MOSQUITO BYTE

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Chief's Corner by Chief Bob Davis

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Here we are at the end of March and April is just around the corner reminding us that it's time to start gearing up for summer and the wildland fire season. Over the next couple of months the fire department along with the California Division of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal-Fire) are planning to inspect all the homes in the District. This is something that Cal-Fire is suppose to do every spring but has not been able to for the past several years due to funding.

Trained members of the District's Support Group will inspect homes based on guidelines from Cal-Fire. Our emphasis will be on clearances around the house and propane tanks, the removal of brush to increase driveway widths, visible address numbers at the start of driveways and completing a Wildfire Risk and Hazard Severity Assessment Form for the property.

The purpose of the Hazard Severity Assessment Form is to determine the potential risk that 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.

Also these last few rainy periods are going to yield a summer of dry grass and dense brush that's easily ignited and supports rapid fire growth, especially where the terrain is steep. Historically we've had 15 to 20 ignitions in our area each year. And, these ignitions have typically arisen from cigarettes, machinery use, camping, and other human activities. Since most of the ignitions are caused by human errors, they generally occur in close proximity to population and structures. In the last few years, the number of ignitions have averaged about 5. This dramatic reduction in ignition frequency is most likely an anomaly and is not predicted to be a sustainable change resulting from behavioral changes.

The District has a Strategic Fire Safe Plan which is available at the fire station and I encourage everyone to come down and read it. After all, your Federal Tax dollars paid for it when we developed it and it does point out the reality of our situation up here. It is the blue print to what needs to be done and besides it isn't bad reading.

Start getting your home ready for the fire season. Cutting grass, trimming trees, cleaning gutters, and in general looking to provide as much defensible space around your house as possible is very important. The County Fire Safe Council still has the chipper program available so please take advantage of it. Chipping Program request forms are available at the fire station or give us a call and we can mail one to you. If you have any questions or need some advice please do not hesitate to call Floyd or myself and we will be glad to answer any questions.

Be Safe!

MFPD Budget Workshop

by MFPD Directors

The Mosquito Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold a budget workshop at the Fire Station on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at 8:00 am. The Board will accept community input as they go about the task of developing the FY09/10 budget in this time of funding uncertainties. The public is invited.

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association by Leslie Baumgartner

By the time this reaches you the Spaghetti Dinner will have been held and the information update for the Finnon Dam project will have been given. Thank you to all who donated their sauces and desserts, the Hern's and Rock Creek Café for donating the bread, MVFA board and volunteers who helped set up, take down and bring desserts, Rayley's for a \$25 donation and Save Mart for the Salad Fixings. A

big "THANK YOU" to those that made a monetary donation at the dinner. We hope all that attended had a good time.

Saturday April 4th after the Easter Egg Hunt, at 1:30pm until 3:30 pm I will be at the Finnon Lake campground to start spring clean up for the incoming spring and summer campers and again Sunday April 5th at 8:30 am until 10:30 am. Bring your weedeaters, wheelbarrows, pole saws and rakes. We will gather fallen pine cones and branches, take some mistletoe out of trees and get the area ready for mowing. If you have any questions please call me at 626-1204. If you are not able to make these times, feel free to give me a call and I can let you know what needs to be done and you can go down when it fits your schedule.

Tell your friends and co-workers about Finnon Lake. It is close and affordable for a weekend retreat, a weeks vacation or just a quick overnight getaway. Frank at the Rock Creek Café can even cater a family gathering! The proceeds support the work of the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association.

The Weekend of April 18th the Society for Creative Acronyms will be at the campground holding a Mediaeval Re-enactment. Anyone who wishes to know what this is about is welcome to come watch their events. What a great introduction to life before we knew it for our kids!

Easter Egg Huntby Leslie Baumgartner

Spring has Sprung and that means it is time to keep your eyes out for the Easter Bunny. Remember the best place to find the goodies he leaves behind will be **April 4th, 11:00 AM at Finnon Lake.** Our youths 12 and under will find lots of eggs and in case the weather turns to winter, the Fire Station will be the drop off spot for the Easter Bunny. Signs will be up if the location changes from Finnon Lake. Donations of candy for the egg stuffing can be dropped off at the Fire Station. If you would like to help set up this event please call me at 626-1204.

SCPOA Report by Kim Purcell-Kirkpatrick

This was the first meeting to introduce and welcome

our three new board members, Nancy Truman, Frank Surfas and Al Raymond to the board.

Johnathan has been busy cleaning up after our last snow, many trees and branches were brought down by the weight and ended up in or near roads. With the last set of storms also came lots of water and Dyer lake is looking much better, a few more feet and it will be over the spillway.

We are still accepting applications for our maintenance helper position, if you have an interest in working in your community with a flexible schedule please contact Lynda at 621-0309 to submit a resume.

We still have just over \$30,000 in delinquent accounts, 10 properties are in foreclosure and 27 are in collections, Lynda is working very hard to get some of the banks and mortgage companies to pay the dues that are owed, unfortunately they will not pay any back dues so those become a loss for us.

We have had several open complaints that were reviewed in the last month. One will be going to our attorney since the owners have continued to refuse to cooperate and the others will be closed.

The road committee has come up with a plan for road work this year which will include Swansboro Road from the end to Claim St, the rest of Claim St, part of Stope near E. Highgrade and Maidu near Dogwood to White Oak and continuing on Log Cabin as funds and costs allow. The road committee met with Skip Brown from Delta Construction to review our plan as well as work that was done by his company in the past. Skip provided some valuable information and education about the roads as well as options for repair that we can use.

We still have a few members along the runway that have not removed brush within the 125ft safety area, we will be sending out one more letter with a 30 day time line for the removal unless they specify a plan that requires additional time. If we still do not get compliance we will have to take the next step with the association attorney.

The board has been looking into finding another bank, our CPA had recommended Ironstone Bank. A motion was made and passed to open an account and move funds from American River Bank to

provide better diversification. Ironstone has also offered to review our loan to see how much lower a rate they might be able to give us if we refinance with them.

The issue of rude and dangerous drivers was brought up with regards to Mosquito Road, this is a CHP issue. If you can get a license plate number or know who it is, it is helpful but you can still fill out a CHP community problem from. These forms are available at the fire Station or from our secretary Lynda at 621-0309. You can use these forms for any road issues you have that relate to traffic including off road motorcycles and underage riders on the roads. Remember that these are public roads just privately maintained so please be courteous to your neighbors and drive safely.

Crystie Walsh gave a brief update on the playground idea for Dyer Lake that she has been working on. She is still looking to raise money outside the SCPOA budget to fund the project and as they progress, she will be bringing them to the board for approval. If anyone has ideas or can provide assistance please fill out your survey that was sent in the annual packet, attend a meeting or contact our secretary Lynda.

Our next meeting will be Monday April 13th at 6:00 PM at the Fire Station, we look forward to seeing you.

Will I be called if the Phone Tree is activated? by Kelly Hern

If you are listed in the new 2009 Mosquito Phone Book you will be called. If you're not in the Phone Book but would still like to be on the Phone Tree call list give me a call at 295-9165 and I will see that you are added to the list. Our Phone Tree lists are not public and are only accessed by our callers so your privacy will not be compromised by being placed on the Phone Tree call list.

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2009 Mosquito Phone Book Updates

Please contact Sharon Hern at 626-5268 with any additions or corrections.

Additions:

SMITH Mark & Kristee	626-0723
6581 Log Cabin Lane	

THOMAS Paul & Sophia	295-1092
6685 Mosquito Road	

Corrections: (underlined)

FRENCH John......916-660-0314

Gravel Road

Pilots Association Scholarship Program by Al Raymond

The Swansboro Pilots Association is again offering Swansboro/Mosquito high school seniors or college under grads a chance to compete for a \$500 scholarship. If you live in our community, are a high school senior going on to college next fall, or are already in college and plan to continue, you can apply for one of the scholarships.

To apply send a one-page, double-spaced, typed essay (postmarked no later than 6/30/09) that states: who you are, what college you plan to attend, your life plans, and why you should receive one of our scholarships. Please include your address, phone number, and e-mail address if you have one. Send your essay to: Pilots Association, 6234 Pineneedle Ln., Placerville, CA 95667.

THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW YOUR CELL PHONE COULD DO

(Editor's note: I received this from a subscriber to "share" with our readers. I haven't tried any of these and they are presented in the spirit in which they were received.)

There are a few things that can be done in times of emergencies. Your mobile phone can actually be a life saver or an emergency tool for survival. Check out the things that you can do with it:

FIRST Subject: Emergency

The Emergency Number worldwide for Mobile is 112. If you find yourself out of the coverage area of your mobile network and there is an emergency, dial 112 and the mobile will search any existing network

to establish the emergency number for you, and interestingly this number 112 can be dialed even if the keypad is locked. Try it out.

SECOND Subject: Have you locked your keys in the car?

Does your car have remote keyless entry? This may come in handy someday. Good reason to own a cell phone. If you lock your keys in the, car and the spare keys are at home call someone at home on their cell phone from your cell phone. Hold your cell phone about a foot from your car door and have the person at your home press the unlock button, holding it near the mobile phone on their end. Your car will unlock. Saves someone from having to drive your keys to you. Distance is no object. You could be hundreds of miles away, and if you can reach someone who has the other "remote" for your car, you can unlock the doors (or the trunk).

THIRD Subject: Hidden Battery Power.

Imagine your cell battery is very low. To activate, press the keys *3370# your cell will restart with this reserve and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your cell next time.

FOURTH Subject: How to disable a STOLEN mobile phone?

To check your Mobile phone's serial number, key in the following digits on your phone, *#06#. A 15 digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe. If your phone gets stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset so even if the thief changes the 81M card, your phone will be totally useless. You probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody does this, there would be no point in people stealing mobile phones.

FIFTH Subject: Information calls.

Cell phone companies are charging us \$1.00 to \$1.75 or more for 411 information calls when they don't have to. Most of us do not carry a telephone directory in our vehicle, which makes this situation even more of a problem. When you need to use the 411 information option, simply dial: (800) FREE 411, or (800) 373-3411 without incurring any charge at all. Program this into your cell phone now.

Crafters

by Sharon Hern

Our first Craft Sale is on April 4th at the pavilion at Rock Creek Café, from 10am to 4pm. There will be Easter gifts and decorations as well as spring and summer items. All of the proceeds from our Craft Sales benefit our Volunteer Fire Department. Stop by browse, visit and buy.

Our next craft meeting will be held on Friday April 24th, at the home of Darlene Rood, 2211 Swansboro Road, from 9:30 -11:30 am. See you there!!!

News from the Café

by Frank Ethridge

Well winter is behind us and the warmer weather is just around the corner. We are working on some new things for the summer like adding some more dinning space outside and doing some sprucing up with the landscape with help from Li Vellinga and Gail Barritt.

Easter Sunday is on the 12th of April and we will be closed that day. We are putting together some plans for a few outdoor events and our first one will be Mother's day with a special Menu. We are also sending out a weekly "news flash" via email and if you would like to receive it contact us at fwethridge@gmail.com

Thank you for your support and we look forward to serving you at the Café.

Café Hours are:

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - 11am to 8 pm Saturday and Sunday - 8 am to 8 pm

Recipe for the Month

by Chef Frank

French Onion Soup - Serves 8 Ingredients:

6 tablespoons butter

8 medium size sweet onions, sliced thinly

4 thyme sprigs, leaves stripped

1 cup red wine

½ cup sherry

4 cups brown chicken stock

2 cups veal stock or a rich beef stock

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

French bread croutons 2 cups grated Gruyere cheese

Directions:

In a large saucepan or Dutch oven, add butter and melt over medium heat. Add the onions and lower the heat to medium low. Add the thyme leaves and cook, stirring frequently, until the onions start to turn golden brown, about 25 minutes. Add the sherry and wine, cook until the sherry and wine is almost completely evaporated and the onions are brown, about 15 minutes.

Add the stocks and bring to a boil. Lower the heat to a simmer and simmer for 30 minutes. Season, to taste, with salt and pepper.

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F.

Ladle the soup into 8 oven-proof soup bowls. Place the soup bowls on a sheet pan. Place the croutons on top of the soup, to cover. Top each bowl with ½ cup grated cheese. Place in the oven and cook until the cheese is golden brown and bubbly, about 10 minutes. It is delicious, ENJOY!

CLASSIFIED SECTION

MEETINGS:

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

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.

MAGIC THE GATHERING- looking for other adults who enjoy playing this game. Call 621-3875

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

LOST:

LOST ON FEBRUARY 13, 2009: Grocery bag containing hair dryer, electric toothbrush, and several small cases of very sentimental jewelry. I am so sad and upset over this loss. If you found this bag, please return it and no questions will be asked. A reward will be given. Call Patty or Earl at 642-1454. (3)

CALICO CAT- Small to medium female with orange coloring on side of face. Missing 2 months in the vicinity of Stope Drive and Stope Court. Call 621-2530 (3)

WANTED:

TONKA TOYS - old/used. Please call Bob at 621-1266 (3)

METAL - large, structurally sound pieces of metal for deck supports also looking for a small office desk for child to work on homework. Call 621-3875 (3)

FREE:

TERRARIUM- 50 gallon terrarium with florescent light cover. Solid wood cabinet base. Was formerly an aquarium that sprung a leak at the seam. Great for pet lizards or other critters, Call 642-9441 (4)

BABY BUNNY - 2 months old, female (I think). Call 621-3875 (3)

KODAK Ink Cartridges (3 new) and KODAK Photo Paper for KODAK EASY SHARE Series 3 Printer Dock. Call JoAnn at 626-9209 or email joanncaesar@aol.com (3)

CAMPER SHELL- White fiberglass, Approximately 6'X7'. Call 642-0338 (3)

PRE-HUNG DOUBLE DOORS - 6' Knotty Pine, 6 Panel, Brand new-we bought the wrong size. Best offer. Abbie or Eric 530-295-3369 (H) or 209-603-8411Ceil (2)

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YARD WORK- Experienced doing yard work. Reasonable rates. Call Beau at 344-9066

WELDING & FABRICATION - Steel, Stainless steel, Aluminum. Certified to military standard. Call 626-0691

COOKIES N' CRAFTS: Saturdays: April 11 & 25 at 1:00, and Tuesday evening: April 14 at 6:30 p.m. Come for crafts and refreshments, \$10.00 for all supplies. Call Dee Harris for more information at 642-2333

CATERING-FOOD SERVICES- Special event planning. Large or small. We will help you design your menu. Catering on the Hill by Rock Creek Café. Call Frank at 622-0210 or FAX 530-622-0211

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RENT HOME -2 bd/ 2 ba in Swansboro. 5 acres w/ fenced area for livestock, barn, large toolshed/workshop, large fenced garden & Dog run. 1385 square feet. Spacious kitchen. Wood burning stove, pellet stove, electric heat. Wrap around porch with amazing views. \$1500/month plus \$500 annual home owners Association dues. Available January 6th. Please call Alice at 916-208-8945

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SEASONED OAK FIREWOOD - \$225/cord. Call 642-8685 (3)

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)

BIRDHOUSES, wooden and Peace Signs. Call Jerry Butterfield at 622-8724 (2)



IT'S SPRING TIME!

April 2009

Community Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ** ROCK CREEK CAFE OFFERS A VEGETARIAN DISH ALONG WITH FAMILY NIGHT SPECIALS			\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** BBQ Platter	7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting	3	4 10:00 AM Craft Sale - Rock Creek Cafe 10:00 AM Support Group 11:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt - Finnon Lake
5	6	7	\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Tostada	9 7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting	10	11
12 Happy Easter	6:00 PM SCPOA Meeting	14	\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Chicken Pot Pie	16	17	18 8:00 AM MFPD Budget Workshop
19	20	21	\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Lasagna	23	24 Craft Meeting see page 4	25
26	27	28	\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Beef Stew	30		

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