



# Kent Woodlands Journal

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The monthly newsletter of the Kent Woodlands Property Owners Association

## President's Note

Hello, Everybody. What a sad loss — Mark Lesley, the splendid owner of our neighborhood Ambrosia Restaurant. He lost his battle with cancer, working right to the end.

Ambrosia was a wonderful restaurant with a grand family atmosphere. A friendly face would always greet you at the door, and often it would be Mark's. He made you feel like family being right at home. Often he would already know what to serve you without even asking. He brought the business up from pizza parlor status to a full-blown, delicious Italian restaurant with a vast menu, and a wine selection next to none. His wide variety of conversation was always interesting, personal and delightful. He was part of the glue that united our community.

We all knew and worried about his illness and thought he had won it over. He kept it hidden from us as it returned with a rage. Our hearts go out to his staff who gave us such great and friendly service, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family for their immense loss. We shall all miss a great man, who gave his all to our community. God bless you, Mark. You were a once-in-a-lifetime friend to all of us. We all will miss you terribly and hope to see you again when it's our turn.

— Barry Evergettis, President

## License Plate Reader Cameras

At the April 28th regular board meeting, the Board voted to move forward with installing License Plate Reader (LPR) cameras at the entrance to Kent Woodlands, based on the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Security Committee. The Sheriff Deputy has confirmed that LPRs are an effective tool to assist law enforcement, and that the presence of LPRs may act as a crime deterrent. However, since LPRs alone aren't expected to eliminate crime in our neighborhood, the Sheriff Deputy also stressed the importance of homeowners taking steps to better secure their own property, including installing home surveillance cameras.

The Board's vote is conditional upon several things, such as identifying the total costs of such a camera system, including the newly identified costs which will be imposed by Marin County for data storage and management. The Board will also look into the availability of our current CSA-17 fund, which is a parcel tax on all residents of Kent Woodlands for safety and security, as a source of funding for LPRs. Any cost not covered by the CSA-17 fund would be paid by KWPOA.

To ensure that all have had their opinions heard by the Board, if you haven't sent us your thoughts, pro or con, about the installation of LPRs at the entrance, we ask you to do so now. Send an email to [info@kwpoa.com](mailto:info@kwpoa.com) or mail a letter to KWPOA Board, 1010 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., #200, Kentfield, CA 94904. Your comments need to be received by 5:00 pm on May 15, 2016.

# Sheriff's Report

The following is a recap of Sheriff's activity in Kent Woodlands during the month of March 2016:

Vacation Homes	5 Homes
Alarm Activations	23 Activations
911 Hang-up Calls	1 Incident
Assist Citizen Calls	1 Call
Suspicious Circumstance	3 Incidents
Welfare Check Requested	1 Request
Assist Fire Dept./Medical Calls	4 Incidents
Civil Papers Served	1 Incident
Theft/Grand	1 Incident
Fraud/Identity Theft	4 Incidents
Burglary/Residential	1 Incident
Lost Property	1 Incident

## Traffic/Vehicle Related Matters

Traffic Stops	3 Stops
Suspicious Vehicles	2 Vehicles
Vehicle Abatement/Abandonment	2 Vehicles
Parking Citations	2 Citations

— Submitted by Deputy Glenn Hincee

**Editors Note:** We recently received word that Deputy Hincee has re-retired as of April 28th after patrolling the Kent Woodlands neighborhood for many years. We wish him well and offer our thanks for his service!

## Book Club

The Neighborhood Book Club meets at Woodlands Cafe at 9:00 a.m. Newcomers welcome!

**May 12th:** *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson

**June 9:** *The Secret History of Wonder Woman* by Jill Lepore

Questions: LMellberg@gmail.com



## Home Fire Safety Tip

Here is your safety tip for the month:

### PUT A LID ON IT!

How many times while cooking you became distracted and alas, a pot on the stove is burning or is actually on fire!

What should you do? Put a lid on it! It will immediately snuff

the fire out! Never never never throw water on it, as that will cause a huge fire ball in your kitchen, possibly burning you or someone close by. Additionally, you will smoke out your house, get soot on the ceiling and drapes, and set off all your smoke alarms!

So let's start over: you have a fire on the stove! First, turn off the burner! Second, put a lid on it! If no lid is available, third throw baking soda on it, or fourth use a fire extinguisher, or fifth move the burning pot outside! All in that order. But never, never, never throw water on it!

Follow those rules and all will end well! The least problem is scrubbing out the pot and starting over! The worst problem is a house fire and you or your loved ones going to the hospital burn unit!

So remember to PUT A LID ON IT!

— Fire Safety Committee

In any fire or police emergency, always dial

# 911!

NON-EMERGENCY SHERIFF CONTACT NUMBER:

415-479-2311

## **Architectural Applications: May 2016**

**Please note:** This newsletter is your **official notice** from the KWPOA regarding property improvements submitted for approval by the Architectural Committee. Please review this section very carefully as some planned development may affect you. Note that Architectural Committee actions are not final until ratified by the Board of Directors. Architectural Committee **Agendas** and **Results** are posted on our web site at [www.kwpoa.com](http://www.kwpoa.com) under "Design Review".

### ***THIS MONTH'S ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MEETINGS: May10, 2016***

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Property Address</b>	<b>Category/Project Description</b>
<b>New Applications for May</b>		
Gossett	1 Spring Road	C7: Changes to Approved Project
Molloy	636 Goodhill Road	C7: Changes to Approved Project
<b>Applications Approved in April</b>		
Schultz	135 Crown Road	C4: Significant Changes in Appearance
Cavalier	6 Woodland Place	C1: Solar Panels
<b>Applications Continued in April</b>		
Cussen	100 Goodhill Road	C1: Solar Panels
Hee	617 College Ave.	C1: Gate, Fence and Solar Panels
Su/Hsu	640 Goodhill Road	C3: Preliminary Review - third story addition
Estes	20 Evergreen Drive	C7: Changes to Approved Project
RMDG LLC	115 Woodland Road	C6: Teardown - Addition and renovation of existing home. Reduction of existing detached structure and addition of 3 car garage.
<b>Exempt Applications</b>		
Rafner	45 Ridgecrest Road	Tree Removal
Carbone	4 Spring	Tree Removal

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**ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE:** Jim Schafer (Chair), Anne Barr, Trina Lavigna, Bill Riley

**AC COORDINATOR:** Michael Barber

**MEETINGS:** Held at the KWPOA office at 1010 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., #200, Kentfield, CA on the **2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** To be noticed in the newsletter and placed on the agenda, **COMPLETE** applications must be received by the 21<sup>st</sup> of the preceding month (or the Friday prior if the 21<sup>st</sup> falls on a weekend or holiday). All calls concerning Architectural Committee matters should be directed to Michael Barber at the KWPOA office at 415-721-7429 or [mbarber@kwpoa.com](mailto:mbarber@kwpoa.com). Materials and applications may be mailed to P.O. Box 404, Kentfield 94914, or delivered to the office by appointment only.

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## Regular Board Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, May 26 - 6:00PM  
**Location:** 1010 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. #200

- Call to Order
- Public Comment
- Approval of April 28 Meeting Minutes
- AC Report and Ratifications
- Fire Safety Committee Report
- Security Committee Report
- Officer Reports
- County Update
- Administrator's Report
- Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda (June 23, 2016)
- Adjourn and Reconvene in Executive Session

### Executive Session Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Approval of April 28 minutes
- Litigation Report
- Personnel
- Adjournment

*(This is a preliminary agenda. Final agenda posted at office 96 hours prior to meeting)*

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