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CHIEF'S REPORT

by Chief Jack Rosevear



Calls for Service: April 25-May 22

Check Burn Pile- 1	Medical Aid - 2
Smoke Check- 1	Vehicle Accident - 1
Fire/CO Alarm- 1	Public Assist – 4

Hearts 4 Heroes USA is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting fire service members, to help them better do their jobs. The Organization has generously donated a service dog (Captain Charley) to our Department, to provide support and comfort to our staff and community. Captain Charley is a four month old Labradoodle and will be assigned to Firefighter Heidi Glockner. The program provides all expenses for the dog, including handler training, food, supplies, equipment, vet care. The focus of the program is PTSD reduction and mitigation among responders and others suffering trauma from major incidents. There is no cost to the District. Hearts 4 Heroes has recently provided service dogs to the Garden Valley and Rescue FDs.

The District hosted a successful community evacuation drill on Saturday May 20. The purpose of the exercise was to test the Department's Evacuation Operating Procedure. Our procedures have been developed over the last three years, which involves road control on Rock Creek and Mosquito Roads. Not controlling Rock Creek Road could lead to an accident with a responding fire engine or a large vehicle blocking the bridge for people escaping out Mosquito Road and preventing Sheriff's deputies from getting in. We also tested communications and access to the east end of the airport for staging residents waiting to be evacuated. Also set up and marked was the area designated for large animals and RVs. All of these important efforts are the responsibility of the Support Group. We appreciate their commitment and dedication to keeping our Community safe, especially at such a critical time as fire season and evacuations.

Thank you to Director Uggla for the time spent creating and unveiling of the new District website. The website is designed for special districts and monitors compliance with Brown Act and ADA requirements. With our membership in the California Special Districts Association, the monthly cost of the website is \$85.00. The new site looks great and is easy to make changes.

County DOT has announced the closure of the Mosquito Bridge and Mosquito Road from May 30-August 6 for new bridge construction and repairs to the existing bridge. We are working with DOT to plan for road access (and ingress by Sheriff's Deputies) in the event of a community evacuation for a wildland fire incident. Mosquito Road is the primary escape route for vehicles able to legally cross the current bridge. The Support Group will have to access the locked gate and check the road (coordinate with Shimmick during business hours) before allowing anyone to evacuate that way. Depending on time of day, we will also need to open the gate on the south side of the bridge.

Fire Board members Don Stever and Dan Hunt have attended four meetings with board representatives and the fire chiefs from Georgetown and Garden Valley Fire Districts, to discuss ideas on how the three districts can work better together in the near and distant future.

Firefighter Heidi Glockner and Firefighter trainee Austin Eby (US Air Force Active Reserve) are attending EMT-1 academy, funded by our FEMA grant. Graduation is set for June 9th. Heidi and Austin have completed their paramedic ambulance ride-along shifts (Stockton AMR).

Wildland fire training began in April as we get ready for Fire Season 2023. As the weather improves, increased caution must be taken with outside burning. Please refrain or use extreme caution when burning during windy conditions. Vegetation is already dry. Cal Fire will be resuming burn permits soon. Depending on weather and fuel conditions,

Cal Fire will transition to a burn ban for fire season. We are happy to conduct an interior or exterior fire safety inspection upon your request. Please contact Chief Rosevear @ 707-490-2138.

Below is a list of important dates. Training will be returning to a weeknight soon as wildland training is completed. The public is invited to come, observe training and meet our personnel. Our Fire District staff is fully committed to our Community. We stand ready to assist our residents with any needs they may have, to prepare, support and provide the most up to date information. Please call us at 530-626-9017 or stop by the station.

The next MFPD Board meeting will be on June 22nd at 7:00 pm at Station 75

MFPD & MFVA Events

Thursday June 1- MVFA Board Meeting- 6pm Station 75
Saturday June 3 – Support Group Radio Reprogramming 9 AM
Saturday June 3 – MVFA Annual Spaghetti Dinner 6 PM
Saturday June 10- Pancake Breakfast 9am-11am
Saturday June 10- MFPD Firefighter Wildland Training- 8am- Station 75 & Finnon Lake
Sunday June 11 - Support Group Monthly training and CERT Training- Station 75- 9am-2pm
Thursday June 15- Preliminary Budget Workshop 6pm- Station 75
Tuesday June 20 - SCPOA Monthly Board Meeting- Station 75- 6pm
Thursday June 22- MFPD Board Meeting- 7pm Station 75 (Public Hearing- Adopt Prelim Budget 23/24)
Saturday October 14th, Fall Festival at Finnon Lake 10:00 am to 3:00pm
Saturday October 28th, Trunk-R-Treat at Station 75 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Saturday December 9th, Christmas Dinner at Station 75 6:00pm to 8:00pm

MVFA Update

MVFA Board of Directors

COMMENTS FROM OUR CAMPERS

Here are some of the recent comments from our Finnon Lake Recreation Area campers-

Deric says:

Lake was nice, our spot was nice too. The rain added the ambience and it was just a fun perfect time.

Michael says:

B-6 was a great site. Clean with a nice view of the water. It did seem to be bull frog mating season or something when I stayed on 5/13 because those frogs were loud all night. But that's no one's fault, just nature.

Richard says:

Fishing Great, Franks' Eagles....great, Camp sitegreat (very clean), Bathrooms....great(very clean) Didn't get the camp host name but he was great. He drove around in a MG, Franks' dinner..... better than great(one of the reasons that I will be returning.). Ruben sandwich was the best

Melissa says:

I love this place. Small and private. Not too many camp sites. No overcrowding. The sites are all beautiful. The restaurant is amazing and love the owners. I would highly recommend this place. It was hard to leave.

Ella says:

Had a wonderful time at Finnon with my vintage trailer. It was her first time out and Finnon was the perfect test run. Large pull through sites, relatively flat and gorgeous views of the lake. Bathrooms were clean and everyone was lovely. Can't wait to come back again.

David says:

Great camping at Finnon Recreation Area. Great hike around the Lake while watching the eagles nesting nearby. Bathroom clean and maintained

by the owners. Ate once at Frank's cafe which was great food and reasonable pricing. We had fun playing the disc golf through out the campsite. I highly recommend Finnon.

Thelma says:

The best camp we've been. The experience is phenomenal. We caught 1 approx 3 lbs large mouth bass and 4 bluegills good size. The restroom is very clean and fully supplied with toilet tissues and paper towels. The only thing missing is a shower. Hope to be back soon

Julie says:

Exceptional camping on a pristine private lake. Awesome wildlife, disc golf, fishing, kayaking or just relaxing and Frank's Diner is an absolute jewel!! Family friendly! Awesome and amazing!!

Max says:

Camped here for a weekend and would 10/10 recommend for a peaceful weekend getaway. The diner serves good food and the disc golf course is an extreme challenge but very well designed and an extremely fun play through. Definitely coming back!!

Matthew says:

We had our first trip here and it was wonderful. It was fun and relaxing using our kayak on the lake and watching the resident bald eagle couple feed their nestlings. It was very quiet on a Monday night. The drive in was pretty spectacular too. Note that the restaurant nearby isn't open Mondays and Tuesdays. Some of the spots near the lake can be a pretty steep grade also. We didn't have much issues sleeping with the frogs croaking. Hearing all the different birds in the morning was a great way to wake up. We'll definitely be back again.

MOSQUITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

The 2nd Annual Mosquito Fire Protection District Chili Cook-Off was a wonderful event. We couldn't have done it without all who came out and tasted the 10 great chili recipes. A big thanks to the teams: the Sears family, Cheyenne Carrillo; Scott Reiman, Dustin Cutter; Georgetown Fire Protection District, David Dudley; Dennis Janca, Craig and Ephie Hauck; Sharlyn Fields and Cheryl Owen.

An even bigger thanks to all the volunteers who helped make it the great event it was. So many volunteers assisted with the setup and cleanup. Thank you, Frank and Heidi, for adding to the chili choices and bringing homemade cornbread. We had popcorn and shaved ice that was donated and prepared by the District Auxiliary (D'AX).

Thank you to the five judges Leo Chaloux; Jack Rosevear; Steve Loree; Todd Hern; James Young, for all your hard work judging the contest. It was a lot of work for you.

Now for the news you have all been waiting for, the winners were: first place, Scott Reiman; second place, Dustin Cutter; third place, Georgetown Fire Protection District; best decorated booth, Natasha Cutter; people's choice, Cheryl Owen.

Now it's time to start planning for the 3rd Annual Chili Cook-off in 2024. There is plenty of time to start working on your recipe and watch for our announcement next year.

Winners-



Other Photos-



2023 COMMUNITY EVACUATION DRILL

On Saturday, May 20th the Mosquito Fire Department conducted a community evacuation drill in preparation for the upcoming fire season in conjunction with pilot volunteers and the Mosquito Fire Safe Council.

The drill is conducted to educate the community on the procedures that should be followed in the event of an immediate evacuation requirement for a wildfire situation. In the event of an actual imminent fire situation, residents should proceed in accordance with the MFPD Community Evacuation Procedures which direct individuals in passenger vehicles to evacuate using Mosquito Road and for vehicles with trailers and larger vehicles to stage at Dyer Lake. All vehicle traffic is to refrain from accessing Rock Creek Road. This action will allow supporting firefighting equipment to come in and allow evacuating residents to get out in an orderly and safe fashion.

If Mosquito Road is inaccessible due to road or bridge closure, or an advancing fire from that direction, all passenger vehicles will be directed on to the airport runway and individuals will be asked to stage at the temporary refuge area at the east end of the airstrip.

The procedure of directing residents to the airport will be for mandatory evacuation due to an imminent fire situation when Mosquito Road is inaccessible. In that situation, the idea is to leave the area under controlled conditions via Rock Creek Road under the supervision of the Sheriff's Office. The priority is the access of Rock Creek Road by incoming firefighting apparatus into the community.

During a mandatory evacuation, MFPD Support Group personnel will set up road checkpoints at the following locations: Rock Creek Road at Mosquito Cutoff Road; Mosquito Road at Mosquito Cutoff Road; Sluice Street at the Airport gate; Mosquito Road at the RV/Large Animal gate (Dyer Lake basketball court); and at Rock Creek and Gravel Road.

At the checkpoints Support Group personnel will advise motorists that Rock Creek is the only way fire engines can get in and opposing traffic may present an unsafe situation, delaying fire engines from arriving. Vehicles will be directed down Mosquito Road or back to the airport depending on current conditions. Vehicles turned back from Rock Creek Road can use the Mosquito Cutoff Road to return to Mosquito Road or the airport.

The Mosquito Cutoff Road at Mosquito Road checkpoint will direct oversize vehicles and vehicles towing trailers, to not proceed down Mosquito Road and instead return to the RV/Large Animal designated area. Oversized vehicles and trailers will likely prevent the bridge from being used for escape.



Community members should be familiar with at least two ways of escape from their residence in the event fire is blocking their normal escape route. The MFPD encourages all residents to be ready to evacuate in the event of a wildfire and do so when directed. It is critical that individuals take advantage of any extra time available during a voluntary evacuation. Anyone who needs extra time must take immediate action if a voluntary evacuation order has been declared.

All residents should participate in this drill activity when it is conducted, so they are familiar with the process and be less likely to panic during a real event.

Special thanks to the Mosquito Fire Safe Council for providing additional information to the community participants during the drill.

The next MVFA Board meeting will be on June 1st at 6:00 pm at Station 75

DISTRICT AUXILIARY

by Mosquito District Auxiliary Board of Directors

On April 29th the Mosquito Fire Protection District and the District Auxiliary - Mosquito had a relaxed and successful pancake breakfast among old and new friends. Nearly 100 people came in support of the station and were served a delicious homemade breakfast of scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage and bacon, mandarin oranges, coffee, tea, hot chocolate and we raised \$930 in donations. A BIG thank you to everyone who contributed. The funds were used to purchase 3 handheld GPS units with expanded satellite support and multi-band technology – in color – to aid members of Station 75 in the search of lost or injured individuals within our district and surrounding areas.



Recently a professional sized popcorn machine was procured, buffed to a shine and then donated to the District Auxiliary by a generous community member. The popcorn maker made its first appearance at the Community Yard Sale held on May 9th at which members of District Auxiliary offered free buttered popcorn to attendees. Along with the buttered popcorn maker, D'AX's new shaved ice machine made its first appearance at the chili cook-off held after the emergency evacuation drill on May 20th. Our next Station 75 and District Auxiliary's pancake breakfast will be on June 10th at 9AM to 11AM. We hope to see you and other community members at the station, getting your Saturday started and joining your neighbors for breakfast. District Auxiliary will also have Mosquito Fire Station 75 t-shirts to sell for \$25 a piece or two for \$45. We will also have baseball hats for \$25 each. Our fundraiser with the Mother's Day or ANY day gift bags has been a success as well. We have a few more gift bags to sell. If you are interested in still purchasing one, please call the station. They will also be available to purchase at the pancake breakfast on June 10th. We are extremely thankful to those who donated for breakfast and for all the support shown to our fire station. We look forward to many more neighborhood events in the future.



Also, Father's Day gift bags are arriving in June for \$20 each. These decorated bags include a handmade card, Lindt chocolate truffles and a handmade can cozie. Various designs available- please call the fire dept. for a pick up time, M-Th. (530) 626-9017.

IN MEMORIAL

LaVonne Moser, who was a dedicated Support Group volunteer, passed away in Colorado on April 14, 2023. Her husband, Byron, also a long-standing Support Group member passed away last year.

BIRDING AT FINNON LAKE

by Dave Angelo

Here are the results of the bird watch for May. The next bird watch is scheduled for Saturday, June 10th. We will meet at the Day Use Parking area on the North side of Finnon Lake, just past the Boat Launch area. We will start at 8:00 A.M. There is no parking charge to the participants of this free event.



36 Canada Goose
1 California Quail
8 Pie-billed Grebe
1 Calliope Hummingbird
9 American Coot
2 Killdeer
1 Turkey Vulture

1 Osprey
1 Cooper's Hawk
4 Bald Eagle
6 Acorn Woodpecker
1 Northern Flicker
2 Violet-green Swallow
1 Wrenit

3 Western Bluebird
1 Lesser Goldfinch
1 Spotted Towhee
22 Red-winged Blackbird
1 Brewer's Blackbird
4 Great-tailed Grackle

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CRAFTERS

by Eileen Reisner

The Mosquito Firehouse Crafters have been working hard on various projects. We welcome all interested in crafting, talent is optional ☺. Our meetings are held on the 4th Friday of the month. Next meeting is June 23rd at 10:00 am at 2211 Swansboro Road. If you're interested in joining our group, contact Eileen Reisner at 530 295 0541.



FRANKS DINER

by Frank Ethridge

"You and I will meet again when we're least expecting it. One day, in some far-off place, I will recognize your face. I won't say goodbye, my friend, for you and I, will meet again." – Tom Petty



As some of you may have heard (or not), Frank's Diner will close its doors after the **4th of July**. We would like to thank the whole community of Mosquito and all of our travelers for a great 5 and a half years of serving you. There are so many of you that we would like to thank personally (and we will), you have all touched our lives and our souls. With all of that being said... The last party will be a Texas-style BBQ with Almost Blue providing the soundtrack for our 4th of July celebration. Details coming.

Let's not forget about **Father's Day on June 18th**, we will be running specials all day.

Wednesday Family Night

Specials are \$14.00 from 5 pm to 8 pm
7-Pork loin
14th-Chicken Pot Pie
21st-Chicken Caesar
28th-Fried Chicken

Recipe of the Month

Heidi's Moms Easy Poppy Seed Cake

Ingredients:

Yellow Cake Mix 2 boxes
Eggs 8 each
Butter-melted ¼ cup
Vegetable oil ¼ cup
Cream Sherry ½ cup
French Vanilla Pudding 2 packages
Poppy Seeds ⅔ cup

Directions:

Mix all ingredients in a bowl
Pour into bundt pan (or regular rectangle pan)
Bake @ 350 for 40 minutes
Release from pans

Frank's Diner Hours:

Monday-Tuesday – Closed
Wednesday -Thursday 11 am – 8 pm
Friday 12 pm - 8 pm
Saturday-Sunday 8 am - 8pm

(Breakfast served on the weekends only)

(530) 409-1977

www.franksmosquitodiner.com

SWANSBORO PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Swansboro Pilot Association Scholarship

The Swansboro Pilots Association is offering Swansboro/Mosquito high school seniors a chance to compete for this \$500 college scholarship. If you are a high school senior going on to college this fall we hope you will apply. We've had some amazing winners and applicants in the past and look forward to seeing more! To apply, send at least a one page, double spaced, typed essay that states: Any community service projects you have done. · What college you plan to attend. · Your life and college plans, · Your high school grade point average, · Mailing address, phone number and email address. · Send your essay, postmarked no later than: July, 15th to: *Swansboro Pilots Association, 2724 Swansboro Road, Placerville, CA 95667*, If you have any questions please contact Kim at 621-1049

Aircraft Display Days

The Swansboro Pilots will be displaying their aircraft on June 9th, 10th and 11th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm daily. Come to the airport and have a look. Questions are always welcome.

MVFA SWAG

by Eileen Reisner

MVFA offers your choice of Mosquito T-Shirts and Sweatshirts in a variety of sizes and colors, Tote Bags are also for sale at Frank's Diner during normal business hours or at MVFA sponsored events. Custom orders can be taken and delivered on the next re-order schedule. For custom orders, contact Eileen Reisner at: 530-295-0541



T-Shirts S-XL	\$20.00	Hooded	
T-Shirts – XXL	\$22.00	Pullover S-XL	\$35.00
Crewneck Sweatshirts S-XL	\$30.00	Hooded with Zipper S-XL	\$40.00
Crewneck Sweatshirts XXL	\$32.00	Hooded with Zipper XXL	\$42.00

MVFA Grocery Tote Bags are: 1 for \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00 or 4 for \$12.00

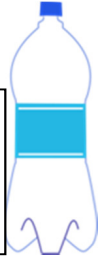
MVFA CRV RECYCLE PROGRAM



Please drop off bags of Plastic Bottles and Aluminum Cans (Sorry no Glass) from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Station 75. Please consider this option when you organize your recycled materials.

NOTE: Lids/Caps on plastic water bottles **MUST BE REMOVED** before they can be redeemed. Lids/caps can be included for redemption. If you have a chance and can remove the lids, it will sure help the recycling volunteers.

All proceeds go to Station 75



CLASSIFIED ADS

(Classified Ads are free to all paid subscribers)

WANTED

LOCAL ORGAINC FARM seeks small to medium lightweight trailer (I.e.- small horse trailer, small flat bed, boat trailer) to be remade into mobile chicken coop. Have anything sitting around? Open to trade/negotiation. Please reach out if you have something sitting around that you don't use anymore. All trailers considered.

Please contact Ryan at:

farm3goats@gmail.com

LOCAL ORGANIC FARM

Seeks manure source, specifically goat, sheep, chicken, llama or alpaca. Please contact Ryan at THREE GOATS FARM. (530) 497-4279 or farm3goats@gmail.com (0000)

FOR SALE

UNIQUE JEWELRY

Handmade jewelry using recycled aluminum cans, and more. To view, call Dee at 642-2333. (0722)

Treadmill \$75 OBO Pick up only.
530-622-7472

MEETINGS

MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP

Meet new friends, get refreshed and restored. Join us for challenging Bible study, fun events and worship here in Mosquito. We meet Sunday mornings 10 am at 3342 Stope Drive and throughout the week. Check our website mfom.net or call (530)295-0503. (0621)

SERVICES

Tired of paying outrageous prices for wood? I will cut and split downed trees and/or rounds for you. Call Daniel @ 530-919-8878

OXBOW FIREWOOD \$375 for hardwood, \$300 for softwood. Delivery on the hill gratis. Are you cold? Call the Ox 916 862-7511

HOUSE PAINTER – AMERICAN EAGLE PAINTING

Residential/Commercial
Specializing in repaints contact Steven Martinez, (530)-919-7612 or americaleaglepainting4@gmail.com
Lic# 960086

CALI CONSTRUCTION

General contractor 530-903-1869
Decks, fences, siding, flooring, and more.
5% senior or veterans discount.
CSLB#1054550

HARP TEACHER

Have you always wanted to play the harp? There is now a Harp Teacher in Swansboro. Over 20 years' experience teaching children and adults. I have a few harps available for rent. For more information, please call 530-344-1531 and ask for Paula or e-mail: harppaula@gmail.com. (1222)

WELDING & FABRICATION

Steel, Stainless Steel, Aluminum. Certified to military standard. Call (530) 621-3300 (0622)

SIERRA SHIELD FIREARMS & TRAINING

Mention MOSQUITO BYTE and get 25% off CA CCW Class. Also, receive FREE box of ammo with each firearm purchase. www.SierraShield.com or call [530-387-0110](tel:530-387-0110). (0622)

VHS VIDEOS CONVERTED TO DVDs

Have any family vacations, precious memories or baby pictures on videos? I can copy them to DVDs. Call Dee at (530) 642-2333. (0722)

FLORIST ON THE HILL

"I am your community florist providing long lasting flowers for all occasions. We ALWAYS deliver FREE on the hill! Stop by and check out our collection of Honey House products, gifts, jewelry, & handmade cards. Also offering flower subscriptions specifically created for you. Call me Elaine Galvan 530.295.0503 for all your floral needs."

Local Area Web Links

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association (MVFA)
Finnon Lake Recreation Area
Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD)
Swansboro Country Property Owners Association
Mountain Fellowship in Mosquito (MFOM)
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

HANGTOWN RANGE

1540 Broadway, Placerville Wednesday – Saturday 10 to 6 and Sunday 10 to 5 with 10 Indoor Shooting and 8 Archery Ranges, Firearms and Recurve Bow rentals, Milo Virtual Shooting Range w/ live fire ammunition, Archery and Handgun classes, CCW classes, One on One training, Basic Pistol Classes, Women's Classes. Call 530-497-5443 for more information. (0622)

HANDCRAFTED GLASS ITEMS

Birdbaths, flowerpots, plates, bowls, etc. Also, handmade wooden jewelry boxes. Affordable and unique. Studio open most days; call first. Do your gift shopping here on the hill! Call Pam or Dave Angelo at (530) 621-3688. (0322)

MOSQUITO CREEK OUTFITTERS

3000 Mosquito Road, Placerville, Tuesday – Friday 9 to 6, Saturday 9 to 5, El Dorado County's premier source for the best hunting, fishing, archery and outdoor products. Mosquito Creek Outfitters is always stocked with the best gear to accompany you wherever you may roam. 530-621-4500 (0622)

REAL ESTATE SERVICES

Live the American Dream: the ownership of a home and a little acreage to call your own! Sally Long Johns, your resident Mosquito Road Realtor, will help you buy or sell any property in El Dorado County! You can reach me at www.mosquitoadneighbors.com or (530)295-4641 or toll free (866)SALLYRE, snlongjohns@yahoo.com. (0000)

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<https://www.finnonrecreationarea.com/>
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www.edcfiresafe.org

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MVFA values and promotes voluntary efforts in our community. MVFA continues to carry on the work begun by its predecessors many years ago. If you have any questions about MVFA, please attend the MVFA Board of Directors meetings on the first Thursday of each month at the Mosquito Fire House, 8801 Rock Creek Road, Placerville at 3:00pm. At the meetings, you have the opportunity to obtain correct and updated information about MVFA and its committees, legal obligations at Finnon Lake and events and volunteer opportunities. Mosquito residents may request a copy of approved MVFA Board meeting minutes by emailing your name and address to mvfa95667@gmail.com, or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: MVFA, 9009 Orval Beckett Ct. Placerville CA 95667.

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