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**February 2016**

## SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – February 4<sup>th</sup>

**Location:** Columbia Middle School Staff Lounge

**Time:** 7:00pm – Look for the SNAIL sign

### Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:

- A vote on the bylaws

SNAIL typically meets on the first Thursday of the month. The rare exceptions are when the first Thursday is also the same date as a big holiday. **Mark your calendar now for 2016!** All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome. Membership in SNAIL is always free.

### Message from the Chair

The new bylaws, in their final form, were presented to the members at the January meeting. No further changes were suggested. The document is available on the SNAIL web site.

<http://www.snail.org/docs/SNAILbylaws.shtml>

The vote will be taken at the February meeting.

*Tarik Peterson, SNAIL Chair, SNAILchair@snail.org*



### SNAIL 2015 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Feb 3, 10, 17, 24	SNAIL to Volunteer at the Cold Winter Shelter	Valérie Suarès (408) 390-3335
Saturday Feb 20	Chinese New Year Dinner Chef Yu 163 S. Murphy Ave, 7:00pm	Bonnie Lloyd RSVP by Feb 18 (408) 747-1949

### Brief Summary of January General Meeting Minutes

**Neighborhood News:** Barry Boole, our Dumpster Day organizer, will not be able to coordinate this event in 2016. Connie Cook-Turner will organize the event this year. Barry will return next year.

**Event Planning for 2016:** In addition to events we have done in the past, it was proposed doing "Welcome to the SNAIL Neighborhood" parties to welcome new SNAIL home owners, possibly one in Spring and one in the Fall. The following are **proposed suggestions:**

- **April:** Fun and Fit Fair is held in Columbia Park. Barbeque was suggested at Jim and Connie's home.
- **May:** Cinco de Mayo
- **June:** First weekend is Art and Wine Festival; second weekend is Dumpster Day and Yard Sale.
- **August:** First Tuesday is National Night Out.
- **September:** A Candidate Forum and a SNAIL forum were suggested.
- **December:** Along with the annual Holiday Party, it was suggested that we bring back the Home Decorating Contest.

**Guest Speakers:** Suggestions were taken for speakers: Reading Partners; invite our Neighborhood Preservation Officer; and Little Free Library (this is Boy Scouts project - a small box on residents' property with free books to give or take).

**SNAIL Bylaws:** As of Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, no more changes were taken. An article explaining the bylaws changes will be in February's newsletter. Tarik should be contacted if someone has an issue with the bylaws.

**Standing Rules:** These are meant to be resources for volunteers. They are not rules as the bylaws are, but advice and lists of resources for volunteers.

**Energy Grant:** Sunnyvale is #18 in the group of 50 cities across the country competing in the \$5M energy-reducing competition.

**For full minutes, please visit the SNAILorg Yahoo Group website:**

<http://tinyurl.com/SNAILorg>

*June Valenti, SNAIL Secretary*



### SNAIL Chinese New Year Dinner

Everyone is welcome to our Chinese New Year celebration dinner!

Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at **Chef Yu**  
163 S. Murphy Ave. (parking in rear)

Adults: \$25/person - Kids under 14 years: \$15  
(Tax & Tip included)

#### Deluxe Dinner Menu

Paper Wrapped Chicken & Egg Roll

Won Ton Soup

Sweet & Sour Pork

Cashew Chicken

Fried Rice or Steamed Rice

Broccoli Beef

Honey Pecan Prawns

Scallops & Prawns with Mixed Vegetables

**Please let me know if you will be there**

**Call Bonnie Lloyd by February 18<sup>th</sup>**

**(408) 747-1949**

**Good Food and Fun!!**

*The publication of our newsletter and SNAIL Neighborhood Association sponsored activities are supported through our annual yard sale, newsletter sponsors and donations.*

## Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC) News

For current information on programs, call CNC at (408) 730-7800 or email CNC @ sunnyvale .ca .gov or go to the CNC web page at <http://CNC.InSunnyvale.com>.



**Bilingual Story-Time at CMS Library:** Wednesdays, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 3:30pm in Columbia Middle School Library. Sunnyvale Public Library's bilingual librarian, Karina Bermudez-Yepez, will host a bilingual story-time (Spanish and English) with stories and songs. All families welcome.

**Free Legal Clinic:** Saturday, Feb 6<sup>th</sup> at 10am to noon, get a free 20 to 30 minute individual and confidential consultation on a variety of legal matters from licensed attorneys. No appointment necessary; first come, first served.

**Read to a Dog, Register for Reading Buddies:** Thursday, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, 3:30-4:30pm. Kids ages 6 and up can register to read to a friendly therapy pet at Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC). This free program is offered in partnership with Sunnyvale Library and Furry Friends. Each child will read to a pet for 15 minutes with the goal of building up his/her reading skills and confidence. Registration required; call (408) 730-7800.

**Free Immigration Clinic** - Thursday, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, 2-6pm, get free 20 minute individual, confidential consultation on any immigration related questions/issues from immigration experts, offered by SIREN (Services, Immigration Rights & Education Network), non-profit organization based in San Jose. No appointment necessary. First come, first served.

**Drop In Fitness Room:** Come work out in our fitness room with over 15 fitness machines and free weights. Open to adults, high school students with parent consent form, and middle school students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. \$1 per session, per person. Hours open: Mondays and Thursdays from 6:30-8:00pm, Tuesdays from 7:30-9:00pm and Saturdays from 8:00-9:30am and 10:30am to noon. Bring a towel, water and wear athletic shoes.

**Free Tax Preparation Assistance:** Saturdays, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 4pm. Families with a maximum gross income of \$54,000 annually can get free tax preparation assistance from Tax Aid volunteers. No appointment necessary; come to CNC's Morse Conference Room. Bring the following documents: Social Security card or ITIN for each family member, W-2 forms for all jobs held in 2015 and all 1099 or 1098 forms, child care provider information, landlord's name, address, and phone number, voided check for direct deposit, last year's tax return (if you have it) and health insurance statement form 1095-A, 1095-B, or 1095-C (if you have it).

Angela Chan, CNC Manager



## Columbia Middle School Upcoming Events



### "Beyond the Bell" – Sign up now!

We are pleased to offer Beyond the Bell, our program that offers both intervention and enrichment beyond the school hours, including Wednesday morning and after school. Offerings include: "The

Wiz" musical theater, History of Hip Hop, American Movie Classics and more! Enrollment forms are available in the Main Office, in First Period classes and on our website:

<http://www.sesd.org/domain/778> (Beyond the Bell).

While most of the offerings begin next week, our Starting Arts production for "The Wiz" begins rehearsing on Tuesday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. Sign up now!

### University Partnership Program (UPP)

CMS is the home of the "University Partnership Program", a unique partnership with Stanford University. January is the month where we recruit for next year's 6<sup>th</sup> grade UPP class through a series of informational events. We may also have a few spots open next year for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. (Students currently in UPP do not need to reapply.)

If you are interested in learning more about the program or if you know someone who has elementary students who might be interested in UPP for next year, below is a list of our events: including Parent Nights, Parent Tours during the school day, and even some Student Shadow opportunities. Here is a list of dates:

§ Parent Nights: Jan 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm (at LRC)

§ Parent Tours: Jan 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am – 10:30am

§ Shadow Days: Jan 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 2:50pm

### Traffic Impact (PG&E work coming soon...)

On Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, PG&E will begin work on a project at the intersection of Morse and Glendale which will have an impact on traffic in front of the school. Here are the details of the project:

Dates: Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – Feb 29<sup>th</sup>

Hours: 7am to 5pm

Location: Morse Ave. and Glendale Ave.

This will have an impact on traffic so allow extra time for drop off and pick up.

### Current 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students:

**FHS Counseling Visits:** Feb 9<sup>th</sup> (during Social Studies classes)

On Tuesday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, the FHS Guidance Counselors will be visiting your students' social studies classes to explain the course selection process. Your student will bring home a draft of their course selections.

**FHS Electives Night:** Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:45pm in front of the Library.

Come to FHS for Electives Night on Thursday, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>. You and your student can tour all of the elective programs, meet the teachers and visit classrooms!

**Dine Out Night:** Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 4-8pm at OFF THE STICK, 927 E. Arques Ave, Sunnyvale (408) 746-9746. Come out and enjoy delicious fresh, flavorful, organic kabobs and bowls. Mention you are there supporting Columbia Middle School PTSA.

Jennifer Aufang, CMS PTSA

### Did You Know?

1111 Lockheed Martin Way is being considered for demolition for five 8-story buildings, three 4-story parking structures and one 2-story building. Comments in writing will be accepted until 5:00pm on February 15<sup>th</sup>. A Planning Commission hearing will be held on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm at Sunnyvale City Hall in the Council Chambers. For information call (408) 730-7440.

Submitted by Bonnie Lloyd

**PET OF THE MONTH**



This is Abe Lincoln, named after President Lincoln because he was born in February and we bought him on President's Day weekend. Abe is a Solcata tortoise who was born in 2005. He lives with Michael McKay on Manzanita Avenue and roams the backyard.

**March Newsletter Deadline**

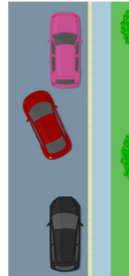
All SNAIL neighbors are invited to submit articles of interest to be published in our monthly newsletter. The deadline for submitting articles and photos for the next SNAIL monthly newsletter is Saturday, Feb 13<sup>th</sup>. Send an email to [SNAILeditor@snail.org](mailto:SNAILeditor@snail.org)

**NEED DUMPSTER MONITOR**



One day only on the 200 block of West Eaglewood, Saturday, June 11, 2016 from 8am-2pm to sub for Barry Boole who will return to the job in June 2017. It is important to keep our dumpsters as close to the same locations as possible for an even spread in the neighborhood. This is a very important clean-up day for SNAIL. Please check your calendar and call (408) 739-8490 to help. Thank you.  
*Connie Cook-Turner*

**Neighborhood Preservation**



Did you know that it is unlawful for any person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle, including a boat or trailer, to park or leave such vehicle upon any street, alley, or public parking facility for a period of seventy-two consecutive hours or more? The intent is to limit parking of vehicles, boats and trailers to seventy-two consecutive hours. A vehicle or trailer shall be considered to have been parked or left standing for seventy-two or more consecutive hours if it has remained inoperable or has not been moved. An inoperable vehicle is a vehicle that cannot be moved under its own power or a vehicle which cannot operate legally and safely on the highways of the state. Pushing or moving a vehicle a short distance or attempting to rub away the tire marking will not be considered compliance. Additionally, successive acts of parking shall be presumed to be a single act of parking when the vehicle is moved merely for the purpose of avoiding the parking limitations.

For more information, visit:  
<http://tinyurl.com/SunnyvaleUseOfStreets>

**Traffic Impact – PG&E Work**

PG&E will begin work on a project at the intersection of Morse Ave. and Glendale Ave. from Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – Feb 29<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 7:00am to 5:00pm, which will have an impact on traffic.



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