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t's hard to believe that three years have gone by since I was elected to the Board. This will be my final article as your Board President. First, I would like to thank everyone who provided their support during my campaign and election process. In addition, my sincere appreciation goes to all of you that provided your input to better our beautiful community and for those was extended their appreciation for my efforts as your Board President. It goes without saying how grateful I am for my wife, Connie, who has provided guidance on some issues as well as occasionally proofing the articles that I have written as President. Most importantly, she has been my steadfast supporter and has tolerated unwarranted shenanigans directed towards us from a handful of malcontents.

During my term on the Board we have tried to address many of the problem areas facing the Association. It would have been easy to sit back and take a status quo position by not increasing assessments and by ignoring some of the critical issues facing our Association. John Case, whose term also expires in August, and I both felt that you elected us to do what was in the best interest of Pine Mountain Lake. The easy path was not an option.

The Association's serious cash position



was something that had to be addressed immediately. We have gone from a negative cash position and Interfund Borrowing to a positive cash position without the need to borrow from our other funds. We also moved from operating losses to operating gains. I would like to thank the Board's action in these areas, together with Joe Powell and his staff and the Budget and Finance Committee. It's been a tremendous team effort.

We have significantly increased the funding allocated to the ongoing maintenance of our roads. This is an area where it could have been very easy to ignore the escalating cost of road maintenance and not address the problem until it became either overwhelming or hazardous. However, I don't believe that anyone with common sense believes that this was an option in the best interest of our property owners.

The condition of our Lake and implementation of a Lake Dredging Project was another item that needed timely attention. This too is another area that could easily have been ignored and passed on to a future Board. The condition and maintenance of our Lake required a serious consideration and so the Board took action.

The timeworn fencing and safety concerns at our Stables had become a significant problem over the years. We allocated funds to replace the majority of the fences with the intent to complete the project next year. Almost everyone who has seen the new fences has communicated that it significantly improves the appearance of our facility.

When John and I started our Board terms three years ago, Insurance, more specifically Workers Compensation Insurance, costs

were a key concern. We did not believe that enough research was being done to address this crucial problem. As a result, the Board changed brokers in order to get a fresh look at the overall situation and to implement training programs for our managers in order to elevate the importance of a safe and employee friendly work environment. We required our new broker to stay on top of existing claims and to clean up many of the lingering and closed cases. With the help of management and our employees, we have made vast improvements in this area. In 2004 our Workers Compensation Insurance Premium was \$548,000. In 2005 the Premium decreased to \$454,000. The Premium for 2006 is \$355,000. We just received our quote for the 2007 Premium which will be included in our Budget for next year. The quote was \$188,000 for the year, which is \$360,000 less than we had to pay back in 2004. We continue to work with our broker in an effort to come in even lower than the \$188,000 quote. This tremendous reduction in cost is the combination of changes in rates along with the efforts of our managers and employees who helped us to significantly reduce our poor experience claim history.

Obviously there are other things that I would like to discuss in this article, but I will skip that and instead make my last monthly plea to ask each of you to use our excellent amenities. Try one of the amenities that you haven't used in some time. Your use of these amenities is what contributes directly to the success or our Association.

Thank you for allowing me to be your Board President for two years.



It's the California or Bust Boat!

It's also no ordinary boat. Dan Fulmer and family won the grand prize for their "California or Bust" pontoon boat during the Boat Parade.

Photography by: Dennis DeCant



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### **GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE**

By Joe Powell, CCAM, General Manager

#### Administration

Our Accounting Department is already ramping up and planning for preparation of the 2007 Annual Budget. Insurance quotes are rolling in and things are looking up. Association Controller, Ken Spencer, is in contact with our reserve specialist and updating our reserve study to ensure we have the most up-to-date information for our Budget. For members that are interested in the Budget process, there will be a Special Board Meeting held right after the Annual Meeting of the Members on August 19th. The Board would like to hear member ideas and suggestions for budget priorities for the future. We also encourage members to attend the two regularly scheduled Annual Board Budget meetings. The anticipated schedules are Saturday, October 21st starting at 8:00 a.m. and Saturday, November 4th at 9:00 a.m. All three meetings will be held at the Lake Lodge.

#### **Marina Store and Grill**

The Marina Store and Grill experienced a great Independence Day Holiday Weekend and we had the usual large number of members and guests. We estimate that nearly 4000 people attended the Fireworks Display at the Marina on July 1st. I would like to thank our Lake and Marina, Safety Department and Maintenance staff for their hard work and diligence to make it a fun and safe holiday. I would also like to thank CHP Officers Paul Benton and Brian Bowman for assisting us with public safety. They did a great job!

#### **Department of Safety**

An on-going problem within PML is vehicle follow-throughs at our access gates. All of our access gates are for single vehicle access only. Follow-throughs are the number one cause of vehicle and gate damage in PML. Do not risk damage to your vehicle just to save a few seconds

### **Employment Opportunity**

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**Pine Mountain Lake Association** is currently accepting applications for seasonal positions in many of our amenities. Applications available at the Pine Mountain Lake Administration Office or send resume, cover letter, and references to Allie Henderson, H/R Administrator, Pine Mountain Lake Association, 19228 Pine Mountain Drive, Groveland, CA 95321: email to hr@pinemountainlake.com.

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waiting for the gate arm to go back up. If you see vehicles parked near a gate waiting to follow through, please report them to our Dept. of Safety. Help keep criminals out of our community.

#### Speeding in PML

SLOW IT DOWN! The speed limit within PML is 25 mph. Please follow the posted speed limit and report those that don't. There are many members and their children/grandchildren that enjoy walking on our streets and we have already had some accidents. In an effort to promote member safety, we have targeted the areas of frequent problems and turned the information over to the CHP and Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department. PMLA has an agreement with these agencies to enforce the speed limit and speeders will be cited. Please do your part to keep our PML streets safe.

#### **Tennis Courts Repair and New Canopy**

The repair and overlay project on Tennis Courts 3 & 4 is finally complete. The painting/striping and final completion of the project was originally scheduled for the first two weeks of July. Unfortunately the contractor was delayed due to weather and other projects. Special thanks to my Assistant Rick Whybra for all the work and effort he put into this project and the Racquet Club for their patience and support. After a comprehensive site inspection and review of the on-going maintenance needs of our Tennis Courts, we are preparing information and quotes for Board consideration during the 2007 Budget process to re-surface Tennis Courts 5 & 6.

#### **New Canopy**

As part of our overall plan to promote member enjoyment of amenities, the Board of Directors approved the purchase of a retractable shade canopy for the Tennis Complex near Courts 3 & 4. The canopy was delivered this week and should be installed in time for the hot August days.

#### **Fire Safety**

Recent news reports provide prime examples of the devastation fire causes in areas similar to ours. With the record temperatures we are experiencing it is important that all PML residents maintain an awareness of the fire danger. The Fire Safety Program continues and the final round of lot inspections is complete. Those who have not complied will receive a notice and fine. If you received one of the letters sent by our Fire Safety Coordinator, please contact him immediately. All members are encouraged to do their part to keep PML fire safe.

In and around the common areas and amenities you will see our Maintenance crews working on brush and limbs and continuing fire abatement. Due to the late and heavy inclement weather, our crews are going back to areas on a rotational basis by priority.



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

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

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

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### LOCATION OF PAY PHONES

In an emergency, call 911! In case of a

death-related accident, call the Coroner's Office at 209/533-5833.

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

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Advertising...209/962-8627

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



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

August 19th Annual Meeting of the Members and Special Board Meeting

September 9

October 21

November 18

December No Meeting

NOTICE • NOTICE • NOTICE	PMLA Department
2006 ADMIN OFFICE	of Safety Report
HOLIDAY SCHEDULE	As of July 2006
CLOSED	CLASSIFICATION MONTH
CLOSED	Phone Calls Received 6,272 Alarms Res. 12
Monday	Animals - Loose 31
September 4 Labor Day	Animals - Impounded 15
	Animals - Registered 0
Monday	Animals - Dead/Injured 22
November 13 Veterans Day	Animals - Disturbance 20
National Observance Date	Assist - Dispatch (Gen.) 74 Assist - Patrol (Gen.) 145
Thursday	Complaint - Non PML Res. 7
November 23 Thanksgiving	Illegal Burn/Fire 4
	Report Writing 6
Friday	Gate - Tamper 0
November 24 Thanksgiving	Gate - Follow Through 5 Gate - Malfunction 8
Day After Thanksgiving	Confiscated Access Card 6
Monday	Mess/Pkg P/U - Delivery 65
-	Posting Fliers 11
December 25 Christmas Day	Miscellaneous 276
Tuesday	Lost and Found 2 ECC Inspection 1
December 26 Christmas	ECC Inspection 1 New Sale Inspection 0
In Lieu of Christmas Eve (Sunday)	Hazard 21
Friday	Suspicious Circumstance 25
-	Suspicious Person 8
January 1 New Years Day	Suspicious Vehicle 5 Tennis Fees Collected \$261
Monday	Tennis Fees Collected \$261 All Other Fees Collected \$2.379
January 1 New Years	Camp Envelope/Dump St. \$59
In Lieu of New Years Eve (Sunday)	Amenity Burglary 0
	Residential Burglary 1
	Grand Theft 1 Petty Theft 0
<b>Editor's Note</b>	Petty Theft 0 Malicious Mischief 2
	Trespass 6
We greatly appreciate your contri-	Law Violations - All Other 8
butions but please note that the PML News fills up very quickly – often by	Law Violations To TCSO 6
the 7th or 8th of the month (long	Training/Meeting 4
before the 10th deadline). To ensure	PML Reg Violation - Res. 34 PML Reg Violation - Guest 3
that your submission is reviewed for	Vehicles Refused 266
publication please submit in full and	Vehicles - Illegally Parked 4
as early as possible. Please remember that the PML	Vehicles - Citation Issued 3
News is limited in capacity and your	Vehicles - Parking Warning 0
submissions are reviewed on a first-	Vehicles - Towed 0 Vehicles - Marking Tires 0
come-first-served, space-available	Vehicles - Accident - PML 2
basis.	Vehicles Admitted 14,084
We publish all PMLA related submis- sions such as Board & Management	Security Checks - Amenity1,272
Business, Clubs, Activities & Events.	Security Checks - Res. 296
Where space remains, we publish	Opening/Closing Buildings 345 Opening/Closing Gates 244
non-PMLA related submissions in our	Opening/Closing Gates244Posting Tennis60
"Community" section. We do our best to provide you with	Monitoring Tennis Courts 6
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Personal Injury - PML Prop. 1

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Patrol Vehicle - Safety Ck. 81

Patrol Vehicle - Maint.

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Weapons

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### PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES

				For The	e Six Months E	Ended June 30	), 2006				
	Revenues				Expenses						
OPERATION OF AMENITIES	Members' Assessments Net of Discount	User Fees	Sales, Net of Cost of Sales	Misc. Income	Total Revenues	- Total Expenses	(Cost)/Income Before Depreciation	Depreciation Expense	(NET COST) INCOME	Budget (NET COST) INCOME	Variance Bud - Act
Golf Course	\$-0-	\$373,396	\$34,029	\$222	\$407,647	\$538,055	\$(130,408)	\$106,974	\$(237,382)	\$(240,737)	3,355
Country Club	-0-	-00- 169,474 530 170,004 360,899 (190,895)		17,264	(208,159)	(169,000)	(39,159)				
Campgrounds	-0-	14,037	-0-	-0-	14,037	10,740	3,297	1,062	2,235	(705)	2,940
Marina	-0-	113,390	13,794	85	127,269	99,350	27,919	27,451	468	9,492	(9,024)
Lake & Dam	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	0	38,327	(38,327)	1,280	(39,607)	(31,377)	(8,230)
Lake Lodge	-0-	200	13	-0-	213	22,939	(22,726)	3,417	(26,143)	(22,878)	(3,265)
Swim Center	-0-	4,706	854	4	5,564	27,050	(21,486)	14,532	(36,018)	(32,331)	(3,687)
Equestrian Center	-0-	34,071	25	-0-	34,096	87,062	(52,966)	4,610	(57,576)	(39,942)	(17,634)
Tennis	-0-	4,450	-0-	-0-	4,450	4,671	(221)	5,349	(5,570)	(5,108)	(462)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	-0-	10,725	-0-	2,475	13,200	425,599	(412,399)	73,282	(485,681)	(522,268)	36,587
Country Club Building (3)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	0	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PROPERTY OWNE	R SERVICES				I				I	1	
Membership and ECC	-0-	38,166	-0-	8,433	46,599	59,520	(12,921)	929	(13,850)	5,390	(19,240)
PML News	-0-	70,242	-0-	-0-	70,242	47,674	22,568	197	22,371	10,801	11,570
Safety	-0-	30,149	13	23	30,185	288,799	(258,614)	7,408	(266,022)	(280,268)	14,246
Administration	-0-	(5,110)	16	6,347	1,253	518,904	(517,651)	5,165	(522,816)	(481,988)	(40,828)
ASSESSMENTS											
Assessments	1,700,460	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,700,460	-0-	1,700,460	1,571,778	128,682
Totals	\$1,700,460	\$688,422	\$218,218	\$18,119	\$924,759	\$2,529,589	\$95,630	\$268,920	\$(173,290)	\$(229,141)	55,851

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	RESERVE FUNDS							
	AMENITY REFURBISHMENT FUND		CAPITAL EQUIP. REPLACEMENT FUND		TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS	NEW CAPITAL ADDITIONS FUND		TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CAPITAL
2006 Beginning Fund Balances	\$919,199		\$144,953		\$1,064,152	\$42,554		\$1,106,706
Interest Income	22,645		3,135		25,780	514		26,294
Less Bank Fees	(30)		(55)		(85)	(30)		(115)
Assessments Earned	379,365	(1)	197,621	(2)	576,986	1,653	(3)	578,639
Income Tax Expense					0			0
PURCHASES BY AMENITY	-				<u>^</u>			
Golf Course	(4,368)		(126,855)		(131,223)	(1,588)		(132,811)
Country Club					0			0
Campgrounds					0			C
Lake and Marina	(23,485)		(14,940)		(38,425)			(38,425)
Lake Lodge	(53,078)				(53,078)			(53,078)
Swim Center	(9,845)				(9,845)			(9,845)
Equestrian Center	(814)		(65,389)		(66,203)	(1,741)		(67,944)
Tennis	(30,179)				(30,179)	(6,670)		(36,849)
Roads & Facilities Maintenance	(2,080)		(49,183)		(51,263)			(51,263)
Country Club Building					0			0
PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES								
Membership & ECC					0			C
PML News					0			0
Safety			(28,897)		(28,897)			(28,897)
Social Activities					0			0
Administration			(3,272)		(3,272)			(3,272)
Total transfer to Operating Fund for property and equipment								
additions	(123,849)		(288,536)		(412,385)	(10,000)		(422,385)
Adjusted Fund Balances	\$1,197,330		\$57,118		\$1,254,448	\$34,691		\$1,289,139

Notes to the Financial Statements

 Total Revenues minus Total Expenses equals Net Income before depreciation.The annual budget for income before depreciation is \$0.
 The Association combined the Operating Fund and the Property and Equipment Fund into one fund effective May 1, 2001.'
 The Country Club Building is fully allocated to the Country Club and Golf Course.

Notes to the Financial Statements (1) The Budgeted

Amenity Refurbishment Fund assessment for 2006 is \$757,500.

(2) The Budgeted Capital Equipment Replacement Fund assessment for 2006 is \$394,600.
(3) The Budgeted New Capital Additions Fund assessment for 2006 is \$3,300.

### **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 au-thors, not of PMLA. Letters appear in order received.

LETTERS RECEIVED - 5 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

**Thank You** 

would like to extend a hearty "thank you" to all of you who supported my candidacy for the Pine Mountain Lake Board of Directors. It has been very encouraging to receive congratulations and best wishes from so many people.

As a new Board Member I look forward to the challenges we will face as a community as our population continues to grow and amenities continue to age. Please plan to attend future Board Meetings and get acquainted with all the Board Members and the issues we must face and solve with your help and support for the welfare of all our PML residents. Especially, you may wish to be present at the August 19th meeting to extend thanks and congratulations to Dennis Scott and John Case as they complete their terms and greet Mike Gustafson and me as we begin our terms.

-R.E. Bangs

#### I'm Walkin'

s a walker at Pine Mountain Lake, I feel we should be able to walk **L** on the golf course paths before it is open and after it is closed. I realize it is not safe to walk during golfing hours. We pay homeowner fees that help support this facility and walking is healthy exercise. I am writing in support of a May 2006 letam writing in support of a May 2006 let-ter by a Pet Owner who was told that he could not use the golf course to walk his

### Letters To the Editor

dog before golfing hours even though the **The American Dream?** dog was on a leash and the owner had a cleanup bag.

Walking along the roads is the only other option for walkers and there is no walking path except for a few hiking trails. I wish that they had put walking paths or wider shoulder areas along the roads and paths around the lake when this area was developed. Perhaps that should be pursued. Those of us who walk and jog along the road have to be concerned about cars that exceed the speed limit, especially because some areas of road have no shoulder.

I encourage others to try changing this rule about walking on the golf course during non-golfing hours and also contact the board.

-Sherrean Rundberg, Unit 1, Lot 74

#### Is There Anybody...Out There?

could write about my dissatisfaction with the LGR project again but you all already know that.

What seems unbelievable to me is the lack of interest of most of the GCSD Board regarding the future of the area with the development of a project the size of LGR. Craig Maxwell is the only one who appears to take any interest in stopping LGR. Why is that? Why does Mr. Levin want to sell you pools, tennis and locker rooms - money in his pockets, that's why!

I also find it unbelievable that people in PML settle for such poor water quality. You are right next to the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir – why isn't your water quality the best it can be? We certainly pay enough for water.

Why does the quality of the water in the Bay Area, as a general rule, seem to be far superior to the Groveland water? It travels all those miles to get to the Bay Area and it's purer? Why is that? Who is responsible for this? Don't people get paid to make sure the water quality is the best it can be? What happened?

Who has the answers to these questions? Is there more cancer, per capita, in Groveland? I've heard there is. Why is that? Could it be the water?

I've sent many letters to the GCSD - they seem to be too busy to respond to my LGR questions, maybe they can respond to these questions.

*—K. J. Smith, Unit 1, Lot 101* 

y wife and I own a home at Pine Mountain Lake. We bought it because we loved the beautiful surroundings, the closeness to the mountains and the serene atmosphere that such closeness to nature supports.

I was excited and delighted to hear about the Long Gulch development. I know others who would also enjoy having a nice place in the foothills of the Sierras. I applaud Mr. Levin's efforts. He has devoted a good deal of time, energy and hard work to develop a few lots zoned by the county of Tuolumne to that end. He is also donating to our community a 7 to 9 million dollar pool and recreation facility which will be available to all of us to use if we choose. He is also willing to pay for a bigger water and sanitation system. By the way, we are now paying \$107.81 per month for the first drop of water!

Mr. Levin may make some money on his project, but he is also doing something for the future of our community and making a very nice complex available to others who would enjoy the area just as we do.

I hope the passage of this development is thought of as part of the American Dream and not blocked by an attitude of "I've got mine, let the other guy go begging"!

-Roy Cureton, Unit 3, Lot 6

#### **The Country Club Does It Again!**

would like to congratulate and thank all of the people who work at the PML Lountry Club for doing a wonderful job during the recent women's Pine Tree Invitational golf tournament.

Sue Perry and I were responsible for arranging the food for the whole tournament. We met with Tom, Sharon, and Orpheus last December to pick the menus and they were all very open to all of our ideas and came up with wonderful suggestions for the menu.

The food during the tournament was outstanding. My guest said that the meal on Thursday night was "over the top". Many other similar compliments were heard as well.

The service was excellent. More than 150 guests were served promptly and professionally with all the food arriving at the perfect temperature! All of the servers were friendly and very efficient.

Tom and Orpheus went the extra mile for us by volunteering to get extra water for us on Friday because we had run out. They took care of it all so that we could keep playing.

The golf course maintenence staff was wonderful about getting the water out on the course and making sure that the coolers were always filled.

It was a pleasure working with all of these people and I can't praise them enough. Our guests were very impressed by the caliber of people we have here.

-Kathy Oing, Unit 13, Lot 247

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS**

On February 18, 2006, at a duly noticed meeting of the PMLA Board of Directors, a decision was made by the Board to enact a moratorium on all PMLA lot mergers starting April 1, 2006. The moratorium was in effect for one hundred and twenty (120) days.

On July 15, 2006, the Board decided to extend the moratorium until the September 9th Board Meeting. No lot merger applications will be acted upon during this timeframe.

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

All PMLA members are encouraged to participate in this process by attending the monthly Open Board meetings, writing letters and emails and providing the Board of Directors with your thoughts and opinions.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS AND A SPECIAL **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

The Annual Meeting of the Members will take place on Saturday, August 19, 2006 at the Lake Lodge, commencing at 9:00 a.m. Installation of the two new Board members and selection of Board Officers will be action items for the meeting.

Following the Annual Meeting of the Members will be a Special Board of Directors meeting. The scheduled agenda items are the lot merger issue and future Budget priorities. Property owners will be given a chance to give their input to the Board on future Budget priorities.

All members are encouraged to attend.

### PROPOSED RESOLUTION AMENDMENT DRAFT

Proposed amendments to the resolution are in italics

#### PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE DESIGNATED OPEN WATER SWIM AREA POLICY & PROCE-DURES

 Specific open water swim areas are:
 a. Inside the 5-mph buoy on Big Creek.

b. The designated mooring buoys near east end of the Dam.

2) The areas will be available for swimming between 9:00 a.m. and one half hour prior to sunset, seven days a week.

#### **ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS:**

1) Boat must be at least 14' in length.

2) Boat must have an approved ladder.

3) Boats must carry a life preserver for each person on board. Children, ages 12 and under are required to wear a life jacket at all times while swimming from boats. Pine Mountain Lake Association recommends all swimmers wear a life jacket while in deep water.

4) Each boat owner/captain must sign the designated swim area release form for their participants and themselves. Parents or guardians are required to sign for their minor dependants.

5) One person must remain in the boat at all times.

6) Fishermen have the right away during fishing hours.

7) Only two boats per mooring buoy.

8) Only two of the Big Creek mooring buoys can be used at the same time. Two neighboring buoys must be used for multiple boat mooring.

9) Open water swimmers must stay within 20 feet of their boat while swimming.

10) All swimming is done at your own risk.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Maguire Ron Maguire, Secretary

### PROPOSED DRAFT RESOLUTION

#### PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY RELATING TO CLASSIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT OF DUPLEX UNITS

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Pine Mountain Lake Association desires to equally and fairly distribute the costs and burden of the upkeep and maintenance of the common areas of Pine Mountain Lake Association among its members; and

WHEREAS, Lots within Pine Mountain Lake Association that contain Multi-Family Residences place a higher burden on the common areas and the facilities within the Association; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RE-SOLVED that the Board of Directors for Pine Mountain Lake Association adopts the following resolution:

**1. Duplex Units:** The Board hereby finds that a Lot containing a duplex unit is a Multi-Family Residence Lot as that term is used and defined in the First Restated Declaration of Restrictions.

**2.** Assessment of Duplex Units: For the purpose of assessments, duplex units within the Association will be assessed in the manner set forth in Article IV, Section 2(d) (c) of the First Restated Declaration of Restrictions.

**3.** Lots with Duplex Units: In accordance with Article IV, Section 2(d) (c) of the First Restated Declaration of Restrictions of Pine Mountain Lake Association, Lots that contain duplex units shall be assessed as follows:

(a) An initial assessment equal to the regular and special assessments levied by the Association annually on all Lots within the Association; and

(b) A supplemental assessment in the amount equal to the regular and special assessments levied upon Single Family Residences annually by the Association will be levied upon the lot owner for each additional duplex unit located on the lot.

For example, If there is a Multi-Family Residence Lot that contains duplex units, it is the Board's intention to levy two Assessments against the owner of the lot, not three.

**4. Effective Date:** This resolution will become effective and assessments will begin to be levied on affected lots on January 1, 2007. Notice shall be provided to the affected lot owners by certified mail when this resolution becomes effective.

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### Resolution 01.16 \*\*DRAFT\*\* October 15, 2001

#### PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION GOLF COURSE POLICIES & PROCEDURES

#### I. GOLF COURSE USE

A. The Pine Mountain Lake Golf Course is open seven (7) days per week, year round.

B. Hours of Operation

1. Hours of operation are established by the Board of Directors with advice from the General Manager and the Golf Professional.

a. Normal Hours of Operation:

Pacific Daylight Time – 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Pacific Standard Time – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

b. "After revenue time" is defined as "twilight hours" tee times.

c. Twilight – March 15th to Daylight Savings 2:00 p.m..

Start of Daylight Savings Time to the end of Daylight Savings 3:00 p.m.

C. Player Registration

1. All players are required to register in the Golf Shop 30 minutes prior to play and pay the appropriate fees.

D. Starting Play

1. Starting the second Monday in March to the end of daylight savings time play is started using 8 and 9-minute intervals from the first tee. The Golf Shop Starter is in control of the tee, and no players are to start without being called to the tee. Tournaments, special events, and holiday weekends may require other starting methods to maximize golf course use.

2. From the end of Daylight Savings Time to the second Sunday in November, the play format is a 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. wheel.

3. From the second Monday in November to the second Sunday in March play is started with an 11:00 a.m. shotgun.

4. Thanksgiving Day is a 10:00 a.m. shotgun.

E. Etiquette and General Rules

1. All divots must be replaced or sanded, ball marks on the greens must be repaired, and bunkers raked after use.

2. Practice is allowed in designated practice areas only.

3. Five-somes may be allowed at the Golf Professional and Assistant Golf Professionals discretion. If the five-some cannot or will not keep pace with the group in front of them, they will be split into two groups. Opportunities for future five-somes may be denied if the group does not maintain pace of play.

4. Golf Course grounds are limited to playing golf only. No walkers, joggers, athletic events or unauthorized vehicles are allowed on the grounds.

5. Range balls are for use exclusively on the driving range tee and practice greens.

6. No pets are allowed on the golf course.

7. No swimming, fishing or wading is permitted in designated water hazards (reclaimed wastewater).

8. There is no "wave-up" policy for par three holes without the Marshall present.

9. There are no refunds, rain-checks or snow-checks..

10. Players causing damage to houses or other personal property are responsible for that damage.

11. No foul or abusive language.

F. Dress Code For Pine Mountain Lake Golf Course

1. All clothing must be neat and clean in appearance at all times. Appropriate golfing attire is required for users of the Golf Course and is defined as follows:

#### Men:

Shirts: Collared shirts are required. Mock turtlenecks, both short and long sleeved are acceptable. No T-shirts, tank tops or muscle shirts will be allowed.

Pants & Shorts: Shorts must have at least a 5" inseam. No cut-offs or swimsuits. No Blue Jeans or cotton sweat pants. Blue Jeans are defined as follows: Pants made from blue denim with rear patch pockets. Pants made from blue denim with no rear patch pockets are permitted, i.e., denim slacks. Pants made from denim in other colors are permitted provided they are neat and clean, i.e., no holes, tears, stains, etc

#### Women:

Tops: T-shirts are permitted as well as sleeveless tops with a minimum 4" shoulder strap. No tank tops or half shirts.

Pants & Shorts: Shorts must have at least a 5" inseam. No cut-offs or swimsuits. No Blue Jeans or cotton sweat pants. Blue Jeans are defined as follows: Pants made from blue denim with rear patch pockets. Pants made from blue denim with no rear patch pockets are permitted, i.e., denim slacks. Pants made from denim in other colors are permitted provided they are neat and clean, i.e., no holes, tears, stains, etc.

Shirts and shoes are necessary at all times on the golf course and practice areas. T-shirts and blue jeans are permitted on the practice areas at PMLGC. Practice areas are defined as the driving range, the chipping green and the putting green.

G. Pace of Play and Marshalling

1. Players will be required to maintain the pace of play. (Maximum round of 4 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours for 18 holes and 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours for 9 holes or 15 minutes per hole.)

2. Players falling more than one hole or 15 minutes behind will be given their first warning and asked to either increase their pace of play or allow the faster groups to play through.

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3. After a second warning for slow play, the Marshall will request that the group either move aside, allowing faster players through, or "skip" the next hole to get back to their proper position on the golf course.

4. Flagrant violations of Golf Course Policy or continued slow play will result in removal from the Golf Course and possible loss of playing privileges.

5. The Golf Course will be marshaled when play and conditions warrant it.

#### H. Golf Cart Rules

1. All players renting carts must sign the cart rental agreement.

2. Rental and use of a PML Golf Cart is at the Renter's risk. The Renter will hold Pine Mountain Lake Association and its employees harmless for any and all injuries or damage to any person(s) or property arising from the use of the golf cart. The Renter will use care and precaution necessary to prevent injury to the renter, to others, or damage to the cart or other PML property. The Renter will not allow walking golfers to ride in the cart or on the back of the cart, or place clubs on the cart. No one under age 18 may rent a cart. No one under age 16 may drive a cart. Age 16 or older may drive a cart, with a valid driver's license. Only 2 persons and 2 bags allowed per cart.

3. The Renter of the cart must be one of the riders in the cart.

4. Cart capacity is limited to two riders and two sets of clubs. Only paid riders and their clubs may use the golf cart.

5. Golf cart use is mandatory for guests and public play until twilight time. Golf cart use is mandatory for all play on major holidays and weekends.

6. Cars must be driven on the cart paths around all tees and greens.

7. Carts may be driven across the fairways at 90 degrees. (Drive your cart on the paths and in the rough, crossing 90 degrees to the ball).

8. Players using cars must observe posted "no cart areas".

9. Carts must not be driven outside the boundaries of the course.

10. "Blue Flag" Policy

a. Members and Guests must present the Pine Mountain Lake News • August 2006 Golf Professional with a letter from a physician stating the reason for special use of the golf cart.

b. When carts are allowed off of the cart paths "Blue Flag" holders may drive carts beyond signs that direct carts off the fairway. "Blue Flag" holders must observe posted "No Cart Area" signs and must stay 30 feet from all tees and greens.

11. Players using golf carts will be held responsible for any damage to the cart.

12. Pull carts must be kept 20 feet from all tees and greens.

13. Carts shall not be taken out on closed 8 fairways or portions thereof.

#### I.No Show Policy

1. All property owners (including annual members) will be charged the appropriate daily fee if they fail to cancel their reservation by 1: 00 p.m. the prior day. Under special circumstances (weather conditions, illness, etc.) the Golf Professional may waive any fees.

#### **II. USE PRIVILEGES**

A. Regular Play

1. Property Owners

a. All Association Members in good standing may use the golf course at Property Owner rates.

1) Children that are under 18 years of age and live at home are considered Association Members and pay property owner fees.

2) Social groups are accepted on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday. They can be scheduled in advance with approval of the Golf Professional.

2. Guests

a. Guests of Association Members may use the golf course. To receive guests' rates Association members must play with their guests or they must contact the Pro Shop and provide their pin and Unit and Lot number.

3. Public

a. The Public may use the golf course at public rates.

4. Replay Policy

Daily fee players may be allowed to replay the Golf Course when space is available with approval of the Golf Professional. Green fees may be waived. Cart fees will be charged.

5. Professional Courtesy Play

a. PGA and LPGA Members, Golf Course Superintendents, General Managers and Directors from other clubs may use the golf course. These players must be approved by the Golf Professional or the General Manager. Green fees are waived, and Guest cart fees are charged. It is preferred that Professional Courtesy Play use is taken after revenue times.

6. Employee Play

a. Revenue Times;

Tee time season: is all times prior to twilight time.

Shotgun season: when the field is 88 players or greater.

If times are available prior to "after revb. enue time" on the day the employee wishes to play the Golf shop may accommodate their request.

c. Loss of playing privileges shall result if an employee violates any Golf Course Policies and Procedures.

d. A Department Manager may choose to set up a golf outing for his/her staff. This may be done through the Golf Professional.

e. Employees must ear proper golf attire. Work uniforms are not acceptable.

f.Employees must make a starting time through the Golf Professional, Assistant Golf Professional or Starter. These times may not be made more than 5 days in advance.

g. Employee family use privileges are governed by the PMLS Employee Manual.

7. Special Business Guests

a. Special Business Guests may play when authorized by the General Manager. Fees may be waived at the discretion of the General Manager.

B. Organized Groups

1. The Men's Club may use the golf course for special events that are approved by the Board of Directors.

2. The 18-Hole Ladies Club may use the golf course for special events that are approved by the Board of Directors.

3. The 9-Hole Men's Club may use the golf course for special events that are approved by the Board of Directors.

4. The 9-Hole Ladies Club may use the golf course for special events that are approved by the Board of Directors.

5. Invitationals and waived green fee club tournaments.

a. Property Owner cart fees are charged for all players in the Mother Lode and Pine Tree Invitationals with the approval of the Board of Directors.

b. Guest cart fees are charged for nonproperty owner players on Women's Golf Association of Northern California (WGANC) open days, team play days and senior events with the approval of the Board of Directors.

c. Applicable fees apply to all "members only" tournaments.

d. Professional events must be approved by the General Manager. Each event must include food and beverage service. Green fees may be waived. All players must pay guest cart fees.

6. When the golf course is set-aside for organized groups, tournaments or events outside the regular established play day, a minimum food and beverage charge per player must be paid. (It is the desire of PMLA to have all organized groups use the food and beverage facilities.)

#### C. Outside Tournament Play

1. A limited number of outside tournaments are allowed each year. These are events held by groups other than PMLA or our organized groups. Tournament fees will be charges as well as all associated Starter/ Marshal costs.

2. Tioga High School's Golf tournament schedule must be approved by the General Manager. Waiver of green fees for Tioga High School golf tournaments must be approved by the Board of Directors.

#### **III. TEE TIME RESERVATIONS**

A. Regular Play:

1. Association Members:

a. During the Tee Time season Association Members may make tee times up to 14 days in advance by telephone only at the designated call in time.

b. During the Shot Gun Season Members may make tee times up to 14 days in advance by telephone only starting at 8 a.m. (Generally from the last Sunday in October to March 15).

c. Tee time reservations will be limited to one tee time during major holiday weekends. Association Members may make additional tee times for holiday weekends 10 days in advance.

d. Tee time reservations on weekends are taken for all days of the weekend 14 days in advance.

2. Guests and Public:

a. Guests of Association Members may have the Member make the tee time reservation for them. (All guidelines in Section II, A-1-a apply).

b. The Public may call in 10 days in advance for tee times.

c. The Public is limited to one tee time reservation. Additional times may be given on a space available basis.

d. The Public must confirm the time with a credit card number.

3. Professional Courtesy Play:

a. Members of the PGA, LPGA and the Superintendent's Association that have a valid membership card must call the Golf Professional or Superintendent and inquire concerning a starting time.

b. General Managers and Directors from other private clubs must call the General Manager to inquire about starting times.

4. Special Association Business Guests:

a. The General Manager or Administrative Assistant may obtain starting times for special guests. Times are given on a space available basis.

B. Organized Groups

1. All recognized groups must submit their tournament schedule at the beginning of the year for approval by the Golf Professional.

C. Outside Tournaments

1. Outside tournaments may schedule for the year beginning January 2. Tee times and dates are to be approved by the Golf Professional.

2. Outside tournament groups must consist of 16 or more players.

3. Outside tournaments may not have starting times prior to 11:00 a.m. without the approval of the Golf Professional.

4. Outside tournament groups are required to have their food and beverage service provided by the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club. A minimum food and beverage service is charges at the amount equal to the deposit.

5. Golf carts are mandatory for all outside

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#### tournaments.

6. A contract is sent to the tournament Coordinator explaining the tournament rules and regulations. The contract must be returned to the Golf Professional within 10 days after it is received. A 20% deposit must accompany the tournament contract. (The deposit is 20% of the total estimated income).

7. At the time the contract is received by the Golf Professional tournament dates and times are entered on the master calendar.

D. Men's and Ladies' Day (During the Tee Time Months)

1. Wednesday from the start of play until 11:00 a.m. is Men's Day. The 9-Hole Men's Club play's at 12:15 p.m.

2. Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. is Ladies' Day.

3. Thursday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 10: 30 a.m. is also reserved for the 9-Hole Ladies Club. The 9-Hole Ladies Club uses the back nine holes.

4. Unused times will be filled to accommodate property owners.

#### IV. GOLF COURSE CLOSURE AND RESTRICTIONS

A. The golf course will be open 7 days a week with the following exceptions:

1. Christmas Day

2. On approximately the 3rd Monday and Tuesday in the months of April and September for greens aerification.

B. The golf course may be closed by the joint decision of the Golf Professional or Assistant Professional and the Golf Course Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent with proper notification to the General Manager. Closure is based on unsafe conditions for players and possible damage to the facility. Golf cart use restrictions may be imposed to limit damage to the facility.

#### RULES AND POLICY VIOLATIONS V.

A. Violations of Golf Course policies and procedures may result in removal from the Golf Course and possible loss of playing privileges. Further action may be taken in accordance with Pine Mountain Lake Association's current Enforcement Procedures Policy. This document is available at the Pine Mountain Lake Association Office.

#### V. CLUB STORAGE AND LOCKER FACILITIES

A. The club storage facility is used for storing clubs and articles likely to be in golf bags only (no valuables).

B. Apparel locker facilities are not to be used for golf club storage.

C. Footlockers accompany apparel lockers.

Respectfully submitted, Ron Maguire

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Ron Maguire, Secretary
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### **ECC Coordinator Receives Recognition**

ast month the PMLA Environmental Control Committee presented Environmental Control Coordinator, Sandy Golden, with a Certificate of Appreciation for her invaluable service and hard work for the Committee and the PMLA membership. Contractors and members have been very pleased with Sandy's friendly demeanor and her wealth of experience. Congratulations Sandy for a job well done!



### **Annual Budget Meetings**

he anticipated schedule for the two Annual Open Budget Meet-L ings are Saturday, October 21st starting at 8:00 a.m. and Saturday, November 4th starting at 9:00 a.m. Both meetings will be held at the Lake Lodge. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### Winner! n Saturday, July 15th a random

**Grand Prize** 

drawing was held at the monthly Board of Directors Meeting to determine the winner of the Main Gate Entrance Design Contest. The Grand Prize was a gift certificate for dinner for four (\$200 value) at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club. Congratulations to Ms. Froistad!

### **No Burn Rule!**

uring general fire season it is an extreme fire hazard to allow any type of outside burning within the confines of Pine Mountain Lake, with the exception of outside cooking on approved barbecues. In accordance with Board Resolution 92.17 there is no outside burning, controlled burning or use of burn barrels from June 1st through October 1st. Please be fire safe and let your neighbors know! If you see anyone violating this rule, please call the

Department of Safety immediately at 962-8615. The compost area near the Campgrounds is available for member use 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. 7 days a week. This area is provided for members to dispose of brush and limbs to help them keep their lots fire safety compliant. Please do not dump construction or household garbage at the compost area and report those that do. Thank you for being "Fire Safe".

### **PML Organized** Groups & Clubs Contact the individuals below if

you are interested in joining!

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Aviation Association Rand Siegfried	
<b>Computer Users G</b> Gerald DeHart	roup: 209/962-7429
<b>Concerned Propert</b> Grant Naylor	y <b>Owners:</b> 209/962-4134
Country Mountain	Riders:
Connie Soderberg	
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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Friends of the Lake	209/962-7595
Marilyn Hathaway	209/962-7595
Garden Club: Arlene Vorce	209/962-7186
<b>Guardians of PML:</b>	
John Nielsen Ladies Club:	209/962-4934
Harriet Wallace Ladies Golf Club:	209/962-4233
Dotty Davis	209/962-6663
Men's Golf Club: John Baker	209/962-6295
Men's 9-Hole Golf ( Wally Child	<b>Club:</b> 209/962-0723
Monday Bridge Clu	ıb:
Bill Mingus 209	9/962-4240 (M)
-	9/962-0337 (W)
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Non-Residents' Gro Kathy Coon	510/656-0162
PML Niners:	
Barbara Haiges	209/962-5653
PML Waterski & W	
Rick Whitacre	408/582-3081
e-mail: rwguard55-p	oml@yahoo.com
PM Lakers RV Club	
Tom Taylor	209/962-6596
Poison Oakers Squ	are Dance Club:
Irene Rhyne	209/878-3537
Racquet Club: Mark Nouillan	209/962-5492
<b>Residents Club:</b>	
Thelma Faux ROOFBB:	209/962-4617
Jackie Baker	209/962-6295
Sierra Professional Heinie Hartwig	209/586-1637
Sunday Couples Go	
Norma Baldinger	209/962-5332
Windjammers Saili Kurt Petersen	<b>ng Club:</b> 925/462-7873

### COUNTRY CLUB • RESTAURANT • ENTERTAINMENT

AT THE AT THE 19TH HOLE LOUNGE IN AUGUST

Saturday 8/5 & 8/26 Karaoke with Gary & Lynn Bradley 8pm – midnight

Saturday 8/12 Live Entertainment to be announced

Saturday 8/19 Rockslide



Ala Carte - August '06

by Sharon Volponi

hew! We breathed a collective sigh of relief as we put the Motherlode Golf Invitational Tournament behind us once again. The success of this year's tournament is due to the outstanding effort of Mr. Tom Bickmore and his crew of volunteers. Thanks, Tom, for all your work to coordinate the golf and dining aspects of the tournament!

July was busy for us in many other aspects as well. From the busy Independence Day week to a family reunion at the Lake Lodge, the Frank Hicks Pre-memorial Tournament, a wedding reception at the Country Club, our Samuel Adams Beer Dinner and a host of other tournaments, lunches and dinners as well as the increase in regular dining due to the summer season, things have been hopping around here! We hope you have had a chance to participate in some of these delicious events.

We have recently returned to offering breakfast and lunch from our menu on Sundays. Breakfast is served from 8 -11 am and lunch from 11 am -3 pm. Our menu is new and expanded with something sure to delight everyone in your family. Come and give us a try!  $\aleph$ 

### **Breakfast Menu**

Saturday & Sunday 8am - 11am All breakfasts come with country potatoes and fruit

### **Omelets**

Denver Omelet	\$9.95
Mozzarella & Tomato Omelet	\$8.95
Southwest Omelet	\$9.95
Goat Cheese, Olive & Artichoke Omelet	\$8.95
Grav Lox Omelet	\$10.95

### **Eggs Your Way**

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2 Eggs the way you want	them	\$7.95
Steak & Eggs		\$13.95
Chicken Fried Steak w/O	Country Gravy & Eggs	\$11.95
Biscuits & Gravy		\$9.95
Breakfast Burrito		\$7.95
Chillaquilles		\$7.95
	Eggs Benedict	
Traditional	•••••	\$10.95
Crab Cake w/Lemon Ho	llandaise	\$12.95
Grav Lox w/Orange Hol	landaise	\$11.95
Grav Lox & Bagels		\$10.95
Crab Cake Salad		\$14.95
	French Toast	
Tall Stack (4 pieces)		\$7.95
Short Stack (2 pieces)		\$5.95
	Pancakes	
Tall Stack (4 pieces)	•••••	\$7.95
Short Stack (2 pieces)	•••••	\$5.95
Add Blueberries		50
	Crepes	
Fruit (stuffed w/Peach &	c Cream Cheese)	\$9.95
Shrimp		\$14.95

COUNTRY CLUB RESTAURANT HOURS Monday – Tuesday – Wednesday CLOSED Thursday Lunch – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday Lunch – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. • Dinner – 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Saturday** Breakfast - 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Lunch – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dinner -5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday Breakfast - 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.Lunch – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Times subject to change without notice. For reservations or more information please call (209) 962-8638 **Wines Chiropractic** Wellness Center Wholeness is Our Goal

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# Ladies Golf News for June

his is what we have been doing on our regular Thursday playdays. (There is a seperate article in this month's PML News detailing our Pine Tree Invitational.) This has been a full month, probably our busiest of the year. However, we love every minute of our activities. Our Tournament was just GRAND. Thanks to all involved.

#### June 1 Gross, Net, Putts ACE OF ACES:

Terre Melinn & Clarice Ligonis 1st Flight Hdcps 12-23: Low Gross-K. Edgerton 88. Low Net-J. Dwailabee 95-72, S. Perry 96-72. 2nd Flight Hdcps 25-29: Low Gross-V. Tallman 101. Low Net-K. Bettencourt 103-76. 3rd Flight Hdcps 30-35: Low Gross-T. Melinn 102-70. Low Net-N. Menacho 106-71. 4th Flight Hdcps 36-40: Low Gross-C. Ligonis 109-70. Low Net-A. Peterson 110-74. Low Putts: Barbara Gibson with 28. Birdies: Sara Hancock # 6. 29 Players.

#### June 8 Two Best Balls

1st Place-127 pts. P. Gschwend, J. Baker, P. Ryan, J. Dwaileebe. 2nd Place-129 pts. M. Hathaway, K. Oing, J. Mussatto, J. Sample. 3rd Place 120 pts. J. Foster, S. Vaughn, T. Faux, M. Tompkins. 4th Place 131 pts. L. Dust, E. Ellis, L. Mattea, G. Shaw. 5th Place 131 (tie broken on back 9) A. Peterson, B. Gibson, C. Ligonis, C. Graham. Birdies: J. Dwaileebe #17, J. Foster # 14, P. Peebles #6. 39 ladies played.

#### June 15 Jokers Wild!!!!!

1st Place-142 pts: S. Hancock, A. Hankin, Y. Mattocks, J. Smith. 2nd Place 144 pts. J. Awai, B. Gibson, A. Peterson, G. Shaw. 3rd Place 145 pts: K. Bettencourt, P. Gschwend, P. Ryan, J. Sample. 4th Place 150 pts: M. Hathaway, L. Johnson, J. Pacco, Draw. 5th Place 151 pts: P. Breece, G. Dickson, M. Drew, M. Houser. Birdies: K. Edgerton # 17, J. Mussatto #3.. 41 Ladies played.

June 21 BBQ, Chipping & Putting **Contest prior to Tournament** 

### **Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group** by Tom Carman

**PIDENTIFY PIDENTIFY PIDENTFY P** salads and rolls and butter. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. 12 Deadline for signup is 8/11. Place: PML

Lake Lodge. Members will be receiving a flyer very shortly that will give you the opportunity to state your preference (Tri-Tip or Chicken) and inform you what you need to bring.

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The Multi-Media SIG will not meet until September.

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.

to winners!!!!! 🕅

We look forward to seeing you on August 15th, 5:30pm at the Lake Lodge. Be sure to check out our CUG Web Site at http://www.geocities.com/pmlcug.

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when this was submitted. Congratulations

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

June 22 & 23 Ladies Pine Tree Invitational

June 29: Ladies Invite the Men - Our Red, White, & Blue Tournament (1 ball, 2 balls, 3 balls)

This event was chaired by Marlene Raine.

Thanks Marlene for putting on such a fun event. Thanks also, to Tom Dorsey, Orpheus Brown, Sharon and all the Country Club Staff for a wonderful and plentiful Mexican Buffet.

We had a large field with 22 foursomes. There were three flights.

Winners were:

1st Place 115 pts: E. Roberts, L. Hunt, I. Moffett, B. Valverde. 1st Place 120 pts: C. Ligonis, C. Ligonis, J. Awai, B. Clark. 1st Place 121 pts: M. Scott, G. Allegri, K. Bettencourt, D. Schmiett. 2nd Place 122 pts: J. Smith, J. Smith, M. Drew, D. Bujer. 2nd Place 122 pts: K. Oing, G. Oing, J. Mussatto, C. Borrego. 2nd Place 123 pts: M. Dean, B. Hippe, L. Dust, J. Case. 3rd Place 123 pts: R. Graham, C. Graham, M. Kizziar, E. Wright. 3rd Place 127 pts. K. Edgerton, E. Edgerton, T. Melinn, R. Dodson. 3rd Place 127 pts: P. Ryan, D. Ryan, J. Sample, J. Sample. 3rd Place 128 pts: M. Raine, R. Raine, T. Faux. D. Faux. 4th Place 130 pts. Y. Mattocks, D. Mattocks, F. Hancock, S. Hancock. 4th Place 130 pts: A. Peterson, R. Peterson, L. Mattea, B. Digby. 4th Place 130 pts: G. Dickson, J. Dickson, N. Harlan, G. Norris.

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### CLUBS • ACTIVITIES • RECREATION

### **PML Men's Golf Club**

s I write this article, we are preparing for the 30th annual Motherlode Invitational. I am pleased to report that we have a sold out field of players. I will report the results in next months newsletter.

#### Golf rules quiz (answers at the end of article)

1) Q. A player's ball went into a bunker. The player accidentally kicked a pine cone into the bunker. He picked up the pinecone which was not interfering with his stance or his intended swing. Did he incur a penalty?

2) Q. A player playing a shot in the bunker accidentally touches the sand when making his backswing. What is the ruling?

The PML Men's golf club has three events scheduled for August September and October so there will be lots of opportunity to enjoy the competition of tournament play.

August 2nd: four man scramble-pick your team.

August 12th: Hamburger Tournamentselect your partner.

August 26th & 27th: Club Championship-Individual stroke play.

Sept.6th Wednesday special—Chapman scotch format.

Sept. 15, 16 & 17th Match play championship-flights based on handicap.

Sept. 23rd Annual business meeting and tournament-two men point par, computer draw.

### **Hot Days, Hot Games** for the Niners! by Jane Reynolds

he days have been hot, hot, hot! Hope your games are just as hot! FYI! If you find yourself on the putting green and you have forgotten your marker, it is best to not pick up that little white thing you see on the green to use as your marker. It may not be what it seems. Just a word of advice to a 9er.

Just a reminder to those going to Invitationals and Opens. If something comes up and you can't make it, please call Joy Thompson or Sharon Pearce. If you leave a message and they do not get back to you, then please call the golf course where the event is to take place and let them know. There is a lot of work that goes into making a successful event and it is very difficult when they are not informed in time. We would like to continue getting invitations to these fun events.

Our PML 9ers' team went to Merced Country Club for team play and we are now in third place. We are only 1.5 points away from 2nd place. Linelle Marshall &

Jane Reynolds were in the 1st flight; Barb Haiges & Geralyn Dielman, 2nd flight; Bev Oakley & Mary Reynolds, 3rd flight; and Barbara Davis & Joy Thompson were in the Captain's flight. Keep on driving!

#### **Reminders:**

August 3 TOC-3 Eclectic #4 August 10 August 17 9 AM Shotgun (18 holers host team play) August 24 Eclectic #5

#### **Play Day Results:**

June 8th, PUTTS DAY: 1st Flight: Charlie Fratus 1st place (17) & 2nd place, Linn Faler (19). 2nd Flight, Shirley Haliwell 1st place (15), 2nd place, Barb Haiges (19) and 3rd place went to Cyndy Krout (19). PARS: Geralyn Dielman #14. LOW NET: Cyndy Krout 32.



PML Niner Team play at Merced Country Club. Names from left to right. Barbara Davis, Linelle Marshall, Joy Thompson, Jane Reynolds, Barbara Haiges, Bev Oakley & Mary Reynolds.

October 4th Wednesday special- two man better ball

Oct 7th Fall couples tournament- 4 person scramble. Dinner & team draw Oct 6th.

Oct. 14th Italian Invitational- two best balls of foursome.

Information for any and all of these tournaments may be obtained in the pro shop, or by visiting our web site http: //www.pmlmgc.com. 😿

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with his club before making a stroke. Sorry, dB when he touched the ground in a bunker 2. Yes. The player was in breach of rule 13-

two strokes in stroke play

penalty is a loss of hole in match play and ment and the ball lie in the hazard. The and may not be removed when the impedi-1. Yes. A pine cone is a loose impediment

#### Answers to golf rules quiz:

June 15th. EVEN HOLES: 1st flight: Darleen Hicks 1st with 19 & Linelle Marshall 2nd at 22. Second flight: 1st, Mary Reynolds (21), 2nd place, Wanda Patterson (24) & 3rd, Faye Buckley with 28. PARS: Darlene Hicks #14. LOW NET: Mary Reynolds 35.

June 29th, LOW NET: 1st flight, Jane Reynolds (39). 2nd flight, Claudette Babyak & Barbara Haiges tied (39). 3rd flight: 1st place, Cyndy Krout; 2nd place tie, Wanda Patterson & Faye Buckley (37).



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PAR: Claudette Babyak #7.

Putter of the Month: Shirley Haliwell (15).

Ace of Aces: Cyndy Krout (35). 😿



### CLUBS • ACTIVITIES • RECREATION Golf & Glitz ed on Wed. evening w by a Chipping & Puttin

by Joyce Smith

olf & Glitz was the theme for the 32nd Pine Tree Invitational Golf Tournament. What an event! Patty Ryan and her committee did an outstanding job. We had a full field, actually 152 golfers. Each PML Club Member invited a guest from some other course. The festivities started on Wed. evening with a BBQ followed by a Chipping & Putting Contest. Gary Oing organized and ran this event with his many helpers. We circled the practice green in our lawn chairs and watched the event unfold. This was an optional part of the tournament, but participation was very good and we enjoyed a lovely evening. Many, many people to thank. *1st, the Committee;* Patty Ryan, Chair & Co-Captain, Marche Kizziar, Co-Chair, Yvonne Mattocks, Co-Chair, Marie

### Friends of the Lake Summer Activities Lake Swim August 13 by Virginia Gustafson

The Friends of the Lake club is celebrating the height of the summer season with numerous activities to enhance the lake amenity. We also continue to work with the administration and marina management to control wakes and

wake damage to people and property. We've recently replaced all the buoy lights that got broken over the winter, so now boats returning to their dock after sunset can safely see their way. In addition, the umbrellas we donated to the marina are getting lots of use to provide shade to families at the beach.

In June, about 60 members and friends joined in a fun poker run around the lake. Boats loaded with poker players toured the lake and visited four docks to collect a card at each location. The fifth cards were distributed back at the marina and then we played the hands. Bob Hatmaker won first prize for the best hand.

Our July meeting was a wonderful event at the marina with a sing-along folk music concert on the beach featuring Chris Miller and Lori Brandon, professional musicians who perform at many venues throughout the Sierra. They put on a great evening for us. Campfires and Gustafson marshmallows added to the fun. Our next meeting will be August 13

at 5:00pm at the marina with a potluck supper and a guest speaker. Watch the mailboxes for details.

August 13 also marks the date of our first PML Marathon Swim. Accomplished long-distance swimmers are invited to join the 3:00 pm swim from Dunn Court to the Marina. To participate, please arrive at Dunn Court at 2:30 pm to register and be prepared to sign a liability waiver. Any questions, please contact Gene Patterson at 962-6287.

Also, mark your calendars for September 10, our annual scavenger hunt around the lake. If you don't get out on the lake often, this is a really fun way to catch up and see all the new sights.

In September, our new officers will take office. They are Marilyn Hathaway, president; Scott Baker, vice president; Art Deardorff, secretary; Sandy DeRodeff, treasurer; Jim Goodrich, program chair; and Lois Rosenbaum and Paula Baker, social chairs.

To join Friends of the Lake, come to one of our events or send your check for 20/family to FOL, PO Box 491, Groveland.



Dean, Karen Dickson, Jennifer Dwaileebe, Eleanor Ellis, Thelma Faux, Corky Graham, Clarice Ligonis, Diane Lloyd, Norma Menacho, Kathy Oing, Sue Perry, Jackie Sample & Dotty Davis, Captain, great job, we really had a great time.. 2nd, the Volunteers; Red Armstrong, Claudette Babyak, Jackie Baker, Les Baldinger, Tom Bickmore, Bill Broderson, Jack Burke, Charles Caulk, Harriet Causey, Tom Connelly, Marie Connick, Allen Craig, Dick Davis, Jerry L. Dickson, Bob Digby, Ron Dodson, Dick Eckman, Ed Edgerton, Roger Ellis, Dick Enyart, Dick Faux, Art Field, Dave Gibson, John Graham, Felix Gschwend, Fred Hancock, Rich Hathaway, Bob Houser, Bettie Hunt, Al Hutter, Parker Johnson, Bill King, Bruce Lay, John Lloyd, Don Lustenberger, Ron Maguire, Dick Mattocks, Revea Mayhew, Terry Melinn, Frank Menacho, June Moore, Mort Moore, Gordon Norris, Frank Perry, Roger Peterson, Marlene Raine, Eileen Roberts, Dan Ryan, Jim Sample, Noreen Schwab, Dennis Scott, Charley Shehorn, Mike Singer, Joe Smith, Dick Stevens, Patty Stevens, Alice Stoll, George Stahl, Bob Tompkins, John Vaughn, Harlene Wilson and Larry Zimmerman, thanks to each of you. You helped make the event so pleasurable. 3rd, our Sponsors: A & E Auto Parts, Big Oak Flat Restaurant, Fore Gifts, Groveland Hotel, Groveland Pharmacy, Groveland Photo, Hotel Charlotte, Iron Door, Kara's, Ken's Asphalt, Main Street Market, Pacific States Bank, Pine Mountain Lake Assn., The Guardians, The PML Men's Golf Club, The Tire Shop, The Wids, Throckmorten, Two Guys Pizza, Valley Lumber & Supply, Yosemite Bank, Yosemite Title. And Lynn Bonander, Realty World: Eleda Carlson, REMAX: John Case, PML ASSN Director; Bernard Clark, The Mortgage Pointe; Shirley Colley, Coldwell Banker; Greg Cramblit, United Mortgage; Rick Fox, Groveland Appraisal Services; Dave Lint, Sugar Pine Realty; Ron Maguire, PML ASSN Director; Dave Mattea, Carpet & Upholstery Cleaners: Iris Moffit, Pacific Source; James Nagel, Coldwell Banker; Barry Scales, Realty World; Marilynm Scott, Deardorff Realty; Carol Voyvodich, Associated Mortgage Group; George Voyvodich, Century 21 Real Estate; Linda Wilhite, Sugar Pine Realty, Brent Yop, Pine Mountain Lake Realty and Sabre Design. Thanks to each of you for supporting our event. 4th, our PML Board of Directors; Gen Manager, Joe Powell; Head Golf Pro, Chris Borrego; Golf Course Superintendent, Allen MacDonald; Country Club Manager, Tom Dorsey; Chef, Orpheus Brown; and to all the staff of the Golf Shop, Restuarant and Golf Course Management. You have each contributed to the success of the event. A special thanks to Tom Dorsey and Orpheus Brown, our meals were outstanding. You deserved your standing ovations. 5th, donors of raffle prizes; Wade Anderson, Avant Garde Salon, Belladonna Hair & Tanning Salon, Black Oak Casino, Black Sheep Winery, Curves, Raquel Dean, Designing

Woman, Dog Gone Gorgeous, Down to Earth, Fore Gifts, Corky Graham, Healing Hands, Damon Kizziar, Terry Kizziar, Clarice Ligonis, Norma Menacho, Iris Moffit, Mountain Sage, Mt. Brow Winery, Postively Pampered, Salon Plus, Seasons, Studio 250, PML Restuarant, and PML Golf Shop. Green fees from the following Golf Courses: Boulder Creek, Greenhorn Creek/Angels Camp, Mace Meadows/Pioneer, Diable Grande/ Patterson, Discovery Bay/Discovery Bay, Forest Meadows/Murphys, Merced/Tour, Mire Vista/El Cerrito, Mountain Springs/Sonora, Pheasant Run/Chowchilla, Ridgemark/ Hollister, Saddle Creek/Copperopolis, and Seven Oaks/Bakersfield. Thanks for the wonderful prizes. Our guests were really impressed with the many, many drawings.. 6th, our own members for donating basket items for the basket raffle. Marche Kizziar did a beautiful job of assembling the baskets and they were each a work of art. Thank you one and all. And now for the Tournament Information:

**Tournament Format:** Point Bogey. The combined net points of all four ladies at the end of two days play. No one played to higher than a 36 USGA Handicap. There were 4 flights: Sapphire 80-95 handicaps; Emerald 96-113; Ruby 114-120; Diamond 121-142. These handicaps were the combined total handicaps for each team. Five places were paid.

Sapphire Flight: 1st-284 pts. E. Roberts, G. Briscoe, K. Edgerton, V. Francis. 2nd-269 pts. A. Falk, A. Toner, D. Bolderman, L. Wall. 3rd-261 pts. A. Hankin, B. Barton, B. Bennett, J. Maxwell. 4th-255 pts. B. Williams, B. Moreton, K. Oing, S. Perry. 5th-253 pts. J. Pacco, L. Johnson, P. Jordan, S. Looper. Emerald Flight: 1st-287 pts. L. Ellis, L. Nolte, S. Hancock, Y. Mattocks. 2nd-284 pts. C. Williams, K. Bettencourt, M. Scott, P. Dailey. 3rd-281 pts. G. Dickson, J. Sanberg, L. Antonelli, P. Gschwend. 4th-273 pts. A. Rodriguez, G. Lay, J. Armstrong, N. Compton. 5th-253 pts. B. Nilsen, D. Berard, N. Groswird, S. Kenyon. Ruby Flight; 1st-258 pts. E. Ellis, M. Eickert, P. Stahl, S. Zimmerman. 2nd-250 pts. B. Carlson, I. Rathert, L. Dust, S. Diehl. 3rd-246 pts. E. Duste, J. Smith, K. Kelley, M. Drew. 4th-245 pts. B. Baker, C. Ligonis, I. Moffit, M. D. Kapa. 5th-239 pts. J. Clemson, M. Kitagawa, M. Nakao, T. Faux.

**Diamond Flight:** lst-285 pts. C. Graham, D. Wood, M. Kizziar, V. Zuber. 2nd-254 pts. H. Smith, J. Schneider, J. Awai, L. McLaughlin. 3rd-249 pts C. Locke, N. Harlan, S. Gabrielle, V. Hutter. 4th-249 pts.. A. Peterson, B. Souza, M. Pisula, T. Melinn. 5th-249 pts. D. Davis, J. Frey, J. Baker, S. Oglesby.

My apology for anyone I may have left out, it was not intentional.

Thanks to everyone, it was a very memorable tournament for each of us and our guests. We are so fortunate to have such a lovely place to live and play. A job well done by all involved.  $\bigotimes$ 

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, ACTIVITIES, & CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### CALENDAR

### **QUILT CLASSES AT THE LIBRARY**

They started Monday June 5 and go until August 21. Time is 1pm to 5pm. Classes are at the library community room. Each class is a separate project that can be finished in class.

It is \$50.00 for the whole session of 12 weeks. That includes patterns. After we have 10 participants signed up for the whole session, we can offer individual classes at \$10.00 which includes the pattern for that day's class.

Signups are at Bunny Rose & Co. We will also have a schedule and samples in the store. Sign ups must be at least one week in advance.

#### GROVELAND SUMMER CRAFT FAIR August 19

Another first!!!, Garrotte Lions Summer Craft Fair will be held Saturday, August 19th, from 10 AM – 5 PM at the Groveland Community Hall. Admission will be free. Attention: all local crafters and nonprofit organizers (home made items only) are welcome to booth space for only \$10.00. Garrotte Lions will have for sale Tri Tip sandwiches, nachos, nachos supreme and Hot Dogs for kids. All Lion proceeds will be directed towards community projects.

For more information, call Lion President Wanda Day 962-6179 or Lion Erma Millheim 962-7631. Make your plans now to attend or participate. Booths are going fast so make your arrangements early. SEE YOU THERE!!!

### **ON-GOING ACTIVITIES**

#### AMERICAN LEGION POST #300 WEEKLY LUNCHEON AND DINNER POTLUCK 2nd Tuesdays (lunch), 3rd Thursdays (dinner)

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

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

All bridge players are welcome. Men (10:15 AM) call Bill Mingus at 209/962-4240 for reservations. Women (10:30 AM) call Norma Anderson at 209/962-0337 for reservations.

AEROBICS & SCULPTING EXCERCISE BY VIDEO Mondays & Wednesdays • 9 AM Reach your fitness goals! These classes are suitable for all fitness levels. Classes are free. Join us at the Lake Lodge to be led by a variety of videos featuring certified fitness instructors. For more information and scheduling contact Barb at 209/962-6457 or Marie at 209/962-7905.

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

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

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

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

#### BRIDGE (DUPLICATE) AT THE LAKE LODGE 2nd & 4th Thursdays

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

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

WIRELESS INTERNET AT MOUNTAIN SAGE

You asked for it, you got it! Mountain Sage, in downtown Groveland has just recently added FREE Wireless High Speed Internet to it's repertoire. Come eat your cranberry scone in the garden while finishing up that important download or email in the garden this summer. Don't travel all the way back down to the Bay Area this week just to work on a few details. Bring your laptop and sit in a cozy hammock or at the garden tables and work away! Now you can tell your friends- Groveland has just a bit of civilization in a wilderness, a good organic cappuccino, great music, and free wireless internet. What more could you ask for?

#### PMLA FLEA MARKET IS COMING! OCTOBER 7

To the Pine Mountain Lake Stables on Saturday, October 7th from 8 am to 1 pm at the PML Stables.

### **HOT LUNCHES FOR SENIORS**

Sierra Foothill Senior Management Inc. serves hot lunches at noon Monday through Friday at the Tuolumne County Senior Center, 540 Greenley Road, Sonora. Anyone 60 or older is welcome. If a couple, only one needs to be 60. A \$3.25 donation is requested but no senior is denied a meal. There is a \$6.25 charge for anyone younger than 60.

### **MOVIES ON THE HILL**

Saturday nights at sundown at Mary Laveroni Park. Movie end times posted at ticket tables each week. Prices: ages 0-5 are free; 6-13 is \$3.00; 13 and above is \$4.00. Only those 13 and above can be admitted without an adult. Use low-back chairs (if you must use higher backed chairs, please sit towards the back of the lawn so those on blankets can see). Popcorn, hot dogs, sodas, water, candy and chips, will all be available at very reasonable prices.

- Aug 5 Dreamer-Inspired by a True Story
- Aug 12 Zathura (adventure)
- Aug 19 Superman, the Movie (C. Reeve)

If you have any questions, please contact Patti Beaulieu at 962-7402 or Ron Prieto at 962-5876.

### EXHIBIT AT THE WHITEWOLF ART GALLERY

Starting July 25, the Whitewolf Art Gallery is featuring a three week exhibit of Astrophotography by Eddie Pavlu. His photography will be on exhibit through August 13th.

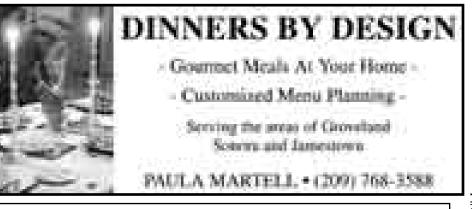
Three week exhibits will be announced on an on-going basis at the gallery by various artists and photographers.

### SOROPTIMIST MEETINGS CHANGE

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

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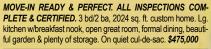
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### **Boat Parade at PML**

by Virginia Gustafson

Triends of the Lake sponsored the annual PML boat parade on the afternoon of July 1. We had a wonderful turn-out of fabulously decorated boats - over twenty patio boats, plus a great group of antiques, a half-dozen ski boats, and even sailboats and pedal boats.

The afternoon started with the traditional landing of Kent and Sandy Blankenburg in their beautiful Seabee. Then, Keith and Sylvia Zenobia led off the boat parade in their unique amphicar.

The judges had a tough time picking the winners; all the boats were wonderfully decorated and their crews definitely had the Independence Day holiday spirit. It's hard to know who had more fun - the boaters or the hundreds of spectators.



Jim Thomas and friend Colleen won first place among the sailboats.

Boats selected for awards in each category are:

- Patio boats the Dan Fulmer family
- Sailboat Jim Thomas
- Pedal boat Maria Floyd and friends
- Ski boat the Bill Wrighton family

• Antiques – Sue and Conrad Sksong In case you missed the fun, here are some photos of the parade and winners. See you on the lake!

Keith and Sylvia Zenobia lead the annual PML Boat Parade. Jim Thomas and friend Colleen won first place among the sailboats.

Maria Floyd and friends won the pedal boat trophy, Dan Fulmer and family won the grand prize for their California or Bust pontoon boat. 😿



PML Boat Parade

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Maria Floyd and friends won the pedal boat trophy

### **PML Guardian's Outlook** by Ed & Polly Wright

he membership dinner was a great success with two new couples joining.

The Guardians and guests will enjoy an outing to the Peppermill on August 28th through 30th.

Final payment for the trip was due on July 29th.

Have you paid?

### **MORE FUN COMING UP!**

Mark your calendars for November 4th (tentative) for our fabulous Monte Carlo night at the Lake Lodge. You'll want to come and bring guests to this fun-filled event. Watch for your Guardian flyer in September with additional information.

The guardians are always seeking new members to join our group. If you are interested in joining, please contact either John Nielsen at 952-4934 or Ed Wright at 962-6185. 🕅

### CLUBS • ACTIVITIES • RECREATION

### **Pine Mountain Lake** Open Water Swim Event by Gene Patterson and Lois Rosenbaum

alling all swimmers! In conjunction with the PML Friends of the Lake Group and approval from the PML Board, we are holding an open water swim event on Sunday, August 13th. The swim will be from Dunn Court to the Marina, an estimated distance of 1/3 mile. All members and member guests are welcome to enter and participate. Registration will take place at Dunn Court from 2:30 P.M. until 3 P.M. and the swimming event will begin shortly after that. We choose to call it a "swim" rather than a race; however, if there are those who would like to make it a race, we will allow you to swim in the first heat. The rest who want to participate just for the fun of it can enter the water later at timed intervals so that the swimmers will not all be fighting for the

same space. We encourage all members to attend and participate. We would like to see a huge turnout for this event and hope it will become a great annual event for all property owners.

In an effort to promote a fun, safe, event, we have taken the following precautions: 1. There will be at least six pontoon boats at pre-determined intervals to take aboard any swimmer who for one reason or another needs help.

2. A fire engine with two EMT personnel will be on-site to assist in any emergency.

3. Other boats will be kept out of the swim area for the duration of the swim.

We would like to thank everyone for their ideas and support and look forward to seeing you at the Big Swim! 🕅

### **PML Racquet Club News**

by Al Peirona

ith the Racquet Club as usual taking the hot months of July and August off (no tournaments or socials), the big enthusiasm has been focused on the new surface overlay on courts 3 and 4.

As of this writing, final work (deck coating and paint) was not done. However, PML Board President, Dennis Scott, announced that deck coating and paint on these two courts at the Tennis Center should be completed within the first 2 weeks of July.

So by the time the August PML News is out, "netsters" should have two beautiful courts to play on and the Tennis Center will be "whole" again!

In the July "Letters to the Editor", Racquet Club President, Mark Nouillan, submitted a letter on the new overlay at the Tennis Center. His letter sounded out a big "thank you" to Dennis Scott, the rest of the Board, Joe Powell and Rick Whybra. As Mark noted, all too often little praise is given when things are done right.

Space permitting, this PML News edition will include one or two photos taken by this writer on May 19, showing the early-on work being done by Saviano and Co.

• September will be a busy month. Mixed Doubles Championship will be on Saturday (13th). Then Men's and Women's Doubles Championship will be on the 23rd.

• In between, the quarterly meeting/dinner is scheduled for Tuesday (12th) at the Country Club.

• Over 30 attended the June 13 meeting/ dinner at the Country Club. Dennis De-Cant presided. Gifts were presented to Marlies Emig and Jack Linaberry. Their efforts in coordinating women's and men's days are appreciated.

• PML Board members Ron Maguire and Mike Gustafson (newly elected) attended the June 13 affair. Ron and Judi Maguire are Racquet Club members. Mike and his wife were guests.

• Davis Cup, which had been scheduled for June 17, unfortunately was cancelled – lack of interest. Let's all do better next year.



# **Garden Club Clippings**

by Joyce Smith

onday, July 10th found us at Mountain Sage. We met there at 9:00 for a potluck brunch, seated at tables amongst the plants. A lovely setting and always a pleasure to gather there. An interesting program was presented by owner (hostess) Regina Hirsch, after our brunch. Is there anythiing she doesn't know about plants? Thanks Rob and Regina for having us.

Meeting. The date is August 14th, we will meet at the 9th tee parking lot near the PML Country Club. The Bus trip is about 1 hour to Blue Oak Topiary Nursery in Hughson. I hear it's a wonderful place. We will tour the nursery, see a topiary demonstration, have a box lunch catered by Veila Farms of Modesto and then on to Oakdale to shop and browse at the Blue Oak Nursery Store. We should be back by 4:00. Cost is \$15.00 Members, Guests \$17.00.

Bus Trip coming up for our August





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## Lone Eagle Is 49'er Festival Grand Marshal

by Lauree Borup

n artist with rock and a poet with words. That's Gene Nelson, a resident of Groveland since 1930 and this year's 49'er Festival Grand Marshal. Not only has he done the masonry and tile in hundreds of buildings in Pine Mountain Lake and Groveland throughout his career as a mason, he has also donated his creative efforts in stone to our community. At the Museum-Library Gene applied the slate to the sign you see on from Highway 120. He also installed the commemorative bricks in the circular patio to the right of the main entrance. The base for the old schoolhouse bell that used to ring in 1916 at the present-day Yosemite Bank building, and the arastra mining display are Gene's beautiful work, too.

Gene adds color to town events as "Lone Eagle", dressed in full feather headdress and buckskins. He represents the Chickasaw Indian tribe, now in Oklahoma reservations. It is pronounced Che-KAH-saw, with emphasis on the middle syllable. Said Larry Jobe "Many foreign travelers have taken home a vivid image



of the Old West and Groveland's place in it because they met Gene as Lone Eagle". He will ride in the parade in Larry Jobe's 1911 Hudson automobile.

Lone Eagle, the poet, has published two books: Inspirations in Poetry, Prose and Sketches, Volumes One and Two. He will have them for sale at the 49er Festival.

One of Gene's lasting contributions has been the gift of water witching. He has given freely of his time and talent to locate at least 150 well sites in Groveland. He witched his own well on 28 acres and it produces 150 gallons per minute! Since Gene feels that this is a gift from the "Fathers" he refuses to accept compensation of any sort.

Gene moved to Groveland with his parents, George and Lois Nelson. At one time they owned the Charlotte Hotel. He worked as a logger and also served in the Navy during the Korean War. At the age of 76, he is now retired and lives with his wife Mary, also known as Sweet Blossom, on their land on Jackass Creek Road, south of Merrell Road. This is an area where the electric power lines have not yet penetrated. Son Michael Smith, and grandchildren Matt and Lindsey Smith still live in the area.

This will be Gene and Mary's umpteenth parade appearance, going back to when it was for years the Old West Days sponsored by the Highway 120 Association, before it became a Chamber of Commerce.



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### **"SOLID GOLD" Parade Theme for 2006** by Lauree Borup, 49'er Festival Parade Chairman

reak out your costumes and get ready to roll down the road on September 16 in the biggest parade in Groveland. We are always looking for the new and different, so get your business or group or family to put your ideas together and join the parade. Entry forms are in the mail to all past participants. You can also pick up entry forms at the Chamber of Commerce office at 18583 Highwy 120, at the Groveland Pharmacy, Main Street Market, or the Museum and Library. Or call the Chamber at 962-0429 to mail you one.

Trophies and 2nd Place prizes will be awarded at the park main stage at 1 pm. The categories will be: Best of 2006 Theme: Solid Gold, Best 49'er Theme, Best Float, Best Motor Vehicle, Best Community Service Entry, Best Walking Junior, Best Walking Adult, Best Mounted Junior and Best Mounted Adult. And of course, the most coveted, Best of Parade. Last year's winner was Cocina Michoacan restaurant's beautifully dressed riders mounted on Andalusian horses. Bring your pride, but not your money—it doesn't cost a cent to enter



# Gas, Math & Myth

by Jack Leetham

he rising cost of gasoline has been bantered about as having a legitimate affect on people's vacation travel plans. Should we put off our planned trip to Yosemite as too expensive or is it still feasible?

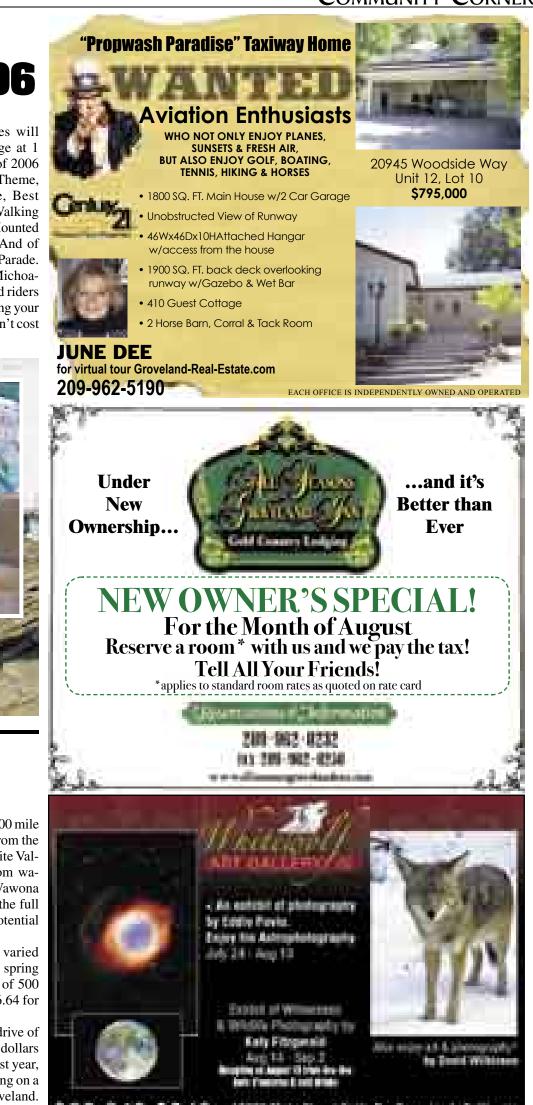
I compared the prices of a few random gas bills during the summer of 2005 from the Groveland (Yosemite) and Fremont areas of California and compared them with similar prices during the late spring of 2006. Then I made the outlandish assumption that a vehicle might average 15 mpg. After applying a little routine math...it's the best I can muster...I came up with the following conclusions:

The average price per gallon varied between \$2.619 and \$2.899 in the summer of 2005. Figuring a vacation trip of 500 miles it would have cost (worst case)

\$96.64 for gasoline. I am using a 500 mile scale as reflective of a round trip from the Bay Area or Sacramento to Yosemite Valley with some in-park driving from waterfall to Tuolumne Meadows to Wawona and the big trees thrown in to get the full scope of the park and a visitors potential trip miles.

The average price per gallon varied between \$3.299 and \$3.499 in the spring of 2006. Figuring a vacation trip of 500 miles it will cost (worst case) \$116.64 for gasoline.

Therefore a weekend getaway drive of 500 miles would cost about \$20 dollars more than it would have cost the last year, not a real deal breaker when deciding on a trip to beautiful Yosemite via Groveland. So let's bust the gasoline increase myth! It isn't really an issue.



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### Community Corner **Kiwanis Labor Day BBQ**

The Kiwanis Club of Groveland members are starting early to prepare for the Labor Day BBQ which will be held at Mary Laveroni Park. The event will be held Sunday, September 3rd and is being billed as a family event. There will be Hot Dogs, Langford Sausages Hamburgers, drinks and all the fixing's. There will be music and games for the kids. The Kiwanis Club of Grove-



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land is inviting everyone to put this event on their calendar. Bring the whole family and friends for a great Sunday afternoon. The BBQ is scheduled to start at 1 PM and will continue until 6 PM.

In conjunction with the BBQ there will be raffle prizes. You will be able to purchase raffle tickets at the park the day of the event. Raffle tickets will be pre-sold for the event at sites to be listed on flyers posted at the PML mail box sites and at business locations in Groveland. There will be 2 BIG raffle prizes in the mix. One of these will be a flat screen TV. Don't miss out on this BBQ. All proceeds from the BBQ will go towards helping fund the community projects that The Kiwanis Club of Groveland is involved with. See You There!!!!

### Friends of the Groveland Library by Marilyn Bangs

Imagine.....

Tagine a small town with a wonderful library, funded and built primarily by its citizens. As a free public facility, imagine the opportunities offered to the people of this small town. The following is a list of some of those opportunities:

• Hours of operation Monday through Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The downstairs meeting room provides a comfortable location for many local organizations, classes and a book club.

• Hundreds of books, fiction and non-fiction, biographies, magazines, newspapers, periodicals of local interest, WiFi, computers, access to a copy machine and FAX.

• Three efficient librarians ready to assist with questions and concerns as well as checking out materials, ordering requested books, issuing library cards, among many other daily tasks such as completing required paper work for the county.

• Assisting these busy people are many volunteers who spend hours shelving, sorting, rearranging, searching, and serving as public relations assistants as needed. These volunteers also play leading roles in providing the following programs –

• Born to Read story times for preschoolers, age newborn to five, each Friday at 10:30 a.m.

• Conduct the "Booklegger" Program at Tenaya Elementary School. These dedicated people take books twice a month to participating classrooms, read stories, "Book Talk" and encourage the students to apply for library cards to encourage life-long readers with a love of books.

• Other volunteers are active in the Summer Reading Program, this year with the Theme of "Paws, Claws, Scales a n d Tales". This highly successful program ran through the months of June and July with large groups of happy children participating.

• Still other volunteers man the Book Nook with book sales held each Saturday downstairs in the library from 10:00 to 2: 00. Many hours are spent preparing for the sales as the donated books are sorted into the various classifications, priced and shelved. Each sale offers the public terrific bargains as well as refreshments. Income from the sales goes to help the library.

Most of the volunteers are members of The Friends of the Groveland Library and serve in many capacities, including the officers, chairmen for publicity, membership, volunteer coordinator and serve on the county Council of Friends.

Now that you have imagined all of the above activities that are ongoing at the small town library, imagine the impact of budget cuts on the entire Tuolumne County Library System. The library system has been asked to cut over 40% of its services with extreme reduction of funds. Factors include the failure of Measure P, which would have increased funding for law enforcement and fire protection by \$3 million. That, and the ongoing financial losses at Tuolumne General Hospital, means that funding must be provided for public safety.

It appears at this time that the library system, recreation facilities such as the youth centers, Groveland Adult Day Health Care as well as other county agencies, are bearing the brunt of the cuts needed to keep the county functioning. As county director of library services, Connie Corcoran stated in the headline article of Friday, June 16, 2006, "This is catastrophic." Already, funding for many open positions has run out.

As this article goes to press, a final budget is due to be adopted in August. One ray of hope lies in a proposal to provide funding through April, 2007 which at that time more resources may be available. If not, the entire system will close down. In the meantime, urgent messages to Supervisor Mark Thornton might help in the reversal of these drastic cuts. You may contact him by email: mthornton@co.tuolumne.ca.us or by phone at 533-5521.

As you read through the above list of services the library provides, think about a future where large signs are posted on the doors of not only this small town's wonderful library but on the doors of all Tuolumne County libraries saying:

"CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NO-TICE" Imagine.....

### GROVELAND **SUMMER CRAFT FAIR**

by Lion Kay Glaves

nother first!!!, Garrotte Lions Summer Craft Fair will be held Saturday, August 19th from 10 AM - 5 PM at the Groveland Community Hall.

#### Admission is free.

Attention: all local crafters and nonprofit organizers (home made items only) are welcome to booth space for only \$10.00.

Garrotte Lions will have for sale Tri Tip sandwiches, nachos, nachos supreme and Hot Dogs for kids. All Lion proceeds will be directed towards Community projects.

For more information call Lion President Wanda Day 962-6179 or Lion, Erma Millheim 962-7631. Make your plans now to attend or participate.

Booths are going fast so make your arrangements early.

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### **Sonora Regional Medical Center Studies Major Outpatient Imaging Center**

**6** Sonora Regional Medical Center today announced it is studying

the feasibility of opening a major outpatient diagnostic imaging center in Sonora, California. The new center would include state-of-the-art digital imaging equipment for a broad range of medical diagnostic tests \* MRI, CT, ultrasound, digital mammography, and diagnostic X-ray \* allowing physicians to diagnose disease earlier, design better treatment plans, and achieve improved patient outcomes."

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Wait Times... the Medical Center is

by Ileana Grycel

focused on turnaround times for imaging exam results, (in most cases within 24 hours); expanded outpatient hours (8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.); the addition of MRI and CT services on Sundays; and centralized scheduling (536-3437).

Health Care Costs... the Medical Cen-

ter decreased overall pricing for MRI by 40 percent and added a 50 percent selfpay discount on top for MRI to ensure that those without insurance coverage still have access to diagnostic imaging services. The new pricing structure went into effect on May 1, 2006."

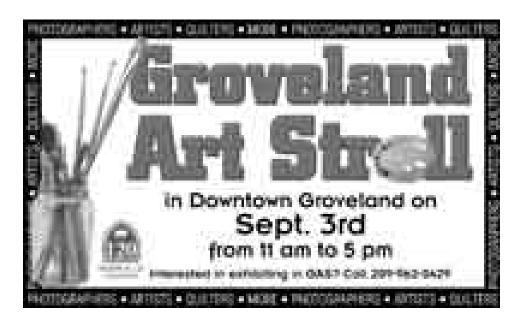




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# Helping Hands News Need Something ? - Try Helping Hands First by Patti Beaulieu

hrift store shoppers are a unique bunch. The first thing to remember is that, in order to do a thrift store justice, you can't be in a hurry to shop there. One must study all the shelves, slowly meander the aisles to see if something 'jumps out at you' that you just can't live without. You almost have to look over every piece to find that elusive treasure. Since our sorters are putting out new items all day, every day, even a trip once around the store might result in missing

### **Spend** the Hot August Nights at the Movies by Patti Beaulieu

f you haven't been to the Movies on the Hill (in the Park) sponsored by GAINs \_you have only 3 Saturday nights left in August to take part in this fun experience. The family friendly movies start at dusk at Mary Laveroni Park in downtown Groveland. Bring your blanket, pillow or low back chair and enjoy a night under the beautiful summer skies. The snack bar serves hot dogs, popcorn, ice cold soda and bottled water, chips of all kinds and a huge selection of candy – all at 'to good to believe' prices. Below is the list of the last 3 movies for this season.

Prices are 5 and under- Free; 6-12 - \$3; 13 and older - \$4. No one under 13 is admitted without an adult (18 or older).

Hope to see you there. It's fun for the whole family.

August 5 - Dreamer – Inspired by a true story

August 12- Zathrua: A Space Adventure August 19 - Superman, the Movie (Christopher Reeve)

something. At Helping Hands we try to put most of our items with 'like' merchandise, so most of the same types of things will be near each other. Occasionally there will be things out of place, but for the most part, our merchandise is departmentalized. And another Thrift Store tip – if you see something you want get it then because more than likely the next time you're in it will be gone.

The other way to thrift store shop is to try us first if you're looking for a particular item. There are many times that someone will come in the door, asking if we have a 'such and such'. Usually we have just what they need. A few things that come to mind are folks looking for jackets if the weather turns chilly and they forgot theirs at home. The other day a man coming from Yosemite had broken his sandals and we had a perfect pair in his size. Someone came in looking for pots and pans for camping - yep, we had them. Need a coffee maker for your guest quarters? – We have many to choose from. How about some extra steak knives or wine glasses for the overflow company at dinner? We've got 'em. Flashlight? Camera? Extra alarm clock? Again we usually have several of these in stock and we're proud to say all of our electronic and electrical items are in working condition. Willie Boatman and Art and Lillian Carson try them out at home, do minor repairs and bring them all back in tip top shape.

So before you make that trip off the hill, try us first. More than likely we'll have what you're looking for.

We certainly appreciate all the wonderful donations we've been getting all summer long, however, we must again ask (no, BEG) you to please only give us clean, usable items. We test and clean everything so if items come in that need a lot of attention and end up not working, we've increased our garbage expense and decreased our productivity in processing donations. Again, please donate your working items only.

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• Walk dogs only when it's cool, either early in the morning or in the evening. To avoid burning their pads, don't walk them where it would be too hot for you to go barefoot, such as sand or sidewalks.

• If you have to keep the dog outsdie, be sure there is plenty of shade and plenty of sources of water that won't tip over. You might even consider a small plastic pool a dog

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t's hot out there! Be sure to take extra could splash in. And if you have a swimming pool, make sure to train the dog to be familiar with the location of the stairs.

> • In July, since fireworks and thunderstorms can scare dogs, keep them inside with a radio playing on low.

> • Never keep a dog in a parked vehicle when the outside temperatures are above 80°F. It can be deadly. Never travel with a dog in the back of a pick-up truck. Their paws can be burned on the bare metal and the animal can easily fall or slide out.

> • Watch for signs of heat stroke: vomiting, glazed eyes, and disorientation. Move the animal to a cool spot and apply ice

packs to its head, neck and chest. Administer small amounts of water or ice cubes and rush your dog to the veterinarian.

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### **HHAOR Annual Golf Tournament for Local Schools!** by Carolyn Botell

The Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® held its SIXTH Annual Golf Tournament Friday, June 16th, 2006 at Pine Mountain Lake to benefit our local schools! Thanks again this year to Dave Lint of Sugar

Pine Realty GMAC for organizing this great event. Here is a picture of Dave ready to play golf!

The event included 19 golf foursomes, or 76 golfers, over 50 Tee Signs that were placed along the Course for

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### **Brand New Custom Home**



Unit 3 lot 127 - Nob Hill Circle — 4 bedroom 2.5 bath 2033 Sqft. Potential RV storage area. High end quality in everthing. Beautiful flat .3 acre lot, Knotty Alder cabinets, Granite slab, stainless steel appliances, wet bar, hardwood and upgraded carpet throughout, open floor plan, completion by 7/15/06. \$559,000.



Waterfront lot - Unit 15 lot 126 .27 acre — Beautiful Setting, down sloped lot, comes with plans for 2800 sqft home, sewered lot, 40 feet of waterfront. 80 feet of creek front. Close to marina. Incredible value - \$199,950

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advertising companies and individuals, and a total of 96 Dinner Guests. In addition to the golf and dinner, there was a raffle drawing with Excellent Prizes to win, and live music for dancing. The event raised approximately \$3,000 for

our local schools this year!

And now to the event Contests and Competitors! Closest to the Pin winners were Linelle Marshall at the women's 14th hole, with Patti Rossio a close second, and Tom Knoth at the men's



7th hole, with Bob Stock in second place. In the Putting Contest, Bob Sherman took first place with a very exciting "putt off" between Zachary Rice, Bob Digby and R.G. Fries

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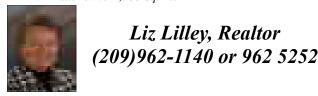
Realtor, David Lint is one of the golfers at the tournament

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Unit 4, Lot 163 - Corner Lot on Creek. 3-Bed/2-Bath. New Dual Pane Windows. Updated and Enlarged. 2 Car Garage with Laundry room. Decks On Both Ends of Upper Floor. Built 1977. 1,900 Sq. Ft.





Unit 4, Lot 500—Gentle Slope to Creek Cute Renovated 3-Bed/2-Bath. Quiet Cul-de-Sac. Decks on Both Levels. New Ext. & Int. Paint and Driveway 1,488 Sq. Ft. on .38 Acre. Built 1973 Motivated Sellers—Price Reduced \$10K



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for second place! The special "Target Shoot for Schools" at the 17th hole was won by Marilyn Deardorff-Scott, with Bob Sherman placing second at this special fund raising competition. The golf tournament itself yielded the following winners: In 3rd Place there was Jim & Jackie Sample with Bob Stock and Dan Ryan.; in 2nd Place there was the team of Marc Fossum, James Nagle, Milt Lake and Tom DeLappe; and first but most certainly not least the WINNING TEAM

with George Voyvodich, Joe Abreau, Andrew Beater, and Tom Knoth.

Of course, its our schools that win when folks participate in an event like this one, so here's hoping that we see all of you again next year, and please remember to bring a new friend and some additional family members too so that we can continue to "grow" this great event from year to year! Many thanks to everyone and all of you who participated in, or helped out in any way with, our 6th Annual Hetch Hetchy AOR Golf Tournament!









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**BEAUTIFUL GOLF COURSE HOME - ABSOLUTE DOLL HOUSE!** Stunning views of multiple fairways & greens – Prime location with culde-sac privacy! 2 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, large multi-purpose room with bay window, window seat & wet bar serves as third sleeping area. Formal dining room, breakfast nook with bay window, island kitchen, approx. 1979 sq. ft., on .34 of an acre, 2 car garage with workbench plus storage. Hardwood floors & carpet, wall paper touches throughout, custom window treatments, French doors plus lots of special features! Must See! 5C/307 \$499,999



SECLUDED BUT CLOSE...View Of Beautiful Pines...Well Maintained 4 Bedroom 3 Bath Home...Newly Painted Within Past 2 Yrs...Very Energy Efficient...All Electric Kitchen - Many Amenities: Compactor, Breakfast Bar, Pantry, Tile...Open Floor Plan...Floor To Ceiling Rock Fireplace w/Zero Clearance Stove... Most Furnishings and All Major Appliances Included...2 Car Garage & Potential RV Parking. 13/317 \$389,900



\*\*\*LOCATION, LAKE VIEW & CHARM\*\*\*...Very Light & Cheery...Located Just Around The Corner From Dunn Court Beach/Lake...3 Bedroom + Lg. Loft/Multi Purpose Room...2 ½ Baths...Large Master Suite W/ Huge Closet & Private Patio...Approx. 2300 Sq Ft ... Appealing Design...2-Car Garage In Back...Must See! \$529,000 1/246



LOTS OF ROOM FOR HORSING AROUND. Nearly "Level" 1.79 Acre, Corner Lot...Lots of Room for Horsing Around...Approx. 1300 Ft. of Corral Fencing...2 Horse Pens Plus Large Pasture...2 Bedroom - 2 Bath...Kitchen With All The Extras, Corner Sink...Ceramic Tile...Vaulted Ceilings...Room for Garage & Barn! CUTE & COZY – A MUST SEE! \$377,999 12/81



Sales and Vacation Rentals

BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM BUILT HOME WITH QUALITY CONSTRUCTION...Corner Lot - Landscaped - Drip System...Short Walk to Lake/Marina....3,581 Sq. Ft. Boast - 4 Bedrooms, 3.5 Baths - One With Jetted Tub...Formal Dining Room plus Breakfast Area Dining...Gourmet Kitchen, Granite Counter Tops, Island With Cook Top, All The Extras...Large Great Room in the Lower Level...3 Car Garage with Openers...RV Parking...Well Maintained and Lots of Upgrades... Hot Tub on Deck. \$675,000 8/47



**NEWLY REMODLED-UPGRADED AMENITIES!** Wonderful Single Level – 3 Bedroom/2 Bath Home With A Nice Level Driveway...Peaceful Oak Tree Setting...Propane Free Standing Fireplace...Central Heat & A/C... French Doors to Add Charm...2 Car Garage...A Must See!! 3/411 \$344,000



A GREAT LOCATION AND VIEWS OF TREES, mountains & peek - a - boo of the lake. Level paved driveway leads to 4 bedroom 2 bath home...2,000 plus sq. ft. Open floor plan & bonus room. RV parking. 13/320 \$295,000



**BEAUTIFUL HOME ON LARGE CORNER LOT** with lots of extra parking... Very well maintained 3 Bdr. 2 + Baths home...Nicely decorated with nice large bedrooms...bonus room & laundry room...Flooring of carpet, laminate & ceramic title...1 Year - new quartz counter tops in kitchen, appliances, paint & carpets & water heater...just minutes from lake... A must see!!! 4/533 \$393,500



**JUST IN TIME FOR TOURIST SEASON!!** Established business in an ideal downtown Groveland location. Has approximately 900 sq. ft + attic with an assumable lease. Has been successfully operating in its current location since 1996. Includes all inventory, equipment, furnishings, fixtures and operating supplies, plus the domain name & good will. Don't let this opportunity slip away. Own your own business for just \$65,000!!



**GOLF COURSE VIEW HOME...**located at the end of a Cul de Sac with approx. 1657 sq. ft. on 2 levels. 3 Bedrooms 3 Baths plus a large Bonus room or 4th Bedroom/Guest Quarters. Open living area with Cathedral Ceilings, Ceiling fans and Skylight. Convenient Location. 2-Car garage. Great Property at a Great Price. 5/32 \$449,000



HOME IN A DELIGHTFUL SETTING...Well Designed and Maintained...Many Trees Surrounding The Deck, Plus A Peek Of The Mountains... 3 Bdr. - 2+ Bath Plus An Efficiently Designed Kitchen With Ample Storage And Counter Space...Open Beam Ceiling, Skylights, Florescent Lighting In Kitchen, Double Pane Windows & Ceiling Fans...Furnishings Are Negotiable Which Makes Easy To Move Right In...Private, Peaceful And Pretty As A Picture. 8/144 \$339,000



**EXQUISITELY REMODELED 2 BEDROOM** - 2 Bath Condo...Offers One Level Golf Course Lot Living At An Affordable Price...Located Below #5 Green And A Couple Hundred Yards Easy Walk To The Country Club, Pro Shop, Community Pool And Tennis Courts. Comes Fully Furnished For Turnkey Living 5/271 \$245,000



NICE LEVEL ENTRY ON A QUIET CUL-DE-SAC...Great View of Mountains & Trees...Spacious Home - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath -1879 sq.ft. - Good Storage Through-out...Well Appointed Kitchen Including Tile Counters - Pantry - Eating Bar...Nice Stone Alcove W/Free Standing Stove...Covered Deck Great for Entertaining Year Round...2 Car Garage/Opener...Home, Termite & Roof Inspections Are Done...Nice Curb Appeal \$419,000 8/245

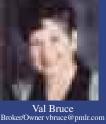


**GREAT BUY FOR THIS FIXER UPPER...**Some Paint And A Little ~T L C~ Will Make This 3 Bedroom - 3 Bath Home Ready For You...The 1639 Sq Ft. Boast A Bonus Room & Laundry Room...Many Possibilities! - \$239,000 13/284

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CUSTOM BUILT HOME on 2 merged level lots, beautiful grounds. 2 level home 3 bedrooms - 2 + bath, complete upper level is master suite w/jetted tub & walk-in closet...bonus room level is master suite w/jetted tub & walk-in closet...bonus room plus laundry room...Approx. 2,080 sq. Ft. Great for family or entertaining...hardwood flooring, tile and nice woodwork inside... 2 Car garage plus RV parking...Views of seasonal creek & green belt...Call for list of many amenities!! \$495,000 8/67



UPGRADES GALORE HIGHLIGHT THIS SUPERBLY SINGLE LEVEL NEARLY NEW HOME ... A Discerning Buyer Will Appreciate The Stamped Driveway & Entry - Custom, Double Door Entry ... Skylights, Security System, Free Standing Propane Stove...3 Bdr. - 2 Ba. - Jetted Tub In Master Bath...Gourmet Kitchen Has Granite Counters, Island Bar... Nice Trees In The Back For Privacy...2 Car Garage With Opener & R V Parking...A Must See!! \$419,000 7/228



SINGLE LEVEL, EASY ENTRY, ON A QUIET COURT...GREAT MOUNTAIN VIEWS...NICE OPEN FLOOR PLAN...3 Bedroom - 2 Bath Home, Open Beam Ceiling - Wood Burning Fireplace in Great Room - Wet Bar... Free Standing Stove In Master Bedroom...Nice Deck And A Portion Is Covered... New Roof - 2001 ~ Exterior Paint - 2003 ~ Well Maintained 2140 Sq. Ft. Home...2 Car Garage \$399,000 8/180



CUTE AS A BUG! This 1460 SQ.FT. 3 BDR/2 BA home is ready to go. Perfect for retirees or vacationing. One level for easy access on a flat lot. Nice decks front & back. Nice tree setting. Landscaped for easy maintenance. Priced to sell !! \$339.000 7/203



Sales and Vacation Rentals

WELL MAINTAINED 2 LEVEL HOME Priced To SELL. Country Setting With Lots of Nice Oak Trees, 2 Lots Merged - 1.32 Acre. 2 Master Suites-Jetted Tub. Main Level Has Living Room With Rock Fireplace, Enclosed Bar Set Up Off Living Room & A Formal Dining Room. 2,689 Sq. Ft. For Great Entertaining Inside or On Large Deck Area. Nice Appointed Kitchen. Huge Multi Purpose Room/Guest Quarters With 3rd Sleeping Area, I Bath, Free Standing Stove. Garden Area. City Water Plus A Well Foo Outside Watering. 4 Car Garage. Solar Water Heater \$499,999 12/245



SITUATED ON OVER 2 ACRES - this quiet cul de sac location is unmatched...the ranch style log/cedar home has 4 bedrooms - 3 baths...you must see to believe this absolutely turnkey residence...low maintenance landscaping and lighting as well as covered patio with built in bbq make this the perfect vacation retreat...level blacktop circular driveway...views of the mountains, trees and seasonal creek. \$595,000 11/37



GREAT COZY 4 BDR. 2 BATH CHALET with nice upgrades thru-out. New propane range. Not in yet but sellers will do new french doors going out to the deck. Carpet and fresh paint 1 yr new. Just minutes from country club and the lake. 1 Car garage. 7/171 \$349,000



YOU MUST SEE TO BELIEVE! Whether your into horseback riding, fishing, or just plain relaxing on your covered porch, this 3 year old home offers it all! 4 Bdr.- 2+ Ba. Many amenities: jetted tub, bonus room, laminate flooring, Plus! Situated on 1.16 ac. with complete horse set up. 2 stall barn w/tack and storage. RV Parking Level Blacktop Driveway 12/166 \$639,000



HORSE PROPERTY...1.12 Acres...2 Covered Stalls, Tack/Storage Room, Fenced Corral...Remodeled In 1996...2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths + Loft With 2 Areas...Plus...576 Sq. Ft. Bonus Room Above 2 Car Garage...Nice Light Kitchen W/Garden Window, Down Draft Range - Plus More!!... Approx 1571 Sq. Ft....Large Deck...View of Mountains, Green Belt & Trees \$439,000 12/204



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COMFY COZY HIDE-A-WAY. Not far from the main

1/77 - Almost level golf course lot, close
to all amenities \$175,000
2/20 - Gentle Upslope – view of mountains
and trees \$69,900
3/373 - Almost level lot, nicely treed with
a gentle upslope \$95,000

**5/29 - Beautiful trees**, E Z build lot across

### THE GOOD EARTH

from golf course \$95.000

5/109 - Sewered, prime golf course lot view of 13th fairway .... \$249,000

5C/309A - Prime Golf course lot / cul-desac – sewered . . . . . . . . . . . \$295,000

6/234 & 6/235 Two adjacent lots, approx.  $\frac{1}{2}$  ac. ea. EZ build .... \$50,000 each

<b>6/26 Nice buildable lot</b> – greenbelt – view of trees \$60,000
<b>7/59 Almost level lot</b> – EZ build – Nice trees
Hwy 120 - 1.60 ac., 365 feet of Hwy. 120           frontage         \$49,000

### **NEW HOME Under Construction**

2 BDR. 2 BATH - APPROX. 1249 SO. FT. HOME in a senior

development. It is within a few steps from the community area and pool. The ext. and landscaping are superbly maintained - fruit

trees and well manicured yard punctuate a great floor plan. A little

upgrading awaits a discerning buyer. 2 car garage w/opener. 22595

NEW HOME BY LENNEN ASSOCIATES. Great curb appeal. 3 bedroom 2 bath plus spacious great room. Well appointed kitchen with breakfast bar and pantry. Wet bar, whole house fan & 450 sq ft deck for socializing. In DSL service area. Only 1/2 mi. to Marina. 2 Car garage. This is the home you have been looking for. 1/11 \$475,000



Prospect Heights \$212,500



marina. On secluded large lot. 3 Bdr. 2 Ba. Bonus Room. Great vacation rental. Large deck looks out amongst the pines. 3 yrs new roof, A/C, refrig, range/oven, counter tops. Pest Insp. Done. A must see!!! 8/18 \$319,900



### **REAL ESTATE QUIZ:** TRUE or FALSE?

**PML home sales volume is way down from last year. False!** 63 homes closed escrow in the first 6 months of 2005. 61 homes closed escrow in the first 6 months of 2006

A lot more homes are on the market in PML than last summer. <u>True!</u>

163 homes are listed for sale—last summer it was around 80 homes.This doubling of inventory is occurring all over California.Therefore, a lot more sellers for the same number of buyers.

Sales prices have dropped since last year in PML. <u>False!</u> The average has gone up 10% (if we include four million-dollar lake front sales in the average it's 20%!)

> If I buy in 2006 at 2005 prices, I am NOT buying at the "peak of the market". <u>True!</u> The peak has passed.

The law of supply and demand will cause sellers to reduce prices. In anticipation of this, the sellers of homes shown on this page are reducing prices NOW.

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### PRICES ROLLED BACK TO 2005 !!



**SPACIOUS HOME W/VIEWS** 2600 sq ft, decking, game room 8/213 **\$459,000** 



**2BR~ 2BA~ 2 LOTS.** Hot new price, garage 2-308 \$320,000



**CEDAR SETTING, COOL BONUS ROOM** on .59 acre, hardwood floors, 4/311 \$299,000



**AFFORDABLE HIDEAWAY** the quietest street in PML, 3bd, 2 ba, 2 decks, 7/223 **\$235,000** 



**DELIGHTFUL ENTRY COURT** 3300 sq ft of elegance on greenbelt, VIEWS, 1/201 **\$655,000** 



REMODELED CABIN 4 br remodelnice 2/375 \$299,900



**MR ED'S DREAM HOME** Stables, pasture & lovely estate home 12/167 **\$599,000** 



**FIFTH FAIRWAY** near Country Club, views of Yosemite in front, 2/2, furnished **\$165,000** 

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**THE PERFECT PERCH** Nice views, covered deck 3/364 **\$319,900** 



**FLAT & FANTASTIC** Lawns, irrigation well, fenced pasture, 2000 sq ft, 12/163, **\$425,000** 



**NEW DOCK INCLUDED.** Fisherman's cove. 3 bd, 3 ba & game rm. 3/172. **\$749,000** 



**SWEET DEAL** Sgl level 3 bdr \$9K Credit 3/356 **\$249,900** 



**UNDER CONSTRUCTION NEAR LAKE** LODGE. 2/2/2,. Almost 1400 sf. 4/439 **\$298,000** 



HIGH CEILING & WINDOWS. Daffodils & Iris. Dbl lot. Mfg home w/gar. 3/2 \$315,000



**ATTRACTIVE, AFFORDABLE & NEW,** mfg 3 bd, den, lg. kitchen, pantry. 6/205 **\$239,000.** 

**Our 3 full-time Realtors** closed FIVE times the number of escrow sides in 2006 as the average local Realtor in PML. See pinemtnlake.com for details.





Eleda Carlson Realtor



Ann Powell Realtor





LIKE CAMPING OUT...IN A LUXURIOUS INN Spacious cedar home on .79 ac greenbelt lot ! 2/483 \$470,000



SECLUDED ORIGINAL CABIN. Seas. creek w/berries. Over 1/2 acre, deck. 1/4 \$299,000



ELEGANT FINISHES. Dbl. door entry. New, one level, dbl. lot. 3/2/2. 2/395 \$459,000



**EXTREME MAKE OVER** Spruced up & ready 3br/ 2ba 7/81 \$379,000



**UNIQUE CABIN RETREAT** pine beamed ceilings, furnished, creek, huge deck, 2/2, 7/264 \$263,000



A-FRAME CABIN. Lge deck w/view. Dbl gar, level entry. 10/43 \$319,900



GREAT HOME/RENTAL. Superbly maint. 3/2/2. Quiet corner lot. 4/263 \$469,000



**CREATE NEW MEMORIES** 2 mstr stes + 2 guest bd & bonus rm 8/1 \$425,000



VIRGIN 3 BEDROOM + office, NEW, 1700 sf, pretty pines, Trex deck, 2/173 \$277,000



WALK TO BEACH. Almost new, huge kitchen, 3/4 ac., 3 decks, lake view. 4/437 \$509,000



**BUILDER'S DIGS-SANTA CRUZ** STYLE. New paint & flooring, 3 bd/ 2 ba 3-380 \$369,900



**UNDER CONSTRUCTION.** Choose your finishes early, 3 bd/ 2ba 2/44 \$379,000



**CUSTOM WET BAR.** Golf Course home, one level w/full length deck. 5/245 \$489,900



**TAKE IT FOR GRANITE -NEW** in 2004, 766 sq ft garage, 3/2, Trex deck, granite counters, 2/217 \$438,000



**NEW HOME W/ STYLE** Nicely finished, 3 br/ 2 ba, tile & granite 8/91 \$369,900



BEAR CUTE. Merged Lot, 3-2, bonus room. Pool table & spa avail. Views. 4/241 \$325,000



**NEW COUNTRY HOME.** Covered porch 3br/ 2ba 6/182 \$349,900



**FRENCH COUNTRY FLAIR** "Dreamy" golf course custom home 5/102 \$985,000



**BIRDS EYE TOWER VIEWS.** Grand 4764 sq ft, elevator 11A/3 \$895,000



WOODSY & SECLUDED. Hot tub in rear, guest room 4/413 \$349,000





by Lauree Borup Will Your Home Sell This Year?

he real estate market has changed in a year, but not as much as it is going to. The best analogy is not a bubble bursting, but an ascending series of mountain peaks, with some swales and gentler slopes in between. It's time to take our breath and assess the strength in our legs.

Here's where we have been:

Median Home Price 1997	Calif	PML
	\$171,000	\$121,000
2000	\$248,000	\$145,000
And now:		
2006	¢5(1000	¢225.000

\$564,000 \$335,000

Home sold prices have continued to rise over the past year, in California about 8% and in PML about 9%. But the volume of sales has decreased in California 21% since a year ago while in PML a total of 61 homes sold the first six months this year compared to 63 in the first six months of 2005.

The State inventory of unsold homes has more than doubled, and so has PML's, from about 75 houses for sale in July 2005 to 160 now.

So it's not that less homes are selling here, it's that a lot more homes are on the market

Who are the sellers? In the last year contractors built new homes "on spec" to make a living; long-time homeowners want to cash in on their equity to use it for retirement; speculators want to make some quick cash. In "normal" times the sellers are retiring vacation homeowners who can no longer afford two homes or elderly retirees who want to move closer to hospitals and grandkids.

Who are the buyers? More than half are buying a second home for their own enjoyment. The rest are investors who plan to rent the house; or primary home buyers, either retiring or younger workers.

The big local news in 2005 was the frenzy of lot buying that doubled prices.

The average price of a PML lot sold in 2004 was \$39,000. By the end of 2005 the average had increased to \$82,000. The current average is \$86,000 but demand has subsided. The number of lots sold so far in 2006 is only 16--making



mountain views, detached workshop and fenced garden area. The neighboring property with one house on 5 acres is also available at this time. Hells Hollow Rd, Groveland MLS# 64985 \$300,000



unit. Near Club, tennis, pool & golf 5/275 PML MLS#64865 \$499,900



64984 \$300,000



LOOKING FOR A PLACE NEAR THE LAKE LODGE? Take a look at this cozy ome on Big Foot Circle. Enjoy the gorgeous mountain view from the large deck rea or relax over brunch under the covered decking. With 2 bedrooms and bathrooms upstairs and a bonus room downstairs, this well-maintained home will make a great permanent residence or vacation getaway Level, circular drive lar driveway and seasonal creek make it all that much better! 4/358 PML MLS65284 \$290,000

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lot sales suddenly as slow as 1995 which was the worst year of the mid-90's recession in PML.

The mortgage rates started to increase in November 2005.

In 2004 the 30 year fixed mortgage rate was around 5%. It is currently 6.5% but could reach 7% later this year. On a \$300,000 loan, the payment is \$386 a month higher at a 7% interest rate than a 5% rate (\$1,996 minus \$1,610).

In order to keep your payment at \$1,610 with a 7% mortgage, you could only afford a \$242,000 loan. As interest rates increase, affordability decreases and WILL slow down or halt rising home prices.

The mostly good news for homeowners is a humming California economy, low unemployment, and still some of the lowest interest rates in a generation.

WHAT A DEAL! TWO-FOR-ONE! Two houses on b beautifully wooded very usable acres backing up to national forest land. The first house is a two bedroom, 1 bath, in an unfinished state and bas beanging the provide acres is a two bedroom, 1 bath, in an unfinished state and bas beanging to provide acres is a two bedroom, 1 bath, in an unfinished state and bas beanging to provide acres is a two bedroom is a two bedroom

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2800 square foot mountain home. A prime loca-tion, backing up to National Forest land, just 5 miles east of Groveland and 20 short miles to has been given no value. The possibilities are excit-ingl Close to Yosemite and Groveland, with filtered mountain views, detached workshop and fenced property with 2 homes on 5 acres is also avail-oversized tub and separate shower. Fenced outdoor living from the large, covered deck, garden area. The neighboring property with one able at this time. Hells Hollow Rd, Groveland MLS# garden area, landscaping, seasonal creek and listening to the wind in the pines. Large rooms, bdm and separate closet in master bath plus oversized tub and separate shower. Fenced garden area, landscaping, seasonal creek and robotic lawn mower. Much more! Sonora Area MLS#64832 \$600,000 **Area Control State** (1997) **Area Control State** (1997) **Area Control State** (1997) **Area Control State** (1997) **Bread State (1997) Bread State (1997) Bread State (1997)** into two parcels. Below the snow line and above the fog at 2800 feet. Sandean Ln, Groveland MLS# 65021 \$450,000

EXCELLENT INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY! ONE-OF-A-KIND 1940'S Home, lovingly refur-Custom-built duplex with beautiful view of the 5th bished and maintained by the same owner for sear-round living. Enjoy the peacefulness of this fairway at Pine Mountain Lake's championship golf over thirty years. 4bd, 3ba, tile kitchen, hardwood setting, filtered mountain views, spectacular sunsets and a distant view of the golf course. 3bd, 2ba, 1600sf & 2-car garage for each flooring, Berber carpet, central heat and air. Se- course. New paint, appliances, carpet, tile and granite tile counters. The master bedroom is on the curity system, swimming pool and spa, covered main level, along with the kitchen and living room. Two additional bedrooms are located downstains for wrap-around porch, landscaped yard and beautiful privacy. Conveniently located near the golf course, country club, tennis courts, pool and Dunn Court view of downtown Sonora and the surrounding Beach. Furniture is available on separate bill of sale. 2/25 PML MLS#65208 \$350,000 hills. Sonora Area MLS#65040 \$499,500

The Team

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The key to selling your home now is  $\sum_{i=1}^{n}$  to price it right the minute it goes on the market.

Overpricing is the 2006 seller's way gambling. The weakers of gambling. The weakening market is stacked against them as are the odds in the casino or the lottery. They hope  $\frac{1}{5}$ that "some buyer will fall in love with this house and pay top dollar in the first  $\widecheck{\mathbf{Q}}$ 



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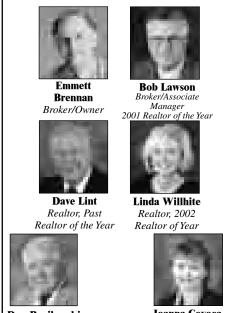
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Joanna Covoca Realton



REMODELED CHALET.....with lots of charm. Huge great room & master suite, office. Covered deck with hot tub. 2 car garage plus 4 car garage/workshop (detached). Garden area. 3 lots merged. All new carpet and paint thruout. Must see to appreciate. Call David Lint, \$469,900 6/164 MLS#65169



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Zane McDow

Realtor



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## "Homes on the Hill" Real Estate

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month". That is the gamble. If it doesn't happen, they can always lower the price, like folding their poker hand. A few sellers do win this gamble, and these are touted as the shining examples of a top dollar house that quickly sold.

But when the market is balanced, and not a seller's market as the last six years have been, the seller risks losing valuable market momentum, not just penny ante. Here's how.

There are lots of hungry agents in town.

They are looking for just the right home at the right price for the buyer or two they are nursing along. They see a new listing with a great price, more like a 2005 price than 2006.

Forget e-mail—get on the phone and get that buyer to make an offer before somebody else snaps it up! The sale happens—the agent, the buyer, and hopefully the motivated seller are all happy.

The buyer who put in the second bid is not happy-they are still looking.

Their agent shows them a new listing that is 15% overpriced (a gambling seller). The

buyer makes an offer and the seller turns it down. Three months later that buyer has purchased something else or has gotten discouraged and stopped looking. If a buyer makes reasonable offers that aren't accepted, we commonly see them give up after two or three such tries. It is time-consuming and they get tired of getting their hopes up.

Meanwhile, the discouraged buyer's agent may not show that house again because now they see the seller as difficult or unwilling to negotiate. A house on the market gets a "reputation." That reputation may be "overpriced," "stinky," "bad neighbors next door," or "shopworn" like the clothes half off the hangar at the sale rack. Even if the price is dropped, the house aired out, and the neighbors move, it is impossible to recapture the impact of a "great new deal on the market."

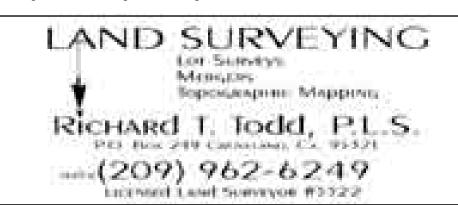
So don't underestimate the power of emotions. Buyers lose enthusiasm, agents get disappointed, sellers get tired of waiting and throw in their chips by taking their house off the market. Today's top emotion is uncertainty and fear about the future. Sellers think they have to sell now before the prices go down. Buyers fear that if they buy now it is the peak of the market and prices will go down. The truth is, the market is pretty steady and can stay that way if prices are realistic.

Lauree is the broker/owner of RE/MAX Yosemite Gold. She is a certified internet Realtor, having recently earned the e-PRO designation from N.A.R.



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## **EVERYONE HAD FUN! Country Mtn. Riders Event**

by Connie Soderberg

ountry Mountain Riders put on their best annual 4th of July event yet at the newly refurbished PML Equestrian Center. President Dave Flores cooridinated the colorful program while Janet Heuer took charge of the red, white and blue decorations and for the 2nd year running, Paul Purifoy arranged and announced an air show that wowed the crowd. The Horse & Rider Color Guard plunked on everyone's patriotic heartstrings and brought tears to their eyes as the red, white and blue proudly unfurled in the center of the arena to the national anthem sung by Shirley Brasesco and that was followed by a new and very much enjoyed attraction, the "Exhibition of Breeds," which was choreographed and presented by Connie Soderberg and emcee'd by Jim Soderberg. Riders were Delia Self, Karoline Waggle, Terri Sullivan, Rita Moore, Bonnie Belisle, Paul

Purifoy, Wendy Lee, Barbara Lacy, Janet Heuer, Holly Foiles, and guest rider, Sheila Daly. The show was topped off by Maximillion, Robin Temple's miniature horse, led by Ashley. Luke Sullivan was our music director and Lester Scofield read a beautiful rendition of "The Old Ragged Flag."

The tri-tip dinner was prepared by Jim Cook while the Country Mtn. Riders served and 50/50 Rose made sure everyone had their raffle tickets.

Pilots were Randy Barber, Mike Thoben, Kent Blankenburg, Mike Lella, Pual Price, Al Buchner, Rich McGlashan, Lyn Orloff, Vicky Benzing, Jim Thomas, Dwaine Carver. Thanks to those fantasic flyers!

Also, thanks to Steve Moore for releasing the red, white and blue pigeons and to the country line dancers who entertained during dinner.

We love our Country-Western Band,



Mtn. Fever. We will have another. The guests danced their hearts out right up until the end.

Most of all, a BIG thank you to PML

for providing the beautiful equestrian center and to all the guests that made this night such an incredible success. Ya'll come back next year.





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### COMMUNITY CORNER **The Gift of Generations** by Rosemary Adams

ur Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum has just prepared a new exhibit featuring three generations of U.S. Forest Rangers who served in Yosemite National Park over a span of 71 years, ranging from 1906 to 1977.

They are Grandfather Gabriel Sovulewski (1906-1936), Father Frank B. Ewing (1916-1918 as a Park Ranger, then with the National Park Service until 1950) and Son Herbert B. Ewing (1946-1977). They are now deceased, but their years of dedication to the U.S. Forest Rangers remains a great tribute to them.

Herbert Ewing was born and reared in Yosemite, and in 1946 he brought his bride, Ruth Ewing, and their 5 month old son Bobby to begin their sojourn. Yes, that is our own Ruth Ewing who has been active in our community for many years. They lived in our area following Herbert's retirement. He was involved in many projects, notably the California Cooperative Snow Surveys for which he received many awards.

An interesting and fun item of the exhibit refers to the October, 1956 issue of Good Housekeeping, wherein Ruth was interviewed concerning her adjustment from a Newark, N.J. "big city" girl to "roughing it" in the forest environment of Yosemite. Ruth, in her special, humorous way told of living in a two tent abode – all the essential utilities OUTSIDE!!

We know you will enjoy seeing the exhibit. Do come by. We are open every day, from 1:00pm - 4:30pm.



## **Quilters Quorner**

by Sandy Smith

S eptember 7, 2006, remember this date. This is the last day to register for Lisa's "Quilting In Groveland Class." As you remember last class schedule we missed getting enough registered. The forms are at the library, the Guild, Bunny Rose and at Nana's. Please register early so we can once again enjoy the quilt class here at the library. It will run from Sept 11th thru Nov. 20th. Lisa Morales will be the instructor. Section # is 8328. The fee is \$50. You can also register on line at www.gocolumbia.org.

For those of you who are going to be traveling, take along the Quilters Travel Companion. This is a directory of quilt shops all over the United States and in Canada. I took it on our trip to Alaska and had great fun having the owners sign on their ads. The new one is out now and is good for 2 years. You can get yours at Nanas, Bunny Rose or WinDees. Check it out, you will be pleasantly surprised how many quilt shops there are.

The last Wednesday of each month Bunny Rose is having a stash buster class. It is held at the Charlotte. The \$20 fee includes lunch and usually a free pattern. Have been hearing good things. Give Bunny a call and check out what is going on.

Here is a great response to someone who asks you why you quilt, "You don't have to cook it, dust it, scrub it, or vacuum it." Loved that answer. And in this day of watching calories, something to think about when you are browsing in the quilt shops, fat quarters are not fattening.

Have you seen our opportunity quilt around town? It is gorgeous and only one dollar for a chance to own it. You can get tickets at either bank, at the guild, lots of guild members have tickets, or flag down Wina Helm. Tickets are being sold also at the Rebekah Breakfast the 1st Sunday of each month. For \$5.00 you get a great breakfast and will enjoy it with others in the community.

Remember the Pine Needlers Guild meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., downstairs at the library. If you are new in town or just would like to see what we do, "come on down." We will leave the light on for ya.

Next month Sonora Guild will be having their Quilts & Threads Show at the fair grounds on September 16 & 17th. They will be featuring exhibits of quilting, embroidery, weaving and spinning. Refreshments and lunch will be available. It is always a good show and lots of fun to find a quilt done by someone you know.

Next time you are at your computer ,go to the web search and put in quilting meetups. This is a really neat idea. Let me know what you think of it. Also check out the 4th one and play the trivia game. I missed two. Hope your score was better than mine.



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## Groveland Rotary Presents Shrimp Boats is a Comin'!!!

by Gordon Jones

S aturday, September 9, is the date set for Groveland Rotary's All-You-Can-Eat Louisiana-style Shrimp Boil and Louisiana-style Sausage, with all the trimmings! The site for this down-South spectacular is the Pine Mountain Lake Stables. Refreshments start at 4:30 with dinner at 6:00. (No cooler chests, please).

And, to entertain you, what could be better than a great New Orleans sound, the Hogan's Heroes Dixieland Band!

So, get in the mood, get ready to eat, and get ready to swing.

The price for this not-to-be-missed dinner is \$35 per person.

All proceeds go to Groveland Rotary's community and international projects. Tickets are available at Pacific State Bank, Yosemite Bank, or by calling Jim Thayer, 962-5007 or John Brunk, 962-6276.



by Carol Morgan

fter cancelling outings for April and May due to lack of interest (maybe gasoline prices?) June's outing to Plymouth was hosted by Bob and Shirley Haliwell with Linn Faler and Barbara Haiges assisting with the food. And what wonderful food we had. With an Italian theme, nothing but a lasagna would do and such a delicious one it was. Lots of tasty side dishes and desserts filled out the menu and we left the table groaning with pain and pleasure.

Daytime activities were divided between swimming at the campground pool, wine tasting and the flower farm in nearby Shenandoah Valley. The happy campers were Betty and Willie Boatman, Nancy and Bob Meyer, Beverly and Walter Hills, Jeannette and Tom Taylor, Carol and George Voyvodich, Carol and Dave Morgan as well as the hosts Shirley and Bob Haliwell with granddaughters Ali and Hayley, and Linn Faler and Barbara Haiges. Gee, it felt good to get together again!



**James S. Bradley** Oct. 17, 1945 — July 17, 2006

*James "Steve" Stephen Bradley*, 60, of Groveland died Monday at Doctors Medical Center, Modesto.

Mr. Bradley was a native of San Diego and lived in Groveland 10 years. He previously lived in Alameda and Arkansas. He was a meat cutter for 20 years, and worked for Big Oak Flat-Groveland Unified School District as a substitute teacher at Don Pedro High School. He was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He enjoyed nature, travel, motorcycles, photography and animals.



He is survived by his wife, Sandy Bradley

of Groveland; children, Brittany Bradley and Thoren Bradley, both of Groveland, and Shannon Bradley and Patrik Bradley, both of Stockton; brother, Mike Bradley of Castro Valley; sisters, Margaret Moore of Pottsville, Ark., and Mary Brown of Idaho Falls, Idaho; ex-wife, Jeanette Gould of Livermore; and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one brother; and one sister.

Memorial services were held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, Big Oak Flat. Private burial at Mount Carmel Catholic Cemetery.

Remembrances may be made to the Tioga Student Council Memorial Scholarship Fund, in care of Yosemite Bank, 18580 Main St., Groveland 95321.



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## **Summer Programs with the Forest Service**

For more information on these and other Forest Service programs, contact the Groveland Ranger Station at (209) 962-7825 or stop by our Visitor Center. We have friendly staff, books, maps and other information on hand to

help you explore your national forest. The Groveland Ranger Station is located on Highway 120, about 10 miles east of the town of Groveland.

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Sunday August 20

### **Evening Campfire Programs**

Join a forest naturalist for campfire programs "like the good old days," full of forest facts and fun. Bring your families, chairs, and questions.

Fridays at Dimond O Campground on Evergreen Road –Aug. 4 & 25 (call 962-7825 for start times)

Saturdays at Cherry Valley Campground – all programs begin at 7:30 pm –Aug. 5, Aug. 19, Sept. 2

#### **Forests For Families**

Bring your family to the Groveland Library on Mondays at 10:30 am to learn more about taking care of the Stanislaus Forest while participating in creative, family-based outdoor activities! Bring plenty of water, a hat, sunscreen, and a snack for the little ones. Dress in clothing that can



get dirty!

Mondays - July 31, Aug.7, Aug.14, Aug. 21

#### **Junior Rangers**

Join our all new Junior Ranger program! Pick up a Junior Ranger booklet at the Groveland Ranger Station on Highway 120, about 10 miles east of Groveland. Call (209)962-7825 for more information.

#### Looking to the Heavens

Groveland's dark summer nights accentuate an abundance of stars, planets, constellations, comets and imaginations! Discover the answers to your night sky questions. Bring your scopes, binoculars, warm clothing, chair or blanket, and water (or hot beverage). Reservations required – call (209)962-7825. Meet at the Groveland Ranger Station to carpool.

Saturdays – Aug 12, 7:15 pm; Sept. 16, 7:00 pm; Oct. 7, 6:30 pm

#### **People in the Pines**

Take a short hike with a naturalist to explore the history and value of trees. Following the hike, join volunteer Lorna Troutman in creating a pine needle basket. Wear comfortable walking shoes and layered clothing. Bring a hat, insect repellent, sunscreen and water. 33 donation for materials. Saturdays from 2 - 4

pm, at the Dimond O Campground on Evergreen Road. July 29, Aug. 12, Aug. 26

#### The Tree of Life

The mighty oak offers a home to small animals, is the stuff of legends and provides us with fuel and food. Meet one of the largest of its kind, the Jordan Oak. and fall in love with the seven oak species that live with us by hearing how oaks have influenced the history of our forest. Meet at the Groveland Ranger Station at 9:00 am prepared with water, hat and sunscreen.

Saturday, August 5

## Genealogy Chat by Peggy Andrews

Researching your Native American ancestors was the subject of discussion at the June meeting. Joan Sawday brought a book put out by the American Heritage Magazine featuring articles on Native American History. Harold Wesley also brought a good deal of material on the subject.

I have found a new site for those of you who use the computer for research,

## **Soroptimist International of Groveland** 2006-2007 Officers Installed

S oroptimist Internation of Groveland installed new officers for 2006-2007 at an Installation Luncheon on June 27, 2006. The fun filled installation ceremony, directed by Catherine Santa Maria and Jeanne Brunk, was held at the Hotel Charolotte . Following the western theme selected by President Gail Shaw , each officer was called forward to receive the name of a Wild West woman who had a history of strength, wisdom and a commitment to service. In addition each received a Soroptimist planning calendar with a list of office responsibilities to help them through the year.

President-Elect -Cindi Goodrich Vice-President - Judy Gravino Treasurer - Nancy Dennison Assistant Treasurer - Alicia Bergmann Recording Secretary - Peggy Andrews Corresponding Secretary - Shirley Brasesco Delegates - Donna Thayer and Jeannie Post

Alternate Delegate - Flo Jansen

Director (2 year) - Diane Harrison Director (1 year) - Carole Smith

### **New Officers are:**

President - Gail Shaw

Soroptimists International of Groveland meets Tuesdays at 12:30 PM at The Pine Mountain Lake - Lake Lodge.



myheritageresearch.com. This site searches across more than 400 sources ranging from World Cemetery Records to the Wisconsin Historical Society. The search is free but individual databases may charge fees or require a subscription. Also, to use, the searcher must download a software application but again the initial

search is free.

You need not be a member to come to the meetings so please feel free to come and join the discussion; new faces are always welcome. Our meetings are the fourth Friday of each month from 1 to 4, downstairs in the Groveland Library. For more information call Karen Davis, at 964-0745.



## \$500,000 in excess funds each year to Groveland's schools and children from Long Gulch Ranch property taxes

## **Groveland School Budget Comparison**

## An Explanation

School budgets are set by the State. Local property taxes fund these budgets.

For 94% of California school districts, local property taxes are not sufficient to fund the school budget. State aid funds the shortfall.

For 6% of California school districts, local property taxes are greater than the school budget.

The excess does not go back to the State.

These local school districts keep the excess funds to use however they decide.

Excess Funds	0.0	\$0.5 million
Total	\$3.6 million	\$4.2 million
From State aid	.3 million	0.0
From property taxes	3.3 million	4.2 million
	students	plus 20 from Long Gulch Ranch
State-approved budget	<b>\$3.6 million</b> existing	<b>\$3.7 million</b> existing students
	2004-2005	Gulch Ranch

Long Gulch Ranch will generate approximately \$900,000 in property taxes for local schools based on 372 homes with an average valuation of \$750,000.

From Long Gulch Ranch's property taxes, Groveland schools will receive an extra \$500,000 each year to spend however they decide.

### For the latest information, you're invited to attend



Groveland Citizens Monthly Breakfast Sunday, August 20 - Community Hall 7:30 to 11:00 - Drop in anytime Please call 962-6682 to make a reservation Cost: \$5 - Children Free



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There will be our regular meeting at 11:00 to discuss ways to improve Groveland. On the agenda will be: increased police protection and a dog park.

Groveland Citizens for Sustainable Community Environments, Inc. is a California non-profit corporation.

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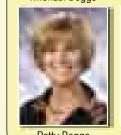




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## **Liz Reinhard Paints** the Town by Denise Bauman

s a new resident to Groveland, Liz Reinhard couldn't wait to meet and paint one of our most colorful and infamous local personalities ,the fabulous Kay Glaves, aka "the Purple Lady".

Liz Reinhard, popular portrait artist, will be holding water color demonstrations of the portrait she will be painting of Groveland's "woman extraordinare" Kay Glaves. The demonstrations will be once a week for 4 weeks. It will be interesting to watch the painting develop. Liz chose Kay because she is such a treasure to the community and a woman of many hats and personalities.

Kay is so generous of her time and talents to the community, Liz is honored to know her and privileged to do a painting of her. Groveland is a better place because of Kay.

To watch the water color demonstrations and progress of the portrait painting of Kay Glaves, note these dates:

Sept. 3rd. Sun. GAS event 11:00 am to 2:00 pm the Groveland Hotel patio

Sept. 10th Sun. 11:00 am to 1:30 pm at

the Hotel Charlotte with a reception for the opening of Liz's One Woman Show at the Charlotte.

Sept, 17th Sun. 11: 00 am to 1:30 pm at the Hotel Charlotte

Sept. 24th Sun. 11: 00 am to 1:30 pm at the Hotel Charlotte

PHOTO: Liz Reinhard and Kay Glaves discussing poses for the portrait painting Liz is preparing to do of Kay with demonstrations for the public to view.

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Liz Reinhard (left) with paper and pencil in hand, gets ready to start her newest piece of artwork featuring Groveland's own "Purple Lady," better known as Kay Glaves.





## Lift Station Upgrades Underway

by Jim Goodrich, GCSD General Manager

kay, I'll confess up front that this isn't going to be a particularly clever article in a literary sense. But, it is a piece of information that you should know concerning your sewer system and the impact that it will have on you.

You may have noticed the construction activities near the intersection of Tannahill Drive and Pleasant View. This is the District's Lift Station No. 7, which is the last lift station in the Pine Mountain Lake sewage collection system before sewage enters the wastewater treatment plant. Recall that lift stations move sewage "uphill" to the wastewater treatment plant. They must be 100 percent reliable or raw sewage will spill into the streets, creeks and lake. I think we can all agree that this is not a good thing.

This construction activity is part of a multi-million dollar sewage collection system upgrade, which will ultimately involve some level of upgrade to each of our 16 lift stations. These upgrades are part of a Regional Water Quality Control Board order issued in 2001 that requires the District to eliminate sewage spills. Failures at these lift stations were the cause of numerous sewage spills in the 1990s and early 2000s, the last of which occurred on New Years Eve 2004. In early 2005, the District initiated an aggressive process to make our lift stations safer and more reliable.

The first system-wide upgrades completed in 2005 included the replacement or rehabilitation of the emergency standby generators which now automatically activate if the power should fluctuate or fail. We also upgraded some of the pumps in the lift stations—the old ones were over 20 years old and not the best type of pump for this application.

The upgrades now underway, such as that at Lift Station No. 7, will add storage in the form of a new vault that measures 8 feet in diameter and 22 feet deep. To get them settled into their deep excavations, we had to first drill and blast very hard rock. These vaults will house the new pumps and will be interconnected with the old vaults to add storage capacity. We will also be upgrading the electrical systems and the radio communications and control systems to increase reliability.

The first upgrades are being made to our "hub" stations. These are the intersection points where several sewer lines converge. After these five hub lift stations are upgraded, we will be completing pump and electrical upgrades to the remaining 11 lift stations. This will occur next year.

As part of this system upgrade, the District has a program underway to locate leaks in the sewage collection system. These leaks could be caused by broken sewer pipes, root obstructions, or rainwater leaking into manholes. We do this in a number of ways. Sometimes we can locate leaks by blowing dense smoke into the sewer lines and look for places were smoke shouldn't be, like broken cleanout tubes or rain gutters (sometimes people hook their downspouts into the sewer, which is illegal). We also video survey pipelines to locate obstructions or breaks.

Once located, these leaks can be quickly fixed. Last year, District staff reduced sewer leaks by over 50 percent using these techniques. By reducing the amount of water that flows into the sewer lines, especially in rainy conditions, we reduce the load on our lift stations, as well as the sewage treatment plant.

To give some indication of the impact that these improvements and maintenance practices have had on the collection system, we had 140 call-outs over the 2005 July 4th weekend. This year we had 10, with only two of these for the sewage collection system. This is a good sign that all of our efforts are paying off.

The upgrades required to satisfy the Regional Water Quality Control Board order will cost about \$2.5 million. Because the District's reserves had been significantly reduced in the previous decade, the District must sell bonds to cover the cost of these upgrades. To pay for these bonds, the monthly debt service will be about \$9.50 per sewer customer. To avoid this heavy financial burden in the future, the District is implementing a preventative maintenance program that fixes and pays for problems as they arise and therefore will not allow the system to deteriorate. We are also in the process of developing financial reserve policies that will help us avoid the need for large bond issuances in the future.

As I said at the beginning of this article, this isn't a particularly fun article to write, but it is important that you understand what these systems do and how important they are to our community and the environment. If you have any questions about the information contained in this article, please feel free to call me or stop by the office. I'll be happy to discuss them with you.

## **Military Pictures Needed**

Do you have a son or daughter, grandson or grandaughter, brother or sister, or family friend who is currently serving in the military? If so, we would like to post their picture!

Monday, September 11, 2006 marks the fifth anniversary of the terroist attacks on America. On that day this year the Hilltop Ministerial Association will host "Free to Pray", a Community Day of Prayer to be held at the Groveland Evangelical Free Church. As a special part of this day we want to remember in prayer those who are currently serving in any branch of the armed services, at home or abroad.

Pictures of men and women from all branches of the armed services, along with their current location, will be shown on a large screen run in a continual loop throughout the course of the day. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED IN COLLECTING PICTURES. If you have a friend or loved one who is currently serving in any branch of the military we would like to pray for them by including their picture in the slide presentation. Pictures may be e-mailed to pamgefc@sbcglobal.net, mailed to Groveland Evangelical Free Church at 19172 Ferretti Rd., or delivered in person to the church office. All pictures will be available for return following the day of prayer. Please include the following information with your pictures: Name, where stationed, branch of military and home town as well as name, address and phone number of the person making the submission.

Other stations will be set up around the church with cards prompting us to pray for our Emergency Services Personnel -- Firefighters, Law Enforcement and Emergency Medical Technicians; local and national leaders, local schools, our churches, our community and more. You may participate at as many, or as few, stations as you choose.

Sponsoring churches include: First Baptist Church of Big Oak Flat; Foothills Community Church; Independent Church of Christ; Mountain Lutheran Church; Seventh Day Adventist Churches; Wildwood Community Chapel, Greeley Hill; Buck Meadows Community Church and Groveland Evangelical Free Church.

This event is for the entire community —you do not need to be a member of any church to participate. Please join us on September 11, any time between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. as we support our military members in prayer.





### **Increased Police Protection for Groveland** by Dan Levin

ncreased police protection for Groveland was one of the two main topics discussed at the monthly meeting of Groveland Citizens on Sunday, July 16 at the Community Hall. The other was the

creation of a dog park.

Pete Peterson, a retired police chief, noted that there is virtually no preventive patrol in the greater Groveland area. However, he stated, "In my opinion, we would probably



need six police officers to provide 24-hour patrol coverage." Given the County's current financial difficulties, it was agreed that Groveland would have to figure out how to pay for any increased police coverage.

Larry Shaw, another retired police chief, agreed to join Pete Peterson and meeting facilitator Dan Levin to further discuss this issue. They will meet on Wednesday, August 2, at 9:00 AM at First American Title Company's conference room. Interested citizens are invited to attend.

Jim Knudson proposed that a dog park be constructed in Groveland. He offered a successful example from another community and described the benefits such a park would offer to the community. He agreed to meet with the Groveland Community Services District to determine if the existing ball field might be an appropriate location.

There will be progress reports on both items at Groveland Citizens next meeting on Sunday, August 20 at 11:00 AM at the Community Hall.

A total of 46 people attended the July meeting. Asked why she came, Marilyn Bodle said that she was curious, adding, "It certainly looks like there are some people interested in getting some things done here."

These sentiments were echoed by meeting facilitator Dan Levin. "Our goal is to create an action-oriented, results-driven group capable of improving Groveland. Everybody has a busy life and the key to success is getting a small commitment from a lot of people. That's why we meet only once a month and that's why the meetings last only an hour."

When a topic such as the dog park or increased police protection comes up, a handful of interested people will follow through and then report back the following month.

Questions were raised at the beginning of the meeting about Dan Levin's involvement because he is also working on the Long Gulch Ranch project. Levin responded, "There are over 200 people who have put their names on the Groveland Citizens website (www.gcsce.net) because they believe that Long Gulch Ranch is good for Groveland. Many of these same people want to improve Groveland and I want to help make that happen. I am facilitating this process, not controlling it."

Gary Oing agreed, "Dan Levin did a fine job running the meeting. He did not attempt to impose his views, he just kept us on topic and moving along."

For questions or further information, Dan Levin can be reached here at 962-0875, on his cell phone at 650-522-4400, or by e-mail at danielpeterlevin@aol.com.

## **Pine Cone Performers**

he Pine Cone Performers will meet for their annual GTATFOWH (Get - Together Again To Find Out What's Happening) potluck on Monday evening, August 28th, in the Groveland Community Hall at 6:00 PM. Everyone bring their favorite dish (or dishes) to share-hors d'oeuvres, salads and veggies, main courses, or dessert--plus their own table service & drinks.

This is the big annual gathering to get reacquainted with fellow singers and actors and to find out what will be happening in the new season. What will the new repertoire for the chorus be? What are the dates of the Winter Holiday Concert? When can the next play be expected to go onstage? The 2005-2006 season was a highly successful one. Both choral concerts were well performed and received; and the play--"Dogsbreath Devereaux, The Dastardly Doctor"--was a big hit! So the group has much to celebrate.

Meanwhile, the date of the first Pine Cone Singers rehearsal, under the direction of Dennis Brown, has been set for Tuesday afternoon, August 29th at 3:00 PM in the Groveland Community Hall. Dues for the fall/winter season are \$30. All voices welcome: 1st & 2nd soprano, alto, tenor, barritone, & bass! Any questions? Call 962-6892 for further information.



## **Whitewolf Art Tails**

The Whitewolf Art Gallery features a new artist's or photographer's work every 3 weeks. So please come by and support your local arts.

The newest exhibit, featuring the Astrophotography of Eddie Pavlu, opened to the public on July 23rd and shows through August 13th.

Eddie lives in Groveland part-time which is where he captures all of his images. He uses an "IR filter removed modified" Canon Digital SLR that is attached to one of several telescopes to acquire the images.

For Deep Sky Objects, Eddie uses a technique called "image stacking" where many image exposures are combined over several nights of viewing to create a long deep exposure. Some exposures, such as the Horsehead Nebula, have over 11 hours of total exposure time taken over the course of 3 evenings.

The Gallery is also pleased to announce an exhibit featuring the photography of Katy Fitzgerald. This exhibit will open to the public on August 14th and go through September 4th.

Katy's collection has affordable wilderness and wildlife photography from her travels between the Bay Area and Groveland. She features a variety of water fowl, backyard birds and local mammals, as well as creatures and critters from local wilderness areas. Her photography will also be on display during the Groveland Art Stroll (GAS) on September 3rd from 10 to 5 at the Whitewolf Art Gallery.

Also join Katy for a reception featuring her photography on August 18th from 4 to 8pm. Hors d' oeuvres and cold drinks will be served.

On-going art exhibited in The Gallery include works from Michael Carey, Milton Eisenhauer and David Wilkinson.

Michael is a wildlife artist from Sacramento who works so well in color pencil that most people can't believe their eyes. He also makes his own frames.

Milton Eisenhauer lives in Yucca Valley, California. He's a wildlife sculpterer who works in alabaster. There are currently several of his pieces on display for sale.

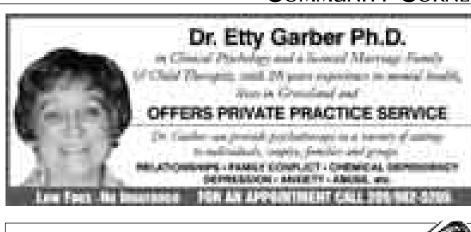
David Wilkinson, a local artist and photographer, has many nature and wildlife photographs from around the area and his automotive artwork is also being exhibited.

For more info on exhibits and featuring your own artwork or photography, please call 962-0342.



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# **Mountain Lutheran** Your Community Church— Groveland's Newest Building

he new Mountain Lutheran Church has opened its doors to the Groveland area and to all visitors and vacationers to Groveland. The first service and dedication was enhanced by the speaker, Rev. Mary Sanders, Dean of the Sierra San Joaquin Conference and Pastor of Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Galt.

The overwhelming attendance at our dedication was greatly inspired by our guest pastor's message, joyful music, and the beautiful and majestic interior of God's new House of Worship. There were approximately 180 people. The dedication service was truly impressive as many people expressed the feeling of God's presence and the touch of the Holy Spirit as they met in this beautiful Christian Church.

Lovely cakes, tea, coffee and fruit drinks were enjoyed after the service.

It is the custom of Lutherans to serve refreshments after the service every Sunday. It enables them to enjoy the fellowship of others by getting to know them better.

Our new pulpit was dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Milan (Doc) and June Barto, June 20, 2003 and presented with love by their family. There is also a plaque placed in the church in honor and in appreciation of Pastor Ralph Herman from



by Dorothy Parker

Modesto who has been our faithful pastor for the past 15 years.

Having previously met in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church our church service hours will remain the same at 10: 45 AM. We have special facilities for young children-a small children's supervised playroom. In addition to our church services we have Bible Study that meets

the first and third Thursday at 1 o'clock at our new church building. Other activities will be held at our new church as planning and time permit.

And remember the brand new Mountain Lutheran Church is located at the top of the hill overlooking the High Sierras at 13000 Down to Earth Court (one street west of Down to Earth Nursery).



There were about 180 people in the new sanctuary at the Mountain Lutheran Church dedication on Sunday, July 23rd.

Left to right: Rev. William Wong of the Sierra Pacific Synod Staff, Rev. Mary Sanders, Dean of the Sierra San Joaquin Conference and Pastor of Shepherd of the Vallev Lutheran Church in Galt, and Pastor Ginger DuMars, Associate Pastor of Mountain Lutheran Church.



Pastor Ralph Herman, pastor of Mountain Lutheran Church in Groveland for the past 15 years, holds up the plaque, presented to him during the dedication, honoring his years with the church.

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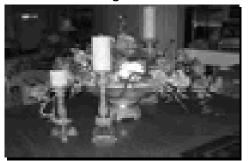
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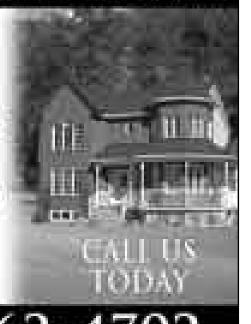
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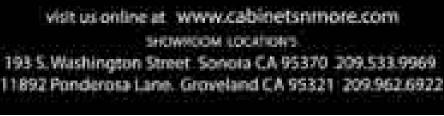
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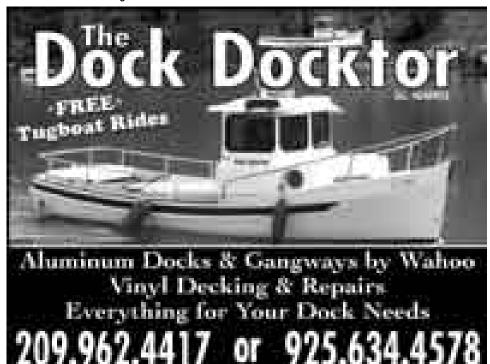
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