



THE ROLANDO PARK REPORTER

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MEETING & AGENDA

ROLANDO PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

WHEN: THURSDAY, December 13, 2007

WHERE: Rolando Park Elementary School
6620 Marlowe Drive

TIME: 7:00 pm

GUEST SPEAKER: Marti Emerald, Candidate
For City Council, District 7

Announcing Our First Annual Holiday Lighting Contest: “ROLANDO PARK AFTER DARK”

This year marks the beginning of our first-ever holiday lighting awards. Thanks to the generosity of some of our local merchants, the Executive Board will be choosing the Grand Prize winner For Best Overall Holiday Display, with the winner receiving a free \$50.00 gift certificate from The Dollar Tree Store. Additionally, four other neighborhood homes will be recipients of \$25.00 gift certificates for Stockdale's Restaurant, according to the following criteria:

1. Best Holiday Theme
2. Best Use of Lighting
3. Best Display of Color
4. Most Original

Naturally, currently-serving Rolando Park Board members and their immediate households, are not eligible. But everyone else within our geographic boundaries qualifies, so if you know of a particularly worthy home that we should consider, please call or email one of the Board members. We will be making the rounds to do the judging the weekend before Christmas.

Winners will be announced in the January Reporter. Good Luck!

Guest Speaker this Month: Candidate Marti Emerald

Marti Emerald is the former KGTV News 10 Consumer Advocate.

Ms. Emerald is one of the candidates running for City Council seat for District 7 in the upcoming elections. Join us at this month's Community Council Meeting to hear how Ms. Emerald plans to serve our city and community, if she is elected.

Holiday Home Safety Tips

Presented by the San Diego Police Department

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, *even if you will only be gone for a few minutes.*
- Don't put large displays of holiday gifts in view of your windows or doors.
- When going on trips or just out for the evening, use automatic timers to turn indoor lights on and off to make it appear you are home.
- Consider informing your neighbors if you will be away from your house for an extended period of time; ask them to watch your house and to collect your mail and newspapers.
- Immediately after Christmas, mark all new gifts with your California Driver's license or I.D. number.
- If you have house guests, familiarize them with your security precautions and make sure they follow them.

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Stockdale's December Special Coupon

(Valid through 12/31/2007)

Buy 1 DINNER entrée and get ½ off the price of a second entrée of equal or lesser value.

*10% off your total bill for Senior

Business of the Month: Stockdale's Fine Southern Cuisine, Alabama Style
by Yvonne Rogers

Rolando Park welcomes a wonderful restaurant to our neighborhood! It is called Stockdale's Fine Southern Cuisine, Alabama Style. It is family owned and operated by Karyes & Carol Stockdale.

Stockdales is located at 6523 University Ave. at the corner of Aragon Dr. and across from the Kroc Center. (It's right around the corner from Starbucks.) You can reach them at **(619) 265-1494**. Hours of operation are:

Monday	11 am - 8 pm
Tuesday	CLOSED
Wednesday & Thursday	11 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday	11 am - 10 pm
Sunday	12 noon - 8 pm

Stockdales offers **live jazz music** on Friday evenings and a delicious **all-you-can-eat fish dinner** on Monday nights. You might like to join them on a Sunday for their **Gospel Brunch**. The restaurant has a lovely atmosphere and seats approx. 100 people. **Catering services** are also available for your next big (or small!) party.

Prior to moving to Rolando Park, Stockdales had been located at 69th and Imperial for 4 ½ years. They officially became our neighbors when they opened their doors on July 1, 2007.

So take the time to pay them a visit, enjoy their warm hospitality and treat yourself to a delicious meal and you'll be glad you did!

Special note from Carol Stockdale:

Love Our Seniors Day - We'll soon be offering a senior appreciation deal. It's our way of saying thank you!

From everyone at Stockdale's ... Happy Holidays!

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Eastern Area Communities Planning Commission News by Rob Jewell

The EACPC meeting took place as scheduled on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7PM. The venue, however, had to be moved from Holy Cross Auditorium to the Oak Park Elementary School Auditorium. On the agenda was a presentation from The City of San Diego Planning Department, reports from our city council representatives, and an action for a vote on the proposed rooming house ordinance.

Most exciting was the announcement by our city planning representatives that the EACPC's voices will be heard on prioritizing many of the proposed projects awaiting completion in our area. Rolando Park residents interested in viewing information about the projects should contact me at our upcoming Rolando Park Community Council meeting. I would greatly appreciate the input from members of our community on how the voice of Rolando Park should be heard.

News from Madaffer's office was shared from his liaison, Marisa Luque. She assured the EACPC attendees that the Centerpoint project at 63rd and El Cajon Blvd, proposed by real estate developer JPI, is being closely followed by our councilmember. A community sub-committee may be established at the EACPC in order to give our community an opportunity to participate in the developments of the project.

As for the rooming house ordinance, which is designed to curtail mini-dorms: At our Rolando Park Community Council meeting, members had voted for our EACPC representatives to support the proposal, which was designed to disallow landlords of single family homes with 3 or more bedrooms to rent to tenants signing 3 or more separate leases. The EACPC votes were cast, and the communities voted 7 in favor, 1 against, with 3 abstentions for the ordinance. One week later, our city council took a harder look at the ordinance and decided to postpone its passage due to potential legal liabilities created by imperfections in the wording of the ordinance. Another proposal on the agenda was passed, limiting the number of adult occupants allowed to reside in single family homes to five. Single family homes with six or more adults will now have to apply for a "high occupancy permit" which will cost the residents \$1,000. These "high occupancy" single family homes will also have to make special parking allowances for the residents. If you have comments, concerns, or questions, please share them at the upcoming Rolando Park Community Council meeting.

See you there!

Holiday Home Safety Tips

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- Be sure any holiday decorations are child-proofed (secure trees, double check the safety of electrical decorations).
- Don't advertise what you got for Christmas by putting the boxes out on trash day. Break the boxes down and put them in dark trash bags or take them to the dump yourself.

REMEMBER THIS: UNLIKE US, CRIMINALS DON'T TAKE A BREAK OVER THE HOLIDAYS. IN FACT, THIS IS THEIR BUSY SEASON! BE ALERT AND REPORT SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR.

Holiday Shopping Safety Tips

Presented by the San Diego Police Department

- ALWAYS BE AWARE OF WHO IS AROUND YOU. *KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED!*
- DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING VISIBLE IN YOUR CAR.
- Shop early in the day to avoid excessive crowds. If you must shop in the evenings, shop with a friend.
- Keep your money safe.
 - Carry your purse in front of you, next to your body with the purse flap against you.
 - Carry your wallet in your front pocket.
 - Carry only the charge cards you will need.
 - Do not carry large sums of cash.
- When charging an item, ensure you get **your** credit card back.
- Don't overload yourself with packages and don't allow your attention to be distracted from your purse or packages.
- Park in well-lit areas, as close as possible to store entrances.
- Be particularly aware of persons in the parking lot, especially anyone near your car.
- Try not to park next to large vehicles (such as vans, trucks and SUVs) where people could surprise you.
- Teach your children to go to a store clerk and ask for help if you become separated in a store or shopping mall.
- Don't hesitate to notify store security if you see suspicious activity.
- If you have to wait for a ride, wait in a busy, well-lit place.
- If you are a victim of a crime, report it to the police immediately.

Have a safe holiday and a crime-free New Year!
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and Patrick Norris, C.R.O.
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Confirmed RPCC Meeting Dates for the Next 3 Months:

NEW Meeting Day: 2nd Thursday

January 10th
February 14th
March 13th

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December 2007

The students of Rolando Park Elementary School need your assistance. We need your help with keeping our students safe. Any support and assistance you can provide will be greatly appreciated.

The safety of all students who attend Rolando Park Elementary School is our top priority. As directed by the San Diego Police Department, please utilize the designated Student Drop Off/Pick Up area that is located on the dirt field adjacent to the school library.

The San Diego Police Department will be monitoring drivers before and after school. Therefore, please do not double park and/or park in any red curb area in front of the school when dropping off and/or picking up your children, otherwise, you will be cited.

Parent Volunteers are needed to supervise our Student Safety Patrol before and after school. We also need volunteers to serve on Parent Patrol supervision before and after school. If you have any available time to assist us, please stop by or call the school office at (619) 582-5414 to speak with Ms. Veronica Flores, the school secretary.

Thank you in advance for helping us to ensure the safety of all of our students at Rolando Park Elementary School.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Yolanda Lewis, Principal

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Please fill out this form and bring it along with your payment to the meeting, or mail it with a check to: RPCC, P.O. Box 152352, San Diego, CA 92195.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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IMPORTANT NOTE: To help us keep our database as accurate and current as possible, we ask that you fill out this form completely, even if your information has not changed.

Thank you!

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