

MOSQUITO BYTE

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New Fire Chief Named

At their January meeting, the Mosquito Fire Protection District Board promoted Battalion Chief Bob Davis to the position of District Fire Chief. Bob has been a full time District employee and volunteer firefighter for several years and brings to the position an expanding knowledge base and a demonstrated commitment to serve the community. Bob will assume his new role on April 1st, 2008 when our current interim Fire Chief, Leo Chaloux, moves back into "semi-retirement" and becomes a part-time District employee serving as the District's Training Officer.

Chief's Corner

by Chief Leo Chaloux

Most of us just experienced a winter storm that took out our power and phone service for several days. A few years back, that used to be a regular occurrence during the winter months. Perhaps now is the time for all of us to review these "PREPAREDNESS TIPS" from the *Governor's Office of Emergency Services*.

Can You Go It Alone for Three Days?

The first 72 hours after a major emergency or disaster are critical. Electricity, gas, water, and telephones may not be working. In addition, public safety services such as police and fire departments will be busy handling serious crises. You should be prepared to be self-sufficient - able to live without running water, electricity and/or gas, and telephones - for at least three days following a major emergency. To do so, keep on hand in a central location the following.

Essentials

- Water - One gallon per person per day (a week's supply of water is preferable)
- First aid kit (freshly stocked) & First aid book.
- Food (3 day supply)
- Can opener (non-electric)
- Blankets or sleeping bags for the entire family

- Portable radio, flashlight and spare batteries
- 3 day supply of essential medications
- Extra pair of eyeglasses
- Fire extinguisher -A-B-C type
- Food &, water for your pets
- Baby supplies (if appropriate)

Sanitation Supplies

- Large plastic trash bags, tarps and rain ponchos.
- Bar soap and liquid detergent
- Shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Feminine hygiene supplies
- Toilet paper
- Household bleach

Safety and Comfort

- Sturdy shoes
- Heavy gloves for clearing debris
- Candles and matches (Light sticks if available)
- Change of clothing
- Knife or razor blades
- Paper towels, Heavy-duty aluminum foil
- Camping stove (caution: before using any fire to cook. make sure there are no gas leaks; never use charcoal indoors)

Tools and Supplies

- Axe, shovel, broom
- Adjustable wrench for turning off gas
- Tool Kit

Mosquito FPD in Southern California Inferno by Battalion Chief Bob Davis

[Editor's Note: On October 21st Bat. Chief Bob Davis, Engineer Floyd Baumgartner and Fire Fighter Dave Erdman on Mosquito Engine 275 were part of a Strike Team from El Dorado County sent to southern California to help combat the many fires raging in the area. During their assignment, they found themselves involved in protecting houses and fighting all kinds of fires. This is a continuation of the article in the January Byte by Bob describing some of his experiences.]

.... Many gallons of water later, we finally got the fire in the palm tree knocked down and determined that it was no longer a threat to the house. We moved back to our old location and returned to our task of trying to direct the fire away from the fence at the back of the house.

We seemed to be making some progress when a new element was thrown into the mix....DARKNESS!. Yes, the fire did cast off a red-orange glow but it fell well short of providing adequate lighting for safe movement in a strange area. Imagine how difficult it was moving yourself and a fire hose around a complete stranger's house at night with landscaping, fences, stairs, lawn furniture, and swimming pools. I'm sure that every house down there had a pool, and most of them were covered with leaves and branches. The combination of unfamiliarity, smoke and darkness made movement very interesting to say the least. I guess you really don't know how important something like a flashlight becomes until you are walking around at night with just the glow of fire. We were lucky - no one took an impromptu swim.

We managed to keep the fire away from our house and after the fire passed through the neighborhood, the strike team leader had all the engines rendezvous at the front of the house to take inventory and to see how we all were holding up. We were now going on 36 hours without a break and running low on supplies. The strike team leader sent two engines at a time back to the commercial district of the town to get fuel and food. The town had been evacuated so there were only a couple of businesses open. We were lucky to find the only gas station open. Once we had re-fueled and purchased some food, we headed back out to the fire line for reassignment.

Our next assignment was to Lake Higgins. The lake is in a small valley with 1000' foot high mountains

around it. The little town of Lake Higgins is on the edge of the lake. As we approached we could see that the fire had already passed through the town and was heading south from the lake. The little town had been mostly destroyed and our assignment was to extinguish any spot fires that were remaining. We didn't concern ourselves with "smoldering areas - most of the town was smoldering. We concentrated on the any areas that were still producing flames. It's funny how some things stick in your mind, but I can remember just looking in amazement at this line of wooden power poles were still burning along the side of the road. We spent the next 12 hours in what was left of Lake Higgins assisting with "mop up" operations.

The next day was like a blur. We went from subdivision to subdivision as the fire advanced; trying to stay on top of spot fires and direct the fire away from structures where possible. After another 24 hours we were finally relieved from the fire line and sent back to the base camp for some much needed rest, hot food and showers. But, it wasn't total R&R because we were the only Type-3 strike team available and they kept us in standby response mode

(Last article of the series will appear in the March Byte).

Mark your calendars with this date for the annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Sponsored by the El Dorado County Environmental Management Department:

Saturday, April 26, 2008
9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
Mosquito Fire Station
8801 Rock Creek Road

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association by Leslie Baumgartner

January brings some beautiful mornings to our area. If you get the chance to go down to Finnon lake early you can see lots of birds getting ready for the day. In fact don't forget to let everyone know the campground is year round so if you know some skiers that live several hours away who also like to camp, send them over for a great outdoor experience. If they come in the evening they can stop

by the restaurant for a snack before turning in. If you are interested in being involved in any way with the Finnon property, such as campsite clean up, grounds maintenance, campsite improvements or the Finnon Dam Restoration project, please let us know or come to the February 7th meeting at 7 pm at the Fire Station. There will be lots of information on the Finnon Dam Restoration project.

We will be setting the dates for this years events at the February meeting. If you would like to chair an event or be involved with helping out with an event please let me know, call me at 626.1204. The next event in the planning stage is the annual Easter Egg Hunt. A formal date has not been set, but I feel the Easter Bunny will be hopping by somewhere between the 15th and 22nd of March. However it is now time to start thinking about the Easter Egg goodies. Donated candies must be wrapped rather than loose and we then stuff them into the plastic eggs. A container will be at the Fire Station by February 16th for your donations. This is a great time for the kids 0 to 13. Anyone interested in helping the Easter Bunny the morning of the event can give me a call at 626.1204. The Easter Bunny can use help hiding eggs, marking areas for the age groups and monitoring the areas so the little ones get the chance to "find" some too. The March issue of the Mosquito Byte will have all of the details of the Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Mosquito Phone Book Changes

Please make the following changes in your Mosquito Phone Book. Please contact Sharon Hern at 626.5268 with any additions or corrections.

Corrections:

Kellison, George & Michelle.....622.7037

Remove:

Darr, Kevin & Terri	Florin, John
Miller, Edward & Ava	Estrada, Al
Stone, Rhiannon	

SCPOA

by Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick

A reminder that the annual SCPOA meeting will be held on Saturday, February 9th at 10:00 am at the Fire Station. All members in good standing should have received their Informational Packets in the mail.

If not, please contact the secretary, Lynda. **To vote for SCPOA Directors, your ballots need to be signed and received by February 8th.** Also, those in attendance at the annual meeting will help select the new SCPOA Logo.

The Educated Construction Consumer (part 1 of 4) by Erik Pelham

I'm a licensed contractor and I would like to share with the community some of the basics of what a responsible, educated consumer of construction services should know.

First, hire only licensed contractors. It is state law in the State of California that for any home improvement project that totals more than \$500.00 in labor and materials, the person contracting to perform the work must be a licensed contractor (by the Contractors State License Board) for the trade that he/she is performing. One advantage in doing so, is that you will have legal recourse in such situations as may arise that are of a questionable nature, either legal or ethical. Also, having taken the time and money to get licensed, a contractor is demonstrating a diligence indicative of someone who takes his or her career seriously and will be more likely give your project the same diligence.

Actually ask to see the contractor's license. Each contractor is issued a credit card-size license. On it, you will find the name and number of the licensed entity. Write the number down and verify with a photo ID that the person claiming to have the license is the person listed on the license. Go to the license board web site (www.cslb.ca.gov) and click on "License Check". Enter the number, and if the license is valid, you can see the pertinent data about that contractor. The web site listed above is your single most valuable resource for information. Think of it as a map of the terrain that is home improvement.

(Continuing in March)

**In Memory
of
Rosemary Wilkinson**

Global Warming

by Lynda Lima

Recently, I watched a DVD on global warming and it got me to thinking, what can I do to help prevent global warming? I started looking on line and found several ways that each of us can make small changes which I would like to share with the community.

Change a light bulb. Replace the conventional bulbs in your 5 most frequently used light fixtures with bulbs that have the Energy Star and you will help the environment while saving money on energy bills. If every household in the U.S. took this one simple action scientists say that we would prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions from nearly 10 million cars.

Simple steps like cleaning air filters regularly and having your heating and cooling equipment tuned annually by a licensed contractor can save energy and increase comfort at home, and at the same time reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Sealing air leaks and adding more insulation to your home is a great do-it-yourself project. The biggest leaks are usually found in the attic and basement.

There are also simple actions you can take to save water: Be smart when irrigating your lawn or landscape; only water when needed and do it during the coolest part of the day, early morning is best. Turn the water off while shaving or brushing teeth. Do not use your toilet as a waste basket – water is wasted with each flush. And did you know a leaky toilet can waste 200 gallons of water per day? Repair all toilet and faucet leaks right away.

Recycle your newspapers, beverage containers, paper and other goods. Use products in containers that can be recycled and items that can be repaired or reused. Reducing, reusing, and recycling in your home helps conserve energy and reduces pollution and greenhouse gases from resource extraction, manufacturing, and disposal.

Tell family and friends that energy efficiency is good for their homes and good for the environment because it lowers greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution. Tell 5 people and together we can help our home help us all.

Craft Report

by Sharon Hern

The "Crafters" began the new craft season on January 25th. The ideas and projects are underway. All you crafters and those of us who can do simple (?) cut, paste/glue, paint etc. are encouraged to come. We also have coffee, goodies and of course table talk. Looking forward to seeing you in February.

The craft meetings are scheduled for the 4th Friday each month at Darlene Roods home.

Date.....February 22nd

Time.....9:30 to 11:30

Location.....2211 Swansboro Road

News from the Café

by Frank Ethridge

The new year sure started off with a bang, we hope everyone made it thru the storm that hit the area that first week and lets hope it doesn't happen to often. We are accepting Reservations for our Valentines Day Sweetheart dinner on February 14th. the dinner will be a four course meal and will be from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm and it will be Reservations only.

The café will be closed February 18th -22nd as we will be in southern California.

Let us help you with any catering needs that you may have. You may reach us at 622-0210 Or at fethridge@rockcreekcafe.us

Thank you from the Crew at the Café

Recipe of the Month

by Frank Ethridge

Cranberry-Orange Chutney (Serves 6)

I recommend serving this chunky chutney with all poultry and meats, including duck, venison, and pork loin. You can substitute dates for the raisins and may add 1/2 cup chopped walnuts to the finished mixture.

1 medium navel orange

1/2 red onion, chopped

1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh ginger

1 bag (12 ounces) fresh cranberries, picked over and rinsed

1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar
 1/2 cup raisins
 1/4 teaspoon cumin
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1/8 teaspoon crushed red pepper

1. Scrub the orange. Cut it into 8 wedges and place the wedges in a food processor. Work the machine in on-off motions until the orange flesh and rind are chopped.
2. Add the onion and ginger and pulse again a few times until the mixture is finely chopped.
3. In a large saucepan, combine the orange mixture, cranberries, vinegar, sugar, and raisins. Stir in the cumin, salt, and crushed pepper. Bring the mixture to a boil, lower the heat to medium and simmer gently, stirring occasionally, for 25 minutes or until the chutney is thick and dark.
4. Let the mixture cool to room temperature. Refrigerate in a covered container for up to 10 days or freeze for 1 month.

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 Gail at 622.2235 or e-mail gbarritt@earthlink.net. 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 3 months.

MEETINGS

LADIES BOOK CLUB!!!! Any readers on the hill? I am looking for interested and interesting ladies to start a monthly book club here in Swansboro. I have been in a few and it is a lot of FUN! Call Garrison Burrell-Pelham at 622.4703

MAH JONGG - Looking for people to play Mah Jongg using Wright-Patterson rules. Call Barbara at 626.4747

PICKIN' POTLUCK - Local Acoustic Musicians: Starting a jam session once a week, hosted by a Fiddle & Mandolin player. Styles Blue Grass, Country, Oldies, Blues, Cajan, rock-a-Billy or originals. Singers & listeners welcome, bring something to share. Call Jerry for details at 621.2842.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP - 6th, 7th and 8th graders in Mosquito/Swansboro are meeting every Friday night from 7 to 9pm at 3342 Stope Drive. Mountain Fellowship is offering Bible based teachings and how to apply them to every day life as well as fellowship, fun activities and community service projects. Call Debbie Rood at 642.0695 for more information.

MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP - Sunday Bible study begins at 9:30am followed by a Celebration service at 11am. Mountain Fellowship is a non-denominational congregation of Christ's church. The Celebration service features contemporary music, prayer, testimony and the Word of God. All events meet at 3342 Stope Drive in Swansboro. For more information call 295.0503 or visit our web site www.mfom.net.

EMBROIDERER'S GUILD - Hanging By A Thread Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Planning Commission meeting room in the EDC Government Center Building C. Call Adeline Penn at 621.2639 or <http://www.hanging.ega-gpr.org/index.html>

FREE

Kimball "The Entertainer III" 2 keyboard electronic organ. Has many voices and rhythm features. Works well, good condition, excellent for casual use or for students. Instructions included. In Mosquito, call 295.5578, Neil Matheny. (2)

Oversized Coffee table, Kids bed with slide. Call 344.8015 or 622.0210 (1)

TOY AND CLOTHING EXCHANGE

My children received lots of toys for Christmas and they will be getting rid of some old ones to make room for the new. Do you have the same problem in your house or are your kids bored with the toys they have? Instead of buying different toys why not swap them with a neighbor? Same goes with clothes. Please call Esther at 622-6455 or email at esther_andreas@hotmail.com if you are interested.

SERVICES

VEGETATION MANAGEMENT- Brush removal, Chipping, Ground/ladder fuel reduction. Licensed and insured. Call Brien McLain at 295.3704

LET'S STOP POISONING OUR CHILDREN!
HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS – A LOADED GUN – "Of chemicals found in our homes, 150 have been linked to allergies, birth defects, cancer, and psychological abnormalities. Don't wait! To make your home a healthier and safer place, call today. Contact Angela or Debbie at 626.8536

ATTENTION BUSINESS MINDED INDIVIDUALS - In need of an extra income? Consider a proven solution. No Selling, No Inventory, No Taking Orders. Work from home on your time. Absolutely No Risk. Over 2 decades of positive growth. Call Today – Angela or Debbie Soto at 626.8536

GOT WORK?? Need Help??? Fix it, Paint it, Repair or Replace it. Odds and Ends. Strong, able bodied person. Pay by the job or by hour. Call Jason 295.1518

LOOKING FOR A NEW OR USED CAR, TRUCK OR SUV or to sell your vehicle. If so give us a try! Dave and Samantha Campos, your neighbors here in Mosquito! Stop by or give us a call, keep your tax dollars in our community at Thompson's Toyota. Dave at 903.9745 and Samantha at 903.1771

YARD WORK: Dependable and hard-working local resident available week days or weekends for light cleanup, weed eating, leaf and pine needle blowing, mowing, weed spraying. I have the equipment and the know-how. Call Fred at 642.9783

HEALING HANDS MASSAGE THERAPY: Female Massage Therapist with 20 years experience. I am trained in many types of body work, but specialize in Deep Tissue Massage. I will come to your home on the hill for \$50/hour and \$75/hour and a half. Gift certificates available. **THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE INQUIRIES ONLY, PLEASE.** Call Garrison at 622.4703

RIDLEY K-9 ACADEMY – Professional dog training and dog walking services. For more information visit Ridleyk9academy.com or call 409-0879

HARLEY DAVIDSON – Need your Harley serviced. Don't go down the hill call Dan at Hawaiian Motorcycle 622.8326. Also Twin Cam performance upgrades in Swansboro. ripmcg@aol.com.

LOCAL MORTGAGE PROFESSIONAL. Just moved to area. Works from home in Swansboro. Home Loans, Refinance, Construction loans. Call Sara Infante at 295.3405 or 707.689.1673

SOUTHERN LIVING at HOME parties and gifts. Call Kelly at 295.9165 or kjherm@pacbell.net

MURALS and more - unique wall treatments for your home. Local personal references available. Call D. Harris for ideas and prices at 642.2333

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

HAIRSTYLIST- Attention ladies, I am mobile, artistic and licensed. I have 30 years experience and am reasonably priced. Call Cathy for an appointment at 344.0555

GENERAL CONTRACTOR, Owner, specializing not only in all types of custom stair rail installation; but also in all types of finish trim, custom as well as standard packages. New construction or remodel. Licensed, bonded and insured. 20+ years in business, 30+ experience. Ken Osborn at 622.0551.

HOUSE/ PET SITTING, Misc. jobs, call Laura at 306.2792

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 626.6837

RESPIRE CARE - available in Swansboro/Mosquito, M-F, weekends or overnight as needed. Also available for short periods of time (barring previous scheduled commitments) and/or for hospice care for your family member. I have 3 local home-care references to verify my skills and the level of care I will provide for your loved ones. Nancy West at 626.7975

HOUSEKEEPER - I'm looking for work on the hill. I am local, honest, reliable and a hard worker. Call Kathy at 626.0379 or 307.8778.

ETHERIDGE ELECTRIC: Electrical contractors, residential, custom homes, service work remodels. Fully insured, contractors Lic. #883474, Call Phil or Kelly at 344.9066

HANDYMAN -Your best friend. Odd jobs—Reasonable rates. Ken Gambee at 621.2530

NOTARY- Will travel, Loan Doc's experienced. Call Shannon at 621.2530

CALIFORNIA GARDENS - Landscape Design and Consultation. Web site – www.california-gardens.com or email – li@california-gardens.com

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

PARTYLITE CANDLES parties and gifts. Call Sharon McCoy at 295.8112 or sharron000@sbcglobal.net

BOTTLED WATER on the Hill: Are you interested in having bottled water service without leaving your home? If so email Jeremy or Nicole, service@drcoolers.com or call 916.316.4043.

HI-SPEED INTERNET coming to Mosquito! Remotely Located Now Providing Hi-speed internet to your home. No Satellite Dish Needed. Call 651.1736

WEST SLOPE CONSTRUCTION, your local builder – quality work at reduced rates. No job to small. CA Lic# 625536 call 622.1178

BACKHOE & TRACTOR WORK: Trenches, driveways, gravel needs, footings, house pads, utility lines, brush clearing, septic systems, stump removal!! 4X4 backhoe. Licensed and Insured. Jim Collins 621.4794 or icbackhoe@sbcglobal.net

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E2CON YOUR LOCAL INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER – now offers Wild Blue Satellite connection! Thinking of upgrading your PC or Laptop to the new Vista Operating system? Is your iPod having issues, or corrupt? And for those still using dial-up price remains at \$7.25/month. We are located at 681 Main St., Lobby 2 in Mid Town Mall. Craig at 409.8139 or send your email to info@eeon.net

PELHAM BLAKEMAN CONSTRUCTION: Custom & remodels. License #850034, member BBB, senior citizen discount. Call Erik at 622.4703

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

CREATIVE ADMIN SERVICES: Let us help you send out those holiday cards, gifts, event planning; create newsletters, flyers, announcements, brochures; create letters, forms, labels, mailers, create and maintain databases, graphs, and reports; calendar management, internet research and more. www.creativeadminservices.com or call 295.1779

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

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

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

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

FIRE PREVENTION - Bobcat mounted masticating head that reduces standing or cut trees or brush into mulch in minutes. Get your 100 ft clearance. Call Kurt at 295.9203 or 916.496.7284 to answer any questions. To see the machine in action go to http://www.loftness.com/videos/video_carbidecutter.cfm

VETERINARY CLINIC OF MOSQUITO. Open Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 6 pm by appointment. 9200 Rock Creek Rd, Mosquito, Pamela Steinke, DVM. 621.9999

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

BEGINNING/INTERMEDIATE RAJA YOGA classes- M.W.F 6pm - 7:30 pm at the Fire Station during the cold season. Loaner mats available, wear loose, comfortable clothing. Call Bill for more info at 916.276.7087

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 or Cell 363.4991

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

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

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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, or 295.4641 or toll free 866.SALLYRE, snlongjohns@yahoo.com

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

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

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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. Call Elaine Galvan at 621.2433

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 626.4406 or work 916.826.9758

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FOR RENT

HOME FOR RENT – Beautiful 2 year old home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1725 sq. ft. Available January 8, 08. \$1,300 a month plus deposit. Call Laurie at 916.337.6151

HOME FOR RENT- 2 bedroom, 2 bath home on 5 acres for rent. 1350 square feet. \$1400. Utilities not included. Pets and livestock welcome. Barn. Available January 2008. Call Alice at 626.6057.

HOME FOR RENT: 1 bedroom, 1 bath roomy home on 24 acres. Hardwood floors, deck, fenced yard, W/D hookups, water included. \$675 + dep. 530.906.2021

HOME FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, detached 2 car garage. ~1800 sq. ft. Quite, serene neighborhood for \$1250/monthly/+deposit. Includes water and garbage. Call pm 707.552.8691 or cell 707.694.4745

MONTH TO MONTH OKAY WITH THIS LANDLORD....Older 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom mfg home on 15 acres \$950.00 per month. Shared driveway - Must be courteous. OR

Newer 2 bedroom plus office, 2 bathroom mfg home on 5 acres \$1350.00. Shared driveway - must be courteous. SNLONGJOHNS@yahoo.com or cell 530/306.0821

FOR SALE

EASTERN KING MATTRESS, BOXSPRINGS - 2 years new, includes contemporary black iron scroll bedframe and canopy. Sacrifice at \$550 for all. Call 642.8337 (2)

DOG BISCUITS - Homemade Biscuits for your best doggie friends. All natural ingredients, wholesome and delicious, baked with love. Delivered to your door. 1 lb \$3, 2 lbs \$5. Small, Medium and Large. Call Alice @ 621.3485. (1)

TV - Panasonic, 18" , Excellent condition, \$50. Work benches, \$35. Antique boxes \$8. New interior door knobs, \$5 each. Call Eileen at 622.9492 (1)

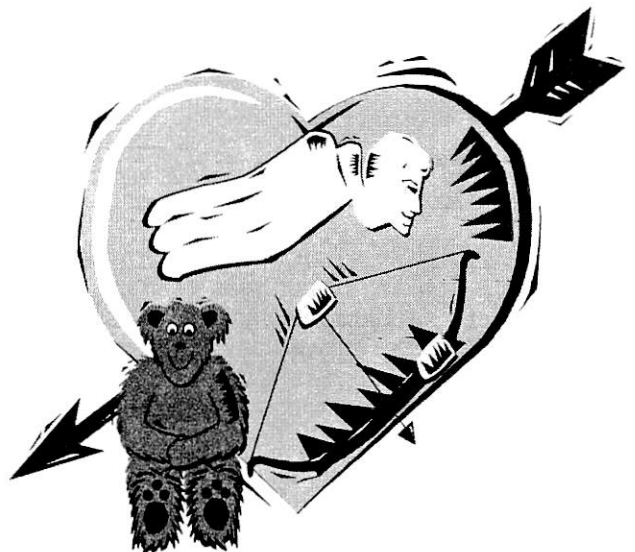
DOWNSIZING/MOVING SALE- 27 inch Samsung TV(HDTV) with Armoire \$500, Madag. gas dryer \$150, Rocking/Recliner \$100. Call 344.8015 or 622.0210 (1)

FIREWOOD: \$250.00 per cord delivered. 3-way mix; you pick the mix. Call Erik at 622.4703 (12)

WOOD SHOP EQUIPMENT FOR SALE: 10" radial arm saw, \$150; 8" table saw, \$75; 12" wood lathe, \$150; 6 1/8" jointer planer, \$150; 12" band saw \$125; 4" belt and disk sander, \$125; 15 1/2" drill press, \$150 -- or make best offer for all. Call 530.906.2021 (12)




TRUCK UTILITY RACK, \$200 firm. Roof Trusses (many) - \$10 each. Call George at 621.1954 (12)

*Happy
Valentines Day*



February 2008

Community Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.					1	2 10:00 AM Support Group
3	4	5 	6 \$5.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe Spaghetti	7 7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting	8	9 10:00 AM SCPOA Meeting with Road Meeting to follow
10	11	12	13 \$5.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe BBQ Pulled Pork	14 7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting 	15	16 10:00 AM Fire Safe Council Meeting
17	18  President's Day	19	20 Rock Creek Cafe Closed	21	22 9:30 AM Craft Meeting See Page 4	23
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