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## **Chief's Report**

by Chief Jack Rosevear



Calls for Service: March 21-April 21

Chimney Fire- 1  
Fire Alarm- 2  
Medical Aid- 6

Smoke Check- 1  
Public Assist- 1

The Fire District was pleased and honored to host a community meeting for the new bridge construction, presented by the El Dorado County Department of Transportation. The meeting was Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm. This project has been in the planning phases for many years, but it is not a reality until now, thanks to confirmed Federal Funding with a successful bid process. Details of the information gathered from the meeting will be provided on the Fire District's website and social media. Much appreciation to our firefighters and Support Group who provided a BBQ meal for our residents prior to the meeting.

The Fire District will be coordinating a Community Evacuation Drill on Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. The airport and surrounding areas of Dyer and Trout lakes will be used to stage residents, vehicles and possibly large animals (large animal rescue volunteers will be present and testing procedures). In the event of fire, time will of the essence for safe evacuation. Our simulation tests the Department's standard operating procedures and presumes the Mosquito Bridge is closed (due to new bridge construction). After the drill there will be a fire safety event hosted by SCPOA and the Mosquito Fire Safe Council (lunch provided). Fire District trucks and equipment will be there for demonstrations, displays and hands-on activities for kids.

Recent storms have been a welcome relief for dangerously dry vegetation. As the rainfall diminishes and we have warmer temperatures, native grasses will dry out and the burn season will soon be over. It will be important to get your burning done safely as soon as possible. Please follow all burn permit requirements, which can be obtained on-line. The Fire District does not issue burn permits, which are under the jurisdiction of Cal Fire and El Dorado County Air Quality District. Burn piles 4'x 4' or smaller, obtain a burn permit at <https://burnpermit@fire.ca.gov>. For larger burn piles obtain a permit at <https://www.edcgov.us/government/airqualitymanagement/burn-permit-application>. Burn barrels are not allowed. Always call or check our website to see if it's a burn day before proceeding.

Cal Fire will be continuing vegetation management inspections in our community next month. They will be out enforcing defensible space regulations around homes (30-100 foot clearance). The purpose of the inspections are educational but they do have the option to issue warning and citations.

I reported last month about El Dorado Hills FD doing defensible space inspections in our District. After discussion with El Dorado Hills FD and the County, they will not be inspecting, considering Cal Fire has already been working with our residents on the same inspections. Our District will handle the County vegetation complaints (under the County's "Good Neighbor" ordinance) and work with residents to gain compliance. We did this last year and will continue this year, in close coordination with the County.

Emergency Medical Responder training (80 hrs) will be scheduled to begin in March. We will have six Department volunteers taking the class, along with people off the Hill, who have registered through the hired instructor. This will give us additional personnel to respond and assist with medical emergencies.

Wildland season will soon be here and we are actively focusing all training on firefighting preparedness. Our OES engine (4613) will return to Station 75 Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup> after months being away getting repaired (supply chain issues with parts). We have been successful in adding additional firefighter graduates the wildland academy, created, and organized by a Pioneer FD firefighter. The academy is recognized by the Folsom Lake College and County ROP fire training programs.

We will receive brand new Scott breathing apparatus within the next few weeks. The regional FEMA Assistance to Firefighter grant (Mosquito, Pioneer, Georgetown) will pay for full replacement of our breathing apparatus and air masks. There was approximately \$9,500 in excess grant money from the funds assigned to us, which will purchase a turnout extractor (washing machine) and additional radio pagers for our volunteers. A special thanks to the Pioneer Fire District for writing and sponsoring this very important grant. Our current breathing apparatus, purchased reconditioned last year, will be used as backup and training. All of our current breathing apparatus parts and pieces are compatible with the new units coming in. The new units were purchased through the Cal Fire contract with the Scott breathing apparatus vendor. Scott breathing apparatus is now with all El Dorado County west slope fire districts.

The Fire District will be conducting annual fire safety inspections on all non-residential hangers at the airport. The purpose is fire safety education/awareness, firefighter safety and pre-fire planning. Please contact me to schedule an inspection, at your convenience, if you own or rent a hanger.

We continue to seek interest from the Community for those interesting in CERT training. CERT basic training consists of approximately 30 hours of basic disaster preparedness training delivered in a flexible format over several months. Those taking the training will be much better prepared for emergency and disaster situations at home and elsewhere. Additional training will be available for those who wish to expand their knowledge and become certified volunteer responders to emergency incidents. If this interests you and would like to learn more, please contact me or Fire Director Wayne Gregson ([wgregson@mfpd.us](mailto:wgregson@mfpd.us)).

The District is seeking volunteers of all types. If you have the desire to contribute your skills and talents to help your community, we definitely have a place for you. Please visit our website, [www.mfpd.us](http://www.mfpd.us).

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.

#### Upcoming Events:

See Calendar for additional May MFPD events

Saturday June 4- MVFA Yard Sale- 10am- Station 75

Saturday June 11- Community Evacuation Drill- 12pm- Airport area Fire Safety Event- 2pm- Dyer Lake

**The next MFPD board meeting will be on May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Fire House,**

## **MVFA UPDATE**

MVFA Board of Directors

### **Campground**

April saw more campers than the previous month. The weather is getting warmer and the campers are ready for a nice trip to Finnon. All weekends were booked along with several week days. We added three new picnic tables last month thanks to all the hard work of Tom, Dave, Adam and Trent. We still have four more tables to go.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

MVFA Annual Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success. We had to move it from Finnon Campground due to the rainy weather to the Fire Station, but that didn't stop the Easter Bunny from coming. We had over 50 children come to collect the Easter Eggs that were left. The Easter Bunny left 20 special eggs with prizes in each one. The children played games and had their faces painted along with tattoos and received balloon animals. Thank you to Dee Harris for your beautiful face painting and balloon animals for the children. Thank you everyone who came out to help, we couldn't have done it without your help. Thank you, Pat Johnson, for all the wonderful photos that you took. To see all the happy children's faces please check our website to see the photos – [gomvfa.org](http://gomvfa.org).



### **Community Spaghetti Dinner**

Mark your calendars our Spaghetti dinner will be held at the Fire Station on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm suggested adults donations is \$10 children 12 and under \$5. Dinner includes red sauce; and or pesto; meatballs; sausage; salad and garlic bread. Come on out and show your support and enjoy a great meal.



### **MVFA Annual Yard Sale**

Start collecting for the MVFA Annual Yard sale Fire Station parking lot 8 am to noon June 4<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Paula at 530-621-3286 or email [mvfa95667@gmail.com](mailto:mvfa95667@gmail.com) to reserve a spot for \$10.



### **Leash Law**

Please remember it is a county ordinance that all dogs must be on a leash while at the Finnon Recreation Area and Frank's Diner. To maintain a safe and incident free environment we ask that you abide by this ordinance requirement.

### **Amazon Smile**

If you have been ordering through Amazon, we would encourage you to use Amazon Smile. In doing so you can choose a charity and they will donate a small portion to your chosen charity. If you don't have a specific charity, you have already chosen, we would appreciate your considering MVFA.

### **Classified Ads**

If you subscribe to the Byte, and you own a business, you may advertise that business in the Byte at no charge.

### **MVFA UPCOMING EVENT SCHEDULE**

**May 14, 2022** Spaghetti dinner

**June 4, 2022** Yard Sale

**October 15, 2022** Harvest Festival

**October 29, 2022** Trunk or Treat

**December 10, 2022** Christmas Dinner

**The next MVFA board meeting will be on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm at the Fire House.**

**The June meeting will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00pm.**

### **Finnon Lake News**

By The Friends of Finnon

Finnon Lake Recreation Area is owned and maintained by the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association (MVFA) and is open from spring to fall with maintenance activities during the winter months for camping, fishing, boating, swimming, picnicking and disc golf. The MVFA Board of Directors is responsible for paying the costs of keeping Finnon Lake Recreation Area operating safely and always improving. The MVFA Board is responsible for payments of more than \$40,000 in annual bills (dam fees, insurance, taxes and maintenance costs) to keep the park open to the public. Finnon Lake is a valuable community asset with potential for recreation and fire abatement. Neither Finnon Lake nor MVFA is part of the Mosquito Fire Department (MFPD) and receives no money from MFPD or any other tax source. MVFA is totally self-supported by park fees, rents, donations and fund-raiser events. All adult residents in the Mosquito Fire Protection District are automatically members of MVFA.

A \$6.00 Day Use fee for day use activities - swimming, fishing, boating (including inflatables), and picnicking and disc golf - is collected on the honor system. Hiking, walking, bird watching and bicycling at Finnon are free of charge. Camping is by reservation only - thru HipCamp.com. Every dollar collected from park fees and donations goes to paying bills, improving the site and supporting the Mosquito Fire Department. The café is leased to a

concessionaire who has full responsibility for its operation and upkeep. Volunteer residents donate their time to help with maintenance, improvements, websites and reservations, Mosquito Byte, Mosquito Phone Book, MVFA events and other projects.

Recently, the Finnon Lake Dam received its annual inspection by the California Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams. MVFA volunteers cleared the dam spillway, and prepared the outflow valve for the required fully open to fully closed inspection routine.

In addition, seven new picnic tables are being added at the Finnon campground to replace some of the older ones, and adding tables to the Day Use area. Sugar Pine logs were donated by local residents, and boards for the tables were milled by Tom Harris at his local private mill. Thanks to volunteers Trent Williams and Dave Angelo for putting the tables together and delivering them to the campground.

And thanks to the many resident volunteers for keeping the Finnon property maintained and running smoothly. Doing so keeps the visitors coming to Finnon Lake Recreation Area, and allows the MVFA board to continue its support of the fire department. Finnon Lake has always played a valuable role in support of the Mosquito Fire Department, and is a valuable resource for fire safety. In the event of a fire, the campground is used as a safe area, and the lake is used to fill the water tenders and for helicopters to pull water.



Also, visit [www.finnonrecreationarea.com](http://www.finnonrecreationarea.com) and click the "About" button for more information about Finnon Lake and MVFA history. To enhance your membership in MVFA, become a volunteer.

MVFA offers an annual Day Use Pass for Mosquito Fire District residents. Contact MVFA at [MVFA95667@gmail.com](mailto:MVFA95667@gmail.com) or 530-295-0541 to purchase the Resident Day Use Pass. Thank you for supporting MVFA and Finnon Lake Recreation Area.

## **Mosquito Community Cleanup Day**

by Kim Purcell

The Swansboro Pilots Association, MVFA and El Dorado Disposal will again be hosting a community cleanup day. The event will be held in the firehouse parking lot on **Saturday June 18th** from **8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon** or until dumpsters are full which usually occurs about noon. Members of the Pilots Group will be on site to assist you with unloading. **We cannot accept appliances, tires, hazardous waste or construction material.** You can also bring your CRV cans and plastic bottles for the MVFA recycling program which benefits the Station 75 fund. If you have clean bedding and towels you wish to get rid of please bring them and they will be distribution to various animal rescue groups in our area who will be very appreciative. If you have any questions contact Kim Purcell 621-1049

## **Birding at Finnon Lake**

by Dave Angelo

Here are the results of the bird watch for April. The next bird watch is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>. 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.



8 Canada Goose  
2 Mallard  
2 Pied-billed Grebe  
2 Band-tailed Pigeon  
50 American Coot

1 Great Egret  
2 Bald Eagle  
8 Acorn Woodpecker  
6 Barn Swallow  
15 Western Bluebird

12 Lesser Goldfinch  
1 Spotted Towhee  
28 Red-winged Blackbird  
6 Brewer's Blackbird

Number of Taxa: 14

### **Did you know?**

by Dave Angelo

Here is the last entry regarding the incubation process of the bald eagles. They have a "brood patch" which is a bare skin area on their breast that is formed when the eagle removes its own feathers from that location. By removing the feathers, the eagle allows its body heat to better reach the eggs to keep them at the proper (105 degrees) temperature. The Finnon Lake bald eagles have incubated their eggs in the nest for the 34-36 day incubation period and their posture behavior the past 3 weeks indicates that the egg(s) have hatched. As of April 11 at least 2 Eaglets have been spotted in the nest.

## **Crafters**

by Eileen Reisner

MVFA Firehouse Crafters next meeting will be on Friday, May 27nd 2022 at 10:00 AM. The meeting will be held at Darlene Rood's home located at 2211 Swansboro Road. The meeting will be a chance to share ideas for future sales. If you have been working on some projects, bring them along to share with the group. All proceeds from our sales go to the MVFA Station 75 Fund, used to buy needed items for the Mosquito Fire Station. For information call Eileen Reisner at 530-295-0541.

## **Swansboro Pilot Association Scholarship**

by Swansboro Pilots Association

The Swansboro Pilots Association is again 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 next 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, 2022 to: Swansboro Pilots Association, 2724 Swansboro Road, Placerville, CA 95667. If you have any questions please contact Kim at 621-1049



## **Franks Diner**

by Frank Ethridge

May is a month where flowers bloom and this is the month dedicated to mothers. I Love you mom you are the flower of my garden. ~Anonymous

Don't forget Mom on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8th. We will be having specials running through the day.



### **Wednesday Family Night**

Specials are \$14.00 from 5 pm to 8 pm

4th-Chicken Enchiladas

11th-Beef Tips and Rice

18th-Korean Ribs

25th-Champagne Chicken

### **Frank's Summer Diner Hours:**

Wednesday -Thursday 11 am – 8 pm

Friday 12 pm - 8 pm

Saturday-Sunday 8 am - 8 pm

Monday-Tuesday – Closed

(Breakfast served on the weekends only)

(530) 409-1977

[www.franksmosquitodiner.com](http://www.franksmosquitodiner.com)

How about a special treat for Mom? You can make this a day ahead and bake it when you need it.

### **Recipe of the Month**

### **Overnight Blueberry French Toast**

#### **Ingredients:**

12 slices of day-old bread,  
cut into 1-inch cubes

2 (8 ounces) packages of  
cream cheese, cut into 1-  
inch cubes

1 cup fresh blueberries

12 eggs, beaten

2 cups milk

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1/3 cup maple syrup

1 cup white sugar

2 tablespoons cornstarch

1 cup water

1 cup fresh blueberries

1 tablespoon butter

#### **Directions:**

**Step 1** - Lightly grease a 9x13 inch baking dish. Arrange half the bread cubes in the dish, and top with cream cheese cubes. Sprinkle 1 cup of blueberries over the cream cheese, and top with the remaining bread cubes.

**Step 2** - In a large bowl, mix the eggs, milk, vanilla extract, and syrup. Pour over the bread cubes. Cover, and refrigerate overnight.

**Step 3** - Remove the bread cube mixture from the refrigerator about 30 minutes before baking. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).

**Step 4** - Cover, and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover, and continue baking for 25 to 30 minutes, until the center is firm and the surface is lightly browned.

**Step 5** - In a medium saucepan, mix the sugar, cornstarch, and water. Bring to a boil. Stirring constantly, cook for 3 to 4 minutes. Mix in the remaining 1 cup of blueberries. Reduce heat, and simmer for 10 minutes, until the blueberries burst. Stir in the butter, and pour over the baked [French Toast](#)

## **The Up and Coming 2022 Mosquito Phone Book**

by Adam Reisner

In the next few months we will be producing the 2022 edition of the Mosquito Phone Book. The phone book contains valuable information from our Mosquito/Swansboro area. Learn about the various organizations, important phone numbers, map of the area, along with residential listings. If you want to be added to the phone book, or need to change your listing, contact us at [mosquitophbook@gmail.com](mailto:mosquitophbook@gmail.com) or mail information to MVFA Phone Book, 9009 Orval Beckett Court, Placerville, Ca. 95667. The deadline for any submissions will be on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. We will let the community know when the 2022 Phone Book is ready. Any questions can be directed to [mvfa95667@gmail.com](mailto:mvfa95667@gmail.com)



## **MVFA SWAG**

by Paula Paynter

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 Paula Paynter at: 530-621-3286



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

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

## **MVFA CRV Recycle Program**



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



NOTE: Lids/Caps on plastic **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 recycle volunteers.

**MVFA THANKS YOU!**



## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

(Classified Ads are free to all paid subscribers)

### **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](mailto:farm3goats@gmail.com) (0000)

**LOCAL ELECTRICIAN** for installation of generator fuse panel with house fuse panel. Please call with est. 530-295-1531

### **FOR SALE**

Magic Chief deep chest freezer--\$35  
Whirlpool small dryer--\$49  
530-295-1531

Echo gas powered weed eater \$100.00  
Little Giant deluxe step ladder \$100.00  
Call Lionel (530) 622-7472

Having a hard time finding the book Goat Doctor of the Sierra's? I still have some left from the Harvest Festival. \$20 each. Proceeds support MFPD. Call Taffy at 530 626-8689.

#### **UNIQUE JEWELRY**

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

### **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](http://mfom.net) or call (530)295-0503. (0621)

### **SERVICES**

#### **HOUSE PAINTER – AMERICAN EAGLE PAINTING**

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

#### **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](mailto: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](http://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**

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! (0622)

### **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. (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](http://www.mosquitoadneighbors.com) or (530)295-4641 or toll free (866)SALLYRE, [snlongjohns@yahoo.com](mailto: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 (0622)

### **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

<http://www.gomvfa.org>  
<http://www.finnonrecreationarea.com/>  
<https://mfpd.us>  
<https://scpoa.info>  
<http://mfom.net>  
[www.edcfiresafe.org](http://www.edcfiresafe.org)

# May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am-Noon, See website	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>4</b> <b>Frank's Family Night</b> Chicken Enchiladas	<b>5</b> <b>MVFA</b> Board Meeting 3pm Station 75	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Support Group Training</b> 10am Station 75
<b>8</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am-Noon, See website	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>11</b> <b>Frank's Family Night</b> Beef Tips and Rice  <b>SCPOA Common Area Committee</b> 3pm Dyer Lake Hall	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Bird Watching</b> Finnon Lake, Day use area 8 am  <b>MFVA Spaghetti Feed</b> 6pm Fire House
<b>15</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am-Noon, See website	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75  <b>SCPOA Board Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Dyer Hall	<b>18</b> <b>Frank's Family Night</b> Korean Ribs	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am-Noon, See website	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>25</b> <b>Frank's Family Night</b> Champagne Chicken	<b>26</b> <b>MFPD Board Meeting</b> 7:00pm Fire House	<b>27</b> <b>Crafters Meeting</b> 10 am 2211 Swansboro Road	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am-Noon, See website	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75				

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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 - which it owns. 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 become a volunteer. 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.

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](mailto:mvfa95667@gmail.com), or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: MVFA, 9009 Orval Beckett Ct. Placerville CA 95667.

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