

MOSQUITO BYTE

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4th of July Celebration



The Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association with the support of the volunteer fire fighters, has been successful in obtaining the proper permits for a small, FREE fireworks display for the kids in the community on the 4th of July. The fireworks display will take place on Finnon Lake beginning at dusk. Want to make an evening of it? Start with a barbecue at the Rock Creek Café (see the Rock Creek Café article for information on the BBQ) and then stick around for the fireworks display. Come join in the fun and food with your neighbors.

Chief's Corner

by Chief Bob Davis

WELL, Mother Nature just cannot make up her mind, we had sun, then rain, then sun and lighting with a little rain. Just when I thought I was done weed-eating it rains again. Looks like I'll be at it again. The lighting reminds me of last year when we had all the dry lightening strikes up north in June without the rain. The fires started by this phenomenon were devastating and cost the state over 50 million dollars to fight.

I know you've heard this before but our local wild land fire problem is not a unique one. So, I would like once more to write about what to do when a fire does start in or near our community. Notice I did not say "if" a fire starts but "when". It is simply a matter of time when either Mother Nature, an accident, or an arson fire will start.

Since wild land fires are generally a function of people's activities and movements, the odds are that a fire will either start on Rock Creek Road in the vicinity of the Rock Creek Bridge, on Mosquito Road at the swinging bridge or at Slab Creek Reservoir. In either of these cases, that fire will originate in a deep

canyon with steep walls and a great deal of fuel. This type of fire will start easy and accelerate quickly burning up the canyon walls to the top. Once at the top depending on weather conditions the fire will spread out and most likely be fuel driven. From a suppression stand point the best opportunity to put such a fire out is when it just hits the top and does not have a chance to spread out. That suppression is often a result of weather conditions, the type of fuel burning and resources available to carry out the suppression activity.

Although our primary responsibility is to protect the lives and property (structures) of the people of our community, when a wild land fire does occur in our community we are among the first Departments dispatched. And, obviously we are generally the first to arrive on the scene. We are very aggressive when it comes to fighting wild land fires as we know that the best way to save structures is to put out the fire before it gets any size to it. So when we arrive we consider three priorities; fire fighter safety, the safety of those people in our community and then property. Those three priorities are what we consider when we respond to a wild land fire. Is there an obvious danger to human life? Do we aggressively attack the fire? Or do we dedicate our

few resources to protect a house. We always do everything possible to protect the house but only after someone's life is not being threatened or a fire fighters safety is not being jeopardized.

So when this big fire does come along what can you as a member of this community do? **First off by making sure good clearances are maintained around your house** you will greatly increase our ability to save your house. Making sure your driveway is cleared enough to make it possible for a fire engine to get to your house. Remember your little Toyota may be able to access your driveway but can a 16-ton fire engine do it. Take the time to look at your driveway and see if a cement truck or a moderate sized U-haul truck can go down it without hitting trees, brush or other obstacles. Make sure your roof and gutters are clean and any hanging limbs are removed. Be aware of how your house fits in the wild land and see if it can be saved. If you are not sure give Floyd or myself a call at 626-9017 and we will set up an appointment for an evaluation of your house and check it out for you.

Other things you can do to lessen the impact of a large fire is to make sure important papers and documents are stored in a safe place or are ready to be moved with you in the event of an evacuation. Make sure all members in your family know what to do if there is a fire. Where they are to meet, whom they can stay with, what they can do to help each other, and what they need to get by for several days. Each family should have a plan developed and reviewed so that each member knows what to do. A little planning in the beginning could be a lifesaver.

One thing to take into consideration during a fire is that there are only three ways in and out of our community. Either west on Rock Creek Road, south on Mosquito Road or north on Mosquito Road through the National Forest which is all dirt and can be a difficult ride depending on the vehicle you are driving. To keep anyone from getting hurt during an event and keep the roads clear for the emergency vehicles, the roads that are in the area of the fire are blocked off. To help solve these problems the Fire Department Support Group and members of the Pilots Association who own hangers have developed plans to evacuate to the airport if it becomes necessary. Often it is better to evacuate people to a safe and nearby location like the airport then having them drive down long dangerous roads to get out of

the area. Several of the owners of hangers at the Swansboro Runway have graciously stated they will open their hangers to the community in the event an evacuation is necessary. This evacuation effort most likely start off with a reverse 911 call from the Sheriff's office notifying that you need to evacuate. Working with the Mosquito Fire Department Support Group and the American Red Cross. An area for animals has also been established for evacuation and will be controlled by the El Dorado County Animal Control and the Support Group.

I don't want to scare anyone, but I want you to realize that we live in a world of risk. Fires are a part of living in the state of California and especially in the foothills. Therefore we have to be ready, do some planning with your family, get important personnel papers together, rely on common sense thinking and above all, be safe.

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association
by Leslie Baumgartner

What a beautiful beginning to summer! The cool weather sure spoils everyone. I wish to thank Joe and Lynda Lima for their help at Finnon Lake mowing and weed-eating around the campground, It looks great! MVFA has some great summer opportunities for the whole family. Now is the time to teach the kids about the great outdoors and the spirit of volunteering! Take a weekend and spend it camping at Finnon Lake, quiet, close, beautiful and affordable. Spend a day out on the disc golf course, just walk it or toss a few discs, don't forget to stop at the Rock Creek Café for a cool drink after. Great exercise and fresh air. Take a early morning or evening trip to the lake and try some fishing, early bird watching, tadpole hunting, minnow seeking or just seeing how many critters the little folks can observe. Hike or ride your bike around the lake and stop for a treat at the Rock Creek Café after. Get the family involved with a campsite project at Finnon Lake, then spend the night at the site you created.

Hopefully everyone will be able to attend the Fourth of July celebration at Finnon Lake and the Rock Creek Café. Fireworks over the lake will be a real treat and a forever memory of a community that celebrates together. Be sure to have your blankets spread out by dusk so you can watch from the shore.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our Annual Community Picnic on July 18th at Dyer Lake starting at 11:00 am. There will be fun for all, so do plan on attending.

If you wish to do a volunteer project at Finnon Lake, or volunteer for a weekend doing clean up please give me a call at 626-1204 and we would be happy to set you up. Remember this is a great asset to our community and while waiting on the long grant process to take place, getting the rest of the property fixed up will be a bonus.

Please join us at the next board meeting held on July 2nd, 7pm at the Fire Station. Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month and everyone in our community is welcome and encouraged to attend. Hope to see you there.

SCPOA Report

by Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick

Our big issue the last couple of months has been determining the road work to be done, putting together a bid package and reviewing the bids that came in. We are pleased to announce that we received some very competitive bids and have chosen Delta Construction to do the work for us. They are the same company that did our last road and runway work and apparently really like working up here since they ended up being the lowest bid this time around. The bonus of the low bid will be that we can do more work than we planned, at this point the roads that will be done are: Swansboro road from Claim to the end, Stope from E Highgrade to Maidu, Maidu near Dogwood to the intersection of Log Cabin and then out log cabin as far as our funds will take it. The costs for road work are the lowest by far that they have been in a long while so we are going to try to catch up on as much as possible. If you are interested in getting a quote on your own project while Delta is up here you can contact them at 916-364-0292 to see if they can assist you. We do not have a schedule when the work will start yet but as soon as we do it will be announced in the Byte.

Johnathan and Kevin have been busy prepping, cleaning and brushing along the roads that will be worked on so they'll be ready when the contractor is, they will resume other road work when all the prep work is done. Johnathan also wanted to look into the possible purchase of an older dump truck that he

could use for hauling brush and dirt from ditching, costs will be looked into and then a decision can be made.

Dyer Lake is looking great with the expanded beaches on both sides and a good water level thanks to all of the rain this spring, which has so far remained at a nice level. We will be adding water to the lake at a constant flow for the next month to see the effects on the level while monitoring the expense.

The budget committee has been reviewing our current financial's and Browning Reserve in order to determine our options as far as potentially paying down some of our loan as well as doing more road work. Thank you to Barb Mikels who has been a huge asset in helping us understand the reserve study and making suggestions of some possible options. We are still in the process of renegotiating our loan and have been offered a decent proposal but are continuing to see if we can do better. We will be having more meetings so if you are interested in learning more or would like to participate watch for the signs announcing the meetings and please come join us.

Last month I forgot to give an update on some news regarding law suits brought by an individual who, in the past, has been a significant expense for our Association. Many of you probably remember Don Lee and his seemingly endless lawsuits against SCPOA. One suit was about his dogs in which, with the assistance of animal control, SCPOA was successful in getting them declared potentially dangerous animals. These are the same dogs that have led to the criminal charges he now faces after they allegedly attacked an elderly lady in Pollock Pines. In the last case that Mr. Lee brought against SCPOA, the judge finally ruled in our favor issuing a judgement against Mr. Lee. SCPOA was awarded costs and the issue ended. Unfortunately, SCPOA will see no money from this judgement. Any money that might be collected will go back to the insurance company who paid the bills during the trial process. But again it will finalize another judgement against Mr. Lee.

Our next meeting will be Monday July 13th, at 6:00 PM at the Fire Station, we hope to see you.

MVFA COMMUNITY PICNIC JULY 18th

by Teresa Wren

The annual MVFA community picnic is just around the corner. Sandi Brauns and I visited the fire department on their Tuesday night training to ask for their help with the upcoming picnic. The firefighters were very helpful offering to do the set-up, tear down; bringing the fire trucks and tender, working the beer station, and Joe Lima along with Neil Matheny have once again offered to barbeque for all us. Leo Chaloux is working hard at getting us the dunk tank for the picnic. Chief Bob Davis and Mary Joseph have even offered to do the kids games. I was so impressed by the fire departments enthusiasm to help make this a successful event for the community.



We are still accepting raffle prizes for the picnic. Just recently we received a \$50 certificate and other goodies for your pet from Pameia Steinke from Veterinary Clinic of Mosquito, a CD/DVD player from Alexander Harvey, two framed Kinkadee prints from Thomas Kinkadee Gallery, a \$100 Gift Certificate from Goldsmith Gallery and The Rock Creek Café is donating a "Personal Chef for 2 Dinner" and six \$25 gift certificates, 3-1/2 hour airplane rides donated by local pilots, Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick, Dick Rood and Ralph Hern. We are still looking for donations so pick up the phone and show some real **Mosquito Spirit** and give Sandi Brauns a call at 626-6248.

We look forward to seeing you on **Saturday, July 18th from 11am to 4pm** and don't forget to **bring a salad or dessert**. If your last name begins with A-M salads are needed and N-Z desserts would be great. The suggested donation is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Beer, soda and water will be available for purchase.

If you can help out or have any questions please give co-chairs Mary Ann Haywood at 622-5477 or Teresa Wren at 622-3903 a call.

A **Special Thank You** to all who have already donated.

Cardboard Boat Race

by Debbie Rood

REMINDER... Mountain Fellowship's CARDBOARD BOAT RACE will be on Sunday July 12th, 2:00pm at Dyer Lake. *We will be holding 2 races this year. One will be for the Middle School kids only and the other will be open to whoever wants to participate.* Here's the rules for both races (Note some slight changes from those published last month):

- Boats and oars are to be constructed of cardboard and duct tape ONLY.
- 2 people per boat riding **inside**.
- Middle School boats must be built by the kids, any boat obviously built by adults will be disqualified.
- Boats and teams must be complete and on the starting line at 2:00 pm in order to race.
- Both team members and boats must cross the finish line in order to win a prize.
- **Life jackets are required for all participants, you will not be allowed to race without one.**

We will also be having a potluck lunch starting at 1:00 pm so bring a dish to share or just come on down for a great event that is sure to bring lot of laughs!

If you would like to donate duct tape to the Middle School Youth Group or if you have any questions call Debbie at 642-0695

Crafters

by Sharon Hern

Our third Craft Sale will held at the Community Picnic on July 18th. There will be summer items and year round yard decorations available as well as unique gifts for all. All of the proceeds from our Craft Sales benefit our Volunteer Fire Department. Stop by browse, visit and buy.

All are welcome at our craft meetings, you need not be crafty to attend. We have a lot of projects in the works with something for everyone to do. Coffee, tea and goodies served along with friendship.

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

Mosquito Prevention by Front Yard Nursery

If you were plagued by mosquitoes this spring (and still are), here are a few facts to help you learn more about these pesky bloodsuckers.

Mosquito Facts

- Only female mosquitoes bite. They require a "blood meal" in order to develop eggs. Most females lay their eggs on standing water (even a few tablespoons of water in a flower pot will work).
- After the eggs hatch, they become swimming larvae, and then mature into adults. Mosquito larvae are an important source of food for some fish, birds, and bats.
- Twenty-four hours after hatching, the females fly off in search of a meal. They are attracted to body warmth, odor, moisture, and the carbon dioxide we exhale.
- When the female bites, she injects a bit of saliva that slows coagulation so blood flows freely. Your body's allergic reaction cause the itchy bite later on.

What you can do:

- Look for places where rainwater collects and stands. Fill all holes and depressions. Drain flower pots, children's pools and toys. Flush birdbaths weekly. Clean gutters and drains, and cover cesspools. Remove debris like cans, bottles, and old car tires.
- When you can't flush or drain stagnant areas, use a Bt product like Mosquito Dunks. Bt is a live bacteria that is deadly to mosquito larvae but harmless to other living things. It is also available in granular form by Bayer for numerous wet areas.
- Stock ponds with fish. Goldfish and freshwater minnows will eat mosquito larvae.
- Mosquitoes can carry canine heartworm so make sure your dogs get a heartworm pill once a month.

News From The Café by Frank Ethridge

Well here it is already July, what a strange summer so far, the weather has been quite the surprise, hopefully it will hold until the 4th for the Fireworks show and BBQ. The cost of the BBQ dinner is

\$10.00 and starts at 4:00pm, come on down and enjoy.

Having a backyard Bar-B-Que or a Summer get together? Need a little extra help? Give us a call at 622-0210. I truly wish to thank everyone for their support of the café, and the MVFA.

Thank You,
The Staff at the Rock Creek Café

Recipe of the Month by Chef Frank

I have received a number of email requests for my recipe for the Cole slaw that we serve so here it is.

Old fashioned Cole Slaw

Slaw mix (1head White cabbage, ½ head red cabbage and 2 shredded carrots or can be pre made-store bought)

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 slaw mix.
Enjoy this with your favorite summer dishes.

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>

WANTED:

MOSQUITO YOUTH SPORTS

Are you tired of driving up and down the hill for sports team practices and games? We would like to get in touch local parents of school age children to put together something (group sports training, team(s), league?) here in Mosquito. Please contact Michael or Belinda at 363-4793 if you are interested. (7)

WHO TOOK IT???

To the person who has taken down two of my signs advertising the COMMUNITY July fourth Fireworks and BBQ event, I would like the signs, especially the wooden one, returned to the Rock Creek Cafe. The reverse side of this wooden sign advertises the Cafe's Anniversary BBQ and they will use it again next year. I'm not sure why these signs were taken from the Mosquito cutoff, but if anyone knows about them, or knows where they are, please call me at 642-2333, and I will be happy to pick them up, or just drop them off at the Cafe, no questions asked. Thank you! Dee Harris

RIDING LESSONS-Is anyone giving horseback riding lessons up on the hill? Looking for riding lessons, western eq/pleasure for my kid. Your arena, my horse or yours. Must be reasonable. Please email info to Crystie bronchospaz@wildblue.net (6)

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FOR SALE:

Ceiling fan: \$10.00. Queen bed oak headboard: \$10.00. Call Dee at 642-2333 (7)

Like new, dining room table, 2 arm chairs, 4 straight chairs. Microfiber – light tan padded seats & backs. 42 x 68 + 2 – 18" leaves. \$250, call Arlene at 626-8812 (7)

SINGLE WIDE MOBILE HOME- 1977 Biltmore, 2 bd - 1ba., lg front deck, 2 storage sheds. Ref., wash/dryer included. Diamond Springs All Age Park. \$11,000 as is. Call 621-0897 (6)

PRE-MOVING SALE: Almost new 2 person jacuzzi (complete with cover; no installation) - \$1200; solid wood (not sure if oak or pecan!!) dining table with leaves, 6 chairs, and table pads - \$500; maple hutch - \$125; and leather chair (dark brown) - \$85. 626-8689 (h) or 642-4878 (w) (6)

WINDOWS- 5 Certentied windows. 1'6" X 6', fixed dual pane. Make offer. Call Fred 626-4281 (6)

ORGANIC HEIRLOOM TOMATO PLANTS - Many varieties and colors including white, orange, purple, green and red. Ready to transition outside for delicious eating this summer. \$.50 each, call 621-1049 (5)

TORTOISE - Small female with aquarium, heat lamp, bowls included \$60. Call 295-1156 (5)

WOOD STOVE \$100 – Model: Buffalo II. Western style with buffalo medallions on doors. All black cast iron. Overall dimensions are 29 ¼ inches long, 31 ½ inches high, and 25 inches deep. Fire box dimensions are 27 inches long, 17 inches high, and 20 inches deep. Includes 11 ft of stove pipe and 2 elbows. Call 530-344-0711. Kimberly Coleman (5)

Community Picnic July 18th

11 to 4

Dyer Lake



July 2009

Community Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED			<p>1</p> <p>\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Lasagna</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>4th of July</p> <p>Fireworks at Finnon Lake at dusk</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Chicken Pot Pie</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p> <p>1:00 PM Cardboard Boat Race at Dyer Lake</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:00 PM SCPOA Meeting</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Meat Loaf</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>11:00 AM Community Picnic at Dyer Lake</p> 
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Tostadas</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Craft Meeting see page 4</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>\$7.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Soup & Sandwich</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>** ROCK CREEK CAFE OFFERS A VEGETARIAN DISH ALONG WITH FAMILY NIGHT SPECIALS</p>

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