

Sierra Recreation Association

September 2006

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Annual Bingo Night

Bingo Night was held on September 2nd 2006. A good time was had by all!

\$425.00 was generated for contribution to the Fish Derby and \$450.00 was paid out to winners.

Thank you to all that contributed and attended. The desserts were enjoyed.

Park Calendar

Board meetings are generally held on the third Saturday of each month beginning at 8:30 AM.

Board Meetings: October 21st, November 18th,
December 16th, January 20th,
February 17th

Holiday Dinner: December 16th

Dorothy Goff

September 25th 1916 – September 13th 2006

A longtime park resident; Dorothy Mae Goff has passed on. Dorothy was 89. She had recently been diagnosed with cancer which she succumbed.

Dorothy and her husband Stanley became full time residents of the park 30 years ago. Stanley passed away in 1999.

Dorothy was a Rebekah and active member of the park; serving on the Board of Directors, participating in a fund raiser that purchased the original playground equipment and collecting fees from campground users until it closed.

She is most recently remembered for her love of nature, for her crafts, and gardening.

A potluck celebrating her life will be held at the Country Cowboy Church in Standard on October 14th 2006 at 11:00 A.M. All are invited.

Board Member to Resign

Board Member Mike Van Gundy has indicated his intent to resign from the Board of Directors, effective the close of the October Board meeting.

Mike has moved from the park and is preparing to sail his boat to the Caribbean.

Mike – Thank you for your service and good luck!

Anyone wishing to fill the vacated position until the next election in May 2007 should contact the Board of Directors via E-Mail, US Mail, Telephone, or be present at the November 18th 2006 Board meeting. The Board of Directors will make a selection from the available candidates in a closed session at the November 18th 2006 Board meeting.

For those of you that have not served on the Board of Directors, this is a great way to give it a try without the usual three year obligation.

Mailings, Returned Mail, and Past Mailings

The park uses its postal permit to receive discounted rates on routine mailings, such as the newsletter. A caveat of this is that each piece of returned mail costs the park an additional \$0.90 each.

As a result, once mail is returned as “Undeliverable”, all future mailings to that address are suspended until the park is notified that the problem has been resolved, or of a new address.

The park does not have a method for resending returned or past mail, but these items can be viewed and/or printed from the website www.varvayanis.com/sp.

E-mail Address Change

The parks official e-mail address has been changed to sierrapark@sierrapark.org. E-mail sent to the old address will be forwarded to the new address for a period of at least 3 months.

Your Opinion is Requested

The park has been making occasional use of donated space on the unofficial website www.varvayanis.com/sp for posting documents and information. Should the park:

- 1) Continue making use of the donated space.
- 2) Invest in developing an official website.
- 3) Offer to host the unofficial website at its URL.





**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2006**

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by President Charles Varvayanis. The invocation was offered by Clark Kellogg. Those present were President Charles Varvayanis, Secretary Mike Rainwater, Treasurer Doris Selman, Members Mike Ford, and Clark Kellogg. Absent were Alan Orth and Dan Meade, excused and Vice President Mike Van Gundy and Steve Wallace, unexcused.

Members before the board: None.

Minutes: The minutes of the August meeting were approved as mailed. (Motion Varvayanis/Selman, Unanimous)

Correspondence: 1) Letters/Flyers concerning Water Programs, U.S. Water News, Letter from Dept. of Health Services regarding a past testing, Ad. From ACE Hardware, and letter from A&A Portables.

Committee Reports

Water – Rainwater: Water usage was 1,123,600 gals. Water leak on owners property at 25322 Esther. Monthly report from Aqua Lab indicates the Park's water is very good. Copper and lead report from Aqua Lab indicates that the Park passed with no problems.

Roads – Wallace: Mr. Kellogg mentioned that the oiling by Reed was good in most areas, however; there were some areas that were only adequate.

Buildings – Kellogg: Receiving quotes on a new heater for the lodge.

Timber – Ford: Presented a letter from ACRT that he had signed giving permission to drop the dead trees in the park for PGE.

Recreation – Meade: It was reported that Bingo night was very successful and we made approx. \$450.00 for the Park's fishing derby.

Health & Safety – Varvayanis: Nothing new, however Mr. Kellogg requested that our caretaker rebuild the metal steps at the garbage bin. They need a toe plate in order that an individual does not slip through the steps.

Equipment – Orth: The Park truck has now been equipped with a rack and two side boxes for tools.

Finance – Selman: Motion to pay the bills as presented, reviewed, and signed. (Kellogg/Varvayanis, Unanimous). The cost of paving the roads \$26,900 will be paid out of capital expenses and will be reimbursed from a timber CD that matures on 9/29/2006.

Old Business: 1) An unofficial heading at the site of Park's unofficial Web site lists it as unofficial. 2) Approved the purchase of the materials for completion of the Esther water line, motion (Selman/Varvayanis, Passed, 1 Abstained)

New Business: 1) Board has received multiple complaints regarding the former Boy Scout property and the new owners. The Coleman's sent a letter to the Board concerning their interests in the problems with the above mentioned property. The Board discussed the matter in length and decided to meet with the owners and discuss the situation. 2) Regarding the policy of wood cutting in the Park was tabled. 3) Varvayanis stated that past newsletters are available on the web only. Return postal mail will not be resent. If returned, newsletter will be suspended until you notify us of changes.

Other Business: None

Next meeting is on October 21st at 8:30 a.m.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Rainwater, Secretary



Checks Disbursed 8/22/2006 - 9/21/2006

Date	Number	Payee	Memo	Amount
9/1/2006	144	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 8/14/2006 -8/27/2006	\$1,134.01
9/1/2006	145	State Farm Bank	Payroll deduction	\$50.00
9/1/2006	146	EDD	State Tax	\$84.76
9/5/2006	147	Oak Valley Bank	Payroll taxes	\$889.18
9/5/2006	148	Michael Caropreso	Overtime pay	\$91.81
9/7/2006	149	Franchise Tax Board	Taxes & License	\$297.00
9/15/2006	150	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 8/28/2006 - 9/10/2006	\$1,181.79
9/15/2006	151	State Farm Bank	Payroll deduction	\$50.00
9/18/2006	152	Glenn Caldwell Ins.	Insurance	\$5,250.00
9/18/2006	153	A & A Portables, Inc	Health & Safety	\$153.36
9/18/2006	154	Ambrosia Chimney	Maintain Buildings	\$99.00
9/18/2006	155	AquaLab	Water Testing	\$470.00
9/18/2006	156	A T & T	Telephone	\$75.45
9/18/2006	157	Michael Caropreso	Employee Benefits	\$307.08
9/18/2006	158	Dept. of Health St. of CA	Maintain Water - license fee	\$521.00
9/18/2006	159	Duane St. Clair Trucking	Roads / Deliver Base Rock	\$202.50
9/18/2006	160	Dudney's Paving	Maintain Water / Road Repair	\$800.00
9/18/2006	161	Eric A. Carlson	Accounting	\$694.89
9/18/2006	162	George Reed, Inc ***	Roads / Fog Seal & Base Rock	\$27,071.64
9/18/2006	163	J. S. West	Utilities / Propane	\$33.41
9/18/2006	164	P G & E	Utilities / Electricity	\$1,003.94
9/18/2006	165	Twain Harte Lumber	Gen'l Park Mntnce / Sprinklers	\$359.67
9/18/2006	166	Village Mail & Printing	Member Communications	\$555.35
9/18/2006	167	Waste Management	Garbage	\$1,461.11
			Total Disbursements	<u>\$42,836.95</u>

*** Funds from Timber CD will be transferred to cover the oiling and road repair work. \$6000 paid in July and \$26,900 of this billing for a total of \$32,900.00



Sierra Park Odd Fellows Lodge No. 376
Post Office Box 214, Long Barn, California 95335
For information contact: Bill Williams (209) 586-5580

Lodge meetings are held at the lodge in Sierra Park on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. followed by a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.



Dogwood Rebekah Lodge No. 205
Post Office Box 205, Long Barn, California 95335
For information contact: Doris Williams (209) 586-5580

Lodge meetings are held at the lodge in Sierra Park on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 12:00 Noon, and social meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. followed by a potluck dinner.

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