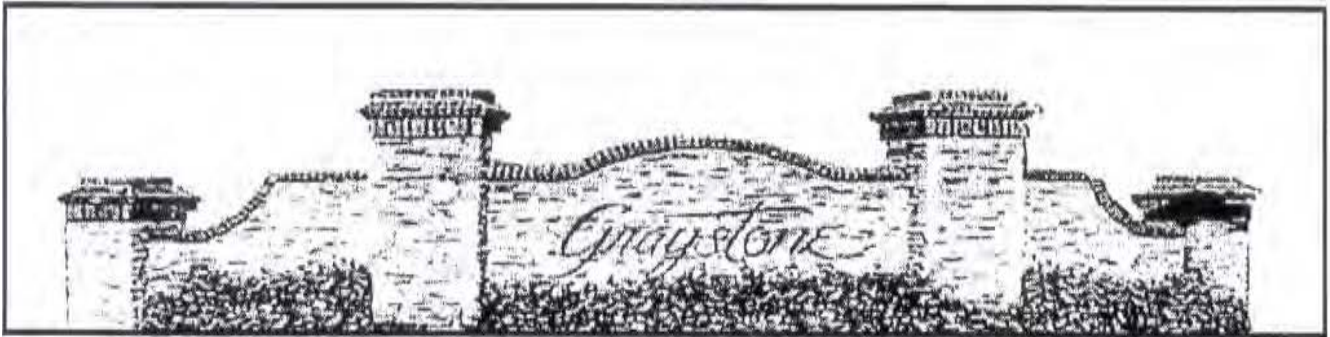


Graystone of Almaden

A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION



May 2005

2005 Annual Meeting

The Graystone Annual Meeting was held on Monday, May 2, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. at 6523 Deer Hollow Drive. At that meeting, your new Board of Directors was elected. Following are the names and positions of your new Board:

<i>Libby Zwilling</i>	<i>President</i>
<i>Scott Sherwood</i>	<i>Vice President</i>
<i>Ron Mak</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>
<i>Jeanine Smith</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
<i>Leslie Saviage</i>	<i>Social Events</i>

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincerest thanks to the out-going directors, Bob Plummer and Jim Sullivan.

Bob served on the board for two years and was a valuable asset to our community in keeping up the appearance of our neighborhood. Thanks for all you did, Bob.

Jim Sullivan leaves us after four years of being our Treasurer. Thank you so much, Jim, for all you did for our Graystone development. We will all miss you.

Annual Membership Drive

To date, we have 79 homeowners who have renewed their membership. We need to have the rest of you send in your dues as soon as possible. The dues are only \$80 a year – the best bargain around. You get a lot for your money in Graystone. With your dues, we are able to get the areas along Pfeiffer Ranch Road, Boulder Mountain Way and Stonehill Drive weed-whacked on a fairly regular basis, we have a 4th of July parade, a Halloween parade, the annual picnic, the progressive dinner, dumpster day, garage sale day, the newsletters and a neighborhood directory.

Please, please take a moment today to send in your \$80 check and mail it to: Graystone of Almaden, P.O. Box 41112, San Jose, CA 95160-1112.

*******4th of July Parade*******

The annual 4th of July Parade is just around the corner. We need volunteers to step up and agree to coordinate this event. Please

call **Leslie Savage** at 323-1004 to volunteer. Remember, we cannot have our children's events without you, our volunteers.

It's a Boy !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

As you have probably heard by now, our population has increased by two feet. We would like to congratulate **Rob** and **Terry Davis** on the arrival of their very handsome son, **Zachary**. Zachary was born on April 26 weighing in at 8.7 pounds. We all wish Rob, Terry and **Mackenzie** the very best with their new addition.



Zachary Davis

Dumpster Day

This year's dumpster day will be held on July 23. Mark your calendars. This year, as well as the dumpster, we will be having a hazardous waste pickup and the Goodwill truck. With regard to the hazardous waste program, if you will be bringing cans of paint, please make sure to combine as many partial cans into one as possible since we are charged by the can. Also regarding the paint cans, you may not be aware that there is a product sold at both Home Depot and Orchard Supply that will harden up to two-thirds of a gallon of paint. You dump the product in the paint, stir it around, and it hardens, thereby enabling you to simply dump the paint in your garbage can.

Items that cannot be placed in the dumpster are computer monitors and televisions. However, there is a new service available to those wishing to get rid of these items. It is a San Jose based company called ASL. There is no charge for this service and they will pick up the items. You can reach ASL by calling 1-877-279-0230. You can also drop off your items at 524 Brennan Street (north San Jose off Junction Avenue).

There will be a flyer giving all the details on dumpster day in early July. *Remember, you must be a paid-up member of the association in order to use the dumpster.*

2005-2006 Graystone Directory

I am currently working on the 2005-2006 neighborhood directory and will distribute it in a week or so. The directory is distributed only to paid up members of our association. Please take a minute to review the old directory and, if you have any changes, please e-mail me at libbyz@pacbell.net.

Graystone Speed Limit

This is a reminder that the speed limit in our neighborhood is 25 miles per hour. We are doing well for the most part but there are still a few drivers who seem to enjoy speeding down Pfeiffer Ranch Road. Please slow down for the safety of everyone. We have such a beautiful neighborhood – please take the time to drive slowly and enjoy all the flowers blooming in our yards.



Welcome New Neighbors

I would like to welcome a new family to Graystone, **Vicki and Gordon Fraser** and their son, **Mark** (7). The Fraser family moved here from the Silver Creek area. Vicki and Gordon are attorneys at the firm of Gordon G. Fraser Law Offices. They have moved to their new home at 6538 Graystone Meadow Circle. I know they have already met several neighbors and we hope to see the Frasers at our future events.

April 2005 Progressive Dinner

Our 8th annual progressive dinner was held on Saturday, April 23rd. There were 56 homeowners in attendance – our largest gathering so far.

Our first course, wine and cheese, was held at the home of **Jory Segal and Joel Mjolsness** in Graystone Meadow Circle. We all enjoyed a variety of cheeses from the Cheese Shop in Carmel.

We then proceeded to the main course at the home of **Bridget and Bob Singer** on Pfeiffer Ranch Road. I am especially grateful to Bridget for hosting this course since I asked her if she would volunteer to host while her home was still under construction! Yikes!!!! We had a fabulous variety of food to eat. We are so lucky to have so many great chefs in Graystone.

Our dessert course was at the home of **Lisa and Roger Scala** on Pfeiffer Ranch Road. The dessert selection was awesome!

A very special **THANK YOU** from all the attendees to our gracious hosts. It is a little daunting to have so many people in your home, but it is truly appreciated by everyone who came. Thank you also to all the attendees for providing such delicious food. I think we all had a great time catching up with and meeting new neighbors. Following are some pictures from the event.



Bob and Bridget Singer; Roger Scala



Julia Alloggiamento, Jim & Ravae Wilson, Tom Alloggiamento



Steve and Becky Smith, Marty Zwilling



Dan Hall, Don Smith, Mark Haaland



Dean and Charlotte Schoen, Diane Shirley



Russ Dietz, Scott Sherwood, Tim Vehling, Paul Lippi



Donna Myers and Gladys Bebla



Jeanine Smith, Libby Zwilling, Janice Rose



Satish and Candy Sharda



Ted Lusk and Scott Sherwood



Manuela & Litko Chan, Karen Sherwood, Mary Chea and Betsy Witherspoon



Karen Sherwood and Donna Miller



Valerie Haaland, Denise & Dan Hall

Graduating Seniors

For the past several years you have seen **Scott Powell's** tutoring ad in the Graystone Newsletter. Many of you have taken Scott up on this very valuable service and have been very pleased with the results.

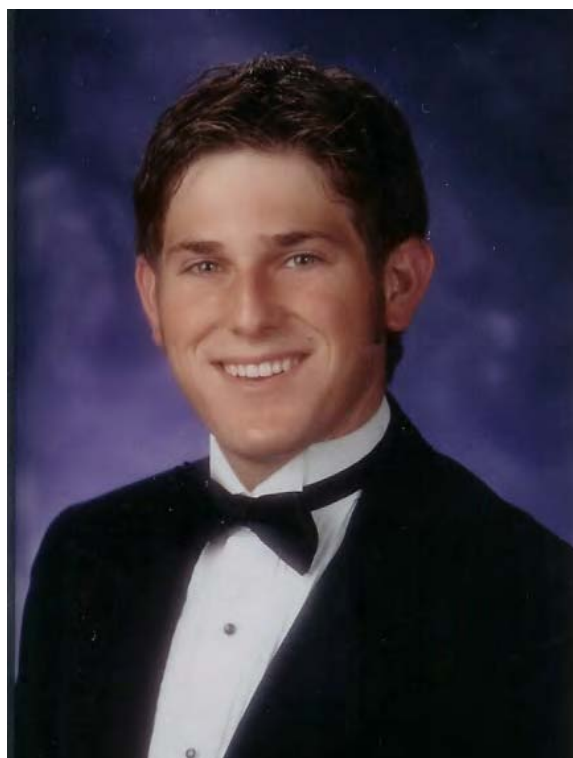
In September, we will lose Scott to UCLA. This will be his last ad for a while. We all wish you the best of luck, Scott. You have performed a great service for the children of Graystone.

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My name is **Scott Powell** and I live on Rocky Crest Drive. Many of you may have seen my advertisements for math tutoring in the neighborhood newsletter over the years.

As the school year draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that I will be offering tutoring for all grade levels, not only in math, but Spanish and science as well, over the summer. My summer schedule is open every day of the week at any time for your convenience. I would like to take on as many clients as possible before I head off to college at the end of September.

If you are interested in tutoring for your son or daughter over the summer, please contact me at 268-5305. I charge \$10 per hour. I look forward to hearing from you.



Nichole Clark is graduating from Saint Francis High School. Nichole will be attending Santa Clara University in the fall studying arts and science. She will also be playing volley ball for the University.



Adam Mjolsness is graduating from Leland High School. Adam will be attending one of our local community colleges in the fall studying general education.



Congratulations to all our Graystone graduates. We wish you much success.

Homeowner Ads

My name is **Lori Lippi** and I am a sales rep for the Longaberger Basket Company. These baskets are handcrafted hardwood maple baskets. Longaberger also has wrought iron items, pottery and more – items for your home, office and anything in between. If you are interested in finding out more about the Longaberger products, please call me at 927-7773 or e-mail me at lippi@sbcglobal.net.

Decorate for Less with ‘Cents & Sensibility’
Recently, I have enjoyed decorating a few bedrooms in the neighborhood, and I hope to continue this business. If you are interested

in having a room decorated or accenting a wall with a paint treatment, please call me, **Charlotte Schoen**, for a quote with very reasonable rates. My number is 268-1920. Following are some examples of the rooms I have redecorated:





If you need to have your car washed, you can call on Jose Manuel. He and his wife will come right to your home and do a hand wash on your vehicle for a reasonable charge. They do a great job. You can reach Jose at 781-3203.



Recommended Businesses

We are always looking for reliable contractors, businesses, handy-men that our homeowners have used and been happy with. If you would like to recommend someone, please let me know.

Helaine Green needed a handy man and contacted Chris McKenzie to do some work for her. She was very pleased with his work and would like to recommend him to our homeowners. Chris can be reached at 399-0555 or 921-2236.

