



Chapman Woods Call

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Chapman Woods Association
INVITES YOU TO A FALL WINE TASTING

Sunday, September 19, 5:30 p.m.
3644 San Pasqual

A Guest Speaker Will Do a Fun/Educational Tasting
with Hors D'Oeuvres to Accompany the Wine
\$30 Per Person \$35 at the Door

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Resident Artists are Encouraged
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"There's no limit to what can be accomplished when you don't worry about who gets credit." This team-first philosophy propelled the legendary football coach Vince Lombardy's Green Bay Packers to record championships and stardom. And it particularly characterizes this year's CWA board; this group has worked as a beautiful and cohesive team, for the improvement of our community.

Half way through this Board's term, here is what is happening:

Social: The two family-oriented events that have thus far taken place were tremendous successes. Each event featured newer, family-oriented themes and entertainment. Thanks to the larger than expected turnouts, both generated enough revenue to cover virtually all expenses! More importantly, many people were participating either for the first time, or for the first in a long time. Kudos to vibrant, enthusiastic Social VP Kary Radestock and her gallant, dedicated teams for terrific jobs.

Treasurer: Financial reporting has finally become a standardized, easily monitored, routine process for the Board, thanks to dedicated Treasurer Maria D'Amario's tireless work. Her tenacious effort in continually revising the Financial Guidelines will

help assure smoother transition for subsequent Treasurers as well.

Call: New articles and greater resident participation appear with every issue, thanks to innovative Editor Sharon Giannotta and committed Publishers Noreen Cruz and Paul Arenas.

Advertising: Revenues are nearly double this time last year as more and more new advertisers support our newsletter. Loretta Hoffman has been tremendously energetic with her solicitation efforts.

Zoning: Go-getter Dimitri Chamieh has not only been a valuable partner in our Rosemead/Kohl's efforts, but he is in the process of tackling long-standing issues such as the Motorcycle shop and graffiti.

Filming: Revenues continue to tack near that of last year's record levels, thanks to the expert stewardship of savvy Dick Patton.

Membership Improvements: In an effort to vastly improve the CWA Membership experience, look for recommendations on a complete re-vamp in a future issue. Many thanks to our Outreach Committee, comprised of energetic, detail-oriented

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Membership Director Carolyn Lee, Neighborhood Watch/Wow Representative Corinne Bergmann, Block Rep Chair Nancy Freeman, and Loretta Hoffman.

Board Transition: Challenged to help smooth future Board transitions, Maria D'Amario and Secretary Ann Rike have worked diligently to assemble specific recommendations for improvement. Look for their thoughtful comments in upcoming announcements.

Web Site: We have changed hosting services in hopes of enhancing our capabilities and resolving technical issues. The site will allow the Board to more frequently communicate with residents, encourage community activities and promote our heritage. Be sure to visit the site frequently as we often update the contents, and feel free to give us your suggestions for improvement.

Many other residents have helped but the list is too long to mention.

Regarding our on-going efforts to improve the conditions on Rosemead:

Rosemead Relinquishment: SB 1375 has just passed the CA Assembly by an overwhelming 66-1 vote! The lone dissenter, Todd Spitzer, represents the 71st District which covers portions of Orange, San Bernardino and Riverside Counties between the Pomona Freeway and San Juan Capistrano. Now that the bill has passed both Houses, on it's way to hopefully be signed by Governor Schwarzenegger, Senator Scott's office is asking residents to again show our support. **Enclosed in this Call is a form letter. Please complete, date, sign and forward to the Governor's office.**

Cal Trans: Independent of SB 1375, negotiations have continued between Cal Trans and LA County regarding the relinquishment. It should be noted that Cal Trans has already been allocated funds to facilitate relinquishments of state roads to local authorities. Thus money is there, independent of the State's budget squabbles. We will keep you posted as these discussions progress.

Kohl's & Clearman's: Following intense negotiations with the CWA and Michillinda Associations, there is now discussion of establishing an escrow

account that would help fund Rosemead improvements. This is a breakthrough; again, we will keep you posted.

Supervisor Antonovich: We are in the process of seeking a meeting with Mr. Antonovich himself, as well as with other Supervisors, to present our neighborhood's concerns over the Kohl's development and Rosemead conditions.

Public EIR Hearings: If not by mid-November, then early next year we expect these to begin. It will be important to have strong resident attendance. Again, we will keep you posted.

Addendum: Earlier this week I again had the pleasure of speaking with Women of the Woods (WOW). As the group disbursed, a few of the women lingered and were eager to show me a petite, fancy silk-like pouch. It contained several small toiletry items like those my wife scolds me for swiping from hotels we visit. They described how WOW was assembling these bags for homeless women at Union Station. And once again I was touched at being reminded of the kind, generous spirit that pervades our neighborhood. It's a caring that we are fortunate to see on our Board, in WOW and in the hearts of neighbors. Beyond the beautiful, forest-like setting that we enjoy daily, isn't this part of what truly defines the spirit of Chapman Woods?

Mitch Kauffmann, President

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