

# MOSQUITO BYTE

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## Chief's Corner

by Chief Bob Davis

Recently a community member dropped by the station and during our conversation they asked me, "just exactly what does the fire department do? Initially, the question took me aback. But the more I thought about it the more I realized that all in all it was a very good question. A good question because the majority of people have the idea that all a fire department does is put out fires and help people who are having a medical problem. But there's more to the Mosquito Fire Department than that.

Over the years we have done many things besides fight fires and provide medical aid. We are still one of the few fire departments that will try to get cats out of trees. We aren't always successful at it, but we do try. We have helped put large, sick dogs into cars for transportation to the Vet, checked out strange lights in the sky, put fire wood on someone's deck because they were too sick to do it, got dead dogs out from under houses, taken rattlesnakes out of garages, got a hamsters head out of a glass jar, helped jump start cars, and sometimes we just check on someone to see how they are doing and provide a little company. So there really is a little more to us than putting out fires and providing medical aid.

Then I brought up our volunteers. I wanted the person to know that to do all of these "expected and unexpected things" requires a great deal of training and commitment. And fortunately, this community has an outstanding group of volunteer fire fighters. They are the ones that still show up at the fire station every Tuesday evening and train for two hours, they are the ones that still get up at all hours and provide a community service. Without these folks we would be nothing!

Then the conversation turned to station accessibility. At many fire stations in the county it's real hard to get beyond the front desk. Once you walk in the door

you're greeted by a secretary at a counter and that's as far as you are going to get. Whether it be by policy, desires of the personnel living at the station or liability concerns by the District, many Fire Districts just don't allow anyone to get past a front counter

That's not the case in Mosquito. In my opinion the Mosquito Fire Station is a "public friendly" station! After all the public did pay for the thing so they should at the least have some access to it. Besides if you were to drop by the fire station needing a restroom it would be rather ridiculous to turn you away since there's not many other options around. No, we encourage the public to drop by the station and get to know us better.

And then I started naming off some of the things that goes on or has gone on at the station. Well, the station has been used for meetings held by the Swansboro Property Owners Association, political candidates, the EID, the California Division of Forestry, the Department of Transportation, public hearings, and anyone else that can show a valid and public service need. Many events have taken place at the fire station ranging from Halloween parties, pot luck dinners, to weddings and funerals.

So, I guess the best answer I could give to the question about what the fire department does was,....."what ever we can"!

Remember, the fire season is still not over and the next couple of months are often the most dangerous ones for El Dorado County. So, please be careful.

## Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association

by Leslie Baumgartner

August has slipped quietly by and September is here. School is in session and the busses are about. Soon it will be cooling off (we hope) and about that time it will be Halloween. Check out the Byte article for the Halloween gathering particulars, when and how to

become involved and when and where, the goblins need to be to have a lot of FUN!!

I would like to invite all community members interested in helping out at the campground to give me a call at 626-1204. I need helpers to keep it clean when we have campers. I do know that restroom and trash cans do not attract many people but the fact that the recreation area is a community facility should. Busy schedules abound and work and school schedules are hectic for all of us but just one weekend a year would help. So think about it and pick your date.

We also are coming to the end of the year and we need some new volunteers for the MVFA Board. Here is your chance to make a difference. We have Board and non-Board positions that will need filling this year. Please, become involved with your community. The meetings are the first Thursday of the month at the Fire Station. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### **Finnon Lake Dam Project** by Leslie Baumgartner

Yes, the dam restoration project is still alive. The Georgetown Resource Conservation District (GRCD) is making the Finnion Dam project the highest priority project at their meeting. They are gathering letters of support from legislators, county supervisors, community members, business owners, and other interested parties to support the project. The remaining permit, the Wetlands Mitigation permit, is being finalized. GRCD has successfully negotiated alternatives and grants are still being applied for to cover the funding. The final application is due in January. One of the items that excited us was the fact that they are trying to make it a one rather than two year project. All this adds up to the fact that we will need community support and involvement for our part of the project. As soon as we know what will be required of the community we will pass that on to you.

#### **Guidelines for Publication of the Mosquito Byte**

There are many new subscribers to the Mosquito Byte, who perhaps aren't aware of the parameters that have been established for the publication of articles. So as the Byte begins its 22<sup>nd</sup> year of publication, the editors thought that this would be a

good time to publish the guidelines we work under.

#### **General**

One of the three stated purposes for the existence of the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association is to "communicate items that may be of general interest to the Mosquito community". The **MOSQUITO BYTE** is the primary vehicle MVFA uses to achieve this purpose.

The **BYTE** is available by subscription and is mailed first class to subscribers. Cost of a subscription is determined by the MVFA Board and is generally set to simply cover the cost of production.

Due to the "unknowns" (printing, postage, etc.) associated with publishing the **BYTE**, the maximum length of a subscription is two (2) years.

The editors reserve the right to edit, limit (shorten) or refuse any article or advertisement submitted for publication in the **MOSQUITO BYTE**. Deadline for the submission of articles and advertising is the 19<sup>th</sup> of each month. Publication is targeted for the first week of the following month.

The Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association accepts ads from subscribers without endorsement. Any articles from subscribers accepted for publication will include the name of the person submitting the article.

#### **General Guidelines for Articles**

Examples of items appropriate for publishing in the **BYTE** are:

- a. Reports from community organizations (MVFA, SCPOA, the Fire District, etc).
- b. Articles concerning safety and community awareness (Chief's Report, Traffic Alerts, Driving Safety, etc.).
- c. Announcements of future community events and meetings.
- d. Thank You's to a group or organization (generally not to a specific named individual).
- e. History of the area or trivia considered of general interest to the community.
- f. Instructional items (recipes, weather info, land clearing tips, etc.)

Articles that are considered by the editors to be offensive to the general public, libelous in nature or demeaning to a person or organization will not be published.

Articles that are overtly religious in nature or espousing any particular religious belief will not be published.

Articles that are considered by the editors to be editorial in nature which espouse an individual's opinion, belief or criticism - "letter to the editor" type articles - will not be published.

Articles that contain political endorsements or statements of candidate positions will not be published. An exception may be granted by the MVFA Board if the candidates are for a MVFA, MFPD or SCPOA Board position. If an exception is granted, all candidates for the position(s) will be afforded an equal opportunity.

### **SCPOA Report**

by Kim Purcell-Kirkpatrick

Johnathan and Tammy, our maintenance crew, continue their work on patching the roads as well as taking advantage of the low water at Dyer lake to get in and clean out the cattails and other growth. As the water continues to recede they will be able to do some more clean up of the exposed lake bottom. The material will then be used to fill in the ditch that in the past carried water away from the lake. Johnathan will also be looking into types and costs of a sweeper attachments for the Massy Ferguson tractor that can be used on our roads.

Dyer, Catfish and Trout lakes all had water samples taken for evaluation by the health department for E-Coli and Coliform levels last month, all three lakes came in with levels well below the safe limits.

The association is looking for an individual that can maintain the books, see the help wanted advertisement or contact our secretary Lynda to submit an application.

Delinquent accounts has increased significantly this year over past years. We have 39 property owners who are delinquent, 30 of whom are from 2008.

The budget committee is still waiting for the road information to get the Browning reserve study corrected so that the budget process can progress.

There was no road committee report, a special meeting will probably be required to get things

moving again so we can have a plan for the rest of this and next year. A big thank you to Doug Ostercamp for using some extra material from a driveway he had put in to patch some areas on Swansboro Rd. as well as to Gus Stanko for doing the same with a pothole by Catfish Lake.

The website committee is now meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at the office of E2CON (at the Main Street Mall). Their next improvement is to get draft minutes on the website for review.

The topic of regularly closing the airport for an event was discussed again. The issues of liability, insurance costs and legal concerns have still not been resolved. A question came from the floor as to who was suggesting this idea and who they were representing. A motion was made to table the item so that other unfinished business on the agenda which needed to be completed could be focused on. The issue will be discussed again at the next meeting when more information is gathered.

We've listened to your suggestions from the survey! For our next meeting we will be trying both a day and time change. Our next meeting will be **Monday September 15th at 7:00 P.M.** at the Fire Station. We would like to hear your feedback on this change to see if we should stay with our Saturday meetings or change them to a weekday evening.

### **Halloween Party**

by Alyson Fox

Mark your calendars and get your costumes ready for the annual Halloween Party. **Saturday, October 25th** at the Fire Station. We will need lots of volunteer help before, during and after for clean-up. Please give me a call at 626-7396 and volunteer your services to be a part of this fantastic community event. Watch for the final details in the October Mosquito Byte.

### **Mosquito Phone Book**

We still have some 2007 Mosquito Phone Books available for purchase at the Fire Station for \$3.00 each. We are hoping to have the 2009 edition ready by the end of March. Please contact Sharon Hern at 626-5268 with any additions or corrections to the 2007 book or if you want to be included in the 2009 edition.

Here are the additions and corrections for this month.

**Additions:**

- DAHL, Doreen.....626-1956  
3206 Cedar Court
- FRENCH, John .....916-660-0314  
Gravel Road.
- GARCIA, Larry.....626-1956  
3206 Cedar Court.

**Corrections:**

- JOHN, Jeff & Shelly.....622-7052  
7360 White Oak Drive
- KALES, Alice.....621-3485

**Crafters**

by Sharon Hern

Due to vacations, the September craft meeting has been cancelled. The October meeting date will be announced in the October Byte

**To The Mosquito Community,**  
by Jan, Brian and Stan Okumura

Thank you everyone for your support both physically and emotionally, to Jerry and me. It was especially needed in the last couple of weeks of his life .

A huge thanks to everyone who helped with setting up and preparing for Jerry's memorial and especially to the Volunteer Fire Fighters for donating the steaks and wine. We could not have done it without your help. It was heartwarming and touching to see so many of you at the memorial. We all know how much Jerry gave to this community whether in Mosquito or when you were in the hospital. Jerry lived to give to others and probably the best way to give back to Jerry is through your actions of kindness and courtesy on the road, at home, at work or towards your neighbors. Please take a second, as I do, to think of what Jerry would have done. That is the legacy of Jerry and the best way to keep him alive in our hearts. Jerry was a role model as a nurse, neighbor, fire fighter, friend, husband, father and finally as a patient.

Thanks again for your outpouring of love through your letters and phone calls.

P.S. Donations in Jerry's memory can be made to

The House of Mercy, Mercy Foundation  
3400 Data Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**Jim Hinds**

by Paul Hinds

(Editor's note: Jim Hinds was a long time resident of the community and was very involved with the beginning of our fire department. Paul, his son, has shared with us some of his dad's contributions.)

When Jim Hinds arrived in Mosquito back in 1974 to build his home he became a fireman. Back in those days if you lived here you were automatically a fireman. You supplied your own equipment: a long sleeved cotton shirt, jeans, boots, gloves, hat, bandanna and shovel. Communications were primitive but effective, Lois Pearson called everyone on the party lines. With up to six homes on a telephone line sometimes you got several people with one call. We did have a fire engine but no fire station. The engine was kept at Finnon Lake during fire season and in Lois Pearson's barn during the winter. The Fire engine was an old GMC that we had bought surplus from CDF because it had a blown engine. Our chief, Orval Beckett put a Pontiac engine in the truck and we were in business. Usually everyone responded directly to the fire and Orval would pick up the engine. We generally had most fires controlled before CDF arrived. I remember a medical aid we responded to when the candle maker's friend turned Dyer's tractor over on himself while trying to drag logs. About forty people responded to that incident -- I didn't know forty people lived up here back then.

Eventually we upgraded communications to C.B. radios. Jim's "handle" was 'Star tracker' because he had a bunch of telescopes and used to invite people over to look at the moons of Jupiter and Saturn, the crab nebula and a bunch of other weird stuff. As a retired science teacher he had built his own 8" reflector, even hand-ground and polished his own mirror. Chief Orval was 'Slide-bar' because his old D-8 Cat had cable controls instead of hydraulics. We also had "Moon Shiner", "007", "Spirit Chaser", "White Rabbit", "Wild Bill", "Mayor of Mosquito", and a bunch more that I don't recall.

Dick Dyer, the developer of Swansboro Country, donated the lot upon which the present Fire Station stands and most of the materials to build the Station. The station was built with volunteer labor and was about one third of its current size, having only the

front two bays, the office area, kitchen and bathrooms.

Jim took to being a fireman like a kid in a candy store. He had the patience to sit through interminable meetings. (He also served on the SCPOA board back when the assessment was only \$15 per year.) He would write the letters, make the phone calls, help draft the budgets and with the patience of Job he slowly helped the community acquire better equipment and facilities. His greatest achievement was the Fire Protection District. He and my mother spent days researching county records to get a list of property owners in the Mosquito area. They sent letters asking for local support for a new fire district and got it on the ballot and passed just in time for Proposition 13. So we had a tax district with no tax revenues. When the Chilli-Bar Fire swept through the community people got very fire conscious. Eventually tax money began to trickle in and today we have excellent equipment and well-trained personnel.

Jim Hinds served first on the Volunteer Fire Department Board and then on the Mosquito Fire Protection District Board. He supported the efforts of six Fire Chiefs: Orval Beckett, Bill Reid, Paul Hinds, Bill Smith, Mel Guthrie and Leo Chaloux. It is rare to find individuals who will volunteer so much time and effort year after year after year. When such people come along, pause a moment to reflect on their efforts. Jim died recently at the age of 94 after a long, generous and friendly life.

### News from the Café

by Frank Ethridge

Well summer is almost gone. The kids are back in school (kindergarten for my daughter) and boy time does fly. Again I wish to thank everyone for their support of the Café. It's been a rough season on my equipment and I know that in July we were closed for what seemed like a lot. I do apologize for that. Just to let you know we **Will Be Closed on September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>**. A new menu is in the works and I hope you all will like it. I have kept some of the favorites and in response to requests from our dieters I've added some new items that will be more heart healthy. Please feel free to let me know if you have any special dietary needs and I will do my best to meet your needs.

### Recipe of the Month

by Rock Creek Café

#### 3 Bean Salad- Mexican Style

- 1-16oz can Green Beans or
- 1-pound fresh blanched
- 1-16oz cans Garbanzo Beans
- 1-16oz cans kidney Beans
- ½ -cup Chopped Green Bell Peppers
- ½ -cup Chopped Red Bell Peppers
- ½ -cup Chopped Red Onion
- 1-cup Apple Cider Vinegar
- 1-cup Sugar
- 1 ½ teaspoon Salt
- ½-teaspoon black pepper
- ¾ -cup Salad oil
- 1-package Taco seasoning mix

Drain and rinse the canned beans; combine with green pepper and onion. Set aside. Next, combine remaining ingredients, except taco seasoning. Pour mixture over the vegetables and mix well. Cover and marinate in refrigerator overnight, stirring occasionally. Sprinkle the Taco Seasoning over the top just before serving.

#### 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 19<sup>th</sup> of each month. Call Gail at 622.2235 or e-mail [gbarritt@earthlink.net](mailto: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:

MAH JONNG - Looking for people to play MAH JONNG using Wright-Patterson rules. Call Barbara at 626-4747

#### FALL ART CLASSES FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

Fall Art Classes for Teens & Adults- Have fun creating unique ceramic or fused glass art in my new Swansboro Studio. Afternoon & evening classes available to suit your schedule. Contact Pam Angelo at 621-3688

NEW DANCER CLASS for APPLE JACKS & JILLS SQUARE DANCING CLUB- Starts September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2008 thru June 25<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 7:30 PM at Hangtown Grange. Special attire not needed. Call John or Peggy Cory at 642-2217 for more information.

**MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP** -Sunday Bible study begins at 9:30am then 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](http://www.mfom.net).

**EMBROIDERER'S GUILD** - Hanging By A Thread Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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>

**PICKING' POTLUCK** - Local Acoustic Musicians: Starting a jam session once a week, hosted by a Fiddle & Mandolin player. Blue Grass, Country, Oldies, Blues, Cajan, Rock-a-Billy or originals. Singers & listeners welcome, bring something to share. Call Jerry for details at 622-8724

**FOUND:**

Prescription sunglasses, near Dyer Lake. Good condition. Call Critter Don at 622-7622 (8)

**WANTED:**

SCPOA is currently taking applications for accounting and bookkeeping services. This will include updating and maintaining the associations books and working with our accountant. Knowledge of TOPS software would be an asset. Please contact SCPOA Secretary Lynda at 621-0309 for information or to submit an application. (9)

Large TV antenna with tall pole. My rabbit ears will not pick up any digital TV signals using converter box. Fred Adams call at 642-9441. (9)

**FREE:**

**BOXER-PIT BULL MIX** - Free to good home, sweet & gentle female. Has been spayed and has Animal Control License. Does not like cats. Call Shannon at 621-2530 (8)

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**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

**FAX AND PHOTOCOPY SERVICE** here on the hill. Call Fred Adams at 642-9441

**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

**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 of 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. Call Richard Smith at 530-306-2438

**FOR RENT:**

Large studio apartment. Private deck with a spectacular river view. Kitchen with granite counter top. Features lots of storage. Water and electricity included. \$595/ month plus deposit. Please call 530-906-2021.

Spacious free-standing studio on acreage. Newly remodeled - fresh & bright. Washer/ dryer hook-ups. Fenced yard, one pet OK. Water included. \$595/month plus deposit. Please call 530-906-2021.

**FOR SALE:**

Day Bed, Mahogany – Mat and bedding included. \$250 621-3641 Jim Szykowny (9)

Dell 3-in-one Printer Wireless, Brand new, still in the box. Model V305 W, valued over \$100, will sell for \$75. Ordered by mistake! Linda 622-1616 (9)

**DIRT BIKE,** 2001 Honda XL 50cc. Comes with training wheels and Gear (helmet, pants, shirt and chest protector - all size Youth Small) Good condition. Great starter bike for young riders. \$1,000. Call Kelly @ 295-9165 (8)

**HARLEY DAVIDSON 2002 Dyna Low Rider-** Low mileage under 5,000. Still under warranty until 8/27/08. Perfect condition. Moved must sell! KBB \$11,450, we'll take \$10,000. What a deal! Call Dennis or Leslie at Home 621-0088 or Cell 530-363-4364 (8)


**PINE FIREWOOD** – already cut to length, easy access. \$50 per pick up load. Call Karen 906-2021 (7)

**PEACE SIGNS,** made of wood. Call Jerry 622-8724 (7)



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**Community Happenings**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>1</p> 	2	<p>3</p> <p>\$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting</p>	5	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 AM Support Group</p>
7	8	9	<p>10</p> <p>\$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Chicken Enchiladas</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting</p>	12	13
14	<p>15</p> <p>7:00 PM SCPOA Meeting</p>	16	<p>17</p> <p>\$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Chow Mein</p>	18	19	<p>20</p> <p>10:00 AM Fire Safe Council Meeting</p>
21	22	23	<p>24</p> <p>\$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Lasgna</p>	25	<p>26</p> <p>Rock Creek Cafe Closed</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Rock Creek Cafe Closed</p>
28	29	30	<p>ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED</p> <p>**ROCK CREEK CAFE OFFERS A VEGETARIAN DISH ALONG WITH FAMILY NIGHT SPECIALS</p>			



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