



NEWSLETTER
 Winter 2007-8
LUSHMEADOWS ASSOC. INC.
 5979 Meadow Lane
 Mariposa, CA 95338

January 2008

2007-2008 Board of Directors

President -	Jim Roulo	742-4730
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Director -	Jean Hoffman	966-6125
Director -	Kurt Frank	966-8405
Director -	Terry Young	742-4304

Lushmeadows Event Calendar

Every Mon.	Playgroup at lake	10:30am
Every Mon.	Poker Players	6:30pm
Every Wed.	Men's Coffee Grp	9:00 am
2 nd Wed.	LM Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Last Fri.	Women's Lunch Grp	11:00 am
March 15 th	Assoc. Meeting	10:00am
March 17 th	St. Patrick's Dinner	5:00pm

2007-2008 Committee Chairpersons

Architectural -	Kurt Frank	966-8405
Audit -	vacant	
Budget -	Marian Folker	966-3448
Fire Safe Council -	Dick Hutchinson	966-5163
Gov. Documents -	Jim Roulo	742-4730
Gate Keys -	Martha Crabtree	742-5880
Lakes & Grounds -	Ellis Schurman	966-3145
Newsletter -	Sue Young	966-2547
editors	and Laura Lee	966-5521
Nominating -	vacant	
Playground -	Gussie Kidd	966-5710
Reservations -	Laura Lee	966-5521
Website & Email -	Terel Young	742-4304

Come Meet your neighbors and participate in our weekly/monthly events.

On Monday mornings, Gussie Kidd meets with young children and their parents/caregivers at the Dawn Lake playground. Gussie would love to see more of our young families come out to play and get acquainted. The gathering starts at 10:30am. *For more information, call Gussie at 966-5710.*

On Monday evenings, residents are gathering at the clubhouse for poker. The games start at 6:30pm and usually end by 9:30pm. Everyone is welcome. *Call Terry Young at 742-4304 for more information.*

On Wednesday mornings, the Men meet for coffee and conversation at the clubhouse. They gather at 9:00am each week.

On the 2nd Wednesday of the month, the Lushmeadows Board meets at the clubhouse at 7:00pm. This meeting is open to everyone so come and hear what is happening.

On the last Friday of the month, the women meet at the clubhouse for lunch and conversation. Sometimes there is a potluck lunch and other times they travel to a local restaurant for a day out. *Call Sue Young at 966-2547 for information on what is happening each month.*

LM Board Meeting - 2nd Wednesday of each Month at 7:00pm at the clubhouse
Association March Meeting - March 15th 10:00am at the Clubhouse

Important Phone Numbers

LM Clubhouse -	966-4611
LM Website	www.lushmeadows.org
Propane - Campora	(559) 683-4648
Dist. 4 Supervisor -Dianne Fritz	966-8401
Dist. 5 Supervisor - Bob Pickard	742-7698

On Saturday, March 15th at the Clubhouse, the Association will hold the next General Meeting. Please plan to attend. It starts at 10:00am.

On Monday, March 17th, St. Patrick's Day, the ladies will be preparing and serving the annual corned beef and cabbage dinner. Look for more information in the mail as time draws near.

Congratulations to Tim Sidoti of Lushmeadows Store

For any of you who did not see the Mariposa Gazette on Dec. 13th, Tim was named Citizen of the Week for risking his own safety to keep a structure fire in Lushmeadows contained until the fire crews arrived. His work could very well have saved the neighborhood.

Tim and Sharon Sidoti have done a great job since taking over the Lushmeadows Store. They provide many services to our neighborhood that were not available in the past. Please support them by shopping there or just stopping by to say thank you.

<p><i>Inter-County Title Co.</i> <i>42 Years in Mariposa, family owned since 1966</i></p> <p>Rick Lobaugh, President 5160 Bullion St. (P.O. Box 838) Mariposa, CA 95338 (209) 966-3653</p>
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Treasurer's Report by Marian Folker

Income for the first half of the fiscal year was \$11,058 which is a little higher than expected. Most of our income arrives as dues payments in May and June. Expenses were \$21,677 thru December 31st which was also somewhat higher than normal. There is sufficient cash in the various general fund accounts to cover insurance, taxes, utilities and other normal operating costs until the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2008).

Your key deposits, which totaled \$3,699 as of Dec. 31st, are kept in a separate account and are

available for refunding at any time. The Reserve Fund, which currently amounts to \$6,113 is in another separate account and is to be used only when a major asset needs to be replaced. It has never been used for our operating expenses.

Any member who would like more information about the Association finances many attend the monthly Board meetings or the General Membership meetings where detailed lists of income and expenses are presented. You may also phone me at 966-3448 if you have questions. Our financial records are always available for review by members.

Welcome to our newest neighbors

Lot 157 5737 Glacier Pt. Matthew/Kimberly Marcis
Lot 250 5797 Sentinel Dome Charlie/Wilma Ruth
Lot 298 5795 Rainbow View Jose/Nilsa Esquivel

Magoon Ranch, Magoon Hill, Magoon Creek

Who were the Magoons?

By Sue Young

Have you ever wondered who the Magoon family was that our local landmarks are named after? Well I have since Magoon Creek runs thru my property. After some local research I discovered that very little is known about them so I started searching on the internet.

Hiram King Magoon was born in New York in 1803. He married Angeline Lampton who gave him 3 children before she died. He then married Mary Price Carson, a widow, who gave him 4 more children before she died in 1852 in Mojave, CA. The youngest daughter, Emma Magoon Crooks' obituary in the Fresno Republican in 1927 stated that "it was while her parents were crossing the plains to California by ox team in 1852 that she was born, her mother sacrificing her own life in giving birth to her little daughter. Her father with his children then settled on what is now known as the Magoon ranch near what is now the town of Mariposa".

We do know from an article in the Mariposa Gazette dated Oct. 22, 1856, that Hiram K. Magoon announced himself as a candidate of the Farmers & Mechanics Party for the California Assembly, from Mariposa and Merced counties. He did not win so back to

President's Message

by Jim Roulo

his ranch he went. Hiram died of tuberculosis at Magoon Ranch April 2, 1864. He left 3 minor children so his oldest son Samuel Edward Magoon became guardian of them and took over management of the Magoon Ranch. The ranch was described in court documents of March 23, 1866 as "one ranch situated on the waters of the Chowchilla about 3 miles south east of Lovejoys Mill and well known as Magoon's Ranch together with the dwelling house, barn and out houses" and real estate containing three quarter sections 480 acres". The ranch inventory listed items such as: harrow, carpenter tools, fish seines, hogs, 11 horses, 1 mule, 4 cows with calves, 2 yearlings and 32 acres of grain.

After Samuel E. Magoon's death in April 1877, the ranch was run by his widow Sarah M. Magoon and son Richard H. Magoon. Samuel and Sarah had 2 daughters who moved to Merced sometime after the ranch was sold. Richard H. Magoon was committed to the Stockton Insane Asylum in 1896 after killing Wm. McGurk. The Mariposa Gazette reported at the time of the killing "Magoon has for a long time been demented and for a short period of time was in the insane asylum." Richard never married and died in Stockton on Dec. 30th, 1899.

The Magoon Family Cemetery lies on private property behind the current Lushmeadows subdivision. The 3 headstones visible are for: Richard H. Magoon 1847-1899, Hiram K. Magoon born in State of New York May 3, 1803 died April 2, 1861(1864), and Mary M. Pangburn born April 20, 1843 died Nov. 24, 1868. Mary Minerva Magoon Pangburn was the second daughter of Hiram K. Magoon and wife of William Pangburn. She died in childbirth.

For those of you who don't know where Magoon Hill is. It is near the intersection of El Capitan & Clouds Rest streets and is listed as 3,451 ft. above sea level. Magoon Creek runs from the Triangle Rd area thru the front part of Lushmeadows near the LM Store, crosses Meadow Ln, Evergreen, Royal Arches, Snow Creek, and Meadow Ln before heading out behind Lushmeadows subdivision to join with Fox Creek and become the Middle Fork of the Chowchilla River.

Members: First, I am going to remind all of you we will have a Members meeting on March 15th at the Clubhouse at 10:00am. These meetings have been setup to get input from the members. They are your best opportunity to let the Board know what you like and what you don't like about Lushmeadows.

Unfortunately, our most serious situation continues to be our ongoing litigation. We had hoped the Judge would grant our request for a summary judgment, however, he did not. We must therefore go through one more legal step. That will be a trial. Fortunately, the bulk of the documents required for a trial have already been assembled so not a great deal of effort remains.

The good news is that our Board members have continued to serve the Association very well. Since the last newsletter, the Lakes & Grounds committee has repaired a broken pipe in one of the restrooms, treated the lakes with Reward to control the weeds and copper sulfate to clear up the water. A new fireplace grate has been installed at the clubhouse. This grate was made from rails of an abandoned narrow gauge railroad and tubes from an oil field pipe and was donated by Darryl Erickson. Minimum restroom facilities have been left open this winter to accommodate the children attending the Monday Playgroup at Dawn Lake.

Miscellaneous Info:

The owners of the Lushmeadows Store have installed a recycle bin for the benefit of Lushmeadows residents. We encourage all of you to use it as much as possible. To gain access to the bin simply go into the store and ask for the key. **IT IS NOT INTENDED FOR TRASH!!** This service is being provided by the owner as a community gesture of good will, please do not abuse it.

Again we must remind you. People enjoying the lakes, please refrain from feeding the ducks. Feeding them only makes them dependant upon humans and when no one feeds them, they starve. They have naturally evolved to be about to forage for themselves unless we interfere.

We have received information from several people that they are paying too much for their homeowner's insurance because of incorrect fire rating. The official rating for Lushmeadows for the last 8 years has been ISO 8. Talk to your insurance agent if you are paying a higher level.
