



DECEMBER 2009 HOA NEWSLETTER

Association Meeting: The next community association meeting will be 6:30PM December 15th, at the East Valley Community Center.

December in Escondido: News about events in our larger community:

- **Christmas by Lamplight:** December 5th, designed to take you back in time 100 years with over 20 people in costume. Woodward street parking lot. Cost: \$10
- **Horse Drawn Carriage Rides:** Saturdays, December 5, 12, and 19, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Corner of Grand and Kalmia.
- **Annual Christmas Parade:** December 12th, 9 a.m. – noon on Broadway.
- **First Night:** December 31st, the biggest and best family-friendly New Year's Eve party in San Diego North with 12 stages of music and dance.

Frances Ryan Park: contains 67 acres, 42 of which are currently developed. Phase one of the park's construction consisted of: seven athletic fields, five with lights and two without; parking; and landscaping. The fields are currently home to the Escondido Youth Soccer Club, and are used by many other non-profit groups and citizens. Phase two of the park's construction consisted of restrooms and concession facilities. Future phases will include: additional paved parking; two Little League baseball fields with lights; another unlit practice area; a second restroom/concession building; and a playground area.

Street Maintenance and Sweeping: The City of Escondido Streets Division maintains streets, pavement, traffic signals, street signs, striping, and pavement legends, street signs, street sweeping, sidewalks, storm drains and drainage channels. The planned schedule is that residential streets be swept approximately once every two weeks and commercial and downtown areas swept two times per week. The City currently operates three street sweepers.

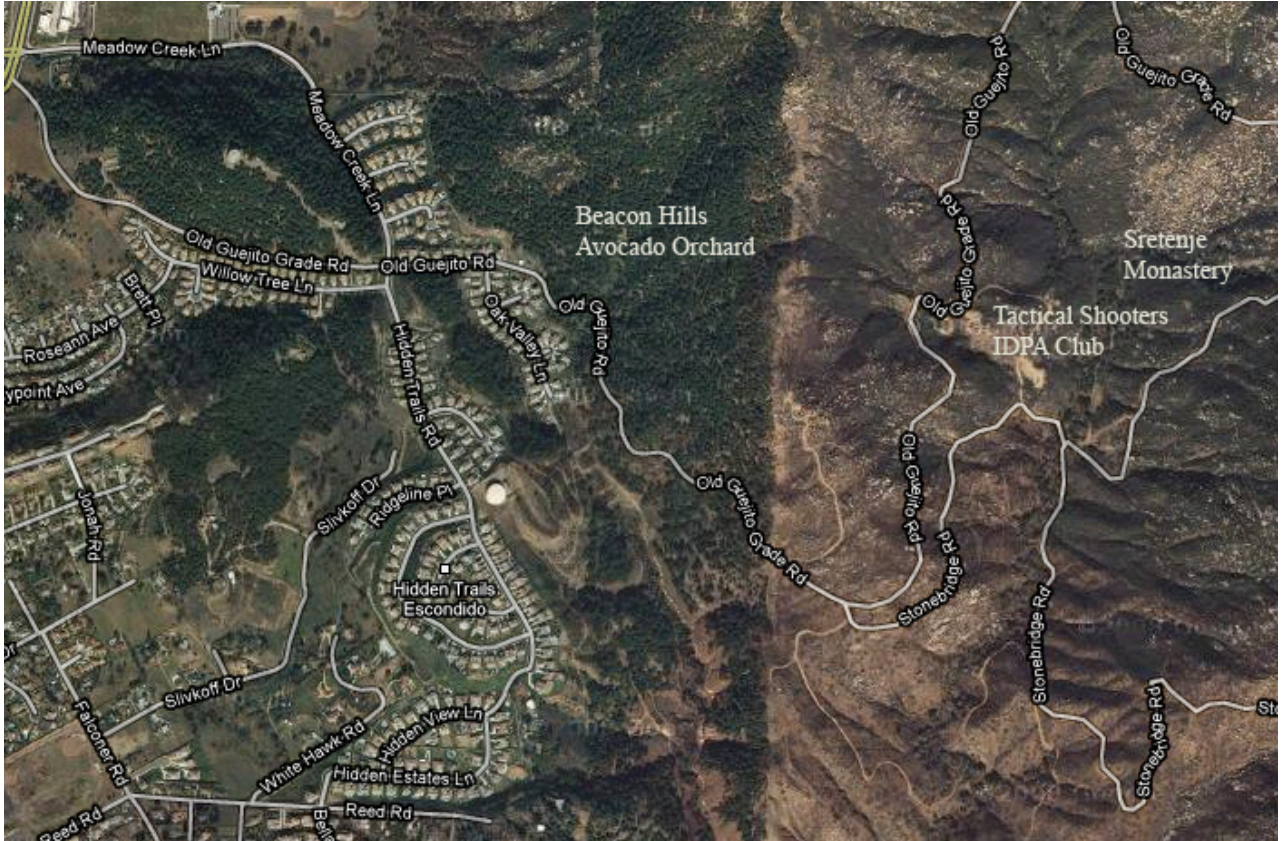
Daytime Prowlers: Last month at about 3 p.m., a male was seen rummaging through an open garage and left the area in a brown two-door Cadillac. This should be a good reminder to us that criminal activity can happen at anytime of the day or night. Residents should be vigilant to secure their homes and vehicles even when they are home, and report any suspicious activity to the Escondido Police Department non-emergency line 760-839-4722.

Escondido's Heritage: On September 20, 1845, Jose Maria Orozco, a customs agent, boarded his horse-drawn wagon and headed north from Old Town San Diego to claim a piece of land covering three square leagues, approximately 13,298 acres. Rancho Guejito y Cañada de Palomia. Pronounced (wah-hee-to) meaning pebbles or small stream and coming from the word aguajito. Cañada de Palomia loosely means "glen of the dove" from the same origin as the adjacent Palomar Mountain. Orozco built an adobe home, raised great herds of cattle, and hosted countless fiestas, many of which attracted guests from 60 miles away. These guests would have made their way up Old Guejito Grade Rd.

Today our community shares a segment of this historic old road (Meadow Creek Ln.) with Beacon Hills Avocado Orchard, San Diego Tactical Shooters – IDPA Club, and the Lord Serbian Orthodox – Sretenje Monastery.



The current owner of Rancho Guejito is proposing to open up 16,000 acres as a preserve for the public in exchange for the right to build 10,000 homes and commercial developments.



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