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TO START WITH!!!

Many of you do not realize that the *Mosquito Byte* is put out each month by an all volunteer staff. The editors want to take this opportunity to thank all the "reporters" for putting up with us nagging them each month to get their articles to us! We really appreciate their efforts — and hope you do too!

CHIEF'S CORNER

Leo Chaloux

Just recently I went to the Bay Area, Pacifica, to be exact to spend a couple of days with my brother. This was the first time I have been down there in almost 10 years. In fact I think the last time I was down there was just before the earth quake in 1989. I had to drive across the Bay Bridge through San Francisco and down the coast into the Linda Mar area of Pacifica. Of the roads, freeways, bridges, over and under passes I drove the one that was the best was good ole Mosquito Road. Of course I am biased in my feelings toward Mosquito Road and despite all its curves, narrowness, steepness, and other faults the one thing I can say about it is that outside of waiting for a car at the bridge my wheels were always turning. Not like those stinking things they call freeways down there. Where you find yourself driving like a bat out of hell just to keep up with the so called flow of traffic and then suddenly it's a brake lock-up and a screaming halt. Once that happens your wheels do not turn for hours. If you are lucky you and the rest of the chumps occupying the roadway get caught up in what I call the "slinky effect." You know, where the car in front of you moves a little, speeds up, accelerates to 65 miles per hour in 6.5 seconds while the car behind you is blasting on the horn and flashing lights expecting you to dump the clutch, burn

as much tire rubber off as possible and climb onto the trunk of the car in front. Just when all that happens the car in front rams on the brake, slows back down to 3 miles per day for 348 feet and stops. At that point you're downshifting, stressing out the brake system, the tires and the rear bumper as the bozo behind you just barely misses the back end of your car. The real fantastic thing about this slinky effect taking place is that everyone around you can do it with only one hand on the steering wheel because the other one is out of the driver's window with one middle finger stuck up in the air.

Now, I do not know why they call them freeways. There is nothing free about a road that has pot holes designed into them that are at least six inches wider than an average car and as deep as a cars wheel diameter. When one of those things are hit the damage done to a car is far from free. Mosquito Road may have pot holes but, at the least I can say they are due to weather and wear not to design engineering criteria. It takes a sick mind to strategically design and place those holes at the right places on those freeways. I think it is an extortion plot developed by Cal Trans to get even with everyone that has the nerve to drive a road in California. Either that or there is a payoff from every auto parts store and mechanic in the state. Another thing I noticed about those engineered pot holes is that there must be an abundance of engineers in the Bay Area because they have got those holes placed in every conceivable spot on the road. They have done such a good job placing those holes in the right spots that they guarantee none can be missed.

I guess the thing I noticed the most about driving through the Bay Area to

the coast is the people. I was convinced that they knew I was fresh meat and that I am just some dumb ole redneck boy from the foothills that can only drive on narrow curvy roads that have one lane bridges across rivers. Those people down there are experts at intimidation. Even the little ole ladies that drive looking under and through their steering wheels are mean. They are just plain tough. A couple of them drove up next to me at a cruising speed of about 84 mph, looked over my 1965 Mustang with scary frowns, rolled down their windows, flipped me off and with a smile on their faces, raised a hand written sign that said, "drive it or park it." Thank God they were only driving Ford Escorts. Now, my Mustang has about 310 horsepower and it can move along but it was no match for those people. I think it was just plain fear, as I knew that any moment someone was going to pull out an automatic machine gun and cut my poor ole car in half with armor piercing ammunition. I guess in order to live and drive down there you gotta be tough, at least tougher than I really want to be.

Talk about traffic. Up here major traffic congestion consist of two cars getting to the bridge at the same time. While down there a good commute day is where there are only one and half cars crammed into a space that only one can fill. Those people down there are insane with an uncanny ability to change three lanes of traffic at 75 mph with all four wheels locked up, while putting a CD in, talking on the cell phone, all along with a cup of coffee between their legs, the drivers window rolled down and a middle finger stuck up in the air. To me a major feat on Mosquito Road is dodging a skunk running across the road while a deer watches from the shoulder.

Two good things came out of going to the Bay Area. One was seeing my brother and the other was the reinforcing of why I live up here. No way can I, or do I want to, live like they do. Mosquito Road may have a few draw backs but at the least my wheels keep turning.

Be careful out there. Mosquito Road still does demand a great deal of respect. Make sure your wheels keep turning.

**MOSQUITO FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD VACANCY**

Applications to fill a vacancy on the Mosquito Fire Protection Board of Directors will be accepted until 5:00 PM April 15, 1998. They should be in writing and mailed to:

Mosquito Fire Protection District
2300 Mosquito Cut-Off Road
Placerville CA 95667

**COMMUNITY
CORNER**

**MOSQUITO
VOLUNTEER FIRE
DEPARTMENT BOARD**

Leslie Keene

As always the Fire Department's Awards Dinner was well attended, exciting, funny, moving and the pot-luck wonderful! Honors went to **Craig Hansen**, Firefighter of the Year and **Dick Voge**, Support Group Member of the Year. These prestigious awards are ones that all of our volunteers covet. Additional honors were paid to **Lois Pearson** and **Jim Hinds**. The funniest part of the evening was Leo's tale of his snowboarding adventures. If you need a good chuckle, stop by the station and ask him to repeat it!

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 11 at Finnon Lake. We will just hope that El Niño leaves us alone that day! You are welcome to attend this event no matter what your

age. For the adults, we can use all the help we can get! It's a fun morning and will give you a chance to really look at the Finnon Lake area, now that he Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department owns it!

And coming up soon is the Spring Spaghetti Feed, being held on Saturday, May 16th. This is our first fund raiser of the year and the first chance, after the winter months, for the community to get together. Please plan on attending, the food is great, the socializing is the best and it's for a great cause!

And the best news of all is that we have decided to have the Annual Fire Department/Community Picnic at Finnon Lake! This event will be held on Saturday, July 25th and is a "not to be missed" event as we proudly show off our new recreational and educational area! Our Board, in the next few weeks, will be choosing an appropriate site and working out the logistics and if you're interested in getting involved in the picnic planning, please give me a call at 621-0508.

We have some new Volunteer Firefighters now going through our Basic Firefighter Academy. Please welcome Steve Fitzpatrick, John Gallemore, Chris Johns and Rebecca Kennedy. They are putting in a grueling 70 - 80 hours of firefighter training right now but will be ready to "hit the streets" when they are done. We are very glad to have them!

Another good piece of news is that Diane Brady has been appointed to fill the remainder of Carla McLain's term on our Board of Directors. She will represent the firefighters and was endorsed by them enthusiastically. For those of you who don't know who is on our Board or whom they represent:

- Leslie Keene, President — Support Group
- Patti Penrod, Vice-President — Community-at-large
- Karen Bennett — Community-at-large
- Diane Brady — Firefighters
- Doreen Frazier — Support Group
- Debbie Minor — Community-at-large
- LaVonne Moser — Support Group

Happy Spring and as always, call me anytime for any reason.

CARLOS UPDATE

The Galvan household and our friends are in a state of celebration. On the evening of March 5th we received an excited call from our UC Davis Medical Center Pediatric Neuro-Oncology Clinical Resource Nurse who had the most exciting and miraculous news.

Two days prior, Carlos had an MRI at UCD Medical Center to discover the effects of the 23 days of radiation therapy. We began the daily 7 a.m. radiation treatments with considerable dread because the doctors held out little hope of positive results and recently two small children had died from radiation poisoning. Finding that radiation is medicines best and only remaining treatment for Carlos' type of cancer, we reluctantly agreed to having him treated after he underwent an ineffective 12 week course of chemotherapy, during which he showed no gains against the tumor, but actually had a new tumor grow in his head. Not willing to leave our son's life completely in the hands of medicine, we organized ongoing prayer times for healing both locally and through the Internet. We received calls and email from all over the world telling us that Carlos was being healed by God. During the radiation, the patient normally has little or no recuperative ability and often succumbs to injuries and infections. Additionally, the radiation causes severe sunburn-like blisters which Carlos fell on and rubbed the skin off a 2 inch patch of his forehead. Miraculously, rather than remaining for longer than normal period of time (weeks) as should have been the case, this injury healed in only seven days. You could sit and watch as the wound healed before your eyes. Elaine says that this is when she knew God was working inside Carlos to heal and remove the tumor, causing his head wound to heal at an abnormally rapid pace.

Back to the nurses call. She was so excited that she called us from home rather than wait until the next day to call from the Med Center. The MRI revealed ALL the tumors in Carlos'

body are gone. The tumors in and coating his brain were completely gone, including the newer one. The tumor bed that housed the tumor that was initially removed in September was completely clean from cancer and his entire spinal cord was completely free of tumor. This surely is a miracle for which we thank God.

The doctors and specialists at UCD confirmed his remarkable healing and could only marvel at his condition and state, "Well, I guess your prayers worked." From a medical perspective, Carlos is an unusual and perplexing case. The medical staff is still discussing what to do next. The options range from "Leave him alone for now and keep an eye on him" to "We should start chemotherapy." His oncologist will be researching a couple of clinical trials that are currently closed. These trials may support significant data in which Carlos may benefit from Phase II type chemotherapy. We should have some answers regarding this dilemma in a few weeks. Carlos is scheduled for another MRI in 3 months. They will be watching him very closely. Thank God for the miracle of removing all the tumors from Carlos. Please continue to lift Carlos and other sick children that the Lord will protect them from suffering and allow them to lead normal active lives. Carlos has a long way to go in terms of rehabilitation but his determination is a lesson for all of us. Thank you for your love and concern for our family. Thank you also to all the 95 people who came to our home March 14th to celebrate Rachel's 5th birthday, Carlos' 2 1/2 birthday and the miracle. We all had fun and we all thank you for taking time out to play with our family. We'll put photos of the party on the Web as soon as we get them. We have to build a new play room for all the new toys. For more information on Carlos, visit his Web Pages at

www.jps.net/sage/prayforcarlos or call his Update Line at

(530) 295-0503. Thank you and we love you all! The Galvans

MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP EASTER SERVICE

This Easter, April 12th, will be the first worship and praise service of the Mountain Fellowship being held here in Mosquito. While we are still finalizing plans for the service, we can look forward to an exciting time of music and prayer. Mountain Fellowship is being started by the members of the Homeward Bound Bible Study groups currently meeting on Thursday nights in Mosquito and is a non-denominational New Testament congregation of Christ's church. For time, location and details, look for more information on the bulletin boards or call Chuck or Elaine at 621-2433.

BLUE JAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL UPDATE

Chris Chaloux

Progress is being made towards finalizing the Architect's plan and picking a school site. In late February the Architect met with the school board and a few community members to present his plan. The plan includes three standard sized classrooms, office space and a multipurpose room which can be entered from the outside as well as the inside. The bathrooms have also been designed to be entered from the inside or from the outside. These features were included to encourage the community to use the facility as a meeting area when school is not in session. However, the designs cost was above the approved budget so adjustments to the size of the multi-purpose room were discussed.

Dr. Helms shared that no final decision has been made concerning the school site. The five sites (four of which were named in the *Mountain Democrat* article in February) are being evaluated for their strengths and adaptability. A representative from Swansboro Property Owners Association Board of Directors was there to present a list of questions and concerns to the school board concerning road and liability issues. Dr. Helms did say a meeting for our community would be held in approximately a month.

The supervising principal will be

Mrs. Kathy Morgan of Schnell School. Mr. Arni Johnson, presently a teacher at Sierra School, has been selected to be vice principal/teacher. The two other positions are not currently posted.

This is to be a community school. Please come to the upcoming meetings and call Dr. Helms with questions, concerns, and ideas. I do believe it takes a village/community to raise a child and "raise" a productive, positive school!

BLUE JAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT CLUB NOW FORMING

If interested please call Cheri Aspenleiter at 626-4488



CRAFT REPORT

Sharon Hern

The March craft meeting got under way with 14 Ladies present. Two projects were worked on.

The first project was the tying of the quilt that the Quilters made. For those of you who have not tied a quilt, you don't know what you have been missing. But just in case you really want to try your hand at it, we are going to give you another chance at our May Craft meeting. We were not able to finish the "Snowmen Spoons" so will continue to work on this project next month.

Next month we will be making small "Spool Dolls", finishing the "Snowmen Spoons" and working on a mystery ???project.

We are looking for ideas of items to make. Please call Sharon Hern at 626-5268 for any questions or ideas that you may have.

Reminder of things to bring or items needed:

* Yourself, all supplies for these

projects will be furnished.

* Needed --- we need 12 small empty Martinelli Apple Juice (round) jars with lids.

* Please save your "white elephants" or anything else that can be used for the annual Christmas sale at Georgetown. Our share of the proceeds are always quite nice.

We will be meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The next meeting is:

Date: **Thursday April 16th**

Time: 9:00 am crafts

(coffee and tea will be available)

11:30 am potluck lunch

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US

Where: Mosquito Fire Station

FINNON LAKE UPDATE

Leslie Keene

There are a ton of things going on and to try to keep some control and direction, we have formed the **Finnon Lake Planning Committee**. Appointed members of this committee are Leslie Keene, Doreen Frazier, Debbie Minor, Leo Chaloux, Pat Keene, Stu Frazier, George Kellison, and Diane Brady. Our regularly scheduled meetings will be held on the third Sunday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station. Because there are four Board members on the committee, a meeting notice will be posted at the fire station at least 48 hours in advance of each meeting. And, the public is welcome! (By the way, our March meeting was re-scheduled and held on March 22.) If you have proposals to present regarding Finnon Lake, this is the appropriate forum and a call to me at 621-0508 prior to the meeting will assure that you get on the agenda. All items discussed here requiring decisions will be brought back to the Board at their regular meeting. Please note that we will be dealing with short-term and long-term plans.

OK, that being said, here's what's going on! We will be shutting down the Resort very shortly, probably prior to the next issue of the *Byte*. Now that we have water, we are ready to begin remodeling. Paul Hinds has drawn plans that are functional but require the

minimum amount of work. We have volunteers ready to help out once we begin, but we need donations of, or discounts on, any kind of building materials. This will be a big effort and volunteers are needed! If you have some spare time and feel like doing some manual, physical labor give me a call! (And many of you have already called me and will be called upon, thank you!)

Regarding the water line, again volunteer labor is needed! (And we could sure use some pipe donations, too!) George Kellison, Devery Minor and Leo Chaloux have been working on the location of the water meter and establishing the path of the water line utilizing the most efficient, least expensive direction. We are hoping to have our water line in and ready to be hooked up to EID water as soon as the Cross Canyon Pipeline is operational (EID is still saying the first part of May, if not sooner!)

We are also working on ways to get the dam rebuilt and have had meetings with the Operating Engineers. This is a training program associated with the Sacramento Job Corps. They are interested in rebuilding our dam as a training exercise once we have an engineering concept developed. Are there any retired engineers out there who are looking for a project? Give us a call! We will be receiving cost and time estimates from the Operating Engineers (and anyone else who might be interested), and there area lot of decisions that will need to be made before a final choice is made. We are excited about the possibility of getting the dam rebuilt within the next two years or so!

Steve Fitzpatrick is continuing to work on the campsite plans and will be reporting periodically to the Finnon Lake Planning Committee. It is estimated that establishing each campsite could cost approximately \$400 to \$500.

In thinking about longer term plans, Leslie Baumgartner (forgive me if I destroyed your last name!) is working on a proposal for a campground for horse enthusiasts. With the amount of acreage that we have, it would be very easy to find a great spot for this sort of

camping. She also suggests that we could expand this to include buggy camping. Evidently, besides a whole bunch of horse folks who are looking for nice places to camp with nice trails, there is a whole contingent of horse-drawn buggy clubs. We loved her idea and have asked her to put together a proposal for us. If any of you are interested in helping her out, give us a call!

We loved it when our plan came together, but we're getting scared about all the work ahead of us...so, as I've said before, call me at anytime about anything.

PLEASE NOTE: THE SCPOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 11 HAS BEEN MOVED FORWARD ONE WEEK TO SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 9:00 A.M. AT THE MOSQUITO FIRE HOUSE. DATE OF MEETING WAS CHANGED SO IT WOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH EASTER WEEKEND.

PHONE BOOK UPDATE

ADD:

BLAKEMAN, Tiffany
6105 Mosquito Road
621-3607

COOK'S CORNER

Betty Kirney

Anything with "instant" I like. This was pretty and good - nice around Easter time.

COCONUT CRUNCH DELIGHT

½ c. butter or margarine, melted
1 c. all-purpose flour
1 ¼ c. flaked coconut
¼ c. packed brown sugar
1 c. slivered almonds
1 pkg. (3.4 ounces) instant coconut pudding mix
1 pkg. (3.4 ounces) instant vanilla pudding mix
2 ⅔ c. cold milk
2 c. whipped topping
fresh strawberries, optional

In a bowl, combine the first five ingredients; press lightly into a greased

13 in. x 9 in. x 2 in. baking pan. Bake at 350° for 25-30 minutes or until golden brown, stirring every 10 minutes to form coarse crumbs. Cool. Divide crumb mixture in half; press half into the same baking pan. In a mixing bowl, beat pudding mixes and milk. Fold in whipped topping; spoon over the crust. Top with remaining crumb mixture. Cover and refrigerate overnight. Garnish with strawberries if desired. Yield: 12-16 servings.

KIDS CORNER

Deborah H. Arsenych

The fire was blazing. Four firefighters were trying their best to get it under control. The first tried, but was low on chemicals in her fire extinguisher. The second squeezed with all her might but again nothing came out of the equipment. As the fire was picking up the third and fourth firefighters were delighted when the white powder began to stream from the extinguisher and smoke was now where before there was fire. The fire was under control and everyone was grateful for a job well done. No this wasn't a fire put out by our Mosquito Volunteer Firefighters. This fire was brought under control by Amanda and Erin Pearson, Elizabeth Frazier, and Bo Etheridge all twelve years and under and members of the Mosquito Junior Firefighters. Started by Leo Chaloux a year ago it has between 12 and 15 members that meet for training and fun every third Saturday of the month. Some of our Junior Fire fighters in training are Steve Loree, Jonathan Skaggs, Chris Swenson, Ashley Leven, Kyle Gallemore, Tanya Peissner, Zoe Arsenych, Nathan Chaloux and our four heroes that put the fire out. They are trained by veteran fire fighters Captain Pat Keene, Stu Frazier and Jean Pearson.

Asked what their favorite training exercise was I was surprised to find out it wasn't getting wet while learning how to use the hose, or CPR, or riding around in Engine 275, but Over the Bank Rescue. I didn't have a clue as to what that was. Amanda explained it like this. It's when you get to wear a

harness, repel down a steep cliff and bring back a full size male person in order to save a life. Now looking at Amanda who weighs maybe 70 pounds I thought this impossible. But she says that with most of the junior fighters working together they did manage to get their rescue up the steep embankment. Some other fun things that they got to do last year was to take a ride to Slate Mountain and have a tour of the look out given by Roland Smith. They also have training in the drop and roll technique and fire prevention inside and outside the home. As for my training. I have now learned how to use the fire extinguisher by using the word PASS and I got to ride in the "Monster" engine 275. What a great time. Thanks guys.

If you're interested in training as a junior fire fighter call the fire station or just show up on the third Saturday of the month from 10 AM to 12 PM. Most of the kids are from 11 to 14 years old and as this group gets older Leo hopes to start another group of kids 15 to 17. This is great training for anywhere you live, but for our area with all the natural fuel we have and the fact that our kids are sometimes left alone it should be on your list of things to do.

Grades came out today, so I'll post those next time. Give me a call at 626-7120.

WEATHER CORNER

Jim Hinds

ATMOSPHERIC

Sometimes it does help to be nice about things and especially El Niño. As you know we have had almost two weeks without rain. Well, we did get about 1/3 inch of rain on the 13th of March but only 1.79" for the month to date March 20. This brings our yearly average to 47.33 inches. Last year by the end of March, I recorded 50.70 inches of rain. The average for this area is around 40 inches for the entire year.

Wednesday's *Mountain Democrat's* season rain total starting July 1997

was 43.50" of rain with a total for March of 2.01." I recorded 1.79" for the same period of time. March has not been one of our heavy rain months except for "The Miracle March of 94-95" when we got 18.33 inches of rain. The 120 year average for March is 6.32 inches.

There is work being done in an attempt to accurately measure the Earth's temperature. Is there an increase in temperature? The last data indicated that an increase of .05 degree Centigrade had occurred in the past 100 years and most of that was before 1940.

This research will attempt to make a connection between lightening and global-warming and is being worked on by MIT and the University of Alaska at Fairbanks. Dr. Williams, a researcher at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and David Sentman from the U of A are attempting to find a way to correlate this energy into a temperature gauge that will be a scientific way to determine Global Warming or Cooling.

The Department of Water Resources plans to deliver 100% of the entitlement water requested by its 29 long term State Water Project contractors. DWR announced this will be 3.19 million acre-feet. (An acre-foot of water contains 325,900 gallons. This is often described as the amount of water needed to supply a family of five for one year.) Heavy rainfall, deep Sierra snowpack, and ample reservoir storage areas have made it possible for DWR to meet their commitments again this year. This material is from the *Mountain Democrat* March 19, 1998.

ASTRONOMIC

A great number of things are happening in and around us that could fill volumes. March 20 is the Spring Equinox. This is a good starting place. The day and night will be 12 hours each, the Sun will rise due East and will set due West, and at 12:00 noon it will be directly overhead on the Equator. It crosses the Equator at 11:55 a.m. Pacific Standard Time. At this moment in time our Spring begins in the Northern Hemisphere and Autumn begins in the

Southern Hemisphere. The Moon will be a "New" Moon on April 1st and full on the 12th. The Planets will not be too visible except for Jupiter and Venus. Both are morning "Stars" with Venus being the brightest. That very bright object you view in the early morning hours will be Venus and it is a sight to behold. Look for it in the east-southeast around the first light of dawn.

Two very important happenings or discoveries have recently taken place. Water has been found near the north and south poles of the Moon. The full story will not be known until a landing party can make a survey of the areas. The initial report seems to be that water is there and hopefully it can be used in further exploration. At the moment it seems to be in the form of ice crystals. Another major find was the discovery of Ghost Galaxies in our Universe. These Galaxies are there and have been a part of our Universe from the beginning of time. The problem is that we didn't know about them because our instruments could not see them. The light given off them is so faint and they are so far away that they were overlooked. *Sky and Telescope* for April 1998 has an article giving the details of their discovery.

The last bit of news, which I have not seen in print form, was the report of an Asteroid approximately 1 mile in diameter that was on a collision course with Earth. The Asteroid was reported to arrive in the year of 2028 AD. A later report stated that it was not on a collision course but would miss the Earth by some 600,000 miles. That seems far enough away to not be much of a problem, after all. This is a happy note, let's end it here.

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ADVERTISING

There is no charge for advertising in the *Mosquito Byte* for our subscribers. Deadline for advertising is the 19th of each month. Call Pat at 622-6436 or Lela at 626-8265. Ads in the "For Sale" department will run for three months unless you call to say the item has been sold, or you want the ad extended.

LOST: Small ceramic bowl with picture of Jack and Jill and other decorations. Lost while moving, somewhere near the Mosquito Fire Station and Mosquito/Rock Creek. Family heirloom. If you have any information please call Donna at 295-1185.

MEETINGS

QUILTER'S MEETING Thursday, April 23rd. 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. Call Sandy at 642-9865.

WANTED

TO RENT/TAKE CARE OF— home in Swansboro. Finance student/English teacher (young married couple) want to experience Swansboro life. Call 626-7873 or San Luis Obispo 805-786-4317.

CLEAN FILL DIRT: Call Doug 642-2118.

SERVICES

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NOTARY PUBLIC - ANYTIME, ANYWHERE. I live in Swansboro and will come to your home to do all your notary work. Call Elaine 621-2433.

REFINANCE to lower your mortgage interest rate and payment OR consolidate all your high interest bills (auto/credit cards) into one lower tax deductible payment. The BEST rates anywhere are available right here on the hill, and I have programs for EVERYONE, including slow credit. Call Chuck 621-2433.

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COMPUTER SERVICE: Frazier Electronics. Computer/printer service and repair. Free estimates. Call Stu at 621-4221.

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FOR SALE

FRESH VEGETABLES Are you interested in fresh garden vegetables this summer? Call Karen at Sunshine Gardens 622-094. Weekly delivery.

FRESH BROWN EGGS: \$1.25 per dozen. Call 622-7622

AQUACAT: 12 foot catamaran sailboat with licensed trailer. In good operating condition. Complete for \$400. Will accept a cartop canoe in trade. Call 642-1970.

VLB GRAPHICS COMPUTER: 486/66, 16mb memory, 1.2 Maxtor HD, MS Intelepoint mouse, 4mb Vram No 9 graphics brd, Windows 95, Keyboard, (no monitor), Corel Draw 6 etc. \$425. John Barnes 621-0974.

PROFESSIONAL INK-JET PRINTER: 300 dpi Color Inkjet Printer, HP 1200C, 10 mb memory, 7 fresh cartridges, \$500. Used to make 1998 Mosquito volunteer firefighter calendars. John Barnes 621-0974.

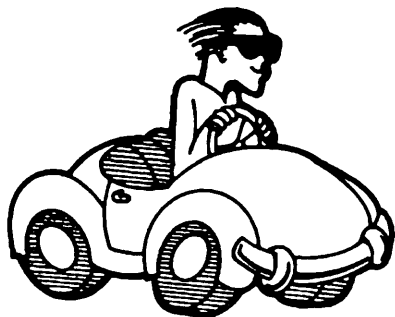
MISCELLANEOUS: Duerr 22 ton vertical log splitter, Briggs and Stratton engine, \$1,200. Call Bob at 626-8205 or Mike at 622-7254.

CHIPPER/SHREDDER: "The Brute" 16hp. by Mighty Mac. Includes blower attachment. Call 622-7254.

AVON: Call Gwen at 622-9314 for all your AVON needs.

DUNE BUGGY: Needs work \$500.00 - 626-0691.

HERBS: Evergreen Herb Garden, 2001 Swansboro Road. Herbs, herb classes, products, plants and books. Call or write for information. 626-9288.



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NOON TO 4:00 PM EACH DAY

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SATURDAY, MAY 2 AND 9
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Easter Egg Hunt

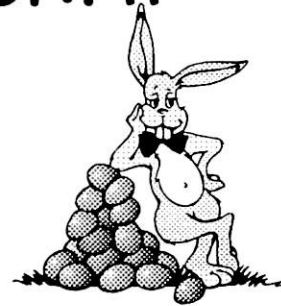


Saturday, April 11th
10:00 am

Finnon Lake

Lots of fun and prizes

for the children.



Donations of cooked and colored hard-boiled eggs and candy gladly accepted. Please bring to the Mosquito Fire Station by Wednesday, April 8th.

Parent and neighbors, the Easter Bunny needs helpers on Friday evening, the 7th and Saturday morning.

Call LaVonne Moser — 622-6337 or Karen Bennett — 642-9626 if you can help.

Thanks, and we'll see you there!

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