Chit Chat

News for Home and Living

APRIL/MAY 2014

We Wish You Enough

Thankfully, our mother is still with us, and we cherish our relationship with her every day. This Mother's Day, if you are a mother, a stepmother, a godmother, or even an aunt...

we Wish You Enough!

Recently, a mother said goodbye to her daughter at the airport. They hugged and the mother said, "I love you and I wish you enough."

After the daughter boarded the plane, the mother smiled and said, "That's a wish we say when we want someone to have a life filled with just enough good things to sustain them.

The mother recited the following words:

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I wish you enough sun to keep your attitude bright.I wish you enough rain to appreciate the sun more.I wish you enough happiness to keep your spirit alive.I wish you enough pain so that the smallest joys in life appear much bigger.

I wish you enough gain to satisfy your wanting. I wish you enough loss to appreciate all that you possess.

I wish you enough hellos to get you through the final good-bye.





It's a perfect time to pay tribute to all the moms out there who have done so much to help us grow into the people we are today!

Happy Mother's Day to our mom, pictured with us in 1973 and 2014!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

No one lists and sells more homes (for the past 17 years) in the historic Wood Streets neighborhood than "The Sister Team", your local Realtors!



\$115,000 — 4158 Larchwood Place
Build your custom dream home on this
wonderful vacant lot in the "Wood Streets"
with utilities already on the property.
Previous structure was torn down.
Lot size is 6,970 sq ft (.16/acre).



\$254,900 — 4080 Rosewood Place
"Wood Streets" 1923 Bungalow
with 2 bdrms, 1 bath, 1004 sq ft, fireplace,
central air/heat, indoor laundry, new carpeting
and flooring in kitchen/bathroom. Lowest
priced home in the heart of the Wood Streets!



\$299,900 — 4210 Highland Place
Charming 1940 "Wood Streets" Bungalow
with 3 bdrms, 2 full baths, approx 1300 sq ft,
with brand new wood floors, new int/ext paint,
central air/heat, granite kitchen counters,
indoor laundry, and large 2-car detached garage!



\$319,900 — 4032 Maplewood Place
"Wood Streets" 1956 ranch with 3 bdrms, 2 baths, over 1600 sq ft, original hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen with stainless steel appliances, fireplace, central air/heat, indoor laundry, huge yard (.22/acre), RV parking & 2-car garage!

Allow our experience and knowledge to benefit you, whether you're selling or buying!! Not only have we lived in this neighborhood for 25 years, but we work and play here too!



\$325,000 — 4755 Oakwood Place
1951 "Wood Streets" home with 4 bdrms,
2 baths, approx 1,900 sq ft
with hardwood floors, central air/heat,
indoor laundry, and spacious pool-size
backyard (9583 sq ft) and 2-car detached garage!



\$369,900 — 3762 Elmwood Court
"Wood Streets" 1936 cottage has been in the same loving family for 50+ years! 3 bdrms, 1.5 baths, with almost 1800 sq ft, hardwood floors, fireplace, central air/heat, indoor laundry, new paint, 2-car garage and alley access!



\$379,900 — 5270 Kendall Street
Spacious 1958 ranch with 5 bdrms, 3 baths,
approx 1850 sq ft, central air/heat, formal living rm,
fireplace and vaulted ceiling in family room,
large family kitchen, inground pool with slide,
2-car garage and covered carport on corner lot!



\$539,900 — 5426 Brockton Avenue
Built in 1913, this "Wood Streets" Craftsman
boasts 4 bdrms, 4 baths, with addition of permitted
family room, brings total sq ft to approx 3900!
Pool-size double lot (9,199 + 10,019 = .44/acre)
plus RV and multi-car parking!

Welcome New Clients!

Friends Referring Friends:

A great referral is when you introduce someone you care about, to someone you trust...

David and Karen Henry

Tom and Joanne Hershey

Rebecca Lasell

Jim and Lu Morrison

Scott/Debbie Mossman (past and treasured clients)

Mary Jo Skillings-Belding

Mark Smith and Catharine Wall

Brian Sorrell (referred by Patrick Baker, Realtor)

We love giving recognition to our new friends and our wonderful existing clients who are kind enough to refer their friends and relatives to us.

Absolutely NO ONE sells more homes in The Wood Streets neighborhood than "The Sister Team"!!

we **LIVE** in the neighborhood, we **WORK** in the neighborhood, we **KNOW** the neighborhood, we **SELL** the neighborhood!!!

www.TheSisterTeam.com

April/May Quiz Question

What does an apiculturist study?

Everyone (any age) responding by calling or e-mailing us with the correct answer will be entered into a drawing for:

a \$25 VISA gift card to use wherever you like, just like cash!



Drawing to be held on 5/30/2014

Jan/Feb Quiz Answer

Question: What is an otter's home called?

Answer: An otter's den is called a holt or a couch. A group of otters is sometimes called a lodge, family, romp, or when in water, a raft.

Congratulations to **Priscilla Delgado**

Your name was selected at random from all of the correct quiz entries and you'll receive a \$25 VISA gift card!

The Pet Page

Preparing Your Pets for Flea/Tick Season

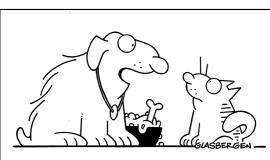
It's time to start thinking about all the ways to protect your pets. Due to our mild winter, experts say bugs are already showing up earlier than usual and some predict they will be worse this summer. You can either start applying a flea/tick control medicine once a month if you don't do it all year, or you can work to prevent pests naturally.

Instead of reaching for expensive chemical pesticides, consider using natural products that are not only a safer option for your pets but are also easy on your budget.

- 1) **Prevent fleas naturally, and cheaply** Sure you can find numerous flea shampoos on the market but an excellent way to kill fleas is just to use your dog's regular shampoo. When you soap up your dog, leave the shampoo on a minute or two extra to help smother the fleas. Also, it helps if you can have your dog sit in the tub of water; many fleas congregate around the tail area, and by sitting in the tub, they'll drown.
- 2) Wash your pet's bedding One very low cost way to control fleas in your home is to wash your pet's bedding every week (or more frequently during peak flea periods). Adding apple cider vinegar to the rinse is an inexpensive way to discourage new fleas. A consistent cleaning schedule will disrupt the flea life cycle and reduce the number of adult fleas that will reside on your pet.



- 3) **Remove fleas from your house** Once you end the day's vacuuming, be sure to change your vacuum bags, or even better, use a bagless vacuum that you empty in the outdoor trash after each use.
- 4) **Use diatomaceous earth** One of the safest ways to treat your yard is the application of diatomaceous earth (often just called DE). DE, which is available at garden centers, is crushed rock that contains the fossilized remains of diatoms, an algae. The hard-shelled algae grates against the fleas and kills them mechanically, not chemically. Just sprinkle the DE in areas of the yard where fleas are likely to congregate, but wear a filter mask when spreading the fine powder and keep your pets inside while treating the yard.
- 5) Use beneficial nematodes These are microscopic round worms that are safe for your family and pets. Along



"My fleas moved out. They found a dog with more closet space."

with fleas, nematodes kill weevils, grubs, corn borers, and other vegetable garden pests. The nematodes are microscopic so you won't see them; you'll purchase them on a small sponge (costing about \$15-\$20) which contains about one million live nematodes, enough for about 3,000 square feet of yard space. After soaking the sponge in water, you'll spray the yard with the mixture.

With a little extra thought, you can keep your yard and home free from pests — and free for you and your pets to enjoy a fun, safe summer together!

Neighborhood News



"The Sister Team" did such a great job describing my home in their newsletter, that I've decided to keep it!

23rd Annual
Old Riverside Foundation

VINTAGE HOME TOUR & RESTORATION FAIRE

Saturday, May 17, 2014 ~ 10 am to 5 pm

Each year, Old Riverside Foundation features fine examples of the many styles of architecture prevalent in Riverside at the height of its prosperity. Different homes are open each year to give visitors a glimpse into the lives of Riversiders from different eras.

Tickets: \$18 (pre-sale) \$20 (day of tour) For more information, please go to www.oldriverside.org or call (951) 683-2725



May is National Bike Month



The League of American Bicyclists established May as National Bike Month in 1956.

People are encouraged to embrace cycling as both a form of exercise and as a mode of transportation. By utilizing cycling as a way to get to work, employees can improve their health and the environment by reducing vehicle miles travelled. As part of National Bike Month, the week of May 12-16 has been designated as Bike to Work Week, and May 16 is Bike to Work Day.

You can participate in the National Bike Challenge by visiting www.NationalBikeChallenge.org.

Do you Know about GMO?

A genetically modified organism (GMO) is an organism whose genetic material has been altered using genetic engineering techniques, a process much different than hybridization.

Labeling of GMO products is required in 64 countries, but not in the United States.

Join the March Against Monsanto, a global call to action aimed at informing the public, calling into question long-term health risks of GMO foods and demanding that GMO products be labeled so that consumers can make informed decisions.

The march begins at the Riverside Historic Courthouse (4080 Main Street)

May 24, 2014 at 10 a.m.

Please visit www.nongmoproject.org and www.facebook.com/LabelGMOsIE

Neighbors of the Wood Streets Association (NOWS)

NOWS belongs to YOU (the Wood Streets residents). It is a fantastic resource for neighborhood and citywide information and news. If you're unable to attend the meetings, which are held every

other month on the **3rd Thursday** at **6:30 p.m.** at the RCC Alumni House at 3564 Ramona Drive, then please sign up to be on the email monthly newsletter list at nowsnews1@gmail.com



so you can be kept informed of guest speakers and other upcoming agenda. The next meeting is Thursday, **May 15th**, 2014.







Tara and April Glatzel are the #1 Realtors at Re/Max Partners. Annual Awards Presentation — top agents off to Hawaii again! Aloha!

We have been with Re/Max Partners for 25 years and have always been in the top five, but finally made it to the #1 spot in 2013 and couldn't have accomplished this without the loyal support from our past and present clients!

We thank our exceptionally loyal clientele, which is comprised of personal referrals and repeat business from 25 years in real estate, as well as our continued marketing and neighborhood involvement on both a personal and professional level.



California Drought

For a while, California's real estate market seemed like it was dried up, but on a serious note, 2013 closed as the driest year in recorded history for many areas of California, and the severe drought is continuing in 2014.

On January 17, 2014, Governor Brown declared a drought state of emergency and asked that all Californians redouble their efforts to conserve water. February and March storms slightly boosted

water deliveries; however, Californians have been called on to voluntarily reduce their water usage by 20 percent. The California Water Action Plan has laid out goals and vision for the next five years. For instance, making conservation a California way of life; increase regional self-reliance and integrated water management across all levels of government; protect and restore important ecosystems, etc. We all must do our part. *Please conserve water!*







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Happy 12th Birthday, Chit Chat!

This 8-page Chit Chat newsletter, that we have been personally writing and distributing door-to-door to over 2,100 homes every issue, is celebrating its 12th birthday!!

For those of you who have not been in the neighborhood as long as us, you'll be surprised to know that we were delivering real estate tips, sales stats, American flags, and lots of goodies (candy, note pads, calendars, etc.) for more than 5 years *before* the inception of the Chit Chat; that means we've been a **real estate presence** in this neighborhood for **17 years**!

No other Realtors come close to our success here. Absolutely no one lists *and* sells more homes in the Wood Streets than "The Sister Team". This is due to our full-time and long-term commitment to the real estate industry (25 years), our knowledge of the Southern California real estate market, and our personal involvement with every single transaction.

Not only do we live here and work here, but we ride our bikes and take walks throughout this amazing and wonderful neighborhood!

