MOSQUITO BYTE

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Chief's Corner by Chief Bob Davis

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On 9-22-09 we had our third wildland fire in our District during this fire season. I was in a meeting when Floyd came into the office to report that the lookout tower on Bald Mountain was picking up smoke on the south side of the canyon near Cable road and 11N88 (a Forest Service road). Any fire on the south side of the canyon always concerns me because of the chance that the fire could "spot" over on our side.

I drove to the end of White Oak to see if I could see any smoke, but I could not. So I then drove to a home at the end of Cable View Ct. where the resident's deck provides a great view of Slab Creek reservoir and the south side of the canyon. Getting no response at the front door, I went to the back deck to see if I could see any smoke. About the same time, a radio message from "Copter 516" reported that they were over the fire and the fire was in the Swansboro subdivision. Hearing this I ran back to my vehicle and on my way I ran right past the front door just as the homeowner was coming out. As I ran by I said I would be back to explain.

I reported to dispatch that I was in the area and to have Copter 516 direct me in to where they had spotted the fire. There was no response from Copter 516 so I started toward the area where I thought they were. I came up to the intersection of Log Cabin and Deer Canyon Ct. and stopped to listen to the radio hoping for more information from Copter 516. They reported that they were on scene, but gave no clue to where "on scene" was. My gut said turn right and head down Deer Canyon Ct., but my mind was telling me that the fire was further down the canyon. I listened to my "gut" and drove down Deer Canyon Ct.

At the end of the Court, I looked to my left and saw the smoke. I reported to dispatch that I was on scene and they immediately asked for an address. I reported that there were <u>no address numbers</u> visible at the driveway.

Turning into the driveway, the smoke was so thick that I could barely make out what looked to be a house. At this time I thought we had a structure fire. But by the time I got out of my vehicle and put on my fire fighting gear, the wind had changed direction and I was a little relived to see that we only had a wildland fire and not a structure fire.

I reported to dispatch that the fire was burning down the hill in light fuel with a slow rate of spread. I grabbed a water hose at the residence and started to put water on the fire, Copter 516 came on the radio and said they were inbound for a water drop. Sure enough they dropped the water as I was scrambling for protection from the eve of the house. I didn't make it and got a very thorough soaking!

Fortunately, the home owner had done some fuel reduction around the property which helped protect the home and helped prevent the fire from taking off.

It is kind of surreal to be standing there with 30' of fire line in front of you and all you have is a garden hose. I did the best I could until the "troops" arrived. Also it was nice to know that I had Copter 516 over head in case the fire got worse. Our Mosquito Volunteers arrived and with the help of water drops from Copter 516 the fire was knocked down and we got a "wet line" around the fire.

A short time later, the fire fighters from Copter 516 showed up to assist us. I found out later that Copter 516 had set down in a field at Maidu and Log Cabin to let the Fire Fighters out and hook up the bucket up so they could dip for water. The Fire Fighter's started to hike towards the fire when a passerby in a pickup stopped and told the Fire Fighters to jump in the back and gave them a ride to the fire. I would like to give a BIG THANKS to this person. To top it off this person in the pickup waited around and gave the Fire

Fighter's a ride back to the landing site. THAT'S A COMMUNITY PULLING TOGETHER!

After "cutting a line" (removing the fuel all around the burn area), we began the task of mopping up the hot spots. By the time that was completed, Cal-Fire had arrived. Since wildland fires are their responsibility we turned the fire over to them and returned to the station.

All in all, it turned out good this time. Nobody was hurt, no lost structures and minimal property damage. Had this fire been early in the day when the winds were stronger it could have been a lot worse so PLEASE BE FIRE SAFE AND MARK YOUR ADDRESS AT THE ENTRANCE OF YOUR DRIVEWAY!

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association

by Leslie Baumgartner

The first rains are here, the fall colors are out and the red colors of the poison oak are so beautiful! Like I'm sure many of you are, I am working on raking leaves, picking up acorns and getting my brush cutting started for the winter burn season. The corn stalks are also looking spooky and that reminds me of our fantastic Halloween Party that we had on October 24th. Many **THANKS** to Alyson Fox and all of her workers for a great party. All of our Ghosts and Goblins sure had a good time (many older Ghosts and Goblins did too).

Next will be our Christmas party on December 12th. This is the event that the kids love second to Halloween, Santa is always a hit and he will be there with his notepad to see what all of the children are hoping to find under their Christmas Tree. Parents you might be surprised to find what they really want!

Each year the MVFA partners with the community and the Swansboro Pilot's Association to gather food and gifts to distribute to our less fortunate neighbors, so now is a good time to start thinking about them. Please take a look at the following article about our annual food and gift drive.

December is also the time when we elect new Board Members for MVFA to replace those whose terms are expiring. If you have any interest in seeing how the Board operates and what lies ahead, please consider sitting in on our November meeting. Your participation CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE! The

meeting will be on November 5th at 7pm at the Fire Station.

Speaking of the November meeting, the Finnon property will be on the agenda. Please join us to find out the latest on what's happening with Finnon Lake and also to have an opportunity to help us decide the best route to take for the benefit of the community as a whole.

FOOD AND GIFT BASKET DRIVE

By Mary Ann Haywood

Once again we hope to gather enough food and gifts to share with our neighbors in need. Please start thinking about how you can help a neighbor who is in need with either donations of food or gifts. If you know someone or you could use some help this season, give the names to the folks at the fire station or call 622-5477. Last year we had the opportunity to give many of our neighbors a full Christmas meal as well as some great gifts for many others. Canned food and boxed food items that are still sealed and NOT outdated are needed. Please remember however that this is not the time to empty your cupboards of partly used or outdated items, it takes time to sort these things out and we must throw away those things that can't be used. Perishable items can not be accepted. Gifts should be unwrapped so they can be matched to the child. Thank you for your help and may you all find the season bright.

SCPOA Report

by Kim Purcell-Kikpatrick

Due to scheduling conflicts, we ended up having our September meeting at the end of the month which was followed two weeks later by our October meeting so here is the summary from both meetings.

The maintenance crew, Johnathan and Kevin, have been very busy prepping the roads and common areas for winter. They have been brushing, ditching and clearing areas along the roads to improve drainage as well as patching pot holes as temperatures allow. In the process of ditching, they have discovered several driveways that did not have culverts. Letters were sent to the property owners asking them to have the culverts installed, otherwise they could be responsible for any road damage that occurred due to drainage issues. We would like to thank those who responded quickly to the request.

The maintenance crew will continue patching pot holes but as the temperatures drop the material becomes very difficult to work with and makes the process unproductive. Other maintenance projects in progress are clearing the backside of Trout lake of the brush and trees that have grown over the years. Removing the old fencing along the north side of Rock Creek Road in preparation for installation of vinyl fencing and removing a small boat from Catfish lake that appeared to have been abandoned. (If you are missing the boat please contact our secretary to claim it otherwise it will be donated to the fire department.)

Our Secretary Lynda has been doing a great job in collecting delinquent dues. She diligently follows up with mortgage companies and has been successful in recovering a significant amount. She has also been working with members to establish payment plans or whatever is needed. If you are behind in your dues or think that you might be getting that way, please contact her at 621-0309 and she will be happy to work with you. We are all responsible for paying our portion and those who don't pay put an extra burden on everyone else. We currently have just over \$61,000 still owed. \$12,000 due to forclosures, \$21,000 in collections, \$10,000 in non-payments not yet sent to collections and \$17,000 in those making payments.

We will be in the process of putting next years budget together in November. Signs will be posted for the meetings for those who are interested in having input to the budget. If you are unable to make the meetings but would still like to have a say, please contact SCPOA via an email or by writing a note with your suggestions so that they can be considered. The final budget will probably be approved at the December meeting so please plan to participate with constructive ideas.

The board has looked into some suggestions for improvements in some of our common areas, including an aeration system for Dyer and clearing the vegetation at Twin Ponds. The aeration system would improve the quality of Dyer but at this time the cost and logistics for providing power are higher then we can consider. We also received a quote for removing the cat tails from Twin Ponds, this was just over \$20,000 and not viable due to our budget. Johnathan and Kevin will continue to do what improvements they can to the area.

The runway is in very good shape but there's still brush that needs to be removed by a couple of homeowners, a commitment was given to have it done within the next month by one and the other has been working on it.

The attendance at out monthly meetings over the last year has been very low, maybe Monday evenings are not a good time for people. We will be putting together another survey for the December packet looking for suggestions on a number of issues but we really need to hear from our members as to what we can do to increase participation. Please consider coming to a meeting to give us your input, the next one will be Monday November 9th at the Fire Station at 6:00 PM. We hope that you can attend.

Runway Safety

by Kim Purcell-Kirkpatrick

Lately it has been noted that there are more people walking on the runway. This could be a huge safety issue. It's been reported that several aircraft have had to abort their landings due to people, usually kids, who have not heard an inbound aircraft. This seems to be most prevalent when people are walking toward the east in the direction of Dyer Lake.

Here's some tips to help us all. If you are going to be on the airport, please stay off to the side in the dirt if possible. Be very alert for approaching aircraft so that you can move well off to the side if one is inbound to land. Standing next to the runway is very dangerous because the pilots don't know if you are aware of their approach or what your intentions are. Also, if for some reason a plane were to swerve off center (a possibility due to our often gusty winds) you could be hit by a wing or propellor. Many of our aircraft can be amazingly quiet on approach and although you may think you are paying attention you may not hear them so please be very alert.

A late go around can be a difficult and risky maneuver so please remain off the asphalt of the runway. If you are going to be at the airport or near the runway, please understand the dangers of being around an operating airport and aircraft. If you have any questions feel free to ask any of the pilots, they will be happy to answer your questions.

Lava Cap Winery Comes to Mosquito! by Barbara Beachman

The Swansboro Pilot's Association invites the community to join them at their next "Night Out" event. They have teamed up with Frank & Heidi at the Rock Creek Café for another spectacular evening!

Come and join us on Saturday, November 21st at 5:30 PM for a Wine Tasting and food pairing featuring Lava Cap Wines. The tasting will pair four of Lava Cap Wines with some outstanding samples of tasty treats from Frank's kitchen! A representative from Lava Cap will be there to guide us in tasting the wine and how they work with the samples of food. We will learn about the wines, and some history about this local winery. The cost of the tasting is \$10 per person. After the tasting, stay with us for dinner! The cost of dinner is not included in the wine tasting fee.

Space is limited! Please make your reservation today by calling the Rock Creek Café at 622-0210. We hope to see you there!

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK By Mary Ann Haywood

The Annual Christmas Potluck is in the planning stages! Santa will be at the Mosquito Fire Station on December 12th from 5 PM to 6 PM so all the children will have time to tell Santa what they would like to find under their tree (parents you can listen in also). Dinner will begin at 6 PM. If your last name begins with A-H please bring a side dish to share, I-N please bring a salad and O-Z gets to bring the desserts. MVFA will provide the drinks and main dish. We will have a great time just being together and catching up with old neighbors and new neighbors on the "Hill". See you all on December 12th.

The Pumpkin Patch was a Hit! by Barbara Beacham

To the community that participated in our first ever Pumpkin Patch, thank you for your support! We had 45 pumpkins to sell, and we sold them all! Thanks to you we brought in \$185.00 in total to donate to the Fire Station Face Lift Fund. We are hoping to bring in a bit more at the Halloween party from those who did not buy their pumpkin with us. From the pumpkin

patch we have 22 kids entered into the carving contest!

Thanks also go out to Bob Davis and Leo Chaloux. for assistance with setting up the sale site, Ethel Behymer for helping with the set up and sale and to Darlene Rood for the donation of pumpkin stakes that were also sold! Thanks also goes out to my husband Paul for his help with all the signs and moving 45 pumpkins around numerous times!

We are really looking forward to the Halloween Party and seeing what the kids have done with their pumpkins! Thanks again to everyone! We are looking forward to doing this again next year.

Bunco Thank You

by Sandi Brauns

THANKS to everyone who came out to our Bunco night. We raised \$370.00 toward the Fire Station Face Lift. Also, a big "Thank You" to the Bunco Babes for all the food and prizes that were donated for the event and to Dee Harris for painting and putting out the signs for bunco. Hopefully we can do this again for a good cause. Hope everyone had a good time!!!!!

Crafters

by Sharon Hern

Our final Craft Sale will be held at the Cold Springs Community Church, 2600 Cold Springs Road on Friday November 13th 9-5 and Saturday November 14th 9-3. We have a variety of "Holiday" items for sale, both Fall and Christmas. We hope to see you there. Our proceeds from our craft sales are used to support community activities and projects.

We will resume our Craft Meetings in January.

Thank You Mosquito Road Driver

by Jerry & Kathy Wuestewald

We wish to thank the driver of a small white car who was going to town on 9-24-09 and pulled over and let us pass. I was flashing my lights and honking my horn just above the bridge on the Placerville side of Mosquito Road trying to rush my daughter to the hospital. We thought she was having heart attack but it turned out she was reacting to a new medication that the Dr. had prescribed for her the day before.

She is doing fine now and is still under Dr's care. Thanks again to the young gentleman for pulling over for us to go by and being so courteous.

News from the Café

by Frank Ethridge

Well another month has passed and the leaves are changing color and falling. We thank you for coming out and supporting us. The good news is despite the economy we are still here. But we are going to have to change our operating hours. For the last month we have asked the community whether they would like us to be open for lunch or for dinner (economically we can't do both right now) and the community has spoken. Our new hours of operations will be starting Wednesday November 4th—Wednesday through Friday 4 PM to 9 PM. Saturday and Sunday 8 AM to 8 PM. We will reevaluate our hours in the spring. The café will be available during the day for private parties.

Nightly Dinner Specials:

Wednesday Family Night- See the calendar

on the last page

Thursday

Prime Rib Beef Tacos

Friday Saturday

BBQ Dinners

Sunday

Meatloaf or Fried Chicken

Dinners

For all your catering needs please give us a call or come down and we can customize a menu for you and your event. Thanksgiving is almost upon us and we will help you with your side dishes or dinners as you need. We will not be open on Thanksgiving Day as we too will be spending time with our loved ones. As you look forward to Christmas and the parties and friends that drop by, don't forget us for all your catering needs and specials dinners.

Recipe for the Month

by Chef Frank

Beer Cheese Soup by request

Ingredients:

2 tablespoon butter
½ cup chopped onion
½ teaspoon minced garlic
½ cup of your favorite salsa
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

12 ounces beer

16 ounces chicken or vegetable stock

4 tablespoons cornstarch

2 cups half and half

2 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese

Directions:

Melt the butter or margarine in a 4 1/2 quart soup pot over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic, and salsa and Worcestershire sauce and stir well.

Add the beer and raise the heat to high and boil for 3 minutes to evaporate the alcohol. Add the broth and bring the soup back to a boil. Lower the heat to medium-low and simmer.

Combine the cornstarch with 3 tablespoons water and stir until smooth. Set aside.

Add the half-and-half and shredded cheese to the soup. Stir constantly until the cheese melts. Then stir in the cornstarch mixture.

Stir constantly until the soup is thick, about 2 minutes. Serve garnished with more grated cheese.

Serves 4 Ready In less than 30 minutes

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.

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-qpr.org/index.html

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

GROUP EXERCISE CLASS:

Group exercise is a great way to get in shape, maintain fitness, and stay committed to your fitness goals. 1 hour class 3 times a week, includes cardio/fat burning, shape muscles and strengthen, stretch and relaxation. Group exercise class is limited, please call Paisha Weaver if interested. Home 642-8991or Cell 409-1317, please leave name and number!

GARAGE-BARN SALE - Saturday and Sunday (November 7th & 8th)- WEATHER PERMITTING!!

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. *** 7280 MOSQUITO RD *** Great variety of stuff!!! Some furniture - some tools - chipper/shredder - some tack - some kitchen ware - hammocks - Mexican Blankets. Some items are new some lightly used. Multiple families are participating. NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE

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Community Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Daylight Savings Time Ends	2	3	\$6.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Chili & Corn Bread	7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting	6	7 10:00 AM Support Group
8	9 6:00 PM SCPOA Meeting	10	\$6.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Tostadas Veterans' Day	12 8:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting	13	14
15	16	17	\$6.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Corn Beef & Cabbage	19	20	21
22	23	24	\$6.50 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe ** Oven Roasted Chicken	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30	ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED			**ROCK CREEK CAFE OFFERS A VEGETARIAN DISH ALONG WITH FAMILY NIGHT SPECIALS	

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