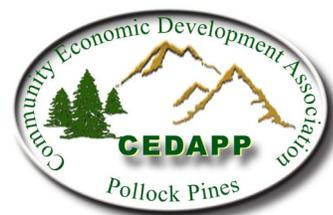




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Thought of the Day

.After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: when you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.



LAWSUIT ABUSE HEARING

Is Lawsuit Abuse Reform Possible in California?

The abuse of well-intentioned disabled access laws by unscrupulous attorneys is getting attention in California. We've told you about the overflow crowd that attended the Pollock Pines Town Hall meeting on the topic at our **COMMUNITY CENTER** a couple of weeks ago, a Town Hall that was added to the schedule of Town Halls by State Senator Gaines, Assemblywoman Gaines, and Congressman McClintock. If you saw last Friday's Mountain Democrat you saw that the Placerville Town Hall meeting on the same topic also had a crowded house. Clearly, business owners and

consumers (that would be you and me) are angry about the abuse of a fine idea, and profiteering by "sharks".



Last Tuesday a number of people from El Dorado County went to "Day At The Capital", an event hosted by **Civil Justice Association of California (CJAC)** and **Californian Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse (CALA)**, with sponsorship by Assemblywoman Gaines and State Senator Gaines, and largely in support of a reform bill authored by Assemblywoman Gaines.. The event started at the Hyatt Hotel, and then should have moved to a meeting room inside the Capitol building itself. Mysteriously, conference rooms that had been secured, suddenly became "unavailable" at the last minute. This happened more than once.

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GOLD RUSH CHORUS



And now for a little name dropping The Placerville Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society presented a concert this last Saturday that would have delighted any-

one who appreciates fine voice. The show: WHEN SHE LOVED ME, featured Tenacious Q, the Ponderosa High School Chamber Choir and Quartets, and for those of us in Pollock Pines who know these guys, the **GOLD RUSH CHORUS**.

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LAWSUIT ABUSE HEARING (Con't from page 1)

Eventually the conference did take place, on the Capitol lawn. More than one staffer referred to outright political arm twisting and sabotage in order to throw roadblocks up.

A DOCUMENTARY HAS BEEN FILMED



Oscar nominated director/producer Peter Spirer was present to play a 12-minute excerpt of his documentary: WHEELS OF FORTUNE, an examination of the ADA lawsuit abuse issue. We saw a portion of the sad story of the Aztec Hotel who's owner fought and won an ADA lawsuit, but ran up so much debt defending herself that she lost the hotel. Also present, and featured in the movie was the owner of a small chain of flooring stores in the San Diego area. His defense against ADA claims cost him well over \$150,000.00.

Two issues that leave many Californians frustrated: (1) Only California allows individuals to profit from disabilities access claims. Other areas only require that properties be brought into compliance. And (2) The offices of a number of California legislators who vote against reform, and of some of the attorneys who file these abusive lawsuits, are out of compliance.

BETH GAINES' BILL

Hearing has been postponed

the hearing on Assembly Bill 1878 which had been scheduled for May 1st has been **postponed until Tuesday May 8th**, at 9:00AM. It will still be heard in room 4202 at the State Capitol.

This legislation will give our community's most vulnerable small businesses an oppor-

tunity to correct an ADA violation before a lawsuit can be filed. Once a business has received a written notice of violation, they would be given 120 days to begin to correct the violation.

Chamber members, business owners, and anyone interested are invited to attend the hearing and testify in person, or send in letters of support. If a business is interested in testifying in person, please let our office know so that we will know who to expect. Depending on the number of people who wish to testify, individuals may only be able to say their name, organization and that they support the bill, but this is still very helpful. When you play in a game with a stacked deck, you need to show some muscle.

GOLD RUSH CHORUS (Con't from page 1)

Drawing from all over the county, of note to some of us from Pollock Pines were **Kent Miller, Keith Eckhardt, and Russ Tolliver**, Russ perhaps best known to some of us as one of the fine brokers in **Z-GROUP REAL ESTATE** in the old **POLLOCK PINES SCHOOL**. What a treat to hear voices (just voices, no instruments) making sweet music. Can you picture The Beatles done barbershop quartet style? Think the two are incompatible?



Want a Sample?

The **GOLD RUSH CHORUS** invites you to their rehearsals, held Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 9:15pm at the First Christian Church, 2687 Andler Rd. at Cold Springs Rd.

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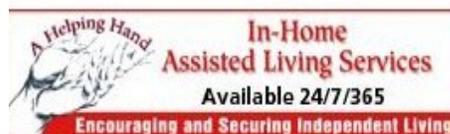
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DNS CHANGER MALWARE?

According to [scary warnings](#) circulating online and off for the past week or so, hundreds of thousands of people are poised to lose Internet access this coming July due to the proliferation of a class of malicious software known to network security experts as DNS Changer malware. Anything to it?

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* The beginning of the installation process will be the propane service crew arriving with the propane tank. They will often use a crane to lift and place the tank on its concrete pad, blocks, or hole (underground tanks). After the tank has been set and leveled, the installers will run the [LP Gas yard line](#) hooking each end to the gas plumbing stub out and [propane tank regulator](#). They will then cover the trench with backfill and test the system for leaks.

DNS CHANGER MALWARE (Con't from page 4)

Are these reports of a July 9, 2012 internet meltdown accurate? From the internet rumor site URBAN LEGENDS comes the advice: "Yes, if a bit overblown for effect". Read more about it here:

- DCWG.org
- [FBI Steps Up "Internet Domsday" Awareness Malware Campaign](#)
- [Internet Domsday on July 9th? Don't Panic!](#)
- [What the FBI DNS Shutdown Means to You](#)

Thanks to Don Ravanelli for passing this on.

BINGO ANNIVERSARY

The **POLLOCK PINES-CAMINO COMMUNITY CENTER** will celebrate 20 years of bingo on May 8th. Bingo is the center's steadiest fundraiser and possibly their most popular event. Played Tuesday nights, speed games start at 6:15pm, with regular games starting at 6:45. Food and refreshments are always available.



SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM

The El Dorado County Senior Nutrition Program is now using the Community Center as its location for lunch services in Pollock Pines. Lunch is served from 12-12:30 Monday through Friday. Suggested donation is \$3.00 for adults 60 years or older. Just a couple of menus for May

May 1st

Chicken Spinach Lasagna
Italian Blend Vegetables *
Grapes
Juice +
Garlic Bread & Milk

May 2nd

Stuffed Bell Pepper +
Caesar Salad
Wild Rice
Sherbet
Wheat Bread & Milk

CONGRESS WAS IN TOWN

Our congressman anyway.

At the **POLLOCK PINES-CAMINO COMMUNITY CENTER** for an official congressional function was



Congressman Tom McClintock [R] 4th District, California,. After brief opening remarks Cong. McClintock opened the floor up to questions, going from 6:00pm to 7:30, and then staying after the official session to handle more questions from those constituents who could not get their questions in during the official advertised time.

Passion in the audience was evident, with issues ranging from gay marriage to energy policy (The SMUD Iowa Hill project was a hot one from Camino residents) to lawsuit abuse. McClintock noted that while he had been in the California state legislature he had authored a reform bill, similar to a bill recently introduced by Congressman Dan Lungren that provided what he considered to be a mild reform. That bill, with language similar to that in SB 783, went down to defeat in committee on a party line vote, like SB 783.

Even with the passion in the audience generated by some topics the meeting was businesslike. Attendees were there to learn from their congressman, and tell him a few things, and not to get into pointless arguments or throw fits. Some clearly heard things they did not like, but everyone treated everyone else like adults, there were no harsh words, and nobody proposed "occupying" anything.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Check out the Pollock Pines Community Calendar at

<http://calendar.yahoo.com/ppcommunity>

Please note the colon (:) after the http.

For all of the events in Pollock Pines. Soon to come: an event sign located prominently in Pollock Pines to allow more exposure to residents and visitors announcing coming events. Thank you to Tracie Butler, who is the administrator of the calendar and Monica Hobbs who is the administrator of the Event Sign. If you have a date that you'd like to be put on the calendar, send it to Tracie Butler at tracie.c.butler@intel.com. Note: This is for non-profits only.

Note: All of the following meetings and events are open to the public. CEDAPP is an all inclusive community organization. The more community folks involved, the more "COMMON UNITY" there is! Please call

Jeanne Harper at (530) 613-1332 if you would like more information on any of the listings.

- May 1 -**ROTARY** meets at the **PIZZA FACTORY**. Join us for hearty breakfast pizza, 8am.
- May 1 -Bingo, at the **COMMUNITY CENTER**
- May 7 -CEDAPP meeting at **SKEETERS**
- May 12 -**INTERACT** pancake breakfast at the **COMMUNITY CENTER**, 8:30am to 10am.
- May 13 =**Mother's Day** brunch at the **COMMUNITY CENTER**, 9am to noon.
- May 19 -**HANDS ACROSS POLLOCK** community cleanup day
- June 8 -**Wagons in the Pines**—the **Wagon Train** is coming
- August 7 -**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT** at Pinewood School.
- September 19 -**EVENING IN THE ORCHARD**, at **RAINBOW ORCHARDS**