

Los Trancos Woods & Vista Verde Newsletter – October & November 2021

Radio Round-up, or rather Wrap-up

LTW/VV held the first all household Emergency Radio Day event back on August 17th. It was a great success with 37% of available households participating. A big THANK YOU to everyone who participated, and I hope you were able to learn some valuable tips on radio communication. We would always like that percentage to increase, so if you have not purchased your FRS (walkie talkie) radio yet, please do. It will be the way we communicate to each other in emergencies, such as, when the power goes out and the phone and internet lines are not working.

These 4 different Motorola T4xx have been tested and work very well in the Woods and VV. We recommend any of the following radios:



Submitted by Marc Levaggi, LTW Radio Coordinator.

Renting Just Got More Interesting

Rent a car, rent a Halloween costume, rent an apartment - why not rent a Christmas tree? Turns out there is a company that is doing just that service with live potted trees. Take your pick of 4 kinds of trees in different sizes. They deliver and pick up, you enjoy! Have a green Christmas this year with a living tree instead of a dead one. https://rentxmastree.com/

Information shared by Karin Halverson

Coming Your Way Soon!

We are gearing up to publish the new 2022-23 Community Resource Guide with all the latest on Emergency Preparedness, new Vista Verde map, updated directory of the neighborhood, and even the Coal Mine Ridge Open Space hiking map. What more could you ask for? Well, we are asking for you to contact your Group Leader to give them your current information on household names, address, phone numbers (adults only), email addresses (adults only), children's names and month and year birthdates. Now, who is your Group Leader? For Vista Verde, look at page 12; for Los Trancos Woods, look at pages 17-23 in your current Community Resource Guide. Heavens to Betsy, you can't locate your current guide! Then contact Bea Garsh, for VV or Linda Drey-Nightingale, for LTW for your info.

Submitted by your 2022-23 CRG Team

More Road Work

The County of San Mateo has contracted with Graniterock Company to perform the slipout repair on Alpine Road downhill from Joaquin Road. The project is scheduled to begin **September 30th, and continue through October 15th**. Work hours will be between 8:00 AM & 4:00 PM. During this time, Alpine Road will be closed to thru traffic, bicyclists, and pedestrians. Only emergency personnel and vehicles will be allowed through the construction area to handle any emergencies.

Information submitted by Amanda Lee

Neighborhood Notes

- Gene Hunner has no rainfall data to report for August and September.
- **Kayla Smernoff** is off to Howard University in Washington, D.C., where she is studying Journalisms and Communications. Congratulations, Kayla!
- Our new neighbor, Lysanna, 113 Foxwood, works at USGS as a Paleoecologist. She has lots of interests including hiking, weaving and fiber arts, and especially cooking. We've got to get back to our yearly community picnics so we can try out some of her dishes. Her daughter, Ayisah is a freshman at Pitzer College. Welcome, Lysanna! It's great to have you as part of the neighborhood.
- If you folks are willing to pay for a **VHS recycling drive**, we can run one. It will generally cost \$1 per 2 tapes at Green Citizen. They are very reputable and will do the right thing with the tapes, so they don't end up in the landfill or polluting villages in third world countries where they are dismantled. One person is needed to help coordinate.

2020-21 Community Resource Guide

If you have any changes to the listings please contact Linda at dreynight@aol.com.

Community Associations' Web Sites

<u>Web site addresses are:</u> http://lostrancoswoods.org/ http://www.vistaverdepv.org To subscribe to group e-mail lists: vvltw+subscribe@groups.io VistaVerdeCommunityAssoc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

Thank you, Jerry Jensen & Rob Kalman for maintaining web sites