of the medical center land as she refused to have her name upon the building or any 'fuss' made about it. Humble to the needs of the community, she felt good for the act itself, with no need for recognition or notoriety. She is the stuff heroes are made of!

Last years recipients were Ken Goens and Merle and Charlie Heath.

The presentation of the these awards will be made at our Cinco de Mayo celebration on Saturday, April 28, 2007, at 5:00 pm at the Lake Lodge. If you would like to honor these recipients, the tickets are \$35. You can call 962-7904 to purchase them.

# **PML News Delivery**

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# **Progress Continues at Tuolumne Trails**

**Camp Director Named** by Virginia Gustafson

The most exciting news at the camp is that we have hired the camp director. John Infelise and his family will be relocating from Minnesota to the camp in April. Mr. Infelise is an experienced camp director and teacher. He has taught environmental education near Santa Cruz and served as director of Camp Lodestar near Jackson, CA. He also served as project manager for a large Rotary International home building project in Colima, Mexico. Watch next month's article for an interview with John. For now, John says, "I am excited to begin work at Tuolumne Trails; it is a bold and meaningful project that I will be proud to be part of. I look forward to joining the community and working with you all." All efforts are focused on finishing off the kids' bunkhouses, completing the Great Hall dining room and infirmary, and building the pool. The Great Hall is up to the second story now, with the logs ready to go on the outside of the steel frame. The bathhouses are under construction too.

As usual our volunteers make all the difference. Mike Gustafson, Mick Hopson and Steve Cooper wired the kids' bunkhouses. A number of weekend warriors, including Art Deardorff, Bill Bent, Tom Sweeney, Jan and Roger Sloan, Linda Hopson, Catherine Santa Maria, Sandy DeRodeff, Nadine Pedron, Judi Maguire and Charlie Fratus, did a great job staining the cabin interiors and painting window trim. Keith and Katie Krause, off-duty Yosemite rangers, cut and burned huge piles of downed trees and construction debris while keeping the area safe.

The camp is always open, there is almost always something interesting going on. Drive out Ferretti Road and come take a look.

We were deeply saddened by the untimely loss of our friend, Nance Deardorff. A most heartfelt appreciation to the many local families and clubs who made donations to the Jerry and Paula Baker Foundation in Nance's name.

The camp will be hiring seasonal employees for housekeeping, maintenance and kitchen duties. If you are interested, please contact Sally Shine at United Camps, Conferences and Retreats, tel: 800-678-5102 or by email: SallyShine@ UCCR.org.







Top left: Doug Leahy and Jerry Baker on the Great Hall second story Bottom left: Off-duty Yosemite rangers Keith and Katie Krause help at the camp Right: Volunteers Bill Bent and Art Deardorff stain cabin interiors



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# Players Play it up in 'Curse You, Jack Dalton' by Nancy Robichaud, Director

in the swing of 1935 for their melodrama set in a New York Mansion. The scene is one of social climbers with attitudes, of those who have lost it all except the desire for social status, those who are humbled by poverty and the clueless. But through the "human

The Pine Cone Performers are getting ' cartoon" of melodrama these situations become humorous....and Curse You, Jack Dalton delivers.

> You're invited to come laugh, boo, and cheer with the players May 25 and 26 at 7:30PM and May 27 at 2:30 PM, all at the Community Hall on Main Street in

# **Purple Heart Awarded**

tanley Cruff of Jamestown has received notification from the World War II and the Human Experience at Florida State University, that his world War II memoirs A Soldiers Story will be a part of the TOM BROKAW COLLECTION.

Stanley, 83, is a WW II Battle of the Bulge Survivor . He was wounded January 18,1945, in Belgium and received the Purple Heart & the Bronze Star.

# **Shall We Dance?**

The dancing bug has definitely migrated to Groveland! Whether or not dancing has been rejuvenated by such popular TV shows as "Dancing With the Stars," "So You Think You Can Dance," "American Ballroom," or watching Richard Gere in "Shall We Dance," it is wonderful to see so many local residents getting out there and into the swing of things.

What you probably did not know is that dancing is good for your body and your brain in addition to just having fun. You can burn 200 to 350 calories an hour depending on whether you're into foxtrot or swing. More than helping you drop a few pounds, it is as good a cardio activity as many traditional workouts and probably a heck of a lot more fun than going for a boring walk on a treadmill. From an excerpt in the January issue of "Costco Connection," [in a study of 110 cardiac patients, the dancers reported slightly greater improvement in sleep, mood and the ability to do hobbies, chores, and have sex compared to non-dancing exercise. Other investigations have demonstrated dance's ability to deliver a whole array of other health benefits, including improved strength, bone health, flexibility, posture, coordination and balance. It also helps to sharpen your mind because dance keeps you on your toes, so to speak. You engage your brain to perform the choreography and keep beat with the music."] Not to mention the social element, what great benefits!

Currently, Groveland has several opportunities for beginners and intermediate dancers. On Monday nights, at the PML Country Club, we are in the midst of a 6-week session of East Coast and West Coast Swing, Latin, and Ballroom lessons; for more information call Tom Knoth at (209) 962-5838. Depending on the demand, these lessons may continue longer. On Tuesday nights, there is always Western line dancing at the Community Hall - 7:00pm for beginners and 8:00pm for intermediates, with an "open dance night" on the last Tues. of each month. For more information, call Carol Stevens at (209) 962-5198. Nearby in Columbia, the college is also offering Ballroom and Salsa dancing starting 3/7/07; for more information call (209) 588-5144.

Groveland, for a very small community, is extremely fortunate to have several places in which to go and enjoy dancing and practicing what you've learned. For instance, almost every Saturday night there is live music at the PML Country Club which is open to the public. The Iron Door Saloon regularly has live music on the weekends, and The Big Oak Restaurant & Lounge is scheduled periodically to have live music. The Residents' Club members of PML are lucky to have a dinner with dance music once a month. In nearby Yosemite at the Evergreen Lodge, they are now having regularly scheduled bands as does the Willow Creek Lounge at the Black Oak Casino. So, whether you want to stay close to home or make a short 45 minute drive, there is lots to choose from. We suggest calling ahead for scheduled bands and times.

You may think to yourself, I can't do it because I have "two left feet." Well, maybe your partner has "two right feet," so it all balances out. Anyway, there are no dance police out on the dance floor to critique you like the TV competitions, so let's get off the couch or off the computer, and onto the dance floor! Grab a partner and sign up for a class or even rent a dance DVD. Dining out is loads of fun too, but after dinner, go some place to dance and work off those extra calories. Now you can hoof your way to fun and fitness!

# Dave Stamey Returns to the **Iron Door**

aturday night, April 21st, the Iron Door Saloon welcomes back one of today's finest Cowboy Singers, Dave Stamey, for a special evening of Stories and Songs. People have been calling and asking about Dave ever since his first appearance in Groveland a year ago. He hits the stage at 8pm.

Named the 2001 Academy of Western Artist's Male Vocalist of the Year, Dave has also been nominated three-times as Songwriter of the year.

Some may say it's his voice - textured like barn wood, soft, weathered and grainy. Or the way he wears his hat - to one side, casting a shadow over intense blue eyes. And those who know his music insist it's just the magic of the songs, usually anchored to a waltz tempo beat.

It may be futile to analyze style but that's what sets this western singer apart - not the melodies and lyrics of his many original songs, but the very way he con-



nects with an audience and simply sets his songs free as crisp and natural as breathing.

Born in Montana, raised on a cattle ranch in California, Dave Stamey has been bucked off and stomped by horses, stepped on by mules, and dragged by angry cattle. He's ridden in rain, snow, and nasty heat and in feedlot pens with thick and decidedly fragrant air. He's even wrangled dudes! He's an entertainer now. He finds he much prefers this. That's how Stamey describes himself, and it's a good example of the dry sense of humor that leaves the crowds who come to see him laughing in between his songs about the cowboy life. Don't miss this regular at the biggest music and poetry festivals in the West, Saturday night, April 21st.

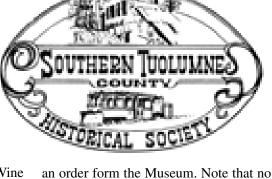
# STCHS' **Wine Tasting** Cruise on PML!

n Saturday, June 16, the Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society (STCHS) will host its Third Annual Wine Tasting Cruise on Pine Mountain Lake. All proceeds will benefit the Groveland-Yosemite Gateway Museum.

Water taxies will transport guests between seven beautiful lakefront homes where wines from noted wineries will be sampled, accompanied by delicious appetizers furnished by leading area restaurants in addition to Sierra Olive Oil sampling. In addition, there will again be a Coffee & Cookie Reception at the Lake Lodge upon your return from the tastings.

The event is limited to 225 guests and tickets, at \$40 per person, will be offered first to the STCHS membership. If you are not yet a member of STCHS, this might be a great time to join! Annual Family Memberships are \$20 and applications are available at the Museum.

Ticket sales to the General Public will start on April 15th! Please fill out the form below and mail it, together with your check payable to STCHS, to: STCHS, P. O. Box 1849, Big Oak Flat, CA 95305. Tickets and details of the event will be sent to you by return mail. You may also pick up



tickets will be held – they must be prepaid by check (no cash, no credit cards). Ticket order forms will be accepted by mail only (processed by postmarked date).

Last year's sold out event was a great success and we're looking forward to another fabulous day on the lake with friends!

If you have any questions, please call the Museum office, 962-4408, and leave a message. We'll get back to you. Thanks!

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# **Whitewolf Art Tails**

he latest exhibit features the artwork of students from Tioga High School. These young artists will be on display until April 7th.

The Gallery is also pleased to announce an upcoming exhibit featuring the art of local Columbia College Art Students. Many of the artists are from the Groveland area. This exhibit will be from April 9th through April 28th.

April 30th through May 19th, our exhibit features the photography of Rebecca Harvey.

Rebecca's collection includes a wide variety of people and animal photography from all over the world. She has been involved in various forms of photography for 25 plus years. Her travels include Europe, Canada, Mexico, and the United States. She has won international, regional and local awards. Her photography has been featured in galleries in the San Francisco Bay area and currently at galleries in the Modesto, Manteca, and Sonora areas.

On-going art in The Gallery includes the work of Michael Carey, Milton Eisenhauer, Christina Wilkinson & David Wilkinson

Michael is a wildlife artist from Sacramento who works in color pencil. He also makes the beautiful log frames you can purchase framing his artwork.

Milton Eisenhauer lives in Yucca Valley, California. He's a wildlife sculpterer who works in alabaster.

David Wilkinson's nature and wildlife photographs from around the area and his automotive artwork are featured as well.

Christina works in color pencil, pen & ink, watercolor and digital mediums.

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# Yosemite Courtyard Theater At The Groveland Hotel 2007 Season

by Peggy Mosley, The Groveland Hotel at Yosemite National Park

here's a rollicking new schedule out for one of Groveland's most popular venues.

The Yosemite Courtyard Theater (YCT) is presenting its third season with some of the old favorites and some new, exciting performers for a first time in Groveland.

The Groveland Hotel Courtyard is transformed into an intimate outdoor theater setting with 100 reserved seats. The balcony of the adobe building provides 27 'best seats in the house', while the main courtyard has 66 almost 'front row' seats and the mezzanine has 7 more. The stage is located in the center back of the lower courtyard.

The wonderful, starry, balmy evenings provide an exciting, and even romantic venue, for these shows which present everything from live theater with Duende Drama's two dates of two, 1 person, 1 act plays, classic performer's interpretations by Joni Morris of Patsy Cline, and the Legendary Ladies, Jim Curry as John Denver and Jack Foltyn as Elvis. Dr. Rod Harris, Music Director for Columbia College will be presenting the incredibly exciting Jazz Singer, Barbara Morrison with his Jazz Band and a second show featuring the Columbia College's incredible Big Band.

Joni Morris has been thrilling audi-

ences with her musical interpretations of the timeless Patsy Cline and the other Legendary Ladies of that era for several years. Not only is her voice spectacular, but she is one of the most exciting entertainers on stage – mixing in just enough humor and audience participation to create a most memorable evening. You've loved her for years, now see her back at YCT!

Jim Curry will be returning with his unbelievable interpretations of John Denver. You'll be convinced you've stepped back in time and are listening to the strains of the original man from Colorado. Jim was the singing voice of John Denver for the CBS Made for TV Movie "Take Me Home, The John Denver Story"

Jim is a phenomenal entertainer, with his wife, Anne, participating on stage. The two of them will send you home with another evening of wonderful memories. We're fortunate to 'steal' them away from the Holland America Cruise Lines for this performance at YCT.

Jim landed the part of singing the voice of John Denver for the CBS Made for TV Movie "Take Me Home, The John Denver Story". Although only a small part of the movie required Jim's voice, it was the break that would give Jim the recognition as a serious singer and allow him to step closer to his dream of being a full time musician.

Dr. Rod Harris will be bringing his Jazz Band again, and this time with one of the era's greatest jazz singers, Barbara Morrison of Los Angeles. Barbara has performed around the world with the likes of Count Basie and other well known jazz artists. The evening will rock with some of the finest jazz you've ever heard – I'll guarantee it!!

Rod will do a follow-up performance in August with the return of his Big Band to the stage of Yosemite Courtyard Theater. This large group of fun, talented and delightful musicians will make you sure you're not in Groveland - but at a distinguished venue in New York or San Francisco! Rod's Big Band features some of the youngest and one of the most senior artists in the area. You'll be looking for them again and again.

Rick Foster's Duende Drama has been presenting live theater for two decades to schools, communities, and even an Off-Broadway Production. He and his excitingly talented performing friends have created some of the warmest, historically correct and professional live theater I've ever seen. They capture the essence of history, with great character

and musical presentation that will steal your heart. Each of these two performers delivers exquisite performances. Tom Maguire in 'Friendly Fire, the story of the Mi-Wuks and David Maloney in the 'Great Blight', reliving the great Irish Potato Famine, with his musical interpretation.

Jack Foltyn, of his 'Idols of Elvis' fame, will be returning for his third season on our YCT stage Jack will be singing his own writings as well as songs of others. Jack's talents never cease to amaze me. In addition to his incredible performances doing his interpretation of 'The King', his show will thrill you with great musical talent, lots of humor and his exciting voice. When his muscular body does those 'other' Elvis interpretations, swooning is permitted for the ladies!

A very special trip to the Eisemann Performing Arts Center in Richardson, TX last September was to see Jack perform in the absolutely unbelievably, fantastic show he wrote and choreographed called 'Walk A Mile in My Shoes' – a takeoff on the life of Elvis as Jack related it to his own career. Somehow, we MUST get this 3 hour show with extremely talented dancers, music and comedy, in Tuolumne County – are you listening, Sierra Rep?

To learn more about this exciting lineup of entertainment, you'll find lots more information on each of these performers on 'Google'.

**25 May - Joni Morris** Interpretations of Patsy Cline

**15 June – Jim Curry** John Denver Interpretations

22 June – Rod Harris with Vocalist Barbara Morrison Jazz Band

20 July – Duende Drama:

Tom Maguire in 'Friendly Fire' and David Maloney in 'The Great Blight'

**27 July – Joni Morris** Legendary Ladies

17 August – Rod Harris Big Band

31 August – Duende Drama:

Tom Maguire in 'Friendly Fire' and David Maloney in 'The Great Blight'

14 & 16 September – Jack Foltyn Interpretations of Elvis and Other Great Stuff



# **Mother Lode Memories**

by Nancy Perry and Debra Durai

Tean McClish strikes again with this is fabulous article on the "Mountain Lifeline," a system of flumes, ditches and pipelines that supplied water to Groveland, Big Oak Flat and surrounding areas for mining and farming. This was published in the May 30, 1975 issue of the PML News.

Did You Know In early Puritan days, colonial lawmakers either banned bathing entirely or allocated only a few soap and water ablutions per citize. Water conservation was not in their minds, however, according to UCLA professor Murray Milne, author of the 470-page book, "Residential Water Conservation." The stern pioneers cared little about saving water, but were seriously concerned about "devilish temptations in such "hot-beds of vice" as the medieval European public baths, where skinny-dippers of both sexes took to the water, accompanied by live music entertainment."

# MOUNTAIN LIFELINE GOLDEN ROCK SYSTEM FLOWED WITH NEW HOPE

By Jean McClish

Water cascades down the rac way, across the high flume, a sparkling tidal wave coursing along the ditch that leads into the mining areas surrounding Groveland and Big Oak Flat. It is the first water of the Golden Rock Water Company and with it comes a renewal of mining activity, a revival of lagging economy, hope for the future. The date is March 29, 1860.

The water, an indispensable co modity in mining for gold, came from the south fork of the Tuolumne River. These thirty-eight miles of flume and ditch assured a constant and reliable source of water and thereby confirmed the survival of these south of the river mining camps.

Such a source of water had been long awaited and sorely needed. An 1851 description of the early gold camps by a Big Oak Flat correspondent for the SAN JOAQUIN REPUBLICAN (Stockton) had told of the problem of water deficiency. Signing himself "Mountaineer," he had written: ... As we pass up Rattlesnake, the first creek of note we meet is "Slate Gulch" which has been worked but little since the spring of '50 when they made an average of two ounces per day to the hand. There is considerable dirt thrown up on this gulch, and a fine chance to run toms when we get plenty of water.

"We next reach Garrote creek... There have been many thousands of dollars taken out of this creek and there is more left which will be extracted if we get a little more water, that article being short at present.

"Big Creek runs through flat country until within a few miles of Tuolumne when it enters a canyon which it follows until it empties into the river. This creek has been worked to a considerable extent from the mouth o Garrote Creek to where it enters the canyon, a distance of about four miles. This work was done last spring, when the water suddenly dried up and labor was suspended. "Besides these creeks and innumerable gulches known to contain gold, there is "Deer Flat," situated three-fourths of a mile to the north of this place. Upon this flat gold has been found in several places in great abundance, but

it has been but little more than prospected, as there was not water to work there last winter."

In 1854 a claim to water privilege on the south fork of the Tuolumne and to Big Creek had been filed by John G. Spangler, Richard Holt and John Hardin. Their claim included land sufficient for a canal or ditch "through Deer Flat, Big Oak Flat and such other places as may be necessary for the carrying of water to mines, and for the opening of all such collateral branches and offsets as may be necessary for conveying water for the development of those mineral regions now without water."

At the time the claim was filed, these enterprising individuals indicated that the route of the ditch had already been surveyed and staked. A dam was built at Hardin's mill to supply water for the flumes and ditch.

When about 18 miles of the ditch was completed and considerable work done to the remainder, financial resources were exhausted, and work on the project halted.

The Golden Rock Water Company was subsequently organized, and in 1859 work was resumed by Murphy, Watts and company. Otis Perrin took a contract for building the first 13 miles of the raceway, completing the section in one year.

What was known as the "Big Gap Flume" was erected in 1859. The flume was designed by G.W. Holt and built by him and Gus Conrad at a cost of \$80,000 in stock, scrip, and cash. This 2200 foot long suspension flume carried the water over Big Gap at Hamilton's meadow (Buck Meadows). The flume box built of sugar pine, measured 30 inches on the outside, 26 inches inside. It was supported by eleven towers; the highest two were 265 feet, the flume box being suspended about 250 feet above ground level. At the base the towers were 50 feet square, tapering upwards.

Helen Rocca Goss, writing about the Golden Rock water ditch for the Tuolumne County Historical Society quarterly\* suggested that the flume must have been constructed on high ground near the first tower and placed on rollers so it would be shoved ahead until it reached the first tower. The whole 2200 feet must have been constructed 200 feet at a time and shoved ahead on rollers from one tower to the next.

Carlo De Ferrari, Tuolumne County historian, adds, "The flume box was supported by cross beams spaced at approximately three-foot intervals which were suspended by wire rope from the two main suspension cables. The main cables were apparently in the neighborhood of three inches in diameter. The secondary cables were not so massive, and a section recovered at the site reveals that it was composed of ten parallel strands of stiff iron wire having a diameter of .125."

The ditch itself, through which the water flowed, was two and a half feet deep. Its width was nine feet at the top and six feet at the bottom. The grade was eight feet per mile.

To augment the quantity of water available, a second ditch with accompanying flumes was built to bring water from the middle

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### **COMMUNITY CORNER**

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fork of the Tuolumne to the south fork, adding 100 inches to the 5000 supplied to the water system by the south fork.

The ditch divided on the height just west of Garrote, one branch passing around the south side of Big Oak Flat and proceeding by ditch down Spring Gulch. It crossed Cobbs' creek and Coulterville road by means of flumes and served mines along this route and into Mariposa County.

Another branch passed north of Big Oak Flat and served quartz mines on the divide between Big Oak Flat and Deer Flat. The excess flowed into Slate Gulch and from there went by flume across Rattlesnake Creek just above Priest's.

After the eventful March day in 1860, mining in the areas serviced by the Golden Rock ditch flourished. Placer mining in the whole Mother Lode was waning by the 1860's, but quartz mines, their shafts thrusting deeper and deeper into the ground, depended on water. Individual owners of small claims and the companies formed to develop the larger ones, as well as water-hungry ranchers of the area, all received their supply of water from the ditch, interrupted only occasionally by slides in the ditch or damage to the flumes. Water was sold by the inch, and at one time cost \$2.00 a day for a stream of 20 inches.

By the summer of 1868 the main and subsidiary ditches totaled about 100 miles.

Constant attention to the condition of the ditch and flumes was necessary, and a crew was kept busily at work removing debris, fallen trees or limbs, replacing timbers along the flumes, raising and lowering sluice gates.

The suspension flume with its wooden towers had been built with a life expectancy of seven or eight years. That estimate proved to be quite accurate, for on July 8, 1868 the towers fell with a tremendous crash. "It crushed right down on its

foundation, leaving scarcely a beam erect - a vast heap of broken and rotting timbers," announced THE UNION DEMOCRAT on July 25. A later issue remarked, "It is a sad loss to the Garrotes, Big Oak Flat, Moccasin Creek and Pino Blanco, all of which depended on the Golden Rock ditch for a supply of water. We think the company will put pipes across the gap, as the diggings in that section are by no means exhausted."

Andrew Rocca acquired the Golden Rock Water ditch in 1869, buying out some of the owners including John Watts, Irwin Davis and Otis Perrin who had been superintendent until the flume fell, suspending operations of the water system.

Rocca immediately set about bridging "Big Gap" with a pipeline, forming an inverted syphon.

The pipe was 22 inches in diameter, 2,262 feet in length. The required 28 tons of sheet iron were hauled to the gap by horse teams and the pipe constructed on the ground.

Although constructing and installing the pipe was a monumental task, the cost was surprisingly low, probably around \$12,000. This was partly due to the fact that the undertaking was a cooperative effort. Rocca had bought out some of the owners, but others agreed to transfer their title of ownership to him in return for his supplying the pipe and putting the ditch in good repair. The miners contributed their labor without pay in order to secure the needed water as quickly as possible. Within two months water was flowing through the pipe and along the ditch.

Rocca continued as superintendent of the Golden Rock Water Company, with headquarters at one time on Main Street in Big Oak Flat, until 1875 when he sold out and left Tuolumne County.

After that time the water system was owned by a succession of large mining companies, the first being Merced Gold Mining Company. By 1905 it was owned by the Big Creek Gold Mining Company, a Maine corporation, later becoming the Tuolumne River Power Company when the generation of electric power became part of the system's capabilities.

Early in the 1900's, after a period of being out of use, the ditch was given a thorough cleaning and new flumes were built. When the work was completed a big celebration was held in Groveland.

The water from the ditch at that time was used not only for a revival of some of the big gold mines, but for the farmlands as well.

In 1915 improvements were again being made on the ditch. The TUOLUMNE PROS-PECTOR of September 19, 1915 says, "Partington and Scofield are making good progress on their contract of running a tunnel through the divide back of the Elwell place for the Yosemite Power Company, the object of the work being the elimination of an expensive piece of flume across a slide. The rock tunnel is said to be harder than a mistress' heart and a power drill is a necessity."

The Tuolumne River Power Company owned the system until 1917 when the lack of use caused suspension of operations.

From 1917 to 1923 the City and County of San Francisco owned the property.

This was the time that headquarters were established in Groveland for the transportation of cement and supplies for building of O'Shaughnessy Dam and the mountain tunnels. The City operated the water system for the purpose of supplying water for the railroad and for fire protection in Groveland.

When there was no longer a need for the water, the ditches and remaining flumes and pipeline were untended and allowed to disintegrate.

In 1942 the property was bought by Tuolumne County for \$750 of accumulated delinquent taxes.

Only remnants remain: portions of the pipeline of the inverted syphon seen along the Tuolumne Rim Road; the ditch glimpsed here and there, appearing to be a dry stream bed covered with pine needles and punctuated by small trees.

While it lived, the main artery and its tributaries pumped life-giving water into the mining communities and was responsible, more than any other one factor, for the survival and growth of Groveland, Big Oak Flat and other areas it served.

\*Tuolumne County's Golden Rock Water Ditch," by Helen Rocca Goss published in the Jan-Mar 1964 issue of the Tuolumne County Historical Society's CHISPA was especially helpful in supplying information and identifying issues of THE UNION DEMOCRAT that described the story.

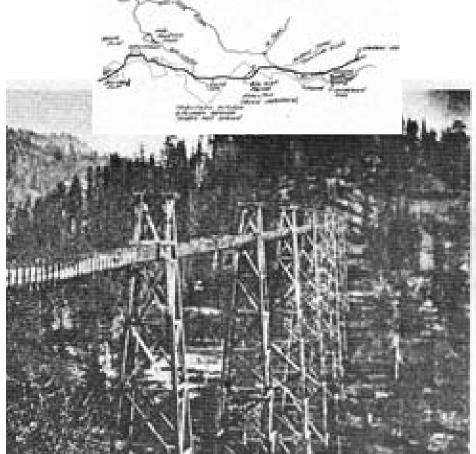
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PLAQUE TO MARK HISTORIC DITCH Special recognition of the role of Golden Rock Water Ditch played in the life of the gold mining areas of Groveland and Big Oak Flat will be given on Saturday, June 14, 1975 at 1pm. A plaque will be placed at the Buck Meadows site of the old suspension flume, and the inverted syphon pipeline that replaced it, by members of the Tuolumne County Historical Society. Present at the dedication of the plaque will be Helen Rocca Goss and Bernard T. Rocca. Their father - Andrew Rocca operated the Golden Rock Water Company from 1869 to 1875, its most productive years. It was Rocca who built the pipeline when the suspension flume collapsed in 1868.

A family picnic will precede the ceremonies. The public is invited to bring a picnic lunch and participate in the dedication.

Drive east from Groveland on Highway 120 to Buck Meadows. The picnic area is on the left side of the highway just past Yosemite Meadows Lodge (Mountain Lodge).





# Groveland Evangelical Free Church by Pam Jenkins

n Saturday, April 28, the Grove-land Evangelical Free Church will be hosting "Walk Thru the New Testament", an exciting time of learning about events during the time of Jesus Christ. Back by popular demand is the popular seminar leader from our Old Testament Walk Thru, Verl Taylor. Registration is \$25 per person plus a \$10 optional soup and salad lunch. Registration forms may be obtained at Groveland Evangelical Free Church, 19172 Ferretti Rd., Groveland, CA 95321 or by calling 962-7131.

Those who attended the Old Testament Walk Thru in January ... and those who are attempting their first "walk" ... will be impressed, entertained and educated with the same wonderful techniques that made the Old Testament "walk" so memorable. Important concepts are taught by using hand signs, catch phrases and group reviews.

By the end of the day participants will

have studied the significance of the 400 silent years dividing the Old and New Testaments, considered each gospel individually and together as the most significant biography ever written, and unlocked powerful and applicable lessons from the lives of beloved Bible characters.

In about five and a half hours, Walk Thru the New Testament Seminar will familiarize you with the New Testament. Without taking notes you will learn seventy-seven major people, places, and events of New Testament history in a memorable way as we walk through the timeline and geography of biblical events. You will also learn a variety of lessons and principles which will give a new depth of meaning to your understanding of both Old and New Testaments. Bring friends and family and join us as we grow in our understanding of God's Word.

For further information please call the church at 962-7131.

# Groveland Area & Greeley Hill Christians Worship Together for Special April Events

by Ginger Dumars

April this year and is a time for Christians to be together as we honor the most important events in Jesus' life! Several Community Wide Worship Services are being offered for focusing on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ! On MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 5, Wildwood Community Chapel is hosting a Seder (Passover) Meal & Service at Greeley Hill's Community Hall at 5:00 PM. For more information and to R.S.V.P., please call 878-3610.

The 12:00 NOON GOOD FRIDAY, April 6, Service is being held at Mountain Lutheran Church (13000 Down to Earth Ct., Groveland - 4 miles from Highway 120, just off Ferretti Road). Pastors from First Baptist Church, Foothills Community Church, 7th Day Adventist Church & Mountain Lutheran will lead worship with Prayers & Scripture, Music & Message. Guest musicians include "Refined Gold" Men's Quartet.

GOOD FRIDAY'S EVENING (6:00 PM) VESPER SERVICES will be at Groveland's Seventh Day Adventist Church, 19585 Elder Lane as well as at Wildwood Community Chapel, 10348

Fiske Road in Greeley Hill. Music & Scripture & Prayer will highlight these evening services.

EARLY MORNING (7:00 AM) EASTER CELEBRATION SERVICE is being hosted by Groveland's Evangelical Free Church, 19172 Ferretti Road - on Easter Sunday, April 8. What an inspiring way to begin our celebrations of the Resurrection of Jesus! Alleluia!

On Saturday, April 29, 9 AM - 4 PM, Groveland's Evangelical Free Church is sponsoring a Walk Through the New Testament Seminar. Cost is \$25 with Optional Lunch for \$10.

Sunday, April 29, starting at 6:00 PM is the FIFTH SUNDAY GOSPEL SING, hosted by Buck Meadows Community Church, 111492 Buck Meadows Road - off Highway 120. Participants choose their favorite hymns & Christians songs to sing. Prayers & Fellowship time are offered! Everyone is welcome!

The whole community is invited to all of these Christian Gatherings - regardless of your faith, tradition, membership or experience. Come & Enjoy the Inspiration & Fellowship of Groveland Area & Greeley Hill Christians!

# NEW MOUNTAIN LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

by Dorothy Parker

ur new church recently elected a new slate of officers. They are President, Dick Parker; vice President, Harold Basey; Secretary, Audrey Fiance; Treasurer, Elden Bruha; Financial Secretary, Bob Smith; Members at Large, Tom Sweeney, Pastor Ralph Herman and Pastor Ginger DuMars.

With this beautiful Spring weather we plan to have a community barbecue soon at our hilltop grounds surrounding our new church. The date has yet to be confirmed

Our Bible Study class is doing very well, meeting the first and third Thursdays at 1:00 PM at the church. We have been reading and studying "A Purpose Driven Life". Many of us say we have learned a lot contemplating this religious book.

We were saddened to lose a dedicated couple from our church. Doc and June Barto moved to Sonora so Doc could be closer to medical services. They are not too far away that they can't visit us occasionally.

Palm Sunday service on April 1, 2007, will be at the New Mountain Lutheran Community Church at 10:45 AM. There will be no Wednesday evening service on April 4, 2007. Good Friday service on April 6, 2007, will be at NOON at our New Mountain Lutheran Community Church. Five or six area pastors will be in attendance with Pastor Ralph Herman and Pastor Ginger DuMars leading. There will be special music and musicians performing for your inspiration from around the Groveland area. Piano music will be provided by Erma Cherry.

On April 8, 2007, there will be a glorious Easter celebration at the New Mountain Lutheran Community Church at 10:45 AM. Special snack food will be served after the service. Everyone is welcome to attend the service and enjoy the Easter refreshments.

Please remember that everyone is welcome at the New Mountain Lutheran Community Church. We are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court, just off Ferretti Road, Groveland, and the worship service is at 10:45 AM each Sunday.

# **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; Wednesday Bible Study 7 PM

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

19870 Hwy. 120, Groveland 209/852-9600 Branch President: Ronald J. Dugdale Sun. Sacrament 10 AM, Sun. School 11:15 AM Sun. Prsthd Mtg. & Women's Relief Soc. noon

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### FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

18717 Main St., Groveland Youth Pastor: Matt Mariscal 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

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# GROVELAND SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

19585 Elder Lane, Groveland Pastor: Ron Gerking Sabbath School 9:20 AM; Worship 10:50 AM Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM

### Independent Church of Christ

18829 Foote St., Groveland, 209/962-5122 Minister: Wayne Sutton Sunday Worship 10:30 AM; Bible Study Sunday 7 PM; Prayer Meeting Tuesday 7 PM

### Jewish Services

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

### Mountain Lutheran Church

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eligible.

One name will be drawn from the correct entries and will be announced in the next issue along with the solution to this month's crossword puzzle.

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12 Happy\_

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10 Hope you haven't been hit by the flu \_\_\_\_

16 Tuolumne Trails new Camp Director, John

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30 The Pine Quilt Guild
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33 Pesky flying bug
20 Living

41 Sound an owl makes 43 12:00 PM

The WINNER of the March Crossword Puzzle is Lonnie Roman.
CONGRATULATIONS!

# **PML Trivia Question:**

What is the only street in PML that doesn't have a house on it?

Answer is below.

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Filled all the air with fragrance

and with joy.

—HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW

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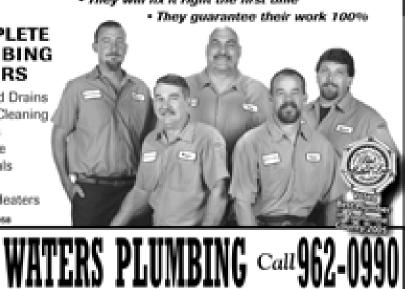
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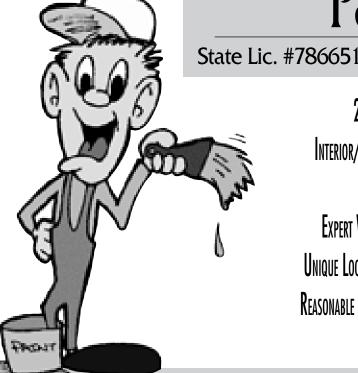
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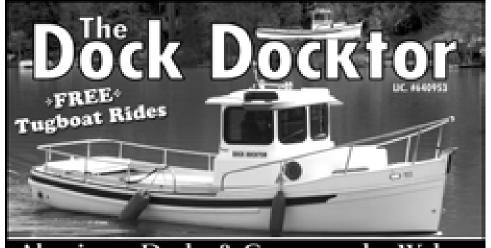
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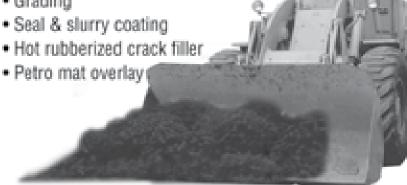
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