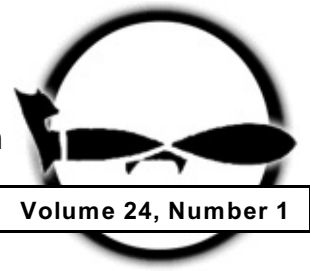


# FOXEN NEWS

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## What do YOU think?

by James Pepper, Editor

This issue of the *Foxen News* is especially important to you, as a resident of Foxenwood Estates. In fact, it so important that the FEHA is sending a copy to the entire neighborhood, even to those who do not pay dues.

There are three reasons the Association is taking this step:

1. Reader Survey: We want to know what YOU think about certain issues. We have devoted an entire page to get your feedback—and notice that we have provided a block for you to write in your own thoughts. Please take advantage of this opportunity to contribute to the well-being of our wonderful community.



2. Annual Dues form: On the reverse side of the survey is your Annual Dues form. For the ridiculously low price of \$25 per year, you support the volunteer organization dedicated solely to making life in Foxenwood Estates better for every single resident.

3. Annual FEHA budget: In this issue we have published the FEHA budget for 2007, and the proposed budget for 2008. We want you to know how your dues are used, in keeping with our obligation to be as "transparent" as possible.

The common thread connecting these three items is our desire to involve YOU in our efforts and to promote a healthy give-and-take of ideas between the Association and Foxenwood residents.

There are several ways your involvement in the FEHA can help shape life in Foxenwood Estates. For example, we need volunteers who will meet once a month as Board members to voice their opinions and to vote on FEHA actions.

We also need volunteers for committees that address specific issues and functions, such as monitoring the Airport Board and planning the Annual Picnic.

In the next issue of *Foxen News* there will be a ballot where you can volunteer for these vital positions—positions that directly impact your neighborhood. Please consider adding your name.

Lastly, you can be a "good neighbor" by supporting your Foxenwood Estates Homeowners' Association. Send in your \$25 membership dues. We've made it easy to do, with a fold-and-tape self-mailer in the this issue.

Thank you, neighbor!

## Some "Unfinished Business" in Old Town

by James Pepper

I recently had the genuine pleasure of attending a performance of the band Unfinished Business in Old Town Orcutt. This band is one of the great treasures of the Central Coast.

Each member has had a successful career elsewhere, in various fields, and now chooses to play strictly 1960s rock and roll locally—for love, more than for money.

Performing at the Loading Dock, on a windy and rainy night, the band quickly warmed up the crowded room with their spirited and faithful renditions of rock, pop and surf tunes. Those who weren't dancing were tapping their toes to the Beach Boys, the Beatles, the Byrds and Buffalo Springfield.

But don't get the idea that this is a "B" band. Unfinished Business is as good as any band you have ever heard, and better than most. The reason (aside from their technical mastery) is that their music comes from the heart. These are not aggressive young musicians clawing their way to the top. They have already been there and done that. Rather, these are men who really love the incredibly dynamic and creative rock music that seemed to come from everywhere in the 60s.

Today, looking back across the years, they bring a much deeper understanding of, and appreciation for that amazing decade of music that still resonates with so many of us after all this time.

This band is a hot fudge sundae for the ears, and each member is a treat.

However, I must single out lead guitarist Ed Miller, who is the cherry on the sundae.

Even for a non-musician like myself, listening to Ed play almost brings tears to my eyes and a lump to my throat. Every tune—every note—is so familiar (these are songs that have been on the radio for 40 years!), but listening to Ed play is like hearing them for the first time.

The reason is two-fold: Ed knows and loves these songs

deeply, and he also has the mastery to express that feeling. That makes each song a unique and exciting experience—even the songs I did not care for on the radio.

Finally, I would be remiss if I did not mention the vocal performance of lead vocalist Ben Davis, who puts everything he has into his singing—and then some. He is clearly having a great time up there, and he brings everyone in audience up with him.

If you ever enjoyed any of the 1960s' rock and roll, do not miss an opportunity to hear this band. You will have a great time.

You can find out all about who, when and where at the band's website: [WWW.UNFINISHED-BUSINESS.ORG](http://WWW.UNFINISHED-BUSINESS.ORG).



Ed Miller performs at the 2007 S.B. County Fair, in Santa Maria.



Ben Davis lets loose at The Loading Dock.

