

**Resource Guide**

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**Italian Night**

Ray Soper and Roland Mellor

**Crab Feed**

Roland Mellor

**Corned Beef and Cabbage**

Stan Pronzini

**Truckers Ball**

Roland Mellor & Julie Hansen,

**Rotary Bike Ride**

Patty Soper

**July Celebration**

Board of Directors

**Hot Rods and Bar BQ**

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**Hawaiian Luau**

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**NO**

**Membership Meeting  
IN JULY**

**Directors Meeting  
July 11, 2016 at 6:00 pm**

**7850 Davis Lane,  
Penngrove**



Penngrove Social Firemen

**GAZETTE**

**JULY 2016**

P.O. Box 264, Penngrove, CA 94951

**40th Anniversary  
Penngrove Celebration  
July 2, 2016**

**Breakfast**

**Penngrove Station**

**Served from 7:00 am to 11:00 am**

**Rancho Adobe Firefighters**

**July 3, 2016**

**Starts at 11:00 am**

**Main Street, Penngrove**

**Biggest Little Parade  
In Northern California**

**July 3, 2016**

**Starts Following the Parade**

**In Penngrove Park**

**Bar BQ  
Penngrove Park  
Music by Charley Baker**

**MUSIC ♦ GAMES ♦ FUN**

**Bar B Q Chicken ♦ Old Fashion Pit Beef ♦ Bar B Q Oysters  
Beef Sandwiches ♦ Hot Dogs ♦ Soft drinks ♦ Adult Beverages.**



**6TH Annual Hot Rods & BBQ**

**Penngrove Park**

**Sponsored by Penngrove Social Firemen**

**JULY 23, 2016**

**10:00 AM TO 5:00 PM**

**Donuts and Coffee available in the morning**

**No Judging • No Entry Fee • Family Fun**

**Bring Your Hot Rod, 1974 and Older**

**Lunch Served Between Noon and 3 pm**

**Age 13 and Up \$ 15.00 Under 12 \$ 5.00**

**BB Q Chicken**

**Win \$ 100.00 with your Lunch Ticket (Adults Only)**

**Drawings Music, Charley Baker**

**NO DOGS**

**Chairman, John Rossi: 707-981-7765**

**Rossiracing@comcast.net**

**Saturday, September 10th, 2016 in Penngrove Park**

**HAWAIIAN LUAU**

**Hawaiian Vacation for Two**



## Penngrove Social Firemen Membership Meeting June 1, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President Ray Soper at 6:42 pm. Salute to the flag was led by Cortland Pelton. Good of the Order: A moment of silence was observed for the Drew Family and the Larry Strain Family as they both suffered losses recently. A Thank You card was read from Cole Peterson thanking the Penngrove Social Firemen for the Mig Welder that was presented to him last month as the recipient of the Bill King Memorial Ag Award. He is looking forward to many years of welding with this piece of equipment. New member Chuck Piro was introduced. He is a native of San Francisco and Marin County and has lived in Petaluma for 7 years. He has owned The Penngrove Pub for 1 year. Another new member is PW Scoggins. He is associated with Hillview Vineyards. Guests: Darrin Schleth brought his daughter Ashley, future son in law Jake and their baby Ryann. Patty brought her Aunt Rose and a friend Ellie. Rose is an honorary member because of discounts we received when we bought tables and chairs. Ellie helped Julie with the ticket sales. Bev Mellor and Jan Johnson assisted with tearing apart tickets. Minutes that appeared in the May Newsletter were approved as written.

Treasurer Joe Pedrani presented the Treasurer's Report:

General Checking	\$ 33,958.58
Petty Cash	450.00
First Community Savings	<u>39,457.74</u>
Total	\$73,866.32

Exchange Bank Ball Park Fund: \$925.48

The Treasurer's report stands approved.

President Soper reminded us that the loan of \$9294.19 was paid off on May 10, 2016. Two events in May did very well. The Rotary Bike ride attracted 885 people to the Penngrove park, with PSF getting \$5 per person that attended which mean the club received \$4425.00 and the Truckers Ball Netted \$4475.00. Between those 2 events our bank account is nearly where it was before paying off the loan. The Board of Directors has voted to have the land survey done for the Penngrove Park and hoping that is done by June 10<sup>th</sup>. The cost could be as much as \$8500. Question #1: Does PSF have to pay for the entire cost of the survey? Answer: Yes. The report that comes out of the survey will be available to any members that want to see it. Question #2: Are boundaries in dispute? Answer: We are not sure. There are concerns about future encroachment. Records date back to 1951. Don Barella has been a member since 1961. He's been a member the longest! In 1963 we had 86 members and in 2016 we have 125 members.

The Penngrove Celebration is on Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>; Kim Hanson, Pres Soper and Jeanette Orme all have sign-up sheets for this event, which include decorating, cleanup, doing wristbands, selling food / drink tickets and running the game tables. It takes many volunteers for a village to have an event. We all like to go and have fun. If you can donate just 2 hours of time at these events, it helps considerably. We can't do it without your help. SMART Train wants \$1100 for look-out's at the train tracks during the parade. Kim has gone to merchants for donations to help with costs, as this is a PENNGROVE celebration, but there are fewer merchants now in Penngrove, but members of PSF are also welcome to make a donation to help cover expenses. Hot Rods & BBQ car show chairman John Rossi said this event is on Sat July 23<sup>rd</sup> in Penngrove Park. The speed bumps are removable, so they will come out day of car show and there be NO large trucks parking on ball field grass. There will be an event

on June 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Park for the Jokers Wild Car Club. They have a dinner each month and have asked John Rossi to step in as President. John is pondering the idea. He would like to have a couple of the Jokers dinners in Penngrove Park during the year. The Famous Fried Chicken done tonight by member Vern Chang was truly the best I have ever had. It was served with mashed potatoes, gravy & cole slaw. For dessert bread pudding was served and it was delicious. The meeting concluded at 7:15. After dinner we held the usual drawing for many items. We missed Pam Rossi being there. There were 92 at the membership meeting this month and we were happy to see you there. Cooks for the August meeting will be Darrell Turner, John Connelly, Ron Dell'Imagine & Scott Finley. Meal will be Tri-tip and fixings.

## Penngrove Social Firemen Directors Meeting June 6, 2016

Meeting started at 6PM. Present were President Ray Soper, Directors Roland Mellor, Julie Hanson, Nick Bursio, Scott Finley, Don Barella Joe Turner and guests Patty Soper, Kim Hanson, and Dennis Barella. Dennis said that even though his daughter is not on the impact team at the ball park, he is still on board with continuing to do work at the ball field. Dennis & Keenan have done a lot to contribute to this. It is really appreciated. Dennis is planning to put a black mesh stretched over top of dugout for summer. It wont cost much for this year. Dennis and Keenan plan to putty, paint and make it look good! Dennis said to give him John Antonio's address and they will brainstorm on ground covering. Dennis will also help with the parade on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pres Soper was disappointed at the amount of volunteers that signed up for July 3<sup>rd</sup> event. Out of 92 in attendance, there were not many (other than usual regulars) that offered to help. You only need to give an hour to make a difference. Where is your community involvement? If we all felt that way, we would not be able to have any of the events we hold during the year. It would be nice to see some new faces giving a helping hand. It is written in the membership agreement that you will give like 8 hours each year. The older seniors are exempt from doing that, but we have lots of young ones that are members. We can use you to cover tables the day before or clear tables when it is over. PLEASE step up and be a proud member of the Penngrove Social Firemen and help out when needed. The slide guy will be there in the front play area and Ray Dami the sanitary man is donating to portable toilets again this year. Only PSF members are able to work in bar area. Vern Chang will be in charge of the beer truck. The Girls impact team will help to keep the garbage under control. There will be a donation of \$250 to the impact team and they will buy their own lunches. Kim said that as of right now we are hoping the County fire and Sonoma County fees and the railroad fees will be waived for day of parade. The Directors have voted to raise the sandwiches to \$8 and the pork, chicken or combo dinners to \$16. Hotdogs will stay at \$4 and oysters will be available too, price to be determined once we see what they will cost. We are planning on Greg Wacker to cook oysters. Drinks (beer, wine, margaritas) will stay at \$4 each. The cut off time to buy drink tickets is 3:30 PM and bar will close at 4:00 PM. One of the issues at the park is that the kitchen isn't always clean when renters come in and are going to use it. It HAS to be clean when they come in for us to expect it to be clean when they leave. THIS IS A MUST!! Hope to see all of you at the Penngrove Celebration on Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Hot Rods & BBQ at Penngrove Park on Sat, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Charley Baker will play music at both events.



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**Extra Effort, Thank You**  
**Mike Tomasek Fixing front rail**

Our front hand rails on the Clubhouse had become dangerously loose. Member Mike Tomasek of Mikes Welding came to our rescue and repaired the situation back to a safe hand rail.

**Dan Colville Fixed Stove**

We occasional have issues with our commercial stoves in the Clubhouse, Dan comes to the rescue. This time it was accumulation of dust and debris with in the heating mechanics. .

**Presidents Message**

Ray Soper

Do you know that amateurs built Noah's Ark, while professionals built the Titanic? We all know the out come.



Think about Penngrove Park, in 1951 a group of hard working farmers, ranchers, skilled laborers, business owners and concerned citizens bought a piece of property and made a Park. These people were not professional landscapers, irrigation specialist, engineers just everyday people with a dream.

For 65 years Penngrove Park has been serving the community. It was built, maintained and improved by Penngrove Social Firemen. There were issues along the way but common intellect has prevailed and success follows without the use of tax dollars, what a unique concept. It is a secure feeling that we can stand head and shoulders above other communities through out the Sonoma County and the State of California and pay our own way without government funding. We are not obligated to anyone. I guess the heritage has carried forward for Penngrove, if we want it we will pay for it and build it, in spite of obstacles. We do it the old fashion way; work and earn our own money coupled with the support of groups and individuals. Let us never loose sight of the our goals and forever independent.

**HELP NEEDED !!!!!**

**Our largest fundraiser of the year "Penngrove Celebration". Needs help. How about wrist band duty? Big Wheel, cleanup and set up. We will be setting up Saturday Morning at 9:00 a.m., Clean up after the event is always an issue, WE WILL be at the park Monday Morning by 9:00 a.m. to put stuff away and clean.**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**

**Penngrove Power and Implement Museum**

**July 9, 2016**

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
200 Phillips Drive  
Penngrove, CA  
[www.penngrovepower.org](http://www.penngrovepower.org)

The Penngrove e Power and Implement Museum is dedicated to preserving in working condition and educating people about the equipment and machinery that helped transition our country from manual labor and animal power to external power sources such as steam, internal combustion—diesel, gas and electricity



**SWISS CLUB PICNIC**  
**JULY 10, 2016**  
**PENNGROVE PARK**

Social Firemen have a working relationship with the Swiss Club and are happy to advertise their event



Penngrove Social Firemen  
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