

# MOSQUITO BYTE

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## **“THE BUGLE”**

by Chief Tom Stuart

Your Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department continues to seek men and women who want to make a difference and meet the challenge to fill the boots as both volunteer firefighters and support group members. **No experience is necessary as we provide the training.**

At our recent Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on March 29, 2014 the Fire District honored many of your neighbors who comprise the Mosquito Fire Department's Volunteers, both as firefighters and support group members. As you may have often wondered, what is it that our volunteers do and how can I get involved? Please read on and perhaps we can spark some interest.

Your volunteer firefighters are the first line of defense in the case of fire, vehicle accident, hazardous materials incident, medical emergency, etc. You name it, they respond. Our volunteer firefighters work side by side with paid professional firefighters on any minor and major event. I think of our firefighters as professionals who don't get paid. They are priceless and your fire department could not function without them.

Our firefighters meet on Tuesday nights and Friday mornings for training at our local Fire Station 75. In their first year our firefighters are expected to attend a volunteer academy hosted by our neighboring fire departments. At the academy they study fire ground safety and teamwork, first aid, search and rescue, hazardous materials, vehicle extrication, fire extinguishing methods, ropes and knots, ladders, fire chemistry, command and control of incidents. The academy ends with a

final exam and an all-day live fire training exercise held at Georgetown Fire's realistic burn building. Our firefighters graduate with a well-rounded basic knowledge which prepares them to enter into the fire service.

The support group is comprised of men and women, ages 30's to 70's, both working and retired. Their main functions involve assisting the fire department during emergencies. This well organized group of talented individuals: staff the phones to answer citizen's questions, call up team members incrementally depending on the complexity of the emergency, set up road control measures to divert traffic away from an emergency scene to allow for greater firefighter safety, and operate the department's pump trailer to fill fire engines and water tenders.

Support members additionally provide logistical aid in shuttling fire personnel, food and water, and sundries to and from the fire station to the emergency scene. They can be expected to patrol roads during wind events and times of heavy rainfall to assess road conditions and to report if roadways, our lifeline for ambulances and mutual aid fire engines coming into our community, are compromised. Additionally, the support group would augment the pilot's association to set up the evacuation site at the Swansboro Airport. I could go on and on with what our support group does and this list above only attempts to share the myriad of tasks they would be expected to do. The support group serves a vital role in the success of the fire department and adds to the safety of the citizens of the community.

The ideal candidate for our volunteer programs should be dedicated, have a willingness to work in a team atmosphere, be able to follow directions from supervisory personnel, and be able to work day or night, sometimes in inclement weather. Additionally, firefighters can expect some dangerous fire and hazardous materials scenes, possibly see badly injured persons, plus a myriad of other technically challenging situations. Though most events are minor in nature, you never know when the "big one" will strike and test your body and mind both physically and emotionally.

If you feel you have what it takes to make a difference and meet the challenge, please stop by your fire station at 8801 Rock Creek Road across from the airport and fill out an application. You also may call us at 626-9017. Thank you for your interest.

Let's be careful out there!

### **MOSQUITO VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSN.**

by Teresa Wren

MVFA was able to pull off their 4<sup>th</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner without a hitch. We served a traditional corned beef, cabbage, carrots and red potatoes dinner at the fire station on March 15<sup>th</sup>. In the planning stages of the dinner when I asked for help several board members and one past board member stepped right up and were eager to assist with the food preparation. I received several comments on how good the food was and that's due to these excellent cooks: Dave Angelo, Linda Buchanan, Dee & Tom Harris, Mary Ann Haywood and Darcy Krieger. The cooks were also the servers along with Karryn Morris and MVFA's newest board member Clay Heironimus. Thank you all for your efforts and making this event so successful. I would also like to thank the set up crew lead by Tom Harris and Chief Stuart for having the fire station ready for us.

The youth group from Mountain Fellowship donated their time again this year to serve dinners to the community and they did a wonderful job. Thank you very much!

The community was very generous with the gifts for the raffle. We had gorgeous baskets with St. Patrick's Day themes, crocheted scarf and earrings, Kodak Personal Photo Scanner, cookie jar with a basket filled Girl Scout Cookies, a wonderful Popcorn Basket with all kinds of treats, Annieberries Boutique gift certificate, two wonderful band saw jewelry boxes, fused glass plates and a Run A Muk sign that brought lots of attention just to name a few items. Thank you to the following for their generous donations to MVFA's raffle: Don & Jeri Randall, Cindi Matsumoto, Darcy Krieger, Karen Holley, Dee Harris, Sandi Brauns, Dave and Pam Angelo, Lynda Lima, Linda Heyart, Sharon Hern, Mary Ann Haywood, Jo Thomas, Kathy tenNapel, Taffy Warner and Allison Moalli. You all made the event very special.

Our community is so giving of their time and donations it makes for a wonderful place to live. If I have forgotten anyone who took part or donated I apologize.

MVFA's next event is the Easter Egg Hunt on April 12<sup>th</sup> at Dyer Lake. This is a fun time for the children **BUT** be on time as the hunters are so good **it's over in seconds!!!** Thank you SCOPA for letting us use Dyer Lake for the Easter Egg Hunt. See more information in the BYTE concerning the event.

On another note, I am sad to say that we have been having a problem with people placing their household garbage in the Finnon garbage cans. This is attracting animals and they are scattering the garbage all over the parking lot. We all need to work together to keep Finnon clean as this property belongs to all of us.

Please join us at the next MVFA board Meeting on Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm at the fire station.

**Firehouse Crafters  
Spring Craft Sale  
April 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 12:00pm  
Dyer Lake Pavilion  
Easter and Spring decorations and  
Mother's Day Gifts  
Shop before and after the Easter Egg  
Hunt!**

## AARP Smart Driver Refresher Course

by Ralph Hern

A 4 ½ hour AARP "Smart Driver" **REFRESHER COURSE** is being offered at the Mosquito Fire Station to those who have taken an AARP Driver Safety course within the last **four years**. This one day class will be held on May 17, 2014 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. The class will keep you up to date on current DMV information, present a review of the rules of the road and introduce defensive driving strategies for older drivers. **NO TESTS** to take and a DMV certificate of completion is issued at the end of the class. There is a \$15 class fee for AARP members and a \$20 fee for non-members. Pre- registration, with payment, is required as class size is limited to 15 participants.

Call the El Dorado County Senior Center at 621-6255 or Ralph Hern (626-5268) for additional information and to reserve your spot.

## MOSQUITO GENERAL MARKET AND KITCHEN

by the Editor

Dawn and Gus have opened the kitchen and are eager for you to stop by to shop or eat! Their hours are:

Wednesday and Thursday: 10:00 am-7:00 pm

Friday: 10:00 am-8:00pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10:00am-7:00pm

Monday and Tuesday: CLOSED

Menu items include:

Pulled Pork Sandwich	\$7.99
Hamburger	7.99
BLT	7.59
Grilled Cheese	4.50
Chicken Salad Sandwich	7.25
Hot Dog	2.75
Fries	1.50

The Market offers many of the items you might find at any convenience store. The choices are too numerous to list. Recently they added a number of fresh produce items.

Dawn and Gus are open to suggestions for how they can best meet the community's needs. You can reach them at 530-295-4980 or [mosquitogeneral@live.com](mailto:mosquitogeneral@live.com). I hope you'll find time to stop in and check them out!

## SCPOA

by Kim Purcell Kirkpatrick

Our maintenance crew, Kevin and Jonathan, have continued to work on the women's bathroom at Dyer Lake, repairing the damage from vandals. The sheet rock and the sink have been replaced and the bathroom repainted. A few more items need to be finished but they hope to have it open soon.

We still have just over \$44,000 still owed in assessments from past years and starting in April 2014 those dues will become delinquent. The board will begin small claim court actions against delinquent owners who make no attempt at payment. We strongly encourage anyone in such a position to contact our secretary, Lynda, at 621-0309 to make arrangements for payment and avoid the extra costs associated with legal proceedings.

The board is constantly looking for opportunities to improve our financial situation in order to avoid increasing the annual dues. One of our new board members started looking at the cost of merged properties over the years and it is significant. Members have been allowed to merge properties in order to pay only one assessment but over the years this has decreased the number of owners paying from 732 to the current 696. This year alone, loss from merged lots equals an extra cost of \$41 per parcel. The board agreed to have our attorney draw up a proposal which would eliminate the merged lot option. The result will be for those who have parcel changes to either go back to paying on each lot or complete a lot line adjustment with the county. This will allow them to remain eligible for one assessment. When that property is sold, the new owners would be charged the annual assessment on each parcel, even if merged. This proposal would eliminate the loss in numbers of parcels and increase our income without significant per parcel increases in annual dues.

The board unanimously gave approval to MVFA to use Dyer lake again this year for the Easter egg hunt on April 12th as well as for the community picnic on June 14<sup>th</sup>. We encourage everyone to attend these fun events.

Our next meeting will be Thursday April 17th at the firehouse starting at 6:00 PM

## FINNON LAKE UPDATE

by Tom Harris

The Finnon Lake Recreation Area is scheduled to open May 1st for fishing, and May 23rd for camping. The community clean-up day at Finnon will be scheduled later this Spring after completion of the new spillway bridge (tentatively scheduled for May 16th). Camping is \$20 per site per night. Park Rules are posted at the entrance. Pay at the kiosk, or at the cafe. Camping fees include all day-use activities.

A \$6 day-use fee will be requested at the main entrance to the park for activities like fishing, boating, picnicking and disc golf. There is no fee for hikers, bicyclists or maintenance workers. Due to restrictions of our insurance policy, horseback riding is not allowed on the Finnon property. An annual day-use pass for residents is in the planning stages. There are two assigned day-use parking lots in the park. Campground parking is for overnight campers only. Please do not use the cafe parking lot for day-use activities. Only highway licensed vehicles are allowed in the park - No dirt bikes or ATVs.

A California fishing license is required for anyone 16 years or older. Finnon Lake is catch and release ONLY, and no bait is allowed - artificial lures and flies only. All watercraft should be washed at our boat cleaning facility located just past the recycling bins behind the restaurant. No gasoline powered boats are allowed on the lake, but electric motors are allowed. Please remember that all the expenses of running the park - \$6,000 annual dam inspection fee, insurance, property taxes and maintenance fees - are paid by private donations and fundraisers exclusively. The Mosquito Volunteer Fire Assn. (MVFA) Board manages the park, and receives no money from any tax source or from SCPOA. All Mosquito Fire Protection District residents are members of MVFA. Please help support your park.

Residents may have noticed a number of "Private Property. No Trespassing" signs posted around the Finnon property line. These signs resulted from small acts of vandalism and theft, and are not intended to prevent entry by hikers, bicyclists or any legitimate park users. Please report any violations to MVFA. For updated information and camping reservations, see Finnon's website at [www.finnonrecreationarea.com](http://www.finnonrecreationarea.com) or call 530-409-5515.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

by Darcy Krieger and Sandi Brauns

The MVFA annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 12th at Dyer Lake. Parents and children (2 to 12) should be there by 10:30 for locations and directions. The Easter Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 11:00 am. **PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO BE LATE; IT IS OVER IN A BLINK!**

We need the help of the community for wrapped candy donations to be dropped off at the fire station no later than April 8th. We look forward to seeing all of April 12th.

### **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 Sandi at 626-6248 for pick up service. Please consider this option when you organize your recycled materials. (Wine bottles don't have CRV! We can't use them)

**This is a very important fund raiser for the Finnon Lake Campground, so**  
**MVFA**  
**THANKS YOU!**

## FREE PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL

by Jo Thomas

Expired and/or unused prescription drugs (excluding sharps) may be dropped off for free, and anonymously, for safe disposal at The Main Sheriff's Office, 300 Fairlane, Placerville, from 10am - 2pm on Saturday, April 26th. Place liquids inside a closed ziplock baggie, block out patient names.

## FIREHOUSE CRAFTERS

by Sharon Hern

**ATTENTION LADIES – Our 1<sup>st</sup> Craft Sale is here! April 12<sup>th</sup> at Dyer Lake Pavilion.** This craft sale will be held in conjunction with the MVFA Easter Egg Hunt and will have Easter, Mothers' Day and Spring crafts for sale. The sale is 10am to 1pm.

If you're a crafter, or just one of us who can do simple (?) cut, paste/glue, paint, etc. jobs, you are encouraged to come join us at our Craft Meeting. There's the fun of learning new crafts, meeting new friends, coffee, goodies and, of course, table talk. The proceeds of our Craft Sales are used to help with items needed by our Fire Department.

**Our next meeting is April 25<sup>th</sup>** (see time and location below) and we will be in full Crafting mode working on Mother's Day, Spring and Summer projects.

Our craft meetings are generally held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month from **10AM to 12Noon** at the home of Darlene Rood, 2211 Swansboro Road. Hope to see you on the **25<sup>th</sup> of April**.

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION FACILITY

Location: El Dorado Disposal Material Recovery Facility  
4100 Throwita Way, Placerville, 95667

Times: **ONLY** Fridays and Saturdays 9am-4pm

Household items that will be accepted include: paint, brake fluid, adhesives/sealants, batteries, floor/furniture cleaners, anti-freeze, solvents/thinners, pesticides/herbicides, aerosols and photo chemicals.

Maximum limit of containers is 15 gallons of any liquid material. For further information, call 295-2800.

## CLASSIFIED SECTION

### FREE:

Firewood, soft wood. You cut and haul away. Call Lionel, 530-622-7472.

Back issues of the Mosquito Byte, from 1997 to 2013. Call Fred at 642-9441.

### FOR SALE:

FRESH EGGS for sale on Log Cabin Lane, \$2.75 per dozen. Call 530-626-4882 or 209-765-8640.

**GARAGE SALE:** April 4 and 5, 8:00am-4:00pm (possibly later). 3173 Dyer Way. Household items, twin bed, dressers, drum set, guitars, tools, bonsai pots, and much more.

Craftsman lawn tractor, \$100. Call Lionel, 530-622-7472. (4)

SEASONED WOOD—Delivered, seasoned oak \$290/cord or seasoned soft wood \$250/cord. Call Bob at 642-9335.

### MEETINGS:

**MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP** – Meet new friends, get refreshed and restored. Join us for challenging Bible study, fun events and worship here in Mosquito. Groups for Men/Women/kids/young adults. We meet Sunday mornings 9:30am at 3342 Stope Drive and throughout the week. Check our website [www.mfom.net](http://www.mfom.net) or call 530-295-0503

**VEGAN VEGETARIAN COOKING CLASS** – First Thursday of every month. At the Camino Adventist Church, 3520 Carson Road, 11:00 a.m. Have fun meeting new people, learning healthful lifestyle principles and discovering tasty new recipes. Handouts, videos and generous samples included. Call Fred Adams at 642-9441 to reserve your space.

### **MOSQUITO BOOK CLUB**

Join the book club! Meets once of month to discuss a book chosen by the group. The current meetings take place on a Thursday afternoon at rotating houses. The time and day is flexible depending on the schedule of the group. Contact Jeanine at 621-3875 or [sjkobza@gmail.com](mailto:sjkobza@gmail.com) for more information.

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.htm>

**If not YOU, then WHO? Join the Volunteers.  
Mosquito Fire 626-9017.**

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**DO YOU NEED YARD WORK**, general maintenance done around your property? I am responsible, hardworking and have references here in Swansboro. Call Mike 530-621-1504, please leave a message.

**AUTO DETAIL ON THE HILL.** Hand wash & wax. Tire dressing. Windows, dash & chrome cleaned. Rug vacuumed. Car - \$55, truck - \$65 & oversized vehicles may be additional. Call Steve, 530 621-3643.

**ONE EYE PHOTOGRAPHY:** Family Portraits, children or pets. Winter specials available. Call Sandi 626-6248 or Joyce 626-7062.

Summer's just around the corner, it's time to book your Disney Destination vacation! Call Clydene at 530.409.0083 or email [clydene.rogers@offtoneverland.com](mailto:clydene.rogers@offtoneverland.com). Let's get planning! **Off To Neverland Travel®** is an Authorized Disney Vacation Planner. *As to Disney artwork, logos and properties: © Disney - Ship Registry: The Bahamas: CST# 2090317-40 / Fla. Seller of Travel Ref. No. ST3720*

**NEED HELP WITH YOUR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS?** – Call Big Dave, 40 yrs experience, 25 years right here on the hill. Very dependable, with excellent references. I am experienced in all phases of construction and masonry work: retaining walls, rock walls, etc. Have pictures. \$25/hr for construction work. Call 621-4168.

**PET CARE** - Pet feeding while you're away. We will give your pet the same love and care as you would if you were here. No pet too large or too small. Reasonable rates. Call Devin & Dylan's Pet Feeding Service at 295-9165

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### **YARD SERVICES**

Weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or one time. Call Mark: 530-957-2072

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Up to twice daily visits to your home or boarding in mine for your pets - dogs, horses, cats, caged/terrarium-bound family members, etc. Mail pickup and plant watering, too! For more information and to make a reservation see my ad on [dogvacay.com](http://dogvacay.com) at <http://dogvacay.com/pro/SwansboroPets>. Email: [elisabeth.bingham@gmail.com](mailto:elisabeth.bingham@gmail.com). Phone/text: (530) 306-2350. Swansboro resident since 2001. Thank you!

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MOSQUITO AUTO – All general vehicle repairs including brakes, tune-ups and specializing in transmissions. Also repairing chain saws, weed eaters, lawnmowers and blade sharpening. Call Hippie at 642-2867.

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

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VETERINARY CLINIC OF MOSQUITO – Rattlesnake vaccine boosters are available at Veterinary Clinic of Mosquito, 9200 Rock Creek Road, Mosquito. Open Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 6 pm by appointment. Pamela Steinke, DVM 621-9999.

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NOTARY SERVICE – I am a "mobile" Notary Public living right here in Mosquito. I am experienced in all areas of notary work including loan packages, real estate transfers, etc. Call Elaine Galvan at 295-0503.

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**WANTED**

**ACCEPT the challenge. Join "your" local Volunteer Fire Dept. Mosquito Fire 626-9017.**

<b>Important Phone Numbers</b>	
Fire, Medical, Police Emergency	911
Mosquito Fire non-emergency	626-9017
All other non-emergency	621-6600
CA Highway Patrol non-emergency	622-1110
Burn Day Information	621-5897
Mosquito General Market and Kitchen	295-4980

**Part-time heroes needed...  
Full time rewards!  
Mosquito Fire 626-9017.**

**THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:**

We are all FREE to choose, but we are NOT FREE FROM the CONSEQUENCES of the choices we make!

**MORE HISTORICAL TRIVIA**

In the late 1700's, many houses consisted of a large room with only one chair. Commonly, a long wide board folded down from the wall, and was used for dining. The 'head of the household' always sat in the chair while everyone else ate sitting on the floor. Occasionally a guest, who was usually a man, would be invited to sit in this chair during a meal.. To sit in the chair meant you were important and in charge. They called the one sitting in the chair the 'chair man.' Today in business, we use the expression or title 'Chairman' or 'Chairman of the Board.'

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Personal hygiene left much room for improvement.. As a result, many women and men had developed acne scars by adulthood. The women would spread bee's wax over their facial skin to smooth out their complexions. When they were speaking to each other, if a woman began to stare at another woman's face she was told, 'mind your own bee's wax.' Should the woman smile, the wax would crack, hence the term 'crack a smile'. In addition, when they sat too close to the fire, the wax would melt . . . Therefore, the expression 'losing face.'



# April 2014

Mosquito General Market and Kitchen will be abbreviated: **MGM&K**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 MGM&K, 10am-7pm	3 <b>7:00 MVFA Board Meeting</b>  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	4 MGM&K, 10am-8pm	5 <b>SUPPORT GROUP 10AM</b>  MGM&K, 10am-7pm
6  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	7	8	9  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	10 <b>7:00 MFPD BOARD MEETING</b>  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	11 MGM&K, 10am-8pm	12 <b>CRAFT SALE AND EASTER EGG HUNT</b>  MGM&K, 10am-7pm
13  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	14	15	16  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	17 <b>SCPOA BOARD MEETING 6:00</b>  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	18 MGM&K, 10am-8pm	19 MGM&K, 10am-7pm
20  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	21	22	23  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	24 MGM&K, 10am-7pm	25 <b>CRAFT MEETING 10AM</b>  MGM&K, 10am-8pm	26 MGM&K, 10am-7pm
2  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	28	29	30  MGM&K, 10am-7pm	MGM&K, 10am-7pm	MGM&K, 10am-8pm	

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