



The Woodlands GRAPEVINE

JULY 2017

Eat, Drink, and be Merry! 2017 Wine Tasting was Great Fun for All.....by Amy Yazzetta

HOA members and their guests thoroughly enjoyed the third annual wine tasting event hosted by Verdugo Woodlands West Homeowners Association. Jeff Zimmitti, owner of Rosso Wine Shop in Montrose, poured wonderful wines he selected especially for our event. Attendees were treated to an array of appetizers and some were the lucky winners of fabulous door prizes! Thank you to Curtis and Mirna Stanley for hosting the event in their fabulous back yard!



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President's Message

I began tackling this article in June when this crazy heat wave began, (everyone thought it was an anomaly) and here we are in July with basically no end in sight for a while. That translates to a couple things: keep a watchful eye on our dry hillsides and on our pets; they need to stay hydrated...as do we!

Thankfully, the heat was tolerable for our annual Wine Tasting held June 17th. We are indebted to event chairs Julie Jaross and Amy Yazzetta for planning such a successful event and securing Jeff Zimmitti, owner of Rosso Wine Shop in Montrose, who shared his knowledge with our wine enthusiasts. Being a purist, my choice of beverage was Champagne! It's always so nice to relax and visit with so many wonderful neighbors, and you are wonderful! Our gratitude to our amazing Board members, who brought / prepared terrific and tasty appetizers; thanks everyone!

So, on to our next get together: National Night Out on Tuesday, August 1 from 6-8 pm at the Catalina Verdugo Adobe. You are hereby ordered to attend and bring a non-HOA member / neighbor and introduce them to us and what we do. This year, Amy Yazzetta has arranged for our food truck, Slanging Corea, serving fresh Korean fusion food. They come highly recommended, having served Glendale Adventist Hospital for Nurses Week. I'm told they serve a great vegetarian burrito, so there's something for everyone. Check out their website for menu selections: slangingcorea.com. We're also hosting a repeat performance of the popular ice cream truck from last year, Shaved Ice. They have good products and good service. Thank you, Ara Hoonanian for arranging this. AND, The Subs will be revisiting us; they were so popular last year. I'm told that one of our firefighters, with permission of Fire Chief Greg Fish who visited us, joined The Subs in singing *Brown Eyed Girl*. I can't

believe I missed that, but we're sure hoping for a repeat this year. Dana Poag is busy arranging for our Welcome tables, resource and membership tables and posting our National Night Out signs throughout the Woodlands.

On the "what's happened lately" front, I had the "pleasure" of sitting through a six-hour City Council meeting for an appeal by HOA members and the neighborhood, to a Design Review approval on Colina Drive. This was a 7-year ordeal and totally unnecessary (my opinion). Understandably, the City Council, wanted to see a resolution but unfortunately, tried to please both sides. A denial with clear direction would have been far better. The Council unanimously concluded that a reduction in square footage and constructing a wall to preclude views of down slope properties would be appropriate. Mind you, this will all be carried out between staff and the property owner with no public input or participation by the appellants. What on earth happened to campaign promises of transparency? I ask this with full knowledge that the mayor, who lives in the Woodlands, is reading this.

I'll conclude on a high note, anticipating August 1 when we'll next visit. Be sure and bring your Woodland sprites with you; there's lots for them.

Mirna Stanley
President

Our Mission Statement:

To preserve the low-profile, single-family characteristics and the aesthetics which are unique to the Verdugo Woodlands; and to provide a forum for discussion of civic issues which may directly affect the Verdugo Woodlands

FYI

A Neighborhood isn't devalued overnight. It happens gradually...

Trash cans: City law prohibits placement of trash cans at curbside earlier than 5 pm the evening before collection, (that would be 5 pm on **Thursday** for us). Cans at curbside on Tuesday or Wednesday is waaaaaay too soon! Adding to that situation, you might notice the increasing number of trash cans still at curbside until the weekend or later. Such bad habits affect property values and are insensitive to other property owners who maintain their properties.

Bulky items: If you need to discard furniture, old yard equipment, mattresses, refrigerators (doors must be removed) and other stuff, the City has a wonderful **free** Bulky Item pick-up service, **but it isn't automatic. You must call** at least three weekdays before your collection day...no later than Tuesday morning: **548-3916**. Or, fill-out a request online @ www.glendaleca.gov, click on Online Services and then Bulky Item pick up. Place your items separately from your regular trash no earlier than 7 pm on Thursday. It's really disappointing to see homeowners leave a myriad of items at curbside with a "free" message. Doing so encourages scavengers and is amazingly detrimental to our neighborhoods.

Thanks neighbors!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Representing **Wabasso Way** and **El Rito**:
Martha Sensel and Joel Schwartz, Karen Breau and Don Fischer

Thanks for your support and we hope to see you soon in the neighborhood at one of our events!



Presented by our HOA at the Annual Memorial Day Observance

...and I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free.



Here it comes! National Night Out 2017 Verdugo Woodlands Style!



Tuesday, August 1, 6 pm - 8 pm
Catalina Verdugo Adobe, 2211 Bonita Drive



Everyone welcome!

The National Night Out movement began in 1984 as a means to encourage neighbors to gather and partner with local law enforcement to make their communities safer. This will be the third year that Verdugo Woodlands West HOA participates in this nation-wide celebration and we're proud to say it has become a highly anticipated annual event. Scheduled for your enjoyment:

- Slanging Corea food truck serving Korean fusion: tacos, rice bowls, burgers, vegetable dumplings, etc.
- Shaved Ice and Ice Cream truck with incredible selections; ice cream sandwiches, various toppings, etc.
- Jeanine Anderson, who will delight our Woodland sprites with bracelets, necklaces, etc. made from twisted balloons.
- The Subs trio, back by popular demand, singing all those tunes you grew up with.
- Tour the Catalina Verdugo Adobe at 7 pm. (tours added if necessary)
- Meet our police and fire department personnel (maybe even the Police and Fire Chiefs)!
- Police patrol car, motorcycles, fire truck
- Resource table

Can't think of a better way to spend a summer evening; see you on August 1!

We ask that you please leave your pets at home for this event. They'll love it when you return!



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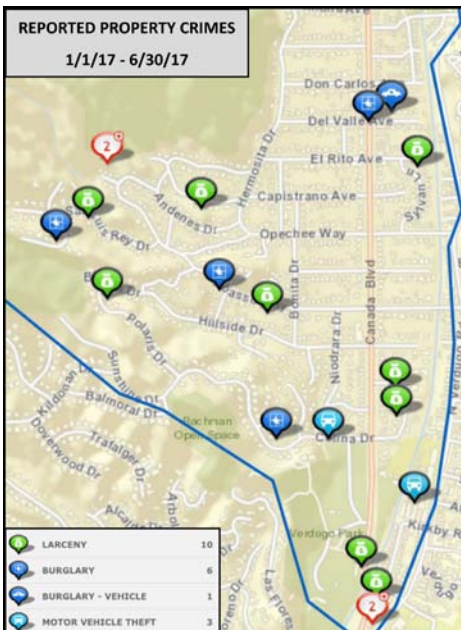
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Verdugo Woodlands West

REPORTED PROPERTY CRIMES - 1/1/17 - 6/30/17



Report #	Incident Type	Location	Report Date	Notes
170000071	BURGLARY	1500-BLK CANADA BLVD	1/3/17	COMMERCIAL BURGLARY
170000561	PETTY THEFT	1300-BLK SELVAS PL	1/12/17	PACKAGE THEFT FROM PORCH
170002617	GRAND THEFT	1500-BLK CANADA BLVD	2/20/17	THEFT OF PLANTS
170002792	PETTY THEFT	1700-BLK EL RITO AV	2/23/17	MISC. THEFT
170003936	PETTY THEFT	1800-BLK COLINA DR	3/15/17	THEFT FROM UNLOCKED VEHICLE
170003905	PETTY THEFT	1800-BLK COLINA DR	3/15/17	THEFT FROM UNLOCKED VEHICLE
170003978	BURGLARY	2000-BLK SIERRA PL	3/16/17	RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY - WINDOW FORCE ENTRY
170004495	BURGLARY	2200-BLK VIA SALDIVAR	3/25/17	RESIDENTIAL GARAGE BURGLARY
170004679	BURGLARY	CANADA BLVD/DEL VALLE AV	3/29/17	COMMERCIAL BURGLARY
170004751	BURGLARY	1500-BLK CANADA BLVD	3/30/17	COMMERCIAL BURGLARY
170004757	STOLEN VEHICLE	1300-BLK SELVAS PL	3/30/17	STOLEN VEHICLE
170004936	STOLEN VEHICLE	COLINA DR / NIODRARA DR	4/2/17	STOLEN MOTORCYCLE
170005155	BURGLARY	1500-BLK SUNSHINE DR	4/6/17	RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY - REAR SLIDER SMASH
170006479	STOLEN VEHICLE	1700-BLK N VERDUGO RD	5/1/17	STOLEN VEHICLE
170006557	PETTY THEFT	1900-BLK POLARIS DR	5/2/17	MAIL THEFT
170007616	GRAND THEFT	1600-BLK CANADA BLVD	5/23/17	GRAND THEFT FROM PARK/BALL FIELD
170008191	GRAND THEFT	1200-BLK SAN LUIS REY DR	6/4/17	GRAND THEFT FROM RESIDENCE
170008841	PETTY THEFT	1400-BLK CAPISTRANO AV	6/15/17	PACKAGE THEFT FROM PORCH
170008911	PETTY THEFT	1500-BLK WABASSO WY	6/16/17	PACKAGE THEFT FROM PORCH
170009491	BURG AUTO	1700-BLK DEL VALLE AV	6/28/17	VEHICLE BURGLARY - WORK VAN - LOCK PUNCH ENTRY

