

Sierra Recreation Association

October 1999

Unfolding the Rosebud

A young, new preacher was walking with an older, more seasoned preacher in the garden one day and feeling a bit insecure about what God had for him to do, he was inquiring of the older preacher. The older preacher walked up to a rosebush and handed the young preacher a rosebud and told him to open it without tearing off any petals.



The young preacher looked in disbelief at the older preacher and was trying to figure out what a rosebud could possibly have to do with his wanting to know the WILL OF GOD for his life and for his ministry. Because of his high respect for the older preacher, he proceeded to TRY to unfold the rose, while keeping every petal intact. It wasn't long before he realized how impossible it was to do so.

Noticing the younger preacher's inability to unfold the rosebud while keeping it in tact, the older preacher began to tell the following poem.

It is only a tiny rosebud,
A flower of God's design;
But I cannot unfold the petals
With these clumsy hands of mine.

The secret of unfolding flowers
Is not known to such as I.
GOD opens this flower so sweetly,
When in my hands they fade and die.

If I cannot unfold a rosebud,
This flower of God's design,
Then how can I think I have wisdom
To unfold this life of mine?

So I'll trust in Him for His leading
Each moment of every day.
I will look to Him for His guidance
Each step of the pilgrim way.

The pathway that lies before me,
Only my heavenly Father knows.
I'll trust Him to unfold the moments,
Just as He unfolds the rose.

(author UNKNOWN)

Open Sesame

We have received several calls from residents saying their three-digit codes did not work for the gate. In order for the code to work the residents phone number must be entered in the system. If you have a new phone or change your number, you must notify us so we can enter it in the computer. Call Richard or Glenda Bonner at 586-7727. Also, several remotes have been ordered but not picked up.



Calendar of Events

Holiday Dinner.....Saturday, December 11, 1999
St Patricks Day Dinner.....Saturday, March 11, 2000
Annual Meeting.....Sunday, May 28, 2000
Fish Derby.....Saturday June 17, 2000

Sierra Park Lodge #376

Our regular monthly meetings are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Hall. There is a potluck held the fourth Saturday before the Lodge meeting, to which all are welcome.





Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 10, 1999

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Del Wallis. Those present were President Del Wallis, Vice President Jim Morrison, Secretary Norrine Coyle, Treasurer Richard Bonner, Members Greg Brown, Fred Coleman, and Deena Hague. Absent were Ron Hawke and Bob Snell, excused.

The invocation was given by Richard Bonner.

MINUTES - By motion (Coleman/Hague, unan.), minutes of the September 12, 1999, minutes were approved as mailed.

MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD -Mike Nelson asked for permission to proceed with the rock and timber on the dirt driveway to his cabin, as discussed at the September meeting. By motion (Bonner/Hague, unan.) Mr. Nelson's request was approved. Since the driveway is partly on park property, and since other similar situations may occur, the Park's attorney has been asked to work on an "easement policy."

CORRESPONDENCE - A letter from Julie Hoyt thanked the Board for allowing them to use an area at the pond and the lodge for a family wedding. Since everything had been well cleaned up, her \$250 deposit will be returned.

Since the board meeting when it was decided not to have any more rental functions until it could be discussed at the next annual meeting, we learned that one member had made some extensive preparations. The Board did not wish to cause a hardship for this member, so the President polled the Board members, and it was agreed to approve the request. Glenda Nikolauson sent a letter thanking the Board for approval of the use of the hall and picnic area. There will be a \$100 fee for the picnic area and the hall plus a \$300 refundable cleanup deposit

The Board received new insurance certificates for Randy Gray Logging and for Mark Alderson Fencing, and a letter from Sonora Community Hospital regarding a revision in their policy on processing paperwork for on-the-job injuries.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER - Morrison - Water used during the past month was 731,600 gallons.. Randy described work needed on the water tanks on David, as required by the County. By motion (Hague/Coleman, unan.) The work was approved.

ROADS - Snell (absent)- Randy reported that George Reed has completed the work planned for this year.

BUILDINGS - Hawke (absent) - Randy reported that all work has been completed except for the window glass in the Board room.

TIMBER -Coleman - The logging is finished for this year and all bills have been paid. There was a discussion of getting bids for doing a survey of the Park's northern boundary line so we don't make the mistake in the future of cutting wood on property not our own.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Hague - There was a discussion about the operation of motorized craft in the pond. Children wishing to swim or fish are unable to do so when the pond is being used to run high speed motorboats. By motion (Coleman/Bonner, unan.) It was agreed not to allow motorized craft in the pond. Randy will see about getting a phrase added to the signs in the park that permission to use this property is revocable at any time.

EQUIPMENT - Brown - Randy said the equipment is in good repair, except for the pickup. Parts have been received for the snow plow and will be put on. The truck being considered for purchase to replace the Park's pickup is still in the process of getting smog approval. By motion (Coleman/Morrison, unan.) The purchase of the truck if the present owner gets the smog approval, was approved.. It was also decided that the old pickup will be sold "as is."

RECREATION - Coyle/Snell - No Report.

FINANCE - Bonner - Bills for the month totaled \$74,834.61. By motion (Coleman/Morrison, unan.), \$55,474 will be transferred from the Road Reserve Fund to the Road Work account, as discussed and approved at the annual meeting in May, 1999. By motion (Coleman/Hague, unan.), \$7,305 will be transferred from the Timber Fund to pay the estimated tax on the timber income. We received \$6,278 from the Internal Revenue Service for overpayments in the past.. It was reported that \$7,240 from the assessment for the gate would go into the Water Fund. By motion (Coleman/Morrison, unan.), the bills were approved for payment. There are still eleven outstanding assessments, some of which are in small claim court and the rest being considered for legal action.

CARETAKER'S REPORT - Copy of the Caretakers' Report is attached to the original minutes.

OLD BUSINESS -The generator that was discussed in the past would not be big enough to serve the Park. Estimates will be obtained for equipping at least one water pump to be able to hook up a generator that could be rented if needed.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m. The next meeting will be November 14, 1999, at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nornine Coyle, Secretary.



Checks Disbursed for July 1999

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
9/20	9272	Postmaster	Members communication	250.00
9/20	9273	Acordia of California	Worker's Comp Insurance	412.00
10/10	9274	US Bank	Payroll taxes	902.98
10/10	9275	Debco Automotive	Equipment Maintenance	90.58
10/10	9276	Cal Sierra Disposal	Garbage	1449.96
10/10	9277	Zaks	Supplies for Shop	35.96
10/10	9278	JS West & Symons	Propane	95.47
10/10	9279	AquaLab	Water testing	335.00
10/10	9280	Pacific Bell	Telephone	51.21
10/10	9281	PG&E	Electricity	772.24
10/10	9282	George Reed, Inc.	Road Base	259.44
10/10	9283*	George Reed, Inc.	Paving	55,474.00
10/10	9284	Twain Harte Lumber	Maintenance of Building and Shop	1519.56
10/10	9285	Village Mail & Print Stop	Newsletter	53.09
10/10	9286	Void		
10/10	9287	W.H. Breshears	Fuel	493.02
10/10	9288	Employment Development Dept.	Payroll taxes	59.67
0/10	9289	AT&T	Telephone	14.05
10/10	9290	Duane St. Clair Trucking	Road Base Delivery	288.00
10/10	9291	Eric A. Carlson, Accountancy	Accounting	500.00
10/10	9292	Randall J. Tolbert	Payroll	800.69
10/10	9293	Michael W. Caropresso	Payroll	497.65
10/10	9294	Randall J. Tolbert	Payroll	800.71
10/10	9295	Michael W. Caropresso	Payroll	497.67
10/10	9296	US Bank	Payroll Deduction	175.00
10/10	9297	Glenda Bonner	Update and Return Postage	81.02
10/10	9298	Dept. Of Health	Maintain Water System	510.00
10/10	9299	Tamarack Tree Service	Removal of dead trees	250.00
10/10	9300	Julie Hoyt	Refund of Deposit	250.00
10/10	9301	Sierra Glass, Inc.	Windows for Board Room	393.14
10/10	9302	Fred Coleman	Mileage	56.50
10/10	9303	Deena Hague	Mileage	37.50
10/10	9304	Jasper Morrison	Mileage	45.00
10/10	9305	Gregory Brown	Mileage	67.50
10/10	9306	Norraine Coyle	Mileage	36.00
10/10	9307	Tamarack Tree Service	Balance of bill for tree removal	40.00
10/10	9308**	World Savings	To Water Reserve Fund	7240.00

74,834.61

* Reimbursed from Road Reserve Fund

-55,474.00

** Transfer Reserve Assessment to Water Reserve

-7,240.00

Total Monthly Expenses

12,120.61