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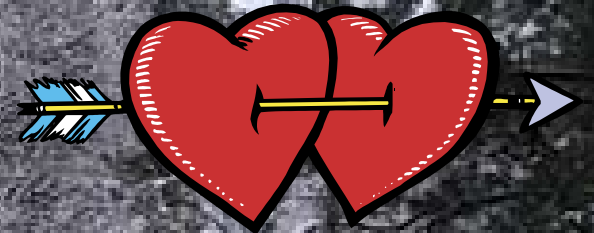
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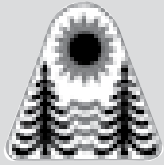
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Winter has finally arrived at PML and just in time. At the end of each year we must drain a portion of the water in our lake in order to keep the rest of the water healthy. Hydrogen sulfide and sulfur dioxide build up near the bottom of the lake due to organic decay and must be purged. The normal purge results in the lake dropping about two feet and must be done before the temperature of the water at the top of the lake becomes the same as the water at the bottom. If that happens, the water becomes mixed and purging is no longer productive. This year we drained only one foot because the lake was already low and predictions were for moderate rainfall this winter. It appears our worries about moderate rainfall this year have been dashed as we are well ahead of average so far this year.

At the January Open Board meeting, the Board of Directors discussed amending the lake use rules, returning to the policy which was in place from 1969 until 1998 of not allowing ac-

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Ron Maguire • Board President

tivities on the lake which produce large wakes. This means that wakeboarding, knee boarding and other similar devices will no longer be allowed. The reason for this action is that in the approximately 9 years that we have allowed wakeboards and similar devices, the complaints about large wakes from other users of the lake, lakefront property owners and safety issues have increased to the point that a petition has been presented to the Board to do something about it. A resolution re-defining lake use will be presented for publication. No other action regarding wakes will take place until all involved have a chance to voice their opinion at the February 16th and March 15th Open Board meetings. This is a substantial issue and we encourage all who are involved with the controversy of large wakes and hours of use to attend the meetings and have their say.

One of the most important considerations the Board has each year is the operation of the restaurant. Past and present Boards have wrestled with the

problem of providing the membership with a quality restaurant while striving to keep costs reasonable. Many changes have been made over the years in an attempt to strike this balance. We believe the quality of food and service at the restaurant has risen over the last two years to a level not seen in many years. In mid February a survey will be presented on line and at several amenities to help current and future Boards develop a comprehensive long-range plan for the restaurant. It will be found at our website, [pinemountainlake.com](http://pinemountainlake.com). Please take the time to help us help you by participating in the survey. We feel the restaurant is a vital amenity and we need to know what the general consensus of opinion is regarding the future of our restaurant.

In conclusion, the accounting firm of Porter & Co., our independent auditing firm, has reviewed finances for the year 2007 and will soon issue their audit report. Look for the results in the March issue of Pine Mountain Lake News.

## On the Cover

Photography by David Wilkinson

Snow falling on Pine Mountain Lake on January 24, 2008.

David Wilkinson is a local photographer. He grew up in the Yosemite area and now makes Groveland his full-time residence. This photo was taken from a private view and is available for purchase along with many other photographs at [CafePress.com/WhitewolfArt](http://CafePress.com/WhitewolfArt).



# GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE

By Joe Powell, CCAM, General Manager

## Long Range Planning Committee Member Survey

I would like to thank all of the members that participated in the member survey that was created and implemented by the LRPC. We received a lot of useful information we have already acted on it. Gary Oing of the LRPC was the creator of the online survey with help and input from the Committee and he gave a comprehensive presentation to the membership and Board at the January, 19th Board meeting. Gary's presentation as well and the survey results are available for review on the PML Website and at the front counter at the PML Administration Office.

## PML Restaurant Survey Coming Soon!

After reviewing the information from their original Master Survey, the Long Range Planning Committee recommended that we conduct a survey just for the Restaurant. The Restaurant is one of our most important amenities and was determined to be in most need of improvement by responses to the Master Survey. The Committee has been working on the Restaurant Survey and it should be available online soon. Look for more information in future editions of the PML News and on the PML Website at [www.pinemountainlake.com](http://www.pinemountainlake.com).

## New ECC Guidelines Booklet

Over the past year the Environmental Control Committee has been working on revisions to the ECC Guidelines booklet. The effort was made to clarify and address issues that arose during individual

member review processes. Back in November the Board approved publication of the draft for member review and comment and the new guidelines were approved unanimously by the Board of Directors at the January Board meeting. The booklet provides a lot of great information for members that plan to perform improvements on their property. We plan to have the guidelines available on the PML Website soon. Members are welcome to pick up a hard copy at the Administration Office for a small fee. Members that have questions about the new guidelines or property improvements can contact our ECC Coordinator, Sandy Golden at (209) 962-8605.

## Transporting Brush

We have received several complaints that some members and contractors have been transporting brush and limbs to the compost area without properly covering and securing the material. As a result, the brush and limbs end up in the street and often cause a traffic hazard. Please be courteous to other members and secure your material properly before transporting it. For information on compost area hours and acceptable burn days, call the Main Gate, Department of Safety at (209) 962-8615.

# TOTAL REPLACEMENT FUNDS RESERVE BUDGET FOR 2008

In preparing the 2008 Pro Forma Budget Summary there were some last minute changes made to the Association's Reserve Funding requirements and expenditures. These changes were not reflected in the initial presentation of the 30 Year Reserve Fund Statement. In the spirit of full disclosure and communication to all property owners we have revised the statement and present it below (the changes are indicated in bold italics.).

## TOTAL REPLACEMENT FUNDS RESERVE BUDGET FOR 2008 30 YEAR RESERVE FUND STATEMENT

Civil Code 1365(a)

The long-term nature of reserve funding requires certain assumptions and predictions to be made about future events. For example, each item, such as

a building roof or major street repairs, has to be evaluated as to its present age, projected useful life and replacement cost. In the case of a roof or the Association's streets, the predicted useful life can vary several years either way depending on usage and weather conditions. Estimated replacement costs have to be adjusted for inflation, especially if replacement will occur many years in the future. Inflation rates are an unknown and the estimated rate selected can have profound effects on overall funding requirements.

The Reserve Expenditures projected for 2008 totals \$1,729,735. Assessment contribution to the Reserve Fund is \$1,217,195. Additionally, the Association anticipates expenditures of \$224,950 for new capital investment, for a total contribution to capital by property owners totaling \$1,442,145.

In accordance with state law and sound management practices, it is the policy of the Association to maintain reserve funding levels sufficient to pay for capital replacement, repairs, and enhancements as they are required. Please refer to the summary table that follows.

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

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

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Art/photos are accepted as camera ready or as a **TIFF, JPEG, EPS or PDF** image at minimum 300 dpi.

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- Main Gate (restrooms) • Marina
- PML Airport • Stables
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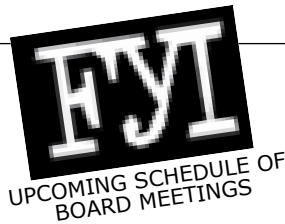
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**Meetings are held at the PML Lake Lodge and start at 9 AM.**  
(Unless otherwise noted)

- February 16, 2008**
- March 15, 2008**
- April 19, 2008**
- May 17, 2008**
- June 21, 2008**
- July 19, 2008**

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**2007**

- 2/18/08 MONDAY PRESIDENTS' DAY**
- 5/26/08 MONDAY MEMORIAL DAY**
- 7/4/08 FRI. INDEPENDENCE DAY**
- 9/1/08 MONDAY LABOR DAY**
- 11/11/08 TUES. VETERANS DAY**
- 11/27/08 THURS. THANKSGIVING**
- 11/28/08 FRI. DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING**
- 12/25/08 THURS. CHRISTMAS**
- 12/26/08 FRIDAY IN LIEU OF CHRISTMAS EVE**
- 1/1/09 THURSDAY NEW YEAR'S DAY**
- 1/2/09 FRIDAY IN LIEU OF NEW YEAR'S EVE**

**OFFICE CLOSED ON THESE DAYS**

**Editor's Note**

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

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

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

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

**PMLA Department of Safety Report**

As of December 2007

| CLASSIFICATION               | MONTH      | YTD         |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Vehicles Refused             | 45         | 2043        |
| Phone Calls Received         | 4154       | 52160       |
| Resident Alarms              | 3          | 65          |
| Amenity Alarms               | 4          | 62          |
| Animal Related               | 25         | 493         |
| Animal - Loose               | 45         | 285         |
| - Impounded                  | 17         | 73          |
| - Registered                 | 0          | 14          |
| - Dead/Injured               | 22         | 205         |
| - Disturbance                | 3          | 181         |
| Assist Dispatch (General)    | 45         | 822         |
| Assist Patrol (General)      | 179        | 2526        |
| Complaint-Non PML Res        | 2          | 71          |
| Public Assist Misc.          | 16         | 16          |
| Welfare Check                | 8          | 8           |
| Traffic Hazard               | 2          | 2           |
| Water Leak                   | 11         | 12          |
| Jump Start                   | 0          | 4           |
| Report Writing               | 1          | 60          |
| Downloading Photos           | 5          | 64          |
| Gate - Tamper                | 1          | 4           |
| - Follow Through             | 5          | 68          |
| - Malfunction                | 10         | 87          |
| Confiscated Access Card      | 3          | 32          |
| Mess/Pkg PU or Delivery      | 21         | 260         |
| Posting Fliers               | 3          | 137         |
| Miscellaneous                | 255        | 5001        |
| Lost and Found               | 3          | 37          |
| ECC Inspection               | 7          | 39          |
| Fire Safety Violation        | 7          | 74          |
| Hazard                       | 6          | 98          |
| Suspicious Circumstance      | 14         | 103         |
| Suspicious Person            | 6          | 74          |
| Suspicious Vehicle           | 5          | 43          |
| Camp Envelope/Dump Sta.      | 3          | 266         |
| Amenity Burglary             | 0          | 3           |
| Residential Burglary         | 1          | 12          |
| Petty Theft                  | 1          | 42          |
| Malicious Mischief           | 1          | 41          |
| Trespass                     | 1          | 32          |
| Law Violations - All Other   | 0          | 26          |
| Law Violations - TCSO        | 0          | 27          |
| Training/Meeting             | 2          | 41          |
| PML Reg Violations Resident  | 1          | 114         |
| PML Reg Violations Guest     | 6          | 62          |
| - Citation Issued            | 1          | 22          |
| - Marking Tires              | 11         | 26          |
| - Accident PML               | 2          | 29          |
| Amenity Security Check       | 2727       | 23524       |
| Resident Security Check      | 294        | 5353        |
| Opening/Closing Bldg's       | 293        | 3059        |
| Opening/Closing Gates        | 311        | 3724        |
| Posting Tennis               | 71         | 760         |
| Monitoring Tennis Courts     | 1          | 285         |
| Personal Injury PML Property | 5          | 99          |
| Weapons                      | 25         | 53          |
| Amenity P/U & Del to Bank    | 42         | 782         |
| Patrol Vehicle - Maintenance | 8          | 99          |
| - Safety Check               | 97         | 1075        |
| Vehicles Admitted            | 7523       | 97976       |
| Realtors Passes Issued       | 84         | 9124        |
| Guest Passes Issued          | 1633       | 26604       |
| Fixed Post                   | 6          | 192         |
| Courtesy Notice Issued       | 16         | 71          |
| Tennis Fees Collected        | \$25.00    | \$2,329.00  |
| All Other Fees Collected     | \$1,556.50 | \$31,743.55 |

## NOTICE TO ALL PMLA MEMBERS

The following proposed Board resolution is an amendment to Resolution # 05.01 PMLA Boating and Lake Rules. The draft resolution includes changes to hours of use of the Lake, what can be used on the Lake and other policy changes. The main change in this draft is the discontinuation of wakeboard and kneeboard devices on the Lake. This draft will be discussed at the February and March monthly Board meetings. The meetings are scheduled for February 16, 2008 and March 15, 2008 at the PML Lake Lodge and start at 9 a.m. All members are welcome to attend.

Resolution 05.01  
April 16, 2005  
Amended: July 21, 2007

### PMLA BOATING AND LAKE RULES

#### Draft January 19, 2008

For your safety, California Boating Laws prevail. For your convenience, copies of the pamphlet "ABC's of California Boating Laws", published by the California Harbors and Watercraft are available at the Marina Store.

Listed below are further regulations that apply to Pine Mountain Lake boating usage. Failure to comply with them shall be grounds for termination of your privileges. Violations are subject to citation. All boats are subject to inspection to determine compliance with State Law and Association requirements. If you have any questions on the safety requirements of your boat, contact a Boat Patrol Officer or the Marina Store staff.

#### GENERAL BOATING RULES

Know our rules and abide by them for your enjoyment and safety.

All boats on Pine Mountain Lake must meet both State of California and Pine Mountain Lake registration requirements. Only property owners in good standing may register their boats.

**REGISTRATION:** Requirements for registration include: current liability insurance with a minimum of \$300,000, proof of PML residency, proof that the boat meets California Boating Law safety requirements, compliance with PML non-wake enhancing requirements, and agreement to abide by lake rules.

PML non-wake enhancing regulations restrict the use of internal ballast tanks, external fins, foils, panels, or boat hulls specifically designed to increase wakes. Any boats incorporating these devices, registered at PML must adhere to PML's restrictions on not utilizing these devices.

All boats are limited to 5 mph except during water skiing hours, where the speed limit is 40 mph in the ski area only. All boats, except those signed up for skiing, must stay out of the ski area while skiing is in progress. Skiing or other high-speed boating activity is permitted during designated hours from May 1 thru October 31 only.

Open stack boats and others with a decibel level exceeding 82 db are prohibited. Likewise, radios or stereos may not be played at high volume.

Note that areas marked "no wake" mean no wake. These areas are marked with white buoys that say "No Wake". Boats may have to go slower than 5 mph in order not to create any wake.

NO "Jet Skis", "Wave runners" or other similar variations of personal watercraft are allowed on Pine Mountain Lake (except authorized emergency or law enforcement equipment).

Only skippers (16 years and older with a valid driver's license) designated by a boat owner may operate a powerboat, provided that they know the lake and marina rules. Boat owners are responsible for informing their operators of all lake and marina rules.

Boat owners are responsible for the operation of their boats and the wakes they create regardless of who may be operating the boat.

Reckless operation and disregard for others may result in citation and forfeiture of lake boating privileges.

Boaters must stay inside the passenger/operator areas of the boat. Riding outside of the railing or gate is prohibited.

Powerboat operators may not tow or pull rafts, tubes, wakeboards, knee boards, paddleboats, kayaks, canoes or similar craft.

In case of an accident, give any necessary assistance, then immediately contact the Boat Patrol (based at the Marina).

Sufficient life preservers must be aboard for each passenger. All boaters less than 12 years of age and non-swimmers must wear properly tied life jackets.

Give a wide berth to sail and manually operated boats, as they have the right of way.

Powerboats may not be operated within 50 feet of a swimming area.

When meeting another boat, keep to the right.

Individuals wishing to blow out their motors may do so during high-speed boating

hours and must first check-in with the Boat Patrol. Blow-outs will be limited to two (2) times around the ski pattern and must adhere to all high-speed boating

rules. A maximum of 4 boats are allowed in the high-speed lane with skiers/boarders given priority over boats wishing to blow out their motor. No engine blowouts will be allowed between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM.

Every effort shall be made to minimize wakes, especially those affecting shoreline properties.

All lake activity is suspended when CDF helicopters perform firefighting procedures or during other emergencies that require use of lake water.

The Boat Patrol will be in effect daily. Citations may be given for PML rule infractions. Two citations will constitute action for removing your boat from Pine Mountain Lake for the remainder of the season. Any boating or swimming rule may be changed in an emergency based on input from PML management, Safety Dept., Sheriff's Dept. or other appropriate agency.

#### BOAT LAUNCHING & REMOVAL DATES

NO BOAT MAY BE LAUNCHED without current Pine Mountain Lake registration.

BOAT LAUNCHING AND REMOVAL is allowed only at the Marina boat ramp.

ALL BOATS NOT REMOVED from Dunn Court and the Marina area by October 31<sup>st</sup> of each year will be removed and stored AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.

NO TRAILER PARKING permitted, except for daily use, and only in designated areas. No trailer parking will be permitted the date of the Independence Day fireworks celebration.

DUNN COURT SAILBOAT OWNERS: Please relocate your sailboat the day before the annual fireworks display. This date may vary from year to year.

#### WATER SKIING AND WAKEBOARDING RULES

Homeowners wishing to register a ski or wake-boat for the first time on PML will be

given a tour of the lake and have these regulations and the PML Water-ski and Wakeboard Club's Good Neighbor Rules explained. This tour will be conducted monthly by the PML Boat Patrol, assisted by the PML WWC and must be completed before the homeowner may sign up for ski/wakeboard times at PML. Copies of the Lake and Boating Rules and the Good Neighbor Rules will be available to all boaters at the Marina. Wakeboarding and kneeboarding are not permitted. Marina staff are the final authority on other activities that are not permitted.

Skiing and wakeboarding will be on a one-hour session, reservation basis. High-speed boating hours are generally as follows:

| DAY       | MORNING HOURS         | EVENING HOURS  |
|-----------|-----------------------|--|
| Monday    | 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon | 5:00-Wakeboarding<br>Water skiing-<br>6:00-Slow Boating<br>7:00-Water skiing                       |
| Tuesday   | 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon | 5:00-Wakeboarding<br>Water skiing<br>6:00-Slow boating<br>7:00-Water skiing                        |
| Wednesday | 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon | 5:00-Wakeboarding<br>Slow boating<br>6:00-Slow boating<br>7:00-Slow boating                        |
| Thursday  | 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon | 5:00-Wakeboarding<br>Water skiing<br>6:00-Slow boating<br>7:00-Water skiing                        |
| Friday    | 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon | 4:00-Wakeboarding<br>5:00-Wakeboarding &<br>Water skiing<br>6:00-Slow boating<br>7:00-Water skiing |
| Saturday  | 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon | 4:00-Wakeboarding<br>5:00-Wakeboarding &<br>Water skiing<br>6:00-Slow boating<br>7:00-Water skiing |

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Sunday 9:00-10:00-12:00 noon  
4:00-Wakeboarding  
5:00-Wakeboarding &  
Water skiing  
6:00-Slow boating  
7:00-Water skiing

~~On the Monday associated with the 3 three-day holiday weekends, wakeboarding will start at 4:00 PM.~~

~~High-speed boating activities, wakeboarding or skiing, in the 9 AM to 12 PM hours are not defined and will be worked out between the Marina Manager and the PML WWC.~~

~~Water skiing and wakeboarding are is prohibited November 1 through April 30. The speed limit for all boats during this time is 5 mph.~~

Reservations will be taken at the Marina Store (962-8631) up to 24 hours in advance and will be limited to one hour per day. Additional hours may be reserved on the day of interest. You may call or walk-in for reservations. When time slots become full, a stand-by list will be taken.

All users of the fast boat lane must check-in with the Boat Patrol prior to commencing their activity. The Boat Patrol will wait 10 minutes for a user with a reservation. After that, the time slot will be opened to the next fast boat user requesting time. If there are no reservations or ad hoc fast boat users in line, the fast boat lane will be closed to fast boat activities for the rest of the hour.

A ski-flag or light system is located at the Marina Point. The flag or light indicates whether high-speed boating activity is or is not occurring. The ski flag will be dynamically raised and lowered based on whether the fast boat lane is open or closed on an hour-by-hour basis during reservation hours. Boaters can also call the Marina Store for ski-flag or light status.

A maximum of four (4) boats will be allowed to ski at any one time. A distance of 100 feet shall be maintained between boats.

A counter-clockwise ski pattern shall be maintained.

To minimize shoreline wakes on the North shore, high-speed boaters shall stay as close as possible to the main beach buoys when traveling from the dam toward Big Creek. When traveling Big Creek toward the dam, high-speed boaters should stay as close as possible to the center of the ski pattern as safety permits. Always pass an approaching powerboat on the right.

All boats being used on PML waters must be operated in a manner to minimize the size

of the wake produced by the boat. With the exception of pontoon boats and those boats traveling less than 5 mph, all powerboat operators shall operate at planning speeds as soon as practical when in the ski pattern.

Wake Enhancement: The use of devices, equipment, or placement of passengers on boats for the purpose of creating an enlarged wake is prohibited. Further, no such devices or equipment may be used on any boat in PML. Such devices and equipment include, but are not limited to; exterior panels or wings deployed underwater; rubberized, plastic or metal tanks or bags filled with any material; crowding of passengers to the rear; inside-the-hull water tanks or boat hulls designed specifically to enhance the wake. Additionally, the operator of an outboard or I/O drive boat must keep the out-drive down to optimally trim the boat to minimize the size of the boat's wake at all times.

Any boat that produces excessive wakes may be cited. Two citations result in eviction from the lake for the remainder of the calendar year. Staging area for skiers is the White SKI BUOY outside the Marina. No other area! There is a voluntary drop area outside the 5 mph buoys at Fisherman's Cove. See Marina Store and Good Neighbor Rules for details.

Ski course is marked with red buoys. Stay inside of the red buoys. These buoys are not a SLALOM COURSE.

Ski boats must have a red or orange flag and an observer at least 12 years of age.

Ski boats returning to a fallen skier must make a starboard (right) turn to return to the skier while raising the red or orange warning flag. The boat operator shall make the 'turn-around' at a slow speed to minimize the wake. Obviously, safety is a concern, but anything a boat operator can do to minimize wake size is required.

The driver of any boat approaching a boat displaying a red or orange flag must acknowledge the downed skier's presence by raising their hand for the skier's towboat to see and take appropriate evasive action to ensure the safety of the downed skier.

Skier must raise one (1) ski (~~or wakeboard or kneeboard~~) when in water with slack towline to warn other boats in the area.

All skiers must wear proper Coast Guard approved life preservers.

Number of water skiers per boat: 2 maximum at a time. When one skier drops, the second skier must drop immediately.

Use of wakeboards, kneeboards, discs, inner tubes, surfboards, water toys and non-ap-

proved devices are prohibited. Water skis, ~~kneeboards and wakeboards~~ are the only devices permitted to be used in the high-speed boating lane. The Boat Patrol and Marina Staff have the final authority to decide what is a water ski and what is a non-approved device.

An area for beginning water ski instruction is available. Contact the Boat Patrol Officer or Marina Manager for details.

Water skiing may be limited on certain days such as, but not limited to holidays, fishing derbies and sailing regatta days.

KNOW OUR RULES AND ABIDE BY THEM FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT AND SAFETY.

### FISHING RULES

A California State Fishing License is required and is to be displayed at all times while fishing. Fish limits are governed by California Fish & Game laws. NO LIVE BAIT is permitted other than worms.

Fishing off water taxi docks during water taxi operating hours is prohibited. Trespassing on private property is not allowed.

No fishing within 25 feet of designated swim areas.

### SAILING RULES

#### Sailing Hours: Anytime

SAILBOAT LAUNCHING is allowed only at the Marina boat ramp.

Sailboats and all others must stay out of the skiing area during skiing hours.

The high-speed boating lane is outlined with red buoys. Stay out of this area while high-speed boating is in progress. Be aware of high-speed boating hours for your own protection. Avoid the east end of the lake (Lake Lodge and Big Creek entrance) during high-speed boating hours.

Sailing of rental boats in Big Creek is not allowed.

No windsurf boards without a sail are allowed on the lake.

### PARKING, BEACH & SWIMMING RULES

SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK. NO LIFE-GUARDS ARE ON DUTY.

Follow all posted beach and marina rules and regulations. Note: The beaches and lawns are

designated non-smoking areas.

Swimming is only allowed within the designated swim areas.

No float tubes, surfboards, "noodles", lounge rafts, etc., are allowed on the lake other than within 30 feet from your own private dock. (Tubes, noodles and "soft" float toys are allowed in the swim areas).

Inflatable boats, canoes and kayaks that are used on Pine Mountain Lake must be registered in the same manner as hard-bottom boats.

Do not venture more than 30 feet from your own private dock. DO NOT swim across or in the open lake area.

No glass containers, loud music, hardballs, profane language are allowed on any Pine Mountain Lake beach area. Drinking of alcoholic beverages by anyone under the age of 21 is not allowed on any Pine Mountain Lake beach area.

Bicycles and skateboards must be walked through all amenity-parking areas. No riding is permitted.

Dogs are prohibited from the entire PML Marina, Dunn Court, and Lake Lodge amenities; except authorized PML utility dogs in the performance of their duties or service animals assisting the blind or deaf. Dogs should not be left in cars parked in these areas.

If the marina parking lot is full, please park at Dunn court, the Lake Lodge, or Fisherman's Cove and ride the water taxi to the Marina. Water taxi operating schedule is available upon request.

FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN FINES OR LOSS OF LAKE PRIVILEGES.

Additional rules and regulations may apply. Rules are subject to change without notice.

ONLY property owners and PMLA employees on duty will be allowed to park at the Marina parking area on weekends and holidays from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. Property owners will be required to provide a valid parking sticker or hanging tag.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Bangs, Secretary

**PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION**  
**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
**For The Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2007**

| OPERATION OF AMENITIES         | Revenues                                |                     |                                |                         |                     | Expenses            |   |                         |                      | Budget                         |                       |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                | Members' Assessments<br>Net of Discount | User Fees           | Sales, Net of<br>Cost of Sales | Miscellaneous<br>Income | Total<br>Revenues   | Total<br>Expenses   | (Cost)/Income<br>Before<br>Depreciation | Depreciation<br>Expense | (NET COST)<br>INCOME | Budget<br>(NET COST)<br>INCOME | Variance<br>Bud - Act |
| Golf Course                    | \$ -0-                                  | \$ 898,103          | \$ 80,136                      | \$ 21                   | \$ 978,260          | \$ 1,208,000        | \$ (229,740)                            | \$ 217,428              | \$ (447,168)         | \$ (463,264)                   | 16,096                |
| Restaurant & Bar               | -0-                                     | 3,452               | 369,217                        | -0-                     | 372,669             | 826,124             | (453,455)                               | 45,464                  | (498,919)            | (453,810)                      | (45,109)              |
| Marina                         | -0-                                     | 175,127             | 67,459                         | -0-                     | 242,586             | 268,064             | (25,478)                                | 53,550                  | (79,028)             | (53,691)                       | (25,337)              |
| Lake & Beach                   | -0-                                     | 1,600               | -0-                            | -0-                     | 1,600               | 112,630             | (111,030)                               | 15,253                  | (126,283)            | (123,464)                      | (2,819)               |
| Stables                        | -0-                                     | 81,116              | -0-                            | -0-                     | 81,116              | 181,554             | (100,438)                               | 22,754                  | (123,192)            | (131,134)                      | 7,942                 |
| Recreation                     | -0-                                     | 58,415              | 2,844                          | 12                      | 61,271              | 112,029             | (50,758)                                | 47,921                  | (98,679)             | (97,553)                       | (1,126)               |
| Roads & Facilities Maintenance | -0-                                     | 14,527              | -0-                            | 530                     | 15,057              | 1,044,753           | (1,029,696)                             | 181,488                 | (1,211,184)          | (1,120,156)                    | (91,028)              |
| <b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b> |   |                     |                                |                         |                     |                     |   |                         |                      |                                |                       |
| Safety                         | -0-                                     | 63,946              | -0-                            | 837                     | 64,783              | 700,507             | (635,724)                               | 19,010                  | (654,734)            | (662,771)                      | 8,037                 |
| Administration                 | -0-                                     | 209,478             | -0-                            | 66,660                  | 276,138             | 1,271,297           | (995,159)                               | 17,101                  | (1,012,260)          | (1,074,064)                    | 61,804                |
| <b>ASSESSMENTS</b>             |   |                     |                                |                         |                     |                     |   |                         |                      |                                |                       |
| Assessments                    | 3,724,217                               |                     | -0-                            | -0-                     | 3,724,217           | -                   | 3,724,217                               | -0-                     | 3,724,217            | 3,579,467                      | 144,750               |
| <b>Totals</b>                  | <b>\$ 3,724,217</b>                     | <b>\$ 1,505,764</b> | <b>\$ 519,656</b>              | <b>\$ 68,060</b>        | <b>\$ 5,817,697</b> | <b>\$ 5,724,958</b> | <b>\$ 92,739</b>                        | <b>\$ 619,969</b>       | <b>\$ (527,230)</b>  | <b>\$ (600,440)</b>            | <b>73,210</b>         |

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

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

**CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 12 Months Ended December 31, 2007**

|  | RESERVE FUNDS                    |                                       |                           | NEW CAPITAL<br>ADDITIONS<br>FUND | TOTAL<br>CONTRIBUTION<br>TO CAPITAL |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  | AMENITY<br>REFURBISHMENT<br>FUND | CAPITAL EQUIP.<br>REPLACEMENT<br>FUND | TOTAL<br>RESERVE<br>FUNDS |                                  |                                     |
| <b>2007 Beginning Fund Balances</b>  | \$ 1,537,933                     | \$ 195,390                            | \$ 1,733,323              | \$ 32,062                        | \$ 1,765,385                        |
| Interest Income  | 53,890                           | 4,066                                 | 57,956                    | 1,358                            | 59,314                              |
| Bank Fees/Discounts Taken  | 547                              | 22                                    | 569                       | 5                                | 574                                 |
| Assessments Earned   | 834,095 <sup>(1)</sup>           | 283,100 <sup>(2)</sup>                | 1,117,195                 | 43,950 <sup>(3)</sup>            | 1,161,145                           |
| Income Tax Expense   |                                  |                                       | -                         | -                                | -                                   |
| <b>PURCHASES BY AMENITY</b>  |                                  |                                       |                           |                                  |                                     |
| Golf Course  | (11,171)                         | (159,417)                             | (170,588)                 | (3,360)                          | (173,948)                           |
| Country Club   | (64,557)                         | (93,444)                              | (158,001)                 | (715)                            | (158,716)                           |
| Bar  | -                                | -                                     | -                         | (7,348)                          | (7,348)                             |
| Marina   | (9,611)                          | (3,370)                               | (12,981)                  | (7,245)                          | (20,226)                            |
| Lake & Beach   | (120,849)                        |                                       | (120,849)                 |                                  | (120,849)                           |
| Swim Center  |                                  |                                       | -                         |                                  | -                                   |
| Stables  | (51,027)                         | (5,399)                               | (56,426)                  |                                  | (56,426)                            |
| Recreation   | (95,900)                         |                                       | (95,900)                  |                                  | (95,900)                            |
| Roads & Facilities Maintenance   | (973,824)                        | (38,663)                              | (1,012,487)               | (4,340)                          | (1,016,827)                         |
| <b>PROPERTY OWNER SERVICES</b>   |                                  |                                       |                           |                                  |                                     |
| Safety   | (70,296)                         | (28,697)                              | (98,993)                  | (2,994)                          | (101,987)                           |
| Administration   | (16,300)                         | (14,984)                              | (31,284)                  |                                  | (31,284)                            |
| <b>Total transfer to Operating Fund<br/>for property and equipment<br/>additions</b> | <b>(1,413,535)</b>               | <b>(343,974)</b>                      | <b>(1,757,509)</b>        | <b>(26,002)</b>                  | <b>(1,783,511)</b>                  |
| <b>Adjusted Fund Balances</b>  | <b>\$ 1,012,930</b>              | <b>\$ 138,604</b>                     | <b>\$ 1,151,534</b>       | <b>\$ 51,373</b>                 | <b>\$ 1,202,907</b>                 |

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

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

# FEBRUARY ENTERTAINMENT

For your musical enjoyment  
**THE 19th HOLE LOUNGE**  
 and Pine Mountain Lake Country Club  
 are pleased to present  
 "Live" Entertainment Schedule  
 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



## REUNION

Saturday, February 2nd  
 8 pm to midnight  
 Who cares what the  
 groundhog says, it's time  
 to rock n' roll!

## ROCKSLIDE

Saturday, February 9th  
 8 pm to midnight  
 Karen and The Boys are here  
 to entertain you.



*Rockslide*

## DYNA-MO

Saturday, February 16th  
 8 pm to midnight  
 Good time music and good  
 times. Please support  
 your club.

## THE FABULOUS BLUE NOTES

Saturday, February 23rd  
 8 pm to midnight  
 A new band with great sound.  
 Bring on the horn section!



For more information please  
 call us at (209) 962-8638 for the  
 Country Club or (209) 962-8636 for The 19th Hole Lounge.  
 As always, thank you for your support!

Pine Mountain Lake Country Club

## Valentine's Day Menu

FAMILY STYLE MENU

### Ala Carte Special

\$25.95

Does not include tax or tip



### SALAD

Spinach Salad  
 with Roasted Mushrooms and a Sour  
 Cream, Bacon and Pumpkin Seed  
 Vinaigrette

### ENTRÉE

Lobster Stuffed in a Petite Puff  
 Pastry Shell with a Pesto Sauce  
 and  
 Grilled Flat Iron Steak  
 with Gorgonzola Crust and Honey  
 Mustard Sauce

### LOVERS DESSERT

Hearts Shaped Cherry Tart  
 with White Chocolate Sauce

## MUSICIANS WANTED!

The 19th Hole Lounge at  
 Pine Mountain Lake Country Club is  
 looking for experienced musicians.

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

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





# February: Valenhogs Leap Year Day Month

By Charlie Bishop, Bar Manager

Greetings to all. For a short month February sure pack a punch. First off, don't forget our Superbowl party at The Club. We now have three flat screens in hi definition. Drink specials will be a cosmopolitan and Samuel Adams Boston Lager. Why? Because he was a brewer and a Patriot! Says so right on the label, and what could be more cosmopolitan than New York. The food specials will be what else: clam chowder and New York style hot dogs.

We'll also have some give away prizes and lots of fun, so be here!

On to the entertainment schedule. On Saturday, the 2nd (Groundhog's Day) Power Play was scheduled, however due to a last minute cancellation we'll have Reunion. A cover band with two female singers and a great horn section.

Then on Saturday, the 9th, from 8 p.m. to midnight Rockslide will be rockin' and rollin' for your pleasure. Dyna-Mo will be here the following Saturday, the 16th, from 8 p.m. to midnight. Saturday, the 23rd marks the debut of The Fabulous Blue Notes. Classic soul, blues, rock and Mo-town is what there bio says and judging by the play list and photo I have no doubt they'll be a hit from the first note. Another band with a horn section. A much fuller sound. We are providing some quality entertainment and I extend this invitation to you to stop by and enjoy. After all, it's your Club.

I hope your team wins (or at least you win some money), have a happy Valentine's Day and a good Leap Year. Until I can make the next deadline, thank you for reading and good by.

## In the Rough

By Alan Macdonald, Golf Course Superintendent

In March of this year we will receive our new Rough Mower and Turf Truck. Included in our 2008 package is an Edger attachment for our Sand Trap Rake that will allow us to trim our cart paths on a more frequent schedule. The new Rough Mower is the same model that we presently pull behind our tractors. The existing one has preformed very well with very few problems in the two seasons we have used it. The new Turf truck is replacing an early 1990's Mitsubishi that some parts are no longer available to purchase. Another item approved for this year was an upgrade to our Mechanics bay that will allow more storage and be more user friendly. As with most of P.M.L. maintenance structures it is nearing 40 years of age.

The middle of winter projects depends on what kind of weather Mother Nature sends our way. We will be trimming trees, edging cart paths and

tackling some drainage projects when the weather allows. Our projects would be leveling some tees and when soil temperatures begin to rise, seed drilling and top dressing thin areas where we had turf damage due to grubs last fall. Some of those projects are always a minor inconvenience and I would like to thank you all for your patience while doing these improvements.

The dates for greens aeration are April 21st, 22nd and September 29th and 30th.

Our irrigation pond on hole #9 is looking a little better with the cold weather encouraging some of the Duckweed to fall to the bottom of the pond. As the water temperature rise we will be applying an aquatic herbicide to better control the Duckweed and hopefully keep the surface clean this season.

Play well, play a lot and do your part to keep it nice for the groups behind you.

# Don't Miss This! Family Style Dinner Menu

*at the Pine Mountain Lake  
Country Club*

\$16.95 Plus tax and gratuity

Kids 12 and under \$10.95

*Kids menu available upon request*

Thursday & Sunday 5 pm to 8 pm

All dinners include all you can eat soup, salad and bread

**Menu includes**

**three entrées consisting of:**

Grilled Flat Iron Steak with Red Wine Demi Glaze

Chicken Parmesan

Clams and Linguini

Roasted Baby Reds

Green Beans Almondine

Choice of Three

Chef's Fresh Dessert

.....  
**ALA CARTE BREAKFAST**

Saturday 8 am to 11 am

Sunday 8 am to 12:30 pm

**ALA CARTE LUNCH SERVICE**

11 am to 3 pm

**ALA CARTE DINNER**

Friday & Saturday 5 pm to 9 pm

Early Bird Blue Plate Special

All Dinner Menu Items 1/2 Portion at 1/2 Price

Friday & Saturday from 5 pm to 6 pm

**Advertise in  
the PML News  
for as little as \$18.00 per month  
Call 209-962-0342**

**Please call 209.962.8638 for reservations**

## PML Organized Groups & Clubs

Contact the individuals below if you are interested in joining!

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Aviation Association         |                |
| Norm Peebles                 | 962-1990       |
| Computer User Group          |                |
| Frank Perry                  | 962-0728       |
| Country Mountain Riders      |                |
| Don Lacy                     | 962-6046       |
| Crafts Guild                 |                |
| Loraine Jordan               | 962-6707       |
| Dance Party                  |                |
| Carol Stevens                | 962-0406       |
| Duplicate Bridge             |                |
| Linda Cordle                 | 962-7670       |
| Exercise                     |                |
| Marie Humphreys              | 962-7905       |
| Barbara Elliott              | 962-6457       |
| Friends of the Lake          |                |
| Marilyn Hathaway             | 962-7595       |
| Garden Club                  |                |
| Lonnie Roman                 | 962-6001       |
| Guardians of PML             |                |
| John Nielsen                 | 962-4934       |
| Ladies Club                  |                |
| Kym Purifoy                  | 962-5100       |
| Ladies Golf Club             |                |
| Sara Hancock                 | 962-0620       |
| Marathon Bridge              |                |
| Felix & Phyllis Gschwend     | 962-5034       |
| Men's Golf Club              |                |
| Frank Jablonski              | 962-4375       |
| Men's 9 Hole Golf Club       |                |
| Wally Child                  | 962-0723       |
| Monday Bridge Club (Men's)   |                |
| Bill Mingus                  | 962-4240       |
| Monday Bridge Club (Women's) |                |
| Norma Anderson               | 962-0645       |
| Non Residents Club           |                |
| Kathy Coon                   | (510) 656-0162 |
| Pine Needlers Quilt Guild    |                |
| Judy Basey                   | 962-5848       |
| PMLakers RV Club             |                |
| Janie Stivers                | 571-0340       |
| PML Niners                   |                |
| Jane Reynolds                | 962-6243       |
| PML Waterski/Wakeboard       |                |
| Tom Duprey                   | (510) 796-4180 |
| Racquet Club                 |                |
| Bill Broderson               | 962-6524       |
| Residents Club               |                |
| Thelma Faux                  | 962-4617       |
| ROOFBB                       |                |
| Jackie Baker                 | 962-6265       |
| Sierra Professional Artists  |                |
| Heinie Hartwig               | 568-1637       |
| Sunday Couples Golf          |                |
| Norma Baldinger              | 962-5332       |
| Windjammers Sailing Club     |                |
| Jim Wilbanks                 | (925) 283-0229 |

# December PMLLGC News

By Sue Perry

Winter seemed to arrive in a flurry this Decembrrrrr so some of our play days were cancelled or sparsely attended. We had our annual Christmas Party on December 12th which was well attended. We started with a short general meeting presided over by Captain Virginia Tallman. Reports were given as to our financials and membership by treasurer, Eleanor Ellis. Next year our club will have 98 regular members, 9 handicap and 1 social member. Tournament chair, Yvonne Mattocks, announced that there were 98 birdies paid this year and asked the membership to remember to put first and last names on your score cards, write handicaps in the right place and make sure both cards turned in have the correct totals. Awards were given to Marilyn Hathaway who is this year's Ace of Aces, Putter of the year with 28 putts to I. Rathert, J. Mussatto, L. Dust, and A. Stoll. Most improved player went to Jeanne Pacco. Northern Medals 2007 were awarded to: P. Park - 1st flight; M. Tompkins - 2nd flight; A. Stoll - 3rd flight; M. Hathaway - 4th flight. The club produced three hole in ones this year by K. Bettencourt, Y. Mattocks, and N. Baldinger. Our 2008 Officers

were introduced. The list of officers can be found in the front of our 2008 PMLLGC calendars. Thanks goes to Jenny Dwailabee and Kathy Shehorn for the festive and fun table decoration and to the restaurant staff for the delicious food. Our outgoing captain, having lost her beloved son in Iraq last August, declined receiving a gift this year and explained the charity, The Fisher House, which the contribution would go to. Many families of wounded soldiers benefit from this organization. The beautiful voice of Jackie Sample led us in Christmas Carols. All joined hands while we stood and sang a very moving and meaningful rendition of "Let There be Peace on Earth." Amen!

December 13th - Team Bingo {this was our only play day in Dec.} 1st Place...27 - P. Park, A. Hankin, K. Bettencourt, S. DeRodeff, K. Edgerton, McMillan, G. Dickson, J. Foster; 2nd Place...26 Bingos - B. Lenark, J. Moore, T. Faux, J. Clemson, M. Drew, L. Dust, K. Shehorn, A. Toner; BIRDIES - K. Edgerton #2 & #17, Y. Mattocks #1 & #17, J. Mussatto #10, P. Park #14

Upcoming events in March will be a Saturday Mixer on the 15th. Be sure to sign up.

## PMLakers Elect Officers for 2008

By Carol Morgan

The Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club met on a cold day in December to elect new officers for the year 2008. Officers are President, Janie Stivers; Vice President, Maddie Sousa; Treasurer, Lee Isbell; and Secretary, Carol Morgan. The club gave retiring

President Tom Taylor a big thank you for his two years as our leader. After the meeting, a delicious prime rib dinner (thanks to Lou and Paul Riggs) was enjoyed by the group. A gift exchange followed after which everyone returned to their warm and cozy homes.



Photo left to right, Maddie Sousa, Lee Isbell, Carol Morgan and Janie Stivers)  
Photo by Dave Morgan

# PML Men's Nine-Hole Golf Club

By Bob Cowley

As the New Year begins, we are all looking forward to another great year of golf. The time has come to gather up our friends and neighbors who have been talking about playing more golf and get them out on the golf course. As our newer members share in the comradery of our famous attitude adjustment at the 19th hole, the word gets out what a great group of guys we have in the Niners'.

In addition to the many liquid libations, served up by Charlie at the Bar, Tom Dorsey and his staff have been doing a great job with the new luncheon menu. Many of the members rave over the new sweet potato fries.

If you haven't already done so, check with the pro shop to order one of the new "Men's Nine Hole Golf Club" shirts. Doug Schmiett has the samples for your inspection. We are all looking forward to wearing them at our tournaments, golf outings and future photo session. The deadline for ordering is February 13.

Look for upcoming announcements concerning general membership meetings, news on members' handicaps, games to be played on future dates, and many other features of interest for our members and guests on our website at: <http://www.freewebs.com/pmlm9h>.

Membership in the Men's Nine Hole Golf Club is open to any man who is a member in good standing of the Pine Mountain Lake Association. If you are new to Golf, or returning to Golf after an extended absence, please consider the Men's Nine Hole Golf Club as an alternative to playing 18 holes.

Please contact Wally Child 962-0723, Bob Oakley 962-4799, Bob Cowley 962-6245 or Bob Haliwell 962-4137 for further information on how to join us for our weekly game.

Remember our start time is 11:00 AM shot-gun for the winter. See you on the course!

Games scheduled for February are: Feb. 6 - Four man scramble; Feb. 13 - Three Blind Mice; Feb. 20 - Beat the pros; Feb. 27 - Two man scramble.

Games scheduled for March are: Mar. 5 - Red, White, Blue; Mar. 12 - One man scramble; Mar. 19 - Four clubs; Mar. 26 - Four man best ball.



# 2008

July 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>  
 See [pmlmgc.com](http://pmlmgc.com) or  
[pinemountainlake.com](http://pinemountainlake.com)  
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# Pine Mountain Lake Computer Users Group

By Tom Carman, Editor

## MOTHER LODE 2008 SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

**“LOW INDEX 8/01/2007 thru 7/01/2008  
 will be used” (Maximum Hdcp. 24)**

### JULY 17th

- Check In (11:00 am thru 5:00 pm) Putting Contest on the Practice Putting Green
- Special \$50.00 Buy in Pool (Tournament Rounds Payout)
- Practice Round (Optional \$25.00 per team buy in Best Ball!)
- Team must Buy in the Practice Round to qualify for the Friday Horse Race
- (Pay Cart Fee only-\$9.00 per player) Club Storage after Golf!
- 5:30 p.m. Welcome Keg and Appetizers Party

### JULY 18th

- Cash Prizes from the Buy in Pool (Each Flight)
- First Round of Play (\*\* Point Par Both Balls) Green fees and Cart included!
- Gold and Silver Flights
- Morning and Afternoon Wheels (Free Range Balls)
- Continental Breakfast 7 am thru 9 am/Brunch 9 am thru 3:30 pm
- Horse Race 6 pm (Top seven Teams Gold and Silver Flights from buy in Pool during Practice Round).
- Choose Your Tee Prize (Supplier TBD) golfers only 9 am. Thru 4 pm. Everyone 2 pm. to 4 pm.
- Dance to Live Music form 8pm to Midnight

### JULY 19TH

- Cash Prizes from the Buy in Pool (Each Flight)
- Final Round of Play (\*\*Point Par Best Ball) Green Fees and cart included!
- Gold and Silver Flights
- Morning and Afternoon Wheels (Free Range Balls)
- Continental Breakfast 7 am thru 9 am/Brunch 9 am thru 3:30 pm
- 6 pm No Host Cocktails
- 7 pm Dinner (Tournament Awards and Raffle)
- Dance to Live Music from 8:30 pm to Midnight

### SCORING BOTH DAYS

**\*\* POINT PAR \*\***

1pt net Par/ 2pts net Birdie/ 3pts net Eagle/5pts net Double Eagle  
 (-1) net Double Bogey

**W**e've heard that there are quite a few people who would like to take some of those old cassette tapes and/or vinyl records and put them on CD's. So for February it's Old music on tapes or vinyl to the new format on CD's. Our own Bill Parker will show us how it's done, what you need to make the change, and some of the challenges. Paul Klahn will share some lessons learned, especially with the conversion of music for some car CD players. This will be a very interesting program and is something we may all want to do to clear out those old tapes and records and preserve the music. The meeting time is back to the regular time of 7:00pm. There is no Multi-Media Sig this month since this program is all about Multi-Media.

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 Frank Perry or Lee Isbell if you plan to attend so PML Safety Department can issue the proper pass. To learn other information about the CUG, such as past meeting content, monthly newsletters, club by-laws, and officer info, check out the club's website listed in this article.

We look forward to seeing you on February 19th, 7:00 p.m. at the Lake Lodge. The Multi-Media Sig will not meet. Be sure to check out the PML CUG Web Site at <http://www.pmlcug.com>.

Further information about the PML CUG may also be obtained from Frank Perry at 962-0728 or Lee Isbell at 962-5727.

## MOTHER LODE INVITATIONAL

July 17th, 18th and 19th, 2008  
 ENTRY FORM

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Tournament Handicap  
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|---|
| Deposit \$100 or Entry Fee Team \$480 _____ |
| Extra Dinners @ \$ 30 _____                 |
| Total Paid (No refunds after 6/15/08) _____ |

(Balance Due June 1st 2008 if making a deposit to guarantee your entry)

**Make Checks Payable to:** Mother Lode Invitational  
**Send to:** PO Box 4, Groveland, Ca. 95321

### Questions Contact:

Tom Bickmore (Tournament Director) 209-962-5517 • [tombick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tombick@sbcglobal.net)  
 Chris Borrego (PML PGA Pro) 209-962-8620

### MOTHER LODE INVITATIONAL BOARD MEMBERS

John Baker (President) 209-962-6295 – Larry Hunt (Vice President)  
 Frank Jablonski (Secretary) 209-9624375 – Dick Stevens (Director) 209-962-4348

### For Committee Use Only:

|                   |                 |
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| Balance Due _____ | Date Paid _____ |
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# THANK YOU

This is to everyone who (after my recent surgery) inquired about me, sent get-well cards, phoned me and brought food and flowers. Your thoughtfulness and caring was much appreciated. I want to thank all of you from the bottom of my newly repaired heart.

Marion Morgan

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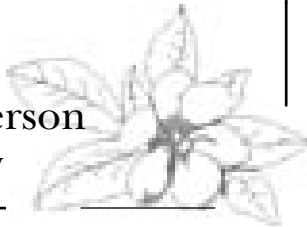
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# Fairway News

By Chris Borrego, Head Golf Professional

2008 started with a bang, literally, on the golf course as we lost a few trees due to the rain, snow and high wind.

With the winter conditions, please be careful walking out on the course when you are playing. Try to stay on the flat areas as much as possible. When using a golf cart when we allow them on the course, keep them off the hill slopes as much as possible. Doing this will ensure your safe return to the 19 Hole Lounge after your round.

The Golf Calendar is filling up fast for 2008 so if you are looking to have a tournament group outing contact us ASAP.

**A few Important dates to keep in Mind for 2008:**

March 10th – Regular Tee Times begin  
April 21st and 22nd - Closed to Greens Plugging and Top Dressing

May 10th – Call in for Memorial Day Weekend 7 a.m.

June 20th – Call in for Independence Day Weekend 7 a.m.

August 16th – Call in for Labor Day Weekend.

September 29th and 30th - Closed to Greens Plugging and Top Dressing

**Keeping the Course Great**

Let's remember to always repair ball marks on the putting greens, even if its not yours, please fix it anyway it makes it better for the next player.

# Yosemite National Park Invites Public to Open House

The National Park Service welcomes those interested to attend an Open House in Yosemite Valley on January 30, 2008, from 1:00pm to 5:00pm in the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Auditorium.

**The public is invited to the Open House to:**

- Talk to park staff and listen to presentations given throughout the day
- Review newly released documents and reports
- Submit comments on proposed projects and ongoing implementation efforts

Projects and topics that will be represented at this Open House are: Vogelsang Backcountry Utilities Improvement Project. The public is welcome to share their scoping comments at this official public scoping meeting. Public scoping for this project began on January 15, 2008, and will run through February 13, 2008.

- Golden Crown Mine - Discover a historic silver mine in the High Sierra.
- Museum Master Plan
- Tuolumne Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive Management Plan

- Merced Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive Management Plan
- Invasive Plant Management Plan
- Yosemite Institute Environmental

**Education Campus**

- Construction and Project Updates
- To learn more about ongoing projects, add your name to the park's planning mailing list and receive the Planning Update newsletter as well as other planning-related notices or to submit your email address to receive Yosemite National Park's periodic electronic newsletter, please contact:

Mail: Superintendent  
Attn: Planning Mailing List  
National Park Service  
P.O. Box 577  
Yosemite, CA 95389

Fax: 209/379-1294  
Email: [YOSE\\_Planning@nps.gov](mailto:YOSE_Planning@nps.gov)  
Web: [www.nps.gov/yose/planning](http://www.nps.gov/yose/planning)

Visitors attending the Open House will have the entrance fee waived. If unable to attend, refer to the Yosemite National Park web site for a schedule of future Open House dates.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, ACTIVITIES, & CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## CALENDAR

### PML COOKING DEMONSTRATION CLASSES Feb 12

At the Lake Lodge from 6pm to 7pm "Valentine's Chocolates" - Chocolate Truffles, Chocolate Tart (Including demo on Homemade Pastry and Whipped Cream)  
Call Tom Knoth at 209.962.5838

### WINEMAKER'S DINNER WITH CAR- TLIDGE & BROWNE, A NAPA WINERY Feb 17

Hotel Charlotte  
\$49

These have always been fun and this one will be too. Menu and vintner to be posted as we get closer to the date. 209.962.6455

### HORSETAIL FALL PHOTO SESSION Feb 18 - 23

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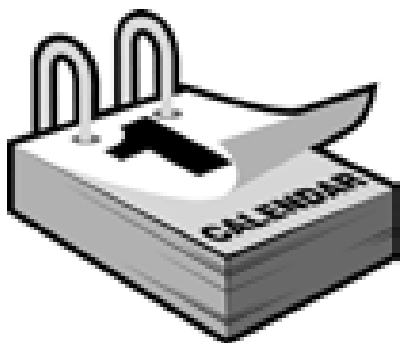
The firefall appearance of this water fall is a very rare and spectacular event requiring all the bits to align at just the right moment. 800-886-8009

### CABARET CHARLOTTE III—MORE OF MORE BROADWAY (REPRISE) March 2

Hotel Charlotte  
\$49

Our third in a popular series of Cabaret performances featuring Dennis Brown as musical director and on keyboards. Featuring Broadway favorites throughout theyear, a second set of great selections!

This series menu offers will include a happy hour with appetizer, salad, a choice of three dinner selections, dessert and coffee. The price of \$49 includes the performance, dinner, tax and tip. As of this posting all the same fantastic singers are on board and the show only gets better. 209-962-6455



### CABARET CHARLOTTE III—MORE OF MORE BROADWAY (REPRISE)

March 9

Hotel Charlotte  
\$49  
209-962-6455

## ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

### COMMUNITY DRUMMING GROUP

Sponsored by the Gathering Place. Second Wednesday of every month. From 6:00 - 7:30 pm  
Place: Groveland Library Conference Room (bottom floor)

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

### HOT LUNCHES FOR SENIORS

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

### BRIDGE AT THE LAKE LODGE

Mondays • 10:15 AM & 10:30 AM

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

### AEROBICS & SCULPTING EXERCISE 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.

### SIERRA CLUB HIKE OF THE WEEK

Thursdays • 8 AM

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

### BRIDGE (DUPLICATE) AT THE LAKE LODGE

2nd & 4th Thursdays

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

### WOMEN'S SUPPORT/ DISCUSSION GROUP

Attention Pine Mountain Lake and Groveland Area Ladies: A new women's support/discussion group will be forming. Days and times will be determined by participants. It is time to do something for yourselves. Make new friends, get rid of some old emotional baggage, and share your knowledge and experience. Call me. Let's talk.  
Ety Garber, PhD. 209-962-5205.

### DANCE PARTY AT THE LAKE LODGE

Second Friday 7:30 to 11:00 pm. \$3.00 per person, \$5.00 per couple. Bring your own beverage and snack to share.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HIGH COUNTRY LINE DANCERS

High Country Line Dancers at Groveland Community Hall - 7-9 p.m. every Tuesday evening. Beginner line dancing lessons 7-8 p.m.; intermediate/advanced lessons and dancing 8-9 p.m. Everyone welcome! Instructor: Susan Nash. \$2.00 per person. For more info, call Carol Stevens at 962-0406 or Sue Salnick at 962-4155.

### SOROPTIMIST MEETINGS

The Soroptimist International of Groveland will meet the first four Tuesdays of the month at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club at 12:30 pm. For information regarding membership, please contact Cindi Goodrich at 209-962-4660.



## Hotel Charlotte

Hotel, Restaurant & Bar  
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### Recipe Research 2008

We begin our journey the first week of January and return with new ideas in time for Valentine's Day Dinner. The hotel remains open with Lynn's parents, Jim & Marge, on hand from Wisconsin. Stop in and say hi!

### Valentine's Day Dinner, 2/14

Romance and Roses! Won't you join us for this sellout dinner? Reservations are strongly encouraged.

### Wine, Murder & Music, 2008 Events

Winter-Spring Entertainment Schedule

- Cartridge & Brown wine dinner 2/17
- Cabaret: MORE Broadway 3/2 & 3/9
- Muir Hanna Wine dinner 3/30
- Murder Mystery dinner 4/6
- World Premier Gala celebrating the melodrama Love Potion #1 5/23

Details & Menus are posted online at [HotelCharlotte.com/restaurant.html](http://HotelCharlotte.com/restaurant.html)

### Extended Stay Discounts:

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# Have an announcement, on-going activity or an event?

This is a great way to get Pine Mountain Lake residents (full-time and part-time) information about your fun so don't miss out!

# Emergency Survival Kits

By Catherine Santa Maria

Southside Senior Services, Inc. has partnered with the American Red Cross to get our Community "Red Cross Ready" while traveling, with Emergency Survival Kits. Orders for these kits will be taken by Southside Senior Services, Inc. and our committee will go to the American Red Cross, pick up the kits, and deliver them to you.

It is very important that each one of us be prepared and have on hand emergency supplies in our autos, RV's, etc. in case of an emergency while traveling. You never know when you could be stranded due to a mechanical failure or severe weather conditions.

**We will be offering the following survival kits:**

- Two Man Back Pack Survival Kit - \$60

- One Man Survival Kit - \$50
- Pet First Aid Kit - \$32
- Pet First Aid Book - \$12

We would like to thank Yosemite Bank for being a sponsor and providing us funds to jump start this important project.

If you are interested in purchasing a kit, or have questions regarding the kits, please call Catherine Santa Maria 962-7904, Liz Mattingly 962-7648 or Carole Smith 962-6119. We have samples on hand if you would like to take a look. All orders need to be prepaid. By the way, these make great gifts.

Proceeds will go to the American Red Cross and Southside Senior Services, Inc. to benefit The Little House on Merrell Road.

Friends of the Groveland Library

# READ A GOOD BOOK LATELY?

By Nadine Pedron

If you're reading this, I'll bet you have. Apparently, this is not so for many Americans, according to a recent National Endowment for the Arts study: "To Read or Not-to-Read: A Question of National Consequence". The study concludes that there are significant declines in how much and how well we read in our country - resulting in negative implications for civic, social and economic life. Interestingly, declines in voluntary (reading for fun) reading can be linked to low test scores and comprehension skills. These findings highlight the critical role that libraries can play in vital national issues. Our Groveland library offers many activities and programs that foster leisure reading for both children and adults: book club for 9-12 year olds; Books-in-a-Box club; Bookleggers program at Tenaya school; storytime for preschoolers; summer reading program for children; adult writing classes and the Book Nook that offers a huge array of good, fun reading that you can easily afford. And, of course, you can borrow from a wide selection in our library stacks or order what you want.

Speaking of good books, here are a few recommendations:

Three Cups of Tea, one man's mission to promote peace - one school at a time. Climber Greg Mortensen recounts his passion, struggle and ultimate success in establishing schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Fascinating read and inspiring!

Tortilla Curtain, T. Coraghessan Boyle's novel, set in Southern California, explores (grippingly) illegal immigration by examining the lives of four characters: two well off Californians and a struggling Mexican couple - illegal immigrants. Great pace, an ironic and tragic story laced with satire and humor, that will leave you thinking.

Water for Elephants. Sara Gruen draws you into the world of the circus during the Great Depression. Rich descriptions, action and stories of ringmasters, elephants and sideshows replete with murder and mayhem will keep you glued to the page - as well as the unveiling of Jacob's secret as he narrates it from the old age nursing home.

**FOGL NEWS:**

- Book Nook sales are brisk - thanks everyone. Do come in and check out the large collection of good used books for adults and children as well as CDs, DVDs, videos while you are there enjoying complimentary coffee, tea and cookies and a chat with our friendly volunteers. Open every Saturday, 10:00 - 2:00, downstairs at the library.

- If you like books, other readers and helping our library's programs, please come to a meeting. We would love to have new members. We meet every 4th Tuesday at 2:00, downstairs at the library. For membership information please call Elsie Stock (962-4564).

**NEXT MEETING:**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22nd



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# THANK GOD FOR ALL THE VOLUNTEERS

By Kay Glaves

21 years of decorating Groveland and Big Oak Flat at Christmas time has been a very gratifying and wonderful experience. What a tribute to all the volunteers, merchants, service clubs and organizations who helped bring our community to its beautiful splendor.

We received the usual praise from friends, relatives, visitors {both in and out of state} who marveled at our towns efforts to express the Christmas spirit. Many people passing through town stopped long enough to take pictures and express what community spirit must exist in Groveland. They all thought it was awesome.

We owe a very special thanks to GCSD's Jim Goodrich and the Board Of Directors for their cooperation in helping us to achieve the lighted trees in the park this year—a glowing success. Without their approval and support, there would be no lighted trees in Mary Laveroni Park.

We must also acknowledge the very special help we received from the City and County of San Francisco Hetch Hetchy Division for their efforts to help us maintain the lights on our present trees and the additional lights added. The Hetch Hetchy crew consisted of Paul Morgan, Joah Gorden, John Armstrong, and Ron Brady and assisting them was Malcolm. A special thanks to Norman Rickson and Margaret Hannaford of Hetch Hetchy for their cooperative efforts in bringing the working crew to Groveland.

The deer heads hanging from various poles in prominent locations along Main Street and elsewhere were installed by Mike Millard and Ralph Denson. Malcolm installed our Santa and Snowman on the roof of the Community Hall and maintained them.

Mike Mallard took care of maintaining and keeping the garland lights on for all the merchants in downtown Groveland. Steve Costa, Mark Emos and Robin Avery of Costas Tree Solutions were responsible for placing Christmas colored lights and the star on top of our Santa tree in the Park.

Because of the extreme cold weather, Santa's day in the park {sponsored by the Garrotte Lions club} had to be moved from the park to inside the Groveland Fire Station. Our thanks to Fire Chief Shane Warner for providing the Fire Station so all the children could stay warm. Malcolm brought his friend, Santa Claus, to greet the many children with their Christmas want lists. Assisting Santa was Mrs. Santa {aka Kay Glaves} in her lighted Christmas Skirt and Lion Regina Tilley who helped distribute candy canes and gifts to the children. All present were offered

hot chocolate at the Garrotte Lions booth. Serving were Lion Erma Millheim, Lion President Wanda Day, Lion Frank O'yung, Lion Cathy Leetham and Lion Chuck Bush. Santa's beautiful sleigh with nine reindeer {built by the volunteer Firemen, it is truly a work of art} was also present in the fire station. The Christmas crowd was serenaded by the Tenaya Elementary School Choir under the direction of Diana Steel, head of the music Department. They were very impressive and did a fantastic job. The following are the members of the choir who braved the cold weather to be there: Michaela Busler, Rocky Carroll, Melissa Collett, Cassidy Gampler, Harley Gottberg, Stefany Haynie, Julia Hemaney-Harnish, Candle Kaltenbach, Merisa Kekahuna, Kyle Kirk, Jenna Leija, Mersadies Lewis-Brown, Brittany Miller, Danielle Perreira, Nichole Pestoni, Taylor Powell, Shenandoah Ranck, Jessica Ribera, Cyena Scott, Megan Toney, Andrea Weeks, Sammy West, Brittany Williams, Marguerite Williams, Hannah Clark, and Alex Metcalf.

Prior to our beginning the Christmas town decoration effort there is an annual pre-christmas session of preparation work. We start with the store front garlands, replacing all the burnt out light bulbs, adding additional ornaments and this year the addition of strings of white lights to each Garland. This is very time consuming {took days} and we welcomed the resurrection volunteers who appeared to help. Volunteers this year were Mike and Anita Millard, Gene Nye, Vickie Webster, Lion Frank O'yung, Paul Sperry and Jim and Lion Kay Glaves.

Printed announcements of Santas day in the park were designed by Nancy Perry of PMLA. Main Street Market assisted in the distribution to the public by making the announcement available at the check stand.

Another special thank you to the Kiwanis Club for donating and decorating their Christmas tree at the new location. Our Nativity Scene was erected by Don Myers, a beautiful job that he has done each year. The weather played havoc with us this year and one of the kings may have suffered permanent damage. We have some doubts that he can be fixed, but we'll see.

We would like to acknowledge the following individuals, organizations, service clubs and businesses for their generous donations to our decorating effort. The Garrotte Lions Club, Helping Hands, Groveland Rotary Club, 4C Properties, Yosemite Bank, Kiwanis Club, Berg Properties, Pine Mountain Lake Assoc.,

# ATTENTION READERS!

The timely delivery of your newspaper is important to us here at Sabre Design. But due to the major snowstorm, during the week of January 21st, the Pine Mountain Lake News was not able to go to press for the day it was originally scheduled.

Sometimes Mother Nature takes our deadlines out of our hands and there isn't anything we can do about it.

The Pine Mountain Lake News is always available online prior to it being shipped to our readers. So we encourage everyone to visit PineMountainLake.com to get the current issue when weather conditions don't permit our timeliness.

We hope you understand and continue reading the PML News.

*Sincerely, PML News Staff/Sabre Design*



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Wilkinson, David And Sharon Newell {Oakland}, Michael Malloy CPA, and Valley Lumber.

In addition to all listed above the following volunteers helped us complete our task. Marie Deshaies has been making our bows for all these years since our beginning and has easily exceeded 20,000 bows made. This year she made all new outdoor velvet red bows for all the Groveland area. The town took on a real red glow and made the town more beautiful. The red ribbon we use contains much recycled ribbon from previous years. All recycled ribbon was washed, reshaped and rerolled by

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# Bytes & Bits from John

## Guard Against Viruses!

Viruses are continually evolving which means we have to continually maintain our computer's security. This means that our current anti-malware software is not enough anymore to stop these newer viruses. Some new security applications have started to emerge and offer a level of protection beyond traditional anti-malware software. In case you're not familiar with the term anti-malware, it essentially means any type of software that causes harm to your computer (in other words, a virus). There are many names for them such as Spyware, Malware, Trojans, Worms, etc. I just call them all viruses since that is basically what they are.

People always ask me who writes viruses and why. Many different types of people write viruses. Some write them because they are bored or because they want to make a statement. Some probably just get a kick out of messing up peoples' computers. My personal opinion is that most virus writers are motivated by money. The worst evildoers try to extract your banking information, credit card numbers, and other valuable information from your computer and will also try to steal your identity. I have noticed that you can catch different types of viruses from different parts of the internet. I read somewhere that some virus writers claim that viruses are a hate crime against stupid people. Unfortunately people sometimes

do stupid things (even if they really aren't stupid people)! Most people that contract a virus do it to themselves. They see an e-mail and they don't know who it is from. They know if they open it there is a possibility that it may contain a virus. Often the temptation to open the e-mail is too much for them and they open it; the next stupid thing they do is open the attachment. This is just one example.

After the virus writers write the virus they have to figure out how they are going to get them into your computer. The best way for them to do this is to get you to click on a link on their website. But how do they get you to go to their website and click on that link? Simply by tempting you with something you want. They can attract people of all ages and types this way. They catch a percentage of the population with free pornographic websites, free software piracy websites, free music downloads, and so on. These types of sites tend to harness the most lethal viruses. In fact, it seems that the more illegal the site, the more powerful the virus (like the sites that steal your financial information or identity. For people who wouldn't think of going to websites such as those mentioned above, virus writers target you through more innocent sites such as free screensavers, free desktop cursors, or free weather updates for your desktop. Online gambling sites tend to be a doozy too. While not all of these sites will zap you with the most debilitating viruses, they might install some "polite" viruses, like constant popups

trying to redirect you to other websites to buy things.

So, there are viruses that steal your identity and viruses that try to get you to spend money. Some even pretend they are helping to remove viruses from your computer and get you to purchase them! In my business, I have actually met people who have purchased viruses that create more viruses (because they purchased a virus that they thought would get rid of their viruses). Unfortunately If you don't have an eye for this type of thing it's hard to tell what is safe and what is not.

I have found some software that will tremendously help against these threats. Last month I talked about Virtual Machines and how they are probably the best protection you can get against viruses, because when you are surfing the net you are in a virtual environment. You may not have the time or skill to set up a virtual machine and need to secure your main operating system. For this the software you

need is called Threatfire. This program is free and can be downloaded from threatfire.com. I installed it on my machine and when recklessly plowing through the most dangerous realms of the internet it caught everything trying to attack my operating system. Threatfire runs quietly in the background, making its presence known only when it detects a threat. Pop up windows are colored coded based on the virus' severity, with red indicating known viruses and yellow for suspicious viruses. If you don't know what to do, a hyperlink allows you to do a Google search of the file. Until now, I have noticed that no matter what antivirus software I run, I still can't stop the viruses if I intentionally click on the wrong thing, but so far Threatfire seems to actually do the trick ... so download it and give it a try!

I hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions please contact me at [info@e-spon.com](mailto:info@e-spon.com). Until next time, happy computing. John Sponseller

## GROVELAND YOSEMITE GATEWAY MUSEUM ACTIVITIES AFOOT

By Rosemary Adams, Publicity

While all of us were tearing around enjoying the Grand, Great Holiday Season just ended, our Museum has been heavily involved in several projects, soon to take place.

On a weekend in February, date not set at this writing, we will have a SOAP MAKING CLASS which will be presented by Sheila Trevillyan. This is a one session class to be held in our Museum. There is much interest in the program, and we urge you to contact Jane Dees, President of STCHS, at 962-5210 for more details.

Then, we are so pleased to announce there is a new Display being prepared. It is the MARY LAVERONI SAWMILL DISPLAY. This fine creation is the work

of Stu Heller, who put together the great exhibit featuring GOLD MINING & PROCESSING. Stu has been very busy developing the unit, and we know it will be great. We thank him for his dedication to the project. The conclusion and installation of the work is not settled at this time but it will be shortly. We know you all will be anxious to see this fine work, SO, KEEP IN TOUCH.

And, the months shrink to weeks, the weeks to days and days to hours - somehow. We wish to alert you to our Annual Wine Tasting Cruise, scheduled for June 14. You will not want to miss this fine, fun event. Do mark your calendars!!!

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# Groveland Fire Department Implements a Reserve Firefighter Program

By Fire Chief Shane Warner

Public agencies statewide are struggling to keep balanced budgets with limited tax dollars, while the cost of providing services increases. The Groveland Fire Department is always looking for more economical ways to deliver the services you expect while holding the line or even reducing costs. In 2007 the Fire Department responded to a record 602 calls, which is an eighteen percent increase over the total calls in 2006. It was time for us to think outside the box.

In June of 2007, the Assistant Fire Chief, Jim Burdick, and I went to a GCSD budget committee meeting with an idea that would increase Fire Department staffing at a reduced cost by hiring part-time (non-benefited) employees. Another thought behind the program was to utilize college-age students looking for experience to apply what they have learned in local fire academies. It was agreed that hiring twelve part-time firefighters to fill a third position on each shift was more cost effective than hiring one full-time firefighter. In July 2007, the GCSD Board of Directors approved the funding for a Firefighter Reserve program for the Groveland Fire Department.

Prior to implementing this program we had three rotating shifts with only one fire engineer and one firefighter on duty each shift. Our staff consisted of three full-time fire engineers and three full-time firefighters to cover the Big Oak Flat/Groveland area twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, 365

days a year. This staffing level did not allow for vacations, sick leave or training. Also, our recently completed Fire Master Plan suggested that a third person on each shift would provide much higher levels of service. The Reserve Firefighter program was developed to add this third firefighter to all shifts and to cover for planned and unplanned time off for our full-time staff.

With Board approval of the program, we interviewed potential candidates for the Reserve Firefighter program, requiring them to have First Responder certification and a State Firefighter 1 certificate. We had an overwhelming response, including some of our volunteer firefighters who were able to work occasional shifts.

Having a third person on duty has broadened the scope of what the Fire Department can do on initial attack in fire situations, vehicle accidents, medical emergencies, public service assists, and the day-to-day operations of the fire station. Another problem the Fire Department has faced for many years is that volunteer firefighters are not always available for emergency calls or Fire Department training because they work out of the area or are busy with their regular jobs. Training standards and required hours make it challenging for some volunteers to stay current with their certifications.

We are fortunate to have a committed staff, twelve dedicated volunteers, and now, a strong reserve program with twelve firefighters. The citizens in the Big Oak Flat/Groveland area can

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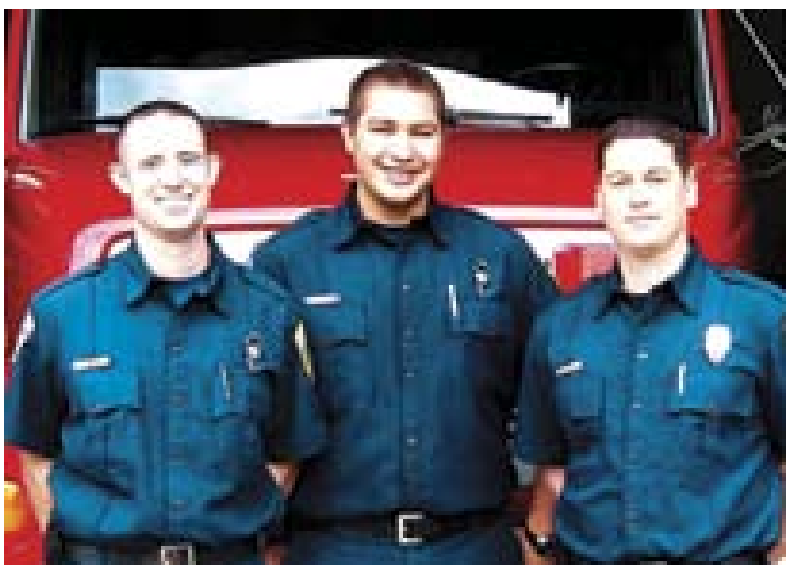
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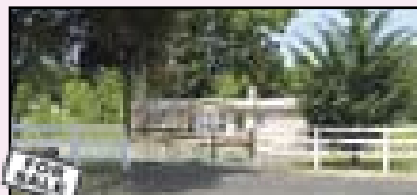
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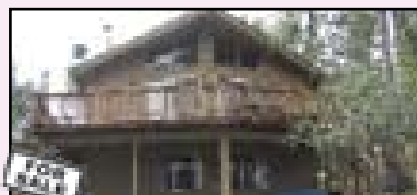
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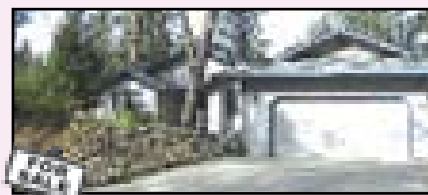
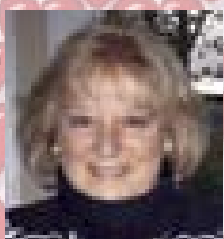
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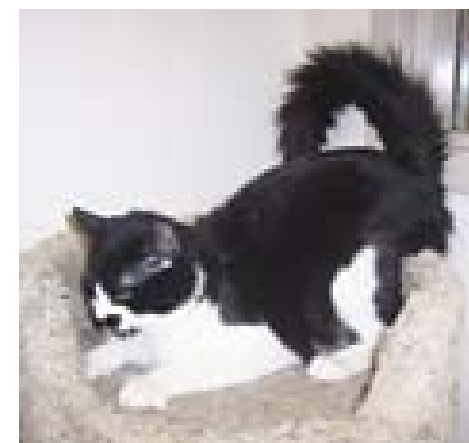


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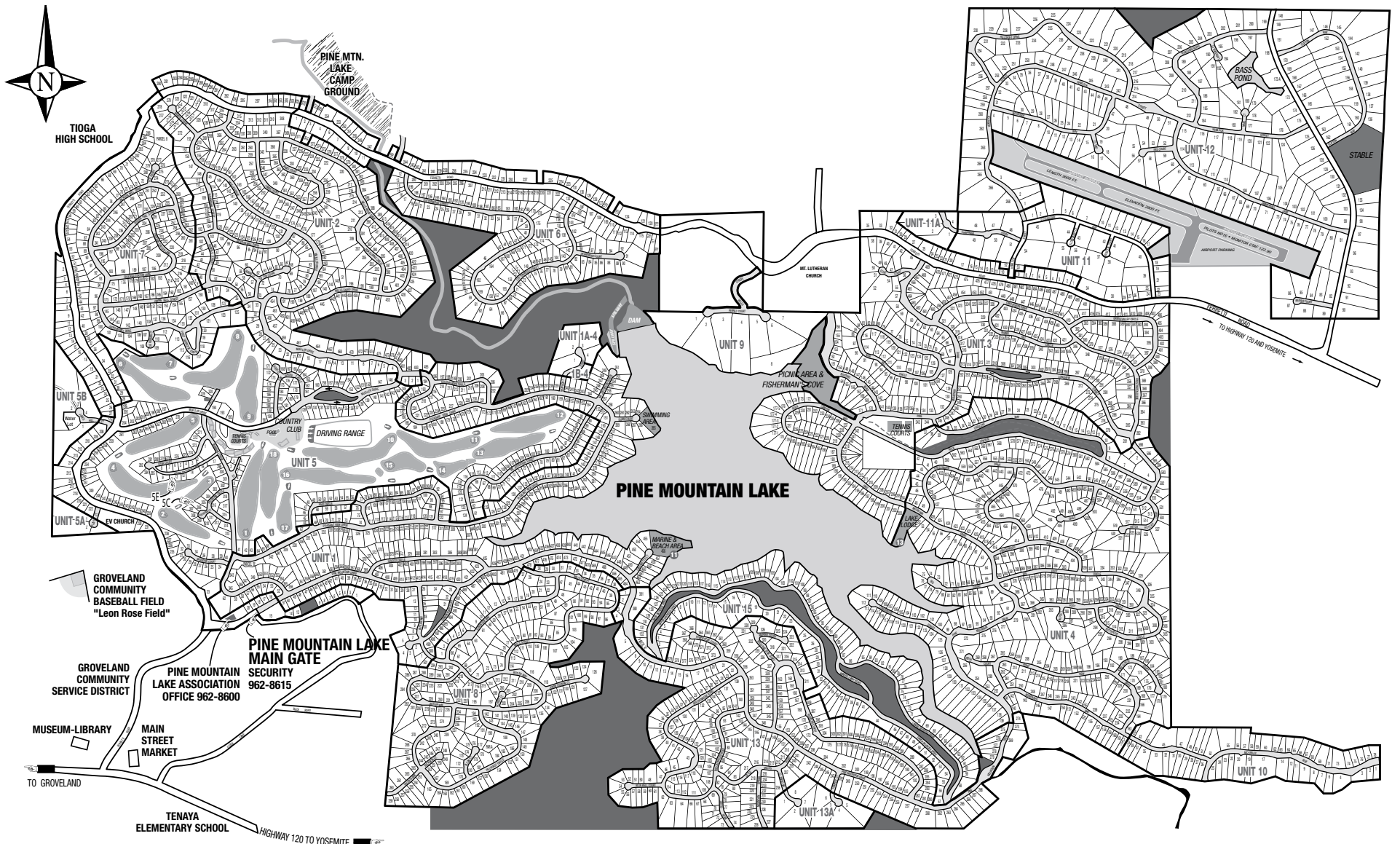
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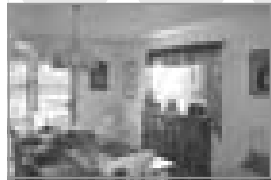
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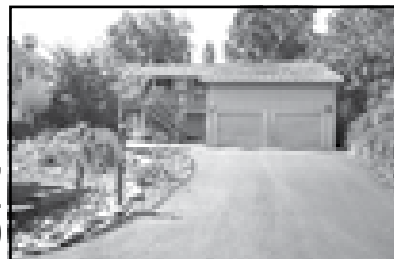
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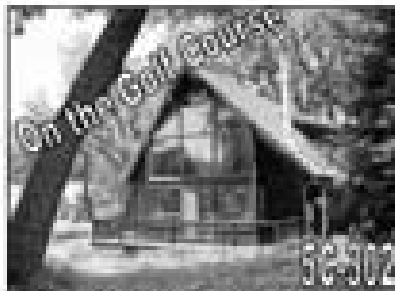
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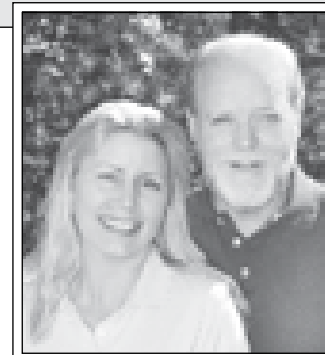
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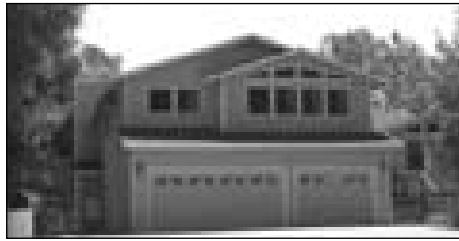
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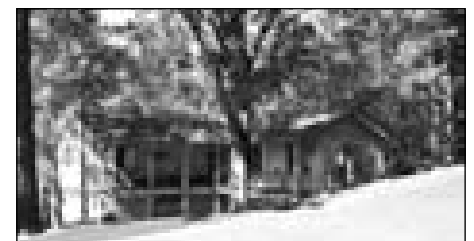


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# Two community leaders join Sonora Area Foundation Board of Directors

Retired Judge William Polley and Jamestown author and business owner Tricia Gardella have been appointed to serve on the Sonora Area Foundation Board of Directors. They replace long-time board members William J. Coffill and Joan Bergsund who each have completed more than 10 years on the board. Both Polley and Gardella have deep roots in the county and bring years of varied experience to the Foundation. Both served several months as ad-hoc directors before formal appointments at the Foundation's December meeting.

Polley, 68, retired in 2006 after 16 years as a Tuolumne County Superior Court Judge. He started his law career as a deputy and assistant district attorney, then spent 15 years in private practice in Sonora before being appointed to the bench in 1989. Polley and his wife, Carol, raised four children and live in Twain Harte. In addition to his legal career, he is a pilot, has served on the elder board at Sierra Bible Church for 28 years, served many years on the governing board of Sonora Community Hospital, and 20 years on the board of the Twain Harte Mutual Water Company. Although new to the Sonora Area Foundation board, Polley's ties to the Foundation go back to its earliest days. He was the private and business attorney for the Foundation's founder, Irving J. Symons, and participated in setting up the legal structure of both the Sonora Area Foundation and the Symons family's other trusts. He was named as a trustee for the Irving J. Symons Trust but did not participate as a Trustee until his retirement last year. "The Sonora Area Foundation has certainly succeeded beyond anyone's expectations," Polley said. "It is very satisfying to be involved and an honor to be entrusted with this responsibility to help our community."

Tricia Gardella, 63, brings a very different mix of experiences and interests to the board. A Sonora native, she is a cattle rancher, accomplished spinner, seamstress and needlecraft artist, children's author, and an arts and reading advocate. She currently owns and runs two family businesses in downtown Jamestown – an ice cream parlor called Here's the Scoop and a gourmet gift shop called Locals Make Good. They feature locally produced products including her own family lines of prepared foods. Gardella, whose father was long-time Sonora Judge Theodore Vilas, grew up in Sonora and was graduated from Sonora Elementary and Sonora High School. She married Jamestown rancher Jack Gardella Jr., a

fifth generation Tuolumne County native. They have raised two daughters and a son. Gardella said she's completely new to the Foundation's work, and has a lot to learn, but is intrigued and honored by the challenge. "I've always believed in what the Foundation does," she said, "and I love it! The Board is a wonderful group of people – I really value the experience everyone brings. I am very enthusiastic about how much good this Foundation can do for people who really need help. Our job is to grant the contributions where they can serve the greatest needs ... to look at the community as a whole and see how it can be strengthened."

Foundation President Celeste Boyd said both new board members are highly qualified and bring excellent qualities to the Foundation board. "I am excited to welcome Bill Polley and Tricia Gardella and look forward to the talent and experience they bring to the position," Boyd said. "The responsibilities of a board member are wide ranging and the new members' background in the county will add greatly to the mix of ability already in place."

Boyd also thanked Coffill and Bergsund for their many contributions and years of service. "We will miss Bill Coffill's lively sense of humor, connection to the history of the county, and his talent for researching and sharing information," she said. "This last ability helped fellow board members make informed decisions on grant proposals and other topics of interest." "Through her community activism, Joan Bergsund always kept her 'antenna' up for ways the Foundation could respond to identified needs. She provided excellent leadership for our first Community Indicators project, the Tuolumne County Profile." "Both of the retiring members served in all the offices leading to and including a term as Board President, along with the multitude of other activities expected from board members. I am grateful for their service and dedicated leadership."

The Foundation's officers remain the same for the coming year: Celeste Boyd, President; Clark Segerstrom, Vice President; Roger Francis, Secretary; Jim Gianelli, Treasurer. Jim Johnson, Gardella and Polley are Directors.

For information, please contact the Sonora Area Foundation at 533-2596.

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The Sonora Area Foundation, established in 1990, is a Community Foundation channeling donors' charitable contributions to worthy projects in Tuolumne County. The Foundation's mission is to

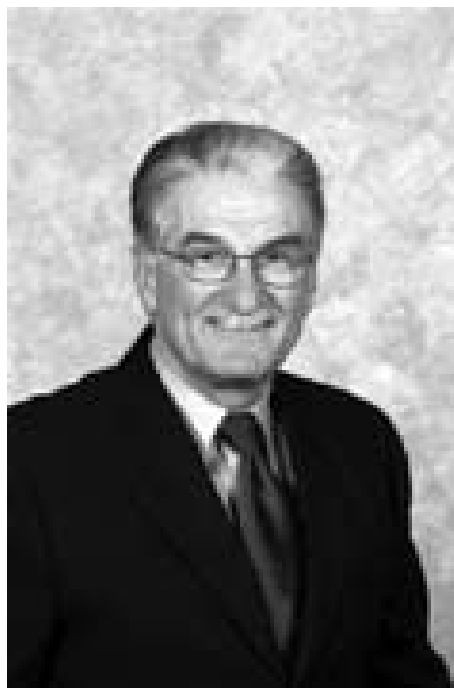
strengthen its community by promoting philanthropy through assisting donors, making grants and providing leadership.

The Foundation now has assets of more than \$26 million. Its governing board regularly awards grants that fulfill needs

in Tuolumne County. Those grants now exceed \$10 million since the Foundation's inception. The Foundation also administers more than 180 charitable funds set up for scholarships and other charitable causes.

The Sonora Area Foundation is certified as having achieved the National Standards of Excellence for U.S. Community Foundations by the Council on Foundations and is a member of the League of California Community Foundations.

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## WE DID IT, WE DID IT, WE DID IT

By Kay Glaves

**W**e did it, finally got the Christmas decorations down even though the weather said let it stay up. This year some of our Christmas decorations stayed up even after our 12 days of Christmas was over. Sorry about that but it was no fault of ours, the weatherman prevailed.

The take down crew was great, {if you prefer to hear all the sordid details. that went on, call me}. We started the day before we were scheduled {Saturday, January 5} because of the weather. Couldn't get ahold of a lot of volunteers because our phone was out of order, but, we accomplished quite a lot with the help we had. With 8 volunteers, who worked until 11:30 before the rain started again, we got all of downtown Groveland taken down. It was great, thanks guys. Then again on Monday, January 7th, we had 19 volunteers who took down what remained in Groveland and Big Oak Flat. About 4 hours time before we had to quit.

On Saturday, January 12, we finally had weather that allowed us to take down the garlands and all the decorations that we had previously missed. We had planned to take a picture of all the volunteers but were unable to have many of them there. Took a picture of those that were there and hopefully will have better luck in getting more out next year.

The volunteers involved with take down this year were: Anita and Mike Millard, Mike Buckley, Dick Dentino, Gene Nye, Joanne McLaine, Don Myers, Lion Frank O'Yung, Bill and Charlene Wrighton, Mike Dennison, Thelma Faux, Mary Brown, Linda Struhm, Paul Sperry, Paul and Barbara Klahn, Peggy Andrews, Bob Haliwell, Gordon and Gloria Stevens, Jack and Jolene Fairbanks, Cecile Burke, Greg Hawkins, Sylvia Volkman, Steve Engstrom, Blaine Cluff, Dustin Toney, Malcolm, Dave {stilts} Volponi and Lion Kay Glaves.

The garland was taken down, thanks to no rain, with the help of 16 Volunteers. David {stilts} Volponi said this year he had a great crew who knew what to do

and how to work together. So it went like clockwork. It took 3 days, doing a little at a time, to accomplish what we have done in previous years in only 1 day. Decorations in the Community Hall were taken down by Adrienne and LeRoy Carter. Our fire department personnel must be commended for removing our "HAPPY HOLIDAYS" banner with the foul weather conditions we had this year.

### INTERESTING FACTS

- \*We recycle the salvageable red ribbon and bows. This means washing and rerolling ribbons, washing and straightening bows. Approximately 150 hours went into this effort for our 2007 season, all done by Lion Regina Tilley and Vicki Webster. If you feel so inclined, we can certainly use your help.
- \*Twenty four rolls of new ribbon were used this year in addition to all the recycled ribbon.
- \*Marie Deshaies made an additional 200 new bows for our use this year.
- \*We had more volunteers this year helping our decorating efforts. David {stilts} Volponi gave us his usual appreciated help in the putting up and the taking down of the storefront lighted garlands. Believe me, that in this work, Dave is a God send.
- \*We used 136 rolls of sealing tape.
- \*We used 79 large rolls of aluminum foil, enough to stretch a mile and a half if placed end to end.
- \*We had a total of 64 volunteers involved in putting up the decorations this year. They accrued 1042 hours of community service time over a 12 day span.
- \*We had a total of 29 volunteers in our take down effort. Their total community service time was 219

## SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF GROVELAND GOES RED FOR WOMEN

By Rae Ann Bozzo

**Y**our heart tells you when you're in love, hurt or afraid – but it may not let you know when you have heart disease.

February is National American Heart Month. National "wear Red Day for Women" is Friday, February 1. The color red is a symbol for women and heart disease because red evokes passion and confidence, quickens the heart and signals change.

Go RED for your heart, your health and your life! You can choose to MOVE...exercise is at the HEART of your health. Millions of Americans suffer from illnesses that can be prevented or improved through regular physical activity. Know your risk factors and numbers for heart disease and stroke.

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- , Maintain a desirable weight
- , High blood pressure
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- , Physical inactivity
- , High cholesterol and saturated fat
- , Visit your doctor once a year
- , Celebrate your successes

Taking care of your heart is more important than you might know. Too few people realize that heart disease is the #1 killer of American women and men. But the good news is that heart disease can largely be prevented with the knowledge and tools that are needed to take positive action to reduce the risks of heart disease and stroke and to protect your health.

Now...take a moment. Close your eyes and put your hand on your heart...think about its beat. The power of your life is in your hands and how important your heart is. Now, make a promise to do something for yourself, for your heart today! Exercise...learn your numbers...kiss someone, eat smart. Take a moment...go red for women...and wear red on Friday, February 1.



Left to right: Blaine Cluff, Don Myers, Mike Millard, Paul Sperry, Malcom Milliron, Fran Fears, Peggy Andrews, Dustin Toney, Joanne McLean, Marie Dean, David 'Stilts' Volponi, Mary Brown, Mike Buckley, Loretta Ray, Bob Haliwell, Sharon Volponi, Sylvia Volkman, Steve Engstrom, Dick Dentino. Sitting down is the main organizer, Kay Glaves.

Photo by Miguel Maldonado.

hours. \*The deerheads were taken down by Mike Millard and Malcolm.

We hope all involved signed our work sheet and received proper recognition for their efforts. If you didn't, please accept our sincere apology because without your help we couldn't accomplish what we do. We can't say enough about the generous efforts put in by our volunteers. We feel that 2007 was an excellent example of

community service and we hope to see you all again in 2008.

NOTICE ~~Anyone interested in future volunteering when there is a need in our community, please call Kay Glaves at 962-6769 so we can add your name to our list of probable list of volunteers that we can call. Additionally, anyone interested in joining the Garrotte Lions Club of Groveland can call Kay Glaves for information.

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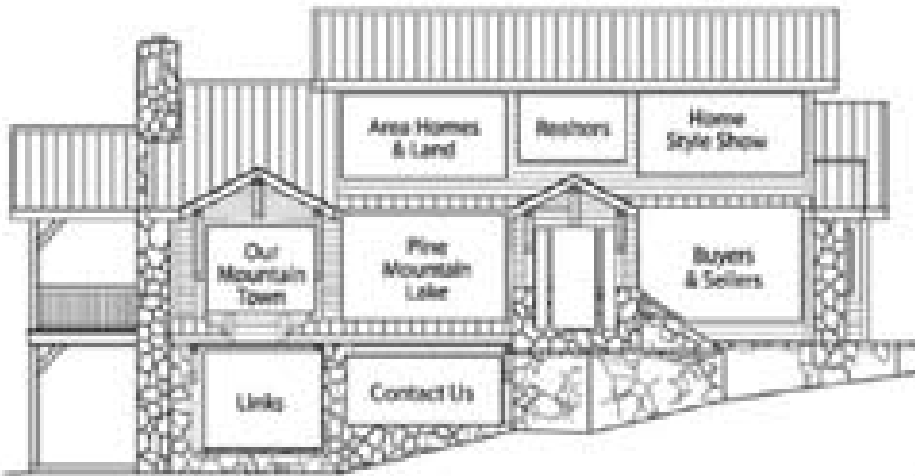
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Margo Meierbachtol {deceased}, Joe Neynader, Vickie Webster, Lion Regina Tilley, and Lion Kay Glaves. This year it became necessary to add new red ribbon to our decorating effort. Marie Dean, our ribbon girl, has been wrapping ribbons on posts, trees and store fronts as long as we can remember. This year she was assisted by many of the volunteers. Bill and Jeanne Beasley {our bow putter uppers} put all the new and old bows on in Groveland, Big Oak Flat every year.

We are always very appreciative of men volunteers when it comes to installing the garlands on the store fronts. Thanks to Dave Volponi {stilts} he has made the job so much easier with the help from our helpful volunteers. Dave has organized the garland put up and take down so that it will take less time to complete the job. The put up volunteers this year were Mike and Anita Millard, Lion Frank O'Yung and Paul Sperry. Helping to foil, wrap ribbons and hang bows in areas of Groveland and Big Oak Flat were: Don Myers {a long time helper who takes care of the Nativity scene}, Marie Dean {our fabulous ribbon wrapper}, Jeanne and Bill Beasley {our bow putter uppers}, JoAnn McLean {who usually decorates the Library and Museum area by herself}, Mike and Anita Millard {can't say enough about all the help they contribute. Mike dedicated himself to seeing that the garland lights were on each night and corrected any decoration problems he'd find}, Malcolm {we couldn't do without him also. He takes care of all the Christmas lights in the trees at Mary Laveroni Park}, Pat and Blaine Cluff, Jeanne Ridgley, Lion Frank O'Yung, Mary Brown, Thelma Faux, Fran Fears, Nancy Robichaud, Paul and Barbara Klahn, Eldon and Mary Bruha, Dave and Chris Bolek. Joe Neynader, Vickie Webster, Joyce and Joe Smith, Eunice Pennybacker, Peggy Andrews, Paul Sperry, Lani Eells, Laura, Don and Ethan Thornburg, Jane Hansen, Lee and Gene Nye, Lion Regina Tilley,

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Thanks to Custom Realty, for the past four years they have allowed us to store our boxes of supplies in their office while we were decorating. This gave us easy access to our supplies when we needed them to work with. Thanks, it really helped. The Charlotte Hotel was great in offering free coffee to all the volunteers. Thanks, we really appreciated it. Decorations in the Community Hall was accomplished by Adrienne and LeRoy Carter. They bought a new Christmas Tree for the Community Hall, it was so beautiful. They also decorate the Hall at different times of the year. We really appreciate the hanging and take down of the "HAPPY HOLIDAY" banner over Main Street by our local fire department personnel.

We traditionally leave the decorations up for 12 days after Christmas to fulfill a religious request to respect the legendary 12 days of Christmas.

If you contributed and did sign one of the work sheets and were not recognized here, please accept our sincere apology. We appreciate everyone's efforts and without it we couldn't do what we do. Please give yourself a pat on the back for a job well done. If you don't see your name listed, please call Lion Kay Glaves at 962-6769, it's never too late to let her know.

On behalf of the Garrotte Lions Club we wish to extend a personal THANK YOU to all the merchants, clubs, individuals and organizations for the truly fine support of this community effort.

On the whole we believe the year 2007 was a very successful decorating effort with everyone's helpful participation. So, keep your scissors sharp and we hope to see you all again this year, 2008. THANKS A MILLION - Lion Kay Glaves.

# Brought to you by CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® 2008 HOUSING MARKET OUTLOOK

California experienced another year of weak home sales in 2007. Sales of existing detached single-family homes, which declined 23.6 percent for the year 2006, were projected to decrease another 26.0 percent to 353,200 homes for the year 2007. Sales fell steeply in the last quar-

ter of the year as the liquidity crunch severely constrained availability of funds for mortgage loans. Monthly sales fell below 300,000 units on a seasonally adjusted and annualized basis, levels that had not been seen in over 20 years.

Despite the decline in sales, the statewide median home price set a new record of \$597,640 in April and remained near record levels for much of the year. This was partly due to the downward stickiness in prices in a slowing market, but also had to do with the mix of sales in 2007 compared with prior years. While low- to moderately-priced markets suffered throughout the year, the high end of the market was somewhat more resilient and propped up the statewide median price. However, with the onset of the liquidity crunch later in the year, that market segment saw weakness both in sales and prices and forced the statewide median price below \$500,000 in October and November for the first time since early 2005.

In general, lower-priced markets experienced large sales declines and weaker home prices as compared to higher-priced markets in 2007. Sales through August for homes valued below \$500,000 declined 24.6 percent year-to-date, and sales of homes between \$500,000 and \$999,999 fell 24.2 percent when compared to 2006. By comparison, sales of homes priced \$1 million and above declined only 0.5 percent from the same period of last year. However, the liquidity crunch choked off sales beginning in September, with the \$500,000 to \$999,999 market experiencing year-to-year sales declines in the range of 50 percent through the end of the year, and the market over \$1 million market showing year-to-year declines of roughly 25 percent.

The housing market is unlikely to

see significant recovery in 2008. A further six percent decline in sales is expected for the year 2008. Peak to trough, annual sales are expected to decline 47 percent from peak levels of approximately 625,000 homes in 2004 and 2005 to 332,000 homes in 2008. Meanwhile, the statewide median price will show its first decline since 1996, with a projected 5.5 percent annual decline in 2008 to \$536,500.

As the economy remains in the late stages of expansion with many mixed signals, economic growth for 2008 is expected to be positive, but will be below the potential GDP growth rate of 3 to 4 percent. The California economy should grow on a par with the national economy, with non-farm job growth increasing 0.9 percent, and unemployment rate approaching 6 percent in 2008.

Current market problems, however, have their roots in financing, not in weakening economic conditions. As such, this is not like the situation in the 1990s. Market weakness will continue to be driven in part by the ongoing problems in the subprime arena. Subprime mortgage payment resets are expected to peak in late 2007 and early 2008, so defaults and foreclosures should crest later in the year before easing as the year draws to a close. This will continue to put downward pressure on home prices, particularly in parts of the state that had a lot of new home building. Improvement in market conditions is more likely in the latter part of the year, as mortgage problems begin to subside and as buyers and sellers sense that home prices may have stabilized.

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By Sally Salinas, Project Manager for the Little House on Merrell Road

From all of us working to make the Little House warm, safe and beautiful, we wish you the very best in 2008. Our progress in December was slowed a bit due our very busy and active Holiday season with community projects, friends, family and the early January rain, wind and snow, storms. Additionally, our County Facilities contact person has moved on to another location so we expect that will add time for completion of several projects requiring County approval until his replacement is on board.

We are now back on track following up on several other projects (weather permit-

ting). In mid-January, a project funding proposal was submitted to a local foundation which would, if granted, provide funds for some of our face-lifting, furnishing and one part-time staff needs. This work will support achieving our mission at The Little House: "To provide an attractive local interim venue for programs and services that addresses citizens' needs for healthy lifestyles, learning, caring and support, celebration, and civic contribution (volunteer services)." A big thank you to Karen Serrett and Sharon Hunt for their expertise and hard work to make sure the proposal met the grant submission deadline! We are also developing a 'décor' task force and lining up several programs and services.

Liz Mattingly and Opal Berg are gearing up for more fund raising projects to keep the Little House in operation. After the great success of the Poinsettia sales project, spearheaded by Liz, we are looking forward to their innovative ideas and strong follow-through. Thanks Liz, Opal, and all the volunteers who helped with this first annual project. Ron Michaelis has taken on the task of overseeing some of our flooring and building and portico design/construction projects. He is working with volunteers such as Dave Holcolm

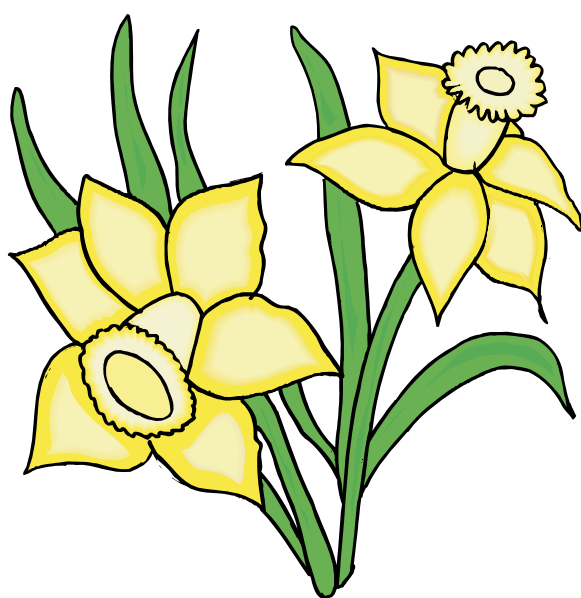
and Lloyd Case and others who have the expertise that is needed.

We are now recruiting volunteers to help with painting prep., sanding, and painting. We are also requesting all gardeners to harvest some of their daffodil and iris bulbs for a Spring color-fest to welcome all visitors to the Little House. We hope to surround the house with yellow and purple and later plant perennials to keep us in beauty year round.

We are also still requesting donations for 40 padded, folding chairs and 10 round tables (approximately \$2,000. Checks made out to SSSI-The Little House). We remind you that we want quality and uniform tables

and chairs that can easily be transferred to the new Gathering Place building when the land is secured and construction is completed.

Contact Sally Salinas 962-0505 or Opal Berg 962-7817 for further information and signing up for volunteer positions. Please remember, the Little House project will serve our community with more space for meetings and groups as well as classes, programs, services, activities and much more. Since the Little House has a kitchen, we may be able to cook, have meals and snacks, etc., while enjoying an activity. Your help and your donations will make this long-time dream (since 1984) a reality.



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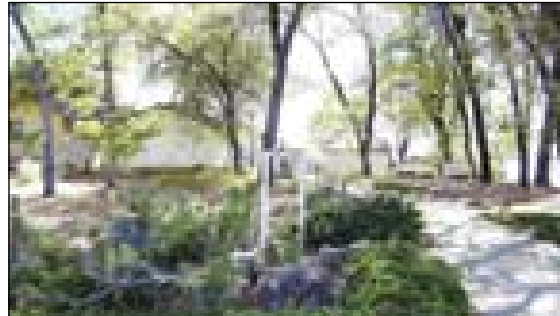
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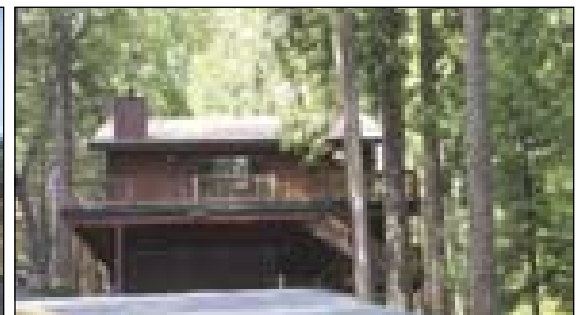
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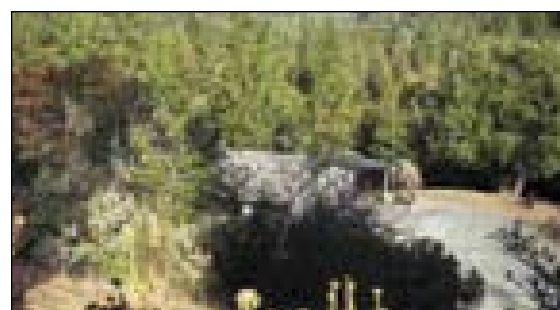
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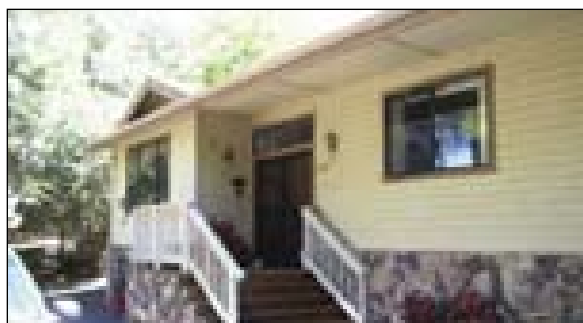
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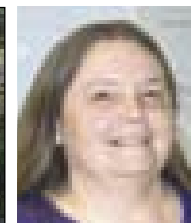
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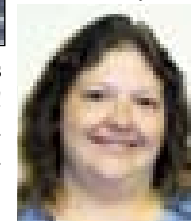
**BEAUTIFUL AIRPORT HOME ON TAXIWAY!...**View of Runway From Your Private Deck, Surrounded by Landscaped Flower Garden with Sprinkler & Drip System... 3 Bedroom - 2+ Bath...Jetted Tub...Formal Dining & A Breakfast Area...45X60 Ft. Hanger with Office, Loft & Bath...Amenities Galore...This Is A Must See! 12/11 \$895,000



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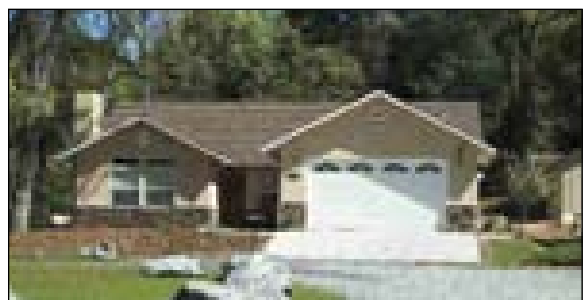
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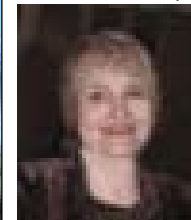
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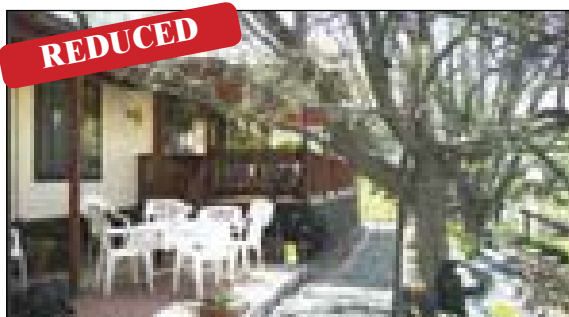
**NEARLY NEW HOME WITH LOTS OF EXTRAS...**3 Bdr. - 2 Ba....Jetted tub...9' ceilings...Well appointed kitchen - granite counter tops, hardwood floor, down draft range in island...Inside laundry w/tray...Located near tennis courts and fisherman's cove...Level property...Includes W/D & refrigerator. \$425,000 3/481



**COMFY & VERY COZY 3 BDR. - 2 BA HOME...** Beautiful pine cathedral ceiling & wood finishes...Enjoy your summer BBQ on this extra large deck ~ trees for privacy screen... 2 car garage w/opener... Not far from lake & tennis courts. \$289,000 3/294



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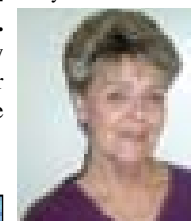
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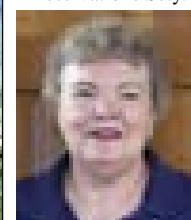
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## C.A.R. reports sales decrease 36.2 percent, median home price falls 11.9 percent

LOS ANGELES (Dec. 21) – Home sales decreased 36.2 percent in November in California compared with the same period a year ago, while the median price of an existing home fell 11.9 percent, the CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® (C.A.R.) reported today.

“While it is normal for sales to decline at this time of year, regional sales fell more steeply than usual because of the ongoing liquidity crunch and tighter underwriting standards,” said C.A.R. President William E. Brown.

Closed escrow sales of existing, single-family detached homes in California to-

taled 287,600 in November at a seasonally adjusted annualized rate, according to information collected by C.A.R. from more than 90 local REALTOR® associations statewide. Statewide home resale activity decreased 36.2 percent from the 450,930 sales pace recorded in November 2006.

The statewide sales figure represents what the total number of homes sold during 2007 would be if sales maintained the November pace throughout the year. It is adjusted to account for seasonal factors that typically influence home sales.

The median price of an existing, single-family detached home in California dur-

ing November 2007 was \$488,640, an 11.9 percent decrease from the revised \$554,500 median for November 2006, C.A.R. reported. The November 2007 median price fell 1.7 percent compared with October’s \$497,110 median price.

“The large decreases in the statewide median price of the past few months have resulted from difficulties in obtaining jumbo loans, particularly in the upper and middle tiers of the market,” said C.A.R. Vice President and Chief Economist Leslie Appleton-Young. “Whether this trend will continue after the liquidity crunch has eased remains to be seen.”

Highlights of C.A.R.’s resale housing figures for November 2007:

C.A.R.’s Unsold Inventory Index for existing, single-family detached homes in November 2007 was 15.3 months, compared with 6.4 months (revised) for the same period a year ago. The index indicates the number of months needed to deplete the supply of homes on the market at the current sales rate.

Thirty-year fixed-mortgage interest rates averaged 6.21 percent during November 2007, compared with 6.24 percent in November 2006, according to Freddie Mac. Adjustable-mortgage interest rates averaged 5.48 percent in November 2007 compared with 5.51 percent in November 2006.

The median number of days it took to sell a single-family home was 63 days in November 2007, compared with 68 days for the same period a year ago.

Regional MLS sales and price information is contained in the tables that accompany this press release. Regional sales data are not adjusted to account for

seasonal factors that can influence home sales. The MLS median price and sales data for detached homes are generated from a survey of more than 90 associations of REALTORS® throughout the state. MLS median price and sales data for condominiums are based on a survey of more than 60 associations. The median price for both detached homes and condominiums represents closed escrow sales.

In a separate report covering more localized statistics generated by C.A.R. and DataQuick Information Systems, 13.9 percent, or 41 out of 295 cities and communities, showed an increase in their respective median home prices from a year ago. DataQuick statistics are based on county records data rather than MLS information. DataQuick Information Systems is a subsidiary of Vancouver-based MacDonald Dettwiler and Associates. (The top 10 lists are generated for incorporated cities with a minimum of 30 recorded sales in the month.)

Note: Large changes in local median home prices typically indicate both local home price appreciation, and often, large shifts in the composition of housing market activity. Some of the variations in median home prices for November may be exaggerated due to compositional changes in housing demand. The DataQuick tables listing median home prices in California cities and counties are accessible through C.A.R. Online at <http://www.car.org/index.php?id=MzgwNzQ=>.

Statewide, the 10 cities and communities with the highest median home prices in California during November 2007 were: Newport Beach, \$1,400,000; Saratoga, \$1,300,000; Santa Monica, \$1,100,000; Cupertino, \$1,074,090; Santa Barbara, \$1,065,000; Danville, \$1,021,000; Yorba Linda, \$910,000; San Clemente, \$870,000; Redwood City, \$822,500 and San Francisco, \$814,500.

Statewide, the 13\* cities and communities with the greatest median home price increases in November 2007 compared with the same period a year ago were: San Juan Capistrano, 42.3 percent; Newport Beach, 31.5 percent; Santa Monica, 29.4 percent; Mountain View, 18 percent; Cupertino, 18 percent; Truckee, 10.2 percent; Redwood City, 9.7 percent; Yorba Linda, 9.6 percent; Santa Barbara, 7.5 percent; Moorpark, 7.2 percent; San Francisco, 7.2 percent; Pasadena, 7.2 percent; and Los Angeles, 5.8 percent.

\*There are 13 cities in the top 10 increases list this month because several cities had identical percentage gains.

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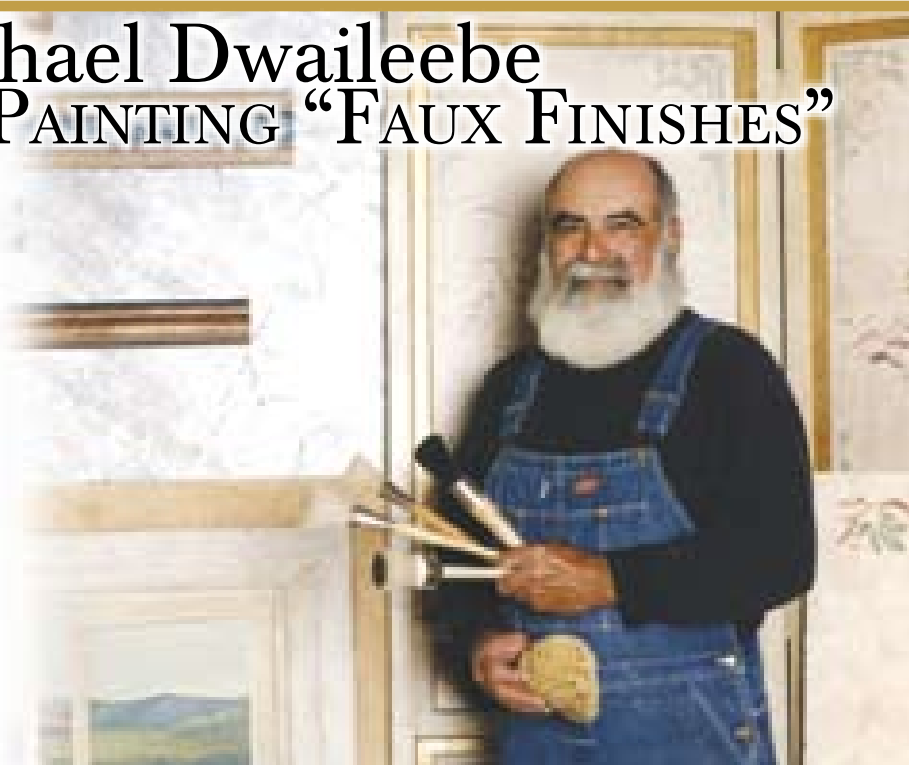
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# Pine Mountain Lake Fire Abatement - 2008 to be a Remarkable Year

By Ken Codeglia, PML Long Range Planning Committee



*Pop Quiz: Can you tell where brush clearing work stopped?*

In previous articles, I presented a “Report Card” of the 3 main areas of concern regarding our readiness for a wildfire. Here’s a review:

1. “Property Owners” earned a “mixed” rating, in that some of our neighbors are doing a great job, but others have neglected this important task. Of particular concern are undeveloped lots (no homes). Trees and brush are too thick which presents a real fire hazard.

2. Our “PMLA green belts” got a “poor” rating as vegetation growth has outstripped our commitment to attack dense tree growth, overgrown brush and

thick weeds.

3. The “Pine Mountain Lake Fuel Break” got an “A Plus”, thanks to the hard work of a group of fire officials called SWIFT. We now enjoy good protection from the North.

#### 2008 - Change in the Wind

This year begins a new period of energy and commitment for fire abatement at Pine Mountain Lake. We are about to begin what some will describe as a model community fire prevention program.

This year we start with 2 major endeavors:

1. The PMLA staff is working to get better cooperation with property owners, especially those undeveloped lots that have heavy thickets of trees and brush. We will start with more resources to do lot inspections. Property owners need to know when their property poses a risk to others. Larry Woodruff, our Fire Coordinator, is there to help provide guidance and locate resources. We will also see new and tougher guidelines for enforcement. Those property owners who don’t comply with our regulations might find the association hiring a contractor to do the work and sending the bill to the homeowner.

2. We begin year one of a five year plan to reduce fuel loads in our green belts. The plan is called “Jump Start”, in that we will use contractors with what is called “brush mastication” machines to do the bulk of the work. Then we can have the PML maintenance staff simply maintain the greenbelts in the following years. We really do need a way to get ahead of the problem before we can do maintenance.

Reducing Fuels in Greenbelts- What’s the Best Way?

The 2008 budget contains \$90,000 for

fuel reduction work in greenbelts. That’s a lot of money. So let me tell you how we’re going to leverage the economy of scale that a mechanized approach allows.

Consider that hand crews cost about \$3,000 per acre to clear brush. Other issues to consider are slow progress and slash piles needing to either be transported and ground up or burned in place.

In contrast, brush mastication machines can clear 1 - 3 acres per day, depending on terrain. The grind up is left in place to act as a deterrent to erosion and becomes mulch to feed the trees. It also avoids the risks of burning. The cost is roughly \$780 per acre.

We have 357 acres of greenbelts and 412 acres of undeveloped parcels in Units 14 and 16. With so many acres to treat, we need an approach that spends our money wisely and gives us as much protection as we can get, as early as we can get it. And there will still need to be some hand crew work as some terrain is too steep for machines or too close to creeks for environmental concerns.

#### What Happens Next?

Right now we’re in the process of touring vendors through our greenbelts so we can get an idea of where machines can be used and get quotes for the vendor’s work. We’re also using the services of a registered professional forester to give us advice on any environmental protection laws that need to be taken into consideration.

We’d like to start work in the spring, targeting 3 greenbelts for our first year. Two are located in the South end of Pine Mountain Lake. This is where we are the least protected with the Pine Mountain Lake Fuel Break. And as we’ve seen from past history, many fires come our way from that direction so it has been a higher risk.

The third greenbelt is in Units 2 and 6, near the dam. This is a greenbelt that is very thick with trees and brush, plus has steep terrain.

In upcoming articles I will update you on our progress and hopefully have some photos to share on how brush mastication machines work. It’s neat stuff.

As for your contribution: bring up this topic with your neighbors and help raise awareness. We need the cooperation of all the property owners in doing their part. You can do a lot to fight ignorance and apathy on this issue.

As usual, feel free to contact me at with your ideas, comments and questions at [pmlfireabatement@yahoo.com](mailto:pmlfireabatement@yahoo.com).

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By Rae Ann Bozzo

## MONDAY NIGHT FOOT BALL – HAROLD BRAMHALL AND HIS GIRLS

The R.O.O.F.B.B.'s have successfully concluded another season of Monday Night football. The three chairs of Monday night Football, Jackie Baker, Leanna Mattea and Marlene Raine, would like to thank all who attended and supported our fund-raising efforts, bringing in \$7,825.19. Many thanks go out to the following:

- Harold Bramhall, Country Club employee, who assisted us in so many ways. We could have never done it without his knowledge and help.
- Judi Allegri (angel) and her outstanding bakers for all the yummy desserts.
- Sandi Graham for her coordination of all of the servers (with thanks to all the servers as well).



• Ann Hankin and Karen Jablonski for taking in the money and keeping such good track of all of it, and to our great chefs: Dick and Thelma Faux, Orpheus Brown,

Tom Knoth and Paula Martel, Bruce Lay, Helena McMillan, Kathy Shehorn, Kitty Edgerton, Larry and Betti Hunt, Beau Clark, Elizabeth Lilley, Marche Kizziar, Dick Lennen, Nan Johnson, Iris Moffit, and Victor and Lynn from the Charlotte Hotel. Several of these chefs donated the food they cooked.

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# Yosemite National Park Announces Opening of Public Scoping for Vogelsang Backcountry Utilities Improvement Project

**P**roject will be accompanied by an Environmental Assessment (EA) that analyzes the environmental effects of a range of project alternatives.

The purpose of the Vogelsang Backcountry Utility Improvement project is to address public health and safety issues and utility deficiencies at the Vogelsang High Sierra Camp (VHSC) and the Backpacker's Camp. The deficiencies exist for a variety of reasons including new state and federal regulatory requirements, age, and deterioration of existing facilities. The camp's water supply comes from an underground spring which has been used since the camp opened in 1923. The current water supply system was built in 1963 and the wastewater system was replaced in 1987. The composting toilet at the Backpacker's Camp was constructed in 1984 as an experiment and has been closed since 2004 due to extensive damage caused by marmots.

The water supply and wastewater system upgrades would incorporate measures to comply with both state and National Park Service regulations. The water supply component of this project may involve adding filtration and disinfection to the water supply and repairing or replacing the water storage tank. The wastewater component of this project may involve addressing grease build-up in the septic tank, fixing or replacing the dosing tank, and repairing the mound system or switching to chlorination and a spray field and would explore grading and revegetation of the mound. Additionally, this project may involve replacing or removing the Backpacker's Camp composting toilet, removing facilities that are no longer in use, adding stock hitching poles to the backcountry utilities staging area, and restoring social trails.

Scoping is an opportunity early in the planning process for the public to suggest issues to be considered in the

proposed project. Ideas and concerns from the public help to identify the range of issues that should be addressed in this planning effort. During scoping, the National Park Service mission, Yosemite's enabling legislation, and other relevant laws and policies are revisited to ensure any potential actions are consistent with all relevant guidance.

The public scoping process for this project will open on Tuesday, January 15 2008, and will be open until February 13, 2008. A link to project information will be posted on the park's website at [www.nps.gov/yose/parkmgmt/vogelsang.htm](http://www.nps.gov/yose/parkmgmt/vogelsang.htm). A public meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 30, 2008 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the monthly Open House in the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center Auditorium.

Written scoping comments should be postmarked no later than February 15, 2008. Comments can be submitted at public meetings, by mail, fax, email, and through the Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) commenting system. A draft document will be available for public review in summer 2008. To request a hard copy or CD ROM version of the EA and to submit written comments:

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Superintendent, Yosemite National Park,  
**Attn:**  
Vogelsang Backcountry Utilities Improvement Project, PO Box 577, Yosemite, CA 95389

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For more information on park planning efforts, visit the website at [www.nps.gov/yose/planning](http://www.nps.gov/yose/planning).

## The Pine Cone Singers

by Gail Perlee

**U**nder the direction of Dennis Brown, the Pine Cone Singers will resume rehearsals on Tuesday afternoon, January 29 at 3:00 PM in the Groveland Community Hall in preparation for their spring concert in May. No auditions are necessary and all voices--soprano, alto, tenor, bass--are welcome. Dues are \$30 per season. For further information call 962-6892.



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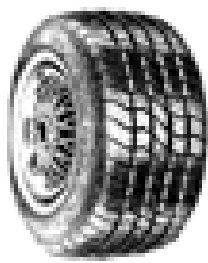
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## PML Owner Hits Jackpot

It was a spur of the moment decision that paid big dividends as Pine Mountain Lake residents Laura and Geno Hagiperos decided to check out the Black Oak Casino for their 2008 New Year's Eve celebration. While their three teen-aged sons and friends enjoyed a game of bowling at the Underground Family Center, Laura and Geno went upstairs to check out the casino. Fifteen minutes later the couple hit the Progressive Jackpot on a quarter slot machine to the tune of \$101,819.59!

"We went into the non-smoking room, because the smoke was getting to us, and sat down at the first Wheel of Fortune, quarter slot machine we could find," she said of their fortuitous decision. "We played \$20.00 and started to win extra credits immediately!" When the jackpot hit, Laura wasn't sure what was happening. "This is only my second time in a casino, I wasn't sure what was going on until the attendant and several security guards showed up and congratulated me!"

According to Mitch Goldstein, the Director of Gaming for Black Oak Casino, the odds of hitting the Progressive Mega Jackpot are one in five and a half million. The Progressive Award Amount is based on a percentage of all of the Wheel of Fortune machines being played simultaneously throughout California and Nevada.

"I was stunned!" said the middle school teacher and 44 year-old mother of three. "My husband wanted to try something new and exciting for New Year's Eve and we heard that the casino had a "Family" area with a bowling alley, arcade and restaurant."

Fourteen year old Alex Hagiperos also had a big night, throwing three strikes in a row to win a bag of goodies before learning of his mom's good fortune.

"What a way to start the new year," said Geno who owns and operates a hardwood flooring company in the bay area. "It looks like 2008 is going to be a good year," he added.

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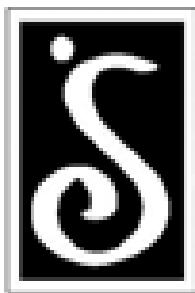
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### Sweet and Spicy Peanut-Pasta Stir-Fry (serves 4; 1 1/2 cups per serving)

5 oz. uncooked whole-wheat vermicelli or spaghetti, broken in half  
1/2 teaspoon grated orange zest  
1/3 cup fresh orange juice  
3 tablespoons sugar  
3 tablespoons light soy sauce  
1 tablespoon cider vinegar  
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

(optional)  
1/2 cup dry-roasted, unsalted peanuts (about 2 1/2 oz.)  
1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil  
2 cups small fresh broccoli florets  
1 medium carrot, cut into matchstick size pieces (about 3/4 cup)  
1 medium onion, cut into 1/4 inch wedges  
1 medium red bell pepper; cut into thin strips

Prepare the pasta using package directions, omitting the salt and oil. Drain well.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, stir together the orange zest, orange juice, sugar, soy sauce, vinegar, gingerroot, and red pepper flakes. Set aside.

Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Heat the peanuts for 2

minutes, until they begin to lightly brown, stirring frequently.

Add the oil to the same skillet and swirl to coat the bottom. Cook the broccoli, carrots, onion, and bell pepper for 6 minutes, or until just tender-crisp. Transfer to a large bowl. Stir in the cooked pasta and peanuts.

In the same skillet, bring the orange juice mixture to a boil. Cook for 2 minutes, or until reduced to about 1/3 cup, stirring constantly. Pour over the pasta mixture, stirring to blend.

Nutrients per serving: calories 331; total fat 10.5 g; saturated fat 1.5 g; polyunsaturated fat 3.5 g; monounsaturated fat 5.0 g; cholesterol 0 mg; sodium 321 mg; carbohydrates 52 g; total sugars 18 g; dietary fiber 9 g; protein 12 g

## Low Carb Pizza

Recipe by Paula Martell and Tom Knoth of "Dinners by Design"

**I**n this very tasty and much healthier version of pizza, the crust is made from ground meat. Original "Meatza" recipes use ground beef and/or sausage; we tried it with both ground chicken and turkey and the results were outstanding!

1 lb Ground Chicken or Turkey  
1/2 tsp Salt  
1/2 tsp Thyme, dried  
1/2 tsp Oregano, dried  
1/2 tsp Sage, dried  
1/8 tsp Ground Pepper

1/4 tsp Garlic, ground  
1/2 Cup Canned Pizza Sauce, Tomato Sauce, or Pesto Sauce  
3 oz Pizza Cheese(s) of choice such as mozzarella and cheddar

Pizza Toppings such as olives, mushrooms, pineapple, onions, jalapeno peppers, pepperoni, salami, ham, sausage, linguica, turkey bacon, roast chicken or turkey

Preheat oven to 450 degrees for at least

20 minutes; lightly grease a 12" diameter pizza pan with olive oil. Mix meat, salt, and spices together well and pat into an oval disk shape. Spread turkey mixture on the pan covering it completely; the precooked "crust" will be thin (about 1/4") when you get it spread out.

Bake at 450° for 12 minutes and then remove. The meat "crust" will shrink somewhat in diameter. Loosen the crust

from the bottom of the pan with a large spatula. Leaving crust in pan, apply sauce, then cheese, then toppings. Place back in oven and cook for an additional 10 minutes at 450°, or until cheese is melted in the center. Remove from oven and loosen pizza bottom from pan with a large spatula. Soak up excess surface grease with a paper towel (optional). Then let rest for a few minutes before slicing.

## GOODBYE SANTA, HELLO TO 2008

By Rosemary Adams, Publicity

**O**ur PML Ladies Club moved along from the grand, hectic and fun schedule of the Christmas Holidays, wherein we were partying as a group or with our families and friends, to a more relaxed event for January. We met for lunch and a BINGO SESSION at our Country Club and a delightful day it was. After a long stretch of dim, dark, cloudy days of rain, snow and ice we were treated to an entire day of dry weather. Our thanks to Mother Nature for giving us a pleasant day.

Our members met for a visit with other members and a fine choice of soup varieties served in bowls that had been formed from round loaves of French bread hollowed out to hold the soups. Green salad and a dessert of Bread Pudding completed the menu. We enjoyed it very much.

Then we got down to business and played BINGO. More fun and cheers, especially from the winners. The Bingo prizes were the centerpieces at each table and it was great to win them. The winners circulated the tables to select their prizes and that was a treat to watch their interest in them. Our thanks to John & Jackie Baker for conducting the Session. It was a first class effort, so well done. Bless them!!!

Planning ahead, we wish to remind you that we will hold Election of Officers at our February Meeting. We hope to see you all there. Details will be in our January, 2008 Newsletter. And, we remind you the Membership Dues are due in January. Our Treasurer is looking forward to hearing from you!!!

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by Judy Gravino

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Displayed for early viewing and continuous bidding at the event will be 10 spectacular silent auction items, valued at over \$100 each. If you can't live without it, or if it's a must have for someone you love, you'll want to come back often to check your bid placement before the bidding closes.

Draped tables will showcase over 50 live auction items coming up for bid and will allow you to see, touch and feel the items you want to bid on before the rousing fun of live auction bidding gets under way at 5:30 p.m.. Be prepared, our auctioneer extraordinaire, Catherine Santa Maria, will dazzle and encourage you to open your hearts and wallets to bid on items that provide Soroptimist International of Groveland with needed funds to continue providing service projects that support our local community.

Soroptimist International of Groveland's mission is to improve the lives of women and girls in our local community and throughout the world. For more information about Soroptimist International of Groveland or to attend a meeting, please contact President Cindi Goodrich at 962-4660.

The Soroptimist International of Groveland's 8th Annual Chinese Auction and International Appetizer Fund Raiser will be on Saturday, March 8, 2008 at 5:00 P.M. at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club.



# PML Cooking Demonstration Classes

**Tues, Feb 12th - "Valentine's Chocolates"**  
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**P**AULA MARTELL and TOM KNOTH of "DINNERS BY DESIGN" are hosting monthly Cooking Demonstration Classes at the Lake Lodge beginning on February 12th.

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**Upcoming Cooking Demonstrations:**

**Tues, Mar 11th** - "Easter Brunch" - Egg Newport, Baked French Toast Casserole

**Tues, Apr 8th** - "Comfort Foods" - Turkey Chili (1st Place Winner at 49er Chili Cook-off), Homemade Gnocchi with Pesto Sauce

**Tues, May 13th** - "Soups On" - French Onion Soup, Hot and Sour Soup

**Tues, June 10th** - "Light and Tasty Salads" - Chinese Chicken Salad, Strawberry Spinach Salad

Class size is limited; Fee is \$10 and includes food samples. Classes are 6:00 -7:30 pm. To RSVP, contact Tom Knoth at 209-962-5838 or email Tomknoth@yahoo.com.



## Upcoming Tuolumne Group Hikes

**X**C ski trip on Feb. 23, Saturday to Crane Flat lookout from the trailhead at the Tuolumne grove of Sequoias parking lot. This is a 5 mile round trip with about 800 ft elevation gain. Skiers need to bring a lunch, water plus the other essentials. We'll have



lunch at the base of the tower or on the catwalk which surrounds the tower. Time and details available by calling leader. Leader: Frank Oyung 209.962.7585 or frank-oyung@sbcglobal.net.

Thursdays: Midweek hikes in the Groveland/Hwy 120 area.

Each Thursday meet at Mary Laveroni Park, Groveland, at 8:00 a.m. or 9:00 a.m. (winter) 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. Leader: Frank Oyung 209.962.7585 or frank-oyung@sbcglobal.net.

Hikes up Highway 108 on the first Wed. of the month. 2A or 2B. These hikes will occur from October through June. The hikes will be 6 - 8 miles long and moderately strenuous. Bring lunch, water and other essentials. Leader: Jon Sturtevant 209.928.3010 or js3060@yahoo.com.

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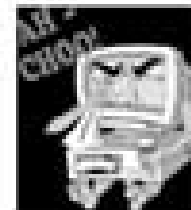
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# GCSD Elections

*GCSD elections took place at their regular Board meeting, Monday, January 14.*

*Top Photo: Dick Lennen (left) the new Board President and Gus Alegri (right) the former President.*

*Bottom Photo: John Gray (left) the new VP and Dick Lennen again.*

*Photos by Miguel Maldonado*



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# The Quilter's Corner

By Juli Citarelli

Hopefully we are all back to normal after a very hectic holiday season. All the decorations are stored away for next year and we are on our annual diets! We all had a great time at the January dinner held at the Country Club. There were some beautiful things displayed at the challenge. You ladies came up with some very innovative items, keep up the good work.

Remember that February 14th is Valentine Day. Have you made some new placemats or a table runner? If not, times a wasting!

In February we are having a very exciting speaker, Margie Johnson. She does beautiful fabric art such as landscapes

and wearable art. She will also be giving a class the next day. So mark your calendars so you can attend. Don't forget that March is our basket auction so get your thinking cap on.

Here is a helpful hint. Use nail polish to mark the spot on a thread spool where the cut is that holds the thread tail. You can then see the slot easily to thread the tail back.

Remember we meet the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 in the lower part of the library; our next meeting is February 19th. Everyone is invited, even if you are not a quilter but might be interested in becoming one. Come and join us for a fun filled evening.



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# DONATION TO LOCAL SCHOOLS BY HETCH HETCHY AOR!

By Carolyn Botell

The Hetch Hetchy Association of REALTORS® raised \$4,000 from its Seventh Annual Golf Tournament in June 2007, and Dave Lint, the organizer of this annual event, was recently able to deliver the money to our local schools!

Here is a picture of Dave giving Sandy Bradley, Principal of Tioga High School a check for \$1,500 which will go towards a sculpted, metal statue of a Wolf, which is the school mascot, to be placed outside the new gymnasium building.

And here is a picture of Dave giving Marianne Quinn, the Principal of Tenaya Elementary School, a check for \$1,500

which they will use for new athletic equipment and playground facilities for the entire school, to promote healthy and active lifestyles.

Now here is a picture of Dave giving Mari Brabbin, Principal of Lake Don Pedro High School, a check for \$1,000 that they will put towards creating and publishing their High School Year Book.

We want to say THANKYOU to everyone who contributed to the Hetch Hetchy AOR 2007 Golf Tournament. We already have our date for the 2008 tournament, which is Friday, May 30th - be sure and mark your calendars now for this fun and charitable event!



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## It was big year when it came to tourists visiting Yosemite National Park.

Yosemite, California

By bjhansen@mlode.com

In 2006, Yosemite had 3.35 million visitors. Park spokesperson Scott Gediman says that the final numbers for 2007 won't be released until later this week but the park had already surpassed last year's number by the end of November.

"It looks like we are going to be at 3.5 million or higher," says Gediman. "This will turn out to be the busiest year in about six or seven years."

As for the increase, Gediman says Yosemite has been working with gateway communities over the past few years to better market the park. One of which, that he specifically points out, is the Tuolumne County Visitors Bureau.

With high gas prices and a staggering economy, Gediman also notes that the park is seeing an up-tick in guests who reside in California who are choosing to stay close to home when vacationing.

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**Forestwood Way**, Unit 4, Lot 395, 3200 Sq. Ft. **\$785,000**

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**James Circle**, Unit 2, Lot 237, 2900 Sq. Ft. **\$618,000 Sold!**

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## HELPING HANDS HAPPENINGS

By Joyce Smith

We hope you had a Very Merry Christmas and started the New Year off on a happy note.

New Officers were installed at our Installation and Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on January 10th at the PML Country Club. Our thanks to the following for serving as officers for 2008: President - Shirley Carman; Vice President - Sandi Graham; Treasurer - Judi Wilkinson; Recording Secretary - Julie McVicker; Corresponding Secretary - Amanda Klahsen; Parliamentarian - Linda Flores; Crisis - Carol Morrison; Store Manager/Newsletter - Patti Beaulieu. Standing Committee Chairpersons are: Youth and Education - Nancy Meyer; Scheduling - Patti Beaulieu, (Front/Barn), Sandi Graham - (Back); Publicity - Joyce Smith; Sunshine - Laurie Nagle and Historian-Dale Elliott. The store was closed on the 10th while we celebrated this event.

President Shirley says, "Let us all start the New Year with continuing enthusiasm to do the best job ever." We look forward to a busy and productive year. Everyone is a volunteer here, and volunteers are always needed.

### Happenings:

-- A long time and faithful volunteer, Barbara Leahy, resigned in January. She was always willing and able to help in any way needed. A great lady and loads of fun. She is not leaving Groveland, just planning to do more things with her family. We hope she will stop by the store often to say hello. She will be greatly missed.

-- Roland Elliott fell and broke his leg on December 20th. We wish him a speedy recovery.

--The Barn is OPEN on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Just look for the Open Flag and come in and look around. We have some great bargains and you never know what you will find. Come and be surprised.

-- The Volunteer Annual Christmas Luncheon and Gift Grab was a great, fun event although the flu/virus kept a few people at home.

-- Patti Beaulieu and Dar Brown, co-chairs for the Community Christmas Baskets, worked long and hard, along with other Helping Hands Volunteers and many others in our Community. A tremendous undertaking but a great happening for many. Patti and Dar appreciated all the help and support from everyone.

-- New Volunteers: Welcome to Delia Self (she will be working in the front starting in January) and Randy Madrigal (he will be starting in the front and also the Barn in January). Glad to have you with us.

-- Congratulations to Students of the Month: Jafet Perez, 3rd Grader at Tenaya Elementary and Amber Lane, Senior at Tioga High School. We are proud of you. Keep up the good work.

-- Some of our volunteers are "snow-birds". We hope they are having "fun in the sun". We will look forward to their return in the spring.

-- Wasn't our rain wonderful? The wind was a bit much but we are thankful for the rain (and the snow).

-- Need something for Valentine's Day? Check Helping Hands.

Hope to see you in the Store and Barn.

# Community Comes Through Again for 2007 Christmas Basket Project

By Patti Beaulieu - 2007 Project co-chair

Once again, the small communities of Pine Mountain Lake, Groveland, Big Oak Flat and Buck Meadows proved that this is the most giving and generous place there is with their support for the 2007 Christmas Basket Project. We get such an abundance of help for this project, that Dar Brown and I have completed our 4th year of co-chairing, and are currently working on ways to tweak it for next year. Each year we are ever more grateful for all the support we get, from the beginning of the project, to the last sweep of the broom on pick-up day. November began with the Food Donations being put out at various stations by returning elves, Richard and Diane Abdelnour. They do a fine job of monitoring the contents, picking up full barrels and depositing them for delivery at the Community Hall. The month of December started us off with the PML Ladies Club Christmas Brunch in which each attendee was asked to bring a new, unwrapped gift for their designated age group. From that event alone, we carted off at least a half dozen large black bags filled with everything from stuffed animals for the wee ones to watches for the teens.

Then just 3 days later was the annual "It's a Wrap" party, hosted by Kent and Sandy Blankenburg. Their hanger is magically transformed into a holiday wonderland, where once again, the attendees are asked to bring a gift for a child. It was not at all uncommon to see folks walk in with not just a toy or gift, but armloads of them. The party was fantastic, as it always is, and all the gifts were sorted, wrapped and tagged that night. This is just another way the Blankenburgs show their love and support for this community.

Monday, December 10th started our 'crunch week' where the whole event comes together and everything is assembled. Many in the community donate food items, make financial contributions, or give their time. The PML 9 Hole Ladies Golf and PML 18 Hole Ladies Golf groups also collected toys or gifts and brought them that week. Our tables of gifts grew as the week went on.

While all the 'behind the scenes' work is happening, the Groveland Soroptimists were out with their assigned wish lists shopping and wrapping for weeks. This tireless group of angels, led by Bobbie Vandenberg and Liz Mattingly, purchased clothing, toys, electronics, shoes, sheets, bedding and a myriad of other items for the kids. Some were hard to find but they persevered! This is a job only a well managed group should ever attempt, and they came through with flying colors again this year.

Once again, Main Street Market supplied the food donors with discount pricing and, in some cases, even had the items delivered to the Community Hall. Yet another way they support and assist the community.

This year we were especially surprised to get a new and most unexpected donation of 114 turkeys from Diestel Turkey Ranch. They heard about our project from PML neighbor, Jan Knudson, and wanted to help. What we thought would be a generous donation of a few (maybe a dozen) turkeys, turned out to be over 100. We couldn't have been more surprised or elated. The news of their generosity spread quickly throughout the community so hopefully we'll all continue to support their business and purchase their products whenever possible.

When all was completed, 315 of our neighbors -181 adults and 134 children - were furnished with food, gifts and gift certificates to brighten their holidays. There were 95 families supported by the program this year.

Listed below are all the giving members of the community who assisted in any way, large or small, to make this project run smoothly and successfully. As you can see, the list includes almost every social club, church, service organization and business in the community. You just don't find this kind of generosity and involvement anywhere else.

Core Committee Members: Richard and Diane Abdelnour - Food barrel coordinators; Mal Brown - OUR EVERYTHING MAN!; Karen Jablonski - set-up, wrap coordinator and crunch week food supplier; Linn Faler - food donation coordinator; Carole and Ron Smith - set-up and crunch week volunteers; Bruce Lay - set-up and crunch week volunteer.

Food, Gift or Financial Donors: 7th Day Adventists Church; Accounting Plus (Jack and Cathy Leetham); All 220 attendees of the Blankenburg Wrap Party; Big Oak Flat Baptist Church; Big Oak Flat Rebekahs; Lynn Bonander, Realty World Pine Mt Lake Realty; Kent and Sandy Blankenburg; Val Bruce, Realty World & Custom Rentals; Buck Meadows Community Church; Eleda Carlson, Realtor@Remax Yosemite Gold; Carron Tax Service (Ron and Carole Smith); Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; Church of Christ; Diestel Turkey Ranch; Dog Gone Gorgeous; Evergreen Lodge; Foothills Community Church; Friends of the Groveland Library; Garrotte Lions Club; Groveland Evangelical Free Church; Groveland Highlander 4H Club; Groveland Kiwanis; Groveland Rotary; Sean Harrington; Helping Hands of Groveland; Hetch Hechy

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Soroptimist Shoppers/Wrappers: Bobbie Vandenberg - chairwoman; Liz Mattingly - cochairwoman; Rae Ann Bozzo, Faye Buckley, Barb Elliott, Cindi Goodrich, Judy Gravino, Jane Hansen, Michele Hendrix; Linda Hunter, Flo Jansen, Amanda Klaahsen, Roberta Naylor, Bonnie Phillips, Linda Struhm, Donna Thayer & Sharon Volponi 'Wrap Party' Christmas Basket Committee: Wayne and Toni Augsburg; Derrol Beaulieu; Geri and Frank Biggs; Dotty

and Dick Davis; Lani Eells; Linn Faler; Glen and Sandy Fiance; Bob and Shirley Halliwell; Karen and Frank Jablonski; Jim and Laurie Nagle; Ron and JoAnn Prieto; Sandi Smith.

Crunch Week Helpers (wrapping, distributing food and whatever else was needed): Diane Abdelnour; Peggy Andrews; Jackie Baker; Hanna Bodle; Mary Brown; Faye Buckley; Elaine Christian; Beverly Clark; Rose Denzer; Kitty Edgerton; Lani Eells; Linn Faler; Thelma Faux; Charlie Fratus; Eddy Garber; Barbara Haiges; Diane Harrison; Pam Hendrickson; Rose Heuer; Barbara Klahn; Linelle Marshall; Joyce Reitzur; Nancy Robichaud; Lonnie Roman; Betty Rohlfs; Wanda Turpin; Sharon Volponi

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A sincere THANK YOU is extended to each and every one of you.

## THANK YOU!

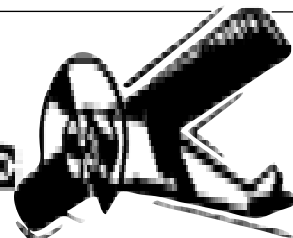
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# Let the Rehearsals Begin

By Nancy Robichaud

On January 7th Pine Cone Players held the auditions for their original musical melodrama, "Love Potion #1", directed by Nancy Robichaud. The turnout was great even considering the winter weather.

The evening began with our musicians, Joe Byrnes and Luke Sullivan, giving the group a sample of the music that will be played live for the dances. The attendees were dually impressed. "We could listen to them play all night" remarked Dave Holcomb, author of the melodrama.

Then getting down to business actors and actresses read selected sections of the play. Donna Wines-Lint, Anita Millard, Gail Perlee, Dave Holcomb and Nancy Robichaud were given the task of selecting a player for each role. Not an easy task as it turned out...but successful.

We are proud to announce the players for the Memorial weekend melodrama. In order of appearance: Gussy Upp – Marj Smith, Ima Bell – Gail Perlee, Selma Soul – Barbara Klahn, Lilli White – Ann Schafer, Norman Simpleton – Charlie Mills, Sgt. Blackheart – Marijke Spilman, Dr. Bilkemall – Kris Corey, Justice of the Peace – Deborah Kalkowski and the Courier will be a cameo by Dave Holcomb, author. Our dancers and townsfolk include: Susan Nash, Sue Salnick, Deborah Kalkowski,

Harry Maier, Cecile and Randy Burke. Some of these folks will also be pulling a second duty as backstage hands as well.

Over the next few weeks the backdrop will be brought to life by artists Jim Leitzell and Liz Reinhard under the direction of Dave Holcomb and Nancy Robichaud.

The Hotel Charlotte will again this year be hosting an "Opening Night Gala" Friday night May 23. These special tickets include a fabulous meal at the Hotel prior to the 7:30pm show with reserved seats at the theater and a "meet the cast and crew" gala after the show at the Hotel. For reservations for this special event call the Hotel at 962-6455.

The Hotel Charlotte will also be presenting a special Brunch prior to the Sunday May 25, 2pm matinee performance. These special tickets also include reserved seating at the theater. We think it's a nice way to spend a Sunday afternoon. For these tickets please call the Hotel at 962-6455.

General admission tickets won't be available until May 3 and will be sold at the Hotel Charlotte, Yosemite Bank and Marijke's. Donations for this show are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 13. There was standing room only last year so make plans to get your tickets early.

Show dates are Friday, May 23 and Sat-

urday, May 24 at 7:30pm and Sunday May 25 at 2pm. All shows are at the Groveland Community Center.

We are still in need of a prompter, and

stage manager. Please help if you can. If you need more information, or wish to jump in and play with us, please call Nancy Robichaud 962-7389.

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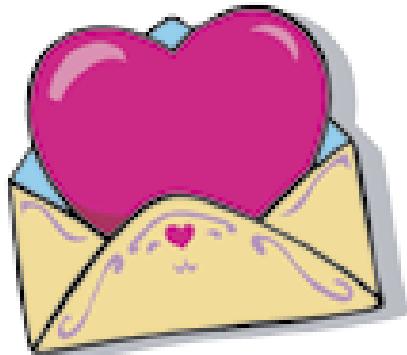
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# VALENTINE'S DANCE PARTY

The "Dance Party" club of PML will host it's monthly dance at the Lake Lodge on Friday, February 8th, so bring your favorite valentine or dance partner and come join the fun. As usual, the doors will open at 7pm and dancing will start at 7:30 to approximately 11pm. We ask that you BYOB and a snack to share (optional) plus the cost is minimal, only \$3 per person or \$5 per couple. Our dances will continue all year on the second Friday of each month, except December. This past December we hosted a potluck for the holidays and had approximately 50 in attendance and we all had a ball...just goes to show you, "have food...and they will come!" For more information, call Bob or Carol at 962-7254.





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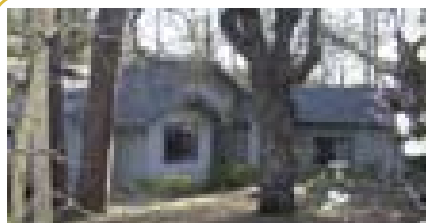
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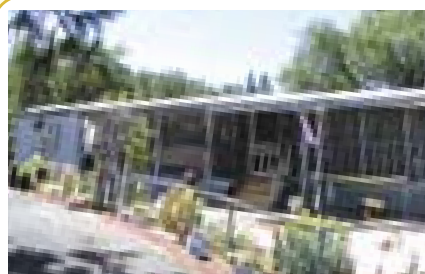
**LIKE NEW:** Beautiful home, totally renovated from top to bottom. Three bedrooms, two baths, new kitchen with maple cabinets, granite, tile and new appliances. Home has open floor plan. Huge laundry room and 2 car garage downstairs. \$319,000.00 19785 Ferretti Road Unit 6, Lot 112.



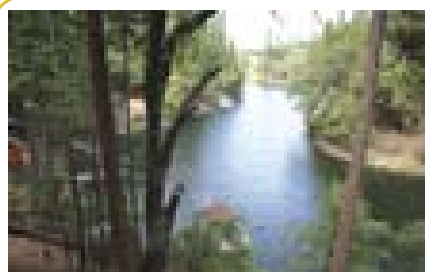
**A LOT OF HOUSE FOR THE MONEY** Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with big bonus room, Covered porch with hot tub, large master suite, Near tennis and cove. Almost 2500 sq. feet of living space on one level. 20354 Pine Mountain Drive, 399,500.00

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- 6/113 Ferretti Rd. \$50,000
- 7/218 Crocker Station \$53,000
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- NEW!** 2/409 Wells Fargo Drive \$49,950.00



**FLAT AND COMFORTABLE,** Over 2 1/2 acres of all usable land at the base of Yosemite Springs Road just off Old Hwy 120. Manufactured home with 3 bedrooms and two baths. GIANT!! shop 28' wide over 200' long. Good for horses or whatever you want to do with it. \$469,950 10966 Yosemite Springs Road



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**UNDER 300,000** This conveniently located home has 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage. Nice comfortable home, freshly painted, with plenty of storage. Offered at: \$269,975 19480 Ferretti Road Unit 6 Lot 243



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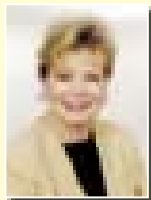
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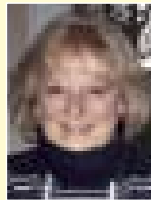
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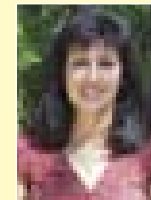
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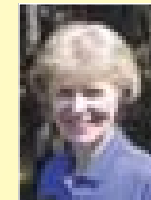
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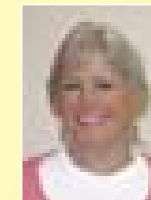
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# The Horsehead Nebula

by Eddie Pavlu, [www.GrovelandAstro.com](http://www.GrovelandAstro.com)

In January's newsletter I discussed the Great Orion Nebula. The Orion Nebula region is located in the constellation Orion and is approximately 1,500 light-years away. Another well known nebula in the Orion Nebula region is the Horsehead Nebula. A nebula is a cloud of gas and/or dust in interstellar space. A nebula can make itself visible by glowing as an "emission nebula", by scattering light from stars within them as a "reflection nebulae", or by blocking light from things behind them as a "dark nebula". The Horsehead Nebula is a dark nebula located just below star Alnitak, the star furthest left on Orion's Belt, and is approximately 3.5 light years wide.

Unlike the Orion Nebula, which is one of the brightest of all Deep Sky Objects - visible to the naked eye under moderately good conditions, viewing the Horsehead nebula requires the use of a telescope or a good set of binoculars. Even under the best conditions, the Horsehead nebula is very difficult to view because it's so faint. It is part of a swirling cloud of dark dust and gases, shaped like a horse's head (hence its name). The unusual shape was first discovered in 1888 by Williamina Fleming on a photographic plate taken at the Harvard College Observatory.

One of the unique qualities of the Horsehead nebula region is that it contains 3 distinct nebula which are examples of each of the 3 different types of nebula - emission, reflection, and dark nebula. The first of the 3 nebula is the red emission nebula referred to as IC 434. The red glow of IC 434 originates from hydrogen gas ionized by the nearby bright star Sigma Orionis. The second nebula visible in this image is the dark Horsehead, also known as Barnard 33. The darkness of the Horsehead is caused mostly by thick dust which blocks the light of the red emission nebula IC 434. Streams of gas leaving the Horsehead nebula are funneled by a strong magnetic field. The third nebula visible in this image is located to the lower left of the Horsehead and is the blue reflection nebula referred to as NGC 2023. The blue reflection is caused when a nearby star isn't hot enough to cause ionization in the gas of the nebula like in emission nebulae, but is hot enough to make the dust and gas visible. A reflection nebula is usually blue because the scattering is more efficient for blue light than red - this is the same scattering process that gives us blue skies and red sunsets.

Taking a photograph of the detail shown in this Horsehead nebula image requires a telescope mount that can accurately track



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the sky over long periods of time and very long exposure time with a camera. This image was created by attaching a digital camera to the end of a telescope where the eyepiece is normally inserted. Many separate photographs were taken with exposure times of 5 and 10 minutes each. Then, all the individual photographs are digitally "stacked" one on top of another to create the final image. It is this long exposure stacking technique that creates an image with the level of detail visible in this photograph.

I took a total of 93 separate 5 and 10 minute exposure photographs over 3 different nights totaling 690 minutes of exposure time. Then I "stacked" the

best 510 minutes of exposure time. Composing the photograph over several nights can be a challenge because the image isn't visible until after you take a long exposure. The level of detail from each separate photograph is much less than the final version with the total exposure time. In fact, the outline of the "horsehead" is barely visible in each of the separate photographs - but all that changes once the exposure time is increased by "stacking".

Newspaper print, like the PML News, doesn't have nearly the resolution or color range to show all the fine details in this image. Please visit my on-line astrophotography gallery at [www.GrovelandAstro.com](http://www.GrovelandAstro.com) to view a higher resolution version of the Horsehead nebula as well as my other astrophotography images.

## Here are some more details about the image:

*Telescope Mount:*  
Celestron CGE German Equatorial

*Image Scope:*  
Astro Physics 155 Starfire APO Refractor (on loan from my good friend Tom Parker)

*Guide Scope:*  
Orion ED80 Reflector

*Camera:*  
Canon Digital SLR 300D

*Exposure Time:*  
690 minutes (11.5 hours) of which the best 510 minutes (8.5 hours) were used for this image.

*Imaging Dates:*  
October 30, 2005  
October 31, 2005  
November 4, 2005



# AARP

## Drivers Safety Course

*Sandy Miller, Instructor*

Where: PML Lake Lodge

When: March 22nd

8am to 4:30pm

(Bring a sack lunch – 1/2 hour lunch)

Amount: \$10

Sign up at the  
PML Administration Office

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## Tenaya Elementary School Student of the Month

Student: Michelle Ries

Grade: 4th

Parent's Name: Lynne and

Travis Kirk of Groveland

Michelle is a member of quite an extraordinary class. She is an honor student, a class officer and a diligent student. Smiling is a habit with her as is being generous and kind. We are all fortunate to know her. Congratulations Michelle!

Nominated by: Ellen Jeffrey  
– 4th Grade Teacher



## Tioga High School Student of the Month

Name: Chelsea Sanders

Grade: 12

School: Tioga High School

Parent: Beth and Ray Sanders of Groveland

Person Nominating: Jude Hawkins, Senior Advisor

Reason for Nomination: Chelsea is a great young lady. She always has a smile on her face, even when she misses the bus in the morning for school. Chelsea plans to work directly after graduation as she feels she needs to earn some money in order to pursue her real passion in culinary arts. She hopes to attend a Community College that specializes in the field of culinary arts. Chelsea loves to cook and she is definitely slated to be the chef of a five star restaurant. Chelsea is also a member of the Cheer/Dance Team at Tioga, as well as an active ASB officer. She is a lovely young lady and is appreciated by her peers and the entire faculty & staff as a very positive and spirited force on the Tioga campus.



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# PML News' First Annual Favorites of 2007

As 2007 came to a close, we at the PML News started to think about our favorite things of the year in the Motherlode. We came up with several choices for readers to let us know what their favorites were for 2007. There are four categories: Pine Mountain Lake Favorites, Groveland Favorites, Motherlode Favorites, and General Favorites. Once you have filled out your *favorites*, mail it to: Pine Mountain Lake News, PO Box 605, Groveland CA 95321, drop it off at the PML Association Office, or drop it off at the Sabre Design office on Back Street in downtown Groveland by March 1st. Results are published in the April 2008 PML News. An entry will be drawn from all of the submitted favorites pages and the winner receives a free dinner for two at the Pine Mountain Lake Country Club. The winners of each category receive a certificate, the rights to use the Favorites logo in their advertising, and of course, bragging rights. So, have some fun and let us know what your favorite things were of 2007! One entry per person; originals only (no copies)—Pine Mountain Lake employees and employees of Sabre Design are not eligible.

## PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE FAVORITES

**Favorite PML Amenity:**

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**Favorite PML Event:**

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**Favorite PML Club or Organization:**

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**Favorite recreation in PML:**

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**Favorite place to view the lake:**

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**Favorite Country Club entrée, dish, or meal:**

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**Favorite Country Club employee:**

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**Favorite band to play at the CC:**

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**Favorite hole on the PML Golf Course:**

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**Favorite part of the PML News:**

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**Favorite part of [www.pinemountainlake.com](http://www.pinemountainlake.com):**

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**Favorite fishing spot on Pine Mountain Lake:**

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**Favorite thing about living in PML:**

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## GROVELAND FAVORITES

(Groveland, PML, Big Oak Flat, and Buck Meadows)

**Favorite place to eat breakfast:**

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**Favorite place to eat lunch:**

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**Favorite place to eat dinner:**

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**Favorite place to get a snack:**

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**Favorite place to get dessert:**

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**Favorite overall restaurant menu:**

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**Favorite cheap eats:**

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**Favorite cup of coffee:**

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**Favorite place to buy a bottle of wine:**

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**Favorite place to get a drink:**

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**Favorite place to get a glass of Wine:**

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**Favorite place to celebrate a special event:**

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**Favorite place to take out-of-town visitors:**

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**Favorite season of the year:**

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**Favorite local volunteer:**

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**Favorite Community Organization or Club:**

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**Favorite place to listen to music:**

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**Favorite community event:**

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**Favorite place to celebrate New Year's Eve:**

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**Favorite historic building:**

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**Favorite place to shop:**

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**Favorite Groveland souvenir:**

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**Favorite place for kids to play:**

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**Favorite community project:**

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**Favorite teacher (Include school):**

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**Favorite time to be in town:**

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**Favorite time to be out of town:**

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**Favorite Hotel or B&B:**

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**Favorite place to view the sunset:**

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**Favorite place to go for a drive:**

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**MOTHER LODE FAVORITES**

(Tuolumne, Calaveras, and Mariposa Counties)

**Favorite place to get Breakfast:**

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**Restaurant with favorite Hamburger:**

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**Restaurant with favorite Steak:**

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**Favorite Pizza place:**

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**Favorite family restaurant:**

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**Favorite fast-food restaurant:**

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**Favorite restaurant when money is no object:**

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**Favorite restaurant atmosphere:**

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**Favorite Wine List:**

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**Favorite non-American food restaurant:**

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**Favorite place to go for a date night:**

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**Favorite place to get Ice Cream:**

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**Favorite Bar or Saloon:**

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**Favorite historic place:**

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**Favorite place to see live theatre:**

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**Favorite theatrical play:**

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**Favorite place to go on a day trip:**

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**Favorite place to take out-of-town visitors:**

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**Favorite Mother Lode event:**

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**Favorite winery:**

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**Favorite place for boating:**

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**Favorite place to go fishing:**

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**Favorite scenery:**

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**Favorite place to go off-roading:**

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**Favorite place to play in the snow:**

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**Favorite hardware store:**

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**Favorite place to shop for clothes:**

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**Favorite place to shop for gifts:**

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**GENERAL FAVORITES**

(Can be from anywhere)

**Favorite TV Comedy:**

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**Favorite TV Drama:**

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**Favorite TV Reality Based Show:**

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**Favorite Game Show:**

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**Favorite newscast:**

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**Favorite Movie of 2007:**

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**Favorite male celebrity:**

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**Favorite female celebrity:**

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**Favorite vacation spot out of the Mother lode:**

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**Favorite Holiday:**

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**Favorite thing to do on a rainy day:**

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**Favorite Weekend Getaway spot:**

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**Favorite sports team:**

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# MOUNTAIN LUTHERAN CHURCH

by Dorothy Parker



Having survived the monster storm with only a few trees down, though numerous limbs and twigs, we can now look forward to bright green hills, meadows and the early spring flowers.

Easter season is just around the corner with Ash Wednesday February 6, 2008, the first day of Lent—a 40 day period of penitence and moderate fasting. There will be a service that evening at 7 PM with a community prayer service. On the following Lenten Wednesdays there will be a soup supper at 6 PM with the Holden evening prayer service following at 7 PM. These Wednesday evening services will be February 13, February 27, March 5, and March 12, 2008.

Mountain Lutheran Church has a new slate of council officers voted in on January 6, 2008. The new President is Tom Sweeney; Vice President, Stan Bruederle; Secretary, Mary Bruha; Finance Secretary, Audrey Fiance; Treasurer, Elden Bruha; Members at Large, Dorine Smith and David Wilkinson.

The latest enhancement to our new Lutheran Church is a stained glass design for the hexagon window over the entrance. Several designs have been suggested. A local artist, Holly, has been employed to do the stained glass window once a design has been agreed upon by the congregation.

At Mountain Lutheran Church we are looking for new members and new activities in the New Year. Remember everyone is welcome at Mountain Lutheran Church. We meet at 10 AM every Sunday morning and we are located at 13000 Down to Earth Court, just off Ferretti Road, Groveland.

# Sierra Professional Artists

By Liz Reinhard

## Jean Hammond Art Show

Jean Hammond of Groveland will be having an Art Show, March 3rd through March 31st at Banny's Restaurant, 835 Stewart St. at the corner of Lyons St. in Old Town Sonora, California 209-533-4709. The reception for the show is Sunday, March 9th 2:00pm till 4:00pm. Restaurant hours, Monday through Saturday 11am to 9pm, Sunday 3pm to 8pm.

Jeans 20 paintings and prints will include a variety of mediums and techniques with the Sierras as her most popular theme.

Her training in painting began at the School of Fine Arts in San Francisco. Jean majored in art at the University of California in Hayward. She graduated from UC Berkeley and has been teaching art in Groveland, San Leandro, Fremont and Union City adult education for over 20 years.

Jeans paintings have been seen in numerous galleries, exhibits and in private collections. For information about the show contact her at 209-962-6477 or her e-mail site bHammond@goldrush.com or check out her website at yosemite-areaartist.com.

Our January meeting was held at our regular meeting place, Yosemite Vista

Estates in Groveland. There were 12 members in attendance. Several artist brought in their art work for a critique by President Heinie Hartwig. Donna DuFresne gave a demonstration of her free flowing watercolor technique. Plans were discussed for our up coming group art shows.

The Hotel Charlotte will continue to exhibit the work of Mike Dwaileebe with a new collection of his work for the month of February.

The Yosemite Bank's on going group exhibit, showing the various styles and techniques of our members Nature theme exhibit through the month of February. March change out exhibit will be have a Spring theme.

Check out our website for some of our artists work at [www.SierraProfessionalArtists.com](http://www.SierraProfessionalArtists.com).

For membership information contact Donna DuFresne at 209-536-9509.

We meet the 2nd Friday of the month at the Yosemite Vista Estates Club House in Groveland from 10 am to 1 pm. unless a special event is announced.



## Religious Services

### BIG OAK FLAT BAPTIST CHURCH

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Services: Traditional 9:30 AM, Contemporary 11 AM,  
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Youth Pastor: Matt Mariscal  
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19585 Elder Lane, Groveland  
Pastor: Ron Gerking  
Sabbath School 9:20 AM; Worship 10:50 AM  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM

### NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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Sunday Worship 10:30AM; Bible Study  
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6:30; Tuesday & Thursday 7PM; Ladies  
Bible Study Wednesday 6:30.

### JEWISH SERVICES

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Bible Study 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1 pm  
[MountainLutheranChurch.com](http://MountainLutheranChurch.com)

### NORTH SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

11985 Bisordi St., Groveland, 209/962-7737  
Sunday Worship 11 AM and 6 PM  
Sunday Bible Study 10 AM & Tuesday 7 PM

### OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**LOCAL RAINFALL**

By Jerry Dickson

| Date              | Rain, inches<br>(24 hr. to 9AM) | Season<br>Total, inches |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| From July 1, 2007 |                                 | 4.85                    |
| Dec. 18           | 0.35                            | 5.20                    |
| Dec. 19           | 1.32                            | 6.52                    |
| Dec. 20           | 0.68                            | 7.20                    |
| Dec. 21           | 0.36                            | 7.56                    |
| Dec. 28           | 0.25                            | 7.81                    |
| Dec. 29           | 0.06                            | 7.87                    |
| Dec. 30           | 0.03                            | 7.90                    |
| Jan. 4, 2008      | 0.34                            | 8.24                    |
| Jan. 5            | 2.90                            | 11.14                   |
| Jan. 6            | 1.70                            | 12.84                   |
| Jan. 9            | 0.32                            | 13.16                   |

I did a 21-year "look-back" for years with less than and with more than our January 31st inches. Then to compare the season totals.

Fourteen years had less than this—with January 31st at a 7.83" average and 32.10" in average season.

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My conclusion is "wetter early—wetter later", but probably not much.

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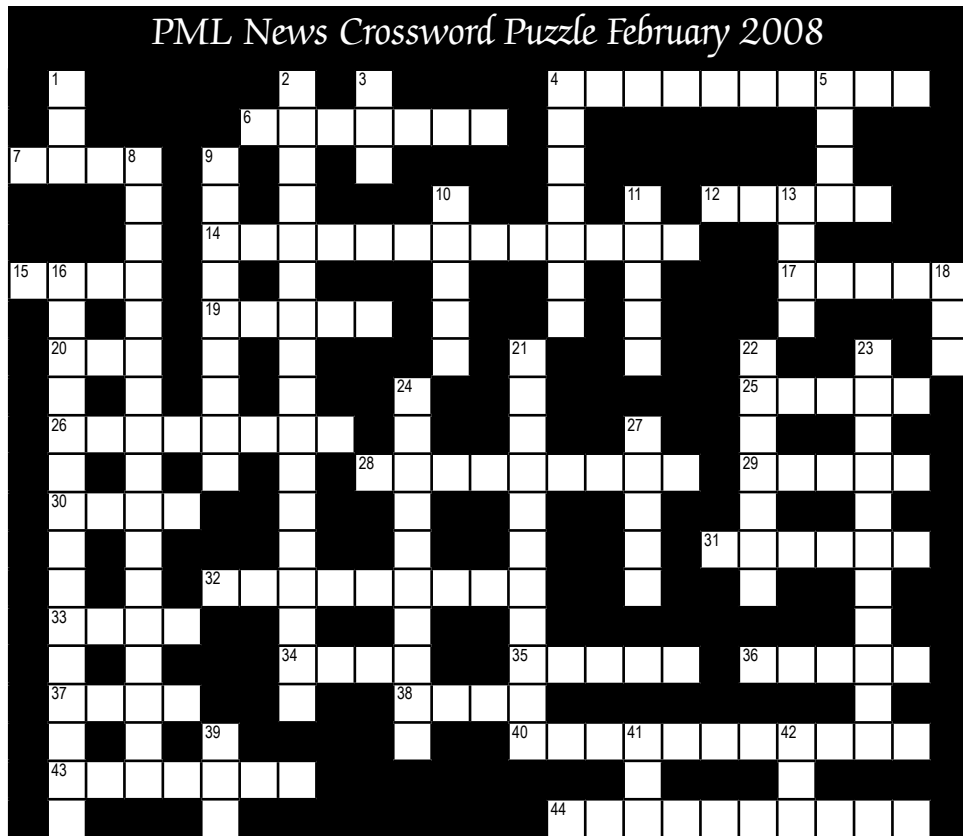
ACROSS

- 4 Feb 12th, PML Cooking Demo Class featuring Valentine's \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 PML Board President, Ron \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Did You Know? If you are 60 or older you qualify for "A \_\_\_\_\_ Smoke Alarm"
- 12 Traditional Valentine's Day flowers
- 14 February 14th (2 words)
- 15 Computer \_\_\_\_\_ Group (singular)
- 17 What comes in those heart shaped boxes
- 19 not smooth
- 20 Highest card in the deck
- 25 Measures of time in a day
- 26 Tenaya Student of the Month, \_\_\_\_\_ Ries
- 28 February 6th is Ash \_\_\_\_\_
- 29 Jewelry for your fingers
- 30 Good night \_\_\_\_\_ at the door
- 31 GCSD Board President, Dick \_\_\_\_\_
- 32 February 2nd, \_\_\_\_\_ Day
- 33 to make a present of; to bestow
- 34 odd or \_\_\_\_\_
- 35 to reason and work out in the mind
- 36 Pine Mountain Lakers RV Club President, \_\_\_\_\_ Stivers
- 37 intense affection
- 38 to become weary
- 40 Soroptimist International of Groveland goes "\_\_\_\_\_" (3 words)
- 43 type of cracker
- 44 term of endearment for your beloved

DOWN

- 1 not either
- 2 February 23rd at the PMLCC - The \_\_\_\_\_ (3 words)
- 3 Solar body which provides heat
- 4 Tioga Student of the Month, \_\_\_\_\_ Sanders
- 5 what a clock measures
- 8 Southside Senior Services Inc. is offering \_\_\_\_\_ Kits (2 words)
- 9 PML News First Annual \_\_\_\_\_ of ... 2007
- 10 new recipe for "Low Carb \_\_\_\_\_"

PML News Crossword Puzzle February 2008



- 11 Feb 8th, Valentine's \_\_\_\_\_ Party at the Lake Lodge
- 13 bag
- 16 Groveland Yosemite Gateway Museum is having a \_\_\_\_\_ (3 words)
- 18 What he wanted her answer to be when he proposed
- 21 Groveland Fire Dept. implementing a Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Program
- 22 Helping Hands President, \_\_\_\_\_ Carman
- 23 Laura & Geno Hagiperso hit \_\_\_\_\_ jackpot at Black Oak Casino
- 24 February 18th is \_\_\_\_\_ Day
- 27 Humane Society featured pet dog \_\_\_\_\_
- 39 Gratuity
- 41 friend or \_\_\_\_\_
- 42 the first cardinal number

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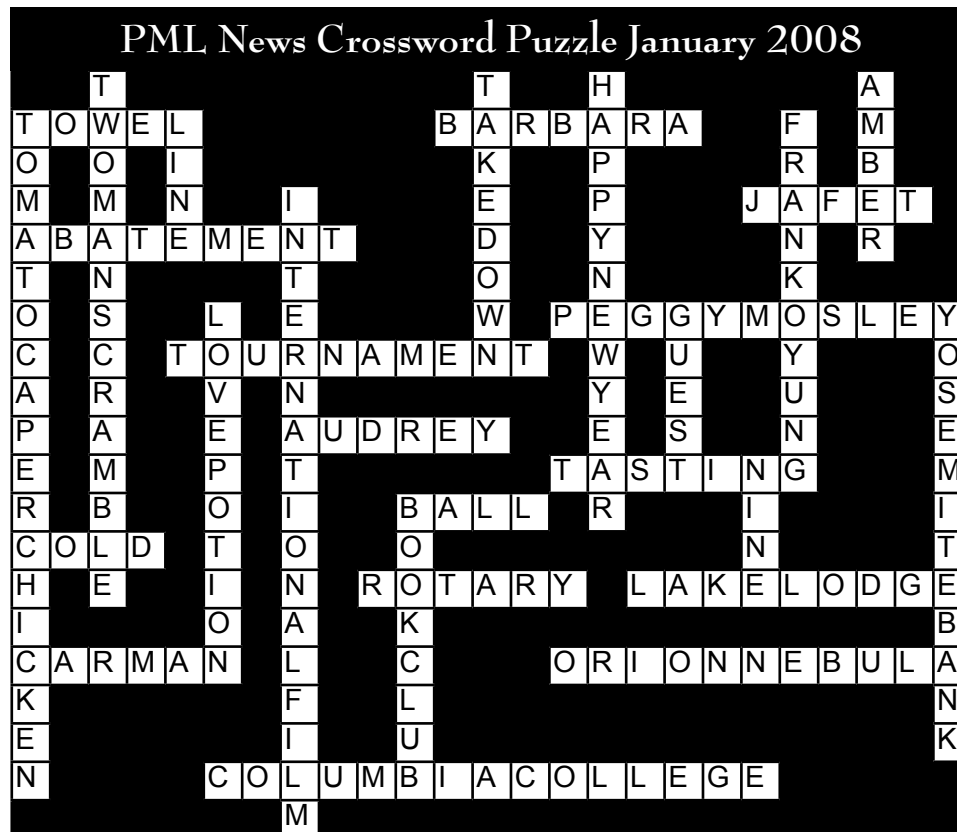
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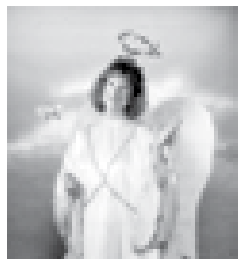
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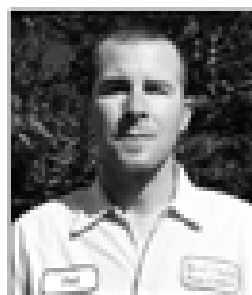
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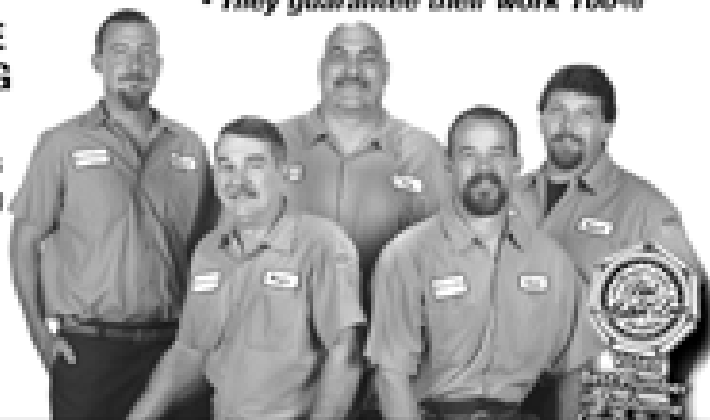
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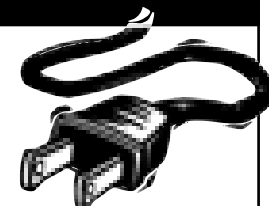
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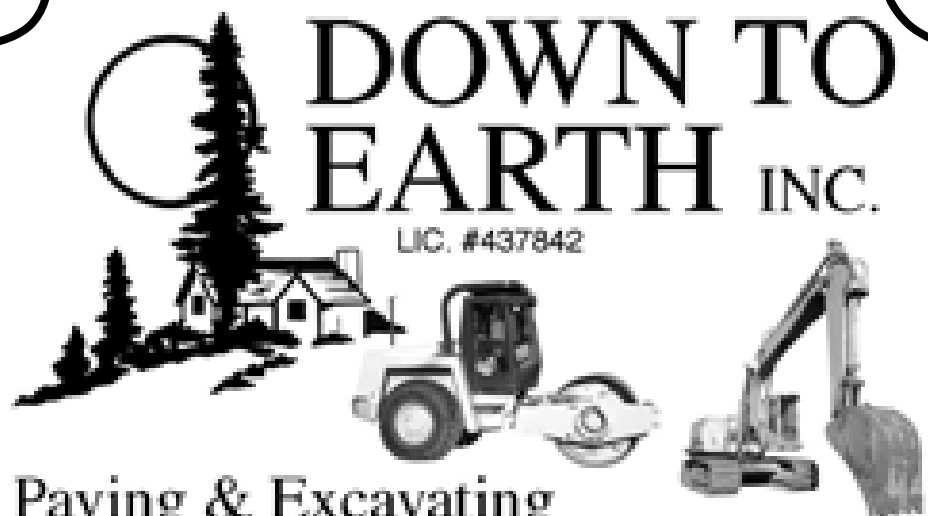


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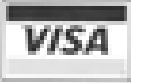
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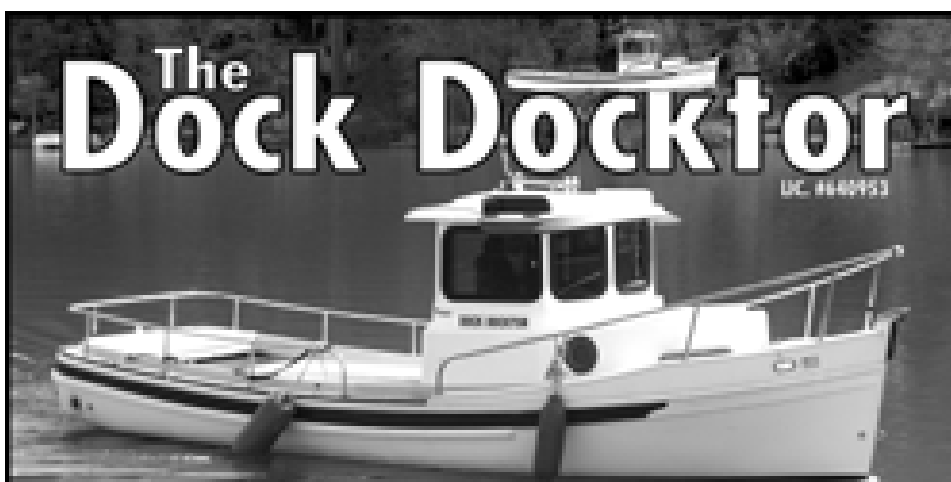
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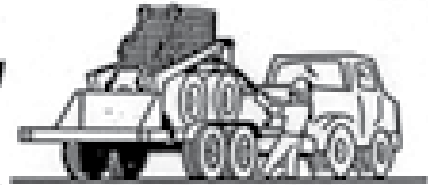


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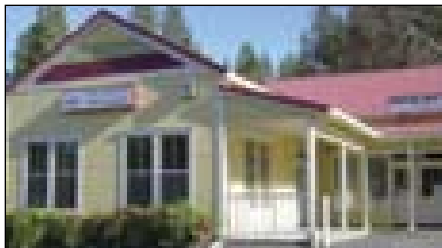
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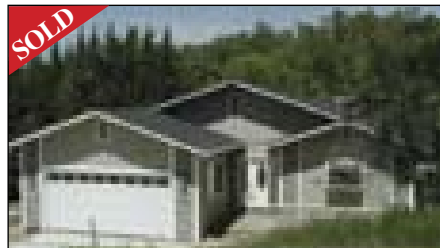




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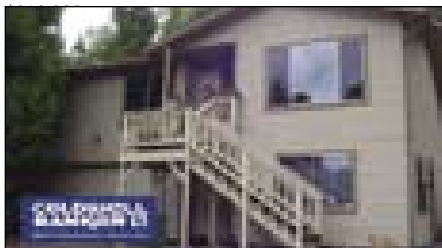
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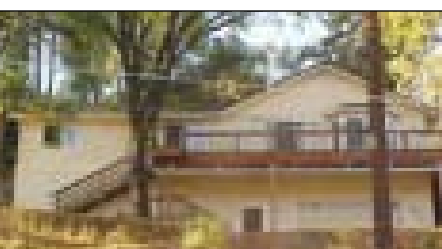
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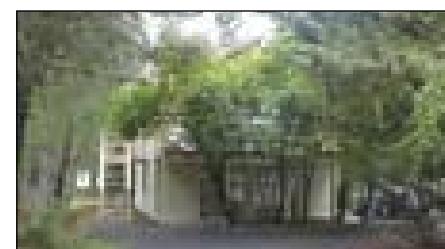
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**5/213 Ferretti Rd** - Nearly 1/2 acre across from the golf course. Enter near lot #514. Bring in all offers! \$65,000

**6/220 Ferretti Rd** - Septic for 3bd residence already in. House plans included. Southern exposure is great for solar. \$79,000

**8/132 Johnny Degnan** - Nearly-level lot bordering green-belt, near the Marina & beach. Large oaks and towering pines. \$80,000

**7/265 Jackson Mill** - Prime lot with approved septic permit. Oak trees & seasonal creek. \$80,000

**4/422 Pine Mtn Dr** - Very desirable area w/peek-a-boo lake views. Building pad cut in. Near Lake Lodge, beach, tennis & golf. \$99,000

**4/506 Cresthaven** - Gently-sloping .31 acre. Includes approved permit for 3-bdrm septic, issued by Tuolumne County. \$100,000

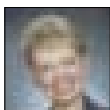
**3/48 Echo Ct** - This .49 acre lot includes septic permit for a 3bd residence. Excellent building area. \$125,000

**5E/8 Sean Patrick** - Across from golf course, near Club, tennis, pool & beach. House plans included for a 3bd, 3-1/2 bath, 3400sf home. \$155,000

**12/17 Owl Ct** - Last of the main taxi-way lots! 290-ft of Taxiway frontage with primary view of the airport runway. Seasonal creek. \$598,500



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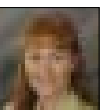
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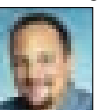
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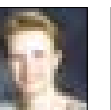
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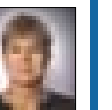
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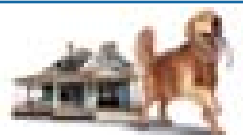
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