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Chief's Report

By Eddie Dwyer



con·sol·i·da·tion
(kənˌsäləˈdāSH(ə)n/)
noun

1. the action or process of making something stronger or more solid.

"the permanent consolidation of peace"

2. the action or process of combining a number of things into a single more effective or coherent whole.

It's 3:00am in the morning. You must call 911 for help, any kind of help, whether a lift assist for a loved one, a water leak that is causing damage in your home, a medical or fire emergency. Would it matter to you what the responder's shoulder patch would look like?

As many of you know, the fire district is in talks with Garden Valley Fire to consolidate districts. As with any venture, there are positives and negatives. With the many question this brings up, I will do what I can to address concerns I've heard. Additionally, there is an ongoing survey about on the www.mfpd.us which we at the fire district strongly recommend that you take and to let your voice be heard.

First and foremost, while we have been in discussions with Garden Valley, no decision has been made.

Other answers to questions you may have:

Where will their fees go? To pay for Mosquito personnel staffing.

Will we lose local control if we consolidate? Three of the four districts (Kelsey, Garden Valley and Greenwood) would have one representatives, Mosquito would have two.

Will there be increased funding needs to the fire district? Unfortunately, yes.

What about to our equipment? Equipment remains the property of the community.

Will there be a black or brownout of Station 75? No. There is no overlapping service or close by engine within reasonable travel time. Even when the new bridge comes through, there wouldn't be a reasonable travel time into the district.

Will our equipment be moved from Mosquito? No.

What's in it for us? If we consolidated today, we would have 24x7 paramedic services tomorrow along with greater availability of resources to the fire district. We would have a greater staffing pool of both paid and volunteers, with greater retention of paid staff and volunteers. We would have automatic move up of equipment and personnel including 24-hour command staff to ensure coverage remains intact. There would be an overall decrease in operational costs and a greater availability of supplies. There would be coordinated strike/taskforce team response and income earned. We would also increase our influence in the county, becoming the third largest local agency in the county.

Does Garden Valley take charge? No, we would merge into one fire district.

Will the culture of community service remain intact? Yes, Station 75 will remain the Mosquito Fire Station, with all the same focus on customer and community service. The firefighters will still hold pancake breakfasts, take part in community projects and campaigns. Chief Savacool would be Chief of the department. I would be Deputy Chief. I would maintain offices in both Garden Valley and Mosquito. It would be my job to oversee the agreement to ensure all communities are served.

We have made many changes at the Fire Station, all of which benefit the community. Recently, we added an ambulance to our fleet of equipment. I submitted a proposal to the El Dorado County Emergency Services Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to operate the ambulance as a squad with transport capability. Its primary use will be to get fire personnel to the scene of a non-fire emergency. When outfitted, Squad 75 will be equipped basic and advanced life support equipment. It will also give us the capability to transport a patient to the airport for air medical transport. In times where Rock Creek Road may be closed, the dimensions of the Squad would allow it to cross Mosquito

Bridge, or at the very minimum, allow us to transport to the bridge to connect with a paramedic ambulance. The JPA was very enthusiastic about the proposal and would like to come in to a more formal agreement with MFPD. No reserves were used to purchase this vehicle. All the funds expended came from income paid to the district for taskforce response in 2017. We continue to do what is possible to move your fire district into the future.

We were able to obtain a newer Self Contained Breathing Apparatus System from Diamond Springs Fire, at no cost to us. This system is less than three years old, with modern composite wrapped aluminum bottles. These bottles are considerably lighter in weight and the harness conforms to the body to reduce physical stress. This is a savings to the district of over \$50,000! We look at every angle, every means necessary to increase the capability of your fire district to modernize the fire services in the most fiscally responsible way possible. We truly understand that the money we spend is not ours, and that we are only the district's stewards, you all are the owners.

I came from Alameda County Fire Department. The ACFD was formed in 1992, with the consolidation of San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Castro Valley and the Alameda County Fire Patrol. As the years passed, we consolidated with several other entities. During the 2008 recession ACFD was the only Fire Agency in Alameda County that was expanding with no layoffs, blackouts or brownouts of fire stations. Each day, every fire engine and fire station were staffed.

The success of the ACFD and its expansion and continued strength is the language written into each consolidation agreement. These are models we would follow. They are proven successful. In the past, many different agency consolidations did not turn out well. This was because of the lack of foresight of those coming into an agreement. Failure to plan and then failure to prepare for changes, impacts the community infrastructure.

In recent weeks, the El Dorado County Grand Jury released a report strongly recommending the consolidation of smaller fire districts. We need to be proactively looking at what the future will bring. To be in control of the direction of the fire districts' future. I truly believe this is the best course of action for the Mosquito/Swansboro community. It would allow us to renegotiate with the county for an increase of tax returned to the district. This would go a long way to decreasing the impact on the individual resident.

I am simply a steward of your fire district. I have been tasked with, and I have made a promise to, bringing to this community the best possible emergency services. As a standalone agency, we will always struggle. A consolidated agency will provide a greater value to the community, greater strength and better service all while maintaining the culture. Consolidation will allow for the accelerated purchase of newer, modern equipment, better training, better staffing, and greater resource availability to the community. In one of the surveys, a resident wrote. "If it isn't broke, don't fix it." While I agree with this sentiment, our district is broke and needs to be fixed.

Though we do not have a date scheduled yet, both Chief Savacool and I will be holding Town Hall meetings in both fire districts in August. Once scheduled, we will post it on the fire station marquee, the www.mfpd.us website, and social media.

**The next MFPD Board meeting is Thursday, August 9th at 7 p.m. at the Fire Station.
You are welcome to attend!**

MVFA

By the MVFA Board of Directors

The annual MVFA Yard Sale on June 9th at the Fire Station parking lot was a big success and offered residents a venue to sell their "stuff". Booth fees and donations benefited the MVFA Community Funds which include the MVFA Station 75 Fund which supports the Mosquito Fire Department with tools, supplies and equipment.

Don't forget, Bingo is the fourth Thursday of the month, **Thursday, August 23rd**. Games start at 7:00 pm at Frank's Diner. Half the game proceeds go to the game winners and half goes to the MVFA Community Funds including the MVFA Station 75 Fund. Thanks to Eileen Guell for organizing our Bingo events. Frank will provide dinner at a special Bingo price, so come early. Frank also offers catering, at the cafe or at your home. The café, patio and pavilion are also available for family events and club outings. Contact Frank for more information (530) 409-1977.

The 4th of July BBQ at Frank's Diner and sponsored by MVFA was a lot of fun! Tasty food was provided by Frank & Heidi, and local DJ Al Sherbal kept everyone entertained. Special thanks to Chris Dillender, his two sons and friend Ann for serving the buffet.

Thanks to Kim Purcell and the Swansboro Pilot's Association for organizing the annual Community Cleanup Day on July 14th and sponsored by MVFA. The community filled two large dumpsters that El Dorado Disposal Company generously donated for this purpose. Additionally, MVFA conducted its annual Mosquito Road Cleanup on July 19th. Thanks to the volunteers who participated in this event, including members of the fire department.

Keep your calendars open for September 29th! That's the date of the annual MVFA Spaghetti Feed at the fire station. There will be a gift raffle at dinner, and donors are requested to bring a gift, or drop one off at a board member's home ahead of time. In addition, there will be a 50/50 cash raffle. Join your neighbors and have some fun.

The MVFA board has completed updating its By-laws. The updated By-laws will be presented to the general membership for ratification at its regular meeting on **August 2nd**. The previous By-laws were a carryover from pre-2006 days as the 501(c)(4) Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) which purchased the Finnon Lake property. The idea was to rebuild the original dam (which did not conform to earthquake standards) and restore Finnon Lake as a principle source of water for fire control. Since the Finnon Lake dam was rebuilt however, MVFA's financial responsibilities have increased dramatically as indicated above.

MVFA is organized as a non-profit, tax-exempt entity and is funded entirely by grants, donations, fund raisers and rents and fees at Finnon Lake Recreation Area - which it owns and manages. MVFA receives no tax revenues, nor any dues money from SCPOA. As per IRS mandate, MVFA gives no cash nor has any financial connection to any non-501(c)(3) organization or to the Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD). MVFA has no paid employees and operates primarily with volunteers who donate their own time and often their own money to make our community a better place. If you would like to enhance your membership in MVFA, please come volunteer with us.

If you can't volunteer, please consider a donation to MVFA. MVFA is a 501(c)(3) organization and donations may be tax deductible. A letter stating your donation will be provided on request. Send your donation to MVFA, 9009 Orval Beckett Ct., Placerville CA 95667. We have a community fund designed to help neighbors in need, and the MVFA Station 75 Fund that provides funds to purchase tools and other items at the Chief's request. And there are always maintenance and improvement projects at the Fire Station and at Finnon Lake Recreation Area. Many thanks to the many community members who have donated very generously to MVFA over the past years.

MVFA values and promotes voluntary efforts in our community. MVFA continues to carry on the work began by its predecessors many years ago. If you have any questions about MVFA, please attend the MVFA Board of Directors meeting on the first Thursday of each month at Frank's Diner. At the meetings, you can obtain correct information about MVFA and its committees, legal obligations at Finnon Lake, events and volunteer opportunities.

In the meantime, please visit both MVFA websites for legal, historical and event information: www.GoMVFA.org for by-laws, mission statement, Mosquito Byte online and upcoming events. Also, look for the "Amazon Smile" link on the top right-hand corner of the home page. By signing up for "Smile", and indicating MVFA as your beneficiary, 0.5% of your Amazon purchases benefits MVFA.

You 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. Membership in MVFA is restricted to the residents of Mosquito Fire Protection District. MVFA has no obligation to provide internal information to anyone outside the Mosquito community.

Finnon Lake Recreation Area

By Tom Harris

One of the principle reasons the Finnon Lake property was purchased in 1997 by the former Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) was to provide a large local source of water for wildfire suppression for our district. At the time, this provision required the rebuilding and recertification of the dam. This was accomplished in 2011 through the efforts of MVFA and the El Dorado Resource Conservation District. In addition, Finnon Lake provides a habitat for fish and wildlife and a training ground for various fire departments including the Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD).

Finnon Lake Recreation Area (FLRA) began having growing pains, in direct proportion to the water level in the lake, which became full on January 20, 2017. Special thanks to Karryn Morris for her tireless volunteer work as a Campground Reservationist, Public Relations Specialist, Campground Accountant and general promoter of FLRA. The weekends at the campground have been full the past two summers, and campers have begun spilling on to weekdays. This success is due almost entirely to Karryn's efforts!

Community events such as the MVFA Easter Egg Hunt, Fourth of July BBQ and Halloween Trunk or Treat take place at Finnion Lake too. Visit www.finnonrecreationarea.com and click on the "EVENTS" page for the 2018 MVFA Events schedule. Mosquito residents are encouraged to consider Finnion Lake when planning family events, church outings, and club or Scout campouts. Finnion Lake Recreation Area is open all year. To make reservations and to pay fees on-line, visit www.finnonrecreationarea.com. Click on the "Camping" page to check for campsite availability on the reservations calendar. For more information, call (530)409-5515.

Frank's Diner on Finnion Lake has returned as a community hub and family meeting place. It's a huge asset to our community. Watch Frank's website (below) and the social media sites for future dinner events at the Diner. Frank & Heidi also offer catering, at the diner or at your home. The diner, patio and pavilion are available for family events and club outings. Call Frank or Heidi for more information at (530) 409-1977 or visit: www.franksmosquitodiner.com.

Chris Dillender has also returned. Chris designed and built the Finnion Lake Disc Golf Course and has joined MVFA as the Disc Golf Committee Chairman. Plans are underway to upgrade the course to 27 holes and meet the requirements of the Professional Disc Golf Association. Watch for future events on our website, and disc golf promotions connected with Frank's Diner.

MVFA was recently notified by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) that the annual dam inspection fee at Finnion Lake was increased from \$8,000 to \$10,567 due July 1, 2018. DWR also stated that the dam fee will increase by another 20% in 2019. In addition to the dam fees, property taxes and insurance liabilities amount to over \$3,000 annually. At its May meeting, the MVFA board voted to raise the camping fees at Finnion Lake effective July 1, 2018. Single campsite fees increased from \$20 to \$25 per night. To rent the entire campground, the fee increased from \$250 to \$300 per night. MVFA receives no money from the Fire Department (MFPD) nor any other tax source. MVFA receives no funds from the Swansboro Homeowners Association (SCPOA). MVFA is a private non-profit organization and totally self-supporting.

A \$6.00 Day Use fee covers day use activities - swimming, fishing, boating (including inflatables) and disc golf. Hiking, bird watching and bicycling at Finnion are free of charge. The fees have been discussed with California State Park officials and considered very reasonable. The fees are used for maintenance and improvements, and every dollar collected goes back into improving the site. MVFA has no paid employees; everyone who gives their time is a volunteer. MVFA offers an annual Day Use Pass for Mosquito Fire District residents at a reasonable price. Contact Dave Angelo at (530) 621-3688 to purchase the Resident Day Use Pass.

This past spring has been very busy for Finnion Lake volunteers. A transfer load of base rock was delivered to extend the parking area behind the cafe. More rock was delivered to repair the damage to the access road caused by last year's heavy rains. A transfer load of base gravel was generously donated by the El Dorado County Fish and Game committee to improve the boat ramp area. We thank Dave Angelo for his work in securing this donation, and Gary Morris for spreading the gravel with his Bobcat.



Another big improvement was the replacement of the concrete floor in the café pavilion. Many thanks to the participating volunteers and tractor drivers Kim Purcell, Joe Lima and Gary Morris who used their machines to clear all the old concrete out of the way. Many thanks also go to Jan Okumura and Ron Speake for their ongoing volunteer work and contributions to the beautiful cafe gardens. Thanks always to the many volunteers who helped build, improve and maintain the park over the years. MVFA continues the work that it began many years ago. MVFA volunteers are people who simply want to give back to their community and make it a better place.

If you have any questions about MVFA please attend the MVFA Board of Directors meeting on the first Thursday of each month at Frank's Diner. Fish and Wildlife committee chairman Dave Angelo or Campground & Property Committee chairman Tom Harris can also be reached by email at: mvfa95667@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.

Please join us for the MVFA Board meeting on August 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at Frank's Diner.

SCPOA Report

By Roger Stenbock

Patriotism at SCPOA board meeting. These are my personal opinions.

In an unprecedented and spontaneous display of community unity, at the July 19th board meeting, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited! Big thanks to Denise Laguna who invited us to join in the Pledge. I also want to give my appreciation to our military families and veterans, our friends of the Swansboro Pilot Association and MVFA. The members even supplied 'Old Glory' for the event. One member commented, "The fire station is a public building and the flag was present. Not to mention the fact as you (Denise), pointed out that the clear majority of the voting population of this county (and country) is patriotic, support our military and uphold traditional American values". Following this extraordinary moment, I submitted an agenda item for our next board meeting to make this a regular start of our SCPOA meetings. I urge you all to attend and support it.

Here are some noteworthy recent board decisions. For an official version see the SCOPA website. As reported in the latest SCPOA newsletter and meeting minutes, the board appointed a new president, secretary, and airport committee chair in a closed executive meeting. The volunteer airport manager position was eliminated. The board scheduled a town hall meeting for **August 11th at 10am** at the fire station to review the proposed new bylaws. The proposed bylaws reflect the latest changes in the law. Members have already commented on future rule enforcements issues in the proposed bylaws. A big thanks to Debbie Harris and Gordon Smith for their effort to make this happen. Please attend the town hall meeting and provide your input.

The SCPOA Board meets Thursday, August 16th at 7 p.m. at the Fire Station. You are welcome to attend!

MOSQUITO FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION Breakfast Update

by Lisa Hampton

For those of you who marked your calendars for our July 28th pancake breakfast, I must apologize. I should have warned to you do it in pencil. We are a small crew, so when just a few of us go missing, it has a pretty big impact. One of our firefighters was deployed on a strike team, and another learned how to change a diaper for the first time as he welcomed a newborn to the family. So, we are rescheduling the breakfast to **Saturday, August 18th**. Hopefully we can get this one off the ground because, I don't know about you, but I could really use some of those waffles right about now. Especially with all the wonderful fruit in season. I can just picture it piled high with whipped cream and drizzled with chocolate sauce to finish the masterpiece off. Excuse me for a moment while I wipe the drooled from my mouth!

Crafters

by Sharon Hern

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS - If you're a "crafter" or just one of us who can do simple (?) cut, paste/glue, paint, etc. jobs, come join us at our Craft Meeting. You can learn new crafts, meet new friends and enjoy coffee/goodies. Our meeting this month is on **Friday, August 24th** (see time and location below).

Thank You to those who visited our Craft Booth at Frank's 4th of July BBQ! We enjoyed visiting with you and we especially appreciated your help by purchasing some of our many craft items. We are planning another on the hill craft sale this fall with date and location to announced later. The money that the Crafters earn is used, along with MVFA, to help with needed items for our fire department.

With our summer craft sale over, we are turning to our fall and Christmas projects for our annual Craft Sale in November at the Cold Springs Community Church in Placerville. We have lots to do and need your help, so I hope that you can make it.

Our craft meetings are generally held on the 4th Friday of each month from 10am to 12pm at the home of Darlene Rood, 2211 Swansboro Road. Hope to see you on August 24th.

Need a Little Extra Help in an Evacuation?

Wildfire season is here again and hopefully we will not experience a community evacuation as we did during the King Fire. But should that need arise, the fire department will be there to lend a helping hand. The MFPD Support Services Group maintains a list of those who, because of age or disability, might need a little extra help with the evacuation process. It's time to update our list.

Here's how you can help us. If you, a family member, a neighbor, or anyone you know living in our community who might need assistance getting safely evacuated, please call our fire department at (530) 626-9017. All we need is the person's name, address and phone number and we will see that they are added to the Evacuation Assist List.

Birding at Finnon

by Dave Angelo

The Finnon Recreation Area Bird Watch was held on July 21, 2018. This is a leisurely walk around Finnon Lake and takes about 1.5 hours. The next bird watching event is scheduled for **Saturday, August 18th at 8:00 am**, at the pavilion. All are welcome to join in!

2 Canada Goose	4 Northern Shoveler	1 California Quail	6 Turkey Vulture
1 Pied-billed Grebe (Red-shielded)	10 Acorn Woodpecker	3 California Scrub-Jay	4 American Coot
5 Band-tailed Pigeon	1 Lesser Goldfinch	1 Northern Flicker	6 Violet-green Swallow
1 Black Phoebe	1 White-breasted Nuthatch	15 Bushtit	4 Western Bluebird
1 California Towhee	3 Brewer's Blackbird	1 Great-tailed Grackle	

Number of Taxa: 19



Frank's Diner

by Frank Etheridge

Thank you to all who came and enjoyed our "Night in New Orleans"! We love to put on events here at Frank's Diner, so we have come up with something new. We are having our first "Open Mic" here at Frank's. Calling all musicians, poets, and comedians!! Dust off those guitars, find that special poem and get funny at Frank's on **Saturday, August 18th**! Signups will be at 5:30pm, we will start at 6:00pm. Frank will be selling slices of pizza with salad that night.

Having a backyard barbeque or a summer get together? Need a little extra help or maybe just an extra side dish to finish off that special event? Give us a call at (530)409-1977. Thank you from the crew @ Frank's Diner.

www.franksmosquitodiner.com.

Diner Events

August 11th	7am Manland - Men's Group meets for breakfast and fellowship.
August 18 th	Open Mic Night! Signup at 5:30pm, 6:00pm start time.
August 23 th	Bingo at Frank's 7pm

Watch out **Saturday, September 22nd**, we have The Side-Wheeler String Band (Americana/Bluegrass) from Sacramento. Look for other special happenings at the Diner. Here is one last salad for your Labor Day Weekend BBQ. Enjoy those last fruits of Summer with this easy and refreshing salad.

Family Nights for August

1st Chicken Piccata
8th Mac and Cheese
15th Polynesian Salad
22nd Salisbury Steak
29th Pork Schnitzel

Just a note: we also offer a vegetarian dish.

Meals are \$10.00 each starting at 5:00pm. We will also offer a vegetarian dish. Take out available. (530)409-1977

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Caprese Salad

1-pint mixed cherry tomatoes, preferably heirloom, halved
7 tablespoons (or more) extra-virgin olive oil, divided
Flaky sea salt
2 pounds mixed medium and large tomatoes, preferably heirloom, cut into thin slices and/or wedges
8 ounces buffalo mozzarella or mozzarella, room temperature, torn into pieces
Coarsely ground black pepper
Small basil leaves and toasted country bread (for serving)

Recipe Preparation

Toss cherry tomatoes with 1 Tbsp. oil in a small bowl; season with salt. Arrange tomato slices on a platter, slightly overlapping; season generously with salt. Arrange mozzarella over tomatoes; lightly season mozzarella with salt. Spoon cherry tomatoes over salad and drizzle with 6 Tbsp. oil; season with pepper. Let stand 30 minutes to let flavors meld and release juices from tomatoes and mozzarella. Top salad with basil and additional salt and oil, if desired. Serve with bread alongside.

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August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Frank's Family Night <i>Chicken Piccata</i>	2 MVFA Board Meeting 7 pm Frank's Diner	3	4 Support Group 10 am Fire Station
5	6	7	8 Frank's Family Night <i>Mac & Cheese</i>	9 MFPD Board Meeting 7 pm Fire Station	10	11
12	13	14	15 Frank's Family Night <i>Polynesian Salad</i>	16 SCPOA Board Meeting 7 pm Fire Station	17	18 Birding at Finnon Lake 8 am Finnon Lake Pavilion MFA Breakfast 8:30am – 11am Fire Station Open Mic Night at Frank's 5:30 signup; 6pm start Frank's Diner
19	20	21	22 Frank's Family Night <i>Salisbury Steak</i>	23 Bingo 7 pm at Frank's Diner  <i>See Article for Dinner Specials</i>	24 Crafters 10 am at Darlene Rood's house	25
26	27	28	29ugust Frank's Family Night <i>Pork Schnitzel</i>	2	3	4

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