

# MOSQUITO BYTE

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## So Long!

The July Byte is here and it is my last one as your Byte Editor. Working with the Byte for these last 9 years has been both fun and rewarding for me but as I said in the April issue, it's time for me to direct my energies elsewhere. I want to express my thanks to all of you who have contributed articles, offered suggestions, helped with the mailing, etc. You made my task a whole lot easier.

This is also the last Byte for my "Ad Coordinator", Gail Barritt. For the last couple of years .Gail has been the contact point for gathering and validating the ads each month. It's a time consuming task and Gail's help was immeasurable. Thanks very, very much Gail.

Now let me introduce you to your new Byte editor, Jake Pritchard. Jake has lived in the community for the last 5 years. He is a member of the MVFA Board of Directors and a Volunteer Firefighter. Jake is still assembling a "Byte Team" but for now you can contact him for Byte articles, ads and other information at Cell# 707-803-3676 or [jpritchard7572@yahoo.com](mailto:jpritchard7572@yahoo.com)

Sharon Hem

## Chief's Corner by Chief Bob Davis

Once again, the Big Boy Toy Show was a huge success. I want to thank MVFA, Support Group, Crafters, Dee Harris for the great signs, Fire Fighters and all others for volunteering their time and hard work.

I don't know about anyone else but I'm tired of "weed eating"! I've weeded around my place 3 times already. Because of the heavy rain in May and cool nights, there's still a lot of green grass around the District. But as you can see the hot weather is rapidly turning the grass brown and dry.

**Cal-Fire has announced that all burning will stop on July 1<sup>st</sup>. That means NO MORE BURN PILES.**

Many homeowners assume that, if a fire does threaten their community, a firefighting crew will magically materialize in their driveway and prevent the fire from touching their house. Don't count on it.

During the 2007 California Firestorm, firefighting resources-even on the fringes of a major metropolitan area like San Bernardino-where inadequate to provide protection to many homes within the city's outlying districts. Even with the addition of thousands of firefighters from all over the U.S. most were scattered along the hills in a vain effort to halt the advance of the fire. With embers and flaming debris being carried for miles on the gusting winds, there simply weren't enough fire crews to protect every home. Added to this equation is the fact that firefighters know they are stretched thin and will be unable to defend every home in their area. As a result, they assess how defensible the properties in their area are and then write off the homes that are clearly indefensible.

This raises the question:

**Do you want your home to be written off as a lost cause or have the additional protection of firefighters who feel there's a chance to save it?**

Another factor is how hot the fire is burning. There is a general rule of thumb that fire crews use to determine

what level of response they need to stop a fire. Fires with flames of four feet or less height can be contained by hand crews with hoses and hand tools. Fires with flames between four and eleven feet in height require heavy equipment and maybe even retardant-dropping aircraft. Fires with flames larger than this require prayer, because barring a miracle, nothing man can devise will stop the fire—except, perhaps,

**“Having a defensible perimeter already in place.”**

Our wildland fire problem is not a unique one as you have seen on the news. Many acres and homes can be lost to fire in a matter of minutes as seen last year in the town of Auburn. There are many reasons: weather, heavy brush and fuel loads, and the many homes in the rural areas.

I don't want to scare anyone and be the harpy of doom and gloom but I also want you to realize that we live in a world of risk. We don't have tornadoes, (most of the time), floods, hurricanes, earthquakes (most of the time) but we do have wild land fires. They 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 Teresa Wren

We had a great turn out for the Mosquito 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Big Boy Toy Show”. There were about 20 classic cars, airplanes on display and one motorcycle owned by Tom Harris, who won the Peoples Choice Award. This year Chief Bob Davis's wife, Elvia and her sister and brother-in law did a wonderful job at the BBQ. Neil Matheny donated wine, poured it by the glass, and gave us the profits. I would like to thank the support group, the volunteer firefighters, MVFA Board and all the volunteers who pitched in and helped make this event a success.

Our next event is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks at Finnon Lake beginning at dusk. Barbara Beacham is chairing this event this year. Frank & Heidi from the Rock Creek Café are doing a barbecue again this year. Plan on eating then maybe taking a walk around the lake and get ready for some safe and sane fireworks. We had a big crowd last year so get there early, bring your lawn chair, blankets, and flashlights and enjoy the evening. July 17<sup>th</sup> is the annual MVFA picnic where we have another great get together. This year Fred Wilder, Jó Thomas and Barbara Beacham are co-chairing the

picnic. Joe Lima and Neil Matheny have offered to barbeque once again this year. The Firefighters are bringing the Fire Engines along with the Tender. I hear we are going to have some great games for the kids and of course a raffle for all of us to enjoy. We are collecting raffle prizes, so if you have anything you might want to donate please give one of us a call. Thank you to all who have already donated.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 3pm and don't forget to bring a salad or side dish. If your last name begins with A-L desserts are needed and M-Z salads would be great. The suggested donation is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Beer, soda and water will be available for purchase.

Hope to see you at our next board meeting on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 7pm at the Fire Station.

**"Safe & Sane" Fireworks Are Coming to Mosquito!**  
by Barbara Beacham

The MVFA is proud to announce the 2nd Annual celebration of Independence Day with the "Safe & Sane" Fireworks Display at Finnon Lake on Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup>. Our very own Chief Bob Davis and his crew will once again put on a great display of Fireworks from the floating platform in the middle of Finnon Lake. The display will start at 9:00 pm and run for approximately one half hour.

Come early, as Frank and Heidi will be offering a barbecue at the Rock Creek Café, then stick around for the fun! Be sure to stop by the MVFA table to purchase your raffle tickets for the Raffle at the Community Picnic being held at Dyer Lake on the 17<sup>th</sup> of July, and make a donation for next year's fireworks, we will have a little something for you!

Thanks for your support and we look forward to seeing you on the 4<sup>th</sup>!

**JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
by Fred Wilder

This is the BIG one, the reeeeeeally BIG ONE. The annual MVFA Community Picnic is being held “in the good ol' summertime” at Dyer Lake from 11Am till 3PM on Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. Not only is this an opportunity to get to know our community, but a chance to connect/reconnect with friends and neighbors. This picnic is also a fund raiser for, and focuses on our Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association. Help us honor the brave and talented men and women who serve, and save us. We expect our firefighters will bring their BIG

engines and BIG hoses, and they may even give us a BIG spray to cool us off!

With Joe Lima manning the grill and Neil Matheny his able assistant, the burgers and hot dogs are sure to be mouth watering, with plenty of side dishes and desserts. Oh, let's not forget the watermelon. How many of you have always wanted to prove that you could spit a watermelon seed further than anyone else? Well, now's your chance to enter our seed spitting contest and claim the title of Grand Champeen Seed Spitter of Mosquito.

There will be games and entertainment for children of all ages, and of course prizes too. All game participants between the ages of 3 and 15 will receive a prize.

We are busily collecting varied and interesting raffle prizes, from artwork to electronics, sporting goods to airplane rides/lessons and lots of wonderful and exciting things in between. We are most grateful to everyone who has contributed prizes thus far.

We still need volunteers to help with set up, tear down and food management, and we're still looking for more raffle prize donations. If you have questions or can help in any way, please call Fred at 642-9783 or Barb at 626-5177

The suggested donation for lunch is \$6 for adults and \$3 per child. Soda, water, beer, etc. will also be available to purchase. So plan on having a good time without leaving the hill, bring beach towels, bathing suits, folding chairs, suntan lotion, etc., and if your last name begins with **A thru L please bring a dessert, M thru Z salads/sides** would be appreciated. A BIG thanks to everyone for your support.

### **The Chili Bar Fire, A Rural Chief's Recollections**

Thanks to the efforts of Jan Escamellia, Paul Hinds and Richard Paradise, MVFA is publishing a book about the Chili Bar Fire that occurred up here in September, 1979. The book contains recollections from many who were there, historical news items of the fire and many photos. This book will be on sale for \$20 at the Fireworks display at Finnon Lake on July 4<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm and at the Community Picnic on July 17<sup>th</sup>. Paul Hinds who was the Fire Chief at the time and was the major contributor will be available to sign your copy of the book at these 2 dates. Proceeds from the book sales will go to the MVFA- Firefighter Fund.

### **Cardboard Boat Race by Debbie Rood**

Mountain Fellowship would like to announce the return of the **CARDBOARD BOAT RACE** on Sunday July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm at Dyer Lake. We will be holding 3 races this year. One will be for the Elementary School kids, one for the Middle School kids and the other will be open to whoever wants to participate. The rules for all of the races will be the same and are as follows:

1. Boats and oars are to be constructed of cardboard and duct tape **ONLY**.
2. 2 people per boat riding **inside**.
3. Boats built for the Middle School race must be built by the kids. Any boat that is obviously built by adults will fall into the open race category.
4. Boats may be decorated with paint.
5. **NO** rude or obscene markings on boats. This is a family event.
6. Boats and teams must be complete and on the starting line at 2:00 pm in order to race.
7. Both team members and boats must cross the finish line in order to win a prize.
8. **Life jackets are required, 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 MFOM Youth Group or if you have any questions call Debbie at 642-0695

### **SCPOA Report by Kim Purcell-Kirkpatrick**

Johnathan and Kevin have been busy trying to keep up with all the new growth around the lakes. Thanks to a very generous donation from one of our members, mowing is now twice as efficient due to the addition of a second riding mower. Additionally, the weather has warmed enough to permit road patching, so that has begun. The potholes are in progress of being filled as are other road repairs. Repairs are also planned for the bench at Dyer lake and the crack in the floor of the pavilion at Dyer Lake.

There's just over \$30,000 in still delinquent accounts for this year. Some people are making payments and

others are just not responding. Liens will be placed on properties that owe back dues, if you are an owner who has not paid please contact Lynda at 621-0309 and discuss your options with her. Remember, we are all part of SCPOA and those who do not pay only place a greater burden on the rest of us.

Road bids are due and decisions will be made about which roads will be done based on cost, funds available, conditions of various roads and their use level. We had four very good companies come up to look at the work which needs to be done, they made suggestions and the bid package was revised to reflect these. A decision will be made at a special meeting which will be posted for all to attend as well as announced in next months Byte.

A reminder to all, the runway surface is not a place to be walking or riding a bicycle, if you wish to be out at the airport you need to be off the side of the pavement. When you see or hear a plane moving you need to move as far off the side as possible, stop and watch so the pilot knows you are paying attention.

A request was made to educate drivers on the dangers of speeding along our roads, there are no posted speed limit signs but for safety 30 mph should probably be the maximum. There are lots of kids and animals in our community and some houses don't have much separation from the road. So PLEASE slow down.

Last December's member packet included a survey seeking community input on a few issues. This is what we learned: (1) Monday evenings are best for the board meetings by a small margin; (2) Members are interested in using the website to see what's happening as well as using e-mail for important updates, decisions and commenting on these issues. The primary reason not to use the website was, no internet or only having dial up so it is too slow. We will be sending updates to those who requested them, these will be sent as blind copies to protect confidentiality; (3) suggestions for a location for a playground. Most wanted SCPOA to work with MVFA to place it at Finnon for the whole community, the second most popular response was no playground at either with the primary concern being expense; (4) There was a significant difference in opinions for our roads, by more then a 3 to 1 margin

people wanted the less expensive method for repairing our roads.

Our next meeting will be Monday July 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM at the fire station, we hope to see you there.

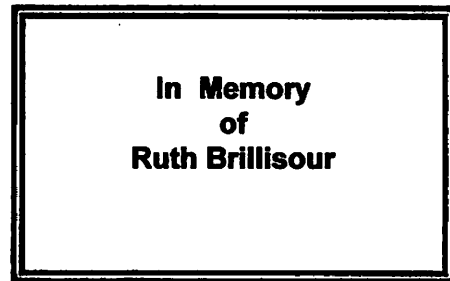
**Crafters**  
by Sharon Hern

We are continuing work on various craft projects with a summer look such as garden signs, bird feeders and other types of decorations. We need your expertise whatever it may be, come join the fun and friendships. Look for us at the Community Picnic. Our Craft display will be in the picnic area by the white fence. Get a start on our Fall decorations.

Our next meeting is July 23<sup>rd</sup> . Don't miss the fun! Our craft meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month at the home of Darlene Rood, 2211 Swansboro Road, from 10am to 12noon

**Antique/Classic Aircraft Display**  
by Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick

Want to take an up close look at some airplanes that are 35 years old and older? Now's your chance. Stop by the Swansboro Airport on Fri. July 9<sup>th</sup>, Sat. July 10<sup>th</sup> or Sun. July 11<sup>th</sup> between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM and take a look at the aircraft on display. Come see the great variety of aircraft. For further information please contact Kim at 621-1049.



**2009 Mosquito Phone Book Updates**  
Please contact Sharon Hern at 626-5268 with any additions or corrections.

**Additions:**  
Lykken, Rhiannon. . . . . 344-3050  
7095 Mosquito Road

### **And The Winner Is-** by Dustin K. Sears Sr.

First, I would like to thank Chief Davis for inviting me to come and set up my booth at the Big Boy Toy Show last month. I would like to also thank all of the Firemen and volunteers who help keep our way of life truckin up here on the "hill" with events like the Fireworks Show, the greatest I've ever seen; Community picnic; the big Boy Toy Show and other events as well. Me and my family enjoyed the fellowship with many friends and acquaintances and we met new folks up here also. We enjoyed the food, hats off to the chef. Many folks came over and spent time conversing about a variety of topics including WEED CONTROL (my plug) and if you know me, I love to talk so I was double blessed with food and conversation.

Now back to why I'm writ'n this now, I had a raffle at my booth and many folks asked me to let them know what the outcome was. I had a mason jar full of skittles and the person who guessed how many there were without going over won a brand new pump sprayer. So, without further ado, with a guess of 360, there were 365, the winner was Jennifer Ralphs. She is now the proud owner of a 2 gal. flow master garden sprayer and a mason jar full of candies. I hope and pray God gives me many more wonderful years up here and in between I hope to see ya'll at the events.

### **Bears in the Woods.** By Bob Lupient

Mosquito residents share the woods with many of our wild neighbors, including the California Black Bear. How often have you heard "What do we do if on a hike, we run into a bear? I'm afraid of bears"! We must be aware that there are NO recorded incidents of a black bear attack in California history. Grizzly Bears are a different story, but we don't have them in the Sierra Foothills.

According to Ann Bryant, Director of the Bear League, our bears are either timid or curious. They will either run away from you long before you ever see them or, if you're lucky, they might stay around and see what you're up to. To quote Ms Bryant from her quarterly newsletter..." If you see a mother bear who is accompanied by one or more cubs don't freak out. She will not attack you unless you are foolish and approach

her cubs and then only maybe, but don't do it. Black bears aren't like grizzly bears. They are actually quite tolerant of people being near their cubs, as long as you don't try to chase or touch or threaten the cubs."

If you want more information regarding how to live in harmony with those we share our forests, please visit [www.savebears.org](http://www.savebears.org). New members are welcome. Reprinted with permission Ann Bryant, Bear League

### **News From The Café** by Frank Ethridge

Hope you noticed the new signs for Finnon Lake and the Café. We wish to thank everyone who made them possible: Peter and Corinne Chapman for letting us put them on their property, Paul Beacham for the great work on putting them together and Dick Rood and Ralph Hern for their help planting the signs.

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 4<sup>th</sup> for the Fireworks show and BBQ - Adults \$12.50, 8-12 \$10.50, 8 & under free. It all 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

Having a bumper crop of Tomatoes, here is a quick recipe **Homemade Salsa**

1-1/2 c. diced green pepper  
8 c. diced tomato  
3 lg. diced onion  
2 to 5 Jalapeno peppers and seeds  
15 oz. tomato sauce  
3 cloves crushed garlic  
2 tbsp. vinegar  
1 tbsp. salt  
1 bunch Cilantro chopped

Instructions

Simmer all ingredients for 15 minutes. Mix 1/4 cup

water and 4 tablespoons cornstarch and add to mixture. Bring to a boil. Cool, and eat or put in containers and freeze.

### Classified Section

#### MEETINGS:

**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>

#### 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 642-8991 or Cell 409-1317, please leave your name and number!

#### FREE:

**FIREWOOD:** Big pile of pine logs close to the road for easy access. Cut and haul away as much as you'd like. Call Pam or Dave 621-3688. (6)

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**SHIPPING BOXES** varied sizes. Call Kim 621-2316 (6)

#### WANTED:

All CA CRV aluminum cans, beer bottles and plastic water bottles. Please drop off bags from 8-5 at the fire station or call 642-9783 for pick up service. MVFA THANKS YOU!

Got any carved, stuffed, or pix of fish? Call Dee at 642-2333. I'm sprucing up the Rock Creek Café, so come in and see! Pick up a delicious TAKE 'n BAKE pizza while you're there! (6)

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**OPTOMETRY CLINIC** - Dr. Dan Morrill in Placerville. Eye examinations, eyeglasses & contact lenses available at Precision Eyecare, 532 Main Street, Placerville. Open Tuesday thru Friday 9:00AM to 5:30PM, Saturday by appointment. Call 622-8300 - most insurance accepted. (New Patients Welcome!)

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**DROP-IN CHILDCARE-** Stay at home Christian mom willing to care for your child as need arises. One family per day, mildly sick children ok, all ages are welcome. I am a credentialed teacher, Swansboro resident for 9 years, and enjoy children. \$30/child/day Shelly Sears 344-8402

**CALIFORNIA GARDENS** - Landscape Design and Consultation. Web site – [www.california-gardens.com](http://www.california-gardens.com) or email – [li@california-gardens.com](mailto:li@california-gardens.com)

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**GLASS & CERAMIC ART** - Affordable handcrafted items made here in Mosquito! Studio open most days, call first. Do your gift shopping here on the hill. Call Pam Angelo at 621-3688

**REAL ESTATE SERVICES** - Specializing in Mosquito /Swansboro real estate. Debbie and Rusty Harris have 35 years experience "on the hill". Located next to the fire station. **SWANSBORO LAND AND HOMES** at 622-6822

**LET'S STOP POISONING OUR CHILDREN!** Household Chemicals, a Loaded Gun – "Of chemicals found in our homes, 150 have been linked to allergies, birth defects, cancer, and psychological abnormalities. Don't wait to make your home a healthier, safer place, call Angela or Debbie at 626-8536

**CHIMNEY SWEEP** - For hire, 33 years experience. Wood/pellet stoves, fireplaces, dryer vents, gutters. Repairs, installations, problem solving. Call Richard Smith at 306-2438 or scheduler, Karen at 306-6512

**FOR RENT:**

One bedroom apartment for rent in Mosquito near the Swansboro airport. \$540 per month. New hardwood floors, beautiful view, surrounded by trees. Very quiet and peaceful environment. No smokers or drugs or alcohol. Available June 1st. Please call Eric and Mirtha at (415) 678-9203 or (415) 859-9010. Location: Near Rock Creek Road and One Eye Creek Road. (6)

**FOR SALE:**

HOT POINT ref w/top freezer, white, 1 ½ yrs old, 67" H, 28"wide, 29 1/2"deep.\$150 call Debbie at 642-0695 (7)

**COUCH & LOVESEAT**- blue/tan/burgundy design. Good condition. \$175 OBO. Call 626-9288 (7)

**COUCH, LOVESEAT, CHAIR WITH OTTOMAN**, dark green. Couch, chair and ottoman in good condition. Loveseat has some kitty cat damage to back corner. \$125 for all pieces. Call 295-0527 (7)

Precor Prog. Treadmill b/o. Coleman 1600 watt generator \$50, Hoist complete gym b/o, Electric leaf blower 435, Craftsman wheeled weed trimmer b/o, Bolens 21" gas mover \$25. Call 344-1912. John & Donna Borchin (6)



DISH 301 basic receiver \$25.00. Tivo receiver with lifetime membership \$145.00 contact Jerry at 626-1140. (5)

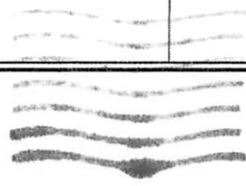
**VEGETABLES** - Heirloom tomato's and herbs for sale I have 20 varieties of heirloom tomato's in a variety of colors as well as basil, thyme and dill. They are started in my own composted soil, passing 6 inches tall and ready to move outside to plant. 621-1049 (5)



July 2010

**Community Happenings**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE FIRE STATION UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED</p> <p><b>**ROCK CREEK CAFE OFFERS A VEGETARIAN DISH ALONG WITH FAMILY NIGHT SPECIALS</b></p>				<p>1</p> <p>7:00 PM MVFA Board Meeting</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p>  <p>Safe &amp; Sane Fireworks at Finnon Lake see page 2</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>\$7.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Pork Chops &amp; Applesauce</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7:00 PM MFPD Board Meeting</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 AM Support Group</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6:00 PM SCPOA Meeting</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>\$7.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>1/2 Wrap &amp; Salad</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>11:00 AM Community Picnic at Dyer Lake</p> 
<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>\$7.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Mexican Combo #5</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Craft Meeting see page 4</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>\$7.00 Entree Family Night at Rock Creek Cafe **</p> <p>Spaghetti</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>



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