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PMCPOA Board of Directors Election Filing Deadline April 9

The filing deadline for potential PMCPOA Board of Director candidates is Monday, April 11 at 5 p.m. Letters of Intent, the Candidate Filing Form, the biography/resume and the signed Acknowledgement of Election Materials form are all due at that time.

Once the Board of Directors approves the Election Packet during its April meeting, the Corporate Secretary will direct that the approved packet be submitted to the printer.

The next step in the PMC election process will be the "Meet the Candidates" members' open forums, which are scheduled this year for Friday, April 29 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and on Saturday,

EC Code Minder: SIGNAGE

Environmental Control Committee

Here is a review of some of the "signage" rules in the EC Code (Sec. 7.2).

- 1. During construction, a maximum of three (3) signs are allowed on a lot, not to exceed a face area of 6 square feet. Placement must be approved by the EC Committee.
- 2. One (1) "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign is allowed per lot or residence, with a maximum size of one (1) square foot.
- 3. A maximum of 4 "Open House" signs are allowed, needed to designate a single route to the property. They must be tent style, with a maximum face area (on each side) of 4 square feet.

The posting of a security sign is approved and considered a crime deterrent.

All other signs are not permitted unless approved by the ECC.

Noncommercial signs or flags on private property must comply with California Civil Code #4705 and #4715.

All signs posted contrary to EC rules will be removed by the Environmental Control Officer or PMC Patrol.

May 7 from 1-3 p.m. Both are in the Condor Room. The forums are hosted by the Election Committee and moderated by the Corporate Secretary.

The Election Packet is mailed by the Inspector of Elections to the members no later than 30 days prior to the annual meeting of the members.

The Annual Meeting of the Members is held at 1 p.m. on the third Saturday in June, which is June 18 this year.

Save the Date!

Meet the Candidates Forums

Come hear what the PMCPOA Board of Directors Candidates Have to Say

Friday, April 29, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7, 1-3 p.m. Condor Room

First Aid/CPR Class Offered

The PMCPOA Emergency Preparedness Committee is sponsoring a First Aid/CPR class on Saturday, April 30th at 8:00 a.m. in the PMC Clubhouse.

The cost of the class is \$25.00. Class size is limited, and preregistration is required. The deadline for registration is April 22nd. A second class is scheduled on July 30th.

To register, please call Dayne Yancey at 661-242-1094.

Wine In Pines Tickets on Sale

Pine Mountain Club's annual Wine in the Pines festival will take place on Saturday, June 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the PMC Village. This very popular event has been a PCM tradition since 2003. Ticket sales for this year's WITP are now available at www.wineinthepines.com. Doors open at 1 p.m., but VIP entry begins at noon.

SPRING CLEANING!!!

Emergency Preparedness Committee

Warm weather has arrived, and with it comes the ever-dreaded spring cleaning. While you are washing your windows, curtains and sprucing up the outdoors, you should also consider taking a look inside your medicine cabinet, garage and cleaning supply closet.

SPRING CLEAN YOUR MEDICINE CABINET:

- Check expiration dates on the prescription and over-the-counter medicines. Do not throw medicines in the trash or flush them down the toilet. Put them in a bag and check with McCasa (661-245-4303) or the Sheriff's Department (661-245-3440) to see when the next "Medicine Take-Back Day" is scheduled. The Sheriff's Station in Frazier Park also has a permanent disposal box open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. inside the office.
- Check your make-up and personal-care products. The shelf-life of most products after opening is eight months or less.

SPRING CLEAN YOUR GARAGE AND CLEANING PRODUCTS:

• Get rid of old and unwanted bug killers, automotive supplies, lawn and garden pesticides, cleaners, degreasers, fluorescent and CFL light bulbs. Hazardous products that say, "CAUTION," "WARNING," "DANGER" or "POISON" on the label cannot go in the trash. Take them to a Hazardous Waste Collection Site.

The Lebec Transfer Station is holding a Household Hazardous Waste Day on Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. till Noon.

Transportation Guidelines:

- * Transport no more than 15 gallons or 125 pounds of waste per trip.
- * Make sure containers are not leaking and are properly labeled.
- * Keep wastes separated and away from passengers.

Items they will accept:

- Automotive Fluids
- Paint

• Batteries

- Pesticides
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- Pool Chemicals
- Household Cleaners
- Sharp Objects

For more information, call the Kern County Public Works Department at 661-862-8900 or visit www.KernCountyWaste.com.

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The PMCPOA Board of Directors meets on the third Saturday of every month at 10 am in the Condor Room of the Clubhouse. All members are invited to attend the open session. The executive session is a closed meeting for the discussion of and action on legal and personnel matters, third party contracts, and member-requested hearings.

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.

Town Hall Dark for April

Town Hall will resume in June.

Town Hall organizers welcome suggestions for future gatherings. Topics should be of interest to residents of the mountain communities. To make a suggestion, call 661-477-2660. or email rwilde@pmcpoa. com.

Want to Talk With the Board Chair?

If you would like to speak with the Chair of the PMC Board of Directors, there is a way to do so. To book some one-on-one time with Chair John Dilibert, contact the front desk, and schedule an appointment. Visits will be booked in 15-minute increments.

This is the members' chance to vent, inform, question, enlighten, propose a solution or put an end to issues and concerns they believe the Board should know about. Please call the Business Office to schedule an appointment.

Enhance Your Wardrobe at Clothing Exchange

The very popular annual Spring Clothing Exchange will take place on Sunday, April 24 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the PMC Clubhouse in the Condor Room. This event is sponsored by Let's Live Lo-

cal, and offers a chance to clean out your closet, or just come by and shop.

Men's, women's or children's clothing and accessories (no undergarments please) can be dropped off before or during the event, including evening gowns/prom dresses that can be used by Frazier Mountain High School students for prom. Dog clothes or accessories are also accepted. Nothing to drop off? That's ok too, just stop by and pick up something new for your closet.

MIL POTRERO MUTUAL WATER COMPANY NOTICE OF ANNUAL ELECTION

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company, Inc., the Annual Shareholder's Meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Administrative Office of the Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company, 16275 Askin Drive, Conference Room, Pine Mountain Club California. The deadline for clearing the Water Company accounts of overdue charges, to be eligible for submitting a proxy, shall be June 1, 2016. Shareholders in good standing desiring to place their names in nomination for a seat on the Board of Directors should submit their resume, as defined by the Equal Access Policy adopted by the Board of Directors on May 26, 1987, to the Water Company office no earlier than 8:00 a.m. April 15, 2016 and no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 20, 2016. The resume must be typed on a single 8 ½" x 11" page and must include the candidate's signature. The Equal Access Policy is available for review upon request.

The resumes may be mailed to: Secretary of the Board, Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company, P.O. Box "W," Pine Mountain Club, CA 93222, or may be taken to the business office located at 16275 Askin Drive, Pine Mountain Club, CA 93222.

Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting before the close of the proxy box.

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PMC GOLF NEWS

PMC Pro Shop

The PMC golf season is in full swing, with events on the calendar and warm weather to enhance days spent on the course.

Friday Night Scrambles begin this month, with two scheduled on April 15th and 29th. Scrambles start at 5 p.m., and entry is \$10 plus twilight green fees (carts are extra).

The PMC Golf Club Season Kick Off is the "Big Break and Scramble" on April 23rd. The Big Break contest is at 10:00 a.m., and the Kick-off Scramble (9 holes) is at 1:00 p.m.

Annual green fees are due April 1 through April 30, regardless of when payment was made last year. The fee for an annual pass is \$400, but members can use up to \$200 of their scrip/account money to help pay for a pass.

Golf Club applications and tournament schedules are available in the Pro Shop and on the PMCPOA website golf page.

Memberships need to be paid to be eligible to play in any tournaments. Membership automatically enrolls you in the Southern California Golf Association (SCGA), and you get a Golf Handicap and Information Network (GHIN) number that establishes your golf handicap. The member-

ship fee is \$55, plus a \$5 Hole-in-One fee.

For more information, call the Pro Shop at 242-3734.

Please note that the driving range will be closed for the entire month of April.

Golf Shop Hours:

8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday-Thursday 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday Please call 242-3734 for tee times.

Twilight hours/rates are available at 4 p.m. Contact the Pro Shop for details. Remember: For safety reasons, non-golfers may NOT be on the course during hours of daylight.

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Swim Instructor Needed for 2016 Pool Season

PMCPOA is seeking a certified swim instructor for the coming 2016 swim season. The instructor will provide swimming lessons to members, their children and their guests in a safe, enjoyable and positive environment.

This position is part time and seasonal, with some weekend and evening work as required. The essential duties and responsibilities of the swim instructor include leading energizing, fun, safe and educational group classes that begin and end on time. The instructor will teach students effective swimming methods, explain proper techniques, demonstrate swimming techniques and teach appropriate swim methods on age-appropriate norms.

Current swim lesson instructor certification and/or water safety instruction certifications are required. To view a com-

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plete listing of requirements and duties, please view the listing on the "Employment" page of the PMCPOA website at www.pinemountainclub.net.

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A Message from the Board Chair

We had some great weather events over the winter; and while not perfect, the staff did a superb job of clearing and moving a lot of snow and minor slides. While some members are less than complimentary of the process at times, the number of calls regarding plowing has dwindled. Please remember that the primary job of the person doing the clearing of your roads is some other skill: They may have been at work during the day, gone home for some sleep, then come back to spend the night on the roads behind a plow. And they have done it all safely. I personally think the staff does an excellent job, and I encourage our members to thank them for their services and dedication when they get the opportunity.

These weather events and the rain, while nice to see, did not relieve the drought conditions. Drought conditions improved slightly with the recent weather; however, per the NOAA National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS), the drought remains.

So far this year (precipitation is mea-

sured from July to June), the amount seen at PMC is 9.1 inches, a favorable increase over last year's 6.5-inch total. A normal year would give us 14.78 inches to make the 10-year average, so we are still down in this El Nino year. Maybe we need to get some folks out there doing a rain dance.

Historically, our aquifer, which provides PMC with potable water, does not see a significant increase in water well levels until well into the following year once the water and snow melt has time to leach down through the ground. While we did not make the 25% conservation reduction mandated using 2013 as the baseline year, the community did achieve a 22% reduction. This is notable, as we had been conserving well prior to the 2013 baseline year. Water conservation must be ongoing in order to ensure that continued uninterrupted water is available for the community.

While Woodland Creek has good flows right now, how productive that water source is for the golf course in the late spring will determine how well our great amenity gets restored. No water, no grass.

Lighting Issues

Another issue that continues to challenge the community is the concept of "Dark Skies."

Exterior lighting control is recommended by the EC Code as a rule and was voted into place by the members. Section 7.08 of that EC Code directs us to minimize the effects of sky glow and light trespass onto others' property. This is easy to say, hard to do and difficult to enforce.

Lighting needs to be of the minimum intensity for its intended purpose. Here on the mountain, we have a significant number of astronomers who moved up to this area to better see the night sky. The glow of light from members leaving outside lights on, or placing lighting so that it imposes a nuisance to neighbors, seems to have increased in recent years.

Exterior lights on houses should be 'CHAIR' Continued on page 13

PMC Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Karin Shulman, Recording Secretary

These are highlights of the Board of Directors open meetings of March 19, 2016. 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, Vice Chairman Michael Glenn called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Eight directors attended: Stephan Bates, Gary Biggerstaff; Sandy Browne, Susan Canaan, John Dilibert (by phone), Michael Glenn, Garry Kemmer; Tom McMullen and Douglas Wilde. Gary Biggerstaff was excused. Also present were General Manager Rory Worster and Recording Secretary Karin Shulman.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda of the Board of Directors' meeting of March 19, 2016, which included the regular Board meeting minutes of Feb. 20, 2016, and there was one committee application approved. The Board acknowledged receipt of "Committee-Approved Commit-

tee Minutes for Board Review." There were three (3) Environmental Control Committee Project Recommendations and one (1) Cottage Permit submitted for approval.

Vice Chairman Glenn presented the Chair's report. General Manager Worster presented the General Manager's report. Director McMullen presented the Treasurer's report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None BOARD ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #01-03-19-16 AP-PROVED AS AMENDED, RESOLVED, that the PMCPOA Board of Directors approve purchasing a metal shed to house cinders and equipment, not to exceed (NTE) \$52,272 from the Capital Improvements in Operating Fund, and to direct staff to present the finalized plans to the EC Committee. MOTION by Director Glenn, SECOND by Director Kemmer. MOTION carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #02-03-19-16 AP-

PROVED, RESOLVED, that the PMCPOA Board of Directors approve the Delinquency Policy for the annual assessment mailing package for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. MOTION by Director Bates, SECOND by Director Kemmer. MOTION carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #03-03-19-16 MOVED TO TABLE FOR 30 DAYS, RESOLVED, that the PMCPOA Board of Directors approve the revision of the Pine Mountain Club User Fees schedule. MOTION by Director Glenn, SECOND by Director Wilde. MOTION carried unanimously.

MOTION by Director Canaan, SECOND by Director Wilde to amend previously adopted special Board minutes from July18, 2015. MOTION carried unanimously.

The Board sent and received 11 items of correspondence this month.

The next regular open Board meeting will take place on April 16, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Condor Room.

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

Prepared by Todd Draa

Pine Mountain Club POA, Inc Treasurer's Report and Y-T-D Financial Statement Year to Date Through February 29, 2016

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

Rory Worster

A reminder that Southern California Edison has a project coming up this year that involves several of the association streets and Mil Potrero Highway. SCE will pull almost a mile of new underground power cables. They have been very proactive in getting us information as to the scope and targeted months the project will begin, and it's looking like this will happen toward the end of this month. As we get closer and more information is provided to us, we will put it out to the membership. Information should include scheduled power outages, street blockages, etc.

Good News in a Bad Situation

Kern County is looking at a budget shortfall of about \$35 million dollars. But, even with this looming, the Fire Department is going to be able to staff all three wildland fire crews starting in May, and at least one helicopter team. This is great news for the Mountain Communities.

The current snow pack is about 5 inches on top of Mt. Pinos. This should be at least 4 feet in a close-to-normal year, so, needless to say and as the Vice Chair pointed out, our drought continues in earnest. Please maintain the drought mindset when it comes to making decisions on how to use water, a precious resource.

Pool Pavilion Work

We are going to need to do some unplanned work on the outside of the Pool Pavilion building. We are getting plans and costs together now, and I apologize in advance for the disruption to the access to the Pro Shop and the use of the building when it is required.

Governing Documents Enforcement

As a reminder, the enforcement of the

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Governing Documents is a top concern of the membership; again, we are trying to gain compliance first and foremost, so please, if you get a letter from the Association that asks you to correct -- or have your tenant correct -- an issue, please do so in the allotted time. The Association staff does not make up the codes or the rules: This has been done over time by committees and Board members. If you do not like certain rules, please join the relevant committee and/or run for the Board and endeavor to change them. But until they are no longer on the books, please try and be good neighbors and comply with them.

Speeding

Speeding is an issue that keeps getting more and more prevalent. We are going to be moving traffic control stations around the community. There will be a camera and a radar gun that will display your current speed. The maximum speed limit on any Association street is 25 mph. There are a few streets, such as Aleutian in front of the stables, that are posted at 15 mph. Please remember that Association Rule 6.02 states: Any person operating a motorized vehicle on PMCPOA roadways must have a valid driver's license, proof of insurance and obey all posted speed limit signs. Bylaw 3.03 reminds us that the member on title to a property is fully responsible for members and guests; this would include those driving on the PMCPOA roadways. If you receive a citation, the first violation of this rule could result in a fine of up to \$500. Please drive responsibly and comply with the posted speed limit signs: Give your neighbors and local wildlife a fighting chance.

Budget

Budget formation is still underway. One way the Association can cut up to about \$20,000 is for all members to opt in to receiving all required general and individual delivery documents via email. This saves both postage and printing costs. We would still have hard copies available in the Clubhouse lobby. Please go to the website and fill out the member information update page,

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and check the "yes" box on the bottom. This will also get you emergency and informational e-mail blasts that the association sends out weekly or as a situation necessitates.

Projects

We are working on the locally sourced benches to set out along the walking trails and other locations around the Association.

Soon, we will be working to fill the cracks of our association roadways. Some have asked about the new process and have noticed the cracking that has occured. We inquired about this and were given the following explanation: This is called "Block Cracking," and with our mountain environment and the makeup of our streets, there is no way to prevent such cracking. The wearability of the coating is superb, but the year after we use the new crack-filling process, we will need to go seal the block cracks. This is no different than if we placed three inches of asphalt over the existing roads, except the wear surface is a lot better for us here, and the cracking remains a lot smaller with this newer process.

Events

Saint Patrick's Day was great. The food was spectacular and delicious. Joe Croyle entertained like nobody's business, and all present seemed to have a wonderful time.

Our annual Sports Night in Lampkin Park will kick off on April 5 from 5 to 7 p.m. (weather dependent) and will continue every Tuesday throughout the summer.

Save the date of Saturday, May 28, when our first Concert on the Greens will

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get the summer season started.

Movies on the Greens will kick off Thursday, June 16th at about 8:00 p.m. Sign-ups for Summer Camps are going to start soon, so please keep an eye out for the offerings.

Six-Year Recap

On March 15th, I celebrated my 6th anniversary with the PMCPOA. The longest-serving manager prior to me was, I believe, 39 months. Since I am the 29th General Manager, that means the average term before me was about 1.5 years. I am proud of what the staff here has been able to accomplish for the Association and the membership. Some major accomplishments since my becoming GM are:

Cellular communications at no cost to the Association; Golf Course irrigation system replacement; the Archery Range; the RV lot remodeled; streamlined department functioning; Glacier Creek remediation construction completed; the 9th Fairway bridge; the Driving Range tee box rebuilt; establishing a co-employment relationship with Barrett Business Services Inc. (BBSI) that has worked out very well so-far; and staff retention as well as the hiring of some new outstanding people. There are many more things that we are proud of, and we will keep adding to this list as we move forward. For those of you who support me and the team here, thank you. We will continue to do the best we can to earn that support every day. For those of you who are less than happy with the way things are, I want you to know that we will continue to work towards making this a great functioning Common Interest Development, and in doing so, I hope that we can at least come closer to making things better for the community and you.

Patrol Recap

During the month of February, Patrol responded to 150 calls for service. Observations and calls included the following:

Enforcement: 41
Public Assist: 77
Citations: 1

Suspicious Incident: 27 Welfare Checks: 4

EC Office Recap - Feb. 2016

Construction Projects: EC Committee Recommendation, 4 each

EC Officer Approvals of Minor Projects (No KC Permit Needed), 23 each

EC Enforcement Letters Written: 35, no citations issued as a result of these letters

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COMPLIMENTS, CONCERNS, COMPLAINTS

PMCPOA welcomes your input. Drop ideas off in the CCC Box in the Clubhouse Lobby, or click on the "CCC Box" menu item on PMC's website at www.pinemountainclub.net.

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!

COMPLIMENTS

• Fabulous nachos this Saturday evening. Kudos to the kitchen staff. Excellent Service. Thank you.

Response: Thank you for the compliment. We are glad you liked Kenneth's creation.

• The Pro Shop has been improved a great deal with the new pro/manager. He has made it a friendlier and better place. He has remodeled it and come up with a great plan to conserve water on the golf course.

Response: Thank you for your comments. We are glad that you appreciate the efforts to make the Pro Shop a more inviting area of the Clubhouse.

• Great job with the snow removal this latest snow storm. Once again, attention to a quick, timely and effective clearing of the streets is highly appreciated.

Response: Thank you for the nice words regarding snow plowing.

CONCERNS

• **Note:** We received a group of five (5) CCCs that all referenced the proposed "pool snack bar" project. The CCCs we received were all against the project, stating that it is misguided in that it would take money away from the Pro Shop and Bistro. Below is the response to those CCCs collectively.

Response: The Board is very aware of the five CCCs received regarding this proposed project and their complete disagreement with it. Thank you for your input.

• During the recent snow removal on Sand Way, a good 8- to 10-foot section of the roadway was destroyed along the side of the asphalt. There are now three large asphalt chunks pushed onto my property in need of removing. I cannot pick them up myself due to their overall weight. Please have someone come up here and pick them up.

Response: A crew was dispatched the following day after this notice, and the debris has been removed. Any needed as-

phalt repairs will be planned for the summer months.

• I just read the Mountain Enterprise and have some questions and comments about the monthly Condor newsletter. 1. Does it really cost us \$60,000 a year? I know that probably includes postage and handling, but it still seems high. A newsletter program is not that hard to master. 2. Is it really contracted out to someone in Oregon? Lots of people in PMC could do that job. Is it a bid process? If so, sign me up. Local handling of the newsletter might enable that person to pursue more local advertising to help defray costs. Also, a local handler might be able to talk to more property owners about the advantages of getting their newsletter information by email, which would also lower costs.

Response: 1. The short answer is no. 2. We do contract out our marketing and communications work to a former longtime PMC property owner/member who worked on staff as PMCPOA's Communications Manager/Condor Editor for nearly a decade before relocating. She continues to perform a huge role for the Association as a contractor, and it has worked out very well for us. She remains editor of the Condor, and handles all aspects of the newsletter, including content, layout and all advertising sales. She also handles all content and updates for the website, creates the monthly event poster and calendars, the weekly electronic sign messages and many other tasks that can be handled efficiently as a telecommuter, including almost daily contact with the

A reminder: The Condor newsletter is the official method of communicating with the membership and is a requirement of the association. As such, we have to mail it out via First Class Mail,



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unless a request has been made in writing to receive the Condor by email. Requests for email subscriptions are published in the Condor each month, and can be made by emailing to rwilde@ pmcpoa.com or to recept@pmcpoa.com.

COMPLAINTS

• I have a complaint about the complainers. First, the Transfer Site personnel do an excellent job dealing with the trash and the people. I noted in the last Condor somebody was complaining about having to do some waiting to get rid of their trash. Are these the same people in their sports cars racing up to the Transfer Site at 40mph, still going at least 25mph at the top, instead of 5mph? They have to screech to a stop because there are people dumping their trash. I have seen this scenario many times.

These are the people who would probably also hand their tiny bags of trash out their car windows for curbside service if they could get away with it. Most people going to the Transfer Site get out of their car (sometimes having to walk 15 feet because often many show up at the same time), dump their trash

Occasionally, neighbors meet and say hi to each other, and ask how things are going. I have personally met people new to our mountain community at the Transfer Site on several occasions. When this happens, you help them learn what they need to know, and they are grateful and amazed that (most) everybody is so friendly. If it wasn't for the smell, I think we should put up a coffee kiosk with tables and chairs, and call it "The Inevitable Place to Be," because life happens.

Hey speed demons, look around and smell the coffee: The Transfer Site also has one of the best views in PMC. And everybody, please follow the 17-3/4 mph speed signs (that's 2-3/4 mph faster than it was). There are people, horses and activity happening on this road, and a blind spot at the top. PMCPOA has done an excellent job with what we've got. Unfortunately, there are always going to be those few complainers.

Response: We appreciate your understanding and support of how the Transfer Site operates, and how it can become a social place at times. And thank you for the reminder to the membership to obey the posted speed limit signs for the safety of all.

A reminder that the PMCPOA staff and editor of the Condor newsletter do not endorse nor make any representations for any advertiser, and we strongly encourage all persons to perform their own due diligence in selecting with whom they transact business.

The association will, however, keep tabs on those that do place and pay for ads in the Condor. If we see a negative trend in performance issues. we will exercise our discretion and remove such ads from future publications.

Want to Receive Your **Condor by Email?**

Would you like to receive your Condor newsletter by email? Printed versions are still being sent through the mail to those who prefer it. However, online versions come earlier and save the association as much as \$2.50 per copy in mailing and labor costs.

If you are interested in an online version, please email the Condor editor at rwilde@pmcpoa.com or contact the Business Office in person or by phone at 242-3788 to let us know. Please provide us with your name as it appears on the property title, tract and lot number if possible, and your property or mailing address, phone number and email address. Save money, trees, and postage costs!



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Sorry:
No dogs allowed
at WITP

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adequate for their intended safety purposes, but they should not interfere with the concept of Dark Skies within the community. Once the household has settled in for the evening, external lighting should be turned off, or set on timers to shut off.

Holiday lights are encouraged for displays within good taste, and may be put up normally the weekend prior to Thanksgiving and are to be removed no later than Jan. 15. Lighting celebrating other holidays may be put up one week in advance of the holiday, and removed within 10 days after the holiday.

The cooperation of every member is needed to keep the community the pleasant, quiet and starlit place that captured your heart and inspired you to purchase a home and relocate to the mountains.

Budget

As the PMC Fiscal Year winds down, the budget development for FY 2016/2017 continues to be refined. An open Board meeting to discuss and finalize the budget is scheduled for April 6 in the Pool Pavilion. Attendance and input of all members is encouraged.

Your Election Committee has been busily soliciting candidates for the Board of directors and has scheduled two "Meet the Candidate" forums that all members are encouraged to attend to help decide your vote.

While many folks do not have the time it takes to serve on the Board, there are various committees that can always use an interested party to lend a helping hand.

It is your association, and the involvement of many people helps to keep it organized and operating at peak efficiency.

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During WITP, attendees will have access to tasting exciting wines from throughout California's top wine-growing regions, with dozens of premier wineries from which to choose. There will also be many craft breweries offering tastings. And then there's the food: Everything from classic European finger food and gourmet pizza to good-ole western barbeque will be available from some of Kern County's and Santa Clarita Valley's best eateries, as well as PMC's own local favorite restaurants.

There's nothing like pine-scented air and the shade of tall pines to complement the taste of good wine and equally good food, unless it's live music—loud enough to set the mood, but smooth enough not to ruin it. Wine-themed art will also be on display to round out the afternoon. Proceeds from this year's festival will benefit the American Cancer Society and local non-profits. Interested in being a sponsor for this event? Please visit the

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Sports
Variety Night!

Every Tuesday
5 - 7 p.m.
Lampkin Park
Sports equipment
provided, but feel free
to bring your own also.
All Ages Welcome!

website, or call (661) 242-1996 for more information.

You must be at least 21 years of age on or before June 11, 2016 to attend WITP, and must present a picture ID at the gate. Please, no dogs at the event.

The Wine Room Gallery



Fine Wine Bar/Tasting Room featuring a variety of high-quality wines by the glass, bottle or tasting flight.

Also available for private parties

Hours:

Fridays 4 to 7 p.m. Saturdays 1 to 7 p.m. Sundays Noon to 5 p.m.

> Located below Madd Bailey's Pub



Fitness Schedule

Tai Chi • 9:30-10:30 am Monday . Wednesday . Friday

Gentle Stretch.

9:30-10:15 am . Tuesday . Thursday

PMC Yoga & Pilates.

10:15-11:00 am . Tuesday . Thursday

Classes in PMC Clubhouse

Check the office for fees.

Recreation Room Hours:

3 - 6 p.m. Mon, Wed, Fri 11 a.m. - 6 p.m Weekends Homework Club

Tues/Thurs 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Entertainment Line-Up:

Saturday Nights
7 to 11 p.m.
(unless otherwise noted)

April 2 -- New Daddy (Mix of Blues, Rock & Americana Music) April 9 -- Jim Moon (Wide Range of

(Wide Range of 60's-80's Styles of Music)

April 16 -- Jimi Nelson Band (Country)

April 23 -- Boys Nite Out (Classic Oldies, Rock & Blues)

April 30 -- Bandit (Mix of Classic Rock, Blues & Country

Sunday Jams:

April 3 & 17 2-5 p.m.

Menu available from Bistro

Celtic Jam: 6-9 p.m. Every Tuesday night

Bring your own instrument to play or just come enjoy the music and have fun.

Jams in Condor Room



Serving the Mountain Communities since 1978

Activities

Mondays

12:45-4:00 pm . Bridge . Condor Room

Tuesdays

10 am . WOW . Pool Pavilion 6-9 pm . Celtic Jam . Condor Room

Wednesdays

12:45-4:00 pm . Bridge . Condor Room

Thursdays

11:30 am . Skins Golf

Fridays

6 pm . Amateur Radio Club . Pool Pavilion . (3rd Friday)

Saturdays

3 pm . Garden Club Pool Pavilion (2nd Saturday) 7 pm . Music . Lounge

Sundays

2-5 pm . Sunday Jams (2x per month) . Lounge

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All committee meetings are open to PMCPOA members in good standing.

Friday, April 1 First Friday)
8:30 am Greens and Ground Golf Shop

2:00 pm Environmental Control Condor Room

Saturday, April 2 (First Saturday)
9:00 am Governing Documents Pool Pavilion
1:00 pm Planning Pool Pavilion

Thursday, April 7 (First Thursday)
10:30 am Recreation Committee Lounge

Saturday, April 9 (Second Saturday)
8:00 am Equestrian Committee Pool Pavilion
9:00 am Emergency Preparedness Condor Room
10:00 am Communications Pool Pavilion
10:00 am CERT Condor Room

Wednesday, April 13 (Wednesday Before Board Mtg)
5:00 pm Finance & Budget Pool Pavilion

Saturday, April 16 (Third Saturday)
10:00 am PMCPOA Board of Directors Mtg. Condor Rm

Transfer Site Hours:

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Every Day

Bistro Hours

Monday-Sunday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Friday-Saturday Dinner 5-9 p.m. Sunday Dinner 5-8 p.m. Bistro -- 242-2233

GUILD ACTIVITIES

Every Monday

9-3 . Lace Guild . Pool Pav

Second/Fourth/Fifth Wednesdays

9-3 . Quilt Comfort Zone . Pool Pavilion

First Thursday

6:30 pm . Quilt Guild Business Meeting . Pool Pavilion

Every Friday

9-2:30 . Quilt & Chat & More . Pool Pav

First/Third Saturdays
1-4 . Knitting Guild .
Condor Room