

Kings Mountain ECHO



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Hello Neighbors:

Welcome to the year-end 2015 Holiday Issue of The Kings Mountain Echo. This November/December edition marks a transition to new co-editors for our neighborhood newsletter. We offer profound thanks to Anton Martinich who has kept The Echo up and running solo for many years. He has provided invaluable assistance to your two new “cub reporters” who are beginning this adventure with these pages. We appreciate Anton for all his volunteer time and talent on behalf of the community. Have fun with all your new leisure time. Your new Co-Editors are Sam Penman & Eileen Fredrikson.



By way of introduction, we are:

Sam Penman

My family has lived in California for close to 10 years and we moved to “the Mountain” in 2011 (after living for 5 years in Marin), and haven’t looked back since. Born and raised in Sydney, Australia, my husband Geoff and I were drawn to the abundance of flora and fauna in the area, and the distinct community vibe – a daily reminder of our home and upbringing. Together with our two sons Jethro (9) and Baxter (5), we have thoroughly enjoyed the plethora of events on offer and made many friends, despite the fact that my boys attend Woodside Elementary due to residential zoning.

In addition to working full time at ScuttleBugs CDC (our childcare center in Santa Clara), I am also the Kings Mountain Association Secretary, and now co-editor of the ECHO with Eileen. Although I am certainly kept busy wearing many hats, I feel it is important to give back to the community by volunteering and helping out in any way I can. We welcome your contributions of photos and special interest pieces for this publication, so please feel free to contact me at samcase@gmail.com

Eileen Fredrikson

I have lived on the mountain with husband, Jon, for 36 years. Our two daughters, Jenny Fredrikson Goines and Erica Fredrikson Dafir both graduated from Kings Mountain Elementary School and they credit KMES with turning them into life-long learners. We were founders of the original Kings Mountain Education Fund, the first education foundation in California set up to benefit one specific school, rather than as a district wide non-profit. The Cabrillo District Superintendent supported our effort and KMES officially became the District’s community-alternative school. Mountain parents began fundraising with a booth in Mountain Folk Art at the 1983 Art Fair. After three years of creating crafts with other Moms to sell in Mountain Folk Art, I proposed the idea of a “cookie booth” instead. We used my mother’s recipes calling the booth “Grandma Jennie’s Cookies” for Education. We used donated kitchen space at our generous local restaurants; the Bella Vista and The Mountain House. The first cookie booth revenue was \$3,000 and we thought it was fantastic! Since then, parent/community support for the cookie booth has evolved to a sophisticated and profitable effort beyond my wildest expectations. Grandma Jennie would be proud and so am I. Jon & I operate Gomberg-Fredrikson & Associates, California’s oldest wine industry consulting company. I hope to fully retire in the fairly near future. I was Art Fair Publicity Chairman for about 10 years and am looking forward to playing a volunteer role again as Echo co-editor. Reach me at eileen@gombfred.com

The Echo will be published monthly in 2016. Submission deadline is the 26th of each month and will be mailed the following mid-month. Plan your community announcements for that lead-time. A Pdf version will also be posted for download from the web. We look forward to working with you.



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MINUTES OF THE KMVFB MEETING ON October 13th, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Frank Adams, Darrin Jewell, Hiep Ho, Jon Fredrikson, Jim Sullivan, Steve Johnson, Cheri Buffa, Bill Goebner, Craig Culver, Hank Stern, Tim German, Julia Simmons.

Board president Jon Fredrikson called the KMVFB Meeting to order at 7:30pm.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Hiep Ho reported that the September 2015 minutes were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Darrin Jewell reported that the tax returns for this year have been done and ready to mail. As of this meeting, Julia Simmons has taken on the treasurer role from Darrin.

BUILDING MANAGER’S REPORT: Cheri Buffa reported that in September 2015 there were the following uses of the building:

Exercise/Dance Classes	11
Monthly Community Board Meetings	5
KMVFB Training & Maintenance	4
Community Events/Parties	4
Private Events/Parties	1
TOTAL USES FOR THE MONTH	25

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT: Jim Sullivan reported that in September 2015:

Medical aid	4	Vehicle accident	3
Public assist	3	Firefighter standby	0
Vehicle fire	0	Smoke check	2
Structure fire	0	Vegetation fire	1
Hazardous materials	0	Rescue	0
Cover assignment	0	Alarm sounding	1
Water tender group response	0	Trash fire	0
TOTAL # RESPONSES FOR THE MONTH	14	AVERAGE # OF RESPONDERS	4
Number of incidents with no Volunteer response:	2		

Chief Jim Sullivan commented that there were many positive responses to recent recruitment efforts. There have been 3 applications already filled out and 2 potential applicants who show interest in joining the Fire Department. Jon also discussed recruiting from Kings Grove.

OLD BUSINESS:

BUILDING RENTAL POLICY: Steve Johnson provided the revised Building Use Policy and asked the Board to review and approve via email before the next meeting. The revised policy has been prepared by Cheri Buffa, Steve Johnson, Jan Ruby, Bill Goebner, Frank Adams and Carrie German.

DIESEL FUEL TANK MAINTENANCE: Per Bill Goebner, the diesel fuel tank needs to have a leak indicator. Darrin Jewel made a motion for approval of a budget not to exceed \$300 for the installation of a leak indicator for the diesel fuel tank. Jon Fredrikson seconded, and it was approved. Bill Goebner will contact the repair company for the installation.

MAINTENANCE OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER FLOOR: Craig Culver commented that the floor should be refinished every 3 or 4 years to ensure its long life as recommended by a floor refinish contractor. Craig presented the preliminary quote for the floor refinishing. The board agreed that the condition of the floor needs to be observed before making the decision to refinish the floor.

BANK ACCOUNT RESOLUTION UPDATE:

Jon Fredrikson proposed via email that the Board pass a resolution changing the listed signatories for the Brigade's checking account and a letter to that effect be sent to US Bank.

The resolution passed and was approved by the Board. Hiep Ho printed and signed the resolution then delivered the original copy to Julia so she can present it to the bank.

NEW BUSINESS:

BY-LAWS AMENDMENT: Jim Sullivan commented that the work of By-laws amendment can be held until the final number of volunteers is finalized by this year end. By-laws will be reviewed to see if the KMFD is open for non-resident members or can be modified to allow them. Jon also discussed a possibility of recruiting from Kings Grove.

DECK REPLACEMENT: It has been acknowledged by Tim German that the side entry deck to the main level of the community center may need to be strengthened in the near future. No actions have been taken at this time.

OTHER ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR AUDIENCE:

1. Tim German reported that the gutter in front of the office has been fixed to prevent it from further leaking.
2. Frank Adams reported that the periodical maintenance for the generator has been performed. The work includes changing battery, oil changing and oil filter replacement.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:05pm. NEXT MEETING: November 10th, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Hiep Ho / Secretary



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MINUTES OF THE KMVFB MEETING ON November 10th, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Frank Adams, Darrin Jewell, Hiep Ho, Jon Fredrikson, Jim Sullivan, Bill Goebner, Craig Culver, Hank Stern, Tim German, Julia Simmons, Valerie Trenter.

Board president Jon Fredrikson called the KMVFB Meeting to order at 7:32pm.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Hiep Ho reported that the October 2015 minutes were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Julia Simmons has taken on the treasurer role from Darrin. Julia reported that all transferring tasks have been completed.

BUILDING MANAGER’S REPORT: Cheri Buffa reported (via email) that in October 2015 there were the following uses of the building:

Exercise/Dance Classes	7
Monthly Community Board Meetings	4
KMVFB Training & Maintenance	5
Community Events/Parties	3
Private Events/Parties	3
TOTAL USES FOR THE MONTH	22

FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT: Jim Sullivan reported that in October 2015:

Medical aid	0	Vehicle accident	3
Public assist	1	Firefighter standby	0
Vehicle fire	0	Smoke check	1
Structure fire	0	Vegetation fire	0
Hazardous materials	0	Rescue	0
Cover assignment	0	Alarm sounding	0
Water tender group response	0	Trash fire	0
TOTAL # RESPONSES FOR THE MONTH	5	AVERAGE # OF RESPONDERS	3
Number of incidents with no Volunteer response:	0		

Chief Jim Sullivan commented that there were many positive responses from recent recruitment efforts. The great news is that eight new volunteer firefighters are in the process of joining the Fire Department and will begin their training in January.

OLD BUSINESS:

REVISED BUILDING RENTAL POLICY APPROVAL: The revised policy has been distributed via email and reviewed by the Board. All Board members agreed on the reduced building rental fees. The deposit amount is still under review with the building rental policy committee.

DIESEL FUEL TANK LEAK INDICATOR: Per Bill Goebner, the progress of the installation of a leak indicator for the diesel fuel tank will be reported in the meeting next month.

NEW WEBSITE: There was no report. Joe Rockmore will present in December.

DECK REPLACEMENT: Tim German said that the side entry deck to the main level of the community center may need to be strengthened in the near future. Tim has contacted several contractors for quotes. Tim also will look into the possibility of installing a canopy over the office's entry door. Per Tim, those contractors are not available until early next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

VERIZON TOWER LEASE EXTENSION: The Board rejected making any changes to the contract as proposed by American Tower.

OTHER ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR AUDIENCE:

1. Frank Adams suggested that a budget committee to be formed to prepare next year's budget. The budget committee was formed, including: Julia Simmons, Darrin Jewell, Jim Sullivan and Jon Fredrikson.
2. Frank Adams suggested that a membership committee to be formed to prepare next year's membership drive. Valerie Trenter, Frank Adams and Jon Fredrikson will meet to go over the plan. Valerie will work on the pdf page of advertisement for membership.
3. Frank Adams recommended that the Board honor ex-residents Ken and Sheri Fisher for their extraordinary contributions and work in behalf of the community over many decades. The following resolution was unanimously approved by the Board:

“The Kings Mountain Volunteer Fire Brigade, Inc. hereby recognizes and extends its profound appreciation to Ken and Sheri Fisher for their extraordinary contributions the Kings Mountain community over many decades. Although Ken and Sheri are now residents of Washington State, they are hereby granted lifetime membership in the Kings Mountain Volunteer Fire Brigade.”

4. Hank Stern suggested that the KM Yahoo Group be used to notify the community that the online version of the Echo is available. Jon Fredrikson will relay this information to the new editors.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:22pm. NEXT MEETING: December 8th, 2015

Respectfully submitted, Hiep Ho / Secretary

Inside the Kings Mountain Volunteer Fire Brigade



**By Steve Johnson
November-December 2015
Winter Storms**

With an El Nino winter coming, it's time to talk about winter storms, which we hopefully will get many of in the next few months. Storms typically start in November, and can last as long as April. In addition to rain (which may bring flooding), they also bring high winds, and resulting trees and power lines down. The fire department can get very busy during these storms. Our priority is making sure no one is injured or killed. The next priority is property protection, starting with public roads. If we have time and resources we can help individual residents with storm-related problems.

Downed power lines are a top priority. Never go close to or try to move a downed line. It's a good way to become a crispy critter! The fire department will block off any downed lines and call PG&E. Only when the line is de-energized can we clear the area. I've actually seen a downed line cause the asphalt pavement to catch fire. Trees are another big problem. One winter when it snowed, it caused numerous branches to fall on roads. We had to chainsaw our way down roads, clearing as we went along. County Roads can help, but they're usually overwhelmed as well.

Next is flooding. If we get several inches of rain, creeks and culverts can overflow, causing a river running down the road. Be very careful if you see any flooding. Raging water carries a lot of power with it, and can sweep you and/or your car away. The department carries portable pumps that can help clear flooded areas.

Make sure you are prepared: Now is the time to get those trees trimmed, clear out culverts and drainage ditches and look at any retaining walls that may need repair. Shore up any slopes that may cause mud slides, or move the dirt away. It's much easier to do these things in the sun rather than a cold, windy storm. Unfortunately, the fire department has to go out in these conditions when problems arise, just like PG&E.

Safety Tip of the Month: Emergency Power & Lighting

Now that winter is coming, it's a good time to check your flashlights and other emergency lighting. Keep flashlights handy, as well as extra batteries. And fire up your emergency generator and run it for a few minutes. Don't forget extra fuel – we've had outages that lasted a week or more. I don't recommend any lantern or heater that produces a flame – they can be dangerous. There are many battery operated lights available, especially with LEDs coming to style.

Contact me at sfjohns@pacbell.net for more information.

Are you a member?

It's time to join or renew your 2016
KMVFB membership!



Annual membership dues are \$35,
any additional donations are encouraged.

Please address check to:
Kings Mountain Volunteer Fire Brigade, Inc.
13889 Skyline Blvd
Woodside, CA 94062

Or use PayPal:

Donate with **PayPal**

Please use PayPal link at
www.kingsmountainonline.com/kmvfb

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Kings Mountain Elementary School News

The Autumn Affair Annual Dinner Dance and Auction, held November 14th was a big success, both as a fund raiser and a fun event for the crowd of mountain residents and guests. Chairperson Angela Bye and her team created a beautiful setting at Henrik Ibsen Park for the KMAP's biggest fund raising event of the year. The night started with a cocktail hour (actually, a cocktail hour-and-a-half) featuring the silent auction. Some of the notable silent auction items included:

- A private, guided docent tour at Ano Nuevo State Reserve, hosted by KMES Principal Diane Seigel
- A trio of wines from Kings Mountain Vineyards
- Artwork by Kings Mountain resident Werner Glinka
- A truckload of rock from Langley Quarry

The second half of the evening featured a catered dinner and the live auction, followed by live music and dancing. Live auction items included:

- Principal for the Day (which includes a ride to school on a fire truck)
- A private visit to Lucas film's Campus in SF (just in time for the new Star Wars movie!)
- A magnum of wine from Rhys Vineyards
- Vacation packages to HMB, Tahoe, San Diego, and Kauai

Immediately after the live auction, this year's Fund A Need drive to raise money to buy new books for each classroom (K/1, 2/3 and 4/5) began. This is particularly important because quality *classroom* libraries improve literacy by increasing accessibility to fresh, engaging books that capture the students' attention. The more contact children have with books, the more they read. The more they read, the better learners they become. In a few short minutes, the KMAP raised their goal of \$4425. What a generous community!

What more can be done to support our school? An online auction open to all is planned before year end. Details will be announced through the KM Yahoo Group, KingsMountainon-line.com and on the KMAP Facebook page. Auction items include:

- SF Ballet tickets and many Bay Area museum passes
- an autographed photo by SF 49'ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick
- a signed San Jose sharks hockey puck by Dylan Demelo
- a stay at Atlantis Casino Resort & Spa in Reno
- lift tickets at Tahoe Donner... and much more

KMAP Facebook Page

The Kings Mountain Associated Parents Facebook page is open to anyone wanting to know more about what the kids are up to, KMAP's fundraising efforts, and how it's fundraising is being applied at the school. The page is found at: <https://www.facebook.com/Kings-Mountain-Associated-Parents-508053659334184>



KMA Board Meeting Minutes – September 17, 2015

Call To Order: Sybil Plank called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Attendance:

Board members: Sybil Plank, Kathy Shubin, Ingrid Hegerberg, Sam Penman, Eric Soult and Linda Gang

Excused: Bob Moriarty

Secretary's Report: July minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Gang presented the Treasurer's Report and the Budget Report. A few members renewed their membership, and we have one newcomer who joined. The Summer BBQ also came in under budget, as all other KMA events have successfully done so this year

Public Notices Received by KMA: N/A

Old Business:

San Mateo County Building Permit Policies:

Still no response to date from the County or Mr Horsley.

Eric Soult, Ingrid Hegerberg and Jean Turri to oversee the forum for community members to gather and discuss planning dept., building permit, and property issues. We are aiming to schedule this for the first or second week in November 2015. We will distribute a survey to property owners in the 2 weeks prior to the meeting.

KM Community Center:

Usage guidelines and lease agreement terms to be clarified. Sheri Buffor is the scheduler in charge of bookings for the center and Carrie German is the building manager. It has been determined that usage of the Cook shack is included for KMA events when needed. Kathy Shubin to clarify usage/cleaning guidelines before

PDF Version of Membership Packet:

The KMA Application Form has been completed and is now accessible at kingsmountainassociation@gmail.com.

Compile Excel spreadsheet of new members from all KM groups. Contact new residents and send PDF version. List newcomers in The Echo and meet and greet.

Adopt a Highway:

Cleaning our local streets, roads and highways will need to be conducted on a volunteer basis. Unfortunately, there is no Caltrans sponsorship available. Anyone interested in committing to this project should obviously consider a waiver or indemnification form, in addition to necessary safety equipment/protocol such as vests, signs, and flagmen.

Propane

The general consensus is KAMPS over Amerigas, however people need to be aware that KAMPS is a subsidiary of Amerigas! With that said, it appears that KAMPS is consistently pricing considerably less than Amerigas, and have better service. There have been numerous sporadic pricing quotes, billing issues and the continuing issue of non-timely monitoring/refill of tanks. Ferrell and Suburban is an alternate company residents may wish to inquire with.

Ingrid Hegerberg to contact gas companies in the La Honda and Half Moon Bay area. Individual households will need to conduct their own research and request quotes. They can share their information with the community through the Yahoo group or the Echo.

Tabled Items:

The E-Waste and Document Shredding event has been tabled for closer to tax time in the Spring of 2016. Potential dates are April 23rd and 24th 2016. The multi-family garage sale to be held on the same weekend.

KM Website

Explore updating and linking the website with affiliated groups up here.

New Business:

Halloween Party to be held on 10/31/15 at the Community Center – please see enclosed flier.

Walk-Ins:

A letter from a member of the community to the Fire Brigade was presented to the board. The resident is concerned about the cost and terms/conditions of hiring the Community Center. Unfortunately, we are unable to intercede in the matter as we do not maintain control of the usage of the Community Center, and contact should be made directly by the parties involved. To clarify, the Community Center is only available for hire by KMA or KMFB members.

Marty Eisenburg has suggested that the KMA sponsor a “Music on the Mountain” event series. We are open to this idea and more details will follow.

Next Meeting October 15th, 2015

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18pm



KMA Board Meeting Minutes – October 15th, 2015

Call To Order: Sybil Plank called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Attendance:

Board members: Sybil Plank, Linda Gang, Sam Penman and Eric Soult. Community member Pat Mann

Excused: Ingrid Hegerberg, Bob Moriarty and Kathy Shubin.

Secretary's Report: September minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Gang presented the report. One new KMA member only and with Halloween party expenses pending.

Public Notices Received by KMA: N/A

Old Business:

San Mateo County Building Permit Policies:

Eric Soult and Ingrid Hegerberg to spearhead the Building/Planning forum to be conducted on November 4, 2015. A questionnaire will be distributed prior to the event to gather and compile relevant complaints or issues. Linda Gang to produce a flier about the Q & A event. All information obtained will be collated, revised, condensed and sent to the Building Dept. Interesting to note, the town of Woodside is trying to be responsive to similar issues.

KM Community Center:

The Kings Mountain Community Center is only available for hire for private use by members of the KMVFB (and residents who are members of the KMVFB).

Newcomers Packet:

Ingrid Hegerberg to update the Newcomers packet before sending out.



Propane:

A new agreement has been signed with KAMPS with many residents changing over. KAMPS will oversee the pick up of old propane tanks however we have been informed that this service has been delayed.

Website(s):

The importance of linking the various groups and organizations on the website has been acknowledged. Currently, there is no administrator for the KMA website and so we will advertise that we are seeking someone with web design experience to set up and maintain the site – possibly an internship or student looking to gain content for their portfolio.

Halloween Party:

Larry and Pat Mann once again to oversee this popular and successful event. As always there will be games (stations to be manned by volunteers and KMA board members), prizes, a photography backdrop area, and a Haunted House entry. KMA to provide beverages and some food (residents and members also bring a dish to share). Approval from the school district required in order to promote the event through Kings Mountain school.

Tabled Items: N/A

New Business:

Holiday Party:

The annual Holiday party is conducted at the Community Center on the first Sunday in December, this year falling on the 6th. Board members Bob Moriarty and Eric Sault to organize and execute. A public request for live musical entertainment will be made.

Tacks and Skateboarders:

As most of us are already aware, many of us continue to experience the public safety issues related to skateboarders and tacks on the road. Everyone is encouraged to be extra vigilant and report any unusual activity to the authorities and to the community via local avenues (yahoo group etc.).

Walk-Ins:

Next Meeting November 19, 2015

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm

KMA Halloween Party 2015

Once again, the long-standing tradition of the Kings Mountain Halloween Party was a hit! We had a huge turnout for the event once it grew dark and our trick or treaters were done canvassing the neighborhood. Children of all ages were able to supplement their brimming candy haul with even more treats and toys available at the prize table.

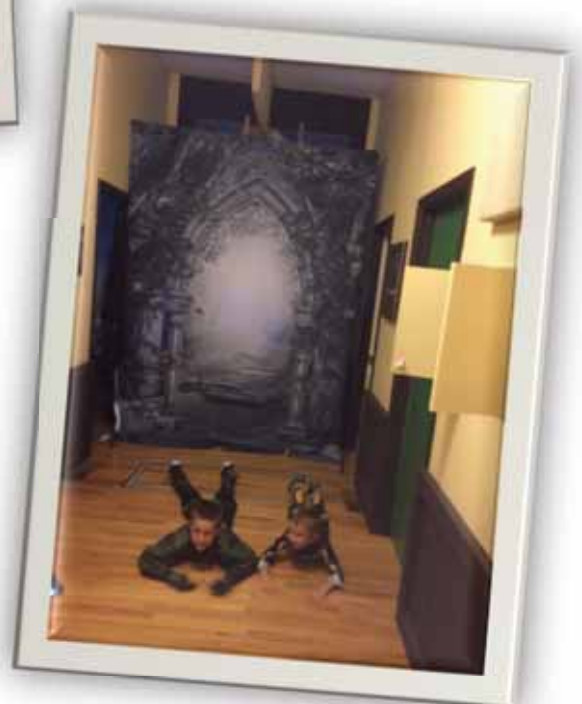


The excitement was infectious and the big kids (adults) seemed to have just as much fun, while indulging in an abundance of food and drink to share and catching up with neighbors and friends.



Much appreciation to Larry and Pat Mann for the continued success of this popular event.

Special thanks to all the volunteers who helped decorate, set up, man a station, and clean up at the end of the night.



KMA Holiday Party

Sunday, December 6
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Santa Arrives @ 6 p.m.
KM Community Center

KMA will provide beverages.
Please bring a snack to share.

A-M Appetizer
N-Z Dessert

*All are
welcome!*



Get in the Holiday Spirit with this excerpt from Ken Fisher's excellent Mountain History Stories archived in The Kings Mountain Echo

Woodsman Gets Christmas Gift From Ghostland

Letters Yellow With Age Directs Him to Buried Treasure Left by Hermit long Dead

(Special Dispatch to The Call. 12/25/1912)

MATFIELD, Dec. 25. - Stalking forth into the Christmas world like the spirit of a beneficent Scrooge, the ghost of old Nathan Comstock, an eccentric pioneer of the mountain village of Woodside, who died 16 years ago, came out of its grave today, bringing to a resident of this place a Yuletide gift that makes one of the prettiest stories of the holiday season.

Perhaps you do not believe in ghosts and spirits, but every reader of Dicken's "Christmas Carol" believes, and so does Steve Perkins, a wood chopper and mountaineer in the Alpine district, near here. And in proof that ghosts exist in this workaday world he spent today showing his friends \$500 in gold eagles and double eagles - none of the coins of more recent date than the middle nineties.

Perkins is 50 years old today, but that is only a small part of this Christmas yarn. It happens that he has spent most of his life in this region and as a young know Nathan Comstock, s did all the countyside, more by reputation tha otherwise. "Uncle Nathan" as he was called, lived alone up in the hills, a veritable recluse, and was reputed to be rich.

One day 20 years ago, in November, Perkins was walking home from work through the forest when he came upon Comstock, then more than 90 years old, pinned beneath a fallen tree. He set to work and liberated him, whereupon the aged man thanked him profusely and promised to remember him in his will. Perkins laughed and though no more about it.

He even did not know when "Uncle Nathan" died, about four years afterwards, nor did he know that the kindly ghost of the old hermit was waiting above the ground 16 years to do him a good turn. Such property as Comstock left was distributed and forgotten long ago.

Tuesday afternoon, the day before Christmas. a yellow, age worn letter bearing a new stamp and a San Francisco postmark of December 24, 1912, reached Perkin's home. He opened it to find the following message, dated December 25, 1892, just 20 years ago:

Steve Perkins,

Dear Friend - From the westerly end of Frank King spring on the Grabtown road you will measure 25 feet towards the sun when it sets over Bald Mount. There dig into the ground and three feet from the surface you will find reward for your kind service to me. Let it help you in your old age as you helped me.

NATHAN COMSTOCK

Witnessed by Dr. J.O. Tripp.

Woodside, San Mateo County, December 25, 1892

The letter was in Comstock's hand writing, but the odd script was still legible. Perkins immediately recalled the slight service he had done for the dead man years ago and decided to follow instructions. He took a buggy, drove to the exact spot on the lonely mountain road described in the note, and dug up for himself a rusty tin can filled with good gold coins - \$500 in all.

Who mailed the letter in San Francisco Perkins doesn't know. He thinks it must have been the ghost of Nathan Comstock.

From The San Francisco Call Newspaper 12/25/1912

Courtesy of the San Mateo Historical Association

Find the complete Ken Fisher Mountain History Stories at kingsmountainonline.com



Kings Mountain Garden Club Wreath Making

Saturday December 5, 2015
9 AM to noon

Kings Mountain Garden Club invites you to join us for our annual wreath making event Saturday December 5 at the community center. Bring greenery, cones, flowers to decorate your wreath and to share. Wreath forms, wire and ribbon are available for a small fee or bring your own. Bring clippers for the greenery.

Hot chocolate, coffee and spiced cider will be provided along with cookies. Bring a treat to share if you wish.

I hope to see you there, rain or shine, cold or warm.

Marguerite Kaufman

Kaufman@cs.stanford.edu
650 851-5777



Kings Mountain Community Nonprofit Organizations

Accepting Grant Requests

The Kings Mountain Art Fair, Inc. is accepting requests for funds from the proceeds of the 2015 Kings Mountain Art Fair.

Kings Mountain community nonprofit organizations with 501©3 status may submit a request. Please include:

Letter of request
Operating budget for the current fiscal year
Annual Report

Please submit documents to:

Kings Mountain Art Fair, Inc.
c/o Lisa Parral, Treasurer
13106 Skyline Blvd.
Woodside, CA 94062

For questions and inquiries, please contact lisa.parral@gmail.com

Deadline: December 31, 2015



Kings Mountain Art Fair, Inc.

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Woodside, CA 94062
Phone: (650) 851-2710
www.kingsmountainartfair.org

**Don't forget Kings Mountain Elementary School during your end-of-year giving!
Tax-deductible gift to Kings Mountain Associated Parents help keep Kings Mountain Elementary School exceptional.**

For secure, online **credit card** payment go to: <http://tinyurl.com/DonateKMAP>
Or make **checks** out to KMAP and mail to:

Kings Mountain Elementary School
Attn: KMAP Treasurer
211 Swett Road, Woodside, CA 94062

Contact kmap-executive-board@googlegroups.com with any questions.
Kings Mountain Associated Parents is a registered 501c3 organization (EIN# 90-0419067). You will receive a receipt for your tax-deductible gift within six weeks of your donation.

Thank you for investing in our community's future!

December 2015 Kings Mountain Community Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 8:00am - 10:00am Astanga Yoga 10:30am - 11:45am Gentle Hatha Yoga	30	1 4:30pm - 5:45pm Pilates-All Levels	2	3 7:00pm - 9:00pm Fire Dept. Training	4	5 KMGC WREATH MAKING
6 KMA HOLIDAY PARTY 8:00am - 10:00am Astanga Yoga 10:30am - 11:45am Gentle Hatha Yoga	7 Cleaning	8 4:30pm - 5:45pm Pilates-All Levels 7:30pm - 9:00pm KMFVB Board	9	10 7:00pm - 9:00pm Fire Dept. Training	11	12
13 8:00am - 10:00am Astanga Yoga 10:30am - 11:45am Gentle Hatha Yoga	14 6:00pm - 10:00pm Kings Grove BOD	15 4:30pm - 5:45pm Pilates-All Levels 7:30pm - 9:00pm KM Park Water Board	16	17 7:00pm - 9:00pm KMA Board 7:00pm - 9:00pm Fire Dept. Training	18	19
20 8:00am - 10:00am Astanga Yoga 10:30am - 11:45am Gentle Hatha Yoga	21 Cleaning	22 4:30pm - 5:45pm Pilates-All Levels	23	24 7:00pm - 9:00pm Fire Dept. Training	25	26 ECHO Deadline
27 8:00am - 10:00am Astanga Yoga 10:30am - 11:45am Gentle Hatha Yoga	28	29 4:30pm - 5:45pm Pilates-All Levels	30	31 7:00pm - 9:00pm Fire Dept. Training	1	2
3	4 Cleaning	5	6	7 7:00pm - 9:00pm Fire Dept. Training	8	9

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