



Dave and Glenda Swisher were remarried at the Mono Inn on May 7 by Reverend Rebecca Watkins. The couple of 35 years lives in Mono City.

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## *Not-So-Paranormal Charlie, Charlie, there's a Logical Explanation*

By Colby Bue, Reporter

Many students, starting last year, believe in a mysterious ghost called Charlie. This "ghost" has, as some people call it, an altar (a certain thing you can do to speak to it), and is supposedly able to answer yes-or-no questions by moving a pencil to an area of a piece of paper that is marked 'yes' or 'no'. (Setup shown below) But this myth is one hundred percent FAKE! It

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The Charlie, Charlie setup

### *Outdoors*

## *Fishing Season Opens*

By Ben Trefry, Editor

On April 30, the Mono County fishing season opened, bringing weekend warriors from all over the state and elsewhere.

This will be a big year for fishing, because the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) says it will stock far more fish this summer than it did last year, as did the Desert Springs trout hatchery. Because of the hot weather we've been having, snowpack runoff has been above average despite the below-average snow-

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### *Local News*

## *New Restaurant to Open in Lee Vining*

By Ben Trefry, Editor

Sometime between May 13th and May 20th this year, the Epic Cafe will open its doors for the first time. Owned by David and Linda Dore, who are known for catering special events, this will be the first new restaurant in Lee Vining in a long time.

Linda Dore says it will be a casual partial-service restaurant, where you walk up to the counter to order but are served by a waiter or waitress. It will serve "fresh and delicious breakfast,

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### *Local News*

## *June Lake Kids Push for Skate Park*

By Jaden Burns, Student Contributor

For a number of years I've felt that there is a need for recreational activities for the community of June Lake. Since last year, the kids in June Lake have wanted a skate park in town, and have started a June Lake Skate Park committee. Ethan, Aurelio, Chuy, Jonny and myself have gone to the June Lake Women's Club meetings and the June Lake Community Advisory Committee

(CAC) meetings monthly and pushed for the skate park to be funded and approved. We discussed the costs and plans, such as a 10,000 square foot skate park for \$400,000.

The main adult that is helping with it is Jeff Ronci. He has previously built four other skate parks in other places and now is giving his time to help us with this one. At the last CAC meeting it was said, "The skate park is a huge project, and [Jeff Ronci] cautioned the kids that it would take a lot of effort, money, and time to get it done. He is looking at funding options, including a spe-

cial district that would add money to property taxes, and creation of CSA. Both of these options need exploring and involve ballot measures." Even though the skate park is a big project, though, I am willing to stick with it because I am confident that it will pay off in the long run.

But there are some possible issues of building a skate park. Some people think skate parks cause too much liability, in other words, they are afraid of getting sued because someone got hurt at the skate park. Also,

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An interview a student whose work has been published in a literary magazine. **(Page 4)**

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pack. This means that many bodies of water where fish are stocked, especially small ones like creeks, will have enough water for lots of fish. While the drought isn't over by any means, the fishing aspect of water-related recreation is certainly recovering very well.

As for the right technique to catch all these newly stocked fish, fishing experts recommend Powerbait, especially if it's brown, with a swivel and 1/4- 1/2 ounce egg sinker behind it and on a pre-tied gang hook. The reason for this is that the fish are fed brown food pellets at the hatchery, and they have to compete for them because there are so many fish in such a small pond. Therefore, the fish are used to having to snatch up anything brown before any other fish can get to it. This includes Powerbait.

Overall, this should be a very good year for fishing. Those of you who fished a lot last year (like me) should see a marked increase in the number of fish caught, because there will be more fish to catch. -Sources: **The Sheet**, [fishingmyway.com](http://fishingmyway.com)

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Being Green

## Before you Throw it Away, Think Again

By India Moffett, reporter

Even these days, recycling something *can* be harder than just tossing the object in a trash bin. But putting it in the right place could make a huge difference in the fight for a cleaner Earth.

When we throw away paper, cans, glass, and plastic, it is just making the piles of junk in landfills bigger and bigger. But if you recycle, most of the stuff you used today could be made into something else useful tomorrow.

Did you know that 4/5 of the stuff in landfills is trash, and 1/5 of it is food? That food gets thrown away just because people don't want it a good deal of the time. Why not ask someone else if they want it instead of throwing it in the trash? Or, just don't buy something you know nobody will eat when you're at the store. If you do have food that's gone bad or *nobody* wants, you can actually recycle it *right at home* by starting a compost pile. Composting makes your rotten old food into rich soil that you can use in your garden to grow new food!

The food that people waste every day could help feed hungry people for weeks, and the *recyclable* materials that people throw in the trash make landfills thousands of tons bigger every year. Luckily, you have a choice to recycle, a choice to use wisely. Will you help save the Earth, or will you help *destroy* it?

## Climate&Drought

### Farmer's Almanac Predicts Dry Summer for CA

By Ben Trefry, Editor

*The Farmer's Almanac*, an almanac that predicts weather long in advance and provides lots of helpful hints about country life, is predicting a hot, dry summer for California this year.

This is bad news for the environment, as this year's meager winter didn't help immensely to get us out of the drought. If this summer is extremely dry, Mono Lake may drop below the elevation at which coyotes can access the land bridge, 6377 feet. A more immediate and possibly more devastating effect will be a long, intense fire season. Monsoons, or large summer rainstorms, at the beginning of summer 2015 delayed the fire season, but the lack of snowpack

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### Charlie, from Page 1

stemmed from rigged demonstrations, hysterical YouTube videos, and peer pressure to believe in it.

I, at one time, believed in Charlie, but he is **not**, nor ever will be, real. People often "summon" Charlie in the way shown on Page 1; however, they are *actually* summoning natural factors.

Many people say that, because the pencils actually move a good deal of the time, Charlie is real. But there are things other than magic that can, and do, move the pencils. Factors like the Earth's rotation (some ancient clocks worked this way, by moving a set amount every hour and knocking over pins to record the time), the wind, or the potentially tilted surface it's on, causing it to lean one way or the other.

Charlie, Charlie can be a fun game, but the answers should **not** be taken seriously. And don't tease people for not believing in it, either.

## A Note from the Editor

This will be our last issue for the school year, but it will by no means be the last issue we publish. We plan to have two separate school journalism clubs next year; one at the high school and one at the elementary school. They will collaborate to publish more issues of The Tiger Tribune, hopefully for many years after this.

With contributors from both schools, each issue will undoubtedly be fuller and longer than our current ones. But one thing won't change: our commitment to bringing accurate, easy-to read, and important news to students and parents. The Tiger Tribune is not-for-profit, so any future revenue from ads will go to pay for our expenses or be donated to the school ASB.

Next year, The Tiger Tribune will also have a website to better integrate our presence in a changing digital world. But we also realize that many students may not have internet access or time to visit the website, so The Tiger Tribune will still be distributed in print (subscriptions will be available).

I am excited about The Tiger Tribune's future, and hope you are too. Bye, and read The Tiger Tribune!

-Ben Trefry, Tiger Tribune editor

## Restaurant, from Page 1

lunch, and dinner," with an emphasis on local ingredients. Epic Cafe hopes to come across as family-friendly and reasonably priced. Some examples of planned dishes include waffles for breakfast, soups and sandwiches for lunch, hot entrées for dinner, and also cakes and pies for dessert.

The Epic Cafe will be located above the Lake View Lodge, in the same building as a former cafe that was not run by the Dore. While this is not an ideal location because it isn't on the main street or in the right place for a lot of foot traffic, Linda Dore is optimistic. She says that the cafe hopes to get lots of hotel customers, as well as locals who know it's there. "We'll get local people in, and they'll tell their friends and family," she says.

Because of the summer peak of Lee Vining's tourism industry, the restaurant will not be open during the winter. It will close sometime in October, however, there will be occasional special events at the restaurant all year.

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As always, we are looking for contributions. If you have any interest in The Tiger Tribune, please come to Ms. Garcia's class on Thursday at lunch recess (11:45-12:10). If you like to write, or cover important events, this is your chance to join a newspaper! Don't hold back because you think you're bad at writing; we edit every contribution to sound professional.*

## School in Mexico

By Andrea Santillan, Student Contributor

Imagine passing through a gate and going into a different school with new people, teachers, another language, and different teaching methods. Well, that is what I went through a few months ago in Mexico.

Schools are quite different all over the world like the one I went to at Hostotipaquillo Jalisco, Mexico. My school was named after Ricardo Flores Magón, a famous character in Mexican history. First of all, at this school instead of it being Kindergarten through eighth grade, it is seventh through ninth grade. Another example that made this school unlike ours is that it starts at two in the afternoon and ends at eight o'clock. It was as if my whole schedule got turned upside-down! How the school system works is also something that is unfamiliar. Instead of one teacher giving most of the classes, six different teachers gave most of the subjects and they come to your classroom. Recess is also different from ours. You get three recesses where you can buy food, chips, and drinks from vendors on the school premises. Even though this school has all these differences from our school, it still teaches mainly the

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it'll take four whole years to build the skate park. However, there is a main benefit to skate parks that is often greater than the risks. Skate parks provide a physical activity for kids not interested in traditional team sports. "I appreciate any opportunity that encourages people to be active and outdoors," says Anna Strathman, the LVES kindergarten teacher.

If you agree with us and Mrs. Anna and would like to help, there are meetings In June Lake at the community center, on the first Tuesday of every month.

## People

**Exclusive Interview  
with Caelen McQuil-  
kin, Student Author**

Recently, Caelen had her story, titled 'The Biggest Win', published in the literary magazine *Stone Soup*.

**Reporting by Ellery McQuilkin.**

EM: What made you decide to start writing?

Caelen: When I was little, I would play with ribbons and tell stories out loud at the same time. Ever since I started telling stories when I was 4 or 5 I felt a connection or pull to telling stories. As I grew older my love for story telling grew into more of a passion for writing.

EM: Why did you choose *Stone Soup* over other writing magazines?

Caelen: As a writer, *Stone Soup* has always been a big inspiration for me. Since I was ten I've looked up to all of the authors and admired all of their stories that make up *Stone Soup*.

EM: How did you feel when you were told that your work would be published?

Caelen: The first letter I received from *Stone Soup* told me that I was selected for their maybe file. I was very excited, but I was not sure I would actually get published in the magazine. However, a few weeks later, I got another letter from *Stone Soup* telling me my story would be published in the May/June issue. The best words I can use to describe the way I felt when I read the letter are excitement, joy, pride and satisfaction. Since I have been trying to get my work published in *Stone Soup* for three years, I couldn't have been happier to receive this news.

EM: What is your favorite book?

Caelen: That's a hard question. There are so many amazing books out there I can't choose just one, but some of my favorite books are: *Counting by 7's*,

*Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close*, *Harry Potter*, and *The Book Thief*.

EM: How did you decide what to write about?

Caelen: I wanted to write a story that I could relate to but most readers could as well. I really hope that people enjoy reading my story, but learn a good lesson too.

EM: How long had you been submitting to *Stone Soup*?

Caelen: I first submitted to *Stone Soup* when I was ten. I was in fourth grade and I submitted a poem called Spring. The Biggest Win was my fourth submission to *Stone Soup*.

EM: What makes you love writing so much?

Caelen: I think the main reason why I love to write so much is because I can take my own experiences and ideas and show them to other people in a fun way. When I write it's just me, my ideas, and the pen. I don't have to worry about being interrupted or anything like that. When I write, I feel like I can change the world.

EM: What is your story about?

Caelen: My story, The Biggest Win, is about the friendship between two girls and how it changes through playing soccer. I won't say anything more because I'm hoping you'll read my story. I still can't believe that thousands of other people will read my story too.

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same subjects.

Another thing that my school in Mexico didn't have in common with this school is the environment. Over there, the students were less shy than the students here. The teachers would also try to put some more fun activities and culture into their classes. Another thing that we don't do here is wear a uniform every day. The girls have to wear a red, khaki, and maroon plaid skirt with a white button-up shirt. The boys had to wear a white button-up shirt with khaki pants. Over

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and water meant that the trees were dry and in the perfect condition for record fires once the big storms ended. With the drought still in place, we could have an even worse fire season this year if the summer is dry.

However, while *The Farmer's Almanac* has successfully predicted many weather events correctly long in advance, it isn't the last word on the subject. It is based on cycles like the sunspot cycle, not magic. Therefore, it isn't always correct, but rather eerily accurate 80% of the time. The other 20% of the time, it's way off. (Example: According to its website, *The Farmer's Almanac* predicted that this year would be a cool winter for California with roughly average precipitation, which was just about correct for the whole state, on average. But what you won't see on their website is all the times they've botched up the forecast.)

So, while we can't be sure yet whether we'll get good summer rains this year, it's still a good idea to conserve water and prevent forest fires. And if we do get a monsoon summer, then we'll be two steps closer to ending the drought: One from this winter, and one in the summer. Every drop of water counts this year!

all, the environment over there was cultural and fun, but also quite a shock for someone who is used to going to school in Mono County.

I am glad that I got to go to a new school, make new friends, and learn more about my cultural roots. This experience was very interesting and unusual, but mostly fun.



# Summer Birthdays:

April: Elijah March, Bryan Carillo-Perez, Dante Franciviglia, Kaitlin Keiscome, Wyatt Veenker, Oscar Velazquez

May: Alecsa Flores, Miabella Hoffman, Larissa Cortez, Esha Eilts, Eamon Moffett, Monserrat Flores, Emely Garcia, Ana Wanner, Laurea Wanner

June: Grace Gain, Adelaide Moffett, Isla Ferguson, Josue Romero, Alden Seiberling, Emma Ross, Jose Garay, Jennifer Gomez, Eva Segura, Jaden Burns, Aurelio Calderon, Jesus Vargas, Claire DesBaillets

July: Lilly Hammack, Gerrit Veenker, Slade Sexton, Eva Francaviglia, Charles Peake

## And the randomly picked winners are...

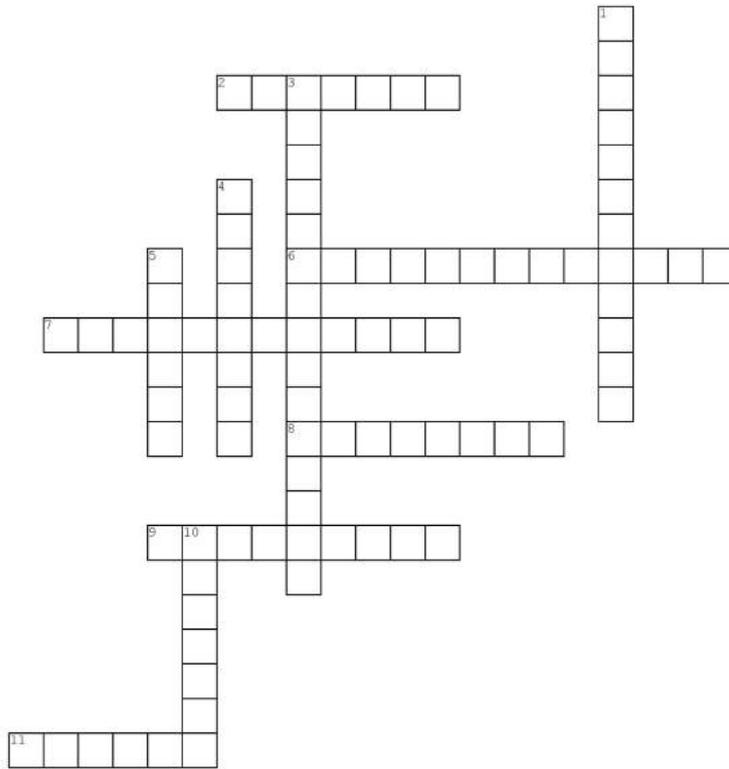
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Gerrit!  
Alden!  
Larissa!  
Bryan!  
Jesus!  
Eamon!  
Emma!  
Isla!

**If you're one of the winners, come to Ms. Garcia's classroom on Thursday at 11:45 to claim your prize!**

# The Puzzles

## Summer

Complete the crossword below



**Across**

- 2. The season started April 30th
- 6. What Sierra Mountain Guides does
- 7. Big, tall clouds
- 8. What you do in a pool
- 9. Frozen Treat
- 11. Exploring our backyard

**Down**

- 1. No school!
- 3. June 20th
- 4. Grill
- 5. 7:00-9:00 PM
- 10. Pitch a tent!

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## The Riddles

1: A bus driver was heading down a street in Colorado. He went right past a stop sign without stopping, he turned left where there was a "no left turn" sign and he went the wrong way on a one-way street. Then he went on the left side of the road past a cop car. Still - he didn't break any traffic laws. Why not? -trickyrid-dles.com

2: During WWII, there was a bridge connecting Germany and Switzerland and on the German side there was a sentry tower with a guard in it. He would come out every three minutes to check on the bridge and he had orders to turn back anyone who tried to get into Germany and shoot anyone trying to escape without a pass. There was a woman who desperately needed to get into Switzerland and she knew she didn't have time to get a pass. It would take her at least six minutes to cross the bridge but she managed to do it. How? -trickyrid-dles.com

3: What work can one never finish? -trickyrid-dles.com

4: Name a five letter word which has three consonants all the same and two different vowels. Every now and then you see this when you use a computer. -hardriddles.net

# My View: What are you going to do this summer?

Eva Francaviglia: Travel

Ember: I'm gonna go on a camping trip.

Beverly: Sleep!

Andres: I might go to Bakersfield to visit my cousins.

Chyann: Nothing

Jennifer: Swimming

With reporting by Ellery McQuilkin and Laurel Satterfield.

Last Month's Answers to the Riddles

1: 9. (+h3 +193r +r16un3)

2: A candle.

3: Lunch and dinner.

4: He was buying numbers to put up on the front of his house to show his street address. Each digit costs a dollar.

### The Joy of Skateboarding

When you skate you feel like you're free and it feels good when the wind goes through your hair. Skating is a really enjoyable sport. There are only two main types of skateboarding, vert and street skate, and both are really entertaining.

Vert is a really enjoyable type of skating. Vert is when you ride on ramps or bowls or when you just cruise around. There is not very much to do in vert but its really fun when you're going down big hills or when you drop into really steep bowls. Some people prefer vert like Chuy Vargas. He said, "I like how people drop into a bowl and the tricks they do inside the bowl."

Street skating is really awesome as well, but it can sometimes be rough. Street skating is when you ride around the streets or any where you're able to skate. You can do tricks, grind or jump over things. Sometimes you get kicked out of places, or get injured really badly! For example, if you're trying to jump over 15 stairs and you fail you could break your arm or leg. Also, if you're just having fun street skating, property owners can kick you out because if you get hurt they could get sued. Some people prefer street skating like Gio Gamon. He said, "I like street skate because I like the tricks people can do."

You can get sponsored for both of these types or skating. Sponsored means that a company or skate shop sponsors you and sometimes they give you their products such as shirts, pants, decks and stickers or any of their products. You could get sponsored by making a montage and post it on social media and just hope a company notices you. A montage is when you make a video of yourself doing tricks or what you could do on a skateboard. You could put it on You Tube or Facebook.

For each type of skateboarding, you need different types of wheels and decks.

### Traveling to Australia

Going to Australia is very enjoyable; there is a lot to do and see. It is also a lot different from the United States. On my trip to Australia, we stayed in Newcastle.

In addition to their differences, Australian cities have a lot of similarities to those in the U.S. There are familiar stores at the mall, like KMart, Toys'R'Us, and some U.S. supermarkets. But you won't see many Thanksgiving products at those stores, because Australia does not celebrate Thanksgiving. Also, while it's spring right now in North America, it is fall in Australia because it is in the Southern Hemisphere.

There are lots of animals in Australia, and during our trip, we went to a zoo where you can feed birds, meet kangaroos, and see wild peacocks that come and go as they please. There are also Tasmanian Devils on the Australian island of Tasmania, which is the only place in the world where you'll see them in the wild.

In conclusion, Australia is a very interesting place, and I'd recommend it for a long family trip. But be warned: the sun there is stronger than it is here, and can burn you to a crisp in less than 10 minutes if you don't have sunscreen or sun protection. -By India Moffett

For vert I recommend a wide deck so you'll have more control going down ramps or a big hill. Also, wide wheels like around 58-63mm will give you more control. For street skate I recommend a smaller deck like a 8.0 and smaller wheels like around 50-58mm. In my opinion I like these sizes because it helps me with my tricks.

In conclusion, skateboarding is an awesome sport, and I think more people should do it. It is so rewarding to finish your first big trick that you will want to skateboard more and more. -By Aurelio Calderon

### Summer jokes

Why can't basketball players go anywhere for summer vacation?

Because they'd get called for travelling.

What did the pig say at the beach on a hot summer day?

I'm bacon!

What does a shark eat for dinner?

Fish and ships.

What did the ocean say to the shore?

Nothing. It just waved.

Where do cows go for summer vacation?

Moo York.

Why are gulls called seagulls?

Because if they were by the bay, they'd be called bagels.



### Draw for The Tiger Tribune!

We're always looking for student art to publish in The Tiger Tribune. And next year, we'll be taking that a step further: We'd like to have a doodle artist as part of our 'student staff'. If you're interested, contact Ben Trefry.