

Everything Exchange

Sunday August 30

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**On the basketball courts at
Lampkin Park**

**Bring something you don't need or
want anymore, and pick up something
you do want: Tools, cds, movies,
kitchen items, household items, etc.**

It's all free!

**Per the Forest Service – The fire
danger level is “Very High” in our
area. Open fires are strictly prohibited,
including propane fire pits.**

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**How about a recipe for a
lovely summer salad that
combines greens and fruit?
Please see page 5 for another
of Chef Mike's wonderful
creations.**



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Board Passes Resolution Banning the Feeding of Birds and Squirrels

During its meeting on July 18, 2020, the PMCPOA Board passed Resolution #02-07-18-2020, an emergency resolution regarding wildlife. The resolution reads as follows:

“WHEREAS, the feeding of wildlife, including birds and squirrels, of peanuts, birdseed, hummingbird nectar and other food items has attracted a number of bears into the community resulting in property damage and creating a public safety issue, and WHEREAS, the California De-

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A Message from the Family Resource Center in Frazier Park

Thanks to a generous grant from the Kern Community Foundation, the FRC is currently able to offer rental or mortgage assistance. Through a recent partnership with the PMCPOA, services have been expanded and are available to PMC seniors and to continue to serve PMC families. There is also prescription assistance available through generous funding from the Southwest Health Care District. The goal of Family Resource Center is to expand all services to all residents living in the mountain communities. Please call 661-245-4303 to learn more about these programs or to make an appointment for services. There are also new expanded hours: Mondays & Fridays from 7:30am-4:00pm and Tuesday-Thursday from 8:30am-5:30pm (still closed from 12-1pm daily for lunch).

Meals on Wheels

Frazier Mountain Meals on Wheels is serving PMC. Meals are delivered to your door on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal, or \$42 per month. Call the Mountain Communities Family Resource Center to sign up. Volunteers are also needed as drivers, cooks and meal assemblers. Please call 661-245-4303 to sign up for the meals or to volunteer.

PMC Bear and Wildlife Policy

Patrice Stimpson, PMC
Patrol Chief

Most residents know there has been a large cinnamon and blonde-coated bear that was breaking windows and entering homes in PMC in recent weeks.

PMC Patrol, on the advice of California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), had been trying to haze this bear out of the area with several different methods including the use of paintball guns. Our attempts were not successful.

After consultation with the PMCPOA, CDFW came to Pine Mountain Club on July 11, 2020, and killed this bear out of concern for public safety. This was not the outcome the POA nor CDFW had worked towards. Some people applaud this course of action, most are horrified by it.

The bad habits and ultimate demise of this bear is a direct result of human interference with the normal foraging behavior of California black bears. Several PMC residents' negligence of properly disposing of trash, unsecured storage of pet food, outside refrigerators/freezers, open garages with attractants, feeding birds seeds/peanuts, deliberately feeding bears and a multitude of other association rules violations are documented as having directly led to this animal's destruction. This negligence also adversely affected neighboring property owners who were not violating the rules, by drawing the animal to their homes.

PMC Patrol, with the support of the General Manager and Board of Directors, adopted a zero-tolerance policy in regard to wildlife violations (see Association Rules under Article 7 on the PMCPOA website www.pinemountainclub.net).

Violators of Association Wildlife Rules will be issued an immediate citation, which carry fines between \$1,000 and \$4,500.

Please help us protect the wildlife. Please help protect your neighbors. Please be a responsible steward of our forest community. The responsibility belongs to us all.



Photo by Diane West

Are You Prepared for a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)?

PMCPOA Emergency Preparedness Committee

During extremely hot, dry and/or windy weather, power companies may need to turn off power to prevent wildfires. It could last multiple days in many areas. There are things you can do to prepare for a PSPS.

MAKE SURE YOUR POWER COMPANY HAS YOUR CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS. Power companies will try to notify their customers in advance of a PSPS.

BEFORE AN OUTAGE:

- Purchase back-up chargers and batteries. Solar cell phone chargers are a good idea.
- Learn how to operate automatic gates and the garage door manually.
- Have enough non-perishable food and water for at least five days.
- Create a First Aid Kit with extra medications, including special needs items for infants or elderly or disabled people in your family.
- Talk to your medical provider for advice on electric medical devices and refrigerated medicines. If you have an electric medical device, sign up for your utility's Medical Baseline Program to receive additional notifications.
- Purchase a battery-powered radio.
- Make sure you have a landline phone with a plain old telephone that does not require power. Cell phones may not work, as cell towers can go out after a lengthy outage.
- Keep mobile phones/electric equipment charged, and gas tanks full. Gas stations may not be open.
- Avoid using candles; have flashlights and battery-operated lanterns with extra batteries.
- Have enough food and water for your pets.
- Ensure backup generators are ready and safe to use.
- Freeze jugs of water and freezer packs. Also have coolers or ice chests on hand.
- Install carbon monoxide detectors with battery backup on every level of your home.

DURING AN OUTAGE:

- Refrigerators keep food cold for about 4 hours, freezers about 48 hours. There will be tips next month on "Food Safety in a Power Outage."
- Do not operate generators, camp stoves or charcoal grills indoors or less than 20 feet from windows. **DO NOT OPERATE A GENERATOR IN THE GARAGE**, even with the door open.
- Turn off or disconnect appliances, equipment or electronics. Power can return in "surges" or spikes that can cause damage.

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Members may request copies of the open Board Meeting minutes. These requests should be made in writing to the Corporate Secretary. There is a charge per page for making copies of the minutes.

COVID-19 Information Email Updates:

Some members do not want COVID-19 information. However, since there have only been a handful who have complained and most members are happy that we share the COVID-19 information, the only option for those who don't want the updates would be to opt out of receiving email blasts for the duration of the COVID-19 situation, and then sign up for the blasts again at a later date. If you wish to be removed from the email blast list for now, please let the front office know. Thank you.



Please do not dump your trash at the Green Waste Site. This trash -- which contained glass -- was dumped there recently. The Green Waste Site is for green waste ONLY. All household trash must be deposited at the Transfer Site. The Transfer Site is open until 7 p.m. on Thursdays for those who cannot arrive by closing time on other days. Thank you.



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Second Annual Pickleball in the Pines Takes Place Labor Day Weekend

Lydia Blaakman

Just over two years ago, I was invited to play pickleball. My response was, "pickle what?" I've competed in triathlons, marathons, volleyball, tennis and basketball tournaments and trail running races. I have played -- or at least heard of -- a hundred-plus more sports.

Until my injury and subsequent emergency total hip replacement in 2018, I was on five USTA tennis teams and high-level leagues. Pickleball just did not intrigue me... until I stepped onto the court.

At first, I told my friend, "This is apparently where tennis players come to die." I quickly discovered within the first few minutes on the court how much my mind, body and soul came alive. I'm now a "pickleballer" for life!

It may surprise you to hear that pickleball is the fastest-growing sport in America. If tennis, pingpong and badminton had a baby, it would be named "Pickleball." Participating combines similar skills and strategies of the above sports while playing with a paddle-type racquet, short net



and whiffle ball on a court that is one-third the size of a tennis court. Most commonly played is doubles, although a few of us enjoy testing our agility and skills in singles. The biggest surprise? People of ALL ages, ALL athletic backgrounds (or NONE at all), can show up to a court and play with just about anyone else. The social side of the game and the friends I make on a daily basis fuel my addiction to this sport.

Intrigued? Curious? Interested in learning more? The good news is that we are hosting the second-annual "Pickleball in the Pines," which includes a tournament, demo games, drills, beginner lessons and nightly potlucks over Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4-7. Much appreciation to event coordinators Dr. Fred Lindberg and Mark

and Val Radocay. You rock!

Although we have gratefully received approval for this tournament during the COVID-19 pandemic, please be advised of all health and safety precautions that will be in place for the entire weekend. There will be supplied Kangen water sanitation and hydration stations (please bring your own empty water container to fill as no bottles will be provided so that we can go green), and please respect social distancing, do not shake hands, hug or high-five your partners or opponents, consider wearing your clean mask when not playing and do NOT come or play if you have a fever, cough or feel otherwise sick.

See you on the courts! Stay safe, healthy and hydrated!

Pro Shop Open for Shopping, Golf Cart Rentals Available

The PMCPOA Pro Shop is open for the selling of merchandise and golf cart rentals.

The golf carts will be fully sanitized after each use. Golf cart rental is for single player only unless two people from the same household are playing together.

Masks are still required to enter the Pro Shop. No exceptions. No masks, no service. Hard surfaces in the Pro Shop are sanitized at least every two hours.

The golf course is now open from 8 am to 6 pm every day.

Tennis/Pickleball Update

Tennis and Pickleball is now open to playing doubles. Please use your own ball. Everyone needs to be very careful about ball handling and the number of people on the bench or the court. Social distancing is still a high priority. If you haven't already, you need to sign a waiver before playing.

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Summer Fruit Medley Green Salad

Here's another wonderful summer recipe from the Condor Café's Chef Mike!

Mixed greens, strawberries, peaches, blueberries, feta, red onion and pecans combine to create a delicious, colorful, summer fruit medley green salad.

Prep Time: 10 mins

Cook Time: 0 mins

Total Time: 10 mins

Servings: 4

Ingredients

1 small head Romaine lettuce, chilled and chopped

2 cups mixed salad greens (Spring greens chilled and chopped)

1 fresh peach (peeled, pitted and sliced thinly)

5-6 fresh strawberries (sliced thinly)

1/2 cup fresh blueberries

1/3 cup crumbled feta cheese

1/4 cup red onion (thinly sliced)

8-10 pecans or walnuts (broken into pieces)

Strawberry Vinaigrette: (it goes perfectly with the sweetness of fruit/saltiness

of feta!)

STRAWBERRY VINAIGRETTE

Ingredients

- 8 ounces frozen strawberries
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper

Directions

Blend strawberries, honey, apple cider vinegar, olive oil, salt and black pepper together in a blender until smooth.

Instructions

Place cold chopped mixed greens in large salad bowl.

Add peach slices, strawberry slices, blueberries and crumbled feta cheese. Top with red onion slices and broken pecan (or walnut) pieces.

Drizzle dressing over salad.

Serve chilled and enjoy!



PMC dining now features outside seating on the large main deck overlooking the golf course. All tables are spaced 6 feet apart. This is the best view for dinner in PMC! Come enjoy our mountain scenery.

Condor Cafe Hours

Outside Dining, Takeout and Delivery Only

Breakfast and Lunch

8 am to 2 pm

Wednesday thru Sunday

Dinner

Thursday (Special)

4 to 7:30 pm

Fridays and Saturdays

4 to 8 pm

Masks are required

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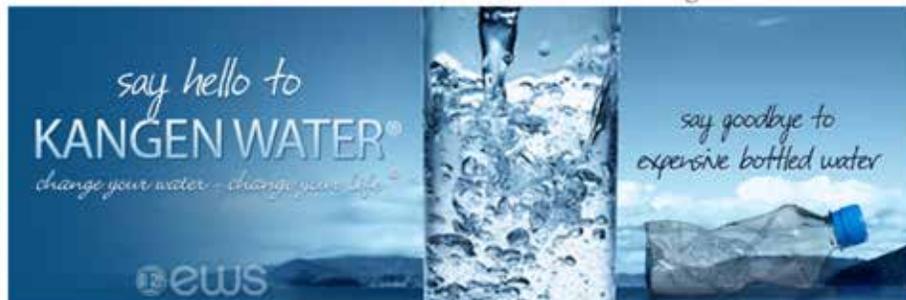
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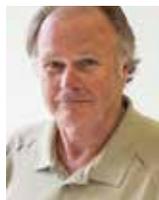
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A Message from the Chairman

Bill Lewis II
pmcboard@pmcpoa.com

As many of you know, we had a bear that was breaking into homes several weeks ago, and a few of those homes did not have attractants. Our patrol chief,



our general manager and I were in frequent contact with Fish & Wildlife for over a week in an effort to bring a successful resolution to this problem, and euthanization was the last resort, but in the end, it was necessary.

The Board received several mails containing various suggestions and demands about feeding the wildlife, fines, leniency, rules, etc. Those emails were forwarded to all of the directors.

In the past two years, the Board has not shown leniency to those who have been feeding bears, and we have supported a zero tolerance for those violations. We have issued citations and we have fined to the maximum level allowed. This past year, our patrol officers handled more than 130 calls related to bear activity, and more than

60 calls related to other wildlife. I believe efforts to educate our members and guests on this issue shows we have not ignored the situation – but some of our members and guests have ignored our rules and suggestions. If you see a violation, please call.

There is no freedom of information act pertaining to PMCPOA. We are a community development, and access to information is regulated by the Davis-Stirling Act, California Codes and our governing documents. We can't publish nor share the names of members who have violated our rules or those who have been issued a fine – but we can share that a fine has been issued for a specific violation, and we will be looking at how to best share that information. I will share that the Board had 11 hearings on July 18 for fines issued that included an unleashed dog, open fire, loud noise, trash left outside (x2), lot not properly maintained and the discharge of a firearm.

The issue of racism was being discussed locally. I think I can safely speak on behalf

of the Board in saying that we do not support racism. We do have rules against harassment. Community forums are a means to discuss the issue. If acts of racism rise to the level of criminal activity or suspected activity, we strongly encourage you to contact the Sheriff's Department to report any or all related activity. We will assist law enforcement and members as we are able to do so.

Phases 1 and 2 of the clubhouse renovation continue, and if you've passed by the clubhouse recently, you will see the progress firsthand. There are walls being raised and ramps being constructed, and by the time you read this message, the pool itself should have further progressed after addressing an unanticipated storm drain that required relocation.

Our efforts to keep our community safe during the pandemic truly appears to be working: California has become one of the hot spots, but we have not due to our diligence and member cooperation. We appreciate your continued support. Please be safe!

PMC Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Grace Wollemann, Recording Secretary

These are highlights of the Board of Directors open meeting of July 18, 2020. Complete minutes are available at the business office or online at www.pinemountainclub.net after their approval at the next board meeting. In the regular open meeting, Chairman Bill Lewis II called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Seven directors attended: Cam Acosta, Sandy Browne, Steve Burkett, Philip Gabriel, Tony Harmon, Peggy Hoyt-Voelker and Chairman Lewis. Directors Dianne Pennington and Phyllis Throckmorton were excused. Also in attendance were General Manager Karin Shulman and Recording Secretary Grace Wollemann.

The board acknowledged receipt of the committee minutes.

There were fifty-two (52) committee applications for approval.

There were zero (0) Environmental

Control Committee projects recommended and zero (0) cottage industry permits.

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Browne that the agenda for the Board of Directors Meeting of July 18, 2020 be adopted.

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Browne to amend the agenda to add the following committee applications to the Consent Agenda: Communications - Marina Baroni, Lauren Miles and Valeria Oliver; Emergency Preparedness - Susan Maples; Environmental Control - Linda Bliss; and Planning - Jonathan Gilliam and Ellen McClellan. **MOTION carried.**

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Browne to approve the amended agenda for the Board of Directors Meeting of July 18, 2020. **MOTION carried.**

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Browne to approve

the consent agenda.

Chairman Lewis presented the Chairman's report.

General Manager Karin Shulman presented the General Manager's report.

Director Cam Acosta presented the Treasurers report.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director Hoyt-Voelker to ratify the Association's June 2020 financials in accordance with Civil Code §5500 and §5501. **MOTION carried.**

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Burkett to approve **RESOLUTION #01-07-18-2020**, sanctioning the following clubs for 2020-2021:

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Treasurer's Report

Pine Mountain Club POA, Inc.
Treasurer's Report
As of June 30, 2020

	Actual	Budget	Over (Under) Variance	
Revenue				
Current Year Assessment Revenue	4,634,210	4,637,966	(3,756)	
Operations/Maintenance	243,722	181,940	61,782	
Social Activity	588,313	593,900	(5,587)	
Interest Income (Operating)	31,515	31,220	295	
Total Revenue	5,497,760	5,445,026	52,734	
Operating Expenses				
Operations/Maintenance	3,633,599	4,077,308	(443,709)	
Social Activity	975,695	1,111,718	(136,023)	
Operating Projects	24,901	0	24,901	
Designated Fund Projects	223,877	0	223,877	
Reserve Contribution	356,000	356,000	0	
Total Operating Expenses	5,214,072	5,545,026	(330,954)	
Net Operating Revenue Over Expense	283,688	(100,000)	383,688	
Payroll Summary				
Payroll Wages	2,018,187	2,192,123	(173,936)	
Payroll Benefits	382,354	424,101	(41,747)	
Taxes and Worker's Compensation	290,601	342,008	(51,407)	
Total Payroll Expense	2,691,142	2,958,232	(267,090)	
	Assessment Billed	Assessment Collected	Assessment Receivable	Assessmen Receivable
18/19 Assessment Collection Update	4,231,452	4,228,524	2,928	0.07%
19/20 Assessment Collection Update	4,631,550	4,566,373	65,177	1.41%
20/21 Assessment Collection Update	4,628,342	1,686,739	2,941,603	63.56%
Reserve Fund Update				
	Beginning	Plus: YTD		Ending
	Balance July 1,	Interest and	Less: YTD	Balance
	2019	Contributions	Purchases	Current
	2,579,463	891,491	(202,666)	Period
				3,268,288
Operating Fund Cash Balance	2,710,022			
Reserve Fund Cash Balance	3,267,745			

Respectfully Submitted


Cameron Acosta / Treasurer

----- General Manager's Update -----

Karin Shulman

I am going to start off a little negatively, so my apologies to those for whom this does not apply.

Shame on the person who dumped their household trash at the Green Waste Site instead of the Transfer Site. Association Rule, Article Rule 18.11, states, "Organic materials such as dead limbs, leaves and pine needles shall be disposed of only in the green waste area. Material delivered should be left in its natural state and not in bags or containers." Many of our members like to purchase the wood chips for their lots, and dumping your trash at the Green Waste Site is meanspirited and against the rules. Your trash goes through our wood chipping machine, and then members end up with your trash in their yards, and your trash could break our wood chipper because it is not meant for your trash, which then costs all of us money to fix. It is not fair to those who take pride in their yards and keep them up. If you are caught, you can be fined up to \$1,000 for the first offense per Association Rule, Article 2.01.

The office received a letter that was not signed complaining about a local restaurant in the Commercial Center that is not adhering to mask requirements. You may direct your question directly to the merchant you were speaking about. The Commercial Center and the Association are two separate entities.

After many, many emails regarding the

bear situation, we are having 18 x 24 signs made to install at each entrance to PMC that say, "DO Not Feed The Bears, Fine up to \$4,500." Please, if you see someone feeding the bears, let us know. That is the only way this is going to stop, and we need their name and address.

There is now a Doggie Waste Station on Tirol for dog walkers in that area. Please pick up after your dog and enjoy the new Doggie Station.

We have close to 30 members doing the Community Garage Sale all over our community on Saturday and Sunday, August 1-2. Remember to wear your masks and socially distance. There will be some good deals out there.

Home sales have been crazy busy. The accounting department had 48 open escrows by the 20th of last month.

Update on COVID-19: there are now

up to 10 cases with six cases recovered in the 93225 zip code. In the 93222 zip code, there are still just three cases with all cases recovered. Remember to wear your masks and socially distance. I believe we have done a good job in PMC keeping COVID-19 at bay.

Are you signed up with Ready Kern for emergency notifications? Once signed up, you will be notified on your cell or home phone about any dangers that might be close by, such as fires or flash floods. Go to www.readykern.com or call 661-873-2602 to sign up.

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Archery, Celtic, Condor Group of the Kern Kaweah Chapter of Sierra Club, KYIS-Knitting Guild, Pine Mountain Golf Club, Pine Mtn. Scrappers, Pine Mountain Club Guitar Society, Pickleball, PM Gardeners' Club, PMCPOA Bridge Club, Speak Easy Theatre and White Sage Lace Guild.

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Gabriel to amend **RESOLUTION #01-07-18-2020** and remove the PM Gardeners' Club. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Browne to approve

the amended **RESOLUTION #01-07-18-2020**. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Hoyt-Voelker, **SECOND** by Director Burkett to approve **RESOLUTION #02-07-18-2020**, implementing the emergency resolution prohibiting feeding of wildlife, including birds and squirrels effective upon approval through November 1, 2020. **MOTION** carried.

The board sent and received 29 items of correspondence.

The next Regular Open Board Meeting will take place on August 15, 2020 at 10 a.m. in the Condor Room or Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

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Thank you, Karin Shulman, GM

Want to Talk With the Board Chairman?

If members would like to speak with the PMCPOA Board of Directors Chairman, there is a way to do so.

To book some one-on-one time with Board Chairman Bill Lewis II once the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, contact the front desk and schedule an appointment. Visits will be booked in 15-minute increments.

Please call the Business Office to schedule an appointment. You may also send inquiries or comments via email to pmcboard@pmcpoa.com.

When sending emails, please put "Attention: Chairman Lewis" in the subject line.

Kern Transit Update

Good news! Coming by mid-August, Dial-a-Ride will be available six days a week (Monday thru Saturday). When we receive more information, we will pass it on to you. Until then, Dial-a-Ride service from the clubhouse bus shelter to any place in the mountain community is on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Now that the Tejon Outlets have reopened you can also use Dial-a-Ride to go as far as the Outlets. To receive a Dial-a-Ride service, call a day or more in advance and speak to a dispatcher at (800) 323-2396.

A Note from the EC Office:

The EC Office still has the original paint color chart for your color choices, however, we've added some new colors and will be creating a new chart soon.

Please Note:

The only OFFICIAL PMCPOA Facebook page can be accessed at:

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Content can be submitted to the editor at rwilde@pmcpoa.com or mailed to the PMCPOA Business

COMPLIMENTS, CONCERNS, COMPLAINTS

PMCPOA welcomes member input. Drop ideas off in the CCC Box in the Clubhouse Lobby, or click on the "CCC Box" menu item on the members'-only side of the PMC website at www.pinemountainclub.net. Anonymous submissions will not be published.

Thank you for your submissions to the Complaints, Concerns and Compliments Box. It takes a village to run a village, and your care and concern help keep PMC the wonderful place we love.

Look for responses in the Condor. Please be sure to include your contact information. While your name will not be published or posted, we don't respond to anonymous submissions.

If you have a concern that involves maintenance, sanitation or safety issues, or is of a confidential nature, please contact the Business Office immediately at 661-242-3788. Thank you!

CONCERNS

• I saw a description of "Pool Progress" in the Condor with pictures of heavy earth-moving equipment, and under that was the admonishment, "Reminder to Conserve Water" that states, "Use of water... for construction cleanup or dust control is prohibited." Setting aside the issue of dust control, how can reworking of surface elevations (aka, grading) be accomplished without the use of a considerable amount of water to ensure proper soil moisture for re-compaction? There is also a considerable amount of water required for other

construction-related activities – particularly the placement of concrete – not including the cleanup of tools and equipment.

Assuming these water-use restrictions apply to PMC community construction projects, as well as our private residential ones, what is the impact of such water usage on our water resources predicted to be, ideally made by an independent professional hydrologist? If groundwater is our only source of potable water for the community, and it takes thousands of years to replace, then why isn't there the obvious risk that our water consumption is now over-committed to a rate that threatens our community's viability, or is our projected water consumption and quality sustainable and maintainable, allowing for us to build out the remaining lots and construct other community projects in the future?

Response: Please see "§8438. Dust Control," which states: "(a) Water or other effective means shall be used to control dust where drilling, grinding or other dust-producing operations occur in accordance with Section 1538(a) of the Construction Safety Orders.

• The rental house on the corner of Askin and Maplewood has junk in the

front yard. There is a roll of carpet, tire, truck cover and an aluminum boat sitting in the front yard.

Response: Thank you for letting us know. The EC Office is working with the owner to get the lot cleaned up.

• Over the past several years, I have noticed many homes with eight to 10 cars in front of their house, non-working vehicles, trash, fire hazards, etc. How do these residents continue to have these eyesores in our community without any recourse? Do we still have MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) policies? When the majority of us maintain our property with clearance, how come some people are getting away with this?

Response: Yes, we still have rules. If you see this happening, please get the address and send it to the general manager. We have also asked the board to assist with this. If they see something that is out of line, they are also asked to let the GM or the EC Department know. We just had 11 hearings, and we continue to cite to clean up properties, whether it is trash in the yard, weeds or because the house needs painting. As far as cars go, if they are registered, there is no limit to the number of cars allowed on a property. If they are non-op, they can have one, but it has to be covered. The EC Code 7.22 covers this, which can be found on the PMCPOA website at pinemountainclub.net/web/pages/pmcpoa-governing-documents.

SUGGESTION

• Greetings! Would you be able to install a Dog Waste Station above the S curves near the mailboxes or across the street from the mailboxes at the clearing area of Voltaire and Tirol?

I asked as it is not physically possible to walk down the S curves to use the ones

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Office 242-3788
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A reminder that the Business Office and the EC office are still 100% closed to members and guests. If you need anything from our staff, please call the numbers above.

Also, please note that our phone system has changed. If you have questions about or need to pay your Assessment, RV storage, equestrian bill, etc., please call ext. 202. If you need new guest cards or yearly stickers, please call ext. 225.

If you want to reach the EC Dept with questions about paint colors, building variances, etc., please call ext. 212 or 213.

Houchin Blood Drive is August 6

The Houchin Community Blood Bank will be back on August 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for those who want to donate blood.

On the day of donating, you can fill out the Quickpass (you can save time by doing this) by going to HCBB.COM/QUICKPASS. The form must be filled out the day of donating Blood (circumstances could change if you do it ahead of time).

Visit this website to schedule your appointment time (saves time so you don't have to wait) https://connect.hcbb.com/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5586.

Assessment is Now Past Due

The annual assessment amount for this year is \$1,604.00 (no increase from last year) and was due by July 1. You can mail a check to P.O. Box P, Pine Mountain Club, CA 93222, call us in the office at 661-242-3788 and pay with a credit card, drop your payment into the hanging locked box outside the clubhouse or you can pay on the PMCPOA website (see below). Assessments will become delinquent and turned over to a collection agency on Sept. 15, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Website Assessment Payment Instructions

To pay your assessment online with a credit card, please follow the steps below.

1. Go to www.pinemountainclub.net.
 2. Click "Member Login" and follow instructions to login into account. You will need to know your lot/tract number.
 3. Click "Member Central"
 4. Click "My Account"
 5. Click "POA Payment" or "Make Payment"
 6. Scroll to bottom of page and use drop box under "Please Select Payment"
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The playground at Lampkin Park remains closed until the Governor of California opens playgrounds. But, Fern's Lake and Catch & Release Fishing are open!

Rec Room
Closed Until COVID-19 Restrictions are lifted

Option" to create new credit card. Once created, you can use the created credit card for future payments.

7. Type in the amount you want to pay in the payment amount column for the folio that you want to pay. You can put amounts in multiple folios and you can pay an amount even if you have NO balance. All overpayments will be moved to the Assessment folio.

8. Click "Make Payment"

9. Review the payment details and click "Approve." Your payment and new balance will appear immediately.

Condor Lounge
Re-closed

Under the Governor's latest orders, the PMCPOA Lounge has now closed again. However, drinks may be purchased with dinner orders during Condor Cafe hours (Thu 4-7:30pm, Fri-Sat 4-8pm).

Please remember that masks are required in the Clubhouse. You may remove masks to eat and drink. At all other times, including leaving the clubhouse, masks must be worn. No mask, no service. Social distancing is in effect.

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Wildlife Harmed by Rodenticides

CA Department of Fish and Wildlife

In late April, a dead owl was found on a nature preserve in San Luis Obispo County. California Department of Fish and Wildlife's (CDFW) Wildlife Investigations Lab (WIL) performed the necropsy and found excessive bleeding on the owl's leg and abdomen. With no associated wound or apparent trauma, additional toxicology testing was performed. Cause of death: fatal poisoning by anticoagulant rodenticides, chemical agents used for rodent control. For the WIL, it was the 13th raptor death by anticoagulant rodenticides since August 2019.

In a four-year study conducted by WIL biologists investigating the causes of mortality for hundreds of raptors – and 15 raptor species – across the state, more than 80 percent had been exposed to anticoagulant rodenticides. Roughly one-quarter of those raptor deaths were fatal poisonings directly attributed to anticoagulants. In a two-year statewide study, the WIL found that 96 percent of necropsied mountain lions showed non-fatal exposure to anticoagulant rodenticides. Almost one-third of those lions had been exposed to at least four different types of anticoagulants.

Throughout California, chemical baits used to control rodents have injured and killed non-target wild animals and pets. Anticoagulant rodenticides work by preventing blood clotting in the animals that consume it resulting in fatal bleeding. Predatory and scavenging birds along with mammals like raccoons, bobcats, foxes, skunks and coyotes that have eaten rodents that have consumed the bait can also be fatally poisoned.

The best way to protect wildlife is to use non-chemical means of rodent control. Habitat modification is an effective means of preventing rodents from inhabiting property. For example, many rodents like tall grass for cover. Mowing grass to no more than two inches makes it less appealing. Like most animals, rodents go where they feel safe and where food is available. The easiest way to discourage rodents from inhabiting property is to remove food sources and remove or modify anything that provides cover.

These simple actions can help:

- Keep your home / yard neat and clean.
- Keep tree branches and vegetation at least a foot away from home and roof.
- Seal any holes on your home and roof

where rodents can gain entry.

- Be aware that pet food, chicken feed and bird feeders will attract rodents.
- Remove objects and plants that rodents can hide under such as wood piles, debris, construction waste, dense vegeta-

tion and ground-covering vines like ivy.

- Pick up fruit that has fallen from trees as soon as possible.
- Secure garbage in a tightly sealed can.
- Seal water leaks and remove standing water that may attract unwelcome animals.



11 AM - 1 PM



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Bored Kids? Here are a few Ideas for Some Family Fun

Liz Venegas, Recreation Supervisor

During the outbreak and current rise of COVID-19, families are doing their best to isolate at home and help stop the spread of the virus. This change has found families trying to juggle a new way of life that includes a blend of work, school, learning, socializing and playing.

Here are some fun activity ideas to help you and your family navigate this difficult time. Remember, we are all in this together.

- Create an indoor or outdoor scavenger hunt.
- Read your favorite books together.
- Make a meal inspired by your child's favorite book (for example, cook up some green eggs and ham, Dr. Seuss-style).
- Dance party! Challenge each family member to come up with his or her own signature dance move.
- Create your own backyard Olympics.
- Karaoke night!
- Learn a magic trick together.
- Create a pillow fort in the living room.
- Take a walk in nature or around the neighborhood. (Take advantage of this



As difficult as this time of COVID can be, it still creates an opportunity to spend quality time together as a family.

beautiful place in which we live!)

- Create a time capsule with items from today and bury it in the backyard or hide it in the closet and open it one year

from now.

With a little creativity and positivity, you and your family can make some nice memories together during this time.

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partment of Fish and Wildlife has recommended prohibiting the feeding of birds and/or squirrels in an effort to prevent further bear-human interaction, and RESOLVED, that the PMCPOA Board of Directors approve RESOLUTION #02-07-18-2020, implementing the emergency resolution prohibiting feeding of

wildlife, including birds and squirrels, effective upon approval through November 1, 2020."

It is important we do not habituate our wildlife. Peanuts, birdseed, hummingbird nectar and other foods are bear attractants. Once habituated, the bears break into homes to find food, destroy property and people have been injured. We all need to remember, "A fed bear is a dead bear."

Do We Have Your Contact Information?

Does PMCPOA have your current phone number? This is important so that the Association can contact you if there is ever an urgent issue at your PMC home.

Please fill out and return the Information Update form you received with your assessment package, or call the office and give the receptionist your contact information.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



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Life as we know it would be gone with just one careless flick of a cigarette.

Thank you!

Firewood

Firewood should be stacked neatly, with as few voids as possible, at least 10 feet from the structure, and should have surface fuels removed (pine needles, etc.), at least 3 feet around. Earth-tone tarps are acceptable if securely fastened.

Transfer Site

Hours:

8:30am - 5pm Daily

8:30am - 7pm Thurs

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near the golf course, and with the shelter-in-place orders, unnecessary driving is discouraged. Installing a Dog Waste Station above the S curves would help to keep our area sparkling. We do have quite the number of dog walkers above the S curves as you do below the S curves and it would be nice to recognize those of us in Pine Mountain Club Heights!

Response: Yes, for members who live in the Tirol area and walk your dogs, we have installed a doggie waste station in the area by the mailboxes.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Some committees are beginning to meet live again, while others are still on Zoom or dark. Please check with each committee for details about the meetings.

Saturday, Aug. 1 (First Saturday)

DARK **Governing Documents**
1:00 pm **Planning** Pool Pavilion

Monday, Aug. 3 (First Monday)

6pm **Communications** ZOOM

Tuesday, Aug. 4 (First Tuesday)

DARK **Equestrian** Pool Pavilion/Equestrian Center

Thursday, Aug. 6 (First Thursday)

DARK **Recreation** Lounge

Friday, Aug. 7 (First Friday)

9 am **Greens and Grounds** Driving Range
2 pm **Environmental Control** Condor Room

Saturday, Aug. 8 (Second Saturday)

DARK **Emergency Preparedness** Condor Room
DARK **CERT** Condor Room

Wednesday, Aug. 12 (Wednesday Before Board Mtg)

5:00 pm **Budget & Finance** Pool Pavilion

Saturday, Aug. 15 (Third Saturday)

10:00 am **PMCPOA Board of Directors Mtg.** ZOOM

Want to Be on Email Blast List?

PMCPOA has an effective email blast system that is used to provide information in the quickest way possible.

While many members are already receiving these emails, many are not yet on the list. This established system is being used to enhance the timely distribution of information to the membership. However, the system is only effective if the Business Office has your email address. The list is growing, but the staff needs to have as many of the members provide email addresses as possible to maximize effectiveness.

Please stop by the office and sign up, or email your request to the office at receipt@pmcpoa.com. It will be worth your while to do so.

A Reminder: There are no trash bags, lumber or other non-green-waste materials allowed at the Green Waste Site. Please empty your trash bags and take them back with you or bring them to the Transfer Site for disposal. Bags and other trash get buried under the green waste, and as a result, it gets ground up in the slash and can damage the machine. Your cooperation with ONLY dropping off green waste would be greatly appreciated.