

MOSQUITO BYTE

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Please Note:

The October Mosquito Byte will not be arriving in your mailbox until the end of the first week in October

Chief's Corner

by Chief Leo Chaloux

Since I have put the word out that the fire department has some openings for volunteer fire fighters I have had several people ask me exactly what is involved in being a volunteer. To be honest with anyone who asks I always say, "a lot." Back in the good ole days, about 10 years ago, being a volunteer fire fighter was not near as demanding as it is now. Back then we did not require a fire fighter to attend a basic fire fighter academy, be an Emergency Medical Technician with Automatic Defibrillator and Combitube certificates, and acquire a Class B drivers license. But then back then we did not offer as high a level of service as we do now.

So what does go into being a volunteer fire fighter? First off when someone signs up they must realize that at the beginning they are expected to commit to 2 hours of training on every Tuesday evening starting at 7:00 pm. During this time period they are outfitted with a complete set of structure protective equipment and wildland protective equipment. This process alone is often intimidating but is actually the fun part. This is the first opportunity someone gets in realizing exactly what a fire fighter has to wear just in order to safely do the job expected of them. Next, they come to training where they meet the other fire fighters, they are an ugly bunch and love having new people to pick on but they are the best people on the hill. This period of time is more observation than anything else and anyone that signs up gets to participate with whatever training is scheduled for the evening. They have to put on the proper protective equipment, ride on a fire engine or tender and put their hands on what ever we are training on.

In January of every odd year the commitment level increases. They do not have to come to training on

Tuesday evenings with the fire fighters but instead have to participate in an Emergency Medical Technician class held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and a couple of Saturdays a month. This class goes on for four months, and once completed an EMT-1A certificate is issued. Now, during this period we have to squeeze in a CPR class and after the EMT-1A certificate is earned an 8-hour class for a Combitube certificate has to be taken along with a class on how to use the Automatic Defibrillator. Now, you are probably wondering what a Combitube or an Automatic Defibrillator is. A Combitube is an airway device that can be inserted down someone's throat so that we can breath for them using a bag valve mask. It is not really as bad to do as it sounds with the proper training and can definitely save someone's life. An Automatic Defibrillator is a machine that is utilized to restart a persons heart that is going through ventricular fibrillation.

The reason why the EMT class is held every other year is an EMT certificate is good for two years when it has to be renewed. Towards the end of the class I bring in the fire fighters with current EMT certificates so they can receive 24 hours of review and get their certificates renewed. After the EMT class is over the training goes back to every Tuesday evening with the other Volunteers.

In January of every even year all new volunteers have to go to a Basic Fire Fighter Academy. Over the last several years this academy has consisted of members from the Georgetown, Garden Valley and Mosquito Fire Departments. We each provide instructors, equipment and facilities to the academy and provide a very good program for an entry-level fire fighter. In this academy you will do everything and a lot of what you do is something you thought you never could do, with the class ending in you going into a burning building. This academy usually last about 4 months and again is held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and two Saturdays a month.

During this time frame a new volunteer is encouraged to respond to any Incident they can

make. They can also come down to the fire station and do any other training they desire. It all boils down to someone's commitment level and the time they have to do it. So here we are two years after someone has signed up before all necessary certificates are acquired. At this point the fire department has a volunteer fire fighter that is very well qualified, experienced and a definite asset to the community.

Now, if someone wants to go on to driving an engine or tender they have to go through what is called a DL-170 driving program in order to get a Class B drivers license. This program comes straight from the DMV but we are able to do the instruction, driving and testing through the fire district. Some volunteers have been able to do this in 6 months and others have taken several years. Everyone is different, learning at their own pace based on their skills and experience levels.

During the Tuesday evening training classes we mix in training on structure fire fighting, wild land fire fighting, auto extrication, vehicle fires, over the bank rope rescue, knots, medical refresher, and all kinds of other things that we have to do as fire fighters.

So now that I have scared off anyone who had a thought of being a volunteer I must clarify by saying that it is not that bad. All that is required is a little time, some commitment and the desire to help someone and this community. Don't let your size, age or sex be a deterrent as everyone has value and has something to offer. My policy is that no one fails, if they have the desire I have the responsibility to train them and give them the experience they require.

If you are interested in being a volunteer fire fighter or a member of our Support Group, please contact me at the fire station.

Tire Amnesty Day by Jo Thomas

GET READY-Tire Amnesty Day (free tire disposal) is coming October 28th at the fairgrounds in Placerville. Now is the time to gather up and collect all those old tires that are just lying around, before the rains come, as that is where mosquitos love to lay their eggs.

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association by Debbie Minor

Time to settle back into the busy season with summer vacations over and kids back in school. The weather has been pleasant but we still have a couple more months of fire danger to look out for. So please everyone be fire conscious and safe.

Dam update: We are still waiting for a wetland delineation to be completed. That will be submitted when done and all our permits requirements will have been met. Once we receive the necessary papers we will be able to start vegetation removal, draining of the lake, a couple surveys of the dam area and preparation for building the coffer dam. All these items will be done this year if all goes well.

We are very fortunate to have the backing of the Board of Supervisors on this project. Thank you so much for your support. Karl, I wanted to say "Thank You" to you as well for all your support. Having the lake back to its full capacity will not only help us and our community but will also help the communities surrounding us.

There are still many things to do before it is complete and we will do our best to keep everyone updated on progress.

Finnon Lake Recreation Area by Leslie Baumgartner

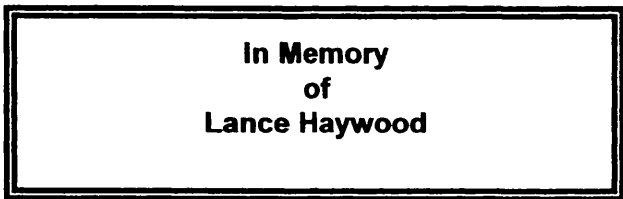
We have seen lots of happy campers over the summer as well as fishermen, bird-watchers, hikers and swimmers, just to mention a few. Unfortunately our wooded bridge is in need of some repairs so if you send a camper over be sure to let them know the road leading to the campground just to the right of the outdoor eating area by the restaurant is the way to go. A bit longer but a nice drive through the area. If you drive out there remember it is a two way road and caution should be used. The bridge is being worked on and will be open soon. I would like to thank those who have been out to help keep it clean and work on the bridge. That would include, Chief Leo for his impute on what can be done, Bob Davis, Floyd Baumgartner, Ken and Mary Joseph, Guy and Gail Barritt. I am sure I have missed a few, but thank you too.

Fire Safe Council
by Debbie Rood

For those of you that watch the news you are hearing time and time again that the key to several homes being spared by wild land fires is **DEFENSIBLE SPACE**. As you drive down Mosquito Road and you look to the left you can't miss that incredibly beautiful piece of property. This is an awesome example of fuel reduction and what defensible space can look like. Defensible space does not mean cutting down every bush and tree in sight. As president of the FSC I have decided to organize a Defensible Space Home Visitation Program. This program will be based upon "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" become more fire safe and is a tremendous opportunity for public education and outreach.

As you know our Fire Department could use some new volunteer firefighters and they need our help! Being a firefighter is a huge responsibility and that kind of a commitment is something not too many of us can do but ... volunteering a small amount of time to visit neighbors in our community is something any concerned and caring person can do! I know there are a lot of you out there and we need you! You will be trained to do home evaluations and share your knowledge about defensible space with homeowners with one goal in mind: saving homes and lives. If you are interested in joining this program please come to the next FSC meeting at the Fire Station on Sunday Sept. 24th at 4:00 to sign up or call me at 642-0695.

The fire department will be doing inspections because of the new 100ft clearance law, having your help with this program would not only make their work much easier, it would be a great expression of gratitude for all they do for us and that's a lot! Chief Leo retires this year and I can't think of a greater gift than people in this community joining together for a cause that he has dedicated most of his life to - OUR SAFETY. Hope to see you there.



Craft Report
by Sharon Hern

The Firehouse Crafters are working on Fall and Holiday crafts for their third craft sale on November 10th & 11th at Cold Springs Community Church, 2600 Cold Springs Road, Placerville. Friday 9 am - 5 pm and Saturday 9 am - 3 pm. Hope to see you there.

We do hope that you will help us out by not only coming to our craft meetings but work on crafts at home. We will arrange to pick up your items or have them dropped off at the fire station. All of our proceeds go to our Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association, so please help support your fire community.

Meetings:
Next Meeting: **September 22nd**

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: **NO October Meeting, November 17**

Signs of the Times
by Taffy Warner

Once again it's that time of year when signs seem to sprout up everywhere - trees, rocks, telephone poles, fences....

As soon as the event (yard sale, birthday party, etc) is over please remember to REMOVE the signs. If left, they become trash on the roadside and really do not reflect well on the residents who for the most part, really try and keep "the HILL" looking nice!!

Speaking of trash - Mosquito Road has had NO trash on it for 6 months so it is sad to see that in a mere 2 weeks, there are beer & soda cans, plastic bags, and fast food cups/bags along the roadway. In all likelihood this is the product of persons not living here, but please take care to remember those in your household or workers that you hire, to pack their trash out or use a proper receptacle!!

Rock Creek School of Driving by Taffy Warner

It has been a long 6 months but probably all of us are better drivers as a result of navigating the endless winding road called Rock Creek. Not to mention being treated to the fantastic wildflower exhibition and magnificent display of waterfalls!!

I don't think there was a single person driving at a poky pace after the initial few weeks. Likewise the speeders seemed to slow a bit recognizing the need to learn new driving habits if one was to survive the experience. The road was now busy both ways since the commuters downhill now had to share those coming up the hill - usually in larger vehicles. It seemed that by February, the hostile glares and gestures also ceased. Maybe we individually decided to accept the challenge of Rock Creek Road instead of cursing it since the later did not result in any change of circumstance.

So we did have a few mud slides during the rainy season which took an very long time to end. That resulted in residents complaining about the slow pace and demanding more action. Soon most people didn't care much about the mud and rock slides since pot holes became a bigger obstacle. And I think we were all surprised to learn that potholes procreate faster than bunnies. They did not teach that in school!!! Department of Transportation to the rescue - well almost - they were very selective in the ones they would fix so the key was to discover which holes they left to make sure the shock absorber companies had lots of business. It was also rumored that the chiropractors in town had an increase in clientele. But it was great exercise for your arms and neck which meant less time in the gym lifting weights or working on range of motion exercises. Reflexes were being tuned up and honed. Not to mention that the safety signs were being mowed down by those who preferred to drive by the Braille method.

Just when we could relax a bit on the endless trip to or from town, the loggers descended on us. Now there is very little choice how much space a logging truck - loaded with logs, takes up on the road, which poses a problem for the rest of us when we are using the same road. There were times I wondered if I would be the next hood ornament which seemed like a better option than becoming a splat of road kill.

Ha - we fooled them by adapting yet again. By now everyone started getting excited as the rumors of an end date to the daily trek took form. And we thought we had seen and conquered all the obstacles that could be placed in our path!!!

Spirits were high and roadside activities (pot busts, abandoned cars losing parts on a daily basis and inching precariously close to the edge each day before being plucked by a Tow Truck) became topics of conversation. But there would be one more hurdle.

Enter the never ending convoy of rock trucks and concrete trucks - many of which had drivers most unfamiliar with the mountain. Watching them getting stuck was almost a daily occurrence the first few weeks. Delays in the drive seemed to become the norm. It was fun when you were provided the opportunity to negotiate around a big rig that was stuck on a curve (yes, I am one of the ones driving a Mini these days).

It was clear, that if you hadn't learned to be alert and skilled at driving, you would probably find yourself at the bottom of the canyon or squished into a rock on the mountain side. That did not happen. The residents prevailed. Some learned patience and tolerance. Others took time to appreciate the beauty of the mountain. It was an opportunity to get to know our neighbors driving habits. The drive definitely provided some moments to blow off steam as well as laugh. Rock Creek became a friendlier road - the mystique exposed by daily use. Some drivers just came and went and probably grumbled to the end. Whatever your experience, we all graduated from the Rock Creek School of Driving and have moved on to the challenge of Mosquito Road - which really seems to be a lot narrower in more places than before!!!! Please drive safely and courteously and remember to smile!

Mosquito Road Action Group by Robin Sweeney

I along with many who attended the January information night re: the slide am greatly concerned with the way some people are driving Mosquito Road. The CHP says the speed limit on unmarked roads are 55 or whatever is safe for the road conditions. Driving the center and forcing the speed to the limit is not safe. I was elated when the road

was reopened but I see daily altercations either verbal, gestures, or tailgating and road rage. We all know it's a matter of time before an innocent person will be killed or hurt for life due to those few who drive as fast as possible as though it's "THEIR RIGHT" to do so. I personally have encountered a woman, who is well over 55, tailgating, honking and screaming and even tried to pass on the blind corner to start the decent down to the bridge. Had I not moved the front of my car slightly left she would have gone head on into an innocent young man coming up the road. Friday I watched a woman be forced to back up off the bridge with her 81 year old father so someone could force their turn. A verbal altercation took place and I was thinking how sad this is for our community. The majority of people I talk with want speed control. Anyone who does I would welcome their email or call to become part of a solution. Robinsfamilyfarm@yahoo.com or 530-344-9109. The problem has grown past letters of warning and request in our monthly newspaper but we as a community can join together and seek a long term solution.

Annual Cardboard Boat Race
by Debbie Rood

Mountain Fellowship invites all 6th, 7th, 8th graders to participate in the ANNUAL CARDBOARD BOAT RACE

When: Sunday September 24th
Time: 2:00pm
Where: Dyer Lake
Rules:

- Boats and oars are to be constructed of cardboard and duct tape ONL Y
- 2 people per boat (riding inside)
- 6th, 7th, 8th graders only
- Boats and teams must be complete and on starting line at 2:00 in order to race
- Both team members and boat must cross finish line in order to win prize
- Life jackets are required and you will not be allowed to race without one

Free Duct tape is available thanks to the generous donation from Don Rood. If you need duct tape for your boat or have any questions call Debbie at 642-0695.

Happy Sailing!!!!!!!

Recipe of the Month
by Evelyn Potter

Where has August gone??? This has been very fast disappearing year. Or is it just me? This month the recipe is for an hor'duerve. Wow! did I mess up the spelling on that one. Oh, well, fix, eat and enjoy.

Garlic Pizza Wedges

- 1 prebaked Italian bread shell crust, 14 oz. (like Boboli)
- 1 cup grated Parmesan Cheese
- 1 cup mayonnaise - NOT reduced fat or fat free
- 1 small red onion, rather finely chopped
- 3 1/2 t minced garlic
- 1 T dried oregano

Place the crust on an ungreased 14-inch pizza pan. In a small bowl, combine the cheese, mayonnaise, onion, garlic and oregano; spread over crust. Bake at 450 degrees for 8-10 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Cut into wedges. Makes about 2 dozen

2006 Phone Book
by Sharon Hern

If you are listed in the May 2005 Phone Book, you will be listed in the 2006 Phone Book. If you notified me of any changes or corrections to the 2005 Phone Book, they have been made.

These are the new listings that I have received, if you wish to be listed in the 2006 Phone Book and your name is not here, please contact me immediately at 626.5268.

Cory, John & Peggy 2597 Shilo Drive	642.2217
Cushman, James & Dee 3206 Pawdick Court	621.3121
DeLette, Bob 3301 Stope Drive	626.8689
Everett, Brian & Suzanne 3553 Lupine Lane	626-1126
French, Kathy 6527 Deer Canyon Court	626.0379
Fritz, Bob 8840 Rock Creek Road	344.8062

Gabriel, Chris 626.0379
6527 Deer Canyon Court

Gazdayka, Robert & Chris 295.0452
2000 Junco Court

Goff, Carl 344.0605
3133 Stope Drive

Gora, Eric 295.3369
6785 Log Cabin Lane

Harris, Michael & Olive 622.1336
2835 Lawyer Drive

Harris, Rusty & Debbie 622.9629
8781 Rock Creek Court

John, Jeff & Shelly 622.7052
7380 White Oak Drive

Ketchum, Cindy 344.0605
3133 Stope Drive

Marconi, Abbie 295.3369
6785 Log Cabin Lane

Norris, Kelly & Cindy 295.4851
6396 Wildflower Court

Petersen, Dennis & Arlene 626.8812
6287 Log Cabin Lane

Porter, Mike & Genie 622.4424
6410 Wildflower Court

Steinke, Paul & Pam 621.9999
9200 Rock Creek Road

Taylor, Mike & Dee 626.1196
3260 Running Quail Court.

Truman, Nancy 344.0128
3349 Lupine Lane

Tyner, Julie 626.5217
6460 Deer Canyon Court

Vellinga, Li 344.8062
8840 Rock Creek Road

Waight, Bill 344.0128
3349 Lupine Lane

Warner, Taffy 626.8689
3301 Stope Drive

Woods, Allen & Shannon 621.2530
3721 Dogwood Lane

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 catict@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

Monday & Wednesday: 11:00 to 3:00
Thursday* & Friday 11:00 to 7:00

Saturday & Sunday:

Breakfast: 8:00 to 12:00

Lunch: 12:00 to 3:00

* We close at 6:00 PM the first Thursday of each month to attend the MVFA Board meeting

MEETINGS

4H CLUB: Mosquito Bites are on summer vacation...HOWEVER when school starts up, so will we. If any parent is interested in being a group leader please give me a call to discuss the responsibilities and the wide variety of projects available. Teresa @ 295-9203.

JR HIGH YOUTH GROUP New time begins September 29th. 6th, 7th & 8th graders in Mosquito/Swansboro are meeting every Friday night 7 to 9pm at 3342 Stope Drive. Mountain Fellowship is offering Bible based teachings and how to apply them to everyday life, also fellowship, fun activities and community service projects involved. All Jr. Hi kids are welcome! Questions call youth group leader Debbie Rood at 642-0695

EMBROIDERER'S GUILD: Hanging By A Thread Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America, Inc., meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00 pm 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

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

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8" INSULATED DUCT - 16 feet long. Call 626.7001 (9)

SERVICES

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ARE THERE THOSE DAYS when you need a helping hand? Shopping runs to town combined with errands, \$25 hr. prorated from starting point in town. Call Diana 621.3485

HORSE RIDING LESSONS on the hill. Private 45 min. lesson-\$30.00. 4 lesson package-\$100.00 for new students. Call Laura Davis at 295.1156 for details and scheduling

BEGINNING HATHA YOGA adult classes at Dyer Lake Mon, Wed, Fri from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. No prior Yoga training required. Ongoing sessions include gentle stretching, deep breathing, Yoga Philosophy and quiet meditation. Do something positive for yourself-try a class. Loaner yoga mats available for drop-ins, wear loose fitting clothing. Questions, Bill (916) 276-7087

BABYSITTER: Reliable, experienced female, high school junior. First aid certified, references on request. Reasonable rates. Elliot Davis 295.1156

GUITAR/BASS LESSONS here on the hill. Beginners to intermediates, all ages. Call Heidi at 344.8015

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VEHICLE SHUTTLE: I work at Placerville Ford/EI Dorado Hills Dodge. If you have a Ford or Chrysler vehicle needing service, repairs, etc. (except Crossfire or Viper) I can pick up the vehicle at your convenience either the evening before or in the AM and return it to your home in the evening when the work has been completed. Call Fred, 642.9783 (H) or 622.7720 (W)

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

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

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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

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

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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

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

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

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

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

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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

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HOUSE CLEANING: Weekly, bi-weekly or new construction. 20 years in the business. Call Gloria at 363-2637

CARPET & FURNITURE CLEANING: Premier Carpet/Furniture cleaning, references available. Call 644.2807

FOR RENT

SPACIOUS studio apt. in Mosquito/Swansboro. \$550 unfurnished, \$600 furnished, utilities included. Access to washer/dryer, private deck with river view. Call Karen (530) 906.2021 or 622.3306

ROOMY 1 bd/1 ba home with washer/dryer and bonus room in Mosquito/Swansboro. \$750 plus utilities. On 24 acres. Fresh & bright. Call Karen (530) 906.2021 or 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

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

FOR SALE

Bose AV321 MEDIA CENTER- Excellent Condition, includes integrated AM/FM tuner and DVD/CD player. Floor/shelf speakers with Acoustimass module. All manuals, cables and infrared remote included. Purchased 6/03 for \$950, asking \$250. Call 626.5268 (9)

DOME TENT, 2 sleep bags, backpack \$40; sm maple chr \$20; 2 lg. mtchg tbl lamps, \$20; lg. glass top dining tbl, 6 padded chrs \$150; 35" md oak ped tbl \$50; 4 sm ladder-back chrs \$60; older sofa, loveseat, coffee table FREE; new in-cabinet wht range hood w/light/fan \$25; JVC stereo w/spkrs (cd player needs repr) \$20; porta-potty w/ rails \$20. Must sell before 9-6. 621.2778 (9)

PUREBRED GOLDEN RETRIEVER PUPS. 621.3485 (9)

HEAVY DUTY LOGSPLITTER: gas powered, mobile w/trailer hitch, \$800. Call Nancy 626.7975 (9)

SMALL KEYBOARD / stand and seat. \$25. (530) 621.3641 (9)

TRAILER- 2004 Fleetwood, 24', sleeps 6, complete with full kitchen and bath. Interior colors green/beige. Like new. \$13,800. Call 363-2637 (8)

TAX FRANCHISE: Be your own boss, opportunity to own the fastest growing tax franchise territory available now in Cameron Park. Potential for 1500 clients. Current owner operating in Placerville. Will help with training and setup for motivated individual. Please call 530 621.4829 for details (8)

GRANDFATHER CLOCK, lt. Oak w/pic of Coloma gold rush, beautiful, ex. cond., easy to move, \$2500 OBO; 2005 UPRIGHT GE FREEZER, frost free, 5'6" x 2'8", ex. cond. \$280; PLANTERS, 2' dia., good drainage, \$5 ea.; COLONIAL FLOWER POTS, 32" x 8 1/2", \$22; TV NETWORK, Philips Magnavox, brand new, \$200. 622.9492 (8)

RCA VICTOR VICTROLA w/rec. works; 6HP LAWN/GDN SHREDDER; OXY-ACETYLENE set, etc., no tanks; NEW MAIL BOX POST; RIGID PIPE WRENCHES, 20/30", VACUUM AIR HORN set; lg select. new DRAWER PULLS, many RECORD ALBUMS, HD SOLDERING IRON; RC/B&G COLL. PLATES; new, orig. old stock BUMPER for 78-84 Chevy SS PU. Larry 621.1071 (8)

RADIAL ARM SAW, 10", \$125.00 firm; ANTIQUE CHILD'S CANE ROCKER, converts by cranking to a high chair. In very good condition except that it is wobbly in the high chair position. \$75.00 firm. 626.7975 (8)

1990 FALCON MINI MOTORHOME Class C, built on a Ford Econoline 3/4 ton chassis with fuel-injected eng., smogged, (pd. \$61 for '06 tags), 100,000+ miles, runs very well, trans recently over-hauled, good brakes, serviceable tires, self-contained w/shower, toilet, sink, propane heater & stove. Fridge does not work, sleeps 4, \$4,000 OBO. No longer need. Call Buzz at 642.2306 after 4PM daily (8)

1969 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK: Flatbed, two foot stake sides, lumber rack, winch 15,000 lbs. cap. GVW 19,000 lb. V8 gas eng. Approx. 26,000 miles. As is, good condition \$4000. Located in Swansboro 622.5378 or 417.5487 (8)

1966 FORD F-100 4X4, engine & trans: The truck has a good running 352 FE big block motor. The engine has a 2-barrel manifold and carb, but comes with an extra factory 4-barrel manifold for an easy conversion if you wish. Motor starts fine in the cold (when using the manual choke), and has good power. Call Teresa, 295.9203 (7)

CLUB CHAIRS (2) w/matching ottoman, good cond., \$60; lg. brass table lamp, \$25; Sony tape/CD player w/2 speakers & headphones, works great, \$40; small solid oak occasional table, excellent cond. \$20. Call 626-7001 and come see these great items (7)

1979 TOYOTA SR5 long-bed pickup truck, stick shift, needs new clutch, good tires and runs good. Was used as dump run truck and local (county) hauler and work truck. Do not need another pickup. First \$500 cash takes clear title. Call to see vehicle, 626.9565 (7)

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