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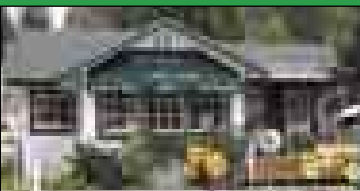
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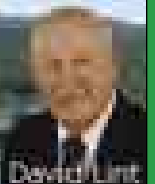
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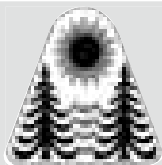


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Dennis Scott • Board President

In my article last month I made the statement that at the time I was writing the article we were expecting our first snow of the month. What I didn't realize was once we got that first snow it was going to be followed up by what seemed like snow every other day with rain in between. I would like to take this opportunity to complement our Maintenance Staff for the outstanding job that they did maintaining our streets and providing drainage control during this unusually heavy period of inclement weather. You could hear them plowing the roads during the day and throughout the night.

This issue of the PML News contains the Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 2005. The most significant things to point out about the financial performance last year are as follows: The Association's Operating Account had a profit for the year of \$468,867 prior to depreciation. The performance was \$218,867 better than Budget. We achieved an improvement in our working capital position by \$441,000. Overall, it was a very solid year for the Association.

Because of patronage trends, labor cost controls, and management over-

sight, the Board has established new hours of operation for our Restaurant effective April 1, 2006. The Restaurant will be closed Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesdays. The Restaurant will be open for lunch between 11:00 and 3:00 on Thursdays. On Fridays, the Restaurant will be open for lunch between 11:00 and 3:00 and then for dinner between 5:00 and 9:00. Saturday's new hours will be 8:00 to 11:00 for breakfast, lunch from 11:00 to 3:00, and dinner from 5:00 to 9:00. On Sundays, we will have a breakfast/lunch buffet from 8:00 to 3:00. The Restaurant will remain available for banquets on the days that we are open for business in addition to the other days, if it financially makes sense to open the Restaurant for the event. As an added comment, there will be some snack items available at the Bar every day of the week.

During the next few months we will be discussing some of the new State laws that impact Homeowner Association elections. These new laws will

cost Associations throughout the state additional money each year. In addition, we will also be addressing a proposed new County ordinance that puts restrictions on outdoor eating at restaurants within Tuolumne County. This pending ordinance may have an impact on our restaurant as well as our Marina Grill. We will keep you updated on each of these items.

Thank you for your time.

Local Rainfall

by Jerry Dickson
Rain, Inches
(24 Hr. to 9 AM)

Season
Total Inches

Date	Rain, Inches (24 Hr. to 9 AM)	Season Total Inches
From July 1, 2005 to Feb 17, 2006		21.00
Feb 18, 2006	0.10	21.10
Feb 19	0.27 *Snow	21.37
Feb 20	0.08 Snow	21.45
Feb 27	0.25	21.70
Feb 28	2.42	24.12
Mar 1	0.05	24.17
Mar 2	0.84 Snow	25.01
Mar 4	0.29	25.30
Mar 6	0.73	26.03
Mar 7	0.20	26.23
Mar 9	0.14	26.37
Mar 10	0.31 **Snow	26.68

*Will wonders never cease—my rain gauge and snow bucket agreed! Feb 19th snow was a very wet 4 3/4".

**This must be the mentioned *global warming*.

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PC or Macintosh

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Bob's Tip for Today:

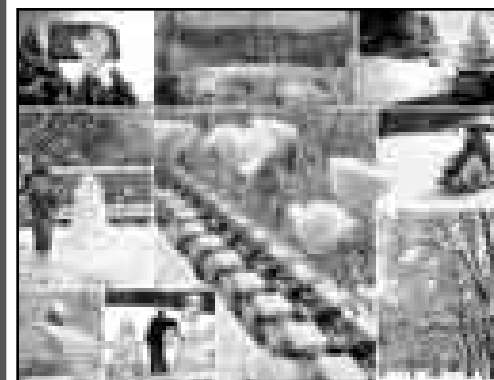
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On the Cover



Spring is Here?

Recent snowstorm photos and a little hope for Spring to actually arrive.

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Bonnie Phillips, Ethan Thornburg, Heidi Strobe, John Hertle, and David Wilkinson.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

By Joe Powell, CCAM General Manager

PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

As part of the ongoing effort to fight crime in PML, a grassroots effort is now beginning to form with members participating in and forming their own Neighborhood Watch Programs. The Association is also involved in communicating and supporting these efforts. If you are interested in starting a program in your neighborhood, please review the following information.

1. Become acquainted with your neighbors and what seems to be normal in and around your general neighborhood. Note in detail any suspicious persons, vehicles (attempt to obtain license plate numbers) or circumstances. Coordinate with your neighbors, including those who are not full time residents, and watch each other's homes and the general area. Exchange telephone numbers with your neighbors as appropriate. Take the initiative to organize your neighborhood into a neighborhood watch group. Do not attempt to actually enforce the law yourself.
2. Watch for strangers in the neighborhood and around homes, where you do not think they belong.
3. A scream heard anywhere might mean a robbery, assault, or someone requiring assistance.
4. The sound of breaking glass or other loud sounds could indicate an accident, burglary, vandalism, etc.
5. Persons loitering around schools, parks, and/or secluded areas should be of specific interest.
6. Anyone forcing or attempting to force entrance into, or tampering with, a residence, business, or vehicle. Someone loading property into a parker car from a home or closed business, day or night,

which appears suspicious.

7. One or more person's walking casually through the neighborhood looking into cars, yards, and generally acting suspicious.
8. Persons running for no apparent reason, especially if they are carrying property, and/or exhibiting unusual mental or physical symptoms and persons taking shortcuts through others property.
9. Human traffic to and from a residence on an unusually frequent basis.
10. Vehicles moving slowly through a neighborhood, especially if without lights on at night, and occupied parked vehicles of a suspicious nature.
11. A beam of light such as a flashlight, in a neighbor's home or a business.
12. Be generally alert to what is normal or not normal in your neighborhood.

NOTIFICATION:

If a routine matter telephone the PML Department of Safety at 962-8615;

If an obvious crime, but not urgent, telephone the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department at 533-5815 and then notify the PML Department of Safety that you have notified the Sheriff's Department.

If an obvious serious crime telephone the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department emergency number of 911 and then notify the PML Department of Safety that you have notified the Sheriff's Department of an emergency situation.

13. If you become aware of any safety hazards within PML notify the Department of Safety of the circumstances and location.
14. If you see someone intentionally damaging PML gates or reflector signs, or vandalizing PML or private property, report the circumstances, location, and

descriptions of persons and vehicles, to the PML Department of Safety.

15. If you observe a serious traffic violation, obtain a description of the vehicle and license number if possible. Do not attempt to take action yourself. Unfortunately, some people, including property owners, exceed the speed limit within PML and intentionally fail to stop at posted stop signs. This disregard for traffic regulations places others at risk with the potential for serious injuries.

16. Even though the PML Department of Safety, Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department, and California Highway Patrol, patrol the area, each citizen needs to be alert to Public Safety matters and be willing to testify as necessary.

17. It is suggested that residents take the initiative to start an informal Neighborhood Watch Program in their own neighborhood. One person in a neighborhood can simply contact neighbors, including off the hill property owners, in a logical radius of their residence and coordinate the exchange of telephone numbers. The person who organizes this informal Neighborhood Watch Program and exchange of telephone numbers could provide their name and telephone number to the PML Safety Department. Neighborhood Watch meetings would not necessarily be needed to organize an informal program. The above information could be utilized as a handout. One person could collect the appropriate telephone numbers and (with the permission of each person) prepare a list of residents and telephone numbers in the neighborhood, again including off the hill people, and then provide the list to the appropriate residents.

For more information on how to start your own Neighborhood Watch unit, call the Tuolumne County Community Service Unit at (209) 962-6974. ☎

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**All Ads and articles must be
received by 4:30 PM on the
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PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 18, 2006 Unapproved Minutes

BOARD MEETING:

Time & Location:

A duly noticed meeting of the Board of Directors of Pine Mountain Lake Association, a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation (copy attached), was called to order by President Scott at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 18, 2006, at the Lake Lodge pursuant to notice.

Roll Call:

Dennis Scott	President
John Case	Vice President

Ron Maguire	Secretary
Steve Margossian	Treasurer
Rita Hart	Director at Large
Joe Powell	General Manager
Betsy Haas	Controller
Rick Whybra	Assistant to the General Manager
Guest Speaker	Mark Thornton, Tuolumne County Supervisor
Observers/Residents	16

1) Board Announcements

A) Executive Sessions
 An Executive Session was held on February 3, 2006 to discuss pending litigation and personnel issues.

2) Approval of Minutes

Director Margossian made a motion to approve the January 21, 2006 minutes

as written. Director Maguire seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3) General Manager's Report

General Manager, Joe Powell, reported on the status of the Main Gate Arbor project and entrance design contest, golf maintenance work, Lake Lodge deck replacement, tennis court repair, fire safety and other items of interest.

4) Tuolumne County Supervisor, Mark Thornton

Supervisor Thornton gave an update on the status of County law enforcement. He stated that since County Sheriff Dick Rogers retired, Lee Sanford, Under Sheriff, was appointed by the Board of Supervisors as the Acting Sheriff at least until the elec-

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LOCATION OF PAY PHONES

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

- Campground (restrooms)
- Dunn Court Beach • Lake Lodge
- Main Gate (restrooms) • Marina
- PML Airport • Stables
- Swimming Pool (in season)
- Tennis Courts (Pine Mountain Drive)



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- Accounts Receivable...
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- Delinquent Assessments...
209/962-8607
- Delinquent Club Accounts/
Advertising...209/962-8627
- Controller (Accounting Procedures)...209/962-8606
- Country Club...209/962-8638
- E.C.C. Coordinator (Plan Submittals, Compliance Fees)...209/962-8605
- Fire Mitigation/Rental Program...
209/962-8616
- Gate Cards, Address Changes, Mergers...209/962-8632
- General Information, Receptionist...
209/962-8600
- General Manager, Administrative Assistant...209/962-8627
- Golf Pro Shop...209/962-8620
- Lake Lodge...209/962-8629
- Lake Lodge Inquiries and Reservations...209/962-8600
- Mergers...209/962-8632
- Main Gate (Tennis Fees, General Safety Inquiries)...209/962-8615
- Maintenance...209/962-8612
- PML News...209/962-0342
- Stables...209/962-8667



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UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS

Every third Saturday of the month at the PML Lake Lodge. Meetings start at 9 AM.

April 15th

May 20th

June 17th

July 15th

August 19th

September 9

October 21

November 18

December No Meeting

NOTICE • NOTICE • NOTICE

2006 ADMIN OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

CLOSED

Monday

May 29 Memorial Day

Tuesday

July 4 Independence Day

Monday

September 4 Labor Day

Monday

November 13 Veterans Day

Thursday

November 23 Thanksgiving

Friday

November 24 Thanksgiving

Friday

December 22 Christmas Eve

Monday

December 25 Christmas Day

Friday

December 29 New Years Eve

Monday

January 1 New Years

CONTROLLER POSITION AVAILABLE

Pine Mountain Lake Association has a position available for a full-time Controller with financial, operational and auditing accounting experience. CPA credentials and 10 years accounting experience desired. Community association experience a plus.

MAINTENANCE MANAGER POSITION

Pine Mountain Lake Association has an opening for a full-time manager for its facilities and roads maintenance operation. Responsibilities include management of maintenance over many diverse amenities including a Campground, Stables, Lake, Marina and Country Club.

Applicant must have minimum of 7 years experience managing maintenance or public works operations.

Project management experience a must. Strong budget and labor tracking skills desirable. Requires directing and coordinating activities of employees engaged in repair, maintenance and construction, installation of machines, tools and equipment.

Prefer college graduate or equivalent units and work experience.

Salary range \$40K to \$47K DOE, 401K and benefits package. Send resume to: Pine Mountain Lake Association, Allie Henderson, Human Resources, 19228 Pine Mountain Dr., Groveland, CA 95321 or hr@pinemountainlake.com

Send resumes to: Pine Mountain Lake Association, Joe Powell, General Manager, 19228 Pine Mountain Dr., Groveland, CA 95321 or hr@pinemountainlake.com

PMLA Department of Safety Report

As of February 2006

CLASSIFICATION	MONTH	YTD
Phone Calls Received	4,025	7,586
Alarms Res.	1	2
Assist - Dispatch (Gen.)	64	65
Assist - Patrol (Gen.)	84	219
Complaint - Non PML Res.	1	6
Illegal Burn/Fire	6	9
Confiscated Access Card	2	6
Posting Fliers	3	14
Lost and Found	7	7
ECC Inspection	9	31
New Sale Inspection	2	2
Hazard	16	43
Suspicious Circumstance	17	46
Residential Burglary	3	4
Grand Theft	1	1
Petty Theft	3	7
Law Violations - All Other	3	11
Law Violations To TCSO	5	9
PML Reg Violation - Res.	13	25
PML Reg Violation - Guest	2	5
Vehicles Refused	65	158
Vehicles - Illegally Parked	2	4
Vehicles - Citation Issued	2	2
Vehicles - Accident - PML	2	3

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-come-first-served, space-available basis.

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

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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 – 0
 Exceed 250 word maximum – 0
 Content – 0
 Not a property owner – 0
 DEFERRED TO NEXT EDITION BY EDITORIAL COMMITTEE – 0
 DENIED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 0
 DEFERRED TO NEXT EDITION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS – 0

Lake Dredging

We were home during the massive rains over the holidays this last Christmas. Garrotte Creek, which feeds into the marina, turned into class 5 rapids! As I watched the turbulent muddy water discharging massive silt into the lake, I had one thought - glad this Board of Directors had the foresight to finally dredge this lake. Let's make sure we do it right and

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tion in June. If no clear winner is elected, it is possible that Lee Sanford would remain as Acting Sheriff until end of 2006. Supervisor Thornton gave an overview of Deputy Sheriff field officer training and the fact that Groveland/South County area patrol coverage was back to normal.

President Scott – Asked about the funding of Tuolumne General Hospital and relevant issues.

Supervisor Thornton – Responded that a public hearing process will begin in March and that if the County decided to close the hospital, it would still take up to three years for closure. He also mentioned that of the 58 counties in California, Tuolumne County is one of 3 counties with a “rural” county hospital.

Director Hart – Inquired as to the possibility of Sheriff deputy and PMLA Department of Safety staff training.

don't let years go by without keeping it dredged. We have a jewel in the Gold Country and need to keep it polished.

—Tom and Lynda Duross 1/462

We own a home in PML. We bought it not only for the beauty of PML, but for the beauty of the surrounding OPEN areas as well. We are appalled at the thought of anything as obtrusive as Long Gulch Ranch, particularly near our home. Mr. Levin boasts about his developments. We've lived in California for over 50 years – he hasn't seen the drastic changes to our State. If he had, he wouldn't brag about developing California.

Why would we want more traffic, noise, pollution, McMansions, etc? We have the Bay Area, Sacramento and So. California for that. Why burden the water, garbage, Police and Fire Departments with more residents, cars, crime, etc?

Why use an Environmental Impact Report from 1995? Eleven years ago and nothing has changed? Read pages 63-66 in the EIR (available at the Library). Eight (8) accidents were reported, not (1). The very least that needs to be done is to have a new Environmental Impact Report. Certainly things have changed in the past 11 years!

Since 1995 the estimate is that there are over 400 new homes in PML alone – that's an average of 800+ new residents, and 800 (or more) vehicles.

The people behind LGR want to make money, that's all; they do not have anyone's interests in mind but their own.

—Kathy Smith 1/101

Supervisor Thornton – Referred her to the Acting Sheriff and also stated that all complaints should be called into the Sheriff's office. If it is not an emergency use business number but still call. Calls will then be on the record and used in statistics.

Supervisor Thornton – Briefed the Board and audience on the status of the Sun Country Cable system and asked PML to provide the information to its membership and send out a questionnaire to determine what impact it would have on the PML membership.

Director Margossian – Inquired as to what role SBC/AT&T could play in this situation and if they were contacted by the County.

Judy Huckabay – 4/486 – Asked if the Long Gulch Development would pay for their own department of safety or would they need police support from County.

BE A PART OF THE DESIGN PROCESS! Submit your design idea (and drawings) for a new Pine Mountain Lake Main Entrance. Entries are limited to Pine Mountain Lake property owners only. Please include your name, unit/lot number, address and phone number. Deadline for entries is April 28, 2006. Grand Prize is dinner for four (\$200.00 value) at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club. If none of the contest entries are chosen, the Association will go with the original design prepared by our architect. If this occurs, a random pick of the entrants will determine the Grand Prize Winner.

PMLA Main Entrance Design Contest

Name _____ Unit/Lot _____
 Mailing Address _____
 Town/City _____ State _____
 Phone _____ Email _____
 Design Description _____

Return to: Pine Mountain Lake Association
 Attn: Rick Whybra – Assistant to the General Manager
 19228 Pine Mountain Drive
 Groveland CA 95321

(PMLA Employees, contractors and vendors not eligible to enter contest)

Supervisor Thornton – Responded that the roles of individual safety departments were limited and the Sheriff would still respond.

Lillian Carson – 4/527 – Questioned how one hospital could handle a large emergency.

Parker Johnson – 8/245 – Asked if it were possible to reopen the Jamestown Mine for use as a landfill.

Supervisor Thornton – Responded that it could not be used as a landfill because of the ground water issue.

5) Lot Merger/De-merger Policy

Joe Powell, General Manager – Gave a briefing on the history of mergers in PML.

Director Hart – Stated that 71% of the property owners live off the hill. In order to determine how the entire membership feels about this matter, it should be put on the ballot.

Lillian Carson – 4/527 Felt that this matter was already been put to a vote of the membership and it did not pass. She feels we should leave it the way it is.

Director Margossian – Stated when this was voted on by the membership it wasn't that it was defeated, it didn't draw a quorum.

Parker Johnson 8/245 – Asked how many lots can still be merged.

Judy Huckabay – 4/486 – Is against changing the lot-merging policy.

Bonnie Langfeldt – 12/119 – Asked if we could charge half of the assessment for merged lot.

Director Margossian – Did not agree with Director Hart and did not think the effect of merging lots has near the effect on PML as the Long Gulch development.

President Scott – Stated there were two issues to consider...first, should Association continue to allow merging lots in the future and secondly, should Association allow lots that are merged now to split again.

Dotty Davis – 1/250 – In favor of de-merging.

Dennis De Cant – 4/080 - In favor of de-merging.

Mike Gustafson – 3/195 – In favor of de-merging. Must stop merging in the future unless the assessment is continued on both lots.

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Director Hart – Asked if it would be possible to collect past assessments when someone de-merges if we gave them notice at the time they merged.

General Manager, Joe Powell – Stated that nothing was decided on this issue as of yet. The Board has not acted on this yet.

Director Margossian – Made a motion to implement a 120-day moratorium on mergers as of April 1st, during Board and member review of this issue. Ron Maguire seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Lillian Carson – 4/527 – Commented on the posting of the Agenda.

Judy Huckabay – 4/486 – Asked about PML representation at Community Planning for Groveland/Big Oak Flat.

Board Meeting Adjournment

Director Case made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. Director Maguire seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Maguire

Ron Maguire, Secretary

6) Property Owner Comments

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NOTICE

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ECC RULES, GUIDELINES AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS BOOKLET

The purpose of the proposed changes to the ECC Booklet is to address questions and issues that have arisen in the course of Environmental Control Committee review/approval process of member residential projects and improvements.

A full version copy of the ECC Booklet with the proposed changes is on the PML website in PDF format and is also available at the Administration Office upon member request.

Page 4: **Added Text, in bold:**

Before commencing construction or installation of any Improvement on any Lot within the Properties the Owner planning such Improvement must submit to the Association's Environmental Control Committee a written request for approval. The Owner's request shall include plans and specifications satisfying the requirements of this ECC Guideline. Until the Committee's approval of the proposal is first obtained, no work on the Improvement, or any portion/sub-project of the Improvement Project, shall be undertaken. The Committee shall base its decision to approve, disapprove or conditionally approve any proposed Improvement on the criteria described in Articles V and VI of the PMLA Declaration of Restrictions. **The property owner is encouraged to meet with the ECC during this period to review requirements and any other issues that might impact a successful completion of their improvement project.**

The Environmental Control Committee is entrusted with the task of verifying compliance with the PMLA Declaration of Restrictions. The Committee, as well as the ECC Inspector and building coordinator, is available for discussion involving the interpretation of this booklet.

The Committee and the ECC inspector are not responsible for the accuracy of project drawings, renderings, plot plans, or any documents provided by the property owners or their contractors. The property owners must agree to complete their project in accordance with the PMLA Declaration of Restrictions and the ECC Rules, Guidelines and Construction Standards before any work is allowed to start.

Page 7: Revised Text:

9. The Owner or the Contractor must pay a Compliance Deposit and Plan Check Fee. The Compliance Deposit will be refunded to the Owner or the party named on the signed waiver after the Final Inspection is completed.

Page 10: Revised Text:

7). Mud, dirt or any construction debris will be removed from the street each day.

Debris should be placed in a dumpster at the close of construction. Do not wash any debris into the storm drains, including dirt or mud. **Do not wash cement truck pour chutes out on neighboring lots, streets or easements.**

8). **On a daily basis, all trash is to be placed in a container, desig-**

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nated by the owner or contractor. The owner of record will be responsible for trash left in unauthorized areas.

Page 12: **Added Text, in bold:**

Fourth / Final inspection:

The following are requirements that must be met for approval of a “Final Inspection” and refund of the Compliance Deposit:

- Is the road gutter drainage impaired, or required culvert installed?
- Is the driveway encroachment at any vehicle entry point paved per “Driveway Requirements” defined in Section F of this guideline?
- **Is the curb, road surface and gutter adequately replaced or repaired?**

Page 14: Revised Text:

DECKS / DECK COVERS

No new decks, deck covers, or deck replacements shall be constructed without prior approval of the ECC Committee. Request for decks/deck covers should include plot plan, easement and property lines, dimensions and material. Requests for deck replacement shall include construction location, materials. No fee will be charged for deck replacements or covers over existing decks. A fee will be charged for new decks. **Tuolumne County may require permits for deck work.**

Page 15: Revised Text:

DOG RUNS

Submit plot plan (2 sets) to the ECC including, height, length, location, property lines, and material to be used. Dog runs are to be constructed on ground level with no ramps used for running to a higher level. Two dogs maximum per dog-run. Placement shall be as unobtrusive as possible. Dog runs will be allowed under a revocable use permit.

The maximum size permitted is 180 square feet and perimeters may be determined by necessity. The Committee also suggests fencing of chain link or material matching existing decking. No solid fencing is permitted. A maximum of one dog run is permitted on any property.

Page 16: New Text:

EASEMENTS

All easements granted or abandoned are public record, legally recorded with the Tuolumne County Records Office. Easements should be defined upon the purchase of property as an owners separate interest (ingress/egress). Easement right disputes should be resolved between the property owners involved. Property owners should consult their own attorney, Title Company, broker or surveyor as they deem appropriate.

Page 16: Revised Text:

EROSION CONTROL

Erosion control during construction may be required following the first or second “on-site” construction inspection. Vegetation removal should be confined to the area needed for the actual construction. Slopes shall not be constructed so as to endanger, disturb or cause a drainage problem to

adjoining property. No excavated materials shall be placed close enough to the lake or watercourse where they may be washed away by high water, or storm run-off. All trenches and pits will be backfilled and compacted as soon as possible to minimize any erosion. Straw bales, spread out or seeding may be used to minimize erosion.

Tuolumne County has an established Erosion and Grading Code. Copies of this code may be obtained from the Community Development Department in Sonora.

EROSION CONTROL ON ESTABLISHED LOTS:

Lots shall be planted or maintained by the Owner or resident in such a manner to prevent or retard shifting or erosion of soils. The lot shall be maintained to provide proper diversion of water into streets and natural drainage channels, and not cause erosion problems to adjoining property. As a general guide, policy established by Tuolumne County shall be used.

Page 17: Revised Text:

MODULAR OR MANUFACTURED HOMES

Any modular or previously constructed home to be located on a PMLA lot shall on a full perimeter, reinforced cement or cement block foundation. Building plans must show compliance with this requirement before authorization to bring the modular home into PMLA is granted.

Modular / Manufactured homes must meet the same requirements as stick built homes, including 4 profiles of the home upon plan submittal, minimum 4 x 12 pitch roof, not a nominal 4 x 12, and eave overhangs as reviewed on page 16. A 72-hour notice is required prior to delivery; a drive-through with the Safety Department is mandatory as is oversight by Safety or Maintenance during the placement of the home.

Page 18: New Text:

RETAINING WALLS

A Retaining Wall is any wall built to provide lateral support for a vertical or near vertical face of soil to prevent or minimize the forces of soil erosion, slippage or water drainage. Retaining Walls greater than 47 inches, from the base of the foundation, also require an engineering analysis to ensure that the design takes into account the potential forces, without consideration of which, would result in failure of the retaining wall. Such walls require County and ECC approval prior to construction.

Walls that are less than 48 inches, and constructed either for aesthetic purposes, such as borders around walk ways, trees, etc, or to contain planting/garden areas where failure of the walls would not impact surrounding structures or result in drainage problems, do not require prior approval. Segmented retaining walls constructed using available building blocks should be built in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations for maximum height, strength and drainage issues. No improvements / permanent structures shall be built within the setbacks.

Page 18: Revised Text:

ROOF PITCH

The slope or pitch of a roof shall be a minimum of 4 inches increase in height for every 12 inches in horizontal or, simply, 4 in 12. Not a nominal 4 in 12. The minimum eave/overhang at the wall of the house created by this pitch will be a function of the actual pitch used. See also the information on Eaves / Overhangs earlier in this section.



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The moratorium will give the Board the opportunity to review and study the Association's current policies regarding mergers and de-mergers, solicit member input and possibly develop changes in an effort to mitigate the erosion of PMLA's yearly assessment base.

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Ala Carte - April '06

by Sharon Volponi

Wow! Didn't March roar in like a lion this year? While we enjoyed the winter wonderland for a while, we are hoping April gives us a little more sunshine and warmer temperatures. We wish to especially thank those who braved the storms and supported us last month.

The Soroptimist International celebrated their Annual Chinese Dinner and Auction with us, and everyone had a great time as well as helped raise funds for all the good work the Soroptimists do. The Groveland Lions Club also had their Annual Cioppino Dinner in February with equally good results. Thanks to all who supported these service clubs, and our own Club as well.

Easter Brunch will be served at the

Country Club on Sunday, April 16, from 9:00 AM 'til 2:00 PM. Bring the whole family and get your pictures taken with the Easter Bunny! See our ad for times and food selection. We will be closed for dinner service that evening.

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The Changing of the Guard

by Rosemary Adams, Publicity

In notifying our PML Ladies Club members of our March Program, President Judy Michaelis referred to the Divestiture/Installation of our officers as "THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD." It was so apropos that the writer has adopted it. Thank you, Judy.

We had a lovely Winter/Spring Day for our luncheon at the Club. Jane Hansen and her Decorations Committee arrayed the tables with clear glass cubes on which were mounted pink flowers and silver garlands. Perfect.

Following the luncheon we had the Divestiture of our 2005/2006 Officers and the Installation of our 2006/2007 Officers. This was conducted by Past Presidents Joyce Smith & Rosemary Adams. The 2005/2006 Officers were Judy Michaelis, President – Harriett Wallace, Vice President – Claudette Williams, Secretary – Charlie Fratus, Treasurer – Dar Brown, Historian/Parliamentarian – Shirley Brasesco, Membership/Reservations. The Officers were thanked and applauded for their fine efforts in bringing us a great year and then presented with pink roses and bud vases. A note – Dar Brown was

unable to be with us, so Past President, Bobby Vandenberg, filled in for her.

We then moved along to the Installation of our 2006/2007 Officers. They are Harriett Wallace, President – Kim Purifoy, Vice President – Diane Abdelnour, Secretary – Carol Voyvodich, Treasurer – Judy Michaelis, Historian/Parliamentarian – Shirley Brasesco, Membership/Reservations. We thanked our new Officers for assuming their offices and pledged our support of their plans and goals for the year. The newly installed Officers were presented with pink roses in bud vases. And to them, APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE!!!

Next we had a lovely bit of entertainment offered by our BEAUTIFUL SOPRANO, Linnelle Marshall, accompanied by her GRAND PIANIST husband, Galen. They saluted the 250th anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart by presenting several arias from his operas. It was outstanding, and our members truly enjoyed it. Thanks to Linnelle & Galen for a grand afternoon.

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Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group

by Tom Carman

The program for April is all about Power Point and will be presented by Bob Oakley. The presentation will be in two parts. The first part is An Introduction To Power Point. The second part is Power Point Tips & Tricks. You've asked about how to do Power Point presentations before and now it's finally here,

so we hope to see you all there.

Most of you are aware that April is the beginning of our Dues year. April 1st is when your Dues are due and they are a whole \$12.00 per year for the whole family. We ask that you fill out a new application so that you can update us on your computer, programs, and your ideas

for the organization. You can find the application on the CUG Web Site at <http://www.geocities.com/pmlcug>.

April is also the time we announce who will be running for vacant Director positions with the election taking place in May.

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 18th, 7:00pm at the Lake Lodge. Further information about the CUG may also be obtained from Bob Oakley at 962-4799 or Gerald DeHart at 962-7429.

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If you see a crime in progress, please call 911 and report it immediately. If you are the victim of a crime, please call the Country Sheriff and report the incident. If you witness something suspicious and you are unsure it is a crime, call our Department of Safety at (209) 962-8615 and report it so we can follow up. Help PMLA and your neighbors stay safe.

Cable System Issues

On February 18th, 2006 at the monthly Pine Mountain Lake Association Board meeting, County Supervisor Mark Thornton addressed the Board regarding the Sun Country Cable System. He informed the Board and management that the County was forced to issue a Notice of Default to the owner of the system and the County is preparing to act and revoke their franchise agreement. This may result in a service shutdown for Sun Country Cable customers.

The PMLA Board and management team are concerned that a shutdown could have an impact on PMLA residents. The intent of this notice is to inform and assist our members with this situation and should not be interpreted as a statement of Sun Country Cables performance.

If you are a current Sun Country Cable customer, please let us know what you think by filling out the form below. We will forward your information to the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors.

Sun Country Cable Issue

Date: _____ Name: _____ Unit/Lot: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Do you feel the County should take the next step and shutdown the system so that they can fix the situation?

YES _____ NO _____

The system could be down for several weeks while the County addresses the problems. Will this be a big impact on you?

YES _____ NO _____

If yes, please explain: _____

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Groveland, CA 95321
FAX (209) 962-8657

Or e-mail your response to: rick@pinemountainlake.com

Friends of the Lake Learn about Dredging

by Virginia Gustafson

The Friends of the Lake organization will kick-off the 2006 season with a potluck dinner on Sunday, April 9 at 5:00pm at Lake Lodge. Our special guest speaker for the evening will be Tom Rut, from the consulting engineering firm of Moffat & Nichols in Stockton. This is the firm hired by PML to make dredging recommendations for our lake.

Mr. Rut will be educating us on why lakes need dredging, the results of the Moffat & Nichols study of PML and their recommendations.

Tom is a registered professional civil and structural engineer. He has a BSCE from Illinois Institute of Technology, and has practiced engineering in California for over 40 years. In 2002, he opened the Stockton office of Moffatt & Nichol.

Moffatt & Nichol is a consulting engineering firm headquartered in Long Beach with 350 people and 20 offices in the United States. They specialize in water-related engineering services.

Prior to joining Moffatt & Nichol, Tom spent 33 years with Caltrans; his last position was as State Bridge Maintenance

Engineer responsible for the inspection of 20,000 state highway and local agency bridges. Tom and his wife are part-time residents of PML.

If you are interested in the health and safety of the lake and would like to know more about the dredging plans, bring a potluck dish, your place setting and beverages, and come and join us April 9th at Lake Lodge to hear Tom Rut's presentation.

Friends of the Lake is currently also working with the association to develop more swimming areas and to monitor compliance with boating rules. We are also maintaining the buoy safety lights and planning for the July 1 PML Boat Parade.

Friends of the Lake is a social organization dedicated to the long-term sustainable and equitable use and enjoyment of Pine Mountain Lake. Annual membership dues are \$20/family or \$10/single; membership is open to anyone who is concerned about the health, safety and utilization of our lake. You may send your check to FOL, Box 591, Groveland or you can also register at the April 9 meeting at Lake Lodge. ☺



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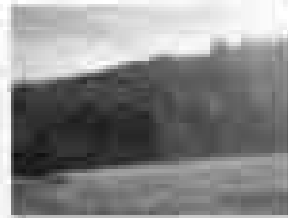


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Summer is just around the corner, so it's time to dig the water skis and wakeboards out of the garage and tune them up for the new ski season!

Thanks to all our members for voting on our new logo (above). Stay tuned for an opportunity to buy some snazzy logo apparel in the near future.

To help kick off the 2006 season, the PMLWWC will be hosting a Memorial Day BBQ at the Marina beach on Sunday, May 28th, from noon to 3pm. You do not have to be a member of PMLWWC to join us. If you'd like to come by, meet your neighbors, talk about boats and skiing, please join us!

In our next newsletter, we will be telling you about a new streamlined registration process we have been working on with Joe Powell, Rick Whybra and Barbara Barnes. In a nut shell, it will be easier to register

your boat for skiing, reducing lines at the store and making life easier for the workers there. Note: this does not change the regular PML boat registration process to get your annual sticker.

We will also be discussing our new, improved training program, as well as the Good Neighbor Rules concerning wake reduction and best practices for skiing and wakeboarding.

If you love waterskiing, wakeboarding, or kneeboarding and would like to be a part of our growing family, please send us your e-mail id. You will then have input into any future PML boating changes and will be able to stay informed about safety and best practices. You can join us by sending an e-mail to mike@denzeln.com Visit our website at <http://www.pmlwwc.com>. See you on the water! ☺

PML Racquet Club News

Unless some catastrophe including snow or rain occurred, the Racquet Club had its first tennis get-together in the last 6 months on March 17.

This would be the St. Patrick's Day "Wearing of the Green" social at the Tennis Center. Results will be reported in the next PML News.

Mark Nouillan had announced that the social would be a mixed doubles format. Men and women were to be seeded and teams picked on the basis of the seeding. The social was to be headed by Nouillan and Larry Santa Maria.

The next tennis social is scheduled for Friday, May 5 – this being "Cinco de Mayo". A good turnout is expected.

Dennis DeCant, Dick Davis, Mark Nouillan and Jerry DeHart met with Rick Whybra and Bernie Laursen (Maintenance) on March 2 to discuss court


upkeep. With them was a representative from Saviano, a company involved in tennis court repair, resurfacing, etc.

- New members are needed. A welcome to recent new members Linda Kehoe and Marvin and Mary Schinnerer.

- Jane and George Reynolds attended the professional Pacific Life Open at Indian Wells last month. They have attended the matches as well as served as ushers for a number of years. Richard and Judy Olson again attended this big tournament.

- Dave and Chris Franz also traveled to Southern California for the tournament – this being their first time.

- The 2006 Racquet Club Directory has been in progress and was to be available to members in March or thereabouts. ☺



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PML Garden Club Clippings

by Joyce Smith

February 13th was our 1st meeting of the year. The Lake Lodge was abuzz with members visiting and finding the right sign-up sheet for areas they wanted to be involved with. We have something for everyone to do, either big or small. Of course the Jail is our main project.

—Our program for the day, presented by Julie McVickers, was a Therapeutic Garden Box. Julie had a box to show us complete with step by step “how to make it” directions. Great assembly directions, right down to how many nails and everything else you would need. We were treated to a touching video on how these boxes have been used in some areas. Because they are raised up on legs, a person in a wheel chair could derive a lot of pleasure tending to flowers planted in one. After the presentation, we divided into groups, discussed ways and made a list of uses for these boxes.

Members received a compiled list of 47 ideas from our input, in their newsletters.

—Terre Melinn will be having a work day at the Jail the 2nd Wednesday of every month, 9:00 A.M., 7:30 A.M. if hot, 7:00 A.M. if very hot and if it rains, stay home. Additional work days will be called as needed. Call Terre Melinn 5743 if you want to know when you signed up to work. You don't have to sign up for the 2nd Wednesday, just show up with your garden tools.

—Our speaker for the March meeting will be Master Gardner and PML resident Dick Dentino, speaking on pruning.

—Plant Table. Cynthia Dant needs plants for the plant table. Call Cynthia if you have cuttings or plants to bring to our meeting. The money goes to Penny Pines, which is a Forest Service planting project.

—April 10 Meeting. We will meet at the Lake Lodge at 9:00 A.M. to car pool. We are going to the Sierra Herbal Institute off Wards Ferry Rd. in Big Oak Flat, to see a working herbal garden and have a picnic lunch.

Doesn't that sound interesting? Check your Newsletter for picnic information.

—Don't forget your name badge for meetings. It's very helpful as we have many new members.

See you at the next meeting. ☺

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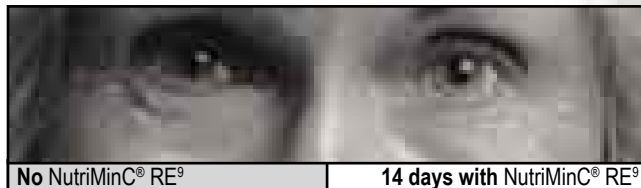
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Connie Soderberg 209/962-5299

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

Barbara Elliott 209/962-6457

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Arlene Vorce 209/962-7186

Guardians of PML:

John Nielsen 209/962-4934

Ladies Club:

Judy Michaelis 209/962-0580

Ladies Golf Club:

Dotty Davis 209/962-6663

Men's Golf Club:

John Baker 209/962-6295

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

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Rick Whitacre 408/582-3081

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Sunday Couples Golf:

Norma Baldinger 209/962-5332

Windjammers Sailing Club:

Kurt Petersen 925/462-7873

PML Men's Golf Club

by Dick Faux

Thank goodness March is over as we had far too many days without sunshine and with rain and or snow.

up as a four man team. Scoring is two Best balls of the four.

April brings an opportunity to sign up for two more tournaments:

April 22nd the member/guest two man better ball tournament. Practice round is April 21st.

April 15th the NCGA zone qualifier. Sign

In May we have three tournaments

MOTHER LODE INVITATIONAL 30th Anniversary July 20th, 21st and 22nd, 2006 ENTRY FORM

Property Owner _____ Unit/Lot _____

Street Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone Number _____

Home Club _____ GHIN/NCGA # _____

Shirt Size _____ Jacket Size _____ Vest Size _____

E-Mail Address _____

Guest Name _____

Street Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone Number _____

Home Club _____ GHIN/NCGA # _____

Shirt Size _____ Jacket Size _____ Vest Size _____

Deposit \$ 100 or Entry Fee Team \$460 _____

Extra Dinners @ \$ 30 _____

Total Paid (No refunds after 6/15/06) _____

(Balance Due June 1st 2006 if making a deposit to guarantee your entry)

Make Checks Payable to:

Mother Lode Invitational
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Questions Contact:

Tom Bickmore (Co-Chairman) 209-962-5517 or tombick@sbcglobal.net
John Baker (Co-Chairman) 209-962-6295
Chris Borrego (PML PGA Pro) 209-962-8620

For Committee Use Only:

Date Paid _____ Balance due June 1st 2006 _____

scheduled:

May 10th is a Wednesday Special Tournament—Two man better ball pick a partner.

May 13th another NCGA qualifier. Two man teams. Better ball format.

May 20th Spring Couples Tournament. Dinner and team draw May 19th.

The big event of the year is the 30th

anniversary of the 2006 Mother Lode Invitational which is scheduled for July 20, 21 & 22. This year's tournament promises to be bigger and better with amazing tee prizes, terrific food, lots of drinks and an opportunity to invite your friends up for a great weekend. Get your entry in early, as the number of entry's are limited, and this year's tournament will fill up fast.

All tournament entry forms may be obtained by going onto the PML Men's Club Website <http://www.pmlmgc.com> or by picking up entry forms in the pro shop.

2006 Mother Lode Invitational 30TH ANNIVERSARY Member/Guest Tournament • July 20th, 21st and 22nd, 2006

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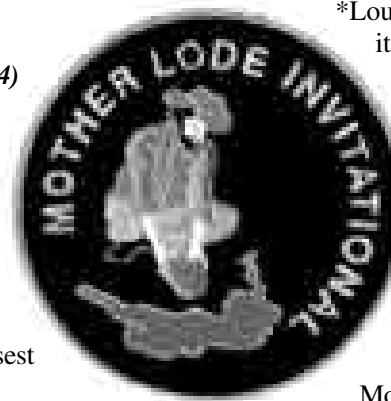
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Questions

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PML Ladies Golf

by Joyce Smith

The Pine Tree Invitational invitations were available for pick-up after our General Meeting on Feb. 23rd. We were prepared to "do the paper work" and most of the ladies there turned in their invitations with name, GHIN number of partner and names in their foursome if they had that information ready.

Those not there received their invitations in the mail. This is such a popular event and is usually a full field so we were eager to take care of business. If you are in need of a PML partner or a guest partner, give Patty Ryan, Tournament Chair, a call. Marche Kizziar is making gift baskets and is in need of items to fill the baskets or money, to purchase items. Check you e-mail for a list of items she needs. Marche has even offered to do the shopping if you choose to donate money. She is a good shopper and promised to spend wisely. Money makes sense, since Marche knows what she needs for a particular theme basket. We all need to help out on this. She does a great job putting

the baskets together. They are lovely and our guest just love receiving one. Captain Dotty conducted a good meeting and made sure we were all finished in time for our 11:00 shotgun.

February 2 – No sweeps.

Light Mist.
14 Ladies braved the elements to begin play but did not finish.

February 9 – Hate'em

Nice Day.
43 Ladies Played.
1st Place: 263 Pts. D. Davis, S. Hancock, Y. Mattocks, T. Melinn.

2nd Place: 265 Pts. J. Dwaileebe, J. Mussatto, P. Peebles, Draw. Also at 265 Pts. B. Gibson, L. Mattea, A. Peterson, A. Toner.

3rd Place: 268 Pts. N. Baldinger, I. Rathert, V. Tallman, Mona Tompkins.

4th Place: 269 Pts. G. Dickson, A. Frawley, J. Foster, K. Shehorn. Birdies Galore: V. Dodson #3, K. Edgerton #14, A. Frawley #14, M. Houser #14, P. Ryan #14, A.

Toner #14. P. Peebles #6 & #17..

February 16 – Partners Odd/ Even

30 Ladies Played.
Cold but a pretty day.
1st Place: Net 62 P. Park, A. Toner, L. Wall, Draw.
2nd Place: Net 63 (tie) J. Dwaileebe, S. Hancock, Y. Mattocks, J. Mussatto.
3rd Place: Net 63 (tie) P. Gschwend, K. Oing, P. Peebles, S. Perry.
4th Place: Net 64 N. Baldinger, J. Foster, Corky Graham, M. Kizziar. Birdies: A. Frawley #14. S.Perry #17.

February 23 – Sucker in the Bucket

29 Ladies Played
1st Place: Net 65 K. Bettencourt, J. Foster, C. Ligonis, M. Raine.
2nd Place: Net 67(tie) P. King, T. Melinn, S. Vaughn, Draw.
3rd Place: Net 67(tie) D. Davis, C. Graham, M. Kizziar, C. Stevens.
4th Place: Net 67(tie) E. Ellis, S. Hancock, Y. Mattocks, L. Mattea.
No Birdies. 🏌️



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March Roared in Like a Lion for the Niners!

by Jane Reynolds

It's kind of fun playing in the strong March winds. The balls soar ever so high. Of course it is even more fun if it lands in the middle of the fairway rather than over some trees into the woods. I suppose one uses more club hitting against the wind and perhaps less club if the wind is behind you and then one has to take into account the distance one is aiming for. When all else fails, ask for expert advice.

Guidelines for playing in the wind:

You will be trying to keep the ball down and out of the trees. Use a less lofted club with the club face closed. Take a square stance with more of your weight on the front foot. Play ball in back of your stance and set hands in front of the ball.

First meeting of the year.

The first meeting of the year started off with a wonderful breakfast buffet. It was then followed by an excellent presentation of golf rules by Frank Jablonski. Frank demonstrated rules on a board and answered the many questions put to him by our members. The Niners hope that Frank will return and continue to educate us on the many complexities of the rules of golf.

REMINDERS:

April 8:30 AM Shotgun.
April 16th 18 holers invite the 9ers – 18 hole game w/lunch to follow

April 24th & 25th Aeration.

April 27th "A" Team Play @ Tracy
May Keep an eye on the board for Opens in May

Play Day Results:

Feb. 9th, PUTTS DAY: 1st Flight, 1st place, Barb. Haiges (19), 2nd place, Jane Reynolds (20), 3rd place, GERALYN Dielman/Linelle Marshall (22). 2nd Flight, Shirley Haliwell, (18), 2nd place, Mary Reynolds, (20), 3rd place, Marilyn Alexander (21) and 4th place, Flo Jansen (22). 3rd Flight, 1st place, Jane Hansen (20), 2nd place, Patty Stevens (21), 3rd place, Cyndy Krout (23). LOW NET: Jane Reynolds (37).

Feb. 16th, RED FLAGS: 1st Flight, 1st place, Jane Reynolds; 2nd place, Barb Davis. 2nd Flight, Marilyn Alexander. 3rd Flight, 1st place, Patti Stevens, 2nd place, Cyndy Krout. LOW NET: Cyndy Krout and Barb Davis (36). PARS: Marilyn Alexander #14, Barb Davis #17 and Cyndy Krout #10 (outstanding).

Feb. 23rd, LOW NET: 1st Flight, 1st place, Barb Davis (38), 2nd place, Jane Reynolds (41). 2nd Flight, 1st place, Claudette Babyak (35), 2nd place, Charlie Fratus (36). 3rd Flight, 1st Place, Jane Hansen (40), 2nd Place, Judy Michaelis (41), 3rd Place, Faye Buckley (43). LOW NET: Claudette Babyak (35). PARS: Jane Reynolds #14, Barbara Haiges and Judy Michaelis #17.

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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 209/962-0337 for reservations.

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Mondays & Thursdays • 1 PM
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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
Wednesdays • 11 AM
 Attention Pine Mountain Lake and Groveland Ladies: The women's support/discussion group meets on Wednesdays from 11 AM to 12:30 PM. It is time to do something for yourselves. Make new friends, get rid of some old emotional baggage and share your knowledge and experience. We still have room for a few more participants. Call me. Let's talk. Etty Garber Ph.D. 209/962-5205.

Announcements

BETTIKE FOUNDATION LUNCHEON RESCHEDULED
 Individuals who purchased tickets for the event that was to originally take place on March 11th—the music luncheon for the Bettike Foundation is rescheduled for Sunday, April 30, at 12:30 at the Iron Door Saloon.

OMELET BRUNCH
 Build your own Omelet. Mark your calendars for the fourth annual Garrotte Lions and The Gathering Place, (South Side Seniors) Omelet Brunch, Saturday, April 29th, Groveland Community Hall, 10 AM – 1 PM., Adults \$10.00, Children, 12 and under, \$7.00. Price also includes Biscuit, Fruit Cup and Beverage. All proceeds will be directed towards The Gathering Place, (South Side Seniors), and the Garrotte Lions. For tickets please call Lion President Wanda Day 962-6179 or Lion Kay Graves 962-6769 of The Garrotte Lions Club or The Gathering Place (South Side Seniors) Sally Salinas 962-0505.

NOMINATIONS FOR GAINS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD
 The Groveland Area Involved Neighbors (GAINs) is asking the community to help nominate the recipients of the second annual GAINs Community Service Award and GAINs Youth Service Award. The purpose is to recognize deserving members of the community who have made an outstanding contribution 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 service organization or through individual effort, on a voluntary basis in the preceding calendar year. GAINs is requesting nominations from local service clubs and individuals. Organizations or individuals wishing to nominate someone must submit the nominee's name, phone number, reasons for nomination, and examples of exceptional service from the 2005 calendar year, along with their own name and contact information. Submissions may be sent to: GAINs, P.O. Box 179, Groveland, CA 95321, or emailed to GrovelandandGains@aol.com, or dropped off at the Groveland Library in the GAINs COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD box. Ballots will also be available on posters throughout the community. All nominations must be in by May 1.

PMLA FLEA MARKET IS COMING!
 To the Pine Mountain Lake Stables on Saturday, May 13 and Saturday, October 7 from 8 am to 1 pm at the PML Stables.

THE PINE CONE SINGERS
 Under the direction of Dennis Brown, the Pine Cone Singers will present their spring concert the weekend of May 5th, 6th, & 7th. On the program? A little Webber (as in Andrew Lloyd), a little Porter (as in Cole), a little Mozart (as in W.A.), plus a spirited spiritual, a poignant madrigal, some jazzy bebop, and more! So make a note on your calendar and watch for further news. Tickets will be available in early April.

THE PINE CONE PLAYERS
 Under the direction of Mary Kelly, the Pine Cone Players will present the crazy melodrama "Dogsbreath Devereaux, The Dastardly Doctor" or: "Nurses! Foiled Again" by the same playwright who wrote "Dr. D.K. Molar, The Devious Dentist" — a play the group performed five years ago that had the audience rolling in

the aisles with laughter. "Dogsbreath Devereaux" is guaranteed to put the audience there again. It's every bit as funny as the other...perhaps even more so. So, jot these dates down: May 26, 27 and 28 so you won't miss the dastardly antics of Dr. Dogsbreath Devereaux and Nurse Hatchett as they conspire against the likes of Dr. Phil Good, nurse Ivy Dripp, the widow Lotta Cash, and the poor—what a heckuva story—heroine, Wendy March.

HIGH COUNTRY LINE DANCERS
 High Country Line Dancers at Groveland Community Hall – 7-9 pm Tues. eves. 4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25*, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30*, 6/6. Beginner lessons 7-8 pm; intermediate/advanced lessons and dancing 8-9 pm. *Last Tuesday of each month is "open dancing" for singles and couples, no lessons. Instructor: Susan Nash. \$2.00 per person. For more info, call Carol Stevens 962-5198 or Sue Salnick 962-4155.

DSL IN PML?
 The community needs more support for SBC extending DSL service into PML. Visit SBC.com and put in your ZIP Code and/or make a request. Without requests, they don't know how many people are truly interested.

FAMILY WELLNESS FAIRE RETURNING TO TENAYA SCHOOL APRIL 11
 The 6th annual Family Wellness Faire is in the planning stages by the Soroptimist Club of Groveland. Because it was so successful last year, the location will again be at the Tenaya Elementary School Campus on Tuesday, April 11, 2006, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This event offers valuable health information for everyone from toddlers to seniors and provides an opportunity for a variety of health testing services at either NO COST or LOW COST. The whole community is welcome so mark your calendars now and watch for more details in next month's issue of this paper. Sponsored by Soroptimist International of Groveland

GAINS
 Since August 2000 Groveland Area Involved Neighbors has been working with community groups in the Groveland area to support youth, seniors, our history, and our environment. Once a year, a Sponsor Drive asks individuals and community groups to contribute \$100 to GAINs, a tax-deductible gift, and become a Sponsor. GAINs has started and carried through "Movies on the Hill," the free GAINs Resource Directory and new Health Directory, Community Service Awards, community surveys, and the Health Community Project. The health project is funded by The California Endowment and will be setting up more local health services, such as an independent community clinic. GAINs directly supports local groups by providing insurance for community events and fosters collaboration among all groups. GAINs is a collaboration of community groups and individuals and does not have members. Insurance and other administrative costs are paid by sponsorships. That's why the GAINs Board of Directors hopes you will support these and future activities by sending in your tax-free \$100 donation to GAINs, P. O. Box 179, Groveland, 95321. For information contact Barbara Broad at GrovelandGAINs@aol.com or 962.7730.

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Family Wellness Faire Set For Tuesday, April 11

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Again, this year, the Family Wellness Faire will be held at Tenaya Elementary School from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11. This venue provides a spacious, comfortable environment, regardless of weather, with ample, convenient parking. The gymnasium will house

more than 30 wellness related exhibits which provide the latest information and exhibitors who can answer your important questions regarding living a healthy lifestyle through proper nutrition, physical fitness and personal safety.

A variety of FREE preventive health screenings are also available including: bone density, hearing, vision, blood pressure, diabetes and chiropractic. Professionals from Sonora Regional Medical Center will provide a blood chemistry panel that includes cholesterol (total LDL, HDL and triglycerides), kidney function, thyroid, liver function and lipid panel for only \$20 and Prostrate Screening Antigen (PSA) for just \$10. Fasting (nothing to eat or drink, except water) for 12 hours prior to blood testing is preferred. A summary review of

your health screenings will be available.

This year, the Women’s Health Center will be expanded to include reproductive system health issues, breast cancer awareness, and physical fitness. We also hope to offer expanded information and services at the Children’s Health Center that will be pertinent to today’s health and nutrition issues of our youth. The kids will be interested in eating popcorn and attending activities and entertainment presented especially for them.

Soroptimist International of Groveland, along with their sponsors, believe in the importance of preventative health care through screenings which aid in the early detection of potential problems and education which promotes understanding of proper health maintenance. Plan on attending this im-

portant community event where you’ll enjoy delicious, free refreshments with your friends and neighbors as well as receive valuable family health information. Circle April 11 on your calendar for the FAMILY WELLNESS FAIRE, and you’ll be well on your way to a healthier way of life!



KID'S CAMP SURVEY

Dear PML homeowners and renters.

We are in the process of re-designing our summer “Kid’s Camp” and would like your feedback. Please fill out this survey and return it to the Administration Building. This **Kid’s Camp Survey** can also be found online. Thank you for your time.

Name:

Unit/Lot

(Circle One) Owner / Renter

(Circle One) Full Time Resident / Part Time Resident

Number of Children/Grandchildren and their ages:

1. Are you supportive of having a summer “Kid’s Camp” at PML?

Y N

2. Would you register your children/grandchildren in the camp?

Y N

3. If the camp were offered 5 days per week, how many days would you enroll your children? (please circle)

1 2 3 4 5

4. How many weeks during the summer would you anticipate enrolling your children in the camp? (please circle)

1 2 3 4 5 or more

5. What hours would you like to see the camp? (please circle)

full day (9:00-5:00) mornings only (9:00-noon) afternoons only (1:00-5:00) short day (9:00-1:00)

6. How do you feel about a morning session (9:00-noon), then a 1 ½ -2 hour lunch break to go home, then another afternoon session (2:00-5:00)?

7. How do you feel about a morning session (9:00-noon) and a long middle of the day break to escape the heat, then an evening session (6:00-9:00)?

8. What do you think is a reasonable weekly rate for a half day? (circle one)

\$50 per week \$75 per week \$100 per week other?

For a Full day?

\$100 per week \$125 per week \$150 per week \$200 per week

9. What kinds of activities would you like to see offered? (circle as many as you like)

sailing canoeing kayaking tennis golf arts/crafts dance tumbling soccer baseball basketball horsemanship archery
horseshoes drama karate hiking nature study other (please list): _____

10. Would you like to see swimming a part of the summer camp or separate?

11. Which would you prefer? (please circle)

Private swimming lessons Small group swimming lessons Lots of free swim time Other, please explain:

12. Do you have teenagers or young adults who would be interested in a camp counselor position?

Y N If so, how old are they?

13. How many weeks would they be available to work? (please circle)

The entire summer (10 weeks) Half the summer (5 weeks) Less than 5 weeks (state number of weeks)

14. Are you interesting in applying for a position as a camp counselor or in a specialty area?

Y N

If so, please describe your hobby or talent _____

15. Are you willing to volunteer your time to the camp?

How often?

Other comments: _____

Thank you for your time. Please return this form to:

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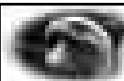
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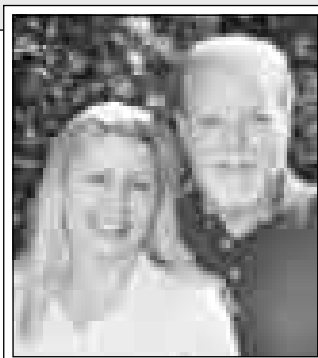


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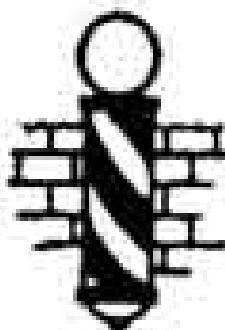
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Yosemite Chamber of Commerce?

by Marc Fossum

Though hard to believe, there is no such entity as the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce.

Thousands of businesses and numerous economies are directly dependent on the ebbs and flows of Yosemite National Park. We've all experienced the significant damage to our businesses whenever the Park suffers a set back from Mother-nature or any form of media generated negative publicity.

The Board of Directors at the High-

way 120 Chamber of Commerce believes the time may be upon us for the formation of a business organization that will encompass the entire Yosemite Region. A committee has been formed to further explore the feasibility and function of a region-wide Chamber of Commerce. We envision a top quality comprehensive web site, region-wide marketing campaigns focused on sharing our visitors and a one-stop electronic information network serving all members. The lob-

bying strength of a region-wide Chamber of Commerce will be very effective. Membership could someday number in the thousands.

The Highway 120 Chamber of Commerce directors are seeking input from our membership regarding this concept. Please contact the Chamber office with input or come to one of the board meetings or monthly mixers to further discuss this vision.

Reverse Mortgage Is It Right For You?

On Tuesday April 4th the Kiwanis Club of Groveland will be hosting Mr. Paul Carroll of Carrolton Mortgage Co. of Modesto, CA. Paul and his company have been doing reverse Mortgages for over 13 years, longer than any other lender in California. Paul is a recognized authority on reverse mortgages. Paul's presentation will be at our regular meeting at Foothill Community Church, 18717 Main Street at 5:30 PM. Tuesday April 4th. Please come and join us, Mr. Carroll promises us a few laughs mixed with the straight story on reverse mortgages. This is also a great opportunity to learn about Kiwanis and who we are. See you April 4th.

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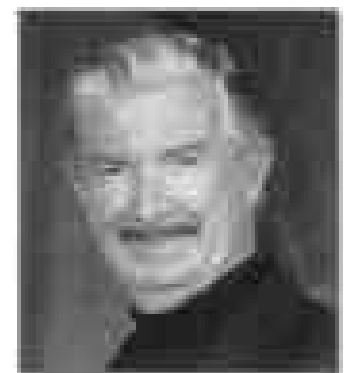
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by Carolyn Botell

The Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® is proud to announce that the recipient of its 2005 Outstanding Member of the Year award is Marc Fossum, with Yosemite Bank! 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. Anyone who knows Marc will agree that he is most deserving of this special award and recognition!

Marc Fossum is an Affiliate member of the Hetch Hetchy AOR and he and his company regularly support Hetch Hetchy AOR events and activities. (He never misses our annual Golf Tournament, even though it is on a Work Day at the bank, hmmm! But seriously, Marc regularly contributes to and helps with our many events!) Marc is an active member of the Highway 120 Chamber of Commerce, having held just about every role within that organization over the years. He is also a busy member of the Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society, as well as the Groveland Rotary Club. And Marc plays a major role in the annual 49er Festival, Chili Cook Off & Parade as well.

Congratulations to Marc Fossum, Yosemite Bank, Hetch Hetchy AOR Outstanding Member of the Year for 2005, on your well deserved award! Here is a photo of Marc receiving his award from Malcolm Brown, Hetch Hetchy AOR 2006 Board of Directors President.



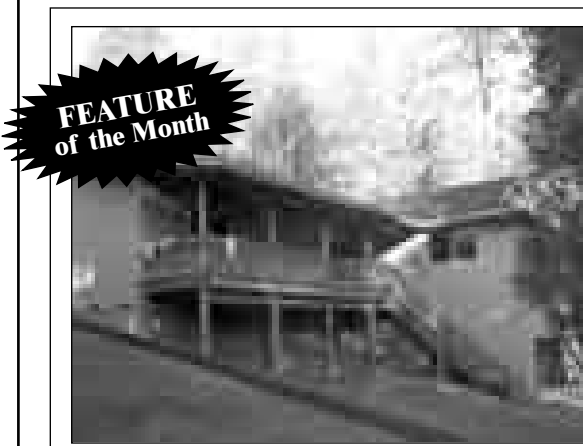
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\$469,000 Unit 1 Lot 32. 19435 Pine Mountain Drive.



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**New Home Under Construction
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\$439,500 8/220 Butter Way.



CUTE, COZY WEEKEND/VACATION CABIN

Updated- Remodeled 1,311 Sq. Ft. 3 Bedrooms & LOFT. 2 Custom Bathrooms. New Electrical & Plumbing. Redwood Wrap around Deck. New Asphalt approach with Graveled extra/RV parking area. New Exterior siding & Paint. Kitchen remodeled with new appliances, Maple Cabinets, Granite Counter Tops, Italian Tile back splash, Limestone Tile Flooring Custom Lighting and Breakfast Bar. New "Bamboo" Laminate flooring 1st Level. New Custom Dual Pane Windows & French Doors. Bathrooms with Limestone Floor & Wall Tile, Bath Tubs and Sinks. New Jacuzzi Type Bath Tub in upstairs Bathroom. Crown Molding. Custom Interior Paint. **\$339,000** 3/337 - 20734 Rising Hill Circle.



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**5/245 Ferretti Rd.
\$489,900.00**



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Escape to peace and quiet in hideaway setting of this country chalet. Approx 1050 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Vaulted knotty pine ceilings with loft open to living area. nice large deck with private setting with lots of trees. 2 car garage and room for the boat.

10/43 Non Pariel \$325,000.00



TWICE AS NICE

Two homes on a 1.25 acre parcel that backs up to the PML Bass Pond. Prime horse property with an original ranch house plus a separate "bunk house". New appliances, heating and air system and flooring are in the process of installation in the "ranch house". There is also a 4-stall enclosed stable building with tack rooms, a two car garage and a fenced corral for critters. By appointment only!!

12/172A Clements \$649,000



SPACIOUS CABIN

Remodeled but still rustic w/vaulted wood/beam ceilings, rake-style windows, pecky cedar paneling & a wood stove w/brick hearth. The main level has a tiled kitchen w/pantry & laundry, living rm, dining area & mstr ste. The upper level has a guest bath & three guest bedrooms. This home is on a large level lot w/a circular driveway & a detached 2 car garage, connected to the home via a covered breezeway.

**2/375 Wells Fargo Dr.
\$329,000**



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Sitting pretty on a permanent foundation with terrific treed views overlooking a seasonal creek~ this is no trailer!! Low maintenance & high architectural interest are key elements of this fine home. Vaulted coffered ceilings, long life synthetic decks (covered porch), lg open kitchen, circular drive, concrete siding, breakfast nook & dining room, pantry/ laundry room, and so much more!

4/357 Big Foot Cir. \$289,000



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**7-132 Jackson Mill
\$305,000**



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5/104 Mt. Jefferson \$470,000



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1/201 Golden Rock \$685,000



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11393 Alice Lane, Groveland \$459,000



**LOCATION, LOCATION,
LOCATION**

Walk to the lake lodge from this chalet. Situated on over 1/2 acre lot with gentle slope to water at end of cove plus a nice water view. Approximately 2000 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms and 2 plus baths, loft area open to living area, bonus room downstairs.

New deck and paint.

4/70 Big Foot Ct. \$459,000.00



QUIET GETAWAY

Calm yourself with the views of the tall pines. Almost 3/4 of an acre in the much sought after Big Creek area. Nicely decorated 3 bedroom, 2 bath with bonus room is waiting for you. Furnishings plus outdoor spa are being offered separately makes this home ready to move in.

**4/241 Non Pariel
\$325,000.00**



AFFORDABLE LIVING

New manufactured home with easy access. Approximately 1620 sq. ft. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths situated on 1/3 acre. Low cost living in this centrally located home.

**6/205 Ferretti Rd.
\$279,000.00**



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12/254 Hillcroft \$599,000



EMERIL'S DELIGHT

Great things are cooking in this kitchen! This is a first class remodel w/ granite slab counter tops, "chef quality" stainless steel stove, walk-in pantry w/ laundry area... New carpet & propane heat stove in living rm, 3 bedrooms/ 2 baths & a single level floor plan make this one a keeper. You'll love the 2 car garage w/ workshop & the double lot with nice treed views.

7/140 Jackson Mill \$354,500



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**3/364 Cresthaven Dr.
\$387,900**



NEW COUNTRY RANCHER

Single level home on a level lot w/treed views. Enjoy year round outdoor living from the front covered porch. Inside you'll love the bright home w/tall vaulted ceilings & a propane fireplace that adds heat & ambiance. In the front of the house are the kitchen w/ pantry/laundry rm & bay window dining nook. To the rear is the master ste & guest brs/ba. This home has a detached 2 car gar.

6/182 Cottonwood \$349,900

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COMFORTABLE AND INVITING......3 bedroom/2 bath. This home is well-maintained. Bright, cheerful kitchen with open plan. 1,550 sq ft. Hardwood entry. Call Ron Connick MLS #65047 3/41 \$324,000



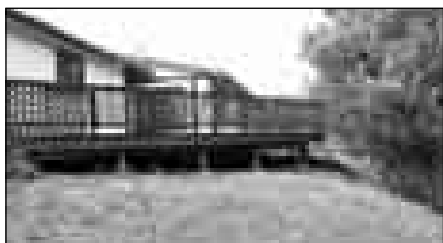
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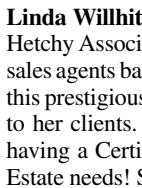


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Top Award Winners for 2005



David Lint was awarded **2005 Top Producers Award** from Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors. This award recognizes the top 20% of local sales agents based on sales volume for the year. Dave also received the highly honored **2005 Hall of Fame Award** for his contribution to our local community and schools. Dave organizes the annual Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors Golf Tournament, which provided over \$4000 to our local schools. Check with Dave for any of your Real Estate needs...he'll get it done for you! He's been with Sugar Pine Realty GMAC since 1997.



Linda Willhite was awarded the **2005 Top Producers Award** from Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors. This award recognizes the top 20% of local sales agents based on sales volume for the year. Linda has consistently earned this prestigious award each year, as she continues to provide Premier Service to her clients. Give Linda a call today, so you can see the "difference" in having a Certified Premier Service agent assist you with any of your Real Estate needs! She's been with Sugar Pine GMAC since 1997.



Bob Lawson was awarded the **2005 GMAC Peak Producer** award, which acknowledges the top 1% of the producers for Sugar Pine Realty GMAC Real Estate, which has 8 offices in Mariposa, Tuolumne and Calaveras Counties. Bob's production not only includes local sales, but also for the Sonora and Calaveras areas. Bob is a member of Tuolumne County Association of Realtors Multiple Listing Service, which provides expanded services and coverage for his clients. He has been with Sugar Pine Realty GMAC since 1998, and a licensed Real Estate professional for over 40 years. See Bob if you need an "experienced" sales professional to assist you with your Real Estate needs!



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Hetch Hetchy Association of Realtors® 2005 Top Producers Awards

The Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® is pleased to announce the SIXTEEN WINNERS of its 2005 Top Producer Awards, pictured below.

Seated, Left to Right: Lynn Bonander, Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty; Chris Lake, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; Lauree Borup, RE/MAX Yosemite Gold; Linda Willhite, Sugar Pine Realty GMAC.

Standing, Left to Right: Eleda Carlson, RE/MAX Yosemite Gold; Krystal Bigger, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; Dave Lint, Sugar Pine Realty GMAC; Rob Stone, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; James Nagle, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; Brent Yop, Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty; Kathleen Love, Coldwell Banker Mountain Leisure Properties; Red Rossio, Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty; Jack Welch, Village Realty CCI; George Voyvodich, Century 21 Pleasant View Properties.

Not Pictured: Nancy Jones, Realty World Pine Mountain Lake Realty; Constance Elliott, RE/MAX Yosemite Gold.

The Hetch Hetchy AOR Top Producers awards go to the top 20% of the members of the Multiple Listing Service, based on sales volume. There is no "number one" Top Producer, all winners are considered equal and deserve recognition for their hard work and success in 2005.

Our annual awards event was held Tuesday, February 21, 2006 at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club, with 105 people attending the dinner, awards announcements, raffle, live music and dancing. Thanks to everyone who helped with the event, including Laurie Nagle for providing the great Table Decorations; Tanya Francioni, Joy Miller and Peggy Nelsen with First American Title for organizing the raffle, and Marc Fossum, Yosemite Bank who returned for the

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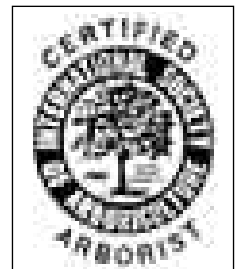
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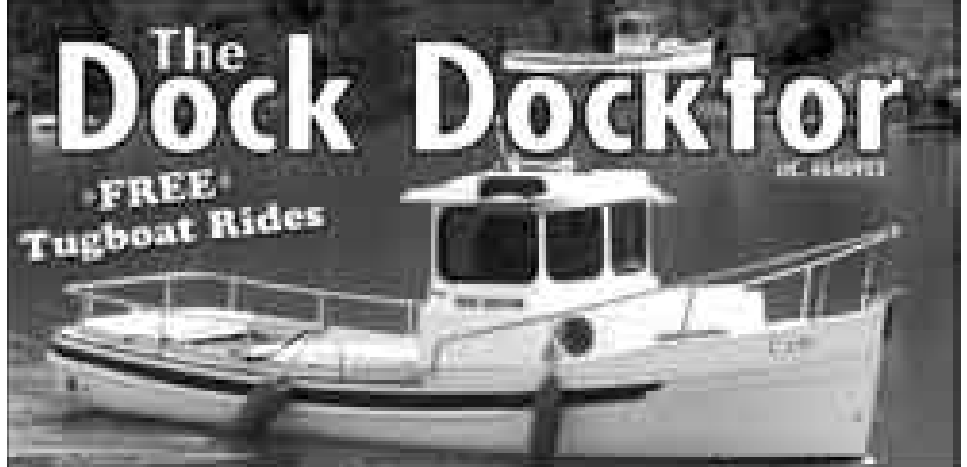
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This hilarious play was penned by the same author who wrote "D.K. Molar, The Devious Dentist" which the group performed to much laughter and tears of mirth five years ago. The dastardly Dogsbreath Devereaux is just as rotten as the devious D.K. Molar was, and every bit as dangerous...so woe be it unto the hapless heroine, Wendy March — played by Marijke Spillman, and the high-minded hero, Dr. Phil Good — played by Charles Mills.

Other cast members include Gordon Jones as the dastardly Dogsbreath

Devereaux; RuthAnn Peirona as the villain's partner-in-crime, Nurse Hilda Hatchet; Marj Smith as Nurse Ivy Dripp; Gail Perlee as the wealthy widow, Lotta Cash; Dave Holcomb as the Orderly, Ward Helper; Nancy Robichaud as the burlesque dancer, Trixie St.James; Barbara Klahn as Sister Sunbeam...a 'way out there' minister from The Temple of the Children of Love & Light; Harry Mair as policeman, Tommy Gunn; Kathy Oing as the unseen (but chuckle-producing) P.A. Announcer; and Nadine Manzo, Sharon Stewart, and Bill Minguo who play patients with various medical problems from an arrow through the head to a woman about to give birth!

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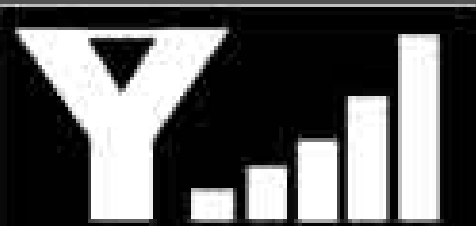
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ARRASTRA EXHIBIT AT MUSEUM

Rosemary Adams, Publicity

The staff of our Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum is very much involved these days in completing the Arrastra Exhibit, now in place on the grounds of our Museum. In the early 20th century the Arrastra was commonly used in ore mining as a crushing mechanism for the ore bearing stones at the mine sites. It was pulled by horse, mule or the miners. After crushing, the material was placed in a sluice box containing water and quick silver, further crushed, and the gold bearing ore was extracted.

Our Exhibit features parts of an Arrastra system that had been stolen from National Forest Land in Gentry Gulch, Mariposa County in 1997. They were recovered in 1998 by police and forest

agents who found them during a search warrant investigation of a home near Greeley Hill. Our Museum acquired title to the recovered parts in 2003 and we are now reconstructing the Arrastra.

One segment of the reconstruction is the sluice box, and we had requested donations of old boards, lumber and timber for this. We are so pleased to say that we had two donors come forward with the "old wood" needed. Our thanks to John Crawford and Arlene Larges for their great contribution. Bless them!!

We have pictures on display of the various components of the Arrastra, as well as the details of its background. Do come by to check it out. We welcome your visits.

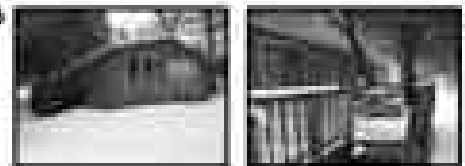
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Helping Hands News by Patti Beaulieu Spring Clothing Giveaway Set for April 21-22

Once again, as we did last Spring and Fall, Helping Hands of Groveland is able to offer our 'out of season' and overstock inventory free to those in the community who need them. There will be mostly adult and children's clothing but we will also have shoes, purses, books, housewares, linens, luggage and anything else we have in overstock.

On Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22, the doors at the Groveland Community Hall will open at 10:00 a.m. each day and close at 5:00 p.m. for this event. The procedure is the same – come in and take a black bag. Feel free to 'shop' for items that you need – all at no cost. This is another way we feel we can help the community in need, so we hope the items will be used for you and your family only,

and not for personal gain. We will continue to bring new items over throughout the each day.

We've also started to move in our Spring and Summer merchandise as well as Easter items. Come in and see our new inventory and get ready for the summer months. We bring out new items daily so there will always be something new in the store. We also have a wonderful collection of collectibles and better glassware.

We'll also switch to our 'Summer hours' beginning April 3rd. The store hours will be from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00

p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Please remember – we can only use items and clothing that are clean and in good (or better) condition. When we get broken, dirty or non-usable items donated, it impacts our garbage fees and increases our overhead. Please help us help the community by only donating items in good condition and bringing them during store business hours.

It's only through the generous donations of the community that we're able to offer these free giveaway days each season.

Pine Cone Singers' Spring Concert

by Gail Perlee

The Pine Cone Singers, under the direction of Dennis Brown, will present their 2006 spring concert: "Music...Ageless And Always" the weekend of May 5th, 6th, and 7th in Groveland; and Sunday, April 30th in Sonora.

The concerts in Groveland will be performed in the Groveland Evangelical Free Church, 19172 Ferretti Road, on Friday, May 5th and Saturday, May 6th at 7:30 PM, and on Sunday, May 7th at 2:00 PM. The concert in Sonora will be performed in Saint Patrick's Catholic church, 127 West Jackson, on Sunday, April 30th at 3:00 PM.

Tickets for all four performances will be available at Yosemite Bank, The Charlotte Hotel, and Marijke's, or call 962-6892 for reservations. Tickets for the Sonora performance will also be available at Sonora Music on Washington St. in

Sonora. Donation is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under.

"Music...Ageless And Always" is a choral treat spanning the ages from Mozart to Cole Porter with a little of everything else in between: a Welsh madrigal, American spirituals, a little jazz, an Armenian lullaby (about coming to America), and a hauntingly beautiful Gaelic Blessing. Cole Porter numbers will feature, among others: "Always True To You In My Fashion", "Begin The Beguine", "From This Moment On", "In The Still of the Night" and "It's DeLovely", and one of the two Mozart pieces is from "The Marriage of Figaro". The concert features choral numbers as well as solo and small ensemble offerings and runs approximately an hour and a half with an intermission.

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Crouse Accepted to Stanford by Sandy Bradley, Tioga High School



Two weeks ago, Tioga received some great news for one of the graduating seniors of the Class of 2006. Jamie Crouse, son of Brenda Crouse

of college acceptance. Jamie has also been accepted to Fresno State University (The Bull Dogs), and Cal Poly Technic College in Pomona (The Broncos).

Brenda was beaming at a recent Tenaya basketball game where her 8th grade son, Sheldon, was performing his athletic aptitude on the court. It seems to run in the family.

Jamie is the first Tioga High School senior to receive acceptance from this esteemed school. Needless to say we are all busting our buttons about the news. Jamie is a popular student at Tioga High School. He

is academically outstanding in his course work and will certainly fare well with his fellow students on the Stanford campus.

While attending Tioga, Jamie faithfully played soccer, basketball and baseball each year. Jamie is quick, accurate and cunning on the soccer field, jumps like a kangaroo on the basketball court, and pitches like a machine on the baseball field. He is a dazzling athlete and should find a spot on some lucky coach's roster without any problem when he arrives on the Palo Alto campus. What Jamie really hopes to do is become a punter for the football team. If there is

anyone out there in the community who is an alumnus and carries some clout maybe you could put in a good word for Jamie to the Cardinal Coach? Hint, Hint.

In the meantime if you see Brenda around town, (she works for Century 21) or Lance Kirk (self employed contractor), please congratulate them on their son Jamie's accomplishment, and of course if you see "the man" himself around town or on the GCSD baseball field because he is playing ball for us this spring, please give him a generous pat on the back for the tremendous, first time ever achievement on behalf of himself and the rest of the very proud Tioga Timberwolves.

Hetch Hetchy AOR 2005 Hall of Fame Award

The Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® does not give a Hall of Fame award every year, but there is someone who deserves special recognition for their efforts in 2005, and that person is Dave Lint with Sugar Pine Realty GMAC!

Dave receives the Hetch Hetchy AOR 2005 Hall of Fame award for his contributions to our local community and schools. Dave organizes and promotes the annual Hetch Hetchy AOR Golf Tournament, the proceeds from which go to our local schools. In 2005, Dave's dedication and effort led to DOUBLE the proceeds from the event over prior years, and by raising over \$4,000 enabled our organization to expand the program to include Lake Don Pedro High School as well as Tenaya Elementary and Tioga High schools.

Dave Lint is also Past President (2005) for Hetch Hetchy AOR, and has been a member of our Board of Directors many times over the years. Here is a photo of Dave receiving his award from Malcolm Brown, our 2006 Board of Directors President, and Marc Fossum, our Master of Ceremonies for the annual Hetch Hetchy AOR Awards Event.

Thanks Dave, for all your hard work on behalf of our local schools, and our organization!



Tenaya Students Perform at Music Festival



Tenaya students performed at the Tuolumne County Honor Music Festival on March 4th in Sonora. Back from left to right: Bethany Wilkinson/choir; Beau Casazza/choir; Shaylee Sebald/choir and Sierra Carlson/choir. Front from left to right: Jessica Dunne/choir; Diane Steele/Tenaya Music Teacher; Leanna Castro/band and Lindsey Locke/band.

Prince Rescues King by Ann K. Schafer

Those who know me understand that it is my intention to seek and notice life-affirming events. Perhaps you'll agree the following story of our dog's devotion to his "brother" qualifies as one of those events.

It was day three and our Great Pyrenees guard dog-in-training, King, had not been seen. During the course of his regular guard duties, King, a young but very large pup, exuberantly broke loose from his heavy tether and set out for some new adventure. No amount of the usual whistling or calling resulted in his return; nor did we hear the sound of his gigantic gruff voice echoing across the meadow which might provide us with meager location clues.

Night falls early this time of year. The first cold snap was complete with a light snow. We took one more search ride around Smith Station. In the night stillness there was that familiar King-like bellow coming from about half-way up on Smith Peak. The lost was (almost) found and we could guess King's location. We did our best to assure King in animal-speak that he'd be rescued at sunrise. As if he were an El Capitan climber in trouble, we asked him to "hang on," and used primitive animal communication skills

to let him know help was coming. (I made a mental note to never again make light of folks who treat animals as if they are human.)

Here I was "talking" not only to King, but to Prince, our trusty sheepdog. Somehow expecting full comprehension. I told Prince he was called again to help us find King, just as he'd done previously when King wandered off into a western set of woods, dragging that cumbersome chain behind him. King's last trek west ended with the chain hopelessly tangled on a tree snag, yet Prince easily led us through the dense forest brush to solve his buddy's plight in nothing flat. We concluded that King had somehow become trapped again.

As we returned to unload our ranch house grub, awaiting the impending morning rescue feat, a car came speeding around the corner as they too often do. When I heard the terrible "thud" I didn't want to believe my ears. All I thought was "No, no, not my sweet Prince!" Thankfully, the driver that hit Prince stopped and apologetically emerged. Fortunately, one passenger was a trained paramedic. Together we gingerly checked Prince's physical structure for wounds. Miraculously, he appeared to have survived the impact unscathed. We were

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more than ecstatic, but vowed to watch Prince carefully through the night.

As if it wasn't enough to have King missing in action! At once Prince shot to the top of our worry list sharing first place with King. Just a moment ago we had been discussing whether to send Prince up the hill to be with King until morning. Now such an idea was out of the question. We would, of course, keep Prince at the house to observe him, for his own safety.

Back we trudged, unloading groceries and finishing the nightly ranch chores. We agreed that we wouldn't let Prince sleep for the next hour or two in case of unexpected complications. An hour passed. Prince "check-out time" arrived with no Prince in sight. Our puzzled faces shot quick glances at each other. Was Prince okay? Had he gone off by himself, as injured animals are know to do? Could Prince have gone to King voluntarily, tracking King's deep bark like an auditory GPS signal?

A restless night it was for us, we two human spirits with overactive imaginations. We can't remember so eagerly awaiting sunrise, except on Christmas mornings...yet this event registered a different feeling. With the first light of dawn we literally leapt out of bed ready to fetch King, at the same time calling for Prince. A quick drive to the neighboring ranch gate found us spotting our friendly furry greeter simultaneously.

You guessed it! There was Prince, energetically wagging his fan-shaped tail, ready to show us exactly where his "brother," King, had spent the previous night (maybe two). King had been licking snow to stay alive as even with his powerful jaws and tremendous strength, he had been unable to free himself...and he'd clearly tried.

Prince, a Border Collie, belongs to what is sometimes called the Einstein of dog breeds. Border Collies are born to herd and he earns his supper daily by bringing
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8th Honor Roll

Desirae Foote	3.757
Teddy Wolf	4.058
Evelyn Sawtelle	4.1
Andrea Sanchez	3.625
Myles Rodriguez	3.950
Taylor Quihuis	3.956
Jaime Prieto	3.757
Brittanie Peakes	3.5
Sarah Miller	4.050
Alyssa Leija	3.7
Lindsey Locke	4.088
Tyler Hawkins	4.058
Severina Flaherty	4.150
Leanna Castro	4.175
Thoren Bradley	3.892

8th Honorable Mention

Ashley Thompson	3.456
Zac McBryde	3.429

TENAYA'S MARCH STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Student - **Shauna Paiz**
Grade - **6th**
Mother is **Joy Carmen of Big Oak Flat**

Shauna is a pleasure to have in class. She is a respectful, caring, and conscientious student who tries her hardest no matter how challenging the assignment.

Nominated by: Jane Townsend (Teacher)



PHOTO BY RON STRINGER

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in a large flock of sheep...we often wonder what we'd do without him. Yet somehow we believe that innate intelligence was not the only factor that led Prince to forget his own wounds and tend to his "best bud" in a supreme act of kindness. This priceless example of brotherly love only verifies what we already know...he's a true Prince!

Dr. Ann Schafer, a Clinical Psychologist with a practice in Sacramento and Sonora, and her "best bud" and fiance, Carl Ehret, owns and operates Big Creek Meadow Guest Ranch at Historic Smith Station and Highway 120, Groveland. They grow pasture-fed beef and lamb and enjoy providing lodging for international travelers year-round.

HONOR ROLL

7th Honor Roll

Bethany Wilkinson	3.750
Alexa Summers	3.5
Ryan Sullivan	3.529
Logan Shaw	3.669
Dana Marler	3.907
Michaela Maier	3.614
Kendall Jose	4.0
Brandon Dixon	3.706
Derek Dauth	3.807

7th Honorable Mention

Patrick Kerrigan	3.483
Jessica Hoffman	3.429
Christopher Guerrero	3.379

6th Honor Roll

Angelo Amoruso	3.521
Cierra Cheatwood	3.781
Kylie Gempler	3.619
Brandan Lucas	3.511
Beau Casazza	3.564
Jessica Dunne	3.706
Jonathon Hilton	3.744
Austin McKinsey	3.869
Ian Merzwinski	3.657
Adam Russell	3.850
Preston West	3.900

6th Honorable Mention

Christopher Marshall	3.406
Taylor May	3.372

5th Honor Roll

Rebecca Gray	3.517
Maeve Moriarty	3.883
Samantha West	3.706
Carriann Butler	3.628
Adam Carver	4.039
Melissa Collett	3.672
Gabriella Costa	3.713
Brandy Johnson	3.661
Robert Marshall	3.550
Twinkle Mistry	3.956
Justin Rago	4.0
Jordan Rodriguez	3.788

5th Honorable Mention

Alexandra Brower	3.439
Mersadies Lewis-Brown	3.463
Taylor Powell	3.483
Brittany Miller	3.372
Marguerite Williams	3.375

4th Honor Roll

Saphrina Bradshaw	3.714
John Anthony Bustos	3.571
Katelyn Dauth	3.667
Cassidy Gempler	3.857
Jenna Leija	3.564
Heidi Ott	3.764
Danielle Perreira	4.1
Cyrena Scott	3.942
Megan Toney	3.621
Brianna Wainwright	3.608
Giovani Amoruso	3.913
Jessica Ribera	3.621
Cormac Siegfried	3.721

Soroptimist's High School Vocational Award

The Soroptimists of Groveland is offering an award to a senior currently registered at either Tioga High School or Don Pedro High School. The applicants must have passing grades, an acceptable attendance record, a cooperative attitude, and be graduating in 2006. The applicant may be a female or male student. When applying the student must demonstrate a clear vision of her/his goals for the future and have a plan to implement those goals. Application forms are now available at Tioga High School and Don Pedro High School through the regular scholarship process.

Matthew Spring	3.950
Caleb Wooldridge	3.664

4th Honorable Mention

Michael Byrne	3.429
Harley Gottberg	3.471
Kyle Kirk	3.429
Shelby Mullen	3.470
Garrett Puerto	3.429
Ryan Puou	3.392
Dominick Salazar	3.479

Measure M Update-Joint Use Partners

Joint Use Agreements: As part of our effort to stretch bond dollars we wanted to access money from the state from their Joint Use Facilities Fund. Money that the state has earmarked for schools whose campuses are without certain minimum essential facilities. The state will fund part of the cost of a gym, multipurpose room or a library if a high school does not have one of those facilities and is able to find a Joint-Use-Partner. The Big Oak Flat-Groveland Unified School District can qualify to apply for joint use since neither high school had one of these facilities. The other requirement to apply for the funding was that the district needed to find a joint use partner for our projects at Don Pedro and Tioga High Schools.

GAINS has agreed to be a Joint-Use-Partner at Tioga High School and the Lake Don Pedro Owners' Association has agreed to be the Joint-Use-Partner for Don Pedro High School. Thanks to both our Joint-Use-Partners for allowing us the opportunity to apply for approximately \$2.2 million in state grants to help build our projects. This is a win-win for both the school district and the community.

• If approved by the state we will have an additional \$2.2 million to add to the \$9.3 million from passage of Measure M.

• These two community organizations are guaranteed use of district facilities without the expense of funding any part of the construction costs associated with either project.

Our applications for joint-use funding for both projects are at the state waiting to

hear their decision. State approval is not automatic, but we are hopeful one or both will be approved for funding.

Thanks to the Lake Don Pedro Owners' Association and GAINS for becoming our partners in this our building projects.

—John Triolo/Superintendent

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Tuolumne County Profile Unveiled

Tuolumne County's first "Community Indicators Project," a 56-page report jam-packed with information on the state of the community, is hot off the press and now available to the public.

The Sonora Area Foundation (SAF) distributed dozens of copies of the report and an accompanying CD at a special community reception this week. Additional copies are available for free from the SAF and copies are available for view at all Tuolumne County libraries. The full report is also available on the web at www.TuolumneCountyProfile.org. The report's many charts, graphs and other information may be downloaded in various formats from the website and the CD.

The report, modeled after similar projects in more than 200 communities across

the nation, is the result of a two-year effort by a committee of more than 50 community leaders. It includes more than 50 different measurements from jobs statistics and crime rates to housing costs and available parks. The study begins with basic facts about Tuolumne County and its residents, followed by detailed information under four broad headings: Health and Safety; Education and the Arts; Natural Resources and Recreation; and Economy and Infrastructure.

Every three years, the SAF and project partners plan to check back to measure progress and changes in each area, and publish the results to track trends, set priorities, improve planning and focus action.

The SAF spearheaded the CIP project, and brought together a steering committee

to plan and pursue funding. SAF President, Joan Bergsund and Sonora High School Superintendent, Rob Gaskill were the project's co-chairs, and consultant Patricia Jones was the project coordinator.

Committee members for report met over the last year to plan and complete a careful, step-by-step process and shape a report that reflects a broad range of issues that concern county residents. A community-wide telephone survey – which reached more than 400 randomly selected residents – was completed as one of the early steps, to give committee members accurate, broad-based information on community priorities. Detailed results of the phone survey are included in the report.

Bergsund said the Foundation is pleased with both the broad community involvement and the final product.

"Speaking for all the Foundation board members," Bergsund said, "we are delighted that the Foundation was able to convene this important project, the first of its kind for Tuolumne County. Later this year we'll be contacting those who received copies of the written report as well as the CD's to see how they have used the information



contained in the Tuolumne County Profile 2005. We hope, of course, that the data will inspire strategies and plans for the future. Time will tell."


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Pacific State Bank Business News



Pacific State Bank announces that Stefani Rosso has joined its team of banking professionals as a Loan Officer/Credit Administration.

In 2003, Ms. Rosso completed her Certificate in Accounting from University of California at Santa Barbara. Ms. Rosso is a graduate the University of the Pacific, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English in 2000. A Stockton native, she is also a graduate of St. Mary's High School. Most recently, Ms. Rosso was a Loan Officer with International Mortgage Company in Beverly Hills. In addition, she spent several years as an Executive Recruiter specializing in the areas of Finance and Accounting. Upon graduating from Pacific, Ms. Rosso began her career at Goleta National Bank.

Having just returned to Stockton from Los Angeles, Ms. Rosso looks forward to renewing past acquaintances and adding to the dynamic growth of Pacific State Bank. She enjoys yoga, golf, skiing and traveling. Ms. Rosso has been a volunteer with the Ronald McDonald house and a member of the Los Angeles

County Museum of Art, the Sierra Club and the American Society of Women Accountants.

Pacific State Bank proudly announces that Maureen Enright has joined its team of banking professionals as a Loan Support Specialist whose main focus will be utilizing her knowledge in the appraisal process for the Bank. Ms. Enright has spent the last five years in the private sector as an independent state licensed fee appraiser. Maureen was born and raised in the north of England where she attended St. Anne's High School and Hepburn Technical Junior College earning an AA degree in business and communications. She would leave the United Kingdom to live in Johannesburg, South Africa where she would meet her husband, Frank Enright, a native of Stockton. Ms. Enright has three sons, Barry age 19, Danny age 15 and Alex age 13 and enjoys time spent with them at their numerous sport-



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Their reputation precedes them! This spring the Gathering Place is honoring three outstanding dedicated volunteers: Merle and Charles Heath for their work in raising funds for the Yosemite Gateway Museum/Library and the Skate Park and Rich Van Brocklin as this year Gathering Place Volunteer of the Year.

In last month's Gathering Place article Rich Van Brocklin was featured. The Southside Senior Service, Inc. Board has since voted Rich as the Gathering Place's Volunteer of the Year. On Sunday, May 7th at our second annual Cinco de Mayo fundraiser he will be honored. This is the man who tirelessly has dedicated himself to raising money for the Gathering Place building fund by managing the See's Candy booth for the last ten years.

Since 1996 Rich has given way over 1750 hours to ensure the Gathering Place will be built. Rain or shine, heat or freezing cold weather, Rich has been there to order all the candy, receive it, stock and store it, open and close the booth, get the propane to keep the volunteers warm, drive to Stockton for additional candy, manage the volunteers and calculate and bank the deposits. Over the years Rich has gathered over a 150 volunteers to work in the booth. His quiet, gentle nature has inspired many of you to continue volunteering year after year. We are glad that we know this dedicated man and will miss him when he retires this spring.

Merle and Charlie Heath, as many of you know, are moving off the "hill" to Skyline, in fact, Charlie has already taken up resident there. Their names are household

words in our community. In 1990 following two knee replacements, the doctor prescribed walking as therapy for Charlie. Charlie being a man of purpose learned that the Museum/Library building fund needed money, so he set out to raise funds by collecting cans. He gathered 50 gallon drums and placed them all over Groveland. By 2000 his efforts had raised over \$53,000.

Following the completion of the Museum/Library, Merle decided to champion the raising of funds for a Groveland Skate Park for our community's youth. Charlie teamed right along with her by continuing to collect cans for the Skate Park. To date \$60,000 has been raised. Folks, this is a lot of money and dedication to a project! All of us in the community have contributed in some way to making their projects successful...advocating to GCSD for land in the park, dropping your cans off in the barrels, collecting the cans, bagging and loading Charlie's truck and driving to Modesto. I often coin the phrase "only in Groveland". In July of 2005 when it became too difficult for Merle and Charlie to lead the cause, their project has been turned over to Mark Watts who will be leading the Tuolumne County Youth Center's efforts.

Merle and Charlie are the "engines that could" Our community owes a lot to these two very "GIVING" hard working people who will soon be leaving our community to places which offer more support and service to assist them to continue to live in safety with dignity as they both age. Our community will

feel the loss of their spirit and dedication to making our community richer!!

On Thursday, May 11 at 5:30 pm at the Community Hall, the Gathering Place will

honor Merle and Charlie Heath with a potluck dinner. Plan to be there for this is our opportunity to say thank you to two people who believe in paying it forward.

Mystery Sites

by Linda Hopson, STCHS

On Saturday, April 15th, Jonathan Ruhan, a heritage specialist and archaeologist for the Groveland Ranger District of the Stanislaus National Forest will tell us about an Archaeological exploration into the unknown (ok, lesser known).

Mystery sites are locations where historic activities occurred, but no physical evidence exists. Known from photographs, historic journals, history books, and old Forest Service files, these sights might have coins, nails, buttons, bullet shells, and other metal artifacts. Using metal detectors, A Passport in Time (PIT) project team explored these mystery sites and uncovered some interesting results.

For example, have you driven to see the Jordan Oak, a national champion live oak that is right off Smith Station Road? Reportedly named for a man who lived in a nearby cabin, metal detectors found square nails, stove pieces, and a pocket watch from the late 1800s-early 1900s.

What's a PIT Project and can volunteers help? How many of these mystery sites are in the Stanislaus? Soldiers, Goats, and Slot Machines, Oh My! what is that all about? Who is Mr. Kinsley and has he been found yet? John Muir was in the Groveland area? Get the answer to these questions and bring your own local archeology questions.

Our speaker lives in Big Oak Flat, and has worked for thirteen years on the Groveland District of the Stanislaus National Forest and has taught Anthropology and Geography classes at Columbia College. Prior to joining

the US Forest Service Mr. Ruhan worked for private contracting firms conducting Archaeological research in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Texas and New Mexico. Jonathan has his Master degree in Anthropology from the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque and grew up in Mendon, Massachusetts.

The Southern Tuolumne County Historical Society (STCHS, pronounced stitches) sponsors a speaker every 3rd Saturday of the month from 7:30-9pm in the Groveland Community Hall. STCHS also owns and runs the Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum.

The suggested donation for the STCHS meeting is \$2 for members, \$3 for others. You can join STCHS on the spot for as little as \$15 per year or call 962-0300 for an application. Membership gives you quarterly newsletters with fascinating historical tidbits, discussions on current exhibits, and advance notice on featured speakers. The STCHS website is <http://www.grovelandmuseum.org>.



Bettike Foundation Luncheon & Park Dedication Rescheduled

by Marjorie Ward and Peter Barsotti

The Bettike Foundation luncheon to raise money for a special music program in our local schools scheduled to be held on March 11th at the Iron Door in Groveland was cancelled due to snow. It is rescheduled for Sunday, April 30th at 12:30, the earliest date that guests of Honor could be present.

This follows the dedication of a monument in Mary Laveroni, Community Park as a testament to the generosity of the people of the Groveland community, and friends off the hill, in donating funds, material and labor, to the effort of improving the lower park area. This dedication also scheduled for March 11th, and cancelled for the same reason takes place at noon on Sunday, April 30 as well.

Founded in March 2004, The Bettike Foundation was create in honor of Bettike (pronounced "Be-ti-ka") Barsotti, a dedicated wife, mother, entrepreneur, community leader and education supporter. Bettike's zest for life and dedication to youth and education is embodied in her namesake foundation and its mission. Prior to her passing, Bettike and her husband Peter Barsotti gave a yearly scholarship a graduating student of Tioga High

School in Groveland. This tradition is being continued through The Bettike Foundation. Because Bettike and her family have a long history in the music industry, music education is very important to them.

Shortly after its formation The Bettike Foundation, along with the Sonora Area Foundation, managed to raise \$85,000 in 6 months to upgrade and improve Mary Laveroni Park in Groveland, CA. After these upgrades were complete the foundation presented *The Bettike Family Music Festival*, where renowned musicians Taj Mahal, Elvin Bishop, David Lindley and others performed in this new outdoor concert venue. *The Bettike Festival* also featured an arts and crafts fair where artists and craftspeople sold their work. Many local residents had never seen an outdoor concert like this before. This event brought music, art and culture to a place that would otherwise never have been exposed to it. The festival was a way to introduce the foundation to the community, bring music, art and culture to the area, and to raise money to fund the annual scholarship and other foundation programs.

The Bettike Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit foundation, striving to improve education and opportunity for at-risk children and youth in California.

The Bettike Foundation has just begun raising money for its Music in Schools Program. Music is an important educational tool that is often overlooked by lawmakers and government in times of financial difficulty. Seen as an extracurricular activity that does little to enhance academic success, music pro-

grams are often the first to be cut when budget problems arise. This practice fails to grasp the importance of music as an integral part of the public education curriculum. Music education can help students in every area of study. The program is designed to provide much needed musical instruments and instruction to local public schools lacking funding for such resources.

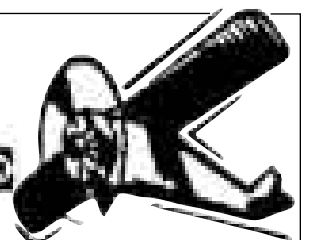
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Friends of the Groveland Library

by Nadine Pedron

BOOKS, BOOKS, BOUNTIFUL BOOKS!

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 10 - 4
LIBRARY DOWNSTAIRS

Browse, buy, bag a bunch of books (and maybe a CD or video) at the big Spring Book Nook sale. Not your usual Saturday sale, but one with longer hours, even greater selections, extra good munchies and coffee and lovely RAFFLE BASKETS. And you can feel good about the dollars you spend because they help fund new library books, magazines, equipment, furniture, and the Bookleggers and Born-to-Read programs. Sooo, see you there!

Speaking of fund raisers, the county library system realized a net profit of \$7500.00 at the recent Trivia Bee in Sonora. This non-trivial amount helps support the adult literacy

program. FOGL were proud to sponsor a team for this event made up of Tioga High School students Jamie Crouse, Kenny Mansfield, William Martin and Andy Nickell. Huge thanks to these delightful young men and Principal Sandra Bradley for their enthusiastic participation.

FOGL NEWS:

At the February meeting Treasurer Belinda McBride announced that FOGL is now affiliated with the Friends of the Tuolumne Library under their non-profit status and by-laws. Also, money was appropriated for the purchase of additional shelving for the Book Nook and for new big books for Friday Storytime use.

Donna West reported that the summer reading program will be held on Mon-

Preparing for Easter

by Pastor Ginger DuMars

The forty days of Lent are often considered a great time for Spring Cleaning! Most of us probably do a better job of spring cleaning in our homes than we do for our minds, bodies and spirits. So I encourage you to do the most important spring cleaning of all – for and with yourself! Discard and release, change and forgive those destructive habits, thoughts, grudges, angers, resentments and any worries that weigh you down! Call that friend or relative that offended you or that you offended and wish them a Happy Easter, a fresh start in a new chapter of your relationship. Commit to some holistically healthy habits for your mind, body and spirit. Rejoice in the new life that Easter promises remembering that in Jesus Christ we are a new creation – especially as we celebrate Jesus destroying the power of

death, breaking out of the tomb, and offering us new life in him and with him! Celebrate this good news and the power of new life that Easter gives us with some special spring cleaning – asking God to empower and lead you and bless you in this process! And, then share the Good News – that Christ is Risen! If God, the Father, can raise Jesus from the dead, He can raise your life to a higher level and a closer relationship with him and other people. Believe and Rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and in God's Promise of Eternal Life for ALL believers!

What better way to express your belief in God and to rejoice in the Good News than to participate in Easter Worship Services, April 16! Invite your family and friends to come with you. Even if you go to church by yourself, you'll be surrounded and welcomed by Christian friends – new and old.

All of the Christian churches in the Groveland area are having special Easter services!

days, 10 -12 from June 19th to July 31st. Marilyn Bangs and Nadine Pedron will visit the Tenaya Preschool parents meeting to present information on the Born-to-Read program. The preschoolers will enjoy a field trip to the library with librarian Michalene Martin opening up at a special time to give them a personalized tour.

REMEMBER:

- Book Nook sales every Saturday, 10 -2, downstairs at the library.
- Storytime for preschoolers every Friday, 10:30 at the library.
- Library volunteers annual luncheon will be held at PML Country Club on May 10th.
- Regular meeting every 4th Tuesday at 2:00, downstairs. Visitors are welcomed. For membership information please call Elsie Stock (962-4564). NEXT MEETING, TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH.

We'll gather together as Christians in the Groveland community for Good Friday (April 14) services at Foothill Community Church at 12:00 NOON (18717 Main Street). Good Friday Vesper (evening) Service will be at 6:30 PM at Groveland's Seventh Day Adventist Church (19585 Elder Lane). For those who like to praise God EARLY on Easter morning we'll gather together at Mary Laveroni Park at 7:00 AM. And, I invite you to Mountain Lutheran's Easter Worship at 11:00 AM. Yes, we're still hoping to celebrate Easter in our new church facility at 13000 Down to Earth Court, Groveland; but, we have many projects yet to complete before we can get our occupancy permit! Please call Mountain Lutheran Church at 962-4064 during Holy Week (or any week) to confirm our worship location for Easter Sunday and the 7 weeks of the Easter Season. Everyone is most welcome at Mountain Lutheran Church and at All of Groveland's Church Services!

Get Ready for Cinco de Mayo!

by Sharon Hunt

Great fun, great food, great raffle & auction prizes and great cause! The Gathering Place celebrates its signature 2nd Annual Cinco de Mayo fundraising event on Sunday, May 7th at 5:00 pm at the Lake Lodge. Tickets are \$35 a person. We are happy to announce that the Charlotte Hotel is catering a delicious Mexican dinner. This sellout event was a huge success last year in spite of the rain, so don't wait to get tickets. You can get tickets from Paul Bunt, 962-6778, Karen Serrett, 962-5579, Barbara Elliott, 962-6457, Sharon Hunt 962-7707, Catherine Santa Maria, 962-7904, Sally Salinas, and Opal Berg, 962-7817

The fun begins with buying a balloon that guarantees a prize. There will also be a live auction of wonderful items. Raffle tickets are being sold for the Grand prize. It is a private wine tasting at the Raymond Winery in Napa Valley for up to eight people.

All proceeds support the Gathering Place Building Fund. We know you want to be part of this community effort.

Flea Market

by Laurie Nagle

Did you know that by selling your "treasures" at the First Saturday flea market you are helping build a cleaner environment and a healthy economy? Yes! by cleaning out your "clutter" at home and your garage, you are creating a clean personal environment.

With the money you make, you are contributing to a healthy economy by reinvesting it back into our own local economy.

So start cleaning out and packing up all those "treasures" that clutter up your environment.

Happy packing and see you at the First Saturday Flea Market, April 1st. Gates open at 8:00AM. For more information contact Laurie Nagle at 209-962-0323.

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Scholarship FUNdraiser, Guest Chef II

by Lynn Uphagrove

What started as a great night of Italian foods with fiends turned in to an acceppella concert with musical renditions of famous Italian songs sung in a fashion that few would actually recognize. That, followed by Happy Birthday and a couple of songs we couldn't print the words to...and the night was a hoot for all who participated!

With the help of CabinetsNmore guest Chefs, Tami and her beautiful Mom, Rachelle Nichols, and a dining room full of delighted donors, we raised over \$756 to further fund the Groveland Hospitality & Culinary Arts Scholarship for Tioga High students who continue their education through Columbia College in either the renowned Culinary Arts or Hospitality programs. Special thanks to John Stone and Johnell & Al of Healing Hands Massage who each made additional donations to the scholarship fund.

Tickets were priced in the usual Hotel Charlotte fashion of a flat rate. At only \$39 per person, guests enjoyed an antipasti starter, salad, spare ribs over homemade pasta, a little wine, dessert, port, tax, tip and the \$15 per person donation to the scholarship program all included.

Victor and I extend a warm thank you to everyone who participated; we think this scholarship program is an important first step to building Groveland's reputation as a foodie town, the Crown of the Sierras for Food Destinations!

With so many good places to dine, Groveland is always on the lookout for well trained staff to work our many kitchens, dining rooms and front desks. With this

scholarship we hope to offer one solution to the staffing needs of the industry for well trained energetic employees who are interested in a long term career in the restaurant & travel industry. We hope our peers in the restaurant & lodging businesses will join us with projects of their own to build on this momentum.

Interested students should contact Jim McClure for scholarship applications. Anyone wanting to try their recipes in a Guest Chef: Food with Friends spot at the Charlotte should let me know, 962-6455.



Guest Chef Tami Taurian & Sous Chef, Tami's Mom! (Rachelle Nichols)



Quilters Quorner

by Sandy Smith

The Quilt Rush shop hop will be April 20-23. Sixteen shops will be participating. Nine to nine each day except Sunday. On Sunday it will be 10 - 4. You can get all the information on their website at quiltrush.com.

Also *The Best Of The Valley Quilt Show* is April 21 - 23. It is in the International Agri-center Heritage Complex in Tulare. As one of the biggest shows in California, they offer a vendor mall, quilt appraisals, quilts for sale, and food onsite. Sounds like fun...

Did you know that Quilters Newsletter was the first commercially published quilt

magazine in the U.S. The year was 1969.

My oldest daughter's name is Cheryl. One afternoon I was browsing and found a site "cherylsquiltcorner.com." It is so cute. My Cheryl thought it was great. The B.O.M. called Hot Chocolate Club was my favorite. Check it out.

Here is a helpful hint for you. When you want to cut several layers of fabric, iron them together first. They will stay together better while you cut them.

Check out what's going on with the PineNeedlers quilt guild. It's a great way to spend an evening once a month. Lots of fun things happening and you'll meet a great bunch of ladies. April 18th, 6 p.m. downstairs at the library. See you there.

Ever Wonder Why We Treat Our Water?

by Jim Goodrich, GCSO General Manager

We arguably have the most pristine drinking water in the world. It comes from Hetch Hetchy Reservoir, located in the northern part of Yosemite National Park. The dissolved salt content is so low (35 parts per million) that it rivals distilled water.

So why do we have to treat it before you get it at your tap? GCSO treats this pristine water by adding chlorine to disinfect it and lime to make it less corrosive to galvanized pipes. Even though the water is very low in salt content, it does contain certain constituents that need our attention before we can deliver it to you.

First, you know what bears do in the woods, right? Well, the birds, fish, squirrels and deer do it in the woods, too. And the woods I'm talking about are the majestic Sierra Nevada Mountains upstream of the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir. As a result, this otherwise pristine water contains bacteria and viruses that are very resilient. The most notable for our water supply are giardia and Cryptosporidium. I won't go into the health details on what these bugs do to the human body, but suffice it to say that you don't want them crawling around in your intestinal track. These types of exposures are called "acute" and they can cause a harmful reaction to humans with just one exposure. To protect the public from these organisms, all surface waters in the United States are treated with a disinfectant, such as chlorine, before it can be delivered to the public for drinking, and we are no exception.

The second general group of constituents we are concerned about are the large organic molecules that form in the reservoir. These molecules generally form from the decay of organic matter, such as leaves. In some places, these organic molecules are so abundant, that they turn water the color of tea or coffee. A good example is the water that flows through jungles like the Amazon. These organic molecules are not particularly harmful to humans. However, when we chlorinate our water to get rid of the objectionable bacteria and viruses, the chlorine also attacks these large organic molecules in much the same way as chlorine

attacks grass, wine, food, and other organic stains in your laundry. When chlorine attacks these large organic molecules, it breaks them down into smaller molecules, like trihalo-methanes and haloacetic acids, which the U.S. EPA feels may be chronic toxins. A "chronic" toxin is one that can potentially cause harm to humans when they are exposed over a long period of time. In this case, EPA feels that if you drink 8 glasses of water a day that contains more than 80 parts per billion of these smaller molecules for a period of 70 years, you have a one in a million chance of contracting cancer from this source. However, it is difficult to draw a direct cause and effect relationship for these types of contaminants because of the low dosages and very long exposure times, not to mention all the thousands of other things that you come in contact with every day that compete to cause you potential harm in the long term, like smoking, drinking, peanut butter sandwiches, barbecued steaks, and sun light.

Chlorine is one of the most effective disinfectants we can use for two reasons. First, it is really good at killing bacteria and viruses, almost instantaneously. Second, it keeps on killing while the water travels through the water distribution system on its way to your home (this is called residual disinfection). The use of chlorine to disinfect drinking water is probably the single biggest factor that caused the leap in life expectancy in humans between the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Typhoid and cholera are almost unheard of today in most regions of the Earth because of chlorine.

Herein lies the problem. We use chlorine to effectively knock out harmful bacteria and viruses, but it can cause potential long-term health effects when it reacts with some organic molecules. GCSO is breaking ground this month on a new disinfection system to address this problem. Our new system uses chloramines (a combination of chlorine and ammonia) in combination with ultraviolet (UV) light to kill bacteria and viruses. The

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PROJECT HOPE TO EXPAND SERVICE

SONORA, C.A., (March 6, 2006) – Sonora Regional Medical Center's (SRMC) free health clinic on wheels, Project HOPE, will expand services from one day a week to two days a week starting Monday, March 20.

Project HOPE, which stands for Health, Outreach, Prevention and Education, has been providing free medical care each Friday at the Crossroads shopping center in Sonora. Nurse Practitioner Christi Petersen staffs the health van, which is parked between Mervyns and Wal-Mart, from 9:00AM through 3:00PM. The program expands to Mondays and Fridays starting March 20.

"Project HOPE is a great opportunity to take our mission on the road," said Lary

Davis, president of Sonora Regional Medical Center. "We are pleased to be able to provide and expand this important free service to the community. By doubling the number of days we hope to serve over 1,000 community members this year."

Services include general episodic care, blood pressure checks, sports physicals, and information and referral. While Project HOPE is specifically designed to meet the needs of those who do not have medical insurance or have high deductibles, all patients are welcome. There is no charge for services.

The program is funded with proceeds from the hospital's annual Golf Classic. Major sponsors of the 2005 tournament and Project HOPE

are Oak Valley Community Bank, Clarke Broadcasting Corporation, the new Jackson Ford Mercury and Central California Bank.

Project HOPE, started as an all-volunteer program almost 8 years ago. Medical practitioners volunteered time during their lunch hours to provide free care at the homeless shelter, the women's domestic violence shelter and Interfaith Social Services on a rotating basis. In order to reach more residents in a more public location, grant funding was obtained and the program was expanded to one full day of service a week and moved to the Crossroads Shopping Center.

For more info about Project HOPE, call the Business Planning & Marketing Department at SRMC at 536-5020.

Dave Stamey & Brenn Hill at Iron Door

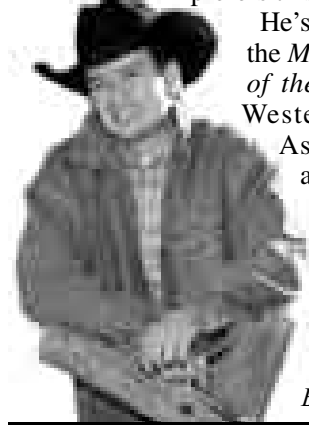
Two great Cowboy Singers are coming to Groveland this month as the second & third part of the ongoing Iron Door Saloon Cowboy Music Series.

Dave Stamey makes his triumphant return Saturday night, April 8, at 8 pm.

Last November Dave Stamey brought the house down and caused quite a buzz amongst local western music fans with his first appearance at the Iron Door.

Dave says he "likes to think of his music as a celebration of shared heritage. An appreciation of the West as both a place and a state of mind." Dave's been bucked off and stomped by many horses, stepped on by mules and dragged around branding pens by angry cattle of various sizes. He's ridden in the rain, in the snow, in the rain some more, in pretty nasty heat, and in feedlot pens where the air was thick and decidedly fragrant. He's even wrangled dudes.

He's an entertainer now. He finds he prefers this.



He's been awarded the *Male Performer of the Year* by the Western Music Association, is a three time nominee for *Songwriter of the Year*, and is rapidly becoming

Brenn Hill, 2004's *Western Male Vocalist of the Year*

ing one of the most popular Western entertainers working today.

2004's *Western Male Vocalist of the Year*, and this year's nominee for the *Will Roger's Award*, Brenn Hill, appears on Thursday night, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. Cowboy magazine says "Brenn Hill understands the culture of the west and does a good job interpreting it in his poetry and music."

The accolades have been rolling in for Brenn Hill ever since he launched his career. Born in Utah, Brenn made his singing debut at age four. With a natural love of the western outdoors nurtured by hard-working summers at his grandparents' farms, Brenn ventured into the arena of traditional western music, taking every opportunity to hone his craft. At 16, he performed at the annual National Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, NV. It proved a pivotal point in his career, as he was chosen to participate in the *Best of the Cowboy Music Jamboree* jam session at the end of the festival. The audience proved warmly receptive to this new spokesman for rural Western America.

Since then, Brenn has toured endlessly throughout the West, performing in concert at fairs, festivals, and Cowboy Poetry & Music gatherings. He has opened for such esteemed artists as Chris Ledoux, Terri Clark, Ian Tyson, Don Edwards, Red Steagall, Michael Martin Murphey and Riders In The Sky. And his touring range has broadened recently to include several

line sometime in early 2007. In the meantime, EPA and Department of Health Services don't feel that you should be overly concerned about the health effects of the water you are drinking now. If, however, you have concerns about the low level chronic toxins in your water, a Brita or Pur water filter (pitcher or faucet-mount) are effective in removing these constituents. But, to avoid bacteria growth on the carbon filter material, you should change the filter out every three months or so.

Next month we will explore the other end of your GCSD fluids management program: the wastewater treatment plant.

events east of the Mississippi River.

In 1999 he was named "a bright new voice" by American Cowboy Magazine. "My songs are songs of the heart – songs inspired by the good old days and giving praise to good folks," he says. *Trail Through Yesterday* was named Album of the Year for 2001 by the Academy of Western Artists, and Brenn himself won the Western Music Association's prestigious 2001 Crescendo Award as a rising star.

He has high hopes for the success of his latest album, called *Endangered*, but he's not sitting around just waiting for things to happen. He continues to write and tour non-stop, bringing his fresh new voice to one of the nation's most deeply-rooted musical styles. But it's all in a day's work for Brenn Hill. Just call him the real deal. For more on Brenn visit www.brennhill.com.

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Hwy 120 Corridor Welcomes the Sierra Business Council

by Craig Maxwell

Join neighbors and guests on Tuesday evening, April 18, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Tenaya School Gym. The Sierra Business Council, a well respected nonprofit, headquartered in Truckee, CA, will share vital information on living well and prospering in Sierra rural communities like ours. Their work focuses on Communities to match our mountains.

Mark your calendar; this is a rare opportunity to hear from respected experts on important planning principles, economic vitality, and good community design. Learn how visions can become reality; receive updates on major challenges and opportunities tied to communities like ours. Following the presentation, there will be time to ask questions and hear candid responses.

The Sierra Business Council (SBC) is focused on balanced growth in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. They provide leadership training that teaches collaborative communication. They publish handbooks such as Building Vibrant Sierra Communities — Commercial and Mixed Use Handbook, Planning for Prosperity, Investing for Prosperity — Building successful communities and economies in the Sierra Nevada, and the Sierra Nevada Wealth Index.

SBC was pivotal in putting thousands of acres into the Feather River Land Trust protecting the headwaters. SBC ran collaborative workshops for the Placer Legacy. They are currently working with six ski resorts on erosion control. They are pursuing the Heritage Corridor bill for arts and agricultural tourism.

SBC organizes an annual conference bringing people together from all over the Sierras and around the country. At this conference, experts, business owners and concerned citizens share ideas on how to build better communities. SBC's leadership brought Republicans and Democrats together over sticky issues that facilitated the creation of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy. A recent county-wide study, Tuolumne County Profile 2005, showed that residents are extremely pleased with conditions in the county. However, the study also found concern over too much growth and development, too few career ladder jobs, too much traffic, and mounting housing costs. Come hear SBC's insights addressing these concerns and more.

Highway 120 corridor residents (Yosemite Junction, Chinese Camp and Don Pedro, to Coulterville & Greeley Hill, and beyond to Evergreen and into Stanislaus and Yosemite) are invited, and will want to hear this timely and informative presentation. Invitations are being sent to Tuolumne's Community Development Department, Board of Supervisors, South County Planning Commissioners, the Sonora Area Foundation, state and federal agencies and elected representatives, chambers, visitor bureaus, civic groups, and many others. Enjoy the evening with neighbors and community supporters, and learn about the many ways to realize your visions, protect our quality of life, and strengthen our economies. Tenaya gym opens at 5:30 p.m. for early arrivals wanting to share in conversation and networking. Presentation begins at 6:00 p.m.

GAINs Healthcare Project Changes Direction

Sometimes you have to be flexible and ready to change directions. The GAINs project has talked about starting an independent community clinic here to better meet healthcare needs of everyone in the Groveland area. At the March meeting of the Healthy Community Project, the group reviewed the milestones of progress over the past two years. More recently, in September 2005 at a community meeting, ideas for an independent community clinic under the control of a local Board of Directors were presented. The goal was to provide quality primary and preventive healthcare to all our residents and visitors. At that meeting, several committees were developed. Jim Goodrich, Gloria Marler, Liz Mattingly, Kate Newcomb, and Karen Serrett formed a Strategic Plan Committee to pursue the independent community clinic idea. At the October meeting, the Rural Health Clinic (RHC) Consultant, Peg Spak, described how RHCs work and what is involved in setting one up.

In December, the Strategic Plan Committee visited the Sierra Family Medical Clinic near Nevada City, a Rural Health Clinic members of the project had visited

earlier and had learned what a patient-centered, integrated service Rural Health Clinic is like. We have a wonderful model and a mentor in Dr. Peter Van Houten.

At a meeting with the CEOs of Sonora Regional Medical Center, Tuolumne General Hospital, and Fremont Hospital in Mariposa, the Strategic Plan Committee learned that Sonora Regional will be converting the Groveland Family Clinic to a Rural Health Clinic. Putting in another one just doesn't make sense.

What we can do is continue the fruitful discussions the Strategic Plan Committee has started with the hospitals and work with them to be sure we that quality primary and preventive healthcare is available to everyone. And we may find there are services we can provide to augment what they will be offering. The hospitals are very much interested in continuing this discussion with us.

Our goals for healthcare remain the same, but the delivery of the healthcare will be different from what we imagined six months ago. Do join us as we explore the possibilities. For information contact Barbara Broad at GrovelandGAINs@aol.com or 962.7730.

Groveland Postmaster attends Postage Stamp Unveiling in Yosemite National Park

A new international rate postage stamp featuring the Yosemite National Park was unveiled on Friday, February 24th in a ceremony in Yosemite Valley. This 84 cent international stamp features the "Gates of the Valley" and was created from an image captured by the late photographer Galen Rowell. This is the third time that Yosemite National Park has been featured on a postage stamp.

Yosemite National Park Postmaster Bill Carroll (a PML member), Yosemite Superintendent Mike Tollefson, and Nicole Rowell Ryan and Tony Rowell, children of Galen and Barbara Rowell, unveiled the new stamp in front of the United States Post Office in Yosemite Valley. Participating in the event ceremony was Pine Mountain Lake resident and Groveland Postmaster Norma Powell and former Sonora postmaster Jim McGee. More than 150 visitors, park and postal employees were also in attendance.

"We are honored to be featured on this beautiful stamp. The fact that this stamp will be utilized in post offices around the country until the rate changes makes it even more exciting. It is truly a great day and a great honor for Yosemite National Park," stated Postmaster Carroll.

Tony Rowell and Nicole Rowell Ryan spoke of their father's love for

Yosemite and other wild places. They added that it is a great honor to have their father's photograph grace a United States Postage Stamp. Galen and Barbara Rowell died in a plane crash in 2002.

In addition to the cachet envelopes for sale, commemorative pins and t-shirts were sold at the event. Commemorative tote bags and t-shirts will be available at the Groveland Post Office while supplies last.

"Yosemite National Park is an icon throughout the world. The stamp is a beautiful testament to the park and I'm excited about the image being mailed throughout the world. I think visitors sending letters from the park and people receiving letters with the new stamps will be very excited," remarked Superintendent Tollefson.

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From left to right: Yosemite Superintendent Mike Tollefson, Nicole Rowell Ryan, Tony Rowell, and Postmaster Bill Carroll. Postmaster Bill Carroll is a Pine Mountain Lake Association member.

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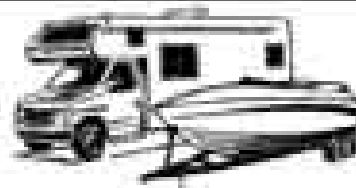
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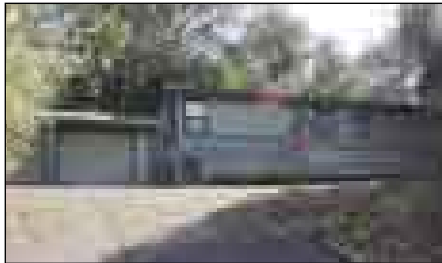
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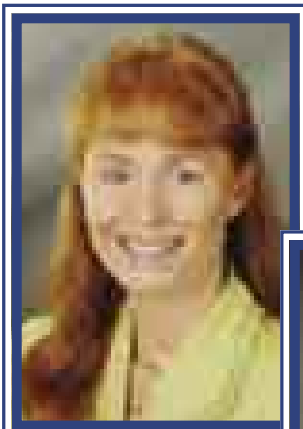
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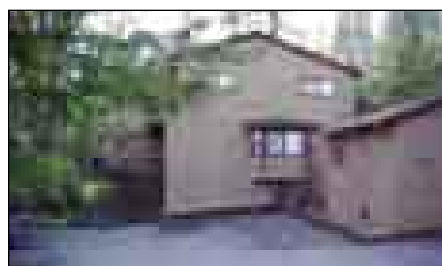
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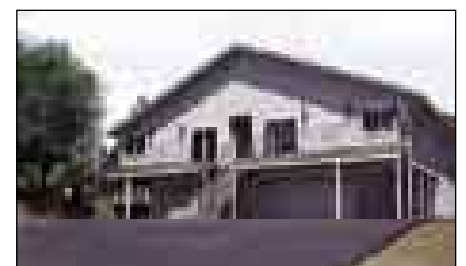
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