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The Gazette...

The Mountain Valley Gazette will attempt to bring the vast geographic areas that make up the communities of Squaw Valley, Dunlap, Miramonte and Pinehurst together as one.

This of course will be no easy task. But we will try.

course of a year that go either unnoticed or formation to us at: unattended. The Mountain Valley Gazette Events@MountainValleyGazette.com. will attempt to notify the mountain valley

interesting articles, trivia, current events, Editor@MountainValleyGazette.com. news, and whatever seems interesting to the community.

and provide a forum for the community to discuss various topics that are beneficial to us all.

An attempt will be made to provide information from the local Sheriffs office, as well as any other county office that we may rely upon regularly.



See page 7 for pictures of this year's **Rodeo Royalty!**



For such a small community, there Should you, or your organization want to are quite a few events that go on during the promote your event, please email your in-

The Gazette would also invite those communities of as many events as possible. who are interested in writing articles pertain-We will also attempt to provide ing to our community, to submit them to

You can also visit our website at MountainValleyGazette.com. There you will In addition, the Gazette will also try find on-line versions of the newsletter, as well as our classified sections. Local business telephone numbers and links to our advertisers' websites will also be available on-line.



Upcoming stories and articles...

- Ş About the Buck Rock Foundation
- Ş Mountain Valley Fire Department
- Area History Ş
- **Organization Showcase** Ş
- Our National Parks (Kings & Sequoia) Ş
- The New Dunlap Multipurpose Room Ş
- The Dunlap Leadership Academy Ş
- Ş The Sierra Endangered Cat Haven
- Ş The town of Millwood
- More about the website Ş
- And much more... Give us some ideas! ideas@mountainvalleygazette.com

The Four Seasons Garden Club

The Four Seasons Garden Club meets the 3rd Thursday each month from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM (except June, July & August) at the Bear Mountain Library Activity Center. Also we meet the first Tuesday every month at the Nature Trail for our Work Party at 8 AM. For more information please call Carley @ 338-0335

The Four Seasons Garden Club meets each month (sometimes these dates and times are changed, so be sure to check) at the Bear Mountain Library. We have a plant auction, program and refreshments at most meetings.

The club has fund raisers each year. Most notably the Arts and Crafts Fair held the first Saturday in October. All money that is raised goes back into the Nature Trail for maintenance and improvements. The Nature Trail is located behind the Bear Mountain Library and is open to the public.

The 20 year plan for the Garden Club is now being implemented. The new Educational Training Platform has been installed and plans for additional improvements include a Pergola, Benches, and a Compost Area. The Nature Trail was created to be used by the community and is open free of charge to the public during Library hours. Arrangements can be made to use it at other times through the Library.

Should you want to contact the Garden Club via email, you can. A representative of the Garden Club can be reached at *gardenclub@mountainvalleygazette.com*



The Mountain Valley Gazette can be found on-line at: WWW.MountainValleyGazette.com

You can see our publication online, as well as find links to businesses who advertise with us.

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The Mountain Valley Gazette (The Gazette) is mailed monthly to every resident of Squaw Valley, Dunlap, Miramonte & Pinehurst. Additional Copies will be available at the following locations: Sierra Mountain Feed, The Thoughtful Gift. The Gazette is also distributed weekly at various locations. The Mountain Valley Gazette reserves the right to refuse any advertiser. Ad placement is at the sole discretion of the Mountain Valley Gazette.

To Our Advertisers and Readers...

How this works... What you get...

The Mountain Valley Gazette is for our communities and about our communities. We will strive to inform everyone about the past, present and future. Story and article submission is greatly encouraged.

About The Mountain Valley Gazette (also referred to as The Gazette). The Gazette is professionally designed, printed (not copied), and mailed to every address and P.O. Box in Squaw Valley, Dunlap, Miramonte & Pine-hurst. It will also be distributed on a weekly basis at various locations, such as The Thoughtful Gift and Sierra Mountain Feed.

All advertisers will receive the following for placing an ad in The Gazette:

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- Products, services or announcements will be communicated professionally by The Gazette. Design assistance available

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- Marketing assistance in communicating your product, service, or club.
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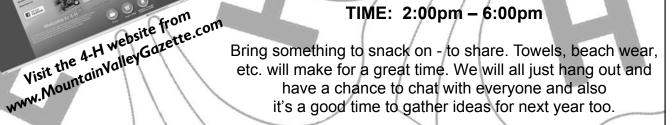
Our Mission

"It is better to build a child than to mend an adult." This is the main objective of the 4-H program. In 4-H, volunteer leaders encourage youth to gain knowledge and learn practical life skills and to apply both in their project area. Members learn to work together as a team and learn decision-making skills through their project work, judging contests and other 4-H activities. Mountain Valley 4-H is committed to reaching the young people of the Squaw Valley and Dunlap and Miramonte areas.

Year End Party

Ok, so let's all get together and "hang out"! We will be at Hume Lake at the Sandy Cove beach area

WHEN: Sunday, June 27th WHERE: Hume Lake – Sandy Cove area WHO: Anyone in our club or interested in joining! TIME: 2:00pm - 6:00pm



Community Corner

Visit the 4-H website from

Places of Celebration & Worship Dunlap Baptist Church (559) 338-2525 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (559) 338-2877 Hilltop Chapel (559) 336-2454 Mountain Valley Community Church (559) 332-2100 New Earth Fellowship (Seventh-Day Adventist) (559) 336-0091 St. Rita's Indian Mission (559) 626-4943 Seguoia Bible Fellowship (559) 332-2354

Club & Organizations American Legion Post 621 (559) 336-2498 Bear Mountain Line Dancing (559) 338-3801 Buck Rock Foundation - www.buckrock.org (559) 336-9319 Central Sierra Chamber (559) 336-2335 Dunlap Community Club (559) 338-2723 Exercise Classes for all (559) 338-3801 First Place 4 Health (559) 332-2964

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The July issue will have a calendar

section, so please email your events

to: editor@mountainvalleygazette.com.

Be sure to include organization

name, date & time of event, and as

much information about the event.

We will edit down if room is not

available. All text will be available

on-line. Thank You.

Quotes of the month...

I was gratified to be able to answer promptly. I said I don't know.

- There's nothing wrong with you that reincarnation won't cure.
- ✤ A life making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent doing nothing.
- ✤ If it weren't for the last minute, nothing would get done.
- ◆ I am firm. You are obstinate. He is a pig-headed fool.
- The only time a woman really succeeds in changing a man is when he's a baby.
- Nobody ever forgets where they buried the hatchet.
- ◆ Television enables you to be entertained in your home by people you wouldn't have in your home.
- ◆ Never engage in a battle of wits with an unarmed person.
- ✤ Hurry and hire a teenager while they still know it all.
- Some people are always grumbling because roses have thorns; I'm thankful that thorns have roses.
- ✤ All that I have seen teaches me to trust the creator for all I have not seen.
- If you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything.
- Common Sense is genius in it's working clothes.
- ✤ An obstacle is something you see when you take your eyes off the goal.
- ✤ A socialist is someone who has nothing and wants to divide it with you.
- In judging others, some folks will work overtime for no pay.
- ✤ I like criticism, but it must be my way!
- Speak softly and sweetly, for you may have to eat your words.
- Computers can figure out all kinds of problems, except the things in the world that just don't add up.
- The less I pray, the harder it gets; the more I pray, the better it goes.





Oak to Timberline Submitted by Cathy Murrieta

Who Are We?

The Oak to Timberline Fire Safe Council is a community based organization in and around the foothills and mountain communities. Through the facilitation of the Hume Lake Ranger District of the Sequoia National Forest and the CalFire and Fire Protection, Fresno-Kings Ranger Unit, our council is well under way to becoming a viable Non-Profit Corporation with a mission, "promote fire safety by providing information, education, support incentives and projects that encourage fire safety in our communities, serving east of the Friant-Kern Canal and south of the

Kings River, From "Oak to Timberline ".

With the cooperation and dedication of our partners, such as the USFS, CalFire, NPS along with the tenacity of this Fire Safe Council and the strong base of community support from residents, ranches, businesses, clubs, and organizations, we have already begun to generate an action based, goal oriented group of participants who are absolutely focused on our mission ahead.

The success of this council depends upon the willingness and participation of people just like you! We are all concerned about potentially devastating effects of wildfire on our families, homes, businesses and neighborhoods. Won't you join us? Monthly Meetings for '2010', 4th Thursday of the month, 7 pm (except November and December) in the Activity Room at the Bear Mountain Library on Highway 180 in Squaw Valley.



Can also be viewed at www.MountainValleyGazette.com

For Sale

Scottish Terrier mix puppies Very good with children, \$25 - 332-2940 Young Chickens Will start laying soon, brown & black, \$8 ea. - 332-2940 For sale - Dachshund Puppies (1) \$50 ea. - 356-9363 70 gal. fish tank Complete set-up, \$100 OBO - 356-9363 3 wheel go-cart Runs great - \$350.00 - 356-9363 Large deep freezer Runs good / \$100 - 356-9363 2005 Mazda Parting out. good engine - 356-9363

1992 Mitsubishi Galant

Very clean inside and out, needs little engine work. Would make a very nice ? Parts? Make it a daily driver? \$make offer- 336-9498

1986 Jeep Grand Wagoneer

Runs good on rebuilt eng. / Very clean / have another wrecked 1991 with newer engine and tranny - would like cash or trade for Rhino/similar ranch vehicle or nice reliable boat (whachagot?) - 336-9498

1994 Cadillac de Ville

Needs head gasket - Very clean inside and out \$Make offer - 336-9498

1994 Buick Century

Runs great, good gas mileage, new headliner - \$1200 OBO - 336-9498 Wurlitzer Piano Great condition - \$250 OBO - 336-9498 Norwich Walk-In Fridge Manufactured for Starbucks - 6x9, Value approx \$5500 - will sell for \$2500 - 336-9498 **Chest Freezer** Costco brand - good condition, always inside- \$100 - 336-9498

C'mon, let's get rid of all that yard art. Or better yet, let it adorn someone else's property.

If you want to place a free ad, please go to our website, click on the ads link, and then click on the ad submission. You can fill in what you want, have to sell, or looking for etc. and then press submit. Your information will automatically be forward to us for publication in The Gazette and on the web.

The Gazette was unable to attend the Rodeo, and want to thank the MRA for information and pictures. Thank You!

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Painting Your House!

The trim may be peeling, or maybe a room or two needs brightening up. Spending more time outdoors means you may have had a chance to notice areas of your home's exterior that need attention. Trim or any other wood areas that are peeling need to be protected before the rain can cause more damage. Any wood structures that are near the ground level need to be protected by a coat of paint now to prevent termites getting in later. The little critters just love damp wood near the ground. A paint barrier really helps in keeping them out.

Whether painting inside or out, good planning and preparation are the key to an easy successful job. Do-it-yourselfers often go astray by not spending enough time planning out the job first and then properly preparing the surfaces they'll be painting.

Planning starts with choosing the right kind of paint. That requires knowing what kind of paint or surface you'll be trying to cover. Latex paints don't adhere well to oil-based paints, and painting over stained surfaces may result in problems as well. If in doubt about what you have on your walls now, take a chip from

an inconspicuous corner to the paint store with you. Tip: check the garage; if you didn't paint the room last time and leave a little bit of paint in the original can, then perhaps the previous owner may have left you this evidence.

Armed with the supplies you need, you are ready to tackle preparing the surface. TSP is a good product for cleaning the walls of dust and grime before you paint. This cleaner also dulls the sur-



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Jennifer Breckenridge 618-0790



face of glossy paints when repainting. Rinse with clear water when finished and let dry. This is essential if you want good adherence. Be sure to use rubber gloves and goggles when cleaning and later when painting as well.

When priming a surface use a product like Kilz to hide any stains that won't come off with regular cleaning. This product is a good stain blocker but any mold or mildew must be removed first.

Protecting the floor and furnishings is best done with two types of drop cloths. A good heavy canvas drop cloth is great for the floor, since it stays in place and doesn't tear or rip when moving ladders and supplies around. Light weight plastic is good for draping over furniture and fixtures. Drips are inevitable, but getting a roller that has a drip catching cup will work extremely well.

> Brushes and rollers come in a wide variety of types and styles. Get the best you can afford. Good brushes can be used for years and make the work go

fast.

When the job is done, save any leftover paint for touchups later. To avoid a skin on the paint surface, simply cut a circle of wax paper and lay on top. Even if there isn't much paint left, its a good idea to keep the can, since it will make it easier to identify the paint type or match the color later.

A great paint job will bring a lot of pleasure so take the time to plan and prepare.

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What To Do If... An Accidental Poisoning Occurs



- I. Stay Calm
- 2. Call **911** or the Poison Control Center:

1 · 800 · 222 · 1222



This is not intended as professional advice, it's provided for information purposes only. Everyone should have their own plan should someone ingest poison.

The Poison Control Center telephone number was valid as of June 2010. Please check often.

How can I be prepared for a poison emergency?

• Call your poison center at 1-800-222-1222. The poison center can send you telephone stickers or magnets with the emergency phone number. Post that number on or near your telephones.

• If you have a poisoning emergency call 1-800-222-1222.

What are the most common poisons for children?

- Cosmetics such as perfume or nail polish, and personal care products such as deodorant and soap.
- Cleaning products (for example, laundry detergent and floor cleaners).
- Pain medicines (analgesics) such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- Foreign bodies and toys including silica gel packages to remove moisture in packaging and glow products.
- Topical preparations such as diaper rash products, hydrogen peroxide, acne preparations, or calamine lotion.

What are the most common poisons for adults?

• Pain medicines (analgesics) which can be over-the-counter, prescribed, or illegal. Examples include asprin, oxy-codone, acetaminophen, methadone, and ibuprofin.

• Sedatives (drugs to reduce anxiety), hypnotics (sleeping pills), and antipsychotics (drugs used to treat mental illness).

- Household cleaning products
- Antidepressants (drugs to treat depression)
- Cardiovascular drugs (drugs to treat heart disease)
- Alcohols

What are the most dangerous poisons?

The most common poisons are not necessarily the most dangerous ones. Some of the more dangerous types of poisons that could be found in a home include:

- Antifreeze and windshield washer products
- Some medicines
- Corrosive cleaners like drain openers, oven cleaners, toilet bowl cleaners and rust removers
- Fuels such as kerosene, lamp oil, gasoline, and tiki-torch oil
- Pesticides

As well, teens and adults should be aware of the dangers of improperly used medications, inhalants, carbon monoxide, and alcohols.

Why is your local poison center an important part of your community?

Besides saving lives, poison centers are at least three times more cost effective than child safety seats, smoke detectors, or bicycle helmets. Poison centers are as cost effective as childhood immunizations. Every dollar spent on a poison center saves about \$7 in unnecessary health care expenses. Poison centers eliminate unnecessary physician office visits, hospital admissions, lab testing and ambulance runs. A very substantial cost savings is realized for every case of long-term hemodialysis, neurologic impairment, or disability which is prevented.

Why should I call the poison center?

Poison experts are at the poison center 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Their help is free and confidential. Calling the poison center is faster and cheaper than calling an ambulance and going to the emergency room, and many poison exposures can be treated at home.

If you have a poisoning emergency call 1-800-222-1222.

Information on this page provided courtesy of the Poison Control Center

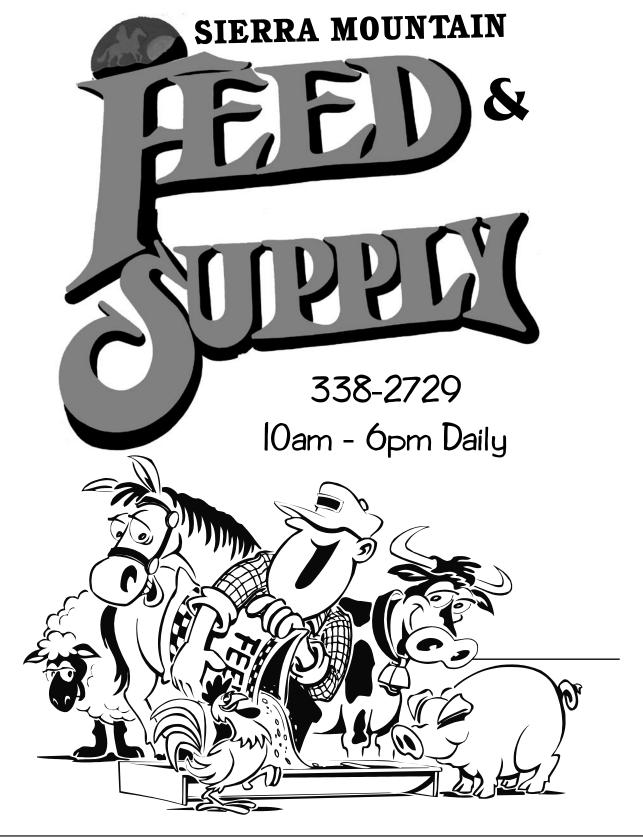


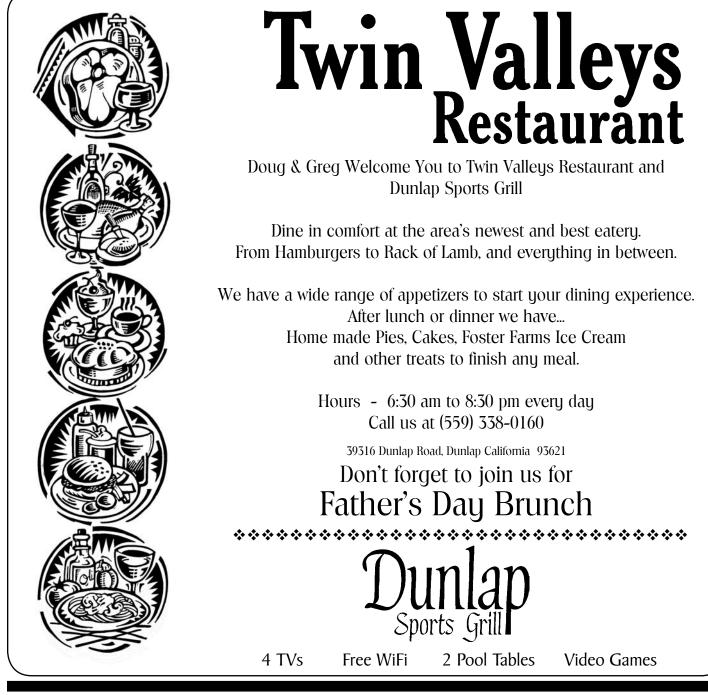
The Gazette Sheriff's Blotter

We here at the Gazette want to keep our citizens aware of the types of calls/crimes being committed in our communities. We will post this information on our website as well as devote room in each Gazette for the latest law enforcement happenings. Current press releases from the Fresno County Sheriffs office will be available on the website as well. This can be found at www.mountainvalleygazette.com

Date	Primary Charge	Location
2010-01-01	STORED VEHICLE	MISTLETOE/FEATHER
2010-01-01	FIELD INTERVIEW CARD	SQUAW VALLEY/SAND CREEK
2010-01-02	FA31602(c)	SAND CREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-03	PC653M	BRONCO LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-04	FIC	SILVER LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-04	AR/FIC	ELWOOD/DRAKE
2010-01-04	PC243(e)(1)	MISTLETOE LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-06	FICARD	GEORGE SMITH/RUTH HILL
2010-01-07	FIELD INTERVIEW	CREEKSIDE RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-09	CO9.04.210	OTTER LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-09	FIC	ENNIS/GEORGE SMITH
2010-01-11	FIELD INTERVIEW CARD	BADGER LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-11	PC242	DANDELION LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-12	F.I.	SAND CREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-12	W&I 5150	PUMA LANE , SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-14	PC496(A)	SAND CREEK/RIPPLE
2010-01-15	VC14601.1(a)	SILVER LN/ELWOOD RD
2010-01-15	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	PEPPERWEED RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-17	PC261(a)(2)	DAISY LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-18	PC484(a)	BUTTERNUT LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-21	PC459	SAND CREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-22	PC487(a)	PEBBLE LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-22	POSSIBLE COURT ORDER VIO.	MILLWOOD RD, DUNLAP
2010-01-23	FIELD INTERVIEW	KINGS CANYON/RUTH HILL
2010-01-25	FIELD INTERVIEW CARD	SQUAW VALLEY/PEPPERWEED
2010-01-28	PC484(A)	SILVER LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-28	PC459V	SANDCREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-01-31	FIC	BEAR MOUNTAIN/HWY 180
2010-02-02	FI CARD	KINGS CANYON/INDIAN GUIDE
2010-02-02	FIELD INTERVIEW	PEPPERWEED/PARTRIDGE
2010-02-03	VC23152(A)	HWY-180/GEORGE SMITH
2010-02-05	FIC	SQUAW VALLEY RD , SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-05	STORED VEHICLE	SAND CREEK/MISTLETOE
2010-02-07	PC273.5	THUNDERHILL LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-11	F.I.	KINGS CANYON/ELWOOD RD
2010-02-13	FIELD INTERVIEW CARD	GEORGE SMITH/SUNFLOWER
2010-02-13	VEHICLE STORAGE	WISTERIA/SASSAFRAS
2010-02-13	VC10851(a)	SILVER LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-13	FIC	LOOKING GLASS LN, MIRAMONTE
2010-02-15	FIC	OTTER LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-15	FIC	SAND CREEK/CHUCKWAGON
2010-02-15	PC289(h)	HUME RD, HUME
2010-02-15	FIELD INTERVIEW	E KINGS CANYON , SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-15	WARRANT ARREST	RUTH HILL/INDIAN GUIDE
2010-02-16	PC530.5	RUTH HILL RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-16	PC459R	MISTLETOE RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-17	PC487(a)	BRONCO LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-20	MENTAL HEALTH REPORT	SAND CREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-22	PC664/PC459R	SAND CREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-22	RUNAWAY JUVENILE	HALL LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-23	VC10851(a)	SAND CREEK RD, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-26	PC245(a)(1)	SAND CREEK LN, SQUAW VALLEY
2010-02-27	PC459V	BRONCO LN, SQUAW VALLEY
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If you missed our Memorial Day Sale... Don't Worry. There are still great prices on many items, so stop by and let us get you what you need.







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