

MOSQUITO BYTE

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Chief's Corner

by Chief Bob Davis

WOW!, can you believe the weather we have had? When I call my parents down in the valley, it's nice to brag about the sunshine up here "on the hill". However, the cold and rainy weather is not over. We are only half way through the winter and those of us who have been using wood stoves and fireplaces to heat our houses need to clean the chimneys to avoid having a chimney fire.

I have had several people ask me how they will know if they are having a chimney fire. Well, the answer is not "cut and dried". Sometimes you may not even be aware of the fire as they are often somewhat minor. And, if the chimney was constructed or installed correctly and has not suffered damage from a previous chimney fire things will most likely be all right and the chimney can contain the fire. However, if your chimney has not been cleaned for some time and/or you have been burning your stove with a partially closed damper, there may be enough of creosote that has built up on the chimney interior that it can start a serious burn. In this case the fire will probably be very intense, with a great deal of noise and vibration coming from the chimney flue, The smell is similar to that of burning paint and there could be some vibrations coming from the stove doors or dampers. Outside there may be a great deal of flame visible from the chimney cap and possibly extending several feet above. It is also possible for creosote to be pushed out of the chimney and onto the roof.

An intense chimney fire is a bad thing that could result in extensive damage, or someone getting seriously hurt. If the fire is intense enough the chimney could fail and then the fire will extend into the attic and/or onto the roof resulting in major structural damage. So, if you suspect there is a fire in your chimney, call 911 immediately. We will then be dispatched and on our way to your house to check

for any fire extension and do everything possible to put it out. Do not hesitate, make that call!

Congratulations to the EMT class of 2008. The class started last September and ended on December 27th. This year we decided to give the class in the fall and ran into some obstacles with the fires down south. Some of the students were temporarily pulled out for strikes team assignments but the class was completed and all passed. A big thank-you to Leo Chaloux for teaching the class again.

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association

by Leslie Baumgartner

With the terrific weather it is hard to believe it is January. The biggest news is that the old stove at the Rock Creek Café has been replaced. Frank spent time researching and seeking the best deal on behalf of MVFA and found a new stove that would meet his needs and also fit in the limited budget we had. I can attest that the baked potatoes are great and as of this writing Frank is happy with the performance and abilities of the new stove. Come on down and check out the stove and grab a potato!

Also along with the nice weather, the campground has had a lot of activity from campers, fishers, disc golfers, bike riders, equestrians and hikers. The disc golf course is going to get a new look, and a reversal in the direction. If you have not gone down to check it out, it makes for a great outing and a nice walk.

This year will hopefully bring a few groups in to hold their activities at the property. But the group we are all waiting for is the one who will fix the dam and make it possible to bring it back up to the old level of beauty and usefulness as a water source in case of a fire. We are still expecting an answer in March about the grant application submitted. We anticipate redoing a few more campsites this year and getting some of the mistletoe out of the trees.

Our next community event will be the Easter egg hunt probably the first weekend in April. With the winter air cooling down, we will try to do a "spaghetti night" or "souper soup night" again. It is always fun to get together with neighbors even if it is for only a few hours. The kids get a chance to see friends and have dinner together, neighbors get to visit, and you get a chance to share your recipes! If you would like to help with any of these projects please give me a call at 626-1204.

SCPOA Report

by Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick

January marked our last meeting prior to our annual meeting and was again held on a Monday evening, thank you to everyone who attended.

Johnathan has been busy doing much needed maintenance on the tractor, the water pump has been replaced and the radiator fixed. He will continue to do road work as temperatures allow; it takes a number of warm days in a row to soften the patch material enough to work with so he will use it when he can.

We still have a significant number of delinquent accounts from last year and, unfortunately, a number of them are associated with foreclosures. Our secretary, Lynda, has been working very hard attempting to get the banks to pay. At this point we have just over \$38,000 in outstanding dues. We know how difficult it can be to come up with a large single payment once a year so we would like to encourage our members to think about our dues "prepay program" which is now available. This program will, hopefully, make it a bit easier by letting you pay just a little each month. Contact Lynda at 621-0309 with any questions.

Dyer Lake is still quite low due to our lack of rain and the Board does understand how important and popular this common area is to the community. We have significantly increased our water budget for next year to fill the lake in the spring if we do not get enough rain.

By now you have received your annual packet in the mail. Inside you will find a ballot to vote for the four open positions on the SCPOA Board of Directors. Please take the time to vote. You will need to send or

turn in your ballots prior to the annual meeting on Saturday February 14th.

It is time to start planning our road projects for 2009. Our road committee chairman, Tom, wants to get a bid package together in the next month so that we can get it out to bid early. Many companies have no work planned so it is hoped that we will get some very competitive bids by getting it in early. We will be having a road meeting, which will include looking at the road work tentatively planned for 2009, on Thursday January 29th at 8:00 AM at the fire station. Tom will be taking a day off to do this so it would be great to have a lot of community involvement. We will have signs out and in case a change is made or you can contact Lynda at 621-1049 for any possible changes.

Speaking of roads, we are still hoping to get some road grindings to use on our courts as well and other less traveled areas, This product will allow us to address some less used areas for a very significant savings. The big holdup is that our state doesn't have a budget and the project on Hwy 50 is on hold. When the project resumes, we will do our best to secure some of this product.

We are also pricing some new signs to be posted on Dogwood Lane in an attempt to stop trucks from using it as a throughway. This is causing increased damage to a road not designed for routine usage by big trucks. We are also looking at a sign to let people, unfamiliar with the area, know that East Highgrade is not a through street. This will help reduce destruction of the end of the road by vehicles having to turn around.

We would like to thank everyone who attended the January meeting! We appreciate the input and information provided. Our next meeting is our annual meeting on Saturday February 14th at 10:00 AM at the fire station. Hope to see you all there.

Thank you Rock Creek Café

by Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick

The Swansboro pilots association would like to thank Frank and Heidi Ethridge and the Rock Creek Café for the fantastic food provided for our Christmas party. Everyone had at least seconds, took a plate home and we still had more left. If you are having a

gathering consider having it catered by the Café, you can't beat the great quality, quantity and price!

2009 Mosquito Phone Books

The new phone books have arrived and are available for purchase at the Fire Station. The cost is \$3 per book and correct change is appreciated. If paying by check, make the check payable to MVFA.

A huge "THANK YOU" to local Realtor Sally Long Johns for printing the phone book at no expense to the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association.

Thanks to the Christmas Basket "Elves" by Floyd Baumgartner

As I watch the news, I see how people in this country will come to the aid of others, such as the water landing of flight 1549. When folks are down we are a people who will come to their aid. This happened in our community this last Christmas with the food baskets. The donations were the most I have seen in years. With the economy as it is, I did not know how well the donations would be. Well they were great! THANK YOU to all that donated. I would also like to thank Joe & Lynda Lima, Sandy Brauns, Marry Ann Haywood and Allison Moalli for putting the food baskets together and delivering them. I hope that every one has a GREAT NEW YEAR.

StepFast Lifestyle Seminar for Vibrant Health by Diana & Fred Adams

It's been awhile since we had folks from our community in our home for vegetarian cooking demonstrations and delicious samples. It was fun!

So now we're offering a new series featuring not only vegetarian cooking, but such topics as weight management, high-blood pressure, diabetes, cancer, fatigue, osteoporosis and other common health concerns of our day.

This time we will have the help of actual physicians and preventative healthcare specialists as they share with us via the **StepFast Lifestyle Series**.

This dynamic 12-part video series will help you understand the relationship between lifestyle and disease. While it is true that "heredity loads the gun," it is also true that "lifestyle pulls the trigger!"

You'll receive practical, scientific, Bible-based instruction in nutrition, exercise and stress management. By making simple, natural lifestyle changes, you can improve your health.

And we will also serve samples of the recipes demonstrated!

This series will start Sunday, Feb. 8 at 3 PM and be held every Sunday, excepting holidays through the middle of May. Space is limited, so call 642-9441 to register today. A \$35 registration fee includes seminar materials, recipes and samples.

You too can **StepFast!**



See www.stepfast.org for more information.

Finnon Disc Golf Update by Chris Dillender

The disc golf course has been open and enjoyed by many since last summer. In addition to local community support and tremendous help from the Hangtown Disc Golf Club, visitors have been traveling hours to come play, enjoy Finnion Lake, and dine at the Rock Creek Café. We hosted the first fund-raiser tournament to raise money to purchase the remaining Tee Pads in October. We had a good turnout, and the event helped get the word out in the disc golf community that we're up and running. Since then, people have been playing the course every day.

The course is about to start the second phase of its development plan, eventually expanding to a National level 27 hole course. Three time World Champion Disc Golfer Jim Oates has suggested some course modifications to create various levels of difficulty and challenges for all types of players. Additional clearing and movement of holes are next on the agenda, and we need all the help we can get. All volunteers are welcome - please contact Chris Dillender at (530)409-6429. See you on the course!

Crafters

by Sharon Hern

All you crafters and those of us who can do simple (?) cut, paste/glue, paint etc. are encouraged to join us. We will be starting work on our spring projects. We also have coffee, goodies and of course table talk. All of the proceeds from our Craft Sales benefit our Volunteer Fire Department.

Our next craft meeting will be held on Friday February 27th, at the home of Darlene Rood, 2211 Swansboro Road, from 9:30 -11:30 am. Hope to see you on the 27th.

Hazardous Waste

Have you been saving your household hazardous waste for the clean-up day in Mosquito? Well it is not going to be held this year.... Instead of holding your items around your home, you can dispose of them on Fridays or Saturdays only between the hours of 9am and 4pm for FREE at the:

EDC Disposal Services
4100 Throw It Away Road
Placerville (off Hwy 49)

Household items only are accepted, including a limit of 50 gal. of paint

News from the Café

by Frank Ethridge

The New Year came in a little gentler than last year. We wish to thank all of the members of the MVFA, Dick Rood and everyone else who helped with the New Wolf Range. Come on down and have a **Fresh Baked 1hour Potato.**

We will be holding a Spiritual Twelve Step program on Tuesday nights here at the café at 6:00 pm, I will keep everyone who is interested in this posted on the start date.

We are accepting reservations for our **Valentines Day Sweetheart Dinner** on February 14th. The dinner will be a four course meal, served from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm and most importantly - it will be **Reservations Only.**

The café will be closed February 18th-24th. We will be in southern California with family.

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

BREAD PUDDING WITH WHISKEY SAUCE

Yields 6 servings

BREAD PUDDING

3 ½ cups Sugar
2 tsp. Ground Cinnamon
1 tsp. of Nutmeg
6 Medium Eggs
1 cup Heavy Cream
4 cups Milk
1 tsp. Vanilla
French Bread (approx. 18" in length), Sliced thin

WHISKEY SAUCE

1 cup Heavy Cream
2 cups Whole milk
1 Tbsp. Corn Starch
1 Tbsp. Water
6 Tbsp. Sugar
1/4 cup Bourbon

To make the bread pudding, preheat oven to 300 degrees. Grease an 8" square baking pan. Combine sugar, cinnamon, and nutmeg in a large bowl. Beat in the eggs until smooth, add the milk then work in the heavy cream. Add the vanilla, Arrange the bread slices in the pan pour the mixture over the bread. Allow bread to soak up the custard. Cover with plastic wrap and foil then place pan in a water bath. Bake for approximately 45-60 minutes, uncover the pudding and bake until the pudding has a golden brown color and is firm to the touch. If a toothpick inserted in the pudding comes out clean, it is done. The mixture of pudding should be nice and moist, not runny or dry. Serve warm.

To make the whiskey sauce, place the cream and milk in a small saucepan over medium heat, and bring to a boil. Whisk corn starch and water together, and add to cream while whisking. Bring to a boil.

Whisk and let simmer for a few seconds, taking care not to burn the mixture on the bottom. Remove from heat. Stir in the sugar and the bourbon. Taste to make sure the sauce has a thick consistency, a sufficiently sweet taste, and a good bourbon flavor. Pour over the Bread Pudding

Neighborhood Hints to Pass On!!!!

1. Broken Glass—

Use a wet cotton ball or Q-tip to pick up the small shards of glass you can't see easily.

2. Foggy Windshield?

Hate foggy windshields? Buy a chalkboard eraser and keep it in the glove box of your car. When the windows fog, rub with the eraser! Works better than a cloth!

3. Reopening Envelope

If you seal an envelope and then realize you forgot to include something inside, just place your sealed envelope in the freezer for an hour or two. Viola! It unseals easily

4. Get Rid of Ants

Put small piles of cornmeal where you see ants. They eat it, take it home", can't digest it so it kills them. It may take a week or so, especially if it rains, but it works & you don't have the worry about pets or small children being harmed!

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.

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

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.

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

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>

FOUND:

CAR KEYS - Found at the corner of Lupin and Stope, a set of car keys that go to a Buick. Please contact SCPOA office at 530-621-0309. (2)

WANTED:

ROOMMATE WANTED - Looking for someone who would be interested in renting the spare room in my home on Dear Canyon court. \$475/ month, includes utilities. Pets ok. Contact Chris at 530-409-1883 (1)

BOOK - Looking for a copy of the book, "One Man's Pino Grande by Robert Ramsey at a reasonable price. Call Jim at 626-3905 (12)

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RENT HOME - 1 bd/1 ba Fresh & bright, w/d hook-ups, fenced yard. One small pet OK.. \$750 per month + deposit. Call (530) 906-2021.

FOR SALE:

94 FORD RANGER XLT -, 190K miles, 2-wheel drive, 5-speed, extra cab, with AC, toolbox, and bed-liner. No major body damage. Needs tranny (no 3rd or 4th gear). Driveable. \$1,500/OBO. Call Dave or Alyson at 626-7396 (2)

MISCELLANEOUS -Blonde wood crib and Graco Pak N Play in excellent condition, infant high chair (needs new seat cushion), and sueded beige La-Z-Boy with some animal damage. Make us an offer! Call Dave or Alyson at 626-7396. (2)

HOME FOR SALE - 3,600 sq ft. Home is large, well landscaped, in good shape and has lots of extras: double showers, custom ceilings, an entertainment room, and a large lawn, and back yard. Not that expensive to heat and priced right for the market. Monthly rate approximately \$2400, not included taxes and insurance. Will help in making transaction happen. Call 642-1620 for details. (2)

WOODEN - Birdhouses and Peace Signs. Call 622-8724 Jerry Butterfield (2)

OAK FIREWOOD- \$275/cord. Call 642-8685 (1)

PAPILLON PUPPIES aka “the Butterfly Dog” 2-m & 2-f all have beautiful makings. They will be ready for a new, forever home just in time for Christmas. Papillons are a toy breed, very smart, very loyal. We have both mother and father on site. Call Nancy at 621-1114, please leave message. (12)

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Community Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Beef Stew	5 7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting	6	7 10:00 AM Support Group
8	9	10	11 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Lasagna	12 7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting	13	14  10:00 AM SCPOA Meeting
15	16  PRESIDENTS' DAY	17	18 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Cafe Closed Today	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 \$6.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Chicken Enchilada	26	27 Craft Meeting see page 4	28

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UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

*** ROCK CREEK CAFE OFFERS A VEGETARIAN
DISH ALONG WITH FAMILY NIGHT SPECIALS

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