

THE
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ASSOCIATION



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Ever wonder where those new paved canal trails lead? Ever wish you knew a scenic route for bike-riding or hiking? You now will have a chance to answer these questions at the Annual membership meeting held Tuesday, March 15 at 8:00 PM in "A" wing at Valle Verde Elementary School, 3275 Peachwillow Drive. Bob Pond, City of Walnut Creek's trail expert will be our guest lecturer and Bob will bring a slide show and area maps (if they are printed in time) to enlighten us all on the use of these great new trails.

We also will conduct an election of three new Directors. Anyone can serve and it is a great opportunity to meet some of your neighbors and get involved in keeping the Woodlands a great place to live. Anyone interested in serving please contact me or any Board member.

A great big "thank you" goes to all those who helped with Santa's visit to the Woodlands. I'd be very interested in comments regarding the new format for his visit.

Another big "thank you" goes to the Block Captains who work so efficiently and tirelessly to deliver these newsletters. Without them, we would really have a problem. Thanks again!

The unimproved land at the north-east corner of Ygnacio Valley Road and Oak Grove is now owned by Robert Mueller. He is concerned about reports that his property is being used as either a used car lot or public trash dump. He has asked that we remind people not to dump trash or park cars on his property.

Once again, please remember the membership meeting and mark it on your calendars. I'm sure you will find it a most worthwhile evening.

WOODLANDS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

The next Woodlands Homeowners Association Board of Directors meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8, at 7:30 PM at the home of Cindy Krause, 3667 Perada. If you wish to attend please let Cindy know at 939-1414.

COLLECTION OF ASSOCIATION DUES

Association dues are payable each year and collected during the months of January and February. Your dues must be paid to vote and in order to continue receiving the monthly newsletter. Dues are \$2.00 per household annually and entitles that household to two (2) votes. Block Captains will be contacting each home in the Woodlands area to collect dues.

The Woodlands Association is a strong community voice, which can be effective in addressing issues of concern if we have your support through membership and participation. In addition, the newsletter is the only tool through which the Homeowners Association, Cabana Club, and the Swim Team can communicate with you.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

We would like to thank Boy Scout Troop #832, from the Woodlands, for delivering this newsletter to each of the 800 homes in the Woodlands area. Our heartfelt thanks for a job well-done.

CRIME PREVENTION

The Woodlands still needs more crime prevention block captains. The Crime Prevention Unit of the Walnut Creek Police Department now has its own computer to quickly spread the word in the event of a crime in the Woodlands. Being a block captain only requires that you keep a list of neighbors' phone numbers and contact them if the Police Department notifies you that a crime has occurred. If you are interested in being a block captain or have further questions, please call Lt. Battles (943-5885) at the Police Department or me (932-7773).

Nick Kneuppel

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

January is the traditional month for Girl Scout Cookie sales. This year, instead of selling boxes outright, as was done in the past, the girls will be taking orders. Orders will

be taken between January 21st and February 4th for delivery in March. Payment will be collected when the cookies are delivered.

The cookies are baked by Burry. There are 7 varieties available at \$2.00 per box. Out of each \$2, \$1.27 goes directly to the Scout program and is tax deductible. The Scouts can give you a receipt, if you wish.

In addition to supporting her troop and the Bay District Activities, each scout is trying to earn a badge for herself-something that takes 24 sales to accomplish. In the Valle Verde attendance area, 90% of the eligible girls participate in Scouts, so competition is keen. Please support your young friends and neighbors.

On January 29th, the Bay District is offering a "Junior Council Fire." This is a day of quality international entertainment for girls. The 6th graders will be going into Berkeley to see the program. They have just returned from a weekend ski trip to Donner Summit. Also in the offing for this busy group is a four week class on good grooming, which will help them earn a Health badge.

Troop 480, which is 2nd graders, have taken a tour of Shadelands Ranch. They also had a nurse come to their meeting to talk about First Aid and CPR.

The 4th graders in Troop 208 are working on their Theatre Badge. Jacquie Ben-Eliezer, who works with puppets of world famous humanitarians is coming to help the troop plan and present a dramatic program for residents of Montego Heights.

One of the 3rd grade troops just completed a tour of the Walnut Creek Post Office. They plan to participate in the Association wide International Faire in February. Each participating Walnut Creek troop mans a booth which shows a sample of an international food, craft, game, etc.

The other 3rd graders have been finding out about travel. They visited Buchanan Field Airport and a travel agency.

PIZZA NIGHT IS COMING!!!!

When: Monday, February 7, 1983

Where: Straw Hat Pizza, Clayton Road

Time: 5:00 to 9:00 PM

Valle Verde Family Night! Bring your friends and neighbors for an evening of good food and fun. The Parent and Faculty Club provides all the services. Let's join together to make this a record breaking fund raiser for our school. Take out orders are accepted. For more information contact Elaine Green, 938-0567 or Gloria Laylin, 937-1798.

VALLE VERDE AUCTION

Valle Verde Elementary School is sponsoring an exciting new event on Friday, April 22nd-an enormous auction where you can come and bid against your friends and neighbors for that one special something you just have to have! We have solicited many items from local businesses already but in order to make this a "really big show" we need help from everyone. We would appreciate donations of any items-eg: hand knit sweaters, vests, applique wall hangings, paintings, books, dinners, free babysitting, ceramics, cabins at Tahoe, flower arrangements, free sewing, housecleaning, lawn mowing, nic-nacs for the house, tools---you name it, we'll take it! If you are just dying to donate something and are still without an idea we will gladly accept your check which we'll combine with others to purchase some of those "very special" items. All donations are tax deductible.

We are extending a special invitation to everyone in the woodlands (whether you have children in Valle Verde or not) to attend this spectacular auction and a night loaded with fun.

When: Friday, April 22nd
7:30 PM-Happy Hour; 8:30-Auction
Where: Heather Farms Community Center - Rotary Room.
Tickets: \$5.00 a person (tax deductible).
Entertainment: The enchanting company of your friends and neighbors and the witty dialogues of our infamous auctioneers.
Food: Wine, soft drinks and hors d'oeuvres served.

For tickets and/or donations call: Patti Raines-933-1374

HELP!!! Our landlord has been transferred back to the area. We need another rental in the woodlands. Please call 938-7114.

WANTED TO BUY: 14' aluminum boat, in good condition. Preferably Gregor or Valco. 939-9238.

GUITAR LESSONS: Give the gift of music! GUITAR LESSONS - all ages, all levels - Beginners welcome. Call David at 939-8026.

STOLEN: November 23 at 3551 Perada - brown cassette case holder w/KSJO, Hawaii, 98 Rock stickers, 19 cassettes, \$46 in cash, red flashlight. Call David - 939-8026.

FOR RENT: So. Lake Tahoe, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, condo, by the Y. 932-4629.

South Lake Tahoe-Condos, studio, 1 and 2 bedrooms- Great forest edge location-4 miles to Heavenly-Cross country from back door. \$35 and up.
045-6186 - 935-7538.

WOODLANDS SWIM CLUB

It won't be long now...Only three months and we'll be starting the Early Workout Program for the 1983 Swim Team Season! This summer promises to be an exciting experience for all swimmers, as well as their "willing-to-help" and supportive parents!

FOR OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

There are a lot of you! At last count, we had about forty new families and we understand that the incoming moving vans can find our area blind-folded! The Woodlands Swim Team can provide a wonderful summer experience for your children.

Families who are involved with our program find that it provides a summer of positive swimming fun for all ages of children - from the ever-popular "Ages 6 and Under" gang to the high school level.

Through practices and competitive swim meets with other local swim clubs, each swimmer is encouraged to work up to his/her potential. They learn not only swim techniques, but focus on the ideals of good sportsmanship and team spirit.

Practices are held throughout the summer, beginning with Early Workouts which are held after school during the months of May and June. Once school is over for the year, the practices are held every weekday morning. Swim meets are on Wednesday nights and Saturday mornings.

We encourage you to talk with current swim team members and their parents about this program. Also, don't hesitate to call one of the Committee members listed at the end of this article. We hope that you will join us!

The Swim Team Committee has met several times a month since October. Our major concerns have centered around the re-evaluation of goals and objectives for the Swim Team Program. After giving much consideration to the wishes/suggestions voiced in the "Post-Season 1982 Survey" and receiving many resumes for potential coaches, we have come up with what we feel is a fine program and a top-notch lineup of coaches.

HEAD COACH

ROB WERNER, a senior at UC Santa Barbara, will be assuming duties as Head Coach. His credentials are impressive:

- Member of the Walnut Creek Aquabears for 10 years. National Qualifier and "Outstanding Swimmer Award"
- Campolindo High School (Moraga): Swim Team Captain and High School All-American (1977-'78)
- NCAA Qualifier in three events at the Univ. of Houston ('79)
- Diablo Valley College: Athlete of the Year Award; Junior College All-American in four events (1980)

- State and National Record Holder in 200 yard Breast Stroke
- San Ramon Swim Club: National Qualifier in two events; Club's "Swimmer of the Year Award" (1980-'82)
- UC Santa Barbara: PCAA Conference Champion and record holder in 200 yard Breast Stroke in 1981; NCAA Qualifier in three events (1981-'82); School record holder in two events

Last summer Rob was Assistant Coach at San Ramon Swim Club and this school year he is an Assistant Coach for the UCSB Men's Swim Team.

His future goals include coaching aquatic sports at the club or collegiate level while pursuing a Master's Degree.

We found Rob to be an outstanding and mature individual with many fresh ideas for our Swim Team's success. He is concerned with the individual - at all ages and all levels, and has a wealth of experience in stroke instruction and goal-oriented workout plans. We feel he will be a fine Head Coach!

ASSISTANT COACHES

SUSAN CLARK will be returning to the coaching staff this season! Having been associated with the Woodlands for two years, she is a familiar face and is known for her quality stroke instruction. Susan swam with the Walnut Creek Aquabears for seven years and was a member of the Ygnacio Valley High School Swim Team. She is currently a freshman at Diablo Valley College. We are very pleased to have her back!

TOM KELLY is a sophomore at UC Santa Barbara and a member of their Men's Swim Team. He has been Assistant Coach for the Vista Diablo Sharks and the Ygnacio Woods Swim Club, and has many years of experience as a swimmer: 10 years on the Ygnacio Woods Swim Team; 4 years on the De La Salle High School Swim Team, 4 years on the Walnut Creek Aquabears and 2 years on the UCSB team. Tom has also been a lifeguard and swim instructor at the San Ramon Olympic Pool. He will be a good complement to the coaching staff, sharing Rob and Susan's concern with the development of the individual swimmer.

A "Meet the Coaches/Pun Day" is planned for the Swim Team during Spring Vacation! Watch for details in the March Woodlands Newsletter. This event will be followed by a "Meet the Coaches Night" to be held at the beginning of the regular season. Parents: Watch for details on this date!

We are excited about a super summer for our GREAT team! Our new coaching staff will bring to us much expertise and a lot of spirit. We are thrilled to have them! The usual fun activities, outings and parties will continue!

SEE YOU AT THE POOL!

THE SWIM TEAM COMMITTEE

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