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# BELWOOD BELLRINGER

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## 2007 Board of Directors

President	Jim Bowen 209-3196
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Director	Behnam Ahmadian 356-5276
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Director	Tom Sandoval 358-3680
Director	Scott Sullivan 356-3503
Facility Mgr	Gina Wagner 358-2229

## EDITOR'S NOTE - by Charlene Border

Thanks to all residents who have provided email addresses with your annual dues. The email addresses are necessary as home delivery of the Bellringer newsletter will end with this December 2007 issue. Beginning with the March 2008 issue, the newsletter will be distributed to homeowners by email and Ecopies will be on our Belwood website: [www.belwoodhomes.org](http://www.belwoodhomes.org)

Hardcopies will be available at the Cabana club as usual. Other important Belwood news that must reach you in a more timely manner will also be sent by email.

\*\*\*\*\**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE*\*\*\*\*\* By Jim Bowen

This year is drawing to an end and it seems that it has flown by again. Your Board and many of our neighbors put together a great 2007. Our fantastic Belwood Dolphins took 1<sup>st</sup> place again in a superb effort from our great Belwood swimmers.

The Cabana Swim Staff put on a first class 4<sup>th</sup> of July party for all of us. Movie nights and Bingo Rich were a summer highlight. Finally our scariest Halloween capped off the season of Cabana activities.

The Board has been busy this year clarifying Cabana rules, Homeowner Association Regulations and building a long term financial plan that will keep our Cabana Association strong and growing for many years. We have just completed the elections and our new Board for 2008 is announced inside this newsletter.

Remember that we are a volunteer organization and all of the activities require the efforts of all the members of our community to have the programs that we do. Thank you to all for a successful 2007.

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### **NEED HELP?**

Belwood Residents  
Free advice to solve home repair,  
maintenance or improvement  
problems.  
Call: Roy Chadwick  
356-5431

### **BEACH HOUSE:**

Aptos Beach House, spacious  
3BR/2 bath, short walk to Rio Del  
Mar/Seacliff Beach. Available year-  
round for monthly, weekly, mid-  
week, weekend rental. Call Sheryl  
at 408-348-3237

### **KAUAI CONDO:**

Kapaa Kauai Hawaii Condo for rent.  
Located in the Pono Kai Resort on  
the East Shore Coconut coast.  
2BR/2 bath on ground floor, facing  
beach. Full kitchen, dining and  
living rooms. Sleeps 6. Swimming  
pool, clubhouse, close to shopping.  
\$165/night.  
Call: Sal Leonardi 356-5205

### **OAHU LUXURY TOWNHOME:**

Fabulous, newly furnished Oahu  
townhome for rent. 3 BR, 3 BA +  
den, 1700+ square feet, 5 min  
walk to beach in the luxurious  
Coconut Plantation in Ko Olina.  
Perfect for families. See our  
website for pictures, details and  
contact info:  
<http://www.koolinahome.com>.

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within Belwood

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### **MONTHLY EVENTS**

**Belwood Homeowners Board Mtg:** Open to all Belwood members - Cabana  
Club - 7:30 pm, third Tues. of the month unless a change is posted on the  
bulletin board.

**Santa Clara Valley Mineral /Gem Society:** Fourth Tues. of the month.  
Please call Kathy McChristian (**Junior Pgm.**) 258-8400 or Margaret Norten  
(**Adult Pgm.**) 356-8254

**Schedule Cabana Club:**  
Gina Wagner 358-2229

**The next newsletter** will be emailed in March 2008. Articles must be to  
Charlene Border no later than Feb 28<sup>th</sup> . [cnborder@comcast.net](mailto:cnborder@comcast.net) 408-358-  
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Dear Neighbors,

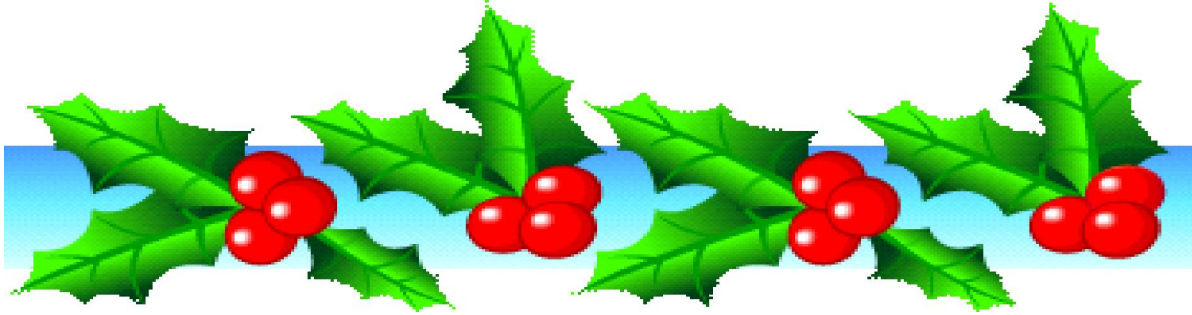
Please be informed on the morning of **November 27<sup>th</sup> at approximately 7:45am, a Hispanic male with short dark hair and a medium build broke into the Johnson house at 228 Bacigalupi Drive. He broke through 2 locked doors with dead bolts.** Rick arrived at the residence and found himself face to face with the burglar. The burglar ran for his vehicle a **Blue Plymouth Voyager Mini Van with California License plates 5LVR691 which side swiped Rick's truck upon his escape. If you have any information about this event, the burglar described or the vehicle, please contact me directly or the Los Gatos police department.**

**Thankfully nobody was hurt and the burglar did not steal anything. In the past Belwood has been a safe neighborhood. Let's all work together to keep it that way. I urge everyone to be on the look out and report any suspicious activity to the Los Gatos Police Department at 408-354-8600.**

### **Gutters, Roof, Plumbing,**

You name it! I have a list of workmen who can help you. Call Gail Bordi  
408-356-8647 or email [gailbordi@yahoo.com](mailto:gailbordi@yahoo.com)





**Come to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Belwood  
Post Christmas, Pre-New Years  
New Years Eve - Eve, Cabana Party!!**

**Saturday December 29<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 PM to Midnight!!**

**No Host Party, B.Y.O.B**

Music, Friends and Fun.

**(Things to Bring)**

Your Favorite Finger Foods

Names A - L, Something Sweet

Names M- Z, Something "not" Sweet

If anyone has a Patio Heater, It would be Great to use it.

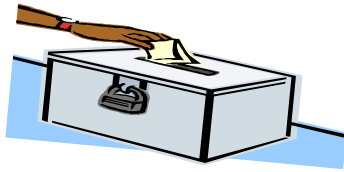
Open to All Belwood Neighbors and Friends (Adult Only!!!)

It's All Free, Just Friends Getting Together for a Year End Party.

Question or Comments Call the Cabana Club 408-358-2229

2008 Board of Directors Election





The annual election of members for the Board of Directors was held. Ballots were sent out on October 16th. Returned ballots were tallied at the November 20th meeting of the board of directors. There were eight candidates on the ballot for the nine board positions. There were also a number of write-in votes.

As a result of the tally, the 2008 Board of Directors will be: Behnam Ahmadian, John Bills, Jim Bowen, Roy Chadwick, Todd Harris, Dave Klenske, Josh Lamour, Ed Sharpe, and Scott Sullivan. Officers will be selected at the January board meeting. Thank you to all association members who cast their votes. Thank you to the board members for volunteering.

The board of nine members is responsible for oversight of facility maintenance, supervision of employees, and financial planning and tracking. Board members participate in a monthly meeting and may spend a modest amount of time outside of the meeting.

Being a board member is a great way to get involved and make a valuable contribution to the Belwood community. No experience is necessary. If you would like to become a candidate for the 2009 Board of Directors, please contact the board secretary or any board member before October 1, 2008. Another way to contribute is to help out with cabana activities. Contact any board member (or specific event coordinators) if interested.



### Swim Team News

Although the air is chilly and the Holidays are on everyone's mind, we have started planning for the 2008 Belwood Swim Team season. The Dolphins will be returning as defending League Champs, so it's sure to be another exciting season.

The team is open to Belwood residents between the ages of 5-18 and all levels of swimmers are encouraged to join. It's a great way to get involved in the neighborhood and a fun way to get to know your neighbors. Sign-ups for Belwood residents will be in early March and registration materials will be online in February ([www.belwooddolphins.com](http://www.belwooddolphins.com)) .

For any questions you may have about the team, please contact Jackie Sandoval ([jackiefs@comcast.net](mailto:jackiefs@comcast.net)) or Aengus Linehan ([aenguslinehan2000@yahoo.com](mailto:aenguslinehan2000@yahoo.com)). Please note that the website is currently unavailable and won't likely be up until the end of January. For specific questions about when the website will be back up, please contact Mark Scannell ([mark@scannell.net](mailto:mark@scannell.net)).

## Treasurer's Report - Dave Klenske

Happy Holidays! As the last Bellringer of the year, I'll try to keep the treasurer report brief.

The October mailing to members consisted of the approved budget, collection policy, reserve study, and lots of financial information. It is the largest mailing to members, and will become an annual event to ensure compliance with laws. Most of the financial information I would normally address was more than covered in those documents.

One item that needs to be mentioned is the collections policy. As mentioned in the financial package, we have the responsibility to collect all of the dues from members. Most of the outstanding accounts either paid up or requested a payment plan, which the board of directors has the option to provide. Unfortunately, a few homeowners with delinquent accounts were sent to collections.

As far as the 2007 treasury priorities are concerned, the scorecard looks good:

- Investing cash and reserves into FDIC insured interest bearing accounts- COMPLETE
- Setting up a financial audit as required in the by-laws- COMPLETE
- Finding a new bookkeeper for the association-COMplete
- Ensuring compliance with new state laws- COMPLETE

In other words, it was a very busy and productive year!

As always, we welcome homeowner participation so please feel free to contact me or come to a board meeting if you have any questions or want to become more involved!

I hope you and your families have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Thanks,

Dave Klenske

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