

MOSQUITO BYTE

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Chief's Corner

by Chief Leo Chaloux

As we are approaching another fire season a need has developed. Just recently the fire department has lost three volunteer fire fighters. They have moved out of the state due to other opportunities and with their loss we now have openings for five volunteer fire fighters.

Our department and our community is entirely dependent on its volunteer members. We can have all the fire engines and water tenders possible but they are useless without volunteer fire fighters and support group members. A volunteer fire fighter is the backbone of what we do and what services we provide to the community. They do anything and everything asked of them, from getting cats out of trees, to providing critical emergency medical care, to saving someone's house that is burning to suppressing a vegetation fire that can threaten the entire community. They are the ones that everyone turns to when everything is going wrong. It always astonishes me when we are pulling out of the fire station to fight a vegetation fire, we are driving as fast as possible towards the dangerous situation and everyone else is driving away. And yet they do it simply as volunteers, as people who want to help their community and as individuals who desire to give more than take.

So what does it take to be a volunteer fire fighter? It takes time, effort, energy, ability, a great deal of commitment and most of all a desire to help. Of all the positive attributes required to be a volunteer fire fighter the most important is commitment. In today's world being a volunteer fire fighter is much more difficult than it was just 10 years ago. Our community expects more, our state demands more, and this fire department needs more. Training is the center point of what a volunteer fire fighter is and what they do. Training is done every Tuesday evening starting at 7:00 pm and lasting about two hours. There is also a fire fighter academy for four months, two evenings a week starting in January. In

a volunteer fire fighter's second year, there is an Emergency Medical Technician class that also lasts for four months. For those volunteers who desire to drive the fire engines and water tenders there are driving classes, proper licenses and again more training. Training and commitment are wrapped around each other and are on going, never ending as constant reinforcement and new concepts are introduced. The idea is to be as best as possible, to be safe, to be able to perform and to be able to help when it is required to do so.

Being a volunteer fire fighter means you will be getting out of bed at 4:00 in the morning because one of your neighbors is having chest pains, or there is a vehicle accident, or a house is on fire, or someone probably a common stranger had a problem bad enough they had to call 911. It means you will do things you never thought you could. It means you will be experiencing things you never thought happened. It means you will see things that you never thought you could look at. More important it means you will discover who you really are and all of what happens will be an opportunity that the average person never has.

If you are over 18 years old, in good physical shape, can come to training on Tuesday evenings, have a desire to help and want to be a part of what I consider to be the best people on this hill please come to the fire station and talk to me, Devery or Mary. And by the way, I have had many women tell me they cannot do what is expected of a volunteer fire fighter. My only response is, not true. Being a fire fighter is a matter of desire, dedication and training. Not any one of us is more important than all of us. The fire service is a trained team effort: as we all go to an Incident together, we also come back together.

There is a need for your help. If you can, please contact me.

Please read the attached Fact Sheet from the Air Resources Board regarding backyard waste burning.

Fire Safe Council

by Debbie Rood

COME ONE COME ALL! This is such an awesome community and in order to help each other in the event of a wildfire the FSC and the Swansboro Pilots Association needs your help. There is an evacuation plan but until we can actually put it into action we have no way of knowing what problems might occur. It would obviously be to everyone's advantage if we could do this during a practice situation and not during an actual emergency. So please for your own benefit and your neighbors we hope you will attend this very important event on Saturday, June 17th from 11 to 2. This is going to be an excellent opportunity to get valuable information on evacuation procedures, fire safety, Red Cross information and guidelines for the new 100 ft clearance law. So when you are called, **Do not panic! This is only practice.** Do not bring your belongings and your animals with you, just your family members at this time. This is a practice that could very well save lives in the event of an actual emergency so **DON'T BE SCARED - BE PREPARED!** With your participation we hope for a very successful event and look forward to seeing all our friends and neighbors there.

Remember, time is running out to get your grass cut and your brush cleared and don't forget to take advantage of the FREE chipping program, applications can be picked up at the firehouse. Be smart and do your part because only you are responsible for your family's safety.

Mosquito Road Update

by Kris Payne

Kris reported on May 16th that as of May 8th the vertical support portion of the Soldier Pile installation had been completed. Next to be done, place the remaining lean concrete backfill behind the large retaining wall, place the remaining timber lagging and install the horizontal tieback cables.

On May 12th continued drilling(including coring) on hole #5 for the lower Soldier Pile retaining wall and continued the placement of the timber lagging.

Check the progress at www.co.el-dorado.ca.us

Craft Report

by Sharon Hern

The Firehouse Crafters will be holding their second Craft Sale at the Community Picnic on July 15th at Dyer Lake. Look for our new summer items as well as our usual full array of crafts. Good for gifts as well as your own use.

Also on display and with tickets available at events on the "hill" is this years "Levi Quilt". Who will be this years lucky winner of our famous Levi Quilt? The drawing to be held at the Christmas Dinner.

All of our proceeds go to our Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department organization, so please help support your fire community.

Meetings:

Next Meeting: **June 23rd**

Future meetings are scheduled for the 4th Friday of each month at Darlene Rood's home.

Time: 9:30 - 11:30 am

Location: 2211 Swansboro Road

Future Meetings: July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27 and November 17 (dates tentative)

Pilots Association Scholarship Program

The Swansboro Pilots Association is offering \$500 scholarships to Mosquito/Swansboro high school seniors or college under grads. If you live in the Mosquito/Swansboro area, are a high school senior and intend to go to college next fall or are already in college, you can apply for one of our scholarships.

To apply: send a one-page double spaced typed essay that states who you are, what college you plan to attend, your life plans and why you should receive one of the scholarships. Please include your address, phone number and e-mail address if you have one.

Send your essay to:

Pilots Association

6234 Pineneedle Lane

Placerville, CA 95667

NOTE: Essays must be postmarked no later than June 30, 2006.



Fact Sheet

California Environmental Protection Agency

 **Air Resources Board**

Backyard Household Waste Burning

What you don't know can hurt you

Some people still have 55-gallon metal drums in their yards that they use to burn household garbage and rubbish. It's important to know that burning these materials can release some very unhealthy air pollutants that can affect you, your family, and your community. Below are some facts about the public health problem posed by burning these wastes at home.

- Use of burn barrels is a public health concern. Household waste burned in these barrels produces toxic pollutants that can linger in the environment and our bodies for a long time. These toxic pollutants may cause cancer, immune system damage, and other health problems.
- The cancer causing pollutants produced during burning include dioxins. Infants and young children may be especially vulnerable to dioxin exposure according to the State Office of Environmental Health and Hazard Assessment. The smoke produced by burning waste in burn barrels may also cause other health effects, such as triggering asthma attacks.
- Avoiding the plume of smoke is not sufficient to eliminate the potential health risks. These toxic pollutants can travel long distances, and can deposit on soil, plants, and in water. The ash from the barrel also contains these pollutants, which can be released into the soil and water. Animals and fish can ingest the pollutants, plants can absorb them, and they can be passed on to people when contaminated food is eaten.
- In the year 2002, about 800,000 households throughout the State were allowed to burn some form of household waste in burn barrels. This burning is one of the largest sources of dioxins in California. While other dioxin sources such as municipal and medical waste incinerators have strict pollution control devices, household waste burning does not.
- To address this public health concern, a new rule restricting the burning of household waste will take effect January 1, 2004.

If you have special accommodation or language needs, please contact the Air Resources Board Coordinator at (916) 323-4916. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 7-1-1 for the California Relay Service.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

What am I Allowed to Burn?

- Burning household waste outdoors, including paper and cardboard, and the use of burn barrels for residential burning will be prohibited statewide beginning January 1, 2004, under a new statewide regulation.
- Under the new regulation, burning dry vegetation waste in piles at a residence will still be allowed, unless prohibited by local rules and ordinances. Check with your local air district for any additional restrictions.

Are there any Exemptions?

- Exemptions *may* be allowed to burn paper and cardboard, and to use burn barrels in areas of very low population density in some of the more rural areas of the State, in recognition of the limited availability of waste services. No exemptions are allowed for the burning of plastics and household garbage. Check with your local air district to determine whether you live in an exemption area.

What are my Alternatives to Burning?

- Household garbage and rubbish will need to be disposed of through curbside pickup or self-hauling to a transfer station, landfill, or recycling center.
- There are several ways to reduce the volume of waste materials we generate and therefore have to dispose of. These include buying products with less packaging, reusing materials, and recycling. In addition, household waste can be compacted and organic and paper waste can be composted.
- Although many local ordinances continue to allow natural vegetation to be burned in piles, non-burning alternatives should be considered where possible to minimize neighborhood smoke impacts. These alternatives include composting and chipping vegetation.

Additional Information Sources

ARB Residential Burning Web Page:
<http://www.arb.ca.gov/smp/resburn/resburn.htm>

Integrated Waste Management Board Web Page:
<http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/PublicEd/>

ARB Public Information Office: (916) 322-2990

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department

by Debbie Minor

What do you know, we went from rain to heat all in about a day, not much spring in the middle of all that. It has been beautiful and everyone is busy doing outdoor stuff. In the process of all this we must not forget that we still need to think about fire safety. As we progress into summer, things are going to dry out quickly. Slow down and enjoy the weather, the rain will be back before we know it.

Now to update you on the Dam Project, I am very happy to say that we have received two of the three permits that we have been waiting on for quite some time. The last one is going to be the toughest but we hope to have some word by the end of May.

We still have some hurdles that we will need to get past. We have been told that we will need engineering specs for the coffer dam. Dean Edson created an erosion plan for us that focused on the use of a coffer dam but was not told that there was a need for specs for it. We are in the process of finding someone that can do that for us and put his or her engineer stamp on it. We are still working on collecting some items that were requested by the Job Corp for their part of the work. Some of the items will be stakes, waddle, straw bales for erosion, and tarping material. We have a whole list of other things too. If you are interested in helping us get some of these items, please contact me.

This Dam Project will take a couple of years to complete and will require much work, volunteers and donations. Please bear with us through this long process. When it is all done the whole community will have a beautiful lake to enjoy again.

In July we are going to have our Annual Picnic. We want you all to know that this is a community picnic and not just for Fire Department personnel. Everyone is welcome to attend. This picnic is done in hopes that we can get everyone in the community together to meet our firefighters, enjoy some good food and company. Don't forget - July 15, 2006 for the Community Picnic!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Community Picnic

by Jessica Dillender

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! The annual Community Picnic sponsored by the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department will be held on Saturday, July 15, 2006 from Noon until 4 pm. There will be fun for all ages - food and beverages, games and activities, music, raffle drawings for cash and great prizes, the crafters will have a booth with items for sale, and the firefighters will be on hand with the equipment. This is an event you won't want to miss! See you there!

Finnon Lake Campground

by Leslie Baumgartner

On May 6th a small group met at the campground to start getting it ready for summer. What a difference a few can make, adds new meaning to many hands make work easier. Joe Lima brought the brush hog and mowed, Gene Bowen pulled the riding mower out of the shed and set to mowing, what a difference they made, after they were done it looked great. Gail Barritt brought her weedeater and worked around the trees and areas unable to be reached by a mower. Floyd Baumgartner brought his tractor and cleaned up some ditches, moved brush to piles and with the help of Neil Matheny looked for a possible broken water line. Pat Matheny helped pick up the areas to be mowed making it safer for our mowers and those in the area doing other projects. Bob Davis came out and helped weedeat and do all sorts of fixing up. Thanks to all who came out on a Saturday morning to donate time. Since then Gail and Bob have joined me in getting the fire pits and Bar-b-Que areas cleaned up. It is taking shape. Again thanks for the help, I could not have gotten it all done in time without you. For anyone wanting to help out, please let me know and we will put you to work.

Ross and Mary Ann are taking 2006 reservations at the Firehouse Country Kitchen.

We are taking reservations for the 2007 season so if you, someone you know or a group you are involved with would like to reserve some space, or the whole campground, give me a call at 626-1204.

Fiesta Latina

by Ron Stone

Hola, como estas? Muy bien gracias. Well that is about all of the Spanish I know, but I sure had a good time at Fiesta Latina. Most of the food was really great, with the exception of that darn Spanish rice. I think I may as well admit that I am the worlds worst rice cook. The Margaritas were awesome though and I had a couple of tall ones. This event is the hardest one that I am involved with, and were it not for all of the people that help, the event would never happen. Rhiannon was the bomb with the vegi tamales, and Iris worked like a slave on the meat ones. Lisa's enchiladas were a great hit, as were those beautiful empanadas brought by an anonymous helper. Teresa's Papias were my daughters' favorite. Actually all of the dishes were great, but I think the best presentation award has to go to the tacos, they were very attractive. I must say that at the last minute we realized we didn't have ice. No ice for the Margaritas was going to be a real bummer, but Ross and Mary Ann saved the day by donating all of the ice in the ice machine. Thank you so much! I really have to be thankful that so many people helped, it exemplifies why I love this community so much.

The set up, the tear down and all of the little things can really be overwhelming, but in this event there was a surprise that nearly put me into a panic. When we arrived at the lake, we found a water leak right where we were to set up. We let Jonathan know and he, Steven and I were able to repair the problem in a reasonable time. Thank you Jonathan, he even had a birthday party to put on, but helped us instead. Steven was truly the most valuable helper though, he hauled tables and chairs, dug in the mud and was there from early morning till way late .

Finally a joyful thank you to all who attended and helped make this event a success. I hope to see all of you and many more at the community picnic on July 15 th.

Thank You Neighbors

Kari and Mel Guthrie want to THANK all their neighbors and friends for their thoughts and help while their family is helping 11 year old son, Matthew, who is at UCD Medical Center undergoing treatment for liver cancer.

Recipe of the Month

by Evelyn Potter

Strawberries! Strawberries! Strawberries! It is that time of the year and we must take advantage of all these wonderful berries. I made this super pie last week and will make it again soon. It is called ---

Glazed Strawberry Pie

1 qt. strawberries, rinsed and hulled
 6 T. sugar (or Splenda)
 1 ½ T cornstarch
 6 T water
 1 tsp lemon juice
 3 oz cream cheese (can use all of a 4 oz pkg)
 1 T orange juice (if using 4 oz cream cheese, increase orange juice to 1 ½ T.)
 1 Baked 9-in pie shell

1. Reserve 2 cups whole berries. Crush remaining berries with a fork (I found using the potato masher to be better) set aside.
2. Mix sugar and cornstarch thoroughly in a saucepan. Blend in the water. STIRRING CONSTANTLY, bring to boiling and boil for 3 minutes, or until clear.
3. Remove from heat; stir in crushed berries and lemon juice. Cool mixture slightly by setting pan in a bowl of ice and water. Cover and set aside.
4. Beat the cream cheese until softened, then beat in orange juice until well blended. Spread over bottom of baked pie shell. Turn whole strawberries into pie shell. Pour cooled strawberry mixture over berries. Chill in refrigerator.
5. Serve with your choice of cream topping.

Do not use more berries than called for, or your crushed berry mixture will not thicken properly.

Mountain Fellowship invites all children in Swansboro and Mosquito to join us at **Son Treasure Island!**

We're ready for a Vacation Bible School your children will never forget!

Son Treasure Island creates a fun and exciting Island atmosphere where children will have a great time singing, watching skits, creating crafts and playing games.

We're looking forward to sharing this exciting event with the children and parents in our neighborhood. We hope you'll all join us at Son Treasure Island.

Son Treasure Island begins; June 12th thru June 16th

Location; Dyer Lake

For Information; 621-4282

Ages; Children who will be entering Kindergarten Fall 2006, up to children who will be entering 5th grade fall 2006.

ADVERTISING POLICY

There is no charge to our subscribers for advertising in the *Mosquito Byte*, however ads must be limited to 7 column lines maximum. Deadline for advertising is the 19th of each month. Call Jo at 642.9783 or e-mail catjct@cwnet.com. Ads in the "Free", "For Sale" and "Wanted" category will run for **three months** unless you call to say the item is no longer available, or that you want the ad extended an additional 3months

FIREHOUSE COUNTRY KITCHEN HOURS

Closed Tuesday

Monday & Wednesday: 11:00 to 3:00

Thursday & Friday 11:00 to 7:00

Note: We will close at 6:00 PM the first Thursday of each month to attend the MVFD Board meeting

Saturday & Sunday:

Breakfast: 8:00 to 12:00

Lunch: 12:00 to 3:00

MEETINGS

Jr High Youth Group - NEW SUMMER MEETING TIME: 6th, 7th and 8th graders in Mosquito/Swansboro will be meeting Thursday afternoons instead of Friday night. Beginning Thursday June 8th we will meet at Dyer Lake by the basketball court from 3 to 6pm. All Jr. High kids are welcome, the more the merrier! If you have any questions call Debbie Rood at 642-0695.

4-H CLUB: 4-H Mosquito Bites are here on the hill. We have cooking, fly-fishing, pottery, sewing and maybe Guinea Pigs. If you would like to lead a project or join one of these, call Teresa at 295.9203

EMBROIDERER'S GUILD: Hanging By A Thread Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America, Inc., meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00pm in the Planning Commission meeting room in the EDC Government Center Building C. Call Valorie Perkins Rice at (530) 672.2375 or rice@d-web.com or [www. Sunshinereflections.com/ega](http://www.Sunshinereflections.com/ega)

MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP: Join us for Sunday Christian fellowship & Bible study for all ages at 9:30am followed by a Celebration service at 11am. Groups meet: grades K-5 Tue. 6pm, Jr Hi Fri. 7pm, Men Tue. 6:30pm at 2721 La Paz Rd, women's fellowship luncheons monthly. Except as noted all events meet at 3342 Stope Dr. in Swansboro. Call 295.0503 or visit www.usmna.net/mfom.

WANTED

HI NEW NEIGHBORS: I'm Julie Tyner. My house was completed last September. My previous two homes were condos without yards so you know how much I've had to buy and do! If you have a used wheelbarrow or fall bulbs you won't be using, could I buy them? Thanks so much, 626.5217, Julie (6)

CANVAS TARP - Heavy duty 12' by 20' or larger to cover car canopy frame. Call Fred Adams at 642.9441 (4)

FREE

CAL KING BED, well used, and a Breckwell pellet stove. Call 626.6970 (6)

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER! Just come pick it up and it's yours!! Medium colored wood with glass-fronted display shelves, lots of storage for CD's, DVD's, etc. in lower cabinets and cloth-covered cubbies for speakers. Call Alyson at 626.7396 (6)

BOX SPRING for twin bed. Call Brenda/ Larry at 344.0858 (5)

SERVICES

PLUMBER FOR HIRE: Quality work, affordable rates, licensed and bonded. New construction, remodels, repairs, water heaters, sewer and drain clearing. Lic#829135. RGB Plumbing, 295.0820

HARKEY'S CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION: Dustin Harkey, owner, specializes in custom concrete but does all types of concrete work: foundations, stamped concrete, sidewalks, pools, etc. CA license 849435, also bonded. Call 642.8986

ASPHALT SEALING: Since 1975, Northern California and Nevada's premier asphalt sealcoating specialists - Sierra Nevada Sealcoating, (530) 644.8888, Scott Thomas Butcher, 5001 Coyote Hill Rd., Placerville 95667, CSL# 680730, NSL# 0033220A. Sorry - no paving!!

ANNOUNCING STUFF- A- FRIEND! Adorable animals and dolls just waiting to get stuffed and fluffed by your little ones. Perfect for birthday parties, sleepovers and gifts. All friends are shipped right to your door. Order directly from <http://www.stuffafriend.com/shop.php?morganstein5>

IN HOME CHILD CARE service is looking for potential clients. State certified in CPR and First Aid. Interested parties contact Melissa at 295.1779

ADMINISTRATIVE support services: Microsoft Office experienced. Create and maintain databases/spreadsheets, newsletters, flyers, labels, mailers and more. Call (530) 295.1779 for details

CREDENTIALLED substitute teacher available for tutoring math and penmanship, especially cursive writing grades K-5th. Math builds upon itself lesson by lesson, once a student gets behind it's hard to catch up. A little tutoring can help a lot. I love to make math fun for students! Call Mrs. A at 626.4488

HOUSEKEEPING: I am new to Mosquito and need local work. Reasonable yet thorough, have references. For free estimate call Terry, 295.1347, or leave message

RETIRED ELECTRICIAN looking for electrical jobs on the hill. Please call John at 344.1912

HANDYMAN available in Swansboro. Large and small jobs welcomed. Specialize in fences; also home & deck repairs, brush and limb pruning and debris hauling. Please call Ken Hahn for a free estimate at (530) 622.4424

"DROP-IN" CHILD CARE or Elder Care now offered in Mosquito. I am available on short notice for urgent problems. I have experience taking care of ill children or the elderly and assisting in basic needs. Local personal character references available so you will feel safe when I am caring for your loved ones. Nancy West 626.7975

SEARS ROADSIDE WEED CONTROL: Don't let the excellent brushing jobs go to waste on our roads. Stump regrowth spraying, ditch spraying, fire breaks and much more! Call Dustin, owner/operator, at 344.8402, Cell, 363.4991

COLLEGE STUDENT available for odd jobs and manual labor. Hard worker, great attitude. Prefer Swansboro area work. Please call James at 622.4424

BABYSITTING in my home. Child care is available in my home with me and my 3 little girls. We frequently do arts, crafts, music and other fun educational activities. Call Kathy at 642.8585

HOUSEKEEPING ON THE HILL: Weekly, bi-weekly and monthly services. "Move in" and "Move out" services also available. References upon request. Call Stacy Raye at 626.5904

EAT. PARTY. SHOP. What's not to love? Tastefully Simple offers over 30 easy-to-prepare gourmet foods you and your friends can taste before you buy. Contact Kristie Kotaska for more info! Tastefully Simple Consultant 642.0779 or kkotaska@hotmail.com or www.tastefullysimple.com/web/kkotaska

GRADING & EARTHMOVING: Culverts, septic systems, footings, house pads, land clearing, driveways, utility lines, all other types of dirt work. Call KURT KIMM at (916) 496.7284 or (530) 295.9203

GENERAL CONTRACTOR SERVING THE MOSQUITO AREA: Complete design and build service. New homes, residential remodels, additions, garages, decks, barns. Top quality construction at a reasonable price. Modena Builders. License #809494. Call 622.5307

AUTO REPAIR: Is Mosquito Road rough on your vehicle? Give "Hippie" a call at Mosquito Auto, specialist in transmissions, brakes, tune-ups. 642.2867

REAL ESTATE SERVICES: Live the American Dream; the ownership of a home and a little acreage to call your own! Sally Long Johns, your resident Mosquito Road Realtor, will help you buy or sell any property in El Dorado County! Utilize your new neighborhood website www.mosquitoadneighbors.com (530) 295.4641 or toll free 866.SALLYRE, snlongjohns@yahoo.com

HANDCRAFTED POTTERY: Swansboro studio open by appointment, or visit the website any time. Classes available. Pam Angelo 621.3688. www.clayimpressions.com

SEAMSTRESS/ALTERATIONS: Reasonable prices, years experience. Call Esther at 622.6455

REAL ESTATE SERVICES: Fifth generation Sierra Nevadan & Mosquito resident, helping you to sell or find your treasure in California gold country's best kept secret. Realtor Judy Mathat (530) 295.4645, Office (530) 621.4334, Office FAX (530) 417.1018, Cell (530) 626.9565, Home Office Coldwell Banker Real Estate

NAUTILUS MARINE SERVICE: Marine engine, inboard & sterndrive specialists. Generator repair - marine & stationary. Fabrications, installations, electrical & electronics. Toll Free (800) 760.1430

FAX AND PHOTOCOPY SERVICE here on the hill. Call Fred Adams at 642.9441

BACKHOE & TRACTOR WORK: Trenches, driveways, gravel needs, footings, house pads, utility lines, brush clearing, septic systems, stump removal, and more!! 4X4 backhoe. Call Jim Collins (530) 621.4794 or jcbackhoe@sbcglobal.net

NOTARY SERVICE: I am a "Mobile" Notary Public living right here in Mosquito. I am experienced in all areas of notary work including loan packages, real estate transfers, etc. Save time and money, call Elaine Galvan 621.2433

LOG SPLITTER: owner operator, \$25.00 hr., 2 hour min. Swansboro area only. 344.9066

VICK'S PLUMBING: Specializing in kitchen and bath remodeling. Offering over 30 years of experience. Call me for repairs and installation of water heaters, garbage disposals, ice makers, etc. Victor Garcia 626.6493

ASPEN LITES ELECTRIC CO: Electrical wiring, all phases. Specializing in new construction and remodeling. Serving our local Mosquito-Swansboro area for over 15 years. Competitive rates and excellent dependability guaranteed! Keep the business up on the hill! Call Rich at 621.2911 or Cell 409.9931

HORSE AND PET CARE – TLC: Pet sitting, Western Pleasure Show Horse Training the gentle way. Horse hauling with care. Over 20 years experience. (530) 642.9386

METAL STRUCTURES: We build metal buildings, carports, sheds, stalls, Fifth Wheel covers, etc. Local family, free estimates. We also do concrete work, sidewalks, foundations, etc. Call Jeremy at home (530) 626.4406 or work (916) 826.9758

REAL ESTATE SERVICES: Specializing in Mosquito/Swansboro real estate. Debbie and Rusty Harris have 35 years experience "on the hill". Our office is located next to the fire station. SWANSBORO LAND AND HOMES: 622.6822

SIGN PAINTER: Signs, logos, pop art, screen painting. Phil Langdon 622.5378

OSTERKAMP CONSTRUCTION: Specializing in custom homes. Plumbing and general building contractor. Home improvement. Certified, dependable service. Quality construction at competitive prices. Swansboro resident since 1987. CCL 612033. Call 626.7873

CREATIVE MEMORIES: I help busy people get their albums done! Spend an afternoon at my home having fun with fellow Mosquito scrap bookers or host a class in your home and earn free products! Diana Adams 642.9441

REAL ESTATE SERVICES: Buying or selling a home? You need an honest, reliable, hardworking real estate agent on your side! Serving El Dorado and Sacramento counties. Call Jessica Dillender at 295.3331 or cell (916) 765.1256

GARDEN MEMORY STONES: Custom made. Call 344.8049 for information

HANGTOWN GLASS CARE: I tint commercial and residential glass. Will save you money on energy costs and retard fading your furniture and carpet. Call for free estimate! Rex Langdon, Jr. 409.5530

CHIMNEY SWEEP for hire, 27 years experience. Wood stoves - pellet stoves - fireplaces - dryer vents - gutters. Repairs - installations - problem solving. Richard Smith 622.2990

FOR RENT

2 BEDROOM, 2 bathroom home for rent in Mosquito/Swansboro. \$595 per month plus utilities (gas, phone, electric, garbage); water included. New carpet and vinyl flooring, very clean and bright. Contact Karen at 622.3306

1 BEDROOM, 1 bathroom, small kitchen, living room for rent in Mosquito \$550.00 per month plus utilities (gas, phone, electric). References & credit report required. Call Sally Long Johns 306.0821

ROOM for rent in my 2300 sf home with two separate living spaces on 2 ac. at 3005 Buckboard Rd. in Swansboro. \$550 per month with small deposit. Must love small dogs. House with a view on hill. Prefer mature adult, no smokers. Contact Treasa at 622.1941

CONDO: 1bd condo available in Puerta Vallarta at Villa Del Palmar for the week of June 3-10 in 2006. Sleeps up to four, has equipped kitchen, upper and lower balcony, 3 pools, 2 Jacuzzi's and is at the beach. 621.1049

HOUSE: Vacation on the Caribbean Coast. Sleeps up to 6, on the ocean. \$450 per week. 626.0307 for full info. Email: Costaricaparadise@earthlink.net

HOUSE: Out of town guests? Reasonably priced local accommodation in Mosquito. 2.5 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 Jacuzzi. For more info please visit www.naberlaw.com/cabin/cabin.htm, contact (510) 717.1420 or ayako@naberlaw.com

FOR SALE

MOVING SALE: June 3rd starting at 8:00 AM. Tools, furniture, toys and more. 7422 White Oak, Call 626.3821

WRAPAROUND COUCH, 5 piece sectional, like new, \$800. Call Michelle at 642.8337 (6)

BISSELL canister type carpet shampoo machine \$30; Krups toaster oven, like new, \$30; brown/tan striped sofa/loveseat/coffee table, 80's style \$75 for all; 2 large table lamps \$25 both; dining table, glass top/bamboo pedestal, 6 matching chairs, \$175; round oak table (35") w/4 small ladderback chairs \$150. (530) 621.2778 (6)

12' ALUMINUM BOAT with gas tank and Johnson 9.5 hp motor. Motor has dolly included. \$350 for both. Call 626.9601 (5)

2001 WANDERER 28' toy hauler travel trailer, good condition. \$10,500 firm. Call Chris or Kathy 626.0379 (5)

MOVING TO WARMER CLIMATE: 13 pc wood patio set, 6 dark green plastic chairs w/3 tables, garden set w/table/2 chairs, Kenmore almond colored upright freezer, double door refrigerator w/ice, washer/dryer, small apt. Avanti freezer, 27" TV LXI, portable RCA color trak, Magnavox VHS, HP monitor, mens pants, jeans, levis, lots of yarn and dress forms. Call 626.7970 for prices. (5)

1990 FALCON MINI MOTORHOME Class C, built on a Ford Econoline 3/4 ton chassis with fuel-injected eng., smogged, '06 tags, 100,000+ miles, runs very well, trans recently over-hauled, good brakes, serviceable tires, self-contained w/shower, toilet, sink, A/C, propane heater & stove. Fridge does not work, sleeps 4, \$4,000 OBO. No longer needed. Call Buzz at 642.2306 after 4PM daily (5)

WASHER, ELECTRIC DRYER, PORTABLE DISHWASHER, all work good-\$25 each. Call 642.0695 (5)

USED BRICKS, different sizes, cheap. 1906 WOOD COOK STOVE, blue enamel with nickel plating \$1500. Call Brenda or Larry, 344.0858 (5)

SOFABED, like new, blue and white checker pattern, \$300; matching FLOOR LAMP \$20; SOLID OAK BUNK BEDS w/matching student DESK \$250; 2 TABLE LAMPS, solid brass, \$25 ea. Call Dee (530) 621.3121 (5)

QUEEN SIZE-Headboard & Footboard. Black Metal. \$20 Call 295.9165 (5)

'94 S.E. HONDA MOTORCYCLE, 1500cc, Green. 48K + miles, good to go. \$8000. Call 626.9601 (4)

WASHER/DRYER- Good condition, works great. \$100 for the pair. Call 295.8112 (4)

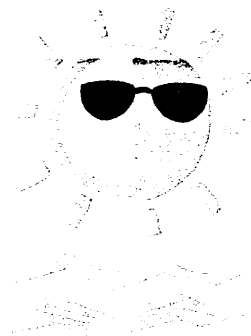
DeWALT 700 8" radial arm saw on stand \$50; 18 & 25 gal. aquariums on dbl stand \$600+ new, sell for \$110. Call 626.8295 (4)

'03 INTERSTATE 6x10.5' enclosed heavy duty utility trailer or ATV hauler, fully paneled interior, very secure, rear ramp, side door, rear leveling jacks, night work lights, skylight/vent in roof, red w/black, bright aluminum diamond plate trim \$2800. (916) 968.3666 (4)

HELPFUL HINTS:

1. Crayon marks on walls? This worked wonderfully! A damp rag, dipped in baking soda. Comes off with little effort.
2. Permanent marker on appliances/counter tops, use rubbing alcohol on paper towel.
3. When you purchase a box of SOS Pads, immediately take a pair of scissors and cut each pad into halves, saves throwing away rusted, unused and smelly pads, In fact, scissors get sharpened this way!
4. Blood stains on clothes? Not to worry! Just pour a little hydrogen peroxide on a cloth and proceed to wipe off every drop of blood.
5. Use vertical strokes when washing windows outside and horizontal for inside windows. This way you can tell which side has the streaks. Straight vinegar will get outside windows really clean. Don't wash windows on a sunny day. They will dry too quickly and will probably streak.
6. Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks.
7. Use Empty toilet paper roll to store appliance cords. It keeps them neat and you can write on the roll what appliance it belongs to.

8. Candles will last a lot longer if placed in the freezer for at least 3 hours prior to burning.
9. To clean artificial flowers, pour some salt into a paper bag and add the flowers. Shake vigorously as the salt will absorb all the dust and dirt and leave your artificial flowers looking like new!
10. To easily remove burnt on food from your skillet, simply add a drop or two of dish soap and enough water to cover bottom of pan, and bring to a boil on stove top.
11. Don't throw out all that leftover wine: Freeze into ice cubes for future use in casseroles and sauces. Left over wine? What's that?
12. To get rid of itch from mosquito bites, try applying soap on the area and you will experience instant relief.



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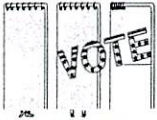


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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 MVFD BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM	2	3 SUPPORT GROUP 10:00 AM
4	5	6 	7	8 MFPD BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM	9	10 SCPOA MEETING 10:00 AM SCPOA Road Meeting
11	12	13	14 	15	16	17 Evacuation Drill 11 - 2 Airport - See Page 2
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