## BELWOOD BELLRINGER

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#### EDITOR'S NOTE - by Charlene Border

This marks the first issue of Email delivery of the Belwood Bellringer! Ecopies will be on our Belwood website: <a href="https://www.belwoodhomes.org">www.belwoodhomes.org</a>

Hardcopies will be available at the Cabana club as usual.

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

We are all looking forward to a great 2008 year at the Cabana Club. We are busy making plans for our Summer activities. We hope to have more BINGO and movie nights and a lot of picnic parties. The Belwood Dolphins swim team is getting ready for another great season and we're all looking forward to it.

May 17 will kick off with the "Yard and Bake Sale". This will give you all a chance to do your "Spring" cleaning and make a profit doing it. Look for the details inside this newsletter.

We are working on getting an "Event Calendar" up on our website at <a href="https://www.belwoodhomes.org">www.belwoodhomes.org</a> for this coming summer to help keep you informed on what's happening at your Cabana Club. You can also go to our website to download the current Belringer Newsletter. Remember we are going to electronic distribution of the Belringer to your email addresses this year. We will also try to have more communication on special events in the neighborhood via email to you. So to allow this communication be sure we have your email. Send your emails to Charlene Border at <a href="mailto:cnborder@comcast.net">cnborder@comcast.net</a>

We want to welcome our two new Board members, Todd Harris and Josh Lamour and thank them for volunteering to help guide the future of our Cabana Club. We would like to give special thanks to our two departing members Tom Sandoval, with many years of service on the Board and Tom Martin for great support this past year.

Just a reminder, we are fully volunteer organization and it takes a lot of people to make things happen at the Cabana Club. We will be reaching out to our neighbors again this year to help organize our activities throughout the Summer. If you have any thoughts on new activities that you think might be great for the Cabana Club, let your board know.

#### **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

#### **NOTARY SERVICES**

By appointment- no travel fees within Belwood, \$10 per signature per document (according to CA fee schedule)

Georgia Ricco Home: 358-3482 Cell: 206-1978 thericcos@comcast.net

#### **FREE Metal Recycling**

408-235-9800

Appliances, Engine Blocks, Wire. Any Metal, Free Pickup and Hauling S.L. Ross Transport and Salvage

#### **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 Tuesday of the month.

Please call Kathy McChristian (**Junior Pgm.**) 258-8400 or

Margaret Norten (**Adult Pgm.**) 356-8254

#### **OTHER NEWS:**

#### **Schedule Cabana Club:**

Gina Wagner 358-2229

#### **Gutters, Roof, Plumbing, Tree Trimming,**

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

#### **2008 Annual Member Meeting**

Pursuant to the bylaws, the 2008 annual meeting of the association will be held at 8:00 o'clock PM on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Tuesday of May at the Cabana (May 20<sup>th</sup>). The agenda will include introduction of board members, review of board goals for 2008, review of association finances, and facility status and plans for 2008.

#### Free E-waste day at Mulberry School, 220 Belgatos Rd.

Mulberry School will be having a free E-waste recycling day on Saturday, March  $15^{th}$  from 9 – 4. Families are encouraged to bring their E-waste by that day. All funds raised will go towards the school's activities fund. Information on the company providing the services can be found at www.aslewastedropoff.com .

<u>The next newsletter</u> will be emailed in June 2008. Articles must be to Charlene Border no later than May 29<sup>th</sup> cnborder@comcast.net

#### Treasurer's Report - Dave Klenske

As I write this, February is coming to a close and Belwood Dolphins signup is just a few weeks away.

The new board of directors is in place, and we are working hard to have a productive year. We started 2008 off on great financial footing. Our reserve funds are about \$111K, probably the highest they have ever been. We are investing that money in FDIC insured CDs to earn the highest rate of interest we can while keeping the funds in the safest financial instruments. Most of our homeowners are paying on time, and our budget is sound for 2008.

Projects we're considering for 2008 include parking lot repairs and painting the inside of the cabana.

My 2008 priorities as treasurer are:

- Change from cash flow to accrual based accounting- Mandated by state law
- Intelligently invest annual operating funds in CDs to maximize investment return
- Have books audited by independent accounting firm as required by our By-Laws

It is my goal to have our homeowners organization be financial sound and compliant with all state laws.

If you have ANY questions, I encourage you to come to a board meeting or contact me directly. Our annual meeting is in May, so I hope to see some of you there.

Thanks,

Dave Klenske

Treasurer, Belwood Homeowners Association (408) 356-9768 dave@klenske.com





### 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Belwood Yard and Bake Sale

**Saturday, May 17, 2008** 

7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Empty your drawers and clean your closets!! No donation is too small.

Your junk is someone elses treasure!

Start now to set your % easures + aside.

If you dond have anything to sell, come to buy!

This is the same weekend as the Los Gatos Town Garage sale - guaranteed crowd.

## Help raise money for more improvements on the Cabana Club. Call Ann Comey to sign up NOW: 408-356-5700

#### Here is how it works:

- 1. **Donate your unwanted "treasures"** to Belwood and wedl sell them. Bring your items Friday, 5/16/06, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm to the Belwood Cabana Club (call Ann if you need to arrange another time). Wedl do the rest. Its your donations that help make this event successful. If you need help moving big items be sure to call and wedl see if we can help.
- 2. You can rent a 15' x 15' space at the Cabana Club for the low price of \$15.00 and you sell your own things from 7:00 am . 4:00 pm keeping all of the money. Be at the Cabana Club at 6:00 am Saturday morning or, better yet, do your set up on Friday night after 6:00 pm. Bring blankets or a tarp and/or tables to set your items on since the grass will be wet in the morning. People start arriving early on Saturday so its best to be ready. Bring sunscreen, a chair, a sack lunch, and have lots of change. We will do all of the advertising in the newspaper and hanging out of the signs (trust me, its a lot of work). What items arend sold will need to be hauled away by you. We will have a dumpster and if you want to put your left over and unsold items in it, you can pay according to how much you want to toss (\$30-\$40).
- 3. **Donate cookies, cupcakes, pies, muffins, donuts**, etc. Wrap or box them so they can be sold. Bring them Friday night or Saturday morning. This has REALLY been a great fundraiser for us.

#### We need people to help with:

- Selling donated items in two-hour shifts from 7:00 am . 4:00 pm.
- Organizing Friday night from 6:00 to 9:00 (you get first dibs on stuff). We need lots of help with this part!!
- Selling baked goods, drinks, candy, and coffee on Saturday.
- Clean up from 3:30 pm to about 4:00 pm.

**LOW PRICE** (\$15.00) so you don't have to haul away your unsold items

Dumpster on-site! - We ask for small \$\$ donation to offset cost

# **Call to reserve your space: 408-356-5700**