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Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD)

by Chief Schwegler

The next MFPD Board meeting will be on Thursday, May 14th, 10am via teleconferencing meeting.



Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association (MVFA)

by MVFA Board of Directors

MVFA Update

Our next community event will be the Mexican Fiesta on June 27. We are hoping the long quarantine will be over by then so we can celebrate with the community. More information will come as the date gets closer.

Given our location and the time of the year our campground had a few campers, but not enough to be a concern. This changed on April 6, our campground began to fill up as we were one of the only place open. With concern for our community the Board made the decision to close the campground. All reservations were canceled beginning on April 9 through May 1. MVFA reached out to all campers while Hipcamp processed cancelations. The Board has made a decision to continue the closure until May 15th.

Day use remains open. We want to thank the many community members for respecting social distancing while visiting Finnon.

What are we doing during the time our campground is closed?

We had a productive campground cleanup day on April 18. Approximately 25 people made up of board members and community volunteers came out to work on the campground and dam maintenance. Great teamwork! The job is never done so over the next few weeks we will continue to work on the Finnon property. Let us know if you want to help, we welcome all.

The MVFA Board plans on having our monthly meeting on May 7 at 3:30 at Finnon in the outdoor area by the diner. We hope you will attend.

**You are welcome to attend the MVFA Board meeting on Thursday, May 7 at 3:30pm
Outside of the Diner**

Birding at Fannon Lake

by Dave Angelo



All further Bird Watch events have been put on hold until further notice due to the "Shelter In Place" order.

March 21 Results

1 Canada Goose	10 Double-crested	5 California Scrub-Jay
10 Bufflehead	Cormorant	4 Common Raven
4 Hooded Merganser	1 Great Blue Heron	8 Ruby-crowned Kinglet
2 California Quail	1 Cooper's Hawk	8 Red-winged Blackbird
2 Pied-billed Grebe	2 Bald Eagle	2 Yellow-rumped Warbler
4 Band-tailed Pigeon	1 Belted Kingfisher	
126 American Coot	12 Acorn Woodpecker	

Number of Taxa: 18

April 10 Results

3 Canada Goose	2 Turkey Vulture	2 Western Bluebird
3 Mallard	1 Osprey	10 American Robin
4 Bufflehead	2 Bald Eagle	10 Dark-eyed Junco
1 Common Merganser	1 Belted Kingfisher	1 California Towhee
2 Ruddy Duck	8 Acorn Woodpecker	8 Red-winged Blackbird
2 Pied-billed Grebe	1 Northern Flicker	2 Brewer's Blackbird
4 Band-tailed Pigeon	1 Black Phoebe	1 Great-tailed Grackle
76 American Coot	6 California Scrub-Jay	
2 Double-crested	2 Common Raven	
Cormorant	8 Ruby-crowned Kinglet	

Number of Taxa: 26

Crafters

by Linda Heyart

Unfortunately, due to restrictions regarding the Covid 19 virus we will not be meeting for our crafting session on May 22. I know we are all getting lonesome and would love to get back to our fun times at Darlene's craft room but it's more important to continue to stay home and stay safe. We are still shooting for the 4th of July party at Frank's Diner where we will have a table of craft items to share. Keep checking Pinterest for ideas and working on things at home. But most of all stay safe and healthy.

MVFA SWAG

By Maryann Haywood

MVFA offers your choice of Mosquito T-Shirts and Sweat Shirts in a variety of sizes and colors, Tote Bags and Local Phone books 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 Mary Ann Haywood at: 530-622-5477



T-Shirts S-XL \$20.00
T-Shirts – XXL \$22.00
Crewneck Sweatshirts S-XL \$30.00
Crewneck Sweatshirts XXL \$32.00
MVFA Grocery Tote Bags are: 1 for \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00 or 4 for \$12.00

Hooded Pullovers S-XL \$35.00
Hooded with Zipper S-XL \$40.00
Hooded with Zipper XXL \$42.00

The 2019 Mosquito Phone Book

by Adam Reisner



The Mosquito Phone Book contains information on our Mosquito/Swansboro area such as, Who Are They (MVFA, MFPD & SCPOA), Helpful Area Phone Numbers, a Timeline History of Mosquito, Mosquito Fire Department History & Other Useful Information, Map of our Area, and Residential & Business listings. The Phone Book is available at the Mosquito Fire Station 75 at 8801 Rock Creek Road (530)626-9017 or Franks Diner for \$5 per copy. The Mosquito Phone Book is published every 2 years. For changes to the Phone Book, email us at mosquitophbook@gmail.com or mail the information to: MVFA, phone book 9009 Orval Beckett Court, Placerville CA 95667. Residential and business listings are free to list.

Franks Diner

Frank's Diner would like to shout out "Thank You" to the whole community for supporting us through this adventure. We are still doing take-out only and our hours are the same as before. Some products may be hard to find at any moment, so sometimes we will be out of your favorites. Thank you for your patience at this time.



Mother's Day is May 10th and we are planning some family meals to-go. Keep an eye out on Facebook and Nextdoor for details.

"Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's party!" » Robin Williams

Wednesday Family Night Specials

6th-Chicken Enchiladas
13th-Asian Sticky Ribs
20th-Chicken Piccata
27th-Beef Stroganoff

Veggie options are available
All specials are \$10.00

Frank's Diner Hours:

Wednesday-Friday 11 am - 8 pm

Saturday-Sunday 8 am - 8 pm

Monday – Tuesday Closed

(530) 409-1977

www.franksmosquitodiner.com

Recipe of the Month

Since you are home, why not make breakfast.

Baked French Toast

Ingredients

FRENCH TOAST:

- 1 loaf Crusty Sourdough Or French Bread
- 8 whole Eggs
- 2 cups Whole Milk
- 1/2 cup Whipping (heavy) Cream
- 3/4 cups Sugar
- 2 Tablespoons Vanilla Extract

THE TOPPING:

- 1/2 cup All-purpose Flour
- 1/2 cup Firmly Packed Brown Sugar
- 1 teaspoon Cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon Salt
- 1 pinch Nutmeg (optional)
- 1 stick Cold Butter, Cut Into Pieces
- Fresh Fruit (optional)

Instructions

Grease a 9 x 13-inch baking pan with butter. Tear bread into chunks (or cut into cubes) and evenly distribute in the pan.

In a medium sized bowl mix together eggs, milk, cream, sugar, and vanilla. Pour evenly over the bread. Cover tightly and store in the fridge for several hours or overnight.

In a separate bowl, mix flour, brown sugar, cinnamon, and salt. Add nutmeg if desired. Add butter pieces and cut them into the dry mixture until mixture resembles fine pebbles. Store in a Ziploc in the fridge.

When you're ready to bake the casserole, preheat oven to 350 F. Remove casserole from the fridge and sprinkle crumb mixture over the top. (If you're using fruit, sprinkle on before the crumb mixture.) Bake for 45 minutes for a softer, more bread pudding texture. Bake 1 hour or more for a firmer, less liquid texture.

Scoop out individual portions. Top with butter and drizzle with maple syrup.



Fannon Recreation Area Daily Passes

Daily use passes are now available for purchase. The one-year pass is \$50.00 and expires January 1, 2021. The two-year pass is \$75.00 and expires January 1, 2022. Please contact Dave Angelo at (530) 621-3688 for information about or the purchase of these passes.

CLASSIFIED ADS

(Classified Ads are free to all paid subscribers)

FOR SALE

Tires- Studded snow/ winter size 225/50R-17, Federal Himalaya WS2 Mud/Snow \$325 916-765-3652

WANTED

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)

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 a.m. at 3342 Stope Drive and throughout the week. Check our website mfom.net or call (530)295-0503. (0620)

SERVICES

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. (1220)

FACE PAINTING

I'm available to do face painting for parties or events. \$40 an hour. Call: Dee at 642-2333 (0720)

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). (0620)

WELDING & FABRICATION

Steel, Stainless Steel, Aluminum. Certified to military standard. Call (530) 621-3300 (0620)

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. (0720)

HANGTOWN RANGE

1540 Broadway, Placerville
Tuesday – Saturday 9 to 8
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. (0620)

FREE VEGAN VEGETARIAN COOKING CLASSES

Food preparation demonstrations, recipe handouts, video clips, resource materials, generous samples provided. Interact with health-minded folks, learn healthful lifestyle principles and discover tasty new recipes. We meet once a month at the Camino SDA Church, 3520 Carson Rd. on Mondays at 11 a.m. Call Fred Adams at (530) 642-9441 or AdamsAmigos@gmail.com for dates and to reserve your space. (0000)

UNIQUE JEWELRY

Handmade jewelry using recycled aluminum cans, and more. To view, call Dee at 642-2333. (0720)

FLORIST ON THE HILL

Your source for fresh, local, organic and international flowers. All occasions deserve flowers. Call me 530.295.0503 Elaine Galvan for a specially made arrangement or buy individual blooms to brighten your day. Always delivered FREE on the hill! (0620)



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 (0620)

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. (0321)

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)

NOTARY SERVICE

I'm a mobile Notary Public living here in Mosquito. I am experienced in all areas of notary work including loan packages, real estate transfers, etc. Call Elaine Galvan at (530)295-0503 (0620)

Due to the current Covid-19, the May calendar of events and meetings listed below may change at any time. Contact the organization's for the current status.

May 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31					1	2 Support Group Cancelled
3 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am-Noon, See website	4	5	6 Frank's Family Night Chicken Enchiladas	7 MVFA Board Meeting 3:30pm Outside Franks Diner	8	9 Men's Breakfast, Franks Diner, 7-8am
10 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am-Noon, See website	11	12	13 Frank's Family Night Asian Sticky Ribs MFOM – Men's Study, 7-8PM	14 MFPD Board Meeting 10 am via Tele-conference	15	16 SCPOA Board Cancelled
17 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am-Noon, See website	18	19	20 Frank's Family Night Chicken Piccata	21	22 Crafters Cancelled	23
24 MFOM Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11am-Noon, See website	25	26	27 Frank's Family Night Beef Stroganoff	28	29	30

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

<http://www.gomvfa.org>
<http://www.finnonrecreationarea.com/>
<https://mfpd.us/>
<https://scpoa.info>
<http://mfom.net>

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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 meeting on the first Thursday of each month at Fire Station at 7:00 pm. 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 their 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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