



PARADISE PARK MASONIC CLUB



BULLETIN - DECEMBER 1999

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT JACOB KOFF

WELCOME!

Welcome to new Member **Todd Gregory Hoffman** and Associate Member **Patricia L. Hoffman** of 468 York Avenue. Todd and Tricia will be living in the Park fulltime with their son, **Trevor**, and are part of the **Ray and Charlotte Hoffman** family. Also, welcome to **Darlene Huckobey**, Associate Member to **Darrell Huckobey** of 562 King Solomon; **Betty Marie Thompson**, Associate Member to **William B. Thompson** of 407C Cavern Way; and **Margo L. Vest**, Associate Member to **Margaret M. Sullivan** of 121 Keystone Way.

In addition, the following allotments have changed hands between Members: **Farid Charles Traboulsi** has purchased 277 Keystone Way from **David Robert Mahan**, and **David Robert Mahan** has purchased 410 Keystone Way from **Bonnie Halligan** who has moved to Westwood, California, which is near **Susanville**, in order to be near her daughter and granddaughter.

One other Membership change is that **Margaret M. Sullivan** has become the Member for 121 Keystone upon the death of her husband, **Robert Neil Sullivan**.

DAM UPDATE

The Dam continues to be a very high priority for the Board. Three of our members, **Tod Likins**, **Bob Sand**, and **Kurt Diesner**, have

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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK BILL LOCKE-PADDON

BORROWED CLUB PROPERTY

In the past I've asked Members to return any Club property they may have borrowed and forgot to return. I am especially interested in tools that might have been borrowed.

Also, if you have any surplus tools rusting away, you can always donate them to the Club. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated.

HAZARDOUS WASTES

Materials, such as solvents, and "Roundup" herbicide are needed by the Club. However, the Club can only take the hazardous wastes it can use, so it is up to the Member to transport other household hazardous wastes to the Santa Cruz County hazardous disposal site. Please do not dispose of hazardous wastes in the garbage. It is illegal, and most of all, it is dangerous for the crew to throw into the back of the trucks.

YARD WASTE

Yard waste is an on-going problem. Members are using the designated yard waste areas as a catch-all for debris. Yard waste is for plant cuttings 6' and under in length and leaf litter only. Please no ashes, wood, pots, plastic, metal, trash, logs, rootballs and anything else that can't be mulched. I invite you to walk over to the Ball Field and see for yourself what kinds of things are getting mixed in as yard waste.

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DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12/6 -
Knitten Kittens
Social Hall
12:30 - 4:30pm

12/10 -
1st Half TAD's Due

12/14 -
Agenda Cut-off for
Board of Directors
Meeting

12/20 - Article
& Announcement
Cut-off for PPMC
Bulletin

12/18 - Board of
Directors Meeting

12/19 -
Holiday Party
Social Hall - Noon

12/24 - 12/25
Christmas Holiday
(Office Closed)

12/31 - 1/1/2000
New Year's
(Office Closed)

1/3 -
Knitten Kittens
Social Hall 12:30 -
4:30pm

1/5 - Men's Club
Social Hall 11:30am
Stan Wolfberg

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spent considerable time working on this problem. Please see **Tod's** dam update on page 4 of this Bulletin for an overview of the situation. Thank you **Bob**, **Kurt**, and **Tod** for doing so much to help the Club on this important issue.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

We have a great event planned for December. Don't miss the **Annual Holiday Party** at the Social Hall at noon on December 19th! Turkey, potatoes, rolls, and wine will be provided. Bring a favorite dish to share and your own place settings. If you have a small child, also bring a small wrapped gift (with your child's name clearly written on it) for Santa to give.

PARADISE PARK IN CYBERSPACE

The Paradise Park web site is a reality. Thanks to Past President and Webmaster **Todd Williams**, we've staked our claim to a piece of cyberspace. Our web address is paradisepark.org.

We are proceeding conservatively with this project. The site will initially have photos of scenic Club areas, including the bridge and beaches, and information about the Club such as our address and phone number. We hope to have links to our site on the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter sites. Our hope is that Masons and Eastern Stars will see us on the web and want to visit us in person.

If you have any suggestions or comments about our site, please forward them to **Todd**.

NO ROUND-THE-CLOCK SERVICE IN PARADISE PARK

Friends, it has recently come to my attention that many Members are calling the Manager after hours for non-emergency matters. For example, **Bill** has just recently received calls late at night from Members reporting "strange noises," "the faint sound of water running," "unusual lights," and "suspicious cars." The Board of Directors requests your cooperation and asks you NOT to call after hours unless there is a Park-related emergency.

Park emergencies consist of:

1. a major water line break with water gushing out of the ground,
2. a serious fire that threatens an entire house or houses,
3. a major flood or other natural disaster, or
4. a fallen tree blocking roads in the Park.

All other matters should be reported to the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's office by calling 9-1-1. Non-emergency Park-related matters can be reported to the Office on the next business day.

This includes power outages. There is nothing that Park employees can do when the electricity goes off. When this happens, please call PG&E, 800/743-5000.

Remember, our Manager works a regular 40 hour week and, in addition, generally puts in a lot of overtime. He simply cannot be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Thank you for your cooperation.

STAKING COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Staking Committee measures allotment lines to determine their correct location. We need additional people willing to serve on this important committee. No special skills are required. Volunteers will be trained. It will take approximately 2 to 4 hours of your time each month. If you can help the Club by volunteering to serve on the Staking Committee, please let the Manager know.

WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE

The Long Range Planning Committee identified improvements to the water system as the highest priority capital improvement. The Committee recommended that the Board appropriate up to \$10,000 to pay for a professional evaluation of the system and for the development of exact specifications for the work to be done. The Board of Directors accepted the recommendation of the Committee, and at our November meeting we voted to authorize the requested expenditure to be paid for from the Water Reserve Fund. Once the specifications have been written, a contract will be put out to bid. At this point, we envision that the actual repairs will be done in stages over several years, as funds become available.

Fraternally, **Jacob Koff**

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

<u>Membership Applications:</u>	<u>Date Posted</u>
Dyson-Weaver, Linda for 214 Keystone Way	10/28/99
Parkhill, Peter for 155 St. Augustine	10/29/99
<u>Associate Membership Applications:</u>	
Vierra, Judy to Myron Kegebein, 114 Keystone Way	09/07/99
Buchanan, Judy to Charles Buchanan, 182 St. Bernard	11/24/99
<u>Alternate Associate Membership Applications:</u>	
Glasse, Lynda to William Glasse, 107 Keystone Way	11/20/99

FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK - BILL LOCKE-PADDON

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RECYCLING

Recycle your recyclables. There are three locations for recycling: Section 4, Section 6 and the by Firehouse. Remember that only numbers 1 and 2 plastic are wanted by our recycler. Cardboard and newsprint are currently recycled only at the Firehouse location; and presently, the Club does not recycle office paper or glossy paper. Newspapers only, please. Also, do not mix your newsprint recycling with plastic or other paper. Cardboard recycling is for corrugated cardboard only. There is a \$10 surcharge from our recycler to process non-corrugated cardboard.

MONDAY MORNING GARBAGE PICKUPS

Garbage bags continue to be overloaded. A garbage bag should not weigh more than 35 pounds. Please hereby be warned: I am instructing the crew to leave heavy bags. A good rule of thumb is that if your garbage bag stretches the neck of the plastic bag, it's too heavy. Re-bag and keep in mind that all garbage bags have to be thrown into the back of a truck by hand.

FLEA MARKET DONATIONS

A quick note on flea market items: large appliances and furniture will not be accepted due to the difficulty in handling.

WATER REPAIRS

Take the time to find out where your water cutoff valve is in case of an emergency. Mark the location of your shut off valve and provide the office with a map. If you do not have a cutoff valve or if your cutoff valve is in need of repair, please have a plumber repair it as soon as possible. Remember, it's a lot less expensive to schedule a plumber during regular work hours than it is to do an emergency repair after hours. At any rate, let the Office know what your plans are; if the water main will need shutting off, we need as much warning as possible. Members are responsible for their water service up to and including the shut off valve. The Club is responsible for supplying water service to the cutoff valve and for shutting down the water system.

FIRE SAFETY

Please check the battery on your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Be especially careful with Christmas trees - they are very flammable, veritable torches and tinder dry if not kept well watered.

DOG AND CAT OWNERS

Please be advised that you will be fined if you are caught leaving dog droppings or allowing your pet to run around unleashed. Also, please keep all cats leashed or indoors as they decimate our Park Quail population.

VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

The volunteer fire company is in need of volunteer fire fighters. If there continues to be a lack of interest in Co. 38, I'm going to recommend to the Board of Directors that Co. 38 be discontinued so I can use the monies allocated in the Club's budget elsewhere. If the fire muster was held later in the day or on weekdays, would there be more interest in attracting you as a volunteer fire fighter? Please give me your input.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR WORK FOR MEMBERS

All contractors are required to check in with the Office for insurance purposes.

RAINY SEASON CONCERNS

The rainy season is here. Please bear in mind that drain systems seem to have been an afterthought when the roads were built at Paradise Park. In some locations, the only thing the crew can do is keep the leaf litter out of the drains. In other words, be prepared to sandbag if its necessary. Problem areas have been identified. I am going to make budget recommendations that will remedy the drain problems. Keep me posted with your road drainage problems.

ARSON INCIDENT

There was an arson attempt on the Guard Shack on October 29th. *Be on the alert for suspicious individuals.* Call the Sheriff's Office, 911, if you see somebody you suspect is trespassing. When the Office is closed, do not call the answering service to have Management paged. Paradise Park is private property and each Member is part owner; therefore, call in the law if you feel there is a legitimate crime taking place on your Club property. I'll step in if the authorities fail to take appropriate action. Again, Management should not be called for law enforcement. All law enforcement emergencies are to be handled by dialing 911.

On the other hand, if you called 911 when the Office was closed, please call the Office during normal working hours to make an incident report.



Dam Update

by Tod Likins

Each summer for many, many years we have enjoyed the river and it's swimming holes. In the old days, from my memory, many Dads helped the kids build rock dams in the river and they raised the river enough for little kids to swim. Big kids could swim too in some years. Some years later we started using bulldozers in the river to build our dams. It was much easier and a quicker way to do a better job. But the **State Fish and Game Department** told us that we would have to stop the habitat degradation that the bulldozer was causing and that we should put in a flashboard dam. They helped us do the planning and in about 1987 we assessed ourselves \$40,000 and put in the concrete base for that dam. Each year we were required to submit a permit to install the flashboards.

As you all know, this past summer Fish and Game did not allow us to put in our flashboards. As far as permission for dam installations is concerned, **Fish and Game** had to take a back seat to the **National Marine Fisheries Service**. To put in a dam, we will now need to satisfy the demands of both organizations.

On October 30, I met in Paradise Park with representatives from both of these organizations. **Bob Sand** and **Kurt Diesner** were also present. Both of these gentlemen have a long history of association with the dam. After considerable discussion, it was concluded that we *might* be able to put in a dam if we were to submit a Biological Study of the river and the Steelhead and *then meet whatever concerns the study might uncover. We would also have to do a Habitat Conservation Plan* to allow for the unplanned take of any fish, particularly young Steelhead. **Fish & Game** and the **National Marine Fisheries Service** representatives indicated that there are five areas of concern that need to be addressed in the Biological Study. To address these concerns, we would need to 1) cover the water with mesh for some number of feet below the dam to discourage predation by birds and raccoons; 2) minimize the sediment disturbed by the placement of the flashboards; 3) put in a fish ladder so that fish would not be hampered from going upstream over the dam; 4) check the water temperature changes that a dam might create; and 5) check for water quality loss due to the dam installation. All of these concerns can be dealt

with...at a cost.

In rough figures, according to the assembled experts, the Biological Study will cost us approximately \$4,000 and the Habitat Conservation Plan will cost an additional \$20,000. It will take about eighteen months for the study and plan to be completed.

One of the problems is that the Steelhead has just recently been listed as a "threatened" species and the regulations concerning river dams have not yet been finalized. Another concern is that court decisions may change the interpretations of the laws. Conservation is a growing phenomenon and we may see further laws put in place as well. Any of these issues could negate our efforts no matter how far we are along with the process of meeting their current concerns.

Another possibility is that Steelhead could possibly be listed as an "endangered species" at any point in our study. If this happens, it is highly unlikely that **Fish & Game** or the **National Marine Fisheries Service** would allow any type of dam to be placed on the river.

In addition, there is no guarantee that if we do the Biological Study and Habitat Conservation Plan we will be given permission to put in the dam. We may get permission or we may not. There is no way to know in advance.

The question, obviously, is should we spend approximately \$24,000 on these river studies? We want to know what you think. Please call or write to the Office and tell us your opinion.



Member Security

Scott Snyder reports that his wife **Sophie's** ex-boyfriend has reappeared and is stalking her. He may be posing as a delivery person to ask the location of their home. Please be suspicious of anyone asking after **Sophia Snyder** or **Sophia Williams Gonzales**. His name is Carl "Monty" Taylor and he is a white male with a slim to medium build, light brown hair, and brown eyes. He is a Marine or ex-Marine. If you see anyone in the Park who resembles this picture, please call 911 because he would be trespassing. Also, let the Snyder's (831/429-2079) know when and where you have seen him.

Notes on Paradise Park Gardens

December in the garden:

There are at least four stories about the origin of the Christmas tree. *The Legend of the Pine Tree* tells of when the Holy family fled from Herod's soldiers and how a pine tree offered them shelter. The story of *Saint Boniface and the Christmas Tree* tells that this English missionary came upon some men about to cut a huge oak down to use as a stake in a human sacrifice to their pagan god. He felled the tree with a single blow and as the tree split, a beautiful fir tree sprang from its center. The *Paradise Tree Story* tells how religious theater was born in the Middle Ages, and in the depiction of the story of Adam and Eve, the Garden of Eden was represented by a fir tree hung with apples. A Viking story tells how three entities (Faith, Hope, and Charity) were sent from Heaven to place lights on the original Christmas tree.

Trees as traditional symbols of life are older than Christianity. Egyptians brought palm branches into their homes on the shortest day of the year to symbolize life's triumph over death and Romans decorated their homes with evergreens during their winter Solstice festival.

The first recorded Christmas tree dates back to the 16th century in Strasbourg, Germany, where fir trees were decorated with colored paper, fruits, and sweets. England was introduced to Christmas trees in the 19th century when Queen Victoria married a German, Prince Albert. Christmas trees were introduced to America by Hessian soldiers during the Revolutionary war, German settlers in Pennsylvania, and British cattle barons in Texas.

Many different kinds of trees have been used as Christmas trees. Here in the Park in front of 593 Keystone Way, we have one of the major Christmas tree species used in the Pacific Northwest since the 1920's. It is a Douglas Fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*) but while called a "Fir", it is not related to the true Fir family. Information on other trees used as Christmas trees can be found on the internet at http://www.christree.org/treetype/hist_chr.html#. In fact, all of the information contained here was found on the internet by searching under 'Christmas tree'. If you aren't connected yet, I will leave some of the interesting information and some Christmas stories in a yellow folder in the Office out by the mail boxes for your enjoyment.

Happy Holidays!

Long-Range Planning Committee

Along with the Water System Enhancement Plan Jacob spoke about in his Report on Page 2 of this Bulletin, there was discussion at our November 21st meeting about an Emergency Evacuation Plan for PPMC. The Committee agreed that a phone survey will be conducted to identify where full-time members live and who might be able to use assistance in an emergency. Then we will develop an Evacuation Plan and ask for volunteers to help assure everyone has good directions and assistance as needed. Evacuation routes can be planned for all allotments for various evacuation scenarios. This is a fine example of our strong Masonic community helping one another. So, when you get the phone call, please understand we aren't being nosey, we are helping to assure everyone is safe. Our next meeting is December 19th. If you have any suggestions or comments, please call me at 471-2314.

Chuck Buchanan, Chairman

MEN'S CLUB

The next Men's Club luncheon will be held at the Social Hall on Wednesday, January 5th, gathering at 11:30am and with lunch served at 12:00 noon. The *Chef of the Day* will be **Barry Brown**.

The featured speaker will be **Stan Wolfberg** who will be speaking on Senior services, education, and Elderhostel. We hope to see all of you there.
Bill Hardwick, 427-2054

WOMEN'S CLUB?

We've had so little response, we thought we would try once more to see if there are women in the Park who would be interested in organizing a Women's Club for the purpose of Sociability, Education, and Service?

We could enjoy a monthly Luncheon Meeting with speakers to inform us as to what is happening around us and the surrounding communities, as well as for fun and special interests. And we could adopt a yearly project to benefit the Park. Please let us know *now* if you would be interested. Either drop a note in or phone the Office at 831/423-1530 or write me, **Vera Reinstein**, at: 8100 Carneal Rd.

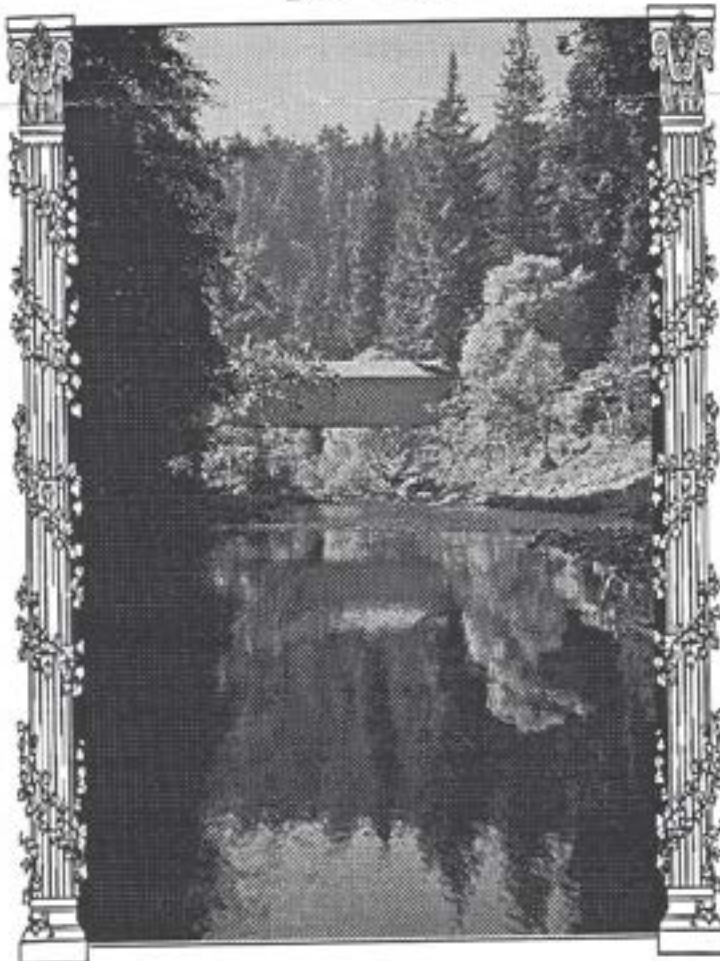
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I would love to hear from you!

Correction to November's Bulletin:

Last month we notified you all that Louise Reed had recently undergone open heart surgery and was home recovering. Louise Reed called the Office soon after receiving her first card from a friend expressing concern for her. Apparently there are two Louise Reed's - one who is our Paradise Park Louise Reed and one who is a Member of our local Eastern Star Santa Cruz Redwoods Chapter #273. This latter Louise Reed had the open heart surgery. Our Paradise Park Louise Reed asked that we notify you all of our mistake for which we are sincerely sorry.

In Memory of
Robert Sullivan
November 8, 1999



Agnes Dunn-Ruiz writes:

I am so sorry to be so late, but I missed the dateline for last month.

I want to thank all my friends who called, sent cards, and remembered me in their prayers. A very special *Thank You* to Doris Beaumont who drove me to the doctor's office, safely saw me bedded in the hospital, and notified my family. And to Grace Brown who has been picking up my mail.

I am feeling fine again although I have slowed down as lot as I did have heart damage and have been warned to use common sense and not try to do

Please send your love, prayers, and concern to:

Ethel Riddle who is home and is being treated for severe back pain;

Bonnie Hamilton who has recently been hospitalized with chest pains;

Mary Baldrige who is halfway through chemotherapy treatment for colon cancer; and

Jim Wells who has been in the hospital with pancreatic cancer, is home now, and is undergoing radiation and chemotherapy.

We wish you all well!

POT LUCKS

Another great Pot Luck was held Saturday evening, November 20th. Diane and Tim Brown served as our gracious hosts. They decorated the tables with a very pretty Fall theme and furnished wine with spinach dip and French bread. There were 58 people in attendance and we all enjoyed a variety of delicious foods. We welcomed our newest Paradise Park residents: Tricia, Trevor, and Todd Hoffman who had just become Members that very morning! Congratulations!!

Our Pot of Gold was filled up to \$58 and the winner was Jim Gloeckler who generously donated his winnings to the Rec Fund. The money in the Pot of Gold is divided - half to the Rec Fund and half to the winning ticket. We are making this Pot of Gold a regular part of our Pot Lucks.

The next Pot Luck will be the first in the new millenium, January 15th, and will be hosted by Karon and Lloyd Ames. Don't forget to bring your favorite dish to share, your own place settings, and a dollar - you might be the next winner!

Lois Hardy



FAVORITE PARK RECIPES

Fanny Farkel's Fresh Apple Cake

4 C. fresh diced unpeeled Apples
1 C. White Sugar
1 C. Brown Sugar
2 beaten Eggs
1/2 C. Salad Oil
1 t. Salt
1 C. chopped Nuts
2 C. Flour (you may substitute 1/4 C. Wheat-germ for part of the Flour)
2 t. Baking Soda
1 t. ground Cinnamon
Handful of chopped dates or raisins
Mix apples, sugars, eggs, salad oil, salt, and nuts in a large bowl; add the flour, soda, cinnamon, and dates and/or raisins. Grease and flour a 9"x13" pan or 2-9"x9" pans. Bake at 375° for about 50 minutes. (Glass pans at 350° for 60 minutes.)

Icing: 1 C. Powdered Sugar
1 - 2 T. Milk
1 t. Vanilla or Almond Extract

Mix together and dribble over the warm cake. (It's good without icing, too.) *Barb Brown, courtesy of the Pajaro Valley Quilting Association*



ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY



Date: Sunday, December 19

Time: 1 pm

Place: Social Hall

Wine, Turkey, Potatoes, and Rolls will be provided. Please bring your favorite dish to share and bring your own place settings.



If you would like your child(ren) to receive a gift from

Santa, please bring it wrapped and labeled with their names to the Social Hall on the day of the Party.

The PARADISE PARK FLEA MARKET- 2000 will return in *eight short months*, July 28 - July 30, 2000! Don't forget to send Flea Market items to our Paradise Park Office for safe keeping. We need each of you to help us make this an even bigger fund raiser for the Rec Fund than last year. We appreciate both your donations and your help and hope you will be part of this annual event. Remember us first; we take most everything, only *PLEASE* no mattresses and no large furniture or large appliances; and *PLEASE* be sure that the small appliances you are donating actually work! Call Don Schmidt at 831/458-0663 or Mary Baldrige at 831/426-8171 for advice or help. *Seasons' Greetings!* *Connie Fisher*

FROM THE BOARDROOM . . .

Some Background Information: Your Board of Directors meets once each month, generally on the 3rd Saturday. We begin our meetings promptly at 7:30am, work through lunch, and adjourn only after all business is completed, usually between 2pm and 4pm. An agenda is prepared prior to each meeting. Agendas always follow the same format. Any Member who would like to meet with the Board should speak with the Manager. He'll try to put you on the agenda and to set aside time for the Board to meet with you and discuss whatever issue or issues you wish to discuss.

If you have any questions about this information, or about any aspect of the operation, maintenance, or governance of our club, please contact any Board Director. Although each Director has a specific title, any Director will be happy to answer questions on any topic. We would be happy to hear from you!

Summary of the Board of Director's Meeting of September 18, 1999

- ◆ **Minutes.** Approved minutes from prior meeting of August 21st, as corrected.
- ◆ **Treasurer's Report.**
 - ✓ The Board expressed concern about some accounts being over budget, tractor repair costs and general vehicle repair costs.
- ◆ **Correspondence, New & Unfinished Business.**
 - ✓ The Board noted and responded to routine matters and requests from members.
 - ✓ The Board discussed insurance coverage for volunteer firefighters.
 - ✓ The Board received several letters objecting to the Board's no "car tent" policy.
 - ✓ The Board again reviewed the situation with building code liens filed against the Club by the County of Santa Cruz. The members involved were again told to correct the violations or the Club would do it and bill them accordingly.
 - ✓ The Board adopted a policy requiring that all indebtedness due the Club must be paid in full before membership transfers can take place.
 - ✓ The Board adopted a policy that transfers upon a member's death cannot take place unless and until the Club has been furnished with a copy of a death certificate and a current dues receipt from a Lodge or Chapter showing that the person who will be come the new member is in good standing.
 - ✓ The Board reviewed the Covered Bridge problem.
 - ✓ A decision on the Biological River As-

essment proposal was postponed to give the Board more time to obtain additional information.

◆ **Interviews.**

- ✓ The Board approved and welcomed new member **Dan Bales**, and new alternates **Sheri Sonderath** and **Michael Dobson**. The approved extended guest privileges for **Micah Rodler**. Welcome!
- ✓ **Scott Snyder** reported on Volunteer Fire Department issues, including the results of his recent survey of Park houses for fire safety problems. The Manager will send letters to members whose allotments have fire safety problems asking them to take corrective action.
- ✓ **Bob Biendle**, Park volunteer extraordinaire, offered to repair the Entrance Road traffic signals. The Board asked the Manager to ensure that cabling for the signals was on site so the signals could be used in an emergency.

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Summary of the Board of Director's Meeting of September 18, 1999

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- ✓ Jim Wells reported to the Board on Castle Site development issues, including options for selling, the drainage disagreement with Standard Pacific, an archaeological study of the site (required by the County), release of SBA lien and building code violation liens filed by the County against individual members.
- ◆ **Manager's Report.**
 - ✓ The Manager reported on sales status and delinquency problems.
 - ✓ Manager reported that complaints have been received from members about people living in "red Tagged" houses in the Park. Because it is the County which issues the "Tag," the Board cannot intervene. All such complaints should be directed to the County.
 - ✓ Manager reported on memorial donations to the Park and will acknowledge all donations.
 - ✓ Manager will sell or otherwise dispose of the unusable oil roller.
 - ✓ A member volunteered to paint the Social Hall.
 - ✓ Manager reported on staffing issues.
- ◆ **Tree Issues.**
 - ✓ The Board requests that members submit separate Tree Removal Requests for each tree.
- ◆ **Bylaws Committee**
 - ✓ No report.
- ◆ **Emergency & Safety Incident Reports.**
 - ✓ Five incidents were reported.
- ◆ **Building Committee**
 - ✓ No report.
- ◆ **Recreation Committee**
 - ✓ No report.

Summary of the Board of Director's Meeting of October 16, 1999

- ◆ **Minutes.** Minutes for September will be ready for approval at the November meeting.
- ◆ **Treasurer's Report.**
 - ✓ The Board reviewed the Club's financial position and decided that the Treasurer should have Board approval to move funds from one account to another. The Board reviewed accounts that are over budget, such as vehicle maintenance and mailings.
- ◆ **Correspondence, New & Unfinished Business.**
 - ✓ The Board noted and responded to routine matters and requests from members.
 - ✓ The Board reviewed a petition from members urging that the Biological Assessment proposal be accepted. A decision on the Biological Assessment was postponed until after the meeting with Jill Ambrosia of the National Marine Fisheries Service.
 - ✓ The Board reviewed the continuing problem with County building code violation liens filed against members.
 - ✓ The Board reviewed insurance for volunteers.
 - ✓ The need for better road maintenance was discussed at length.
 - ✓ An inoperable oiler donated to the Club will be returned to the donor.
 - ✓ Board expressed displeasure at the slow pace of the Bridge structural and termite evaluation.
 - ✓ The Board accepted past president Todd Williams' generous offer to explore setting up a website for the Club, with links on the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter sites. Thank you, Todd!

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Summary of the Board of Director's Meeting of October 16, 1999

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♦ Interviews.

- ✓ The Board approved and welcomed new member Michael Bradshaw, and new alternate Elisabeth Nolan. Sposeto. Welcome!
- ✓ The Board reviewed a request for tree removal. Before the Board can address the request, a separate request for each tree must be submitted.
- ✓ The Long Range Planning Committee reported on its activities.
- ✓ Malcolm Kirby expressed concern about the condition of the River and his fear that we may have flooding this Winter and Spring. The Board expressed its continuing frustration over being prohibited by the State of California from taking the steps necessary to mitigate River conditions that could lead to or exacerbate flooding.
- ✓ Jim Wells reported to the Board on Castle Site development issues, bringing the Board up-to-date on progress in this area.

♦ Manager's Report.

- ✓ The Manager reported on sales status [fewer than budgeted for] and delinquency problems. *[NOTE: The Club will soon initiate legal proceedings to terminate the membership of a member whose delinquent account has reached a crisis point].*
- ✓ Manager reported on the review of the Club's Employee Policies Handbook which is almost ready for Board approval.
- ✓ Manager reported on the Club's early warning emergency notification system.
- ✓ The Manager recommended that the Board approve raising the fee for delivery of crushed stone to members to \$25 per load. This recommendation was approved by the Board.

- ✓ The Club's attorney will review the legal necessity for our annual round-the-clock gate check.
- ✓ Manager reported on staffing issues.

♦ Tree Issues.

- ✓ The Board received a tree removal request but asked the member to furnish the Board with an arborist's report determining whether mitigating steps can be taken to address the situation.

♦ Bylaws Committee

- ✓ No report.

♦ Emergency & Safety Incident Reports.

- ✓ Six incidents were reported, including four involving injuries to members.

♦ Building Committee

- ✓ No report.

♦ Recreation Committee

- ✓ No report.

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Steve Taylor DIRECTOR AT LARGE AND RECREATION DIRECTOR	Home: 831/429-6087
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Bill Locke-Paddon MANAGER	Work: 831/423-1530
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The new **Entertainment Books** for the Greater Monterey/Santa Cruz Area are available in the Office for \$30.00 and are good for now through November 1, 2000!

MEMBER'S IMPROVEMENTS offered for sale as of November 22, 1999. All sales of below improvements and/or allotment use privileges are subject to the approval of the memberships and authorization to transfer rests with the Board of Directors.

ADDRESS	MEMBER	PRICE	DESCRIPTION
SECTION 1			
526 St. Ambrose St.	G. Stewart	\$ 80,000	2BR,1BA,approx.800sqft improvements,large livingrm w/wd stove, ceil fan,Utility area w/built in custom cabinets incl w/d,all appliances incl.,carport,house bolted to foundation.
540 Council St.	B. Uber	\$ 68,000	2BR,1BA,780sq ft cottage, living room, with stone, carpet, completely re furnished. Custom tiled bathroom with two skylights, new hot water tank, all new plumbing. 400 sq.ft. detached garage with work shop. Solid Redwood Construction. Nice location.
542 Council St.	K. Fowler MAKE OFFER	\$ 89,000	2BR,1BA,laund/utility rm,potential for 2nd bath,new roof,most windows replaced, completely remodeled bath,4-yr old leach lines,vermont castings propane heater,d/w,gas stove,gas water htr,new ceil fans in bdrms & livrm,new ceil insulation, new berber carpet,new side deck,front deck,exterior paint completed by spring '99,negotiate wash/dryer/frig. Call owner before showing,if no one home show anyway. Willing to negotiate. Will carry a note.
SECTION 2			
293 Royal Arch	Edward Simas SALE PEND- ING	\$ 105,000	Brick fireplace, propane water heater and floor furnace, dishwasher, washer and dryer hook up. 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom.
334 Royal Arch	G. Williams SALE PEND- ING Call 1st	\$107,000	2BR,1BA light,spacious1250sqft,yr-round home,large back deck & private back yard,updated kit & bath,lg livroom w/skylights,ceiling fan,french doors,propane heat(crm color jotul stove) installed Oct.'98 w/programmed thermostat,lg wooden shed for storage in back.
402 Consistory	E. Mills 459-7669	120,000	1 BR, 1 & 1/2 BA, large living rm. & bed rm. Elec. Range kitchen, dining area, laundry rm. Gas furnace, & Fireplace, Garage with overhead sleeping & 1/2 bath. Shop bldg. Also large deck and unfinished attic. Improvements 1300 Sq. Ft.
SECTION 4			
597 Keystone Way	J. Olson MAKE OFFER	\$ 77,000	1BR,2 sleeping lofts,1 1/2 BA,oak cabinets,stove,micro & frig built in.Cozy cottage in sunny choice location. Lots of decking to sit outdoors & enjoy the beautiful redwoods.Carport w/storage,room for 2 cars,excellent condition inside & out.
632 St. Augustine Ave.	B. LaVere AS IS	\$150,000/ BEST OFFER	Prime location by tennis cts,1/2 block to beach-San Lorenzo River behind house, 4BR,2 1/2BA,dwnstairs rm suitable for rampus rm/shop,kit,stove,frig, d/w, livrm/dinrm 20'x30',heat by wd stove.New field for septic'97,10yr old roof,w/d. .Approx. 2,000 sqft.
SECTION 6			
155 A St. Alban St.	E. Metcalf SALE PEND- ING	\$ 125,000 (\$50,000 down, owner will fi- nance.)	Cust built '72 2-story, 2000 sqft, LR/BR redwood beam ceiling ; stone firepl; din area; kit w/ betiful cab; carpet stairs, sm Fam rm / wet bar; sew rm w/ veiw;lg sun rm off deck, formica BA w/ spec toilet, lg. Hall closet. Dowstairs: toilet, shower, laundry, guest rm, work shop, carport, covered patio w/ sink, ice box, stor, elec.heat, partly furnished.
183 St. Bernard	M. Aldn	\$237,000	3 Bdrm/ 2 bath river-front home with hardwood floors, new appliances, cabinets, countertops and fixtures. Sunny location includes deck, patio and large landscaped yard with automatic sprinkler system. Beautiful move-in condition.
187 St. Bernard	J. Blaine	\$105,000	2BR,1BA,2800sqft allot,20'x35' home,170sqft basement,150sqft stor,2-car carport, shade trees,riverside lot,lotsa sun,some furn,elec stove,new frig,new propane wtr htr,wall to wall carpet.

BULLETIN NOTICE: Each Club Member is entitled to a monthly Bulletin. The costs to print and mail the Bulletins are part of your yearly Assessment. Several Members have requested that their Associate and Alternate Associate Members and friends would like to receive a monthly copy of the Bulletin also. With the January 2000 issue, because the cost of the Bulletin and necessary postage to mail it is not inexpensive, Bulletins will be available to non-Members at a subscription price of \$15 to offset these expenses.

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