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Some considerations for visible addresses:

- Numbers shall be of a size not less than four inches in height, except on mailboxes. Mailbox numbers shall be of a size which are readable from a distance of five feet and displayed on a contrasting background.
- It is helpful if your address is visible from either direction of travel.
- Metallic reflective number signs are easy to locate at night.
- All such numbers should be placed in a horizontal manner so as to be easily visible and legible from the road. When the house is a substantial distance from a road, numbers shall be placed on a mailbox or post in a horizontal manner in a location where the driveway access meets with the road.

Another important note is to ensure your address numbers are consecutive along the street. If they are not, Karen Hyder from the County Surveyor's Offices can help you with corrections to your address number. She can be reached at (530) 621-5121.

This is not only the smart thing to do; it complies with El Dorado County Ordinance Code Section

MFPD

By **Ken Joseph**, Mosquito Fire Protection District Board of Directors, President

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In July, the board announced the vacancies and received letters of interest from four individuals, each offering qualities that would benefit the district as well as expressing interest in running in the next general election. After meeting with each candidate, Karen Pullin and Kip Pesterfield were selected to fill the vacancies of the MFPD board until the next general election which will be held in November 2016.

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On **Saturday, October 31st**, MVFA will be holding our Trunk 'r' Treat event at the Fannon Lake Campground. This provides a safe place for kids in Mosquito to do their trick-or-treating. If you'd like to participate, please bring your vehicle - decorated if you'd like - to the campground along with the candy you'd like to give out. Kids will go from car to car for their trick-or-treating. We'll also have prizes for the best decorated trunks! More details will follow as we have them. It's always lots of fun for the kids AND the adults.



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By Connell Persico

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By the time you read this, the road project should be completed. We made a substantial dent in improving the substandard roads. We hope and expect to be able to finish the remaining roads next summer. Thanks to all of you for your patience with the process, to my Board colleagues for their efforts, to past Board members for their foresight to build the substantial reserves necessary to fund this year's project. Finally, thanks to Kevin and Jonathan who prep the roads and check the work. They also argue with passion and common sense so that we do all the roads as well as we can.

In the next month, we hope to get back to developing a plan for improving the common areas. This includes the lakes and trails that are within the subdivision. If interested, look for the notice of the Common Area Committee meeting where we can join together and flesh out desired upgrades.

And please remember to maintain defensible space around your property, and practice fire safety measures. We have dodged some small bullets this summer, and let's keep it that way.

The next SCPOA meeting is Thursday, September 17th at 7 p.m. at the Fire Station.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

By **Chef Man-ar-dee**

If you want to experience a taste of "Old Italy"...then come to the Fire Station on **September 26th** and take part in MVFA's annual Spaghetti Dinner. The dinner begins at 6 p.m. and will continue until the spaghetti runs out!. "Master Chef Man-ar-dee" and crew will provide for you an unforgettable meal of spaghetti topped with your choice of a masterfully prepared red, white or pesto sauce, topped with meatballs OR Italian sausage. The meal will also include salad, bread, and dessert. Coffee and lemonade will be available at no charge. You can get **ORDERS TO GO** too!



The recommended donation for this event is \$10.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages 12 and under. ALSO, we will have a raffle (see Clay's article below). The first \$500 of the proceeds will be used to fund our annual Community Christmas Dinner, which is FREE to all community members.

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(530)622-5477 or Sandi at (530)626-6248. We are happy to provide a donation letter to you for tax purposes, so be sure to request one if you'd like.

Seasonal Flu Shots on the Hill

By **Vicki DeKay** RN with Sutter

How about some spaghetti with that flu shot? This year, flu shots will again be available before the MVFA Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, September 26th**, at the fire station. This year's influenza vaccine contains 4 different strains of virus, and is also totally preservative-free. (Yes, it's painless and a new and sterile needle will be used every time!! 😊)

Free?? Well...If you have Medicare *that is not an HMO*, it IS free! If you belong to an HMO - such as Kaiser, AARP, PacifiCare, Secure Horizons, HealthNet Seniority Plus, or Medicare Advantage, you can get a free shot at your doctor's office or a pharmacy. OR if you want to get it over with, you can receive the shot for \$35.00.

That's Saturday, September 26th, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the fire station!!

Crafters

By **Sharon Hern**

ATTENTION LADIES (men too, if you want!): 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 and goodies. We will be working on our summer crafts and getting ready for our annual summer craft sale at the Cold Springs Community Church in November. Our next meeting is on **Friday, September 25th**. Our craft meetings are generally the 4th Friday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the home of Darlene Rood, 2211 Swansboro Road. Hope to see you on September 25th!

Finnon Lake Recreation Area

By **Tom Harris**

This past July, Finnion Lake Recreation Area was visited by avid birder, naturalist, and science professor at Monterey Peninsula College, Fred Hochstaedter, and his assistant Catherine Webb. Over two days, Fred and Catherine observed a total of 45 species of birds at Finnion and listed them for us by species and count. MVFA has the responsibility of monitoring the fish and wildlife at Finnion Lake. We welcome anyone interested in birding and/or wildlife observation and photography to help with this obligation. If anyone sees any unusual bird or wild animal at Finnion, please let us know. Call Dave Angelo at (530)621-3688 or Tom Harris at (530)642-2333.

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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 10 a.m. at 3342 Stope Drive and throughout the week. Check our website www.mform.net or call (530)295-0503.

FREE VEGAN VEGETARIAN COOKING CLASSES

Food preparation demonstrations, recipe handouts, video clips and resource materials, along with samples provided. Have fun interacting with other health-minded folks, learning healthful lifestyle principles and discovering tasty new recipes. We meet once a month at the Camino SDA Church, 3520 Carson Rd. on Thursdays at 11 a.m. Call Fred Adams at (530)642-9441 for dates and to reserve your space. Or email AdamsAmigos@gmail.com.

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