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Reminder: Clubhouse Task Force Open Meeting is 12/2

A reminder that the Clubhouse Task Force will hold an informational meeting for members on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 1 p.m. in the Condor Room. The task force is a group that was appointed by the Board of Directors to create new ideas about updating the Clubhouse in an economical way.

EC Reminders to Help Keep PMC the Place We Love to Be

PMCPOA Environmental Control Committee

The Environmental Control Committee reminds PMCPOA members and guests about the following rules and suggestions to help maintain our pleasant outdoor environment:

1. All PMC residents are encouraged to use dark green, dark brown or camouflage-colored tarps when covering wood or other items in view of neighbors. These colors are aesthetically more appealing in our mountain environment than bright or neon-colored tarps.

2. All exterior lighting should be down facing or motion sensor controlled. Lights should be off when not in use. PMCPOA's Association Rule, Article 21, Environmental Control Code Section 7.08 states, "Outdoor lighting...shall be designed, installed and operated so that it is compatible with the ambient lighting of the neighborhood in which it is located. Lighting shall be designed, installed and operated to control glare, prevent light trespass onto adjacent areas, minimize direct upward light emission, promote effective security and avoid interference with safe operation of motor vehicles. The minimum intensity needed for the intended purpose shall be used."

3. All outside construction projects may be worked on between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. only Monday through Saturday, and from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. only on Sunday.

4. All dogs must be on a leash at all times. They must be kept off other properties and owners must clean up after them. Do not leave dogs outside when you are gone. Constant barking is a major disturbance in PMC.

Dog Bites: Know the Rules About Pets in Pine Mt. Club

Following a recent rash of serious dog bite incidents, it has become necessary to remind members of the Association Rules regarding the containment of dogs. Article 4 in the Association Rules sets forth the guidelines regarding pets in Pine Mountain Club. It is important to follow these rules and use good common sense where dogs are concerned for the safety and well being of residents, pet owners and their pets.

Article 4.03, section B, reads: "A noxious or offensive activity by an animal is defined in this rule as aggressive behavior, running at large, generating a noxious odor, howling, yelping, barking or making other noise that is offensive to the senses, is injurious to health, disturbs or annoys persons or neighbors so as to interfere with the enjoyment of life or property. In the event of an animal bite, Pine Mountain Club will follow Kern County Animal Control codes."

Section 4.07 in part states that dogs must be on a leash when on designated areas of Association property. Kern County Ordinance 7.08.150 in part states that it is unlawful for the owner of any dog to allow it to be on the private property of another person or on public property.

These rules are designed to protect the public as well as your dog. Dog owners are responsible for keeping dogs contained or leashed at all times within the community, and PMCPOA Patrol will vigorously enforce the rules regarding dogs at large.

Holiday Closures

• Please note that the PMCPOA offices, the Bistro, Pro Shop and the Transfer Site will be closed on Monday, Dec. 25 in observance of Christmas Day.

• On New Year's Day, Monday, Jan. 1, the PMCPOA offices and the Bistro will be closed, but the Transfer Site will be open.

Be Prepared For Winter Driving

Emergency Preparedness Committee

Winter can be a beautiful time in our mountain community, but it can also bring on some hazardous driving conditions. Here are some tips to make your drive safer.

Winterize Your Vehicle:

• Check the brakes, windshield wipers, exhaust system and heater/defroster to make sure they are in good working condition.

• Check your radiator fluid level and add antifreeze/coolant as needed.

• Make sure your tires are properly inflated and that the tread is in good condition. Consider purchasing snow or studded tires.

• All vehicles, including those with four-wheel drive and snow tires, should carry chains in the winter. They should be the correct size for your tires and in proper working order. Chains must be installed on drive wheels. Check with your owner's manual and/or the dealer for advice on traction devices on your particular vehicle. Practice installing the chains before the cold weather. Cold snowy weather is not the time to learn how to install your chains!

Be prepared -- carry an emergency kit in your car that contains at least the following items:

- Flashlight, with extra batteries
- Blankets, extra clothing, water and snacks
- Gloves
- Ice scraper/de-icer
- Shovel, broom and sand or kitty litter

Driving Tips:

• Keep your fuel tank full.

• Allow enough time. Get an early start and allow plenty of time to get to your destination. Slow down!

• Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying gas slowly is the best method for regaining traction.

• Leave extra distance between you and the car in front of you.

• Know your brakes: Whether you have antilock brakes or not, the best way to stop is threshold braking. Keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal. If your vehicle begins to slide, take your foot of the gas pedal, and steer your vehicle in the direction you wish to go. Try not to brake.

Chain Control Information:

R-1: Chains or snow tread tires required. Snow tires must have a tread depth of 6/32" and an "M & S" imprint on the sidewall

R-2: Chains required on all vehicles except four-wheel drives or all-wheel drives with snow tread tires on all four wheels. Four-wheel drives must carry chains.

R-3: Chains required on all vehicles--no exceptions. STAY HOME: If you really don't have to go out, don't!

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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. Join us for...

Christmas at the Clubhouse!

Saturday, Dec. 23 The fun begins with the

Breakfast Buffet with Santa

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Condor Lounge & Condor Room

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Condor Mailing Committee

Our group of volunteers would like to encourage members (or renters) to get involved in our Association as Condor mailers. It only takes about two hours a month, usually on the last Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Clubhouse. Our volunteers save the Association well over \$2,500 in labor costs per year, and the work and camaraderie are fun!

Pro Shop Open House/ Christmas Party is Dec. 16

PMC's Pro Shop will host the annual holiday Open House on Saturday, Dec. 16th from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Pro Shop will be open all day with special pricing and discounts on selected merchandise for your last-minute shopping for someone on your list – or to get something nice for you! How about a new set of golf clubs for Christmas?

The Christmas Party starts at 3 p.m. with food and drinks and raffle prizes. Earn a raffle ticket for each merchandise item purchased.

December 16 is last day to submit PMGC applications to be eligible for establishing or maintaining your SCGA Handicap in 2018. You can bring your app and membership fee to the Open House.

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Donate to Toys for Tots at Clubhouse

The PMCPOA Clubhouse has a Toys for Tots box in the lobby where you can deposit NEW unopened toys. All toys collected go to children who live here on the mountain. Let's make a local child's Christmas a little better. Please note that the last day to donate is Dec. 8th.

Golf Shop Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Every Day Call 242-3734

for tee times. Twilight hours/rates are available. 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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Want To Go To **Concerts With** Friends? New **Group Forming**

A new group is forming in Pine Mountain Club for those interested in traveling to concerts, theatrical performances and other events off the mountain

The program would kick off in January 2018 with trips to College of the Canyons in Santa Clarita to view entertainment presented there. PMC local Geri Fethke is forming this group and will put together a program of events, which will include venues in Los Angeles and surrounds.

This program will be carpool-based due to the high costs of renting buses. If you would like to participate in this group, please contact Geri at (661) 713-2302 for more information and to indicate interest.

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!

Assessment Past Due

The 2017-18 assessment is \$1,452.00 per lot, and was due and payable on July 1, 2017. It became delinquent on Sept. 15, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Interest and Collection fees have been added to unpaid accounts, and an Intent to Lien Notice has been sent out. If you have not yet paid your assessment, please do so immediately.

Get Into the Spirit at **Christmas in Village** on Saturday, 12/9

Christmas in the Village, an event that has become a cherished annual tradition in Pine Mountain Club, will take place on Saturday, Dec. 9th beginning at noon.

The day kicks off with a parade starting behind the General Store that winds through the Village and ends at the Gazebo, where Santa will be on hand for visits and photo opportunities until 3 p.m. Throughout that time, attendees can enjoy live entertainment, hot chocolate, face painting, vendors for Christmas shopping and a drawing/auction.

Peak to Peak Mountain Charter School will have cookies, cupcakes and mistletoe for sale. All proceeds from the event and the opportunity drawing will go toward event expenses for this year and next. This event is joyful for kids of all ages, from 1 to 99. Don't miss out on the fun!

Tips on Getting Info on Road **Conditions**

To find out road conditions on the I-5 freeway, call 800-427-7623 (Cal Trans).

Also, there is a website to check before you leave to go off the hill: https://www.sigalert.com/?lat=34.65

Email Blast List is Great Way to Get Updates About PMC

Did you know that PMCPOA has an 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, and the new Board of Directors is exploring ways to use the system even more frequently.

At the same time, 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 recept@pmcpoa.com. It will be worth your while to do so.

778&lon=118.69714&z=0. You can request conditions for Los Angeles, which will give you conditions from Lebec going south toward Los Angeles, or switch it to Bakersfield, which gives you conditions from Lebec going North.

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A Message from the Board Chair

First, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Director Mike Glenn for his many years of service to this community as a member of the Board of Directors. He was recently instrumental in leading the Bistro Task Force to a promising solution for the future of our restaurant. He is leaving Pine Mountain Club for Arizona. He will be missed.

As many of you may know, in September, our Board received a letter from Wesley Rogers claiming that the Board had acted improperly in determining that Amendment #2 voted on by the membership was unenforceable.

You may recall that that amendment stated: "No PMCPOA assessment money is to be used to supplement either the Bistro or the Lounge. These departments must be self-sustaining and expense must not exceed revenues."

Based on advice of counsel, our Board concluded that the amendment was unen-forceable.

It is very important to note that Mr. Rogers not only claimed that the Board members' decision was improper, but he also stated that he would hold the Board members personally liable for damages based on that decision.

Needless to say, the threat (or what we clearly believed to be a threat) directed at the Board members placed us and the Association itself in a very vulnerable position.

Again, based on advice of legal counsel, we decided to file a lawsuit to have the Superior Court determine if we or Mr. Rogers were correct. The lawsuit seeks to "declare" the respective rights of Mr. Rogers and the Association. Mr. Rogers was an essential party to this lawsuit.

Before the lawsuit was filed, however, the Board submitted a request to Mr. Rogers to participate in a mediation process. However, Mr. Rogers declined, apparently claiming that he was not making any claim against the Association, but rather against the directors.

The threat of action against the directors obviously creates vulnerability for the Association itself; and the lawsuit was thereafter filed on Nov. 1st in the Kern County Superior Court.

Recently, I and other directors received a letter from Mr. Rogers stating, among other things, the following: "I'm writing to formally advise you of my suspension of intended action against you as Director..." He goes on to state that: "It was never my intention to seek legal action against club directors, only to place a sense of urgency on the matter..." While we dispute Mr. Roger's description of his prior explicit threat of legal action, it does appear that he has moderated his position and the Board has taken this under consideration in evaluating further legal action.

The Board will be meeting to address this shortly.

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PMC Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Grace Wollemann, Recording Secretary

These are highlights of the Board of Directors open meeting of Nov. 18, 2017. 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 Chair John Cantley called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Seven directors attended: Stephan Bates, Sandy Browne, John Cantley, Michael Glenn, Garry Kemmer, Bryan Skelly and Doug Wilde. Directors Bill Gurtner and Phyllis Throckmorton were excused. Also in attendance were General Manager Karin Shulman and Recording Secretary Grace Wollemann.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda of the Board of Directors Meeting of Nov. 18, 2017, which included the regular minutes of Oct. 21, 2017. There were four (4) committee applications approved. The Board acknowledged receipt of "Committee-Approved Committee Minutes for Board Review." There were zero (0) Environmental Control Committee Projects and one (1) Cottage Industry Permit submitted for approval.

Vice Chairman Cantley presented the Chair's report.

General Manager Shulman presented the General Manager's report.

Treasurers Report - None.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVED RESOLUTION #01-11-18-17, to approve the installation of Association cameras on certain Association property, NTE \$13,000 from the Operating Fund. MOTION by Director Browne, SECOND by Director Bates. MOTION carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #02-11-18-17, approves and authorizes the General Man-

ager to dismantle the electronic sign at the Clubhouse. **MOTION** by Director Browne, **SECOND** by Director Kemmer. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

APPROVED RESOLUTION #03-11-18-17, to approve the re-grading of an existing trail and clean up various horse trails for the rental string, not to exceed \$3,000. MOTION by Director Kemmer, SECOND by Director Glenn. MOTION carried unanimously.

APPROVED RESOLUTION, to approve the Resolution to Record Lien. MO-TION by Director Bates, SECOND by Director Glenn. MOTION carried unanimously.

WITHDRAWN MOTION to approve the Planning Committee charter pursuant to #5, the PMCPOA Board of Directors directs the Planning Committee to monitor the progress and findings of the Clubhouse Complex Remodel Task Force, appointed

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in September of 2017, and employ the criteria listed in #4 of the Planning Committee charter, reporting any findings to the Board. The Planning Committee chair is authorized to represent the committee and to participate in the meeting of the task force to the extent required to develop a report.

TABLED MOTION to approve adding the Planning Committee chair to the facilities task force.

MOTION to approve and direct the Planning Committee, pursuant to #3 of its charter, to revise and update a Facilities Master Plan and present a progress report to the Board by February of 2018.

AMENDED MOTION to approve and direct the Planning Committee, pursuant to #3 of its charter, to revise and update a Facilities Master Plan and present a progress report to the Board by July of 2018. **MOTION** by Director Skelly, **SEC-OND** by Director Glenn. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

MOTION that the PMCPOA Board of Directors with this motion agrees to explore options for wireless broadband and cell service for Pine Mountain Club with representatives from AT&T. Please note that there is no Treasurer's Report this month. The Accounting Department is in transition, and we hope to resume financial reports next month.

The Board directs the General Manager to develop a plan for a community informational forum at which AT&T will present its proposal and requirements. **MOTION** by Director Cantley, **SEC-OND** by Director Skelly. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

MOTION to approve the placement of a memorial bench at the lower lake, Fern's Lake. **MOTION** by Director Browne, **SECOND** by Director Skelly. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

MOTION to approve that the Board of Directors instruct the General Manager to consult with staff and come back during the December Board meeting with a proposal to enable a more expeditious

PMC's Snow Berm Removal Procedure

During the winter months, our Association faces many weather-related challenges. The first priority in the event of a snow storm is clearing and sanding the roads of the community. In a nutshell, we have well-established and effective procedures that determine the order in which snow is removed throughout PMC.

The removal of berms from homeowners' driveways is provided as a courtesy to members who, in advance, have requested this assistance. In order to be added to this list, you need to present a current ADA placard or doctor's note at the Business Office.

This free service is only provided after snow removal from all Association roads and necessary sanding have taken place. As a result, it could be two or more days before the crews begin to remove berms.

As with the roads, this courtesy service has an established procedure in determining the order in which property owners' berms are removed.

When crews are available to begin berm removal, they will follow the approved ADA berm removal list. Our berm removal list is quite long; and due to limitations of time, equipment and manpower, the process of removing berms for every property owner on the list can take several days, even after the snow has stopped falling.

The berm removal list is intended for the physically impaired.

If you have any questions regarding our snow plowing and berm removal policies, please call 242-3788 or come see us. snow berm removal service for the physically challenged individuals. **MOTION** by Director Skelly, **SECOND** by Director Browne. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

MOTION to approve that the Board of Directors instruct the General Manger to work with staff on a plan to dramatically increase revenues associated with the Pro Shop and come back with a proposal for the Board in February. **MOTION** by Director Skelly, **SECOND** by Director Glenn. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

MOTION to approve that the Board of Directors instruct the General Manger to work with staff to come back with a proposal for renovation of the Hole 6 restroom, which would include a solution to enable year-round usage. **MOTION** by Director Skelly, **SECOND** by Director Glenn. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

The Board sent and received 21 items of correspondence this month.

The next Regular Open Board Meeting will take place on Dec. 16, 2017 at 10 a.m. in the Condor Room.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

PMCPOA's Policy on Snowplowing

During winter storms, the Pine Mountain Club Maintenance Department's snowplow equipment will be dispatched as needed to maintain all roadways, cul de sacs and access roads within the PMC community.

This equipment will be dispatched as soon as possible after the snow begins to stick to the road surfaces, and plowing will continue until all of the roads are clear of snow. Cinders will be applied when the Pine Mountain Maintenance Department deems it appropriate.

The streets in our community will be plowed in the following order: First, the main roadways. Second, all access roads. Third, all cul de sacs. And, when time permits, attempts will be made to try to clear snow berms in driveways.

(Copies of this policy are available in the PMC Business Office.)

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

Karin Shulman

We had a little bit of rain, which I know all of us appreciated. The snowplows are ready, and we are just waiting for snow.

Please pick up your copy of "Snow Removal Frequently Asked Questions" at the front desk. Anyone who has an ADA registration or a doctor's note that says they are unable to shovel snow may be placed on the berm removal list in the Business Office. We currently have 78 members on the list. Snow berm removal is a courtesy for the group I mentioned only. There are quite a few people up here that will shovel berms and driveways for a fee. Our policy is that we only plow driveway berms AFTER a storm. The snow removal brochure also has information with Do's and Don'ts.

Food Service Update

I was requested by the Board last month to implement the plan from the Bistro Task Force recommendations. We have already started the buffets, which have been going for a few weeks now. The staff is working very hard to make the buffet look inviting and to keep up food quality.

The Bistro Task Force also recommended having a satellite kitchen upstairs. Currently, there is a small kitchen upstairs, but it is inadequate for our needs. There has been discussion about building a small upstairs kitchen in the maintenance room between the Condor Room and Lounge. We have been researching the feasibility of this, getting quotes from plumbers and electricians and looking at equipment. Currently, estimates for this project total more than \$33,000 for the building, plumbing, ceiling and electrical work, and we would also need permits from the County to do this, which can be costly. So for now, we will purchase the necessary equipment to handle the buffets.

My suggestion is to wait until next year's budget is created, and include this in the budget as a project.

Accounting Department Transition

We are in transition in our Accounting

Want to Help With PMC's Youth?

The PMCPOA Youth Committee was re-established to address the needs and concerns of the youth in PMC. Meetings are held on the fourth Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Pool Pavilion. (Please note that the committee is dark for the month of December.)

For more information, please contact the PMC Business Office/Recreation Room. Department, so there are no financials this month. The Budget and Finance Committee did approve the draft of the October financials, and have expectations that the new staff will provide final reports in the near future.

Holiday Events

Now for the fun stuff! Thanksgiving weekend has come and gone, complete with our Christmas Tree Lighting in the parking lot followed by the annual Holiday Craft Fair the next day. We have so much talent on this mountain, and had all our vendor space sold out within days of announcing the Craft Fair.

This month, on Dec. 23, we are having brunch with Santa, followed by cookie decorating for the kids and parents in the Pool Pavilion. The holiday events are always fun and festive. Please join us. We have a new Recreation Supervisor who is very talented and an artist in her own right, so look for some amazing upcoming events.

EC Office Recap

SFR: 2 decks, 2 solar projects, 1 fence, 9 reroof and paint, 14 yard sales, 4 tree permits, 32 escrow property inspections, 2 dumpster/pods

EC letters written: 1st notice letters–17; 2nd notice and official warnings-2; com-

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plied on 1st notice-18; complied after 2nd warning-0; citations to the Board-1; miscellaneous letters–5

PMC Patrol Recap

Patrol responded to 65 calls for service. Observations and calls included the following:

Enforcement-23 Animal Control-11 Citations-2 Misc Calls-10 Public Assist: 33 Agency Assist-1 Conflict-3 General Complaint-5 Welfare Check-1 Misc Calls-23 Reports: 1 Suspicious Incident-7 Wildlife-1

Remember: No open fires of any kind are allowed in Pine Mountain Club.

Want to Talk With the Board Chair?

If you would like to speak with PMC-POA Board of Directors Chair Bill Gurtner, there is a way to do so.

To book some one-on-one time with him, 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.

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One final note: We want to avoid any suggestion that Mr. Rogers was named simply for expressing an opinion. No member should ever be penalized for doing so. But with all due respect to Mr. Rogers, his threatened legal action against Board members individually to hold them personally liable for alleged damages created a situation where we needed court intervention to determine our respective rights.

We will keep the membership informed as to any new developments.

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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 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.

If you are a PMCPOA member in good standing, 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. Please note that we do not respond to renter's submissions; the CCC Box is for members only.

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!

SUGGESTIONS

• I read the 42-page Bistro Task Force

report. I'm not a big fan of having buffets on both Friday and Saturday nights. A couple of suggestions: Perhaps there could be a soup and salad option. Or, have two types of buffets: a full buffet and a lower-priced soup and salad bar. Maybe there could be a few appetizers that could be ordered from the bartenders. Not everyone wants a big meal. Some just want something small to have while visiting with friends.

Response: Thank you for suggestions. We have started having soup and salad options now, and we hope you are enjoying them.

• While dumping pine needles at the waste site on a recent Wednesday, an employee was driving a heavy piece of equipment with forks just a foot away from myself and the vehicle proceeded to cover me and my car with dirt and brush, not to mention how close he came to hitting me and

the car. Heavy equipment should never be operating while people are in this green waste area. This is an extremely dangerous practice and should be taken extremely seriously.

<u>Response</u>: We agree. This issue has been reviewed with all operators. Safety cones will be in place and in the future, the site will be closed while there are employees working with equipment in the area.

CONCERNS

• Can Golden Lane Cul-de-Sac please get paved?

Response: We will look into this.

COMPLAINTS

• The buffet is way below par. Go back to table service, please. The food is carb-loaded and very fattening. We do not need that.

Response: The buffet was proposed by the Bistro Task Force and approved by the Board. We are working very hard to make our buffets appeal to the members and guests. We do have a soup and salad option for those who want a lighter meal and not as many calories.

• The buffets so far are not what I want. Bring back a menu (burgers please).

Response: Please see above answer. Let's see what the Task Force recommends going forward.

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Meet Your New PMC Recreation Director: Jessie Hales

Jessie Hales has been named the new Recreation Director for Pine Mountain Club POA. She brings to the position years of experience in business marketing that included contracts with the government, and is very enthusiastic about her new role here in PMC.

"Events are central to our members' satisfaction," she says. "My first goal is to create memorable events that make our members feel like they are on a cruise ship. This includes friendly staff, beautiful venues, wonderful food and drink and a 'boat'-load of hospitality." She adds, "Equally important, I want to have an organized calendar so our committees and clubs know what to expect when they schedule meetings and events."

Jessie and her husband, Bruce, moved here 2-1/2 years ago, and have four children, three of whom are in college and one age 11 who is still at

Reminders About the PMC Post Office

Now that we are in the holiday season, the PMC post office is receiving a lot of packages and catalogs. A reminder to please try to pick up mail more frequently during this busy time if possible. The postal employees are having a difficult time stuffing all the mail into the small boxes due to the extra influx of mail. The post office workers and the Association management would be very appreciative of this effort to help out by gathering mail regularly during the mail-heavy holiday season.

On another note, please do not place flyers in the post office. Flyers are not allowed, and any that are left in the post office get thrown away, which is a waste of time and money to those who have created them. Please don't leave them in the post office.



Jessie Hales

home. She grew up in San Juan Capistrano and has a degree in Business Marketing and Management. She and Bruce met in Baghdad, Iraq, where she was working at the time, and the two of them filmed a documentary there. "Hopefully, my new position here will be a lot safer than my work in Baghdad," she said with a laugh.

Jessie's background began in marketing for a publishing company, she said, and then she had her own business fulfilling government contracts. "I am so glad for all the traveling experiences," she says, "but we can't believe how much we love PMC, especially the friends we are making here."

Now that she's here on the mountain, Jessie says she wants to focus on improving the association's existing recreation programs, and when that is accomplished, she plans to add more events to the calendar. "I also have lots of ideas that could make our events more profitable," she says.

"If you have ideas for events and recreation, please swing by the office and chat with me," says Jessie. "I have a feeling that our best days ahead will be because of member input."



Have a Renter? Please Pick Up a Renter's Packet

PMCPOA has a packet for renters, both short-term and long-term, so that they may be advised of the most important aspects of living in PMC including bear awareness, fire dangers, snow/ice advisories, etc.

These packets are available at the PMC office. You can find out about them by calling the receptionist at 661-242-3788 or by going to the front desk. We heartily encourage anyone with a home that is rented out to acquire a packet and to post the items that need to be posted in the house and leave the extra pamphlets where renters can find them. We DO fine renters for offenses against PMC rules, so please help keep them -- and us -- safer by utilizing these materials. Thank you.

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

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Arts & Crafts in the Rec Room Seasonally themed art projects

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Fitness Schedule

Program One Chi - 9:30-10:30 gr

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

Program Two

Cardio Dance . 8-9 am Monday

Cardio Groove . 8-9:00 am Tuesday

Cardio Dance/Drumfit • 8-9 am Wednesday

Cardio Groove . 8-9:00 am Thursday

Cardio Dance & Tone . 8-9am Friday

• Saturday mornings as scheduled

Classes in PMC Clubhouse unless otherwise noted.

Each class \$5 daily

Monthly packages available, please call the office for pricing. We at PMCPOA wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas, the happiest of holidays and a wonderful New Year!

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Clubhouse Open During Storms, Power Outages

Winter is arriving, and we who live in Pine Mountain Club know that in a typical vear, its arrival can mean severe weather at times and very cold temperatures. Power outages are not rare on the mountain, but did you know that the Clubhouse remains open 24/7 in the event of the power going out? PMCPOA has an emergency generator that provides power immediately upon an outage, so the Clubhouse stays warm and lit. You can bring sleeping bags and games, and hunker down during the storm until the power comes back on. (Reminders: No pets please; and a note that PMCPOA cannot provide transport to the Clubhouse.)

During inclement weather when the power stays on, you can tune into PM-CPOA's radio station, AM 1610, for regular updates, or call 242-3857 after hours for current conditions. It's a good idea to keep a transistor radio in the house that op-

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ART-CRAFT CLASSES:

2nd Sunday of month 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m. <u>Reservations</u> only -seats limited. Fee is \$35-45/student, includes materials. 3rd Sunday "Creative Hands" - Coffee, Bakery Goods, Chat and Create your projects at our Dining Table! 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m. erates on batteries in case of a power outage. For information provided by county and state agencies, PMCPOA's website has links to many sources, including Kern County Fire, Caltrans and the National Weather Service. Look under the "PMC Safety Alerts" menu item.

In the event of an emergency, it is essential that PMCPOA knows how to contact you: If you do not have current contact information on file with the association, please notify the Business Office to provide updates right away by calling 242-3788 or by stopping at the front desk during regular business hours.

New Yoga Class Starting in January

Deb Lowe, of Mountain Lotus Yoga, will begin teaching a new Yoga class in January 2018 at the PMC Clubhouse. She is a private instructor who teaches Yoga classes for all ages and levels, including beginners and seniors, as well as Gentle Stretch Yoga.

Lowe will hold classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to Noon. Classes will be \$5 per class, payable directly to Lowe. She is offering the first class for free for new attendees.

For more information about these classes, please call Lowe at (661) 245-1520 or at (818) 404-4092, or email her at lalasson1952@yahoo. com.

Please note that there are no Yoga or Gentle Stretch classes in the Clubhouse in December.



Recreation Room Hours

2:30 to 6 p.m. Mon, Wed, Fri 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday & Every Day During Winter Break

Homework Club Tues, Thurs 2:30-4:30 p.m. Gaming is open 4:30 to 6 p.m. after Homework Club (No Homework Club during Winter Break

> The Rec Room will be closed Christmas Day.

Bistro Hours

Thursday-Monday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. *Breakfast/Lunch*

Friday Night Buffet 5 - 7:30 p.m. Saturday Night Buffet 6 - 8:30 p.m. Sunday Bar Food 2 - 5 p.m. in Lounge

Please note that the Bistro and Lounge are now on winter hours. Both are closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

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Thurs/Mon 4-8pm Friday, 4-10pm Saturday, 2-11pm Sunday, 1-8pm Happy Hour 4-6pm Mon/Thu/Fri *Closed Tu/Wed*

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Entertalnment Line-Up:

<u>Saturday Nights</u> 7 to 11 p.m.

Dec. 2 -- New Daddy (Mix of Blues, Rock & Americana Music)

> Dec. 9 -- Way Out West (Country & Rock)

Dec. 16 -- Karson City Rebels (Mix of Country & Rock 'n' Roll)

Dec. 23 -- Breakfast with Barbi (Formerly Sierra Highway; Classic Rock & Country Rock)

Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve Party) -- Boys Nite Out (Classic Oldies, Rock, Blues)

<u>Sunday Jams:</u>

Dec. 3 & 17 2-5 p.m.

Menu available from the Bistro

Jams in Condor Room or Condor Lounge

Activities

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

Tuesdays 10 am . WOW . Pool Pavilion

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

Thursdays 10:00 am . Skins Golf

Fridays 7 pm . Amateur Radio Club . Pool Pavilion . (3rd Friday)

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

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

Friday, Dec. 1 First Friday) 9:00 am **Greens and Grounds** Golf Shop **DARK Environmental Control** Condor Room

Saturday, Dec. 2 (First Saturday) 9:00 am Governing Documents Pool Pavilion DARK Planning Condor Room

> *Tuesday, Dec. 5 (First Tuesday)* 4:00 pm **Equestrian** Pool Pavilion

> Thursday, Dec. 7 (First Thursday)10:30 amRecreationLounge

Saturday, Dec. 9 (Second Saturday) 9:00 am Emergency Preparedness Condor Room 10:00 am Communications Pool Pavilion 10 am CERT Condor Room

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

Saturday, Dec. 16 (Third Saturday)10:00 amPMCPOA Board of Directors Mtg. Condor Rm

Saturday, Dec. 22 (Fourth Saturday) DARK Youth Advisory Pool Pavilion

Family Dining is available in the Condor Room on Friday and Saturday nights pending other events.

Transfer Site Hours:

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

GUILD ACTIVITIES

Every Monday 9-3 . Lace Guild . Pool Pavilion

Second/Fourth/Fifth Wednesdays 9-3 . Quilt Comfort Zone . Pool Pavilion

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

Every Friday 9-3 . Quilt & Chat & More Pool Pav (9-1:30/3rd Fri)

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