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**June 2016**

## SNAIL General Meeting

**Thursday – June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Location:** Columbia Middle School Staff Lounge

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



Come and enjoy Connie's homemade Pineapple Upside Down Cake... YUM!

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.

### Important City Council Meeting

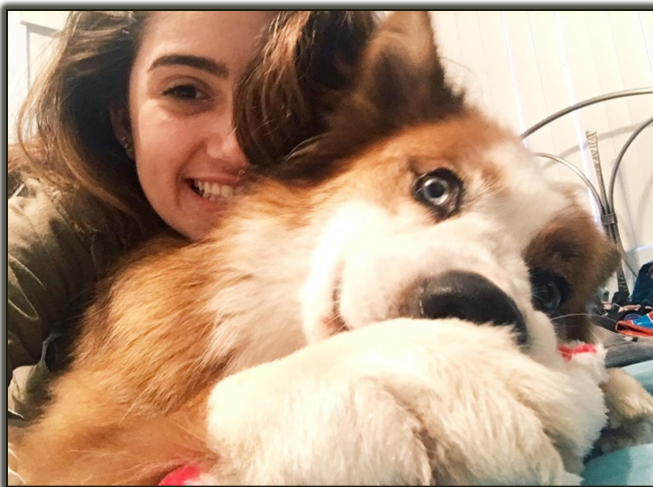
On Tuesday night, June 14, 2016 at 7:00pm, Sunnyvale's City Council will vote to approve building a 1.65 million square-foot office complex, north of SNAIL, near Mathilda Ave. and Highway 237. It will include five more 129-foot-tall office buildings, 4 and 5 story concrete parking structures and 5,340 parking spaces.

Many of the more than 5,000 expected vehicle trips per day will pour down Mathilda and Fair Oaks Ave. Many of the more than 9,000 expected computer company workers will compete for housing in north Sunnyvale, significantly increasing rents at local apartments.

Express your opinion at the city hall meeting at 456 W Olive Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94086 or send comments several days in advance of the meeting to: [council@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:council@sunnyvale.ca.gov)

-Pat Meyering

### Pet of the Month



This is Pickles with Alex on Santa Barbara Terrace. He's a real nice Aussie Collie mix. Those happy, smiling faces are awe-inspiring!

### SNAIL 2015 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Saturday June 11	SNAIL Dumpster Day 8am - ~2pm	Connie Cook-Turner (408) 739-8490
Sat & Sun June 11-12	SNAIL Annual Yard Sale 810 Carolina Ave. 8am – 4pm	Valérie Suarès (408) 390-3335 June Valenti (408) 497-0827

### SNAIL ANNUAL FUNDRAISER YARD SALE

**June 11-12, 2016**



There's still time to donate those reusable items from your Spring clean-up to the Yard Sale. Help keep the useful items that you no longer need out of the landfills by bringing them to 810 Carolina Ave. We will put them to good use and raise funds for the next year of SNAIL activities.

-Call Connie (408) 739-8490 for additional information.

### SNAIL Dumpster Day – Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>

On June 11<sup>th</sup> only, there will be six dumpsters located throughout the SNAIL neighborhood during our annual Yard Sale/Dumpster Day weekend.



They will be open from 8am to ~2pm (the closing of the dumpsters will be determined by Specialty Solid Waste and Recycling, starting at 2pm.) The items you bring must not have

contaminates either on or in them, i.e. oil, electronics, tires, paint, refrigerators, freezers, contaminated car parts, etc.

If you have items that are slightly used, put them next to the dumpster and we will sell them at the SNAIL Yard Sale.

-Connie Cook-Turner

### Letter to the Editor

To my neighbors,

I would like to thank my neighbor that hand delivered an important letter to my house that was misdelivered by the post office.

I would like to call my neighbors' attention to the fact that mail is often misdelivered as I have received many pieces of mail not intended for me. I hand deliver these to the correct addresses as the mail could be something important, as was my missing mail, so I would like again to say a big THANK YOU to the thoughtful neighbor who brought me my mail.

Regards,

-Nate from West Duane Avenue

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



SNAIL neighbors enjoying a Cinco de Mayo feast before the May 5<sup>th</sup> General Meeting.

### Brief Summary of May General Meeting Minutes

**Summer School Program Book Drive:** Georgina Aubin is collecting books for the Summer School Program.

**Peery Park Environmental Impact Report:** John Cordes reported the draft of the report will be discussed June 13<sup>th</sup>. Six projects have been approved for Peery Park. San Aleso, on our side of Mathilda, is also part of Peery Park.

**Social Secretary Report:** Bonnie is putting out a call for volunteers to host a monthly dinner night out. Bonnie will take reservations and make a reservation at the restaurant as well.

**Special Election:** The special election to replace Dave Whittum will be on August 16<sup>th</sup>. May 20<sup>th</sup> is the last date that a candidate may enter. So far, John Cordes and Larry Klein are running for this office. Whoever does not win this election will be in the November election.

**Candidate Forum:** Connie stated that participating with another association would be best so that no candidate preferences are shown. Since the election is on November 8<sup>th</sup>, perhaps the forum should be held 28 days before the absentee ballots are sent out. Jim believes a weekend would be better for working people. Councilmember Jim Griffith stated that weekends during the day are the least favorite for candidates, but they will attend regardless. Sunday evening was also suggested. A vote was taken to determine whether the forum should include City Council candidates and School Board candidates or just City Council candidates. The vote was seven for School Board and City Council candidates; eight for City Council candidates only.

**Standing Rules:** A new rule was voted in that SNAIL shall not loan out equipment for use to support an event that is not sponsored by SNAIL.

For full minutes, please visit the SNAILorg Yahoo Group website: <http://tinyurl.com/SNAILorg>

-June Valenti, SNAIL Secretary



### 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>.

**Free Immigration Clinic:** Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2–6 pm. get a free 20 minute individual, confidential consultation on any immigration related questions/issues from immigration experts; offered by SIREN (Services, Immigration Rights and Education Network); a non-profit organization based in San Jose. No appointment necessary; first come, first served.

**New! Full Day Drop-In Recreation Program, Dog House:** Open daily, Monday–Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> through August 5<sup>th</sup> at Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC), 785 Morse Ave. The Dog House summer camp will feature group activities, arts and crafts, outdoor sports, swimming and more! Participants ages 6–13 have three options to drop-in: all day (8:30am – 5:30pm, morning only (8:30am – 12:30pm), or afternoon only (1:30 – 5:30pm). This camp has a reduced fee option that requires families to be pre-approved. Pre-approval is based on household income. Applications are available at Columbia Neighborhood Center and Sunnyvale Community Center and are accepted through July 25<sup>th</sup>. Families who are not approved for the reduced price will pay the daily regular price. Camp's reduced fees are \$3 for half day and \$6 for full day; regular fees are \$22 for half day and \$44 for full day.

-Angela Chan, CNC Manager

### SUFA Tree Walk



SUFA (Sunnyvale Urban Forest Advocates) is sponsoring another Tree Walk this year at the Civic Center on Thursday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June.

We'll meet at 7pm in front of the Sunnyvale Library on Olive Ave.

Join us to learn the names and the characteristics of some of the more than 800 trees at the Civic Center.

Steve Sukke, retired arborist for the City of Sunnyvale, will lead the walk. Please wear sturdy shoes, hat and sun screen if necessary.

-Deborah Marks, SUFA

### New Standing Rule

John Cordes proposed a standing rule motion that SNAIL shall not loan out equipment for use to support an event that is not sponsored by SNAIL. The motion passed unanimously with 16 votes.





### Flag Day History

National Flag Day is when Americans celebrate the meaning of their nation's flag, honor the traditions associated with its care, and educate those around them to its significance. The Flag of the United States is to be honored and carries with it both history and tradition. On June 14, 1777 the Flag Resolution was signed, making the current stars and stripes the National Flag of the United States of America. On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson called for the nationwide observance of Flag Day. In 1949, President Harry S. Truman signed congress' decree, making June 14<sup>th</sup> of each year National Flag Day.

### Facts about Flag Day

- ♥ On August 3, 1949, President Harry S. Truman signed a congressional order making June 14<sup>th</sup> of each year National Flag Day.
- ♥ Worn out flags may be given to the American Legion or Boy/Girl Scouts of America where they will burn the flags in a formal ceremony on June 14<sup>th</sup>.
- ♥ The Flag should never touch the ground when being taken down. It should be folded neatly and stored ceremoniously.
- ♥ You should fly the American Flag only between sunrise and sunset. If left hanging around the clock, it must be illuminated during the dark hours.
- ♥ The First Flag Act was signed by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777... *"Resolved, that the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."*

### Flag Day References and Related Sites

- ♥ <http://usflag.org/history/flagday.html>:  
The History of Flag Day
- ♥ <http://usflag.org/history/flagevolution.html>:  
Evolution of the United States Flag

### Neighborhood Preservation

**16.08.030. Hours of construction-Time and noise limitations.** Construction activity shall be permitted between the hours of 7am and 6pm daily Monday through Friday. Saturday hours of operation shall be between 8am and 5pm. There shall be no construction activity on Sunday or federal holidays when city offices are closed. No loud environmentally disruptive noises, such as air compressors without mufflers, continuously running motors or generators, loud playing musical instruments, radios, etc., will be allowed where such noises may be a nuisance to adjacent residential neighborhoods.

❖ Exceptions:

(a) Construction activity is permitted for detached single-family residential properties when the work is being performed by the owner of the property, provided no construction activity is conducted prior to 7am or after 7pm Monday through Friday, prior to 8am or after 7pm on Saturday and prior to 9am or after 6pm on Sunday and national holidays when city offices are closed. It is permissible for up to two persons to assist the owner of the property so long as they are not hired by the owner to perform the work. For purposes of this section, "detached single-family residential property" refers only to housing that stands completely alone with no adjoining roof, foundation or sides.

(b) As determined by the chief building official:

- (1) No loud environmentally disruptive noises, such as air compressors without mufflers, continuously running motors or generators, loud playing musical instruments, radios, etc., will be allowed where such noises may be a nuisance to adjacent properties.
- (2) Where emergency conditions exist, construction activity may be permitted at any hour or day of the week. Such emergencies shall be completed as rapidly as possible to prevent any disruption to other properties.
- (3) Where additional construction activity will not be a nuisance to surrounding properties, based on location and type of construction, a waiver may be granted to allow hours of construction other than as stated in this section.

For more information visit the Sunnyvale Municipal Code:

<http://tinyurl.com/Buildings-Construction>

### Neighborhood Street Sweeping Schedule

Our streets are generally swept every two weeks on the day following your trash pickup. If possible, please move your car off the street on street sweeping days. This month, the street sweeping schedule is:

East SNAIL Neighborhood	Tuesday, Jun. 7, 21
West SNAIL Neighborhood	Wednesday, Jun. 8, 22

### July 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, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Send an email to [SNAILeditor@snail.org](mailto:SNAILeditor@snail.org)

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