

**30,000** gallons is a lot of liquid. It's about 250,200 pounds of weight. Quite a bit. Thanks to EID that is the amount of water three donated water tanks will hold. EID donated the tanks which were originally used when they did repairs to the water storage tank on Log Cabin Lane. These tanks were used for potable water storage during those repairs and have since surpassed their useful life as safe drinking water tanks. A few months ago two SCPOA board members met with the fire chief to view

were in Swansboro the tanks should be placed. At that time one was slated for an area along Buckboard, another towards the west end of Swansboro Road, and the third near Gravel Road. Our SCPOA board president offered use of his personal crane to lift the tanks for transport from the EID property. Time went on awaiting a strategy for placement and finally

EID indicated to either pick up the tanks or they would dispose of them. Acting fire chief, Dion Nugent, along with Jerry Pullin, coordinated the tanks removal and had them brought to the parking lot at the fire station for temporary storage. SCPOA has offered its services to the fire department to prepare sites for the tanks, (ground leveling, sand /fine gravel base, and placement) as soon as their locations are determined. Jerry Pullin has also offered the use of his crane, and his plumbing skills being a retired master plumber. The community wishes to thank EID, MFPD, Dion Nugent, Jerry Pullin, and Ryan Purves for making this possible and to help keep Mosquito, and Swansboro, a bit safer.



ecently the Mosquito Fire Fighters Association (MFFA) planned to have an auto and aircraft display event. They supplied an event plan as well as an insurance rider to protect SCPOA member's interests. Although things were in the works the MFFA decided to cancel their event. We want to use this as a reminder for those planning an event that has twenty or more attendees and requesting use of a common area the simple steps required. Event request forms are located on scpoa.info under the Essential Information Page. Generally speaking you must be a SCPOA member to request use of a common area for an event, exceptions require board review and approval. Any event that will serve alcohol on common areas requires an insurance rider naming SCPOA and The Management Trust as co-insureds. When alcohol is served it doesn't matter if there are one, or more, attendees, the rider is mandatory! The amount of the co-insurance is to be not less the one million dollars. This type of insurance rider can be obtained through most homeowner's insurers, and is quite affordable. It protects the interests of all your fellow SCPOA members. Event request forms and insurance riders should then be sent to Rick LaFrance at The Management Trust. Information, again, on scpoa.info. Rick then forwards the information to the board, who then review and discuss it. If you are thinking of hosting an event please plan early.

Such a nice day for a drive. No other cars as I drive north on Mosquito Road. Just a pleasant drive. No rush, no worries, almost home to the family after a long day at work. It sure will be good to see the kids and relax. Friends are coming over tonight for that long over due BBQ. I can already smell the dinner cooking over the red hot coals. The only thing I really don't enjoy about Mosquito Road is that there are way too many drivers that go fast. But not today, just me with the road all to myself.



# But what our driver forgot was there are those driv-

ers that have yet to realize that their driving too fast causes unsafe conditions for others— such as being on the wrong side of the road, last second maneuvers, loss of control. We know that this is an ongoing; constant; continuing; unending; open— ended; recurring; and enduring problem with some drivers. It seems as though every month or so a reminder has

to go out to the unsafe and uncourteous drivers. SO PLEASE—stay on your side of the road; follow the basic speed law (never drive faster than conditions allow for); because the life that may be injured or killed may be yours!

Orange car headed south, yellow car going north. If we lived in England, Japan, Australia and a few more countries these cars would be in the correct lanes. BUT we don't. Here in North America we drive opposite of this—JUST a reminder for those thinking we are somewhere else when driving.



# CHEESESTEAK STUFFED AVOCADOS



**INGREDIENTS** (Serves 12)

## For the avocados

6 ripe avocados; 1/4 cup olive oil

## For the cheesesteak filling

2 tablespoons olive oil; 6 ounces thinly sliced ribeye steak

1 teaspoon garlic powder; 1/2 teaspoon black pepper

1/2 teaspoon salt; 1yellow onion, thinly sliced

6slices provolone cheese

(Recipe and photo thanks to Char-Broil)

### **DIRECTIONS**

- 1- Preheat your grill to 500°F.
- 2- Slice avocados in half, remove pit and brush with olive oil.
- 3- Place directly onto grill grate, cut side down. Cook for 2 minutes and remove from grill.
- 4- Reduce heat to 350°F.
- 5- Heat cast-iron skillet with 2 tablespoons of olive oil
- 6- Add onions and sauté for 1 minute. Add steak, garlic powder, black pepper and salt. Cook for 5 minutes until steak is browned.
- 7- Stuff avocado halves with steak filling and top with provolone cheese.
- 8- Place on top warming rack, skin side down. Cook for 10 minutes.
- 9- Remove from grill and serve.