

MOSQUITO BYTE

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Chief's Corner

by Chief Bob Davis

To start, I would like to welcome Floyd Baumgartner to the paid staff of the Mosquito Fire Protection District. Floyd has been hired to fill the Firefighter/Mechanic position that became vacant with my appointment as Chief. Floyd is currently a volunteer Captain and well qualified and experienced. I look forward to working with him.

'Tis the season when Mother Nature enjoys messing with us. She gives us two weeks of spring-like weather and then, like the guy on the food channel says... "BAM!" she throws another batch of snow and cold weather our way. But it all means one thing; spring is near. And, unfortunately, the arrival of spring also means that the wildland fire season is just around the corner.

With the new "100' clearance rule", there's a lot of questions and head scratching by our residents trying to figure out just what is acceptable. Are these outbuildings covered? Are these trees too close together? Do those bushes next to the house have to go?, How do I clear around my propane tank? Etc.

Well, over the next couple months the District's Firefighters and Support Group members are going to try to help you out by conducting a voluntary, "Residential Clearance Evaluation" on each home in the District. These evaluations take about 15 minutes and look at not only for the 100 ft. clearance, but also for other fire safe requirements. The emphasis will be on clearances around the residence and the propane tank, the removal of driveway brush to allow safe apparatus approaches, and visible address numbers at the start of the driveway.

Staff will use these evaluations to complete a Wildfire Risk and Hazard Severity Assessment Form. This form (using a state-wide formula) will determine the risk a home faces in the event there is a wild land fire

in the area. With this information it becomes easier to determine fire equipment resource needs, personnel resources, evacuation requirements, and other logistical needs.

We are striving to become a designated "Fire Wise Community" which will enable us to access more Federal grants for reducing fuel loads in the Mosquito District. Getting the Wildfire Risk and Hazard Severity Assessment Form completed is just one of the steps. Also, we have prepared a Strategic Fire Safe Plan. It's available at the fire station and I encourage everyone to come down and take a look at it. After all, your Federal Tax dollars have paid for it and it does point out the reality of our situation up here. We as a community need to remind ourselves of the fire danger we live with.



Remember, the key to improving the odds of your house surviving a wildfire is the defensibility of the house itself. Call the station for an appointment to have one of our volunteers conduct the evaluation.

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association

by Leslie Baumgartner

Thanks to everyone who came to the Easter Egg Hunt. Even though we were not able to look for eggs

in the grass at Finnon Lake, since our spring weather brought rain and snow, we all still had a good time collecting goodies at the Fire Station. A BIG Thank You to the many wonderful community members who dropped off prizes, goodies and monetary help at the fire station. Also a special Thank You to Carls Jr, Fosters Freeze, Grocery Outlet, Mc Donalds, Raleys, Regal Cinemas and Save Mart for their donations.

Gail Barritt, Somer Bieche, Linda Buchanan, Bob Davis, Katelyn Kimm and Debbie Rood helped the Easter Bunny get things set up. My heartfelt thanks for their stuffing, hiding and monitoring efforts.

Our next event will be the Spaghetti Dinner. See the following article for more details.

Spaghetti Dinner

by Leslie Baumgartner

The Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association Board of Directors would like to invite you to a **FREE Spaghetti Dinner & Finnon Lake Project** information night at the Mosquito Fire Station, 8801 Rock Creek Rd, Placerville, on Saturday, April 12, 2008 beginning at 5 PM. We have many people who are not aware of the project or the impact it has on our community. Now is your chance to learn about Finnon Lake and what it has to offer for our Community and watch a presentation about the dam project put together by Carl Weiland. Questions? Call 626.1204 We'll provide the spaghetti, drinks and bread but we would like you to **BRING YOUR FAVORITE SAUCE TO SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS! SEE YOU THERE!**

Finnon Lake Dam Update

by Karl Weiland

The efforts to rebuild the Finnon Lake Dam and restore the lake to it's original 350 acre feet (it's 50 now) is still proceeding. Recent events include:

- Support from Supervisor Ron Briggs, Supervisor Jack Sweeney and other County & State officials.
- Support from both the Placerville and Georgetown Resource Conservation Districts and a commitment to include Finnon in future grant applications.
- Support from Consumes, American, Bear, Yuba (CABY) Executive Director Katie Burdick.. This is a regional group formed to provide local administration of the Integrated Regional Water Management

(IRWM) Implementation Grants Program, funded by Proposition 50.

- Conceptual support for the formation of an "Interested Parties" advisory group to centralize support from County and State Officials. This means that there will be a collective voice of support for the project.

- Formation of a subcommittee of the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association dedicated to working on Finnon. MVFA Board member Garrison Burrell is chairing the committee and looking for volunteers.

- Completion and issuance of all required permits with the exception of the wetlands permit from the Army Corp of Engineers

- Impending receipt of \$10,000 from El Dorado County for use in paying Division of Dam Safety Inspection Fees.

On April 12th, at the MVFA Spaghetti Feed, Karl Weiland, local resident and chairman of the El Dorado County Fish & Game Commission, will have a slide show presentation on the history of Finnon and overview of the restoration project. Hopefully, other representatives will also be available to answer questions.

Finnon Disc Golf Update

by Chris Dillender

The disc golf course work is well under way now, thanks to all the volunteer help we've been getting. We owe a huge thank you to High Sierra Fire for donating 2 days of mastication to clear the course, Brian Kotaska for mowing and clearing, George White for donating use of his equipment, and many others who have come out to donate their time. Like everything we do in Mosquito, this is an all volunteer project, so every little bit helps! We really want to get this open by summer or sooner, but there is still a lot to be done. We are having a **Work Party** on Sunday March 30th at 8am until we get tired - meet at the Pavilion at the Rock Creek Café.

We need committee members to run the course (keep us organized, marketing, plan tournaments, manage money, etc)

Opportunities to sponsor a hole are still available (advertising for your business, or leave your family name permanently in the community), donations of all sizes welcome! Call Chris Dillender at (530) 409.6429 for additional information.

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) by Taffy Warner

El Dorado County has applications for the 2008 HEAP available to those who qualify. This is a program for low income individuals with 'at risk individuals' such as elderly, disabled, and/or families with small children. The purpose of the program is to assist low income families to offset the high cost of Heating/Cooling by providing a one time lump sum payment (usually about \$300) to your provider. Authorized providers are: PG&E; propane & oil suppliers (most propane companies operating in El Dorado County are qualified); and wood/pellet suppliers (call for authorized sites). You may contact Amanda at 621.6150 to inquire about income eligibility and required documentation, or any other information regarding this program.

FREE Smoke Detector Program by Taffy Warner

El Dorado County Fire Protection District has a Smoke Detector Program that offers an inspection and FREE smoke detectors including batteries if needed, to qualified individuals - Seniors or Disabled Individuals. Please contact Teri Mizuhara at 644.9636 for more information.

Statistics show that the elderly and disabled are the two populations that have the highest rate of injuries and fatalities in home fires, due primarily to difficulty in moving quickly when trying to leave a burning area. As a result, early warning is critical. EDC Fire Protection District works with local Fire Departments to undertake the inspections and installations (if needed) of new Smoke Detectors.

The Educated Construction Consumer by Erik Pelham (part 2 of 4)

In Part 1, we discussed using only licensed contractors. In this segment we will cover what is arguably the most important ingredient in your relationship with any contractor: A Clear "Scope of work". There is positively no way to overstate the value of this item. The lack of it is probably the single greatest reason for breakdowns in the relationships between homeowners and contractors.

What is a "Scope of Work"? A "Scope of Work" is a document that clearly lists all of the details of what is

to be done to complete the project that you are contracting to have done. The contract that you eventually enter into will have a "Scope of Work" and it is the contractor's responsibility to ensure that it is in the contract. But to get an accurate bid, the contractor really needs to generate one prior to bidding the project. However, the reality of the world we live is that a really comprehensive "Scope of Work" is very labor intensive and as a result, most contractors will not take the time to do it when submitting a free bid when there is no guarantee that they will land the job. It is in the homeowner's, best interest to have one and you will do yourself a favor in generating one yourself.

You can generate this document in the following manner: 1) sit in the room where the work is to be done with a pen and paper; 2) write down the general ideas of what you want done and how you would like for it to look when it is done; 3) break the general ideas down into categories that make sense to you; 4) begin listing every detail that you can think of for each category. **No detail is too small or inconsequential**, everything from the type and color of floor covering (carpet, hardwood, tile, etc.) to the type, color, and finish of wall coverings. If you find that this is difficult for you to do, you can hire an expert in design and/or construction to assist you in this. It will be money well spent.

We'll finish this part up with an example of why this is important. Let's say that you have contracted with a contractor to remodel your kitchen and did not have a detailed "Scope of Work". He/she gave you a bid and you entered into the contract in good faith. The end of the job is approaching and you have to pick out a faucet for the sink. You find one that you like, but the contractor says that it costs more than he/she included in the contract price. You feel that because you are already spending so much that it should be included...dissent. Faucets range in price from \$200 to \$2500; not specifying which brand and model that you wanted prior to the signing of the contract has left you open to a problem. There several ways of precluding this, but the best is for you to have done your homework and to know what you want before even getting bids.

In Memory
of
Robert Collins

Craft Report

by Sharon Hern

The first Craft Sale of the year was rained and snowed out. Another "Craft Sale" is being planed, look for a notice of the new date.

Want to be a "Crafter"? Our meetings are scheduled for the 4th Friday each month from 9:30 to 11:30 at Darlene Rood's home, 2211 Swansboro Road. The next meeting is **April 25th**.

FREE Community Clean-up Day

Saturday, April 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Mosquito Fire Station, 8801 Rock Creek Road.

Want to get rid of that **HOUSEHOLD TRASH** that never finds its way to the county dumps? The Swansboro Pilot's Association will again provide a large demister at the Fire Station. This is your opportunity to get rid of unwanted household trash on a first come basis. **CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS, RUBBER TIRES and large APPLIANCES** can NOT be accepted. All cardboard boxes not filled with trash should be broken down for recycling.

The El Dorado County Environmental Management Department will also be on hand accepting household **Hazardous Waste**.

Items Accepted are: Motor oil/oil filters, Household cleaners, Pool/photo chemicals, Paint, stains, varnishes & thinners, Automotive products, Solvents, Removers, Aerosol cans, Adhesives/sealant, Pesticides, Herbicides, Batteries, Vapor & sodium lamps, 5-gallon propane tanks, Fluorescent light tubes, Mercury switches/thermostats and most products labeled "Caution", "Danger" or "Poison".

Items "not" accepted: Electronic waste, Appliances, Radioactive materials, Infectious medical waste, Explosives, Compressed gas cylinders.

Please limit materials to 5 gallons or 50 pounds; however, you may transport up to 20 gallons of used oil or latex paint with no single container larger than 5 gallons. Please use original or disposable containers that are labeled with contents. Do not mix wastes together. For additional information call 621.5300 or visit our web site at www.co.el-dorado.ca.us/emd

Thanks and happy cleanup from the Swansboro

Pilot's Association and the El Dorado County Environmental Management Department.

Our Horse Friend at Finnon

by Leslie Baumgartner

As many of you know we have had a resident horse at Finnon Lake for many years. He is starting to show his age by getting a bit more grey around the eyes and a few other changes, I spoke to Iris a few days ago and it seems he must be in the 20yr range. We all enjoy seeing him and watching him play. I have heard many people say, "do you see the horse?" when they come into the restaurant, looking out toward his tree. I have become concerned for him because of his weight. A horse is not meant to be fat as it can cause many problems that would be detrimental to him. The most common is found where the hoof layers can separate and the bone inside rotates down and sometimes out the bottom of the hoof. Under normal circumstances, his weight would drop and ribs would show in the winter months and his neck would slim down.

But our "community horse" has a problem - too much feed. I do understand that people want the best for him, however he does not need grain in any form nor does he need extra hay, especially alfalfa, he is not being worked and his heritage says, give me grass. It is getting close to spring and he will have even more and richer grass to munch on.

Still want to treat him? OK, try carrots or a COUPLE of quartered apples. (whole apples can get stuck in their throat, can you reach in his mouth and take it out?) If you want to go over the edge, give him a peppermint candy left over from Christmas, most horses love the red and white treats, or get some of the horse treats they make. Just remember it is sometimes best to be moderate when feeding him.

News From The Café

by Frank Ethridge

The café as now been open for a year and we are throwing a party on **Saturday April 19th**. The festivities will start at 1:00p.m. and end at 6:00 p.m. We are planning a BB (chicken and ribs with the fixing'), the price will be \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. We also will have a bounce house and live entertainment and a few other things up our sleeves. We look forward to everyone coming and celebrating our first year (and many to come) with us.

Check the calendar on page 9 for the Family Night specials, and don't forget that Thursday night is Prime Rib night!

Our recipe this month is a family summer favorite - **Old fashioned Cole Slaw**

Dressing:

¼ cup Pineapple chunks, minced

2 Tbsp Honey

¾ cup sugar

1 Tbsp orange juice Concentrate

Pinch cayenne pepper

½ teaspoon horseradish

1 quart mayonnaise

Salt and White Pepper to taste

Mix dressing in bowl. Combine with 3 pounds slaw mix (2 White cabbage, ½ red cabbage and 2 shredded carrots or can be pre made-store bought slaw mix). Enjoy this with your favorite summer dishes.

Last but NOT least...We would like to thank everyone for your continued support for the café. We look forward to serving you for years to come.

Thank You,
The Staff at the Rock Creek Café

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

NEW DANCER CLASS for APPLE JACKS & JILLS SQUARE DANCING CLUB- Starts September 3rd 2008 thru June 25th 2009 at 7:30 PM at Hangtown Grange. Call John or Peggy Cory at 642.2217 for more information.

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

PICKING' 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 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>

GARAGE SALE

MULTI-PERSON GARAGE SALE: April 12th, Saturday 7am until 1pm. Firehouse parking lot. This is not a fundraiser. Lot's of great stuff. If you are interested in participating call Mary at the firehouse or Garrison at 622.4703.

WANTED

Wanted free firewood .Will pick-up 621.2530 (3)

FREE

Used Beige recliner. No tears or holes in upholstery. A bit worn, but still works. 622.6337. Please leave message if no answer. (3) 3193 74 grade

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)

SERVICES

I am a relocated Landscape Foreman and I am looking to build a new business here locally. My name is James and my number is 391-5532. I can help with yard clean up and maintenance. I also have very good local references upon request. Please call if I can help.

VHS VIDEOS CONVERTED TO DVDs. -Have any family vacations, precious memories or baby pictures on videos? I can copy them to DVDs for you. Call Dee: 642.2333.

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

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

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

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.

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

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

ETHERIDGE ELECTRIC: Electrical contractors, residential, custom homes, service work remodels. Fully insured, contractors Lic. #883474, Call Phil or Kelly at 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 626.6837

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

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

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

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+ yrs in business, 30+ experience. Ken Osborn at 622.0551.

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

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

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

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

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

PARTYLITE CANDLES parties and gifts. Call Sharon McCoy at 295.8112 or sharon000@sbcglobal.net

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

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

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

BUTTERFIELD HANDYMAN SERVICES – Mosquito Area Quality and Craftsmanship. Small jobs welcome for time and material. Please call Jerry at 621.2842

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.creativeadminsolutions.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

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

GLASS & CERAMIC ART: Affordable handcrafted items made here in Mosquito! Studio open most days, call first to be sure. Do your gift shopping here on the hill. Call Pam Angelo at 621.3688

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 now accepts Visa and Mastercard. Open Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 6 pm by appointment. 9200 Rock Creek Rd, Mosquito, 621.9999 Pamela Steinke, DVM.

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

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 jcbackhoe@sbcglobal.net

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

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

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

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

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

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 295.4645, Office 621.4334, Office FAX 417.1018, Cell 626.9565, Home Office Coldwell Banker Real Estate

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

BULL DOZER FOR HIRE-Great rates, quality work. Roads, drainage, fire prevention, clearing or ?. Local mosquito resident since 1993. Call Eric at 626.8979.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

FOR SALE

MOTORCYCLE– 2001 Triumph 900cc Triple. Never been down. Fun street bike. \$3500 OBO. Health forces sales. Call 642.9783. (4)

6 PIECE OAK STUDY SET - \$800, OBO. Bookshelf, File Cabinet, desk all attached great condition. Call 295.3405, Sara or Jarrod (4)

DIAMOND PLATE TOOL BOX – 51 ½ x 20 ½ - 4 months old. \$150. Call Kathy at 626.4281 (4)

DOG BISCUITS – Homemade Biscuits for your best doggie friends. All natural ingredients, wholesome and delicious, baked with love. Deliver to your door. 1 lb, \$3, 2 lbs, \$5. Small, Medium and Large. Alice @ 621.3485 A. Kales (4)

BUILDING SUPPLIES - sheet rock, insulation, lumber, plastic railing spindles (two lengths) etc. View by appointment only. Call 530.417.5978 (4)

TOYOTA 4RUNNER - 1987. Removable hard top, manual transmission, four wheel drive, two door. Almost entire engine has been replaced, with paperwork. Slight body damage, great, clean interior. Great truck with good gas milage. Fun, Fun, Fun! \$3500 or best offer. Call Garrison/ Erik 622.4703 (4)

2002 DODGE CARAVAN SPORT - 4 Door, 7 Pass. minivan.V6, Automatic, 136k miles. Well maintained.New battery, brakes, brand new tires, smog Feb. '08. A/C, power windows & door locks. Cruise, tilt whl, Dual air bags, ABS, Roof rack, Towing pkg. & more. Needs nothing. Ready to go. \$5200. Call Tom or Dee Harris: 642-2333 (4)

1 VTWIN 2100 TORO RIDING MOWER 50 in. CUT - \$1,000 1 YR old, 1 2' 8" fire rated door \$200, 1 2' 8" Pella Metal door with frame and Blinds in window section \$250, Decorative concrete pavers 16X16" \$1 Each 50 plus qty. & 10X10 Metal Pen/fence with gate \$75. Call Brian at 642.0779 (3)

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

REDUCED PRICE- Eastern King Mattress, Box Springs - 2 years new, includes contemporary black iron scroll bedframe/ canopy. \$250 OBO for all. Call 642.8337 (2)



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Community Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED		1	2 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe Baked Ziti	3 7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting	4	5 10:00 AM Support Group	
	6	7	8	9 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe Chicken Pot Pie	10 7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting	11	12 10:00 AM SCPOA Meeting with Road Meeting to follow 5:00 PM Spaghetti Dinner & Finnon Lake Update
	13	14	15	16 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe Build your own Hot Dog	17	18	19 10:00 AM Fire Safe Council Meeting 1:00 PM -6:00 PM Rock Creek Cafe "1" Year Party at the Cafe
	20	21	22	23 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe Pulled Pork Sandwich	24	25 9:30 AM Craft Meeting See page 4	26
	27	28	29	30 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe Meat Loaf			

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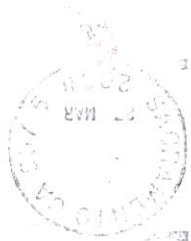
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