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It's May, and that means
it's time for Cinco de Mayo
and Mother's Day!
See page 9 for details.



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Our World of Nature

What Good are Native Shrubs?

Lynn Stafford with Liz Buchroeder

We live in a forest. The first things that come to mind about a forest are the trees. However, a forest is much more than a group of trees living close to each other. One aspect of most healthy forests is native brush. There are many woody plants that have several dominant stems that form a clump of vegetation anywhere from a few feet high to the height of a small tree. Some occur in open areas between trees, some under tree canopies. Our forest is no exception. This article focuses on some of these shrubs and a few of the animals associated with them.



Fig. 1: Sagebrush thrives in Quatal Canyon west of Pine Mountain Club (LS).

A well-known local shrub is the big sagebrush (Fig. 1). This dense gray aromatic plant is found in high-elevation deserts and other arid landscapes in western North America. It is generally associated with the high basins between the Sierra Nevada and the Rocky Mountains.

However, a few populations occur close to the Pacific coast in dry regions. Our mountain forests are transitional between moist forests with firs and yellow pines and desert woodlands with sagebrush, pinyon pines and juniper. The California thrasher (Fig. 2) is often heard, and less often, seen here. The thrasher uses its long, curved bill to uncover small animals in the duff under the brush. The plant also supplies protection and hidden nesting locations.



Fig. 2: A California thrasher sings from a brush pile containing sagebrush (MAR).

Ceanothus, (Fig. 3) and flannelbush (Fig. 4) are plants that often occur on steep dry slopes. For short periods in the summer, they are covered with white and yellow flowers, respectfully. They and other shrubs, such as scrub oak, provide habitat for the elusive mountain quail (Fig. 5). This bird



Friday, May 19

6-8pm

Saturday, May 27

10am-noon

Forums in Condor Room

Come get to know the six candidates running for the PMCPOA Board!

For more information about the election and forums, please read the story below.

Six Candidates Vying for Three Seats on PMC Board

The PMCPOA annual election is around the corner, and there are six candidates running for three, three-year terms on the board of directors. This year's election takes place on Saturday, June 17 at 1 p.m. Please note that the Inspectors of Election will attend this meeting in a virtual fashion, so there will be no in-person voting.

The candidates, listed in the order in which they submitted their Letters of Intent, are Brad Hudson, Jennifer Emmett, Steve Burkett, Shawn Coulter, Pamela Plouffe and Mark Bailey. To view their full candidate packets, please visit the website at <https://pinemountainclub.net/group/pages/election-documents-results>.

Get to know these wonderful volunteers by participating in the Meet the Candidates forums taking place on Friday, May 19 from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, May 27 from 10am-Noon in the Condor Room. If you can't make the meetings and want to ask a question, please come by the office to pick up an index card on which to write your question, and make sure your Track & Lot number is on the card. Cards must be turned into the office by Wednesday, May 17. The meeting will be recorded on video and posted on our website for viewing.

Outgoing directors are Steve Burkett, Phyllis Throckmorton, and Peggy Hoyt-Voelker, whose terms of office will end on June 17, 2023. Steve is running for re-election. Thanks to these hard-working volunteers!

Defensible Space Works! Make Your Home Fire Safe

PMCPOA Emergency Preparedness Committee

“Defensible Space” is your property’s front-line defense against wildfire. Creating and maintaining defensible space around your home can dramatically increase your home’s chance of surviving a wildfire and improves the safety of firefighters defending your property.

ZONE ONE: Zone One extends 30 feet from buildings, structures, decks, etc.

• Remove ALL non-ornamental combustible and vegetation materials from around all structures. For more information on ornamental vegetation and “firewise” plants go to www.readyforwildfire.org.

• Remove any dead/dry material such as pinecones, pine needles, grass, leaves, limbs etc.

• Remove trees and limbs within 10 feet of stovepipe and chimney outlets.

• Remove any limbs that overhang/adjacent to structures.

• Clear roof of all combustible vegetation, including leaves and pine needles.

• Provide a 10-foot clearance of all combustibles around propane tanks, if possible.

• Relocate woodpiles or other combustible materials out of this zone.

• Remove flammable plants and shrubs from around windows, remove combustibles from under your decks.

• Cover all vent openings with 1/16- to 1/8-inch metal mesh.

• Cover your chimney and stovepipe outlets with a non-flammable screen.

ZONE TWO: Zone Two extends 30 feet to 100 feet from the structure.

• Reduce ALL combustible fuels in this area.

• Remove dead material and remove and/or thin vegetation.

• Remove “ladder fuels” (low-level vegetation that allows the fire to spread from the ground to the tree canopy). There should be a minimum of a 6-foot clearance from vegetation to the lowest tree limb of all non-ornamental trees, or one-third the height of the tree.

KERN COUNTY FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION PROGRAM MUST BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 1st.

Beginning June 2nd, Fire Department personnel will start inspecting properties. Properties found to be in violation will be issued a \$500 citation. The owner of the property will be given 15 days from the mailing date of citation to either dispute the citation or show proof the violation was corrected.

We have received an abundance of moisture this year, which means we will have an abundance of dry vegetation come summer. With the late cool spring, you may have to clear your property more than once.

For more information, go to www.kerncountyfire.org to view hazard reduction guidelines.

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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.

The PMC Pool Opens May 26!

8am-10am Daily -- Morning Lap Swim

10am-7pm Daily -- Open Swim

(Except on Mon, Wed & Fri, opens at 11am)

7pm-8pm Daily -- Evening Lap Swim

10-11am Mon, Wed & Fri -- Water Aerobics

A Message About Service Animals

Per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Titles II and III, Service Animals are described as below:

A service animal means any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform a task for the benefit of an individual with a disability including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual or other mental disability.

Emotional support animals, comfort animals, therapy dogs and domestic pets are not service animals under Title II and Title III of the ADA.

A service animal must always be under the care and control of its handler, or someone designated by the handler.

A person with a disability can be asked to remove his or her service an-

imal from the premises if the animal is out of control and the animal's handler does not take effective action to control it, or if the animal is not housebroken.

The responsibility to supervise and care for a service animal does not fall on the business that provides access.

A service animal must have a harness, leash or other tether. However, if the handler is unable to use a harness, leash or other tether because of disability, or if the use of a tether would interfere with the service animal's safe, effective performance of work or tasks, the handler may use other means to keep the animal under control.

Penal Code 365.7 PC is the California statute that defines the crime of **service dog fraud**. You commit this offense if you make a false claim that your dog is a medical service dog in order to take the dog or keep the dog at an apartment or business

establishment. A violation of the code section is a misdemeanor offense.

PMCPPOA Association Rule 3.08: No dogs are permitted in areas so designated except for service animals required in support of a disability. Elsewhere, where dogs are permitted, the person in control of the animal is responsible to clean up waste deposited by the animal on Association property, including roads and trails.

Time to Bring in Bird Feeders

Patrice Stimpson, PMC Patrol Chief

April 1st was the date that all bird seed, nuts, suet and hummingbird feeders should have been taken down from outside your homes.

Association Rule 7.03(a) states: Feeding wild birds and squirrels is prohibited between April 1 and November 1 of any given year as a public safety effort to prevent property damage by bears and avoid human-bear interaction.

As the weather warms up, bird feeders, pet food and candy/chips/snacks left outside or in cars will invariably draw and keep bears in town. It also results in major car damage and breaking into houses, garages and sheds. Don't let this happen to you, or your neighbors!

Of course, deliberate feeding of bears or other wildlife is a violation of PMC Association rules, and against California Fish and Wildlife regulations. The fines for these violations are quite hefty.

Enjoy our wildlife from a safe distance!

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Pine Mountain Club POA, Inc.
Final Summary Budget for 2023/2024
As of April 15, 2023

Final

	2022/2023			2023/2024 Budget	Increase / (Decrease)
	Pro Forma Actuals	Budget	Variance		
Revenue					
Assessment Income	5,173,057	5,164,638	8,419	5,574,812	410,174
Operating Interest	17,708	17,111	597	69,408	52,297
General & Administrative	115,673	105,450	10,223	102,961	(2,489)
Association Business	12,542	6,600	5,942	9,000	2,400
Patrol	44,871	20,100	24,771	24,000	3,900
Maintenance Operations	4,265	5,340	(1,075)	4,770	(570)
Environmental Control	28,189	19,200	8,989	22,500	3,300
RV, Campground, Parks, & Grounds	20,085	18,300	1,785	19,920	1,620
Refuse & Recycling	11,181	25,500	(14,319)	17,004	(8,496)
Equestrian Center	74,597	71,700	2,897	73,080	1,380
Pro Shop	102,326	99,615	2,711	100,627	1,012
Lounge	157,605	162,100	(4,495)	179,500	17,400
Condor Café	342,144	384,510	(42,366)	360,870	(23,640)
Recreation & Events	707	2,800	(2,093)	2,900	100
Pool	5,630	0	5,630	4,000	4,000
Post Office	76,500	76,500	0	76,500	0
Projects	46,931	57,000	(10,069)	36,000	(21,000)
Total Revenue	6,234,010	6,236,464	(2,454)	6,677,852	441,388
Expenses					
General & Administrative	(1,644,172)	(1,703,853)	59,681	(1,736,851)	(32,998)
Association Business	(91,338)	(89,130)	(2,208)	(91,333)	(2,203)
Patrol	(461,043)	(452,705)	(8,338)	(487,771)	(35,066)
Clubhouse Maintenance	(340,865)	(304,043)	(36,822)	(375,786)	(71,743)
Maintenance Operations	(816,759)	(841,263)	24,504	(861,664)	(20,401)
Environmental Control	(137,053)	(136,950)	(103)	(147,921)	(10,971)
RV, Campground, Parks, & Grounds	(11,036)	(21,475)	10,439	(150,478)	(129,003)
Refuse & Recycling	(179,437)	(199,830)	20,393	(208,672)	(8,842)
Equestrian Center	(235,359)	(260,240)	24,881	(267,457)	(7,217)
Pro Shop	(118,313)	(119,327)	1,014	(126,258)	(6,931)
Golf Maintenance	(352,372)	(397,859)	45,487	(248,181)	149,678
Lounge	(149,567)	(162,060)	12,493	(186,498)	(24,438)
Condor Café	(434,162)	(502,648)	68,486	(470,581)	32,067
Recreation & Events	(133,248)	(132,358)	(890)	(140,900)	(8,542)
Pool	(53,352)	(68,983)	15,631	(61,965)	7,018
Post Office	(133,479)	(139,540)	6,061	(146,324)	(6,784)
Projects	(63,460)	(107,000)	43,540	(213,000)	(106,000)
Future Designated Projects			0	0	0
Project Contingency	(50,000)	(50,000)	0	(50,000)	0
Reserve Funding - Budget	(547,200)	(547,200)	0	(706,212)	(159,012)
Total Expenses	(5,952,216)	(6,236,464)	284,248	(6,677,852)	(441,388)
Net Revenue Over Expenses	281,795	0	281,795	0	0
Carry-over					
Confirmed Carry-over funds - prior yrs	362,249	362,249	0	0	(362,249)
Project Contingency	(12,202)	(12,202)	0	0	12,202
Designated Projects	(129,927)	(129,927)	0	(50,000)	79,927
Reserve Funding - Carryover	(220,120)	(220,120)	0	(231,795)	(11,675)
Current Projected Carry-over funds (actual will be different)	0	0	0	281,795	281,795
Additional Reserve funding (pending verification by the Audit & Board approval)				0	0
Total Carryover	0	0	0	0	0
Total Net Income Over Expenses	281,795	0	281,795	0	0
Assessment Amount		1,788		1,928	140
Billable Lots		2,888.5		2,891.5	3

The complete budget is available at the Association Office to members upon request at the Association's expense and will be provided by agreed upon method (mail, email, etc) within 5 days of the request.

PMCPOA Transfer

Site Hours:

8:30am - 5pm Daily

Open until 7pm

Thursdays

Reminders:

- * For PMC residents/guests only; please bring your member or guest card.**
- * Four vehicles at a time at the site; please wait your turn outside.**
- * Please secure your trash before heading to the site.**
- * Please do not leave trash outside the gate of the Transfer site. This is for your safety and the safety of the bears.**
- * Please Help! We cannot accept hot ashes at the Transfer Site!**

Recycling Reminder:

Don't forget, the PMCPOA Transfer Site accepts recycling of cardboard, bottles and cans and more, and is open seven days a week. Let's help keep our beautiful community clean.

**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 8, 2023 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 May 30, 2023. 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 later than 4:00 p.m. on May 19, 2023. The resume must be typed on a single 8 1/2" 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.

Kris Staidle, Board Secretary

Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company

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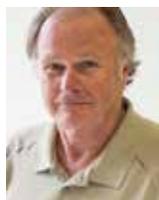
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A Message from the Chairman

On March 25, the Emergency Preparedness Committee held a Wildfire Preparedness Town Hall here in the Condor Room with representatives from the fire department and the forest service sharing important information to not only better prepare our lots and homes from fire dangers and hazards, but they also addressed the challenges of the recent snow storm faced by our residents and the fire personnel. They emphasized the importance of individuals being prepared for all these emergencies – to include fire, snow, and earthquakes. Unfortunately, we did not have many members in attendance.



On March 29, we met with the fire captain and battalion chief to critique our performances during the snowstorm. We discussed how we can work better together in the future to face all emergencies oc-

curing in our community to include alerts and tips from the fire department to be delivered via our email blasts and Condor newsletter. We learned the fire department responded to 56 calls during that first weekend of the snowstorm, which was far above their normal calls for service.

We discussed plans for operating a “warming center” during snow events and parameters for the activation of the Red Cross to assist us. We learned that many of our houses, according to the fire department, still do not have the proper visible numbers on the exteriors to assist first responders in locating addresses, particularly at night and during stormy weather.

We activated and manned an “emergency operations center” for the first time during the storm that followed the major storm to better monitor and coordinate our 24-hour response to that event. Fortunately,

ly, the snow was not nearly as heavy and as much, and it provided us the opportunity to test our new communications between the roads crew plowing and the operations center, as well as provide updates to the Snow Plow Status Map posted on our website.

We are in the beginning stages of working with the Mil Potrero Mutual Water Company to research the feasibility and costs of putting evacuation sirens on some or all of their water reservoir tanks.

These are just a few of the things that we’ve been working on to better prepare for and respond to weather-related challenges and emergencies in our community.

Be safe, stay healthy, and please be positive.

This message is based in part on the Chairman’s Report from the April 15, 2023 Board Meeting.

PMC Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Grace Wollemann, Recording Secretary

These are highlights of the Board of Directors open meeting of April 15, 2023. 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, Richard Ballard, Philip Gabriel, Carolyn Gilbert, Peggy Hoyt-Voelker, Chairman Lewis II, and

Ellen McClellan. Directors Steve Burkett and Phyllis Throckmorton were excused. Also in attendance was recording secretary Grace Wollemann.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director Throckmorton that the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting of March 18, 2023 be adopted. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director Hoyt-Voelker to approve the draft minutes of the Special Open Draft Budget Board Meeting on March 11, 2023 and the Board of Directors’ Regular Board Meeting on March 18, 2023. **MOTION** carried.

There were zero (0) committee applications for approval.

Chairman Lewis II presented the chairman’s report. Recording Secretary Wollemann presented General Manager Karin Shulman’s general manager’s report. Director McClellan presented the treasurer’s report.

MOTION by Director McClellan, **SECOND** by Director Ballard to ratify the Association’s March 2023 financials in accordance with Civil Code §5500 and §5501. **MOTION** carried.

The board acknowledged receipt of the

committee minutes.

There were six (6) Environmental Control Committee projects recommended.

There were zero (0) cottage industry permits requested.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS:

The board discussed the Clubhouse Complex Revitalization Project Survey.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION by Director McClellan, **SECOND** by Director Hoyt-Voelker to approve **RESOLUTION #01-04-15-2023**, and adopt the 2023-2024 budget and approve the assessment for fiscal year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$1,928 (one thousand, nine hundred and twenty-eight dollars) per lot per CC&R Article 6. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director McClellan, **SECOND** by Director Hoyt-Voelker to approve **RESOLUTION #02-04-15-2023**, allocating up to \$250,000 not to exceed (NTE) from carryover funds to the Reserve Fund following the 2022-2023 audit as directed by Bylaw 10.12. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director Hoyt-Voelker to approve **RES-**

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FINES

The following fines were imposed by the Board of Directors at their executive session on April 15 (2023) for the violations listed:

1. \$1000 for Rule 3.10 (Abusive, threatening language)
2. \$250 for Rule 3.10 (Abusive language)
3. \$1000 for EC Code 7.17 (maintenance of lot, 3rd violation)
4. \$250 for Rule 3.10 (Abusive language)
5. \$500 for Rule 22.03B (STR operation)
6. \$500 for Rule 22.03C (STR advertising)

Treasurer's Report

Full financial packets are available for viewing at <https://www.pinemountainclub.net/group/pages/financials>.

Pine Mountain Club POA, Inc.
Treasurer's Report
As of March 31, 2023

	Actual	Budget	Better (Worse) Variance	
Revenue				
Current Year Assessment Revenue	3,882,089	3,873,477	8,612	
Operations/Maintenance	240,745	209,285	31,460	
Social Activity	489,729	540,050	(50,321)	
Projects	37,753	42,750	(4,997)	
Interest Income (Operating)	18,102	14,039	4,063	
Total Revenue	4,668,418	4,679,601	(11,183)	
Payroll Summary				
Wages	(1,772,285)	(1,844,263)	71,978	
Benefits	(299,444)	(300,417)	973	
Taxes	(155,462)	(160,517)	5,055	
Worker's Comp	(48,865)	(76,513)	27,648	
Total Payroll Expense	(2,276,057)	(2,381,710)	105,653	
Operating Expenses				
Operations/Maintenance	(1,475,532)	(1,519,055)	43,523	
Social Activity	(259,551)	(283,921)	24,370	
Operating Projects	(21,588)	(100,000)	78,412	
Designated Fund Projects	(108,476)	(164,427)	55,951	
Reserve Contribution	(410,400)	(410,400)	0	
Total Operating Expenses	(2,275,546)	(2,477,803)	202,256	
Other Operating Transactions				
Additional transfers to Reserve fund	(220,120)	(220,120)	0	
Assets purchased	(7,856)	0	(7,856)	
Foreclosed Lots transferred to Property	12,005	0	12,005	
Total Other Transactions	(215,971)	(220,120)	4,149	
Total Change in Operating Fund	(99,157)	(400,032)	300,875	
	Assessment Billed	Assessment Collected	Assessment Receivable	Assessment Receivable %
21/22 Assessment Collection Update	4,695,620	4,682,353	13,267	0.28%
22/23 Assessment Collection Update	5,168,214	5,053,230	114,984	2.22%
Reserve Fund Update	Beginning Balance July 1, 2022 *	Plus: YTD Interest and Contributions	Less: YTD Purchases and Adjustments	Ending Balance Current Period
	0	226,022	(182,491)	43,531
Operating Fund Cash Balance	1,397,823			
Reserve Fund Cash Balance	4,170,737			

Respectfully Submitted



Ellen McClellan / Treasurer
 Saturday, April 15, 2023

---General Manager's Update---

Karin Shulman

It seems we have turned the corner on weather. Thank you to everyone who put their green waste by MPH and Symonds. Staff have put a lot of that waste through the chipper. From this point on, please put your green waste at the Green Waste Site on Aleutian. There is still a lot of cleanup to be done. For members, remember that the June 1st clearance deadline is coming up, and your lot needs to be cleared for inspection.

In March, the Emergency Preparedness Committee conducted its annual town hall. The Fire Department and Forestry Service were there to speak and answer questions. There were about 20-30 people in attendance. It was surprising considering all the people who want to know what to do in an emergency such as a fire or earthquake, and yes, a large snowstorm like the one we had. Not surprisingly,

both entities said we are all responsible for being prepared in an emergency. We need volunteers for the Emergency Preparedness Committee. Come to the meetings, which will be helpful. Join the Kern Fire Safe Council. These are two important groups in our community should we have a disaster. Even if you don't want to join the committee, you can come as a volunteer.

Easter events were great! The kids had a wonderful time at the egg hunt. It took staff about 1.5 hours to hide the 2,600 eggs, and they were all found in about 5 minutes after the hunt started. The brunch was also successful: After ticket sales and walk-ins, we had a total of 117 people. That's great considering last year we had about 75.

The carpets in the Condor Room were cleaned last month. We also had a blood drive last month, and hope to have a few more in the coming months.

We started advertising for recreation/

pool attendants last month, so hopefully we will get a good number of applications.

The pool will open Memorial Weekend, and that weekend is also the first Concert on the Greens of the season. I look forward to a fun summer with swimming and concerts.

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The quilters will display beautiful pieces created over the last four years, and

there will be a Country Store selling hand-made items and the ever-popular handmade greeting cards. In addition, please take time to stop by the Pine Mountain Scrappers booth at the festival to purchase tickets for the Opportunity Quilt (pictured above).

Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 15 for \$10, and 30 for \$20. Proceeds go to the Guild's Comfort Zone program, which makes 100 quilts a year for at-risk children at the Jamieson Center in Bakersfield.

Mothers Day Brunch

Sunday May 14th
Condor Room & Lounge 10am-2pm

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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 the members'-only side of the PMC website at www.pinemountainclub.net. Anonymous submissions will not be published, and individual submissions of a more personal nature that don't pertain to the membership in general may 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!

COMPLIMENT

- The band "Wyndsong" had a great

flavor of lounge tunes. We were quite impressed and pleased. Big on talent and not over-amplified. Perfect for the lounge. And, service for food and drinks was efficient, attentive, and very accommodating.

Response: We're glad you enjoyed the band and service. We do our best to provide a variety of entertainment to accommodate as many members and guests as possible, and staff continually works hard to please.

CONCERNS

- There is a residence on Voltaire Drive with garbage across the Voltaire-facing side of the property. With the inclement weather, we understand the struggle to

pick up trash may be difficult, but now that the weather has passed and the trash is still present, is there anything that can be done to request the residents please clean up their lot?

Response: Yes, we will make contact with the owner and request compliance.

- The section of Voltaire Drive that stretches east from the intersection at Tirol has seen it's fair share of speeders both last year and now this spring, resulting in dead wildlife being found on this section of Voltaire, as well as several "close calls" already for both nearby residential youths and adult residents walking their pets to/from the mailboxes located at Voltaire and Tirol. I would like to request that speed bumps be installed, that the speed limit be re-painted on the Voltaire roadway, and that speed limit signs be posted in this area.

Response: We are looking into the suggestions you provided and will also notify the Kern County Sheriff's Office and CHP to request some extra traffic enforcement.

- Can I ask which directors are leaving the board?

Response: The terms of office for Steve Burkett, Phyllis Throckmorton, and Peggy Hoyt-Voelker will end on June 17, 2023. Steve is running for re-election.



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Liam Coffey found the golden egg at the PMCPOA Easter Egg Hunt last month and got to celebrate his find with the Easter Bunny.

Community Picnics in the Park Begin

The Community Picnics in the park are back! The Wednesday "Picnics in the Park" at Lampkin Park group picnic area will resume on May 31st and continue every Wednesday until the weather turns cold. Picnics start at 5 p.m. Bring something to throw on the BBQ, if you wish, a dish to share and your own drinks and table service. Come out and enjoy the great food and visiting with your friends and neighbors. It's a great time to meet new people. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 242-1094.

The editorial and advertising deadline for the June 2023 Condor is Monday, May 15, 2023.

Condor Cafe Hours

Breakfast and Lunch

Wednesday - Sunday
8 am to 2 pm

Wednesday - Saturday:
Breakfast 8-11 / Lunch 11-2

Sunday:
Breakfast 8-12 / Lunch 12-2

**Cafe hours will be 9am-3pm
Sat & Sun as of May 27**

The Condor Café is open for inside dining for breakfast and lunch. Patio seating is available weather permitting. Takeout is also available; please call 661-242-2233.

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Fridays and Saturdays
4 to 8:30 pm

The Condor Lounge is open for dinners on Thursdays from 4-7:30pm and Fridays and Saturdays 4-8:30pm. (The Bar is also open Thursdays through Saturdays.) Walk-ins are welcome. If you have a party of four or more, we require a reservation. You can call the café any time during our hours of operation at 661-242-2233 to place your reservation with a server. Takeout is available for dinner Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.



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prefers walking more than flying. Coveys of these game birds travel the steep ground between shrub and trees. If disturbed, they will simply glide downhill keeping low between brush and trees until safely in



Fig. 3: This roadside Ceanothus overlooks PMC homes (LS).

cover.

Some brush are associated with water sources. Coffeeberry and blue elderberry can be located close to or on the edges of wetlands. Both shrubs have showy berries. Coffeeberry fruits are yellow and red (Fig. 6) but turn black at maturity. They are somewhat edible, but not the source of commercial coffee. Elderberries, on the contrary, are quite edible for humans and many animals. The large shrubs are first covered with many tiny pale-yellow flowers (Fig. 7) which become masses of blue



Fig. 4: Flannelbush looks rather drab until early summer flowering (LS).



Fig. 5: The shy mountain quail navigates through brush and trees mostly on foot (DS).

berries (Fig. 8). Both spotted towhees (Fig. 9) and cottontail rabbits (Fig. 10) find refuge among tangles of these and other brush.

Our local mountains are high enough to support upper elevation vegetation and wildlife. A second Ceanothus, called mountain whitethorn (Fig. 11), forms impenetrable spiny thickets (Fig. 12), mostly above 7,000 feet in elevation. This is a favorite nesting location for the rusty-colored fox sparrow (Fig. 13). It avoids the snowy winters by traveling down-

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- Maryann Ryan (MAR)**
- David Schindler (DS)**
- Lynn Stafford (LS)**

mountain or south into Mexico.

Native shrubbery is an integral part of our wildlands. Removal of these plants



Fig. 6: The coffeeberry often prefers the shade of trees (GP).

between trees for fire protection is deleterious to the health of the forest and should be done only where absolutely necessary to protect nearby human structures, and not as a general forest management practice.

All of the above shrub species can be found in local author Pam De Vries' illustrated guide to Plants of the San Emigdio Mountains Region of California.



Fig. 7: The blue elderberry displays white inflorescence in moist locations (LB).

Fig. 8: Later in the season, the elderberry provides abundant tasty berries (BB).



Fig. 9: The spotted towhee scratches for seeds under the protection of shrubs (CN).

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Fig. 10: Cottontails find many sources of plant food under and close to shrubbery (BB).



Fig. 11: The mountain whitethorn is a robust spiny shrub of the upper slopes (LB).

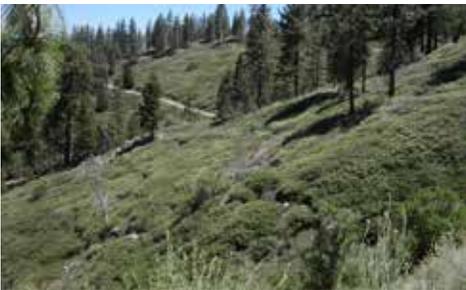


Fig. 12: This formidable mass of mountain whitethorn is located along Mt. Pinos Road (LS).



Fig. 13: During summer, fox sparrows can be heard within whitethorn thickets (BB)

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Friday, May 26

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RESOLUTION #03-04-15-2023, the 2023-2024 Election Packet and Candidates pursuant to Bylaw 8.08 (F) (6) as submitted. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director Gilbert to approve **RESOLUTION #04-04-15-2023**, the Rules Violation/Fine Penalty for the Annual Assessment mailing package for the 2023-2024 fiscal year as submitted. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director Gilbert to approve a change in time for the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting of May 20, 2023, moved from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. in order to facilitate board and membership participation in the Lilac Festival activities and that the board directs that notice of the change of time be published in the Condor, the website and posted in the lobby. **MOTION** carried.

MOTION by Director Acosta, **SECOND** by Director McClellan to approve a variance for a shed to be placed 4 to 5 feet into the rear 20-foot setback. **MOTION** withdrawn.

The board sent and received sixteen (16) items of correspondence.

The next Regular Open Board Meeting will take place on May 20, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the Condor Room.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Condor Lounge Hours

Thu, 4-10 p.m.
Fri, 4-11 p.m.
Sat, 4-11 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Most committees meet live. Please check with each committee for current details about the meetings.

Tuesday, May 2 (First Tuesday)

6 pm **Communications ZOOM**

Friday, May 5 (First Friday)

9am **Greens and Grounds Pro Shop**
2 pm **Environmental Control Condor Room**

Saturday, May 6 (First Saturday)

9 am **Governing Documents ZOOM**
1:30 pm **Planning Condor Room**

Wednesday, May 17 (Wednesday Before Board Mtg)

5 pm **Budget & Finance Condor Room**

Saturday, May 20 (Third Saturday)

8 am **PMCPOA Board of Directors Mtg. Condor Room**
(The Board meets at 8am in May only due to Lilac Festival)

Saturday, May 27 (Fourth Saturday)

9 am **Emergency Preparedness Pavilion**
10:30 am **CERT Pavilion/CERT Facility**

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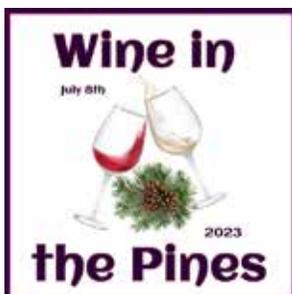
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