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March 30th outing site, Moccasin Creek!



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Most of the 2007 UPI Board and Committee members, left to right: Brenda Marsh, Chapters Rep.; Don Siegel, President; Rita Perry, Secretary; Bill Reboin, Ed-in-Chief/Pub; Gerald Hurt, Political; Sid Parrish, Ways and Means; Aaron Matula, Chapters; Denise Matula, Membership; Tom Eastland, Vice President; Christa Eastland, Outings Coordinator; Chet Chastain, Claims. Missing are Samantha Wait Treasurer; Kit Perry, Tech. Adviser; and Wagon Master, Steve Letlow.



UNITED PROSPECTORS INC. MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Don Siegel
Jan./Feb. 2007

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Welcome to 2007, the Super Bowl is over and its full steam ahead into the New Year. I hope the holidays were good to all of you. Your UPI Board held our annual January meeting and we are ready for a great year of outings. We already have a great list of raffle prizes put together, one night stays at the Jeffery Hotel, some nice gold nuggets (bigger than last years), also some overnight stays at some campgrounds, as well as our usual list of prizes. Our outing coordinator Christa Eastland is working on a fun list of activities, that will make our outings fun for the whole family.

The one problem facing us in the 2007 year, as it has always been in the past, is your lack of involvement. Although we have a full board we can always use your support and input to make us more successful. We are an organization of over 700 counting family members, but we continue to be run by an extremely small percentage of members. Our plan for this year, as we have done in the past, is to post our meeting schedule in the newsletter, and we will be trying some different meeting times during the outings to encourage your participation. Looking forward to seeing and hearing from all of you soon.

Don't forget to support our advertisers, and let them know that you're a member of UPI.

Don

THE OUTING

There was no outing to report on.

A little vacation time for all us Board Members.

As all of our members with some tenure know the last outing of the year has been the successful Moccasin Creek/Coulterville pre-Thanksgiving outing. For you new members, the last one was a record setter in attendance. What a great way to end the year.

The pre-Thanksgiving event ends our outing activity until March or April the following year. In the case of this year, 2007, our first outing is scheduled for March 30-April 1 at Moccasin creek. The only activity that has taken place since November has been the Installment Board Meeting which took place on January 13. There is short minutes of the Board Meeting on page four if this newsletter and some scattered pictures of the meeting.

The first outing of the year is at Moccasin Creek, 03/30 - 04/01, see you there. A couple of pics of Moccasin from the past. Be there for a great raffle prize!



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Outing & Board Meeting Schedule 2007

3/30 - 4/1, Moccasin Creek UPI, Board Meeting, 3/31*
5/26 - 6/3, Bull Creek UPI, Board Meeting, 6/2*
6/30 - 7/8, Genesee UPI, Board Meeting, 7/7*
8/4 - 8/12, Salmon River UPI, alternate Squirrel Creek UPI, no meeting
8/31 - 9/2, Bull Creek UPI, no meeting
10/5 - 10/7, Twain UPI, elections and Board Meeting, 10/6*
11/2 - 11/4, the 8th annual Coulterville/

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BOARD NOTES

January 13, 2007 – Sacramento at Perko's

President Don Siegel called meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call:

Officers Present: Don Siegel, President; Tom Eastland, Vice President; and Rita Perry, Secretary

Directors Present: Christa Eastland, Aaron Matula, Chet Chastain, Bill Reboin, Denise Matula, Sid Parrish, and Gerald Hurt

Directors and Officers Absent: Samantha Wait

Members Present: Chris Perry, Beverly Paul, Brenda Marsh, Steve Letlow, Bill Eastland, Carol Eastland, Lorrie Parrish, and Ed Ozga

Sid Parrish, Tom Eastland, Aaron Matula, and Denise Matula accepting the oath of office started off the meeting. Sam Wait, Treasurer will accept her pledge at the next meeting.

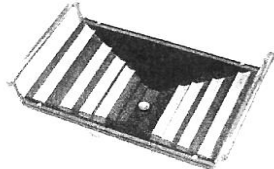
Motion was made by Chet Chastain and seconded by Gerald Hurt to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

- **Treasurer, Samantha Wait presented by President Don Siegel:** The financial report for 2005 through 2006 was presented. The total assets were \$20,290.50, with a **total liability of \$15,699.38**. The overall total is \$4,591.12. The checkbook balance as of October 31, 2006, was \$13,218.37; total income \$2,274.00 which leaves a total of \$15,492.37. **Total Expenses \$1,404.81**. January 6, 2007, Balanced Checkbook is \$14,087.56. Motion was made by Chet Chastain to accept the Treasurer's Report, Gerald Hurt seconded, and motion carried.
 - **Membership, Denise Matula:** She would like to send self-addressed stamped envelopes with the registrations. She also would like to know if we are to accept registrations without the waivers being signed. Gerald is looking into the legalities of this.
 - **Wagon Master, presented by President Don Siegel:** School House has been reserved for November Coulterville Outing. Until a Wagon Master can be appointed, a committee will handle the responsibilities.
 - **Outing Coordinator, Christa Eastland:** Christa would like to contact Ways and Means regarding raffle prizes for the games that she intends to have at the outings. She will be planning a Swap Meet at the Bull Creek Outing.
 - **Ways and Means, Sid Parrish:** Sid has new advertisers for our newsletter. He will be trying to improve the prizes for the raffles. He is hoping to have a couple of high bankers, a sluice box, and a dredge for starters. He would like a budget of \$300.00 per quarter for prizes. This was approved.
 - **Political-Grievance, Gerald Hurt:** No grievance. Jerry Hobbs is doing a great job fighting for the prospectors. Notice of Intent still doesn't need to be filed. Chet motioned that we allocate \$2,500.00 to PLP. To be given in two increments (\$1,250.00) every six months for the fiscal year. Aaron seconded the motion. The motioned carried. To join PLP per family is \$45.00.
 - **Editor/Editor-in-Chief/Publisher, Bill Reboin:** Bill is working on the Guidebook and Newsletter. He is making some changes. He completed the tri-folds.
 - **Chapters, Tom Eastland:** Contra Costa is doing well, Ed Ozga was at the meeting representing Contra Costa Chapter. Steve Letlow would like to combine San Joaquin and Stanislaus as one Chapter. Tom would like to see Alameda and Concord as a Chapter. Brenda would like to help with the Sacramento Chapter and hopes that Bill Reboin will help her.
 - **Claims, Chet Chastain:** Chet would like us to submit our dredge permits as soon as possible just in case the Forest Service decides to close dredging. BLM is still requiring a Notice of Intent. He has submitted Notice of Intent's for all of the claims except for Oxbow and Clippership. We are still unable to prospect on the Clippership claim. Chet would like to present Mike Anaconda with a Lifetime Membership for his claims. Still unknown what to do about Clippership and Oxbow the two lower claims. This will be continued until the next meeting.
 - **Technical Advisor, Vacant:** Chris "Kit" was asked to accept this position.
 - **Treasurer, Samantha Wait: BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT.**

Chet Chastain for Claims	\$ 34.32
Bill Reboin for Post Office Box and Tri-folds	\$ 341.10
Sam Wait for Financial Report – Binders and Printer Cartridge	\$ 120.59
Denise Matula for Postage, Envelopes, Printer Cartridge	\$ 261.00
Beverly Paul preparing Corporate Taxes	\$ 140.00
Total Expenses	\$ 897.98
- Chet Chastain motioned to accept the bills to be paid, Aaron Matula seconded. Motion carried.
- **Unfinished Business:** Tom needs all of the directors and officers to fill out forms regarding position duties.
 - **New Business:** It was brought that directors and officers should attend all outings and not go to a different claim when an outing is being held. Also, Aaron Matula does not have an official title as a director and Brenda Marsh does not have a title either. It was suggested that she could have Parliamentary Committee but not as a director. Then it was discussed that we have four positions still open: Wagon Master, Technical Advisor, Editor, and Chapters. Don is going to appoint people to these positions. There was a discussion regarding using an 8" dredge at some of the claims. This was tabled until a later date.
 - Chet Chastain motioned meeting to adjourn at 1:00p.m. Motion carried.

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This section is devoted to acknowledging and welcoming all new members and those renewing!

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Information is from 12/02/06 thru 2/8/07

New Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>
Dave Blackmore	Douglas, NV
Ricky Carter	Coulterville, CA
Cindy Cooley	Santa Clara, CA
David Elmer	Fresno, CA
Tyler Galusha	Antelope, CA
Hotel Jeffery	Coulterville, CA
The Treasure Hunter	Campbell, CA
John C. Jamison	Onalaska, WA
John William Laffey	Lingston, TX
Pan Pacific RV	French Camp, CA
Andrew Radalyac	North Highlands, CA
Janette Rodrigues	Quincy, CA
Roy Salvador	Sanger, CA

Renewing Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>
Jim Ambrose	Concord, CA
Art & Lucy Apodaca	Merced, CA
Jim Appleby	Oakley, CA
Nancie Barker	Morgan Hill, CA
Art Basso	Burbank, CA
Steve Boswell	Fresno, CA
Harvey & Mattie Brookshire	Redding, CA
Leland & Nina Brown	Elk Grove, CA
Mark & Debbie Buhl	Turlock, CA

Renewing Members Cont.

<u>Name</u>	<u>City/State</u>
Denise Downey	Twain, CA
Steven & Kathryn Doyle	Loomis, CA
Tom & Christa Eastland	Pleasant Hill, CA
Michael Flanders	Livermore, CA
Gary Gailbreath	Auburn, CA
Lee Greer	Vacaville, CA
William Graymont	Port Washington, WI
Richard Haynes	Bakersfield, CA
Randy & Glenette Huckabay	Madera, CA
Wallace & Joan Jackson	Santa Clara, CA
Bill Johnson	Elk Grove, CA
Martin & Isabel Kelly	San Leandro, CA
Will & Marilyn Lindsley	Colton, CA
Ran & Audrey Maddalena	Modesto, CA
James Madden	San Bruno, CA
Stan & Jan Kachiney	Placerville, CA
Bob Mappes	Castro Valley, CA
Georgia Murray	American Canyon, CA
Rick Neet	Garden Valley, CA
Beverly Paul	Folsom, CA
Mike Phillips	San Jose, CA
Donald & Brenda Porter	Lucerne, CA
Edwin & Nancy Powell	Grants Pass, OR
Stan Smart	Stockton, CA
William Westcott	San Leandro, CA
Robert Williams	Concord, CA
Martin R. Wockenfuss	Cloverdale, CA

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The old miner sez: OK folkz de Demecraps be contro-lin da House an da Senet. De alrety be triin to kic Bush rump. Oh well, ya reap what ya sow.



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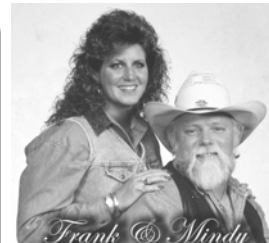
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(Cont from page 5) **Membership**

Michael Zastawny

Santa Cruz, CA

Welcome aboard for another year of enjoyment with UPI, the small-scale miners advocate. We need to see you at the outings and the Board meetings to help us guide the organization the way you would like to see it go.

Members up for renewal, 03/31/07

Wayne Baker, Allan R. Batchler, Herman Beard Jr., Barry Bernardi, Gerald Boyle, Victor Buttignol, Scott & Sharon Clark, Glen Conley, Brian Coughlin, Steven & Karen De Norbriga/Brandenbu, William Denny, David Dhont, Bob Devine Jr., Robert Devine Sr., Jorge Gonzalez, Jess Green, Kenny Hall, Kelly & Cathy Hall, Wes & Bonnie Hawkins, James Hayslip, Fred Heil, Robert Hoffman, Don & Mary Ann Ivers-Mejia, Jim Jordan, Robert Knopik, Charles Kriel, Laith Leboa, Thomas Lee, Dan & Sarah Lohberger, Robert Mc Common Jr, Robert Mc Common Sr., Daniel McCabe, Keith McRobert, Ron Miller, David Murriel, Rick Niemi, Stephen Nordheim, Larry Parsons, Clyde Pearson, Anthony & Ethel Rinck, Les & Jackie Rossi, Ron & Sharon Rowe, Sam & Tenia Santangelo, Ken Sawyer, Jay Sims, Ross Smith, Carl Strange, Walt Steever, Clarence "Joe" Stewart, Carlos Sul, Joe & Gloria Sul, Carole & Ray Tinnin, Warren Van Sant, Charles Vanleer, Greg Voisard, Gaylan Walters, Ron Watkins, Richard Yoshida.

OK we have a bunch here that need to get the pen and checkbook out and get their renewal it into the Membership Director so they'll be set for the first outing of the year. **Please note on page three and the back cover the new mailing address for UPI.**

AND THE WINNER IS- - -

Yes, there was a winner of the dry washer that Chuck Ucker donated to UPI. The winning ticket was drawn at the Moccasin Creek/Coulterville pre-Thanksgiving outing, and what an event. An attendance record was set and we are looking forward to another record being set this year at the event.

What with more and greater prizes for the raffle(s), check the Presidents message and the message from Ways and Means. (Ways and Means from a government perspective means how can we bilk the people of more of their money for less in return. Ways and Means from the UPI prospective means how can we offer our membership more at the same going rates.

Joe Sul was the lucky member that bought the ticket for

the brand new Keene dry-washer. Joe and Gloria were not at the outing to receive the item but it did get to him as the pictures below will indicate. Hope you find lots of Au with that thing Joe.



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Most e-mails that ask you to add your name and forward on to others are similar to the mass letter years ago that asked people to send business cards to the little kid in Florida who wanted to break the Guinness Book of Records for the most cards. All it was, and all this type of e-mail is, is to get names and "cookie" tracking information for telemarketers and spammers to validate active e-mail accounts for their own purposes.

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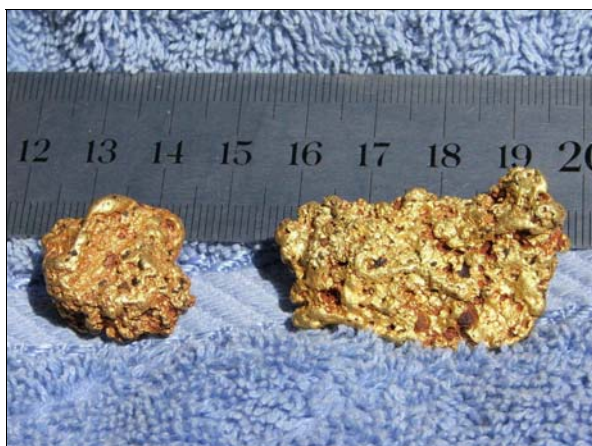
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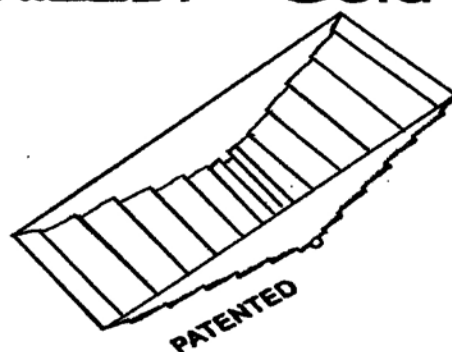
The following photos are from a friend in Oz, as the Australians refer to it, the land of down under. Those of you that have been with UPI for a while will recall that we had a reciprocal agreement set up with Bendigo Prospectors Inc. in Oz. The relationship lasted for about three years but as there were no takers either way the agreement was abandoned.

Peter Dodd was the editor for their publication "Prospect Us". Peter and I have been communicating via e-mail ever since. Peter has become pretty much a full time prospector over the last few years and has been doing pretty good. I'm hoping that I can find the where-with-all to get



over there, shake his and swing a detector with him soon and perhaps find some of that nice Oz Au.. The picture at the left is virtually actual size. 2.54 cm/in.

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If you plan to visit this site you may need to take some preliminary steps contacting the Orleans Forest Ranger. To get the gate opened you can call the Ranger's office at (530) 627-3291 and let them know what date and time you plan to arrive and leave the site. Reference the claim information (Claim CAMC278954, Salmon River UPI) and the specific dates you plan to visit. Request it in plenty of time for them to respond - 15 days or more. It would also be a good idea to include both your work and home phone numbers to facilitate a response. The Ranger's mailing address: Orleans Ranger District, PO Box 410, Orleans, CA 95556-0410.

The recommended route is north on Interstate 5, Highway 99. Proceed north on I - 5 through Red Bluff and Weed to Yreka. Take the State Road 3 exit to the west off of I - 5, this takes you under the freeway. Follow this road until you come to Main Street, and turn right; this a stop sign. You will now be going through town, north on 263, go about 8 miles to the junction of highway 96. Turn left; this will take you westerly along the Klamath River. Continue on 96, about 45 miles to and through Happy Camp. From Happy Camp it is about another 40 miles to Salmon River Road. You can also just stay on I-5 and take the 96 exit north of Yreka.

Turn left at Salmon River road and follow that road about 14 miles and watch for the Forest Service campground sign on the left that says Nordheimer campground. (If you cross a bridge at this point you've gone too far.) You will see as you are turning off the main road a dirt road to your immediate left, take that road thru the gate to the first dirt road to your right, and turn there. This will take you to an opening, and you are on the claim, this is the camping area. The river is several hundred yards to the east at this point.

For those of you going north on Highway 101, go to Eureka; take 299 east to the junction of 96 at Willow Creek. Turn left, north on 96 and proceed about 30 miles to and through Orleans. About 8 miles past Orleans you will come to Salmon River Road, turn right. From there follow the directions above.

There are other ways there, but if you are pulling a trailer or driving a motor home, highway 96 out of Yreka is the best bet. It is good motoring not too twisting and turning, and not too steep. On the Salmon River Road there are a few places where things get pretty tight but not impassable. There was some 40-foot RV's there, and a truck trailer combination at about 50 feet, so it can be done. If you have a CB radio, turn it on to the channel indicated on the sign, channel 16 as I recall, where the road gets tight and check for any vehicular traffic. There are only a few areas along the road where it gets really tight.

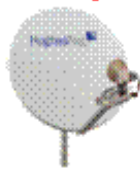
Although gold can be found here in almost every method of recovery it hasn't been worked much by UPI. Several people did well at the 2002 outing on this claim, and it should produce well under the right water conditions, as it did in 2002. Please insert this page in your Guidebook for future reference.



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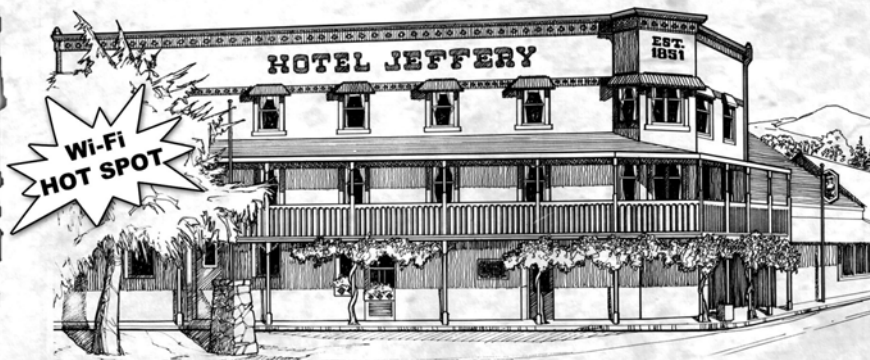
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Our First Major Raffle will be a stay at Hotel Jeffery (to be used at any time)! Tickets will be on sale at the Moccasin outing and given away at the potluck Event. In addition we will have our regular raffle which

we will be giving away many exciting new items.

Our Second Major Raffle will be tickets sold for a Mini-re-circulating sluice at the Moccasin Creek and Bull Creek outings to be given away at the Bull Creek outing 06/03/07 potluck. We will also have a regular raffle at Bull Creek, which many items will be available.

Wow! The first two outings, giving away major prizes, Plus our always fun regular raffles? Oh yeah, there is gold you can find in the creek too!

Again I want to thank all of our sponsor's and those who have donated items for our raffles. We hope this year will be fun and eventful. If you want to donate an item or sign up a sponsorships contact me: sandmeans@unitedprospectors.com
Sid Parrish

Moccasin Creek

Welcome UPI members to our first outing at Moccasin Creek 2007. A few mining opportunities are available on this river. Power sluicing, metal detecting, panning, and dredging. No dredging between April 1st. and September 15th on this river. If you want to dredge get there early. No more than 4 inches of combined total dredge opening may be in use at one time. Directions to this beautiful Mother Lode creek are on the 20th page of your Guidebook.

A prize will be given to whoever finds the biggest nugget, so give it your all. I will have a game of horseshoes set out for anyone that would like to play. Pot Luck will be at 6 pm Saturday 3/31. Bring good food and if you would like your recipe and name in the UPI recipe book, please let me know. Christa@2dredgers.com



Bring your lanterns for a good old fashion game of cards at the campfire. Be careful, there is poison oak, and don't forget your dredge permits.

Hurray we're off to get some "Au". See you at the creek!
Christa Eastland - Outing Coordinator

"Of course we frequently hear the offensive cliché that, "times have changed," and thus we cannot follow quaint admonitions from the 1700s. The obvious question, then, is what other principles from our founding era should we discard for convenience? Should we give up the First amendment because times have changed and free speech causes too much offense in our modern society? Should we give up the Second amendment, and trust that today's government is benign and not to be feared by its citizens? How about the rest of the Bill of Rights?"

Congressman Ron Paul



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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS OF INTEREST©

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Some Good News!

I'm sure that most of you that have been with UPI for a while are familiar with the Karuk Tribe and the chaos that they and their environmental wacko lawyer guides have been creating in Northern California regarding placer mining. (Placer mining is what we do.) If you are not aware, beginning with a new upstart Head Ranger, in 2004 as I recall, out of the Orleans Office these scenarios combined closed down our Salmon River Claim for several years.

This is over for the time being, but not a fully handled deal, and we can again use our Salmon River Claim for now. There should be no restrictions of use other than what UPI states in our Mining Rules and Camping Rules in the Guidebook, and those indicated in page 8 of this publication. The Forest Service has a lock on the gate that leads into the camping area of our claim and they should oblige members and open the gate if you follow the procedures outlined on page 8. Should they not open the gate for our use of the claim, or tell you that you cannot use the claim as outlined in the claim notice in this issue, please get all of the particulars: Who is restricting what and by what authority, what rule or regulation says we can't use our claim? Please inform the UPI claims manager. Information needed is "who, rank, what, when where, how and why" they refuse to open the gate. This is the type of information that



Bill Reboin, EIC/Pub and his pooch Samantha.

we need to have on record and supply to PLP (Public Lands for the People) whom is in a great part responsible for our being able to use this claim again, at least temporarily.

Though not a fully handled deal; we can use the claim. There is continuing litigation going on wherein the CA Dept. of Fish and Game, has been ordered by the Court to conduct a further environmental review pursuant to CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act)

The complete story on this issue and others can be found in ICMJ's Prospecting and Mining Journal, February 2007 issue.

PLP (Public Lands for the People) will be continuing to follow and stay on top of this Karuk Tribe/enviros thing to try and insure that there is no further DF&G hanky-panky going on, like there has been until the Court Order.

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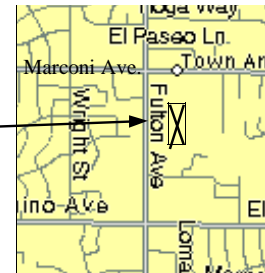
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Moccasin Creek UPI pre-Thanksgiving Outing.

* **Indicates** that there is currently a Board meeting scheduled for the outing, however it may be subject to change after discussions at the first couple of Board Meetings in 2007.

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