



HWSA President Cindy Jensen

Hi Neighbors,

As always there seems to be a lot going on in this great city of ours, and this Spring is no exception. I hope you have taken advantage of the different forums in town that have invited the different candidates who are running for Mayor in the upcoming election to speak on issues that are important to them and hopefully us. It is always better it seems to see them up close and personal to help us decide which candidate would do the best job as Mayor.

The City has been inviting all residents to come to meetings and share what they are looking for in a Downtown Library. The Santa Ana River Trust has also put on a series of workshops for citizens to ask questions and share what they are looking for in this arena as well. The citizens have spoken: they want the River back in Riverside.

Now you have an opportunity to express your feelings and concerns about the Redistricting of the Ward boundaries at our next HWSA business meeting. Colleen Nicol from the City Clerk's office will do a presentation on redistricting. This is what I know so far. It is planned for all Wards. The City Council has agreed to have one to three meetings in each Ward on the subject. They will then take the suggestions and comments from those meetings and draw new lines. The State regulation requires that each Ward be within 5% in populous and be diverse in the makeup of the district. Ward Four must shed about 16,000 residents. It is the fastest-growing Ward, and currently the largest both geographically and by population. The idea is that each Ward is to be equal in representation of the citizens in each neighborhood. I urge you to come out and be heard and be informed. The opinions of each of you are welcome and important and should be counted. I hope to see you on May 5th for our meeting and Potluck Celebration. ☺

Cindy Jensen, HWSA President

Bonaminio Park Community Garden

Pat Silvestri – Wood Streets Green Team

PLANNING PROGRESSES FOR THE COMMUNITY GARDEN AT BONAMINIO PARK

Planning for the large community garden at the new park has continued with new talents added to the leadership pool. The garden, which we're still calling "TEQUESQUITE COMUNNITY

GARDEN," is becoming more focused in our plans. We now have a plan which we can use with the Parks Department to prepare for the implementation and building phase.

The garden site will now include a buffer zone of riparian woodland on the western border of the garden which will include some fruit trees that can add to our orchard production. Because of this requirement to add the riparian woodland, the Parks Department has agreed to extend the boundaries of the garden to the south and to the north so that we will continue to have about 1.2 ACRES FOR CROPS.

With the help of Kevin Hauser, who grows apple trees for export, we are now beginning to focus on the varieties, numbers and placement of the trees for our orchard. Almost 50% of the garden space will be used for orchards which will surround the vegetable plots.

At our last planning meeting a group met to begin work on the Rules and Regulations for the garden. This group is led by Charles Slaughter, who has been actively involved with our planning effort from the beginning. This group will develop the guidelines for gardeners and will produce a set of documents such as bylaws, rules and applications, which will be used to manage the garden. This group will work closely with the Parks Department, which will need to approve the documents before the garden is planted. Since this is the first garden in a city park, these documents can be resources to be used for future gardens in the city.

As the planning process moves closer to the implementation phase (i.e., actually building the garden), we will need more volunteers to help. We will have several work groups such as the Rules and Regs Team, Irrigation and Orchard Team, Materials and Resources Team, Volunteer Recruitment Team, etc., to work on specific tasks that are needed.

Interested neighbors are encouraged to contact either Pat Silvestri (silvestri.pat@gmail.com) or Marilyn Morris (mjmorris2006@sbcglobal.net) to volunteer to help. Planning meetings are being held on the first Wednesday of each month as well as at other times that will be convenient to the participants. OUR NEXT SCHEDULED PLANNING MEETING IS MAY 2, 7 PM AT THE RCC ALUMNI HOUSE.

This is our neighborhood garden and is a place where we can all grow. Help us to make this a real community effort. <http://woodstreetsgreenteam.ning.com>

Historic Wood Streets Assn

President: Cindy Jensen	248-9209	Vice President: Andy Bryant	784-6815	Newsletter, Email Notices:	Office of Neighborhoods	826-5195
Secretary: Chris Jensen	248-9209	Treasurer: Ursula Vogelsang	328-0160	Judy Mahoney 788-9310	Preferential Parking:	826-5366
chrisjen28@sbcglobal.net		Hospitality: Terri Donnelly	686-2090	WoodStreets@aol.com	Police non-emergency:	787-7911 or 311

Street Light Replacement Project

The City's Public Utilities Street Light and Luminaire Replacement Project

The City of Riverside Public Utilities Department is about to implement their street light capital-improvement project in the Historic Wood Streets.

The Historic Wood Streets District will be the first neighborhood in the city to get the new street lights and luminaires. The existing street lights standards were not built with proper foundations and the electrical system is not up to today's modern electrical specifications. You can see many of them lean to one side and some with power line running directly to them as they were cut into the old system.

Currently there are 243 lighting standards within the Historic Wood Streets District. Atop the standards are three styles of luminaires; Globes, Acorn, and Town & Country. Additionally there are three styles of standards; Ionic concrete, Corsican concrete, Kodiak concrete and fiberglass poles. (Illustrations to follow.)

The project will rework the foundations, conduit and wiring to keep 41 Corsican Style standards and 2 Ionic Style standards and then replace the luminaires on them with the new Acorn style. The total of this portion of the project is 43 street lights.

The project will replace the remaining 200 street lights in the district with 159 new Kodiak Style standards with the new Acorn luminaires. That means that the project will actually remove 41 street lights. By placing the street lights in a "zigzag" pattern along the streets the project will provide more evenly distributed light patterns.

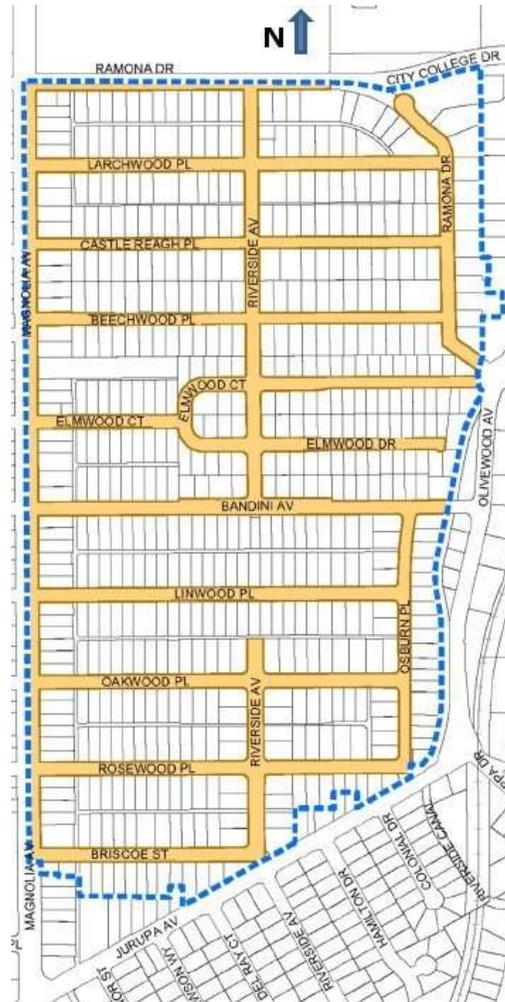
The use of LED light bulbs combined with the lower number of street lights will result in economic savings while providing better light coverage on the streets for better security in our neighborhood as well.

Examples of three light standards in the area:



The following photos show the new Kodiak style light standard and the Acorn style luminaire.

PROPOSED KODIAK STANDARD & ACORN



The Historic Wood Streets covered by this project is shown above inside the blue dotted line. (continued on p. 3)

Treasurer's Report

The balance as of March 31, 2012 is \$617.51. Your voluntary dues (suggested \$12 per year) help offset costs of newsletter, meetings and events such as National Night Out and BBQ. Payable to HWSA, c/o 3581 Elmwood Ct, Riverside 92506.

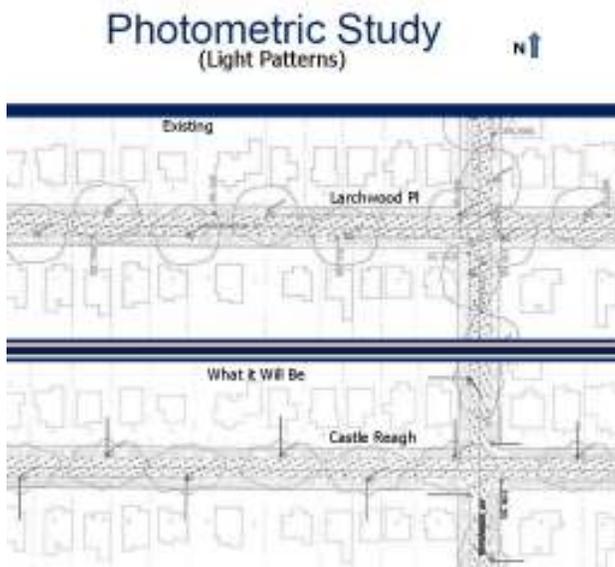
To receive updates, let us know who you are, your address and email. Contact Judy 788-9310 - WoodStreets@aol.com
Help defray HWSA costs: Suggested donation \$12 annually payable to HWSA, 3581 Elmwood Ct 92506

Street Lighting Project *(continued from p 2)*

Shown below are the before and after plans of each of the standards.



The next illustration compares the old light pattern to the new design light pattern.



The pattern of light coverage is illustrated by the “clouds” in the center stripe of each illustration. Existing patterns are in the upper portion of the illustration and the new patterns are in the lower portion.

Finally the light standard placement pattern compared to the existing is show below. The blue dots indicate the new standards’ position on the streets. Green, yellow and orange dots mark the current positions on the streets.



2012 Neighborhood Conference

Justin Scott-Coe, Riverside Neighborhood Partnership

June 2, 2012 • 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Downtown Riverside, Main Street

For more info, visit RiversideCa.gov/Neighborhoods/
(951) 826-5195 • E-mail: neighbor@riversideca.gov

This year’s theme: Celebrate Neighborhoods

- Neighborhood Organizing Workshops
- Interactive Booths
- Relationship Building
- Enhancing Social Capital
- Children’s Activities
- **New Location** - This year’s Neighborhood Conference is right in our back yard, Main Street, Downtown Riverside! Please come out and show local support for this wonderful event.
- **No Advanced Registration** - The first 300 guests to register at the conference will receive a meal ticket for lunch, so plan to get there early!
- **Support Downtown Businesses** - Please plan to visit not just the free booths and workshops but also the downtown businesses, and **Shop Downtown Riverside!**

3rd Annual Yard Sale April 28

It’s here! Are you ready? Thanks again to Rosemary and Larry Utesch for hosting the 2012 Annual Wood Streets Yard Sale. Recycle unwanted items, visit with neighbors, and make a little money! They’ll provide printed maps for buyers, yard signs, and the event will be broadly advertised. Call Rosemary today (951) 313-2823 or email uteschgroup@gmail.com.

February 4 Meeting

For minutes of the February 4 Quarterly HWSA meeting, contact WoodStreets@aol.com or call Judy 788-9310 or Chris 248- 9209.

Asian Citrus Psyllid

Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) is a pest that acts as a carrier or vector spreading a devastating disease of citrus trees.

Respect the internal state quarantine and do not move any fruit or plants from southern California to other parts of the state. (<http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/acp/>) For more information, see: www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/acp/, <http://www.rivcoag.org/opencms/quicklinks/ACP.html>, <http://ccpp.ucr.edu/news/HLB-ACPs-ANR-Educational-7-20-07.html>, and www.californiacitrusthreat.com

Calendar

- Sunday, April 22nd, 11 am - 4pm
RCC Community Garden, Four Wood Streets Homes
- Saturday, April 28, ANNUAL YARD SALE
Wood Streets – contact Rosemary Utesch, uteschgroup@gmail.com (951) 313-2823
- May 2 Green Team Planning Meeting, 7 PM
RCC Alumni House
- May 5 Quarterly HWSA Business Meeting –9 AM
Alumni House 3564 Ramona Dr
- Saturday June 2 – Annual Neighborhood Conference,
Main Street, Downtown Riverside
- August 7 – National Night Out and
HWSA Barbecue and Ice Cream Social
- November 3, HWSA Quarterly Business Meeting



Saturday, May 5, 9 AM - 11 AM

Quarterly HWSA Business Meeting and Cinco de Mayo Potluck

Alumni House – 3564 Ramona Dr

Coffee, tea and water will be provided

Bring food item to share if you wish!



RSVP Cindy 248-9209 or email Judy at WoodStreets@aol.com

Agenda:

- Colleen Nicol from City Clerk's Office: Ward Redistricting Presentation
- Ward 1 Field Representative Lynn Anderson for Mike Gardner
- Chris Jensen - PowerPoint on the new Historic Lighting
(from Stephen Badgett, Deputy General Manager, Public Utilities)
- Pat Silvestri, Wood Streets Green Team Report
- Justin Scott-Coe, RNP, 2012 Neighborhood Conference
- Door Prizes!