

## Share Your Woodlands Pictures on our New Neighborhood Website!

*By James Goudy*

We are looking for great photos taken in our neighborhood to add to our website, [woodlandsassn.org](http://woodlandsassn.org)! In particular, photos from present day or years past, of Woodlands life: scenery, streets, schools and shops, would make valuable contributions to the new website. It is ok if there are people in the photos but ideal photos will be clearly taken in the neighborhood and not just 'portraits'. We can't guarantee to use all photos but if we use yours, credit will be given. Please

submit digital photos via email to [woodlandsassn@yahoo.com](mailto:woodlandsassn@yahoo.com) (file size greater than 1MB is preferred). If you only have prints, please send us an email to the same address and we will arrange with you to review and scan them. Thank you for contributing to your newly-update community website at <http://www.woodlandsassn.org>, and sharing your photos of our beautiful neighborhood!

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## Valle Verde Kindergarten & New Student Registration

*By Adrienne Robillard*

Kindergarten registration packets will be available for pick-up at Valle Verde Elementary School on Thursday, January 17th, 2013. On February 4th there will be an Incoming Kinder Presentation at 6:30 pm in MUR (guest speaker & sign up for 2/5 Kindergarten Registration Day appointment). The actual registration day is February 5th, when applicants will turn in their packets at their appointment times.

Registration for new families in grades 1-5 starts on February 7th. Please visit the Valle Verde Website or call the school for details: (925) 939-5700. <http://vves-mdusd-ca.schoolloop.com>.



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## Who to Contact?

The Woodlands Association receives some emails and questions about many issues that are best resolved by contacting the following agencies directly. The following is a reference guide:

<p><b>Walnut Creek Code Enforcement</b>, 925-256-3508 or 925-943-5863                  The Code Enforcement Division of the Community Development Department is responsible for enforcing provisions of the Walnut Creek Municipal Code involving quality of life and neighborhood quality issues.  <a href="http://www.walnut-creek.org/citygov/depts/cd/nuisance_abatement_n_code_enforcement.asp">http://www.walnut-creek.org/citygov/depts/cd/nuisance_abatement_n_code_enforcement.asp</a></p>
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## Upcoming Board Meetings

**Saturday, January 5th**  
 at 8:15 am  
 and

**Saturday, February 2nd**  
 at 8:15 am  
 in Carl's Jr.

Conference Room

Woodlands residents are encouraged to attend board meetings

# School News

## Volunteers Needed for Parent Patrol Shifts in December and January

Parent Patrol calendar has a few open volunteer shifts in December and January. If you haven't yet volunteered please sign up if you are available. Specific days that still need volunteers are:

**January: 7, 9, 11, 14, 15, 22, 24, 29, 30, 31**

Remember, we ask that each family volunteer two days during the year so that we can ensure the students have a safe student environment at lunchtime. Ideally we have two volunteers per day. If you are available between 11:05 am-12:40 pm (M,T,Th,F) or 11:25 am - 12:50 p.m. on Wednesdays, we would greatly appreciate your help. Parent Patrol is one of the best opportunities to volunteer on campus and we need your help.

All available shifts for the remainder of the year are posted at <https://sites.google.com/site/foothillmiddleschoolpfa/parent-patrol>. Any date that doesn't have two names filled in is a date when we could use your help. Please take a look at your schedules and email the Parent Patrol coordinator at [mesunbury@yahoo.com](mailto:mesunbury@yahoo.com) with any dates you are available.

Thanks to all those parents who have already volunteered so far this year. If you are available to pick up an additional shift, it would be greatly appreciated.

## Monterey/San Jose Science Trip, February 11, 2013

**Registration is open for the trip in February.** The bi-annual Monterey/San Jose Day Science Trip is open for registration. The next trip is scheduled for Monday February 11, 2013. Details are available at <http://www.monroescienceed.com/field-trips/monterey> or see Mr. Monroe in B-7.

## Sports Basement Funds Foothill

Mention "Foothill" each time you make a purchase at Sports Basement to receive a 10% discount and a portion of your purchase goes to Foothill PFA! Use your discount on purchases and rentals!

## Northgate High School News:

### See the World Through European Eyes! Enrichment & Lifelong Learning Opportunity for Northgate Families!

**Program dates: March 7 - 20**

See your world through European eyes as you share your American culture with an Austrian high school student! An English class from a high school in Vienna is coming to Walnut Creek on an English Language Immersion Program for two weeks in March. While they are here, the students will be staying with host families to practice their English and immerse themselves in our culture. **We are looking for Northgate families to host one of these Austrian students!**

**Program Details:** The students are 15-17, all speak English very well and bring their own spending money. Working parents are fine, because the students participate in planned group activities each weekday, including two days of shadowing at Northgate! Families provide a shared or private room, meals, and transportation to and from the weekday activities in Walnut Creek. Carpooling is available. This is an amazing opportunity to have a friend in Austria to visit someday!

Please contact Sheila Larson at [sheila@educulture.com](mailto:sheila@educulture.com) or **510-847-0716** for more information or to sign up for this incredible adventure!

## CRAB FEED - Buy Tickets Now!

**Time to get your 2013 calendars out and get the evening of Saturday, January 19th penciled in.**

The Annual Crab Feed, sponsored by your Northgate Athletic Boosters, is on schedule for that date and, as usual, will be an event to remember. Call your friends, order your tickets, and get ready for good wine and food, fabulous auction items, dancing and great adult company. Please know that this event sold out two weeks early last year, so get your ticket order in as soon as possible.

You can find the Crab Feed Ticket form by going to <http://www.northgatebroncos.org/page/show/355497-bronco-boosters-club>.

If you are interested in buying a raffle ticket for the Captain's Table at the same time, please include an additional \$20 for each raffle chance in your ticket order and make a note on your order. Your raffle stubs will be included in your program when you arrive at the event.

We are currently looking for wine donations for our fine wine bar. If you can donate a bottle with a value of \$20 or higher please deliver it to Lisa Pauling at 66 Meadow Walk Place in Walnut Creek. There will be a cooler on her doorstep where you can leave the bottle with your name and value of the bottle if possible.



# WOODLANDS POLICE CALLS

*Thank you to Kathy Master  
for compiling this report from the WCPD website*



The following information is taken from the Police Daily Bulletin as posted for public viewing on the Walnut Creek Police Department's website. The entire Walnut Creek police daily bulletin can be viewed at: [www.walnut-creek.org/citygov/depts/police/bulletin.asp](http://www.walnut-creek.org/citygov/depts/police/bulletin.asp). Some issues of the Woodlands Newsletter may include only a portion of the monthly police activity in our neighborhood, as available print-space varies from issue to issue.

12-37903 11/16/12 16:06:00 Service to Citizen 3200 block Sugarberry Lane. Solicitors selling alarm systems. Subjects are tall white male adult in blue shirt and short Asian in blue shirt. Dispo: Subjects have a permit.

12-38457 11/20/12 19:02:04 911 Hangup 300 block Peppertree Road. Dispo: Reached a female who was reporting her son had not returned from bookstore in Concord. RP will contact Concord PD for an area check.

12-38491 11/21/12 05:48:20 911 Hangup 3600 block Sugarberry Lane. Dispo: Medical

12-38865 11/24/12 00:51:08 Noise Complaint 400 block Peppertree Road. Loud music from neighboring home. Dispo: Quiet on arrival.

12-38870 11/24/12 01:08:12 Service to Citizen 300 block Peppertree Road. Husband left on foot after dispute. He is depressed. RP worried he may hurt himself, though no threat actually made. Subject's physical and clothing descriptions provided. Dispo: RP did not desire a report at this time. Advice given. Unable to locate on area check.

12-39111 11/25/12 23:01:38 Service to Citizen 400 block Rock Oak Road. Fight between male and female, associated with white Mitsubishi Sports car. Vehicle left northbound on Rock Oak Road. Dispo: Contacted both subjects and determined verbal argument only. Advice given.

12-39137 11/26/12 08:44:18 Fraud Attempt 2200 block Oak Grove Road. RP in Southern California received a call from Walnut Creek Chase Bank regarding someone attempted to compromise her account by using false identification. Phone call requested and returned. Dispo: Nothing compromised.

12-39352 11/28/12 02:55:55 Service to Citizen 500 block Persimmon Road. Four loud booms heard in the last 10 minutes, sounded like they were coming from the outside. RP would like contact. Dispo: Source of noise gone on arrival. Contacted RP and area check was negative. No signs of any crime.

12-39368 11/28/12 08:28:47 Theft 3300 block Peachwillow Lane. RP states gas siphoned from Chevy Astrovan during the night. Gas cap was left off. Dispo: Occurred between 11/27/12 at 1700 hours and 11/28/12 at 0800 hours. Loss: About 5 gallons of gas.

12-39782 12/01/12 20:45:01 Service to Citizen 600 block Banyan Lane. Subjects vandalizing neighbor's Christmas decorations across from RP. Dispo: Determined juveniles unplugged decorations on the front lawn. No damage or crime. Unable to locate subjects upon area check.

12-40159 12/04/12 17:19:33 Service to Citizen 400 block Persimmon Road. Two males selling solar panels. One described as wearing jeans and a plaid shirt, and carrying a clipboard. He was persistent and rude with the RP when she told him she wasn't interested. Last seen 2 minutes ago, northbound on Persimmon. Dispo: Area checked, unable to locate subjects.

12-40229 12/05/12 11:00:27 Suspicious Circumstance Bayberry Drive / Rock Oak Road. Dispo: Suspicious vehicle check

12-40247 12/05/12 15:08:48 Theft 2200 block Oak Grove Road. RP was sitting in his vehicle when the driver a white SUV opened up his back hatch and stole a leather bag. Subject was described as a skinny white male adult in his late 20's or early 30's, wearing an oversized suit. Left in an unknown direction of travel on Oak Grove Road. Dispo: Theft

12-40504 12/07/12 15:55:13 Suspicious Circumstance 2200 block Oak Grove Road. Female panhandler with a child is reportedly hassling customers. Subject refused to leave when asked. Subject is described as a 27 year-old female wearing a white shirt and gray sweats. Dispo: Gone on arrival, unable to locate.

12-40517 12/07/12 17:49:26 Suspicious Circumstance 3000 block Citrus Circle. White male adult is dumpster-diving in the corner of the lot, on the left-hand side of the entrance. He is associated with a blue Dodge truck. Dispo: Gone on arrival, unable to locate.

# Changes in the Woodlands Board

With the election of President Justin Wedel to Walnut Creek City Council, Woodlands Board Vice President Arsen Kitch has been nominated to President, and Adrienne Robillard was nominated to the role of Vice President. Adrienne started her involvement with The Woodlands Association in March of 2012 when she took on the role of newsletter coordinator and she looks forward to her new responsibilities. Deanna Constable has recently joined the Board as newsletter coordinator and we welcome her to the team.

## Kudos to Kathy Master

For over three years, Kathy Master has submitted the Woodlands Police Calls content for the newsletter each month, keeping residents up to date on the police activity and concerns in the neighborhood. We want to thank her for her timely and consistent contribution to The Woodlands.

## New Woodlands Webmaster

James Goudy is a Woodlands resident, Valle Verde parent, and co-owner of Aviamedia, a business consulting, social media, and web development company located in downtown Walnut Creek. James and his family love the Woodlands neighborhood, finding it to be a perfect balance of relaxed living, open spaces and natural scenery, great schools, and wonderful neighbors and friends. James appreciates the opportunity to apply his design and web/social media skills for the Woodlands Association, in support of our neighborhood.

## New Board Member—Deanna Constable

Deanna Constable, our new Newsletter Coordinator, moved to the Woodlands in 2008. She has her Master of Science degree in Library Science and Bachelor of Arts degree in English with a Speech Communications minor. While an undergraduate student, Deanna traveled the country to participate in competitive public speaking events and won several national awards. She lives with her husband, her beautiful Pomeranian dog, and three naughty comical cats. In addition to being a longtime hospice volunteer, Deanna also has a growing interest in water and energy conservation and loves the open space areas around the Woodlands, especially the water canal systems. She is looking forward to becoming a more active member of our Woodlands community.

*By: The Woodlands Board*

# Cabana Club Membership Committee Members & Webmaster Needed

*By Joanne Wathen*

The Woodlands Cabana Club celebrated its 50th anniversary this year and we have the opportunity to reinvent and revamp the Club to meet the needs of Woodlands' families. While in recent years membership has steadily declined, the Cabana Club Board has worked diligently to keep the Cabana Club open. Now the Board is looking for community input on how to increase membership and create a club that people want to belong to.

With that goal in mind, the Cabana Club board is forming a **Membership Committee**. Committee members will be responsible for growing membership and developing new strategies for letting people know what a great facility we have in our neighborhood.

The Cabana Club website is an integral part of marketing our club and we are looking for a **Webmaster** to help maintain [www.woodlandscabanaclub.org](http://www.woodlandscabanaclub.org). In order for our club to

thrive, it is important that the information on the site is current and accurate. If you have Joomla and/or general web design experience and are interested in maintaining the site, please contact us.

Currently the majority of Cabana Club income comes from membership dues. Unfortunately, the costs of running the facility are always increasing. As a board, we have worked very hard to find ways to save money so that fees do not have to be raised. We must increase membership to continue to maintain the club and have funds for future improvements. Help us make your club a better place for everyone! If you are interested in helping please send an email to: [woodlandscabanaclub@gmail.com](mailto:woodlandscabanaclub@gmail.com).

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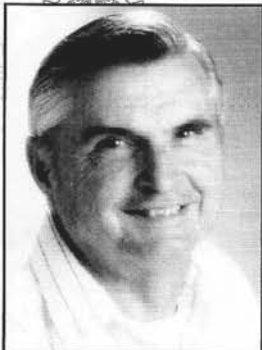
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