

S.N.A.I.L. News

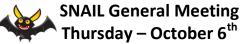
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October 2016





Location: Columbia Middle School Staff Lounge
Time: 7:00 p.m. – Look for the SNAIL sign

Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:

- We will continue our discussion regarding standing rules
- Seeking nominees for SNAIL officers for 2017

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. All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome. Membership in SNAIL is always free.

Mark your calendar now for 2016! 11/3, 12/1

Message from the Chair

Tuesday evening, the Sunnyvale City Council voted to approve Peery Park WITHOUT two holes in the wall on the west side of the SNAIL neighborhood. Thanks to all of the SNAIL members whose actions help to make this happen.

Tarik Peterson, SNAIL Chair

Candidate Forum Wednesday, October 12th

SNAIL and Lakewood Village Neighborhood Associations have partnered to provide a City Council Candidate Forum which will be open to the public on *Wednesday, October 12th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the LinkedIn building at 755 N. Mathilda Ave, in the Muir Room.*

Guests wishing to ask questions of the candidates should email them to:

sunnyphyl @ gmail .com by October 8th, to be included at the forum. Questions may also be submitted on cards at the door from 7-7:15 p.m. We will get in as many as time allows, but cannot guarantee those submitted from 7-7:15 p.m.

There are three candidates for seat 4, two candidates for seat 5, two candidates for seat 6 and three candidates for seat 7.

SNAIL needs volunteers to greet at the door, at the refreshment table and help setting up and taking down. Please call Connie (408) 739-8490 to volunteer. Thank you.

SNAIL 2016 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer	
Sun, Oct 16 7:00 p.m.	Dinner Night Out Gumba's (Italian) 176 S. Murphy Ave	Bonnie Lloyd (408) 747-1949	
Sat, Nov 19	Dinner Night Out (See article)	Connie Cook-Turner (408) 739-8490	
Sun, Dec 18	SNAIL Holiday Party 550 E. Arbor	John Cordes and Diane Gleason (650) 288-9645	

Brief Summary of September General Meeting Minutes

City Report (John Cordes): The next public hearing on Peery Park is Monday, September 12th before the planning commission. The plan as drafted will have 'Significant and Unavoidable' impact on traffic and air quality.

Here are the Alternatives:

Alternative #1 - No Project Alternative

Alternative #2 - Mixed Use Housing Alternative

Alternative #3 - Higher Intensity Buildout Alternative.

I strongly encourage you to comment that Sunnyvale should definitely rezone part of Peery Park to add more housing. When the Perry Park Specific Plan was kicked off in 2008, the City Council was concerned about the local economy and having jobs so they gave staff direction to maximize jobs in Peery Park. Now, eight years later and after adding 20,000+ jobs in Moffet Park, it is clear Sunnyvale needs more housing then it does another dense office park. If you want help drafting comments, you can contact John.

Standing Rules: Standing Rules are not rules. They are advice based on experience. For instance, what/why it is proper. An example would be SNAIL does not pay for alcohol at SNAIL functions. Tarik will write a comment about this. Jim Quaderer can think of 20 more standing rules. Thomas stated each standing rule should be accompanied by a clear explanation. The standing rule 'SNAIL does not pay for alcohol' passed unanimously, ten for, none opposed, no abstentions.

SNAILChitChat or Nextdoor: John asked the members to review this because so few are still using this site, most preferring Nextdoor. Jim Quaderer does not want this site shut down because it has SNAIL's history in it. Connie agrees and stated SNAIL owns this. Jim wants everyone who uses ChitChat to write what they think. Jim Griffith said Next Door is controlled by Next Door.

Block Parties (Jim Quaderer): In May 2014, amounts for the block parties were agreed upon to make it easier to get reimbursed for block parties without having to ask for a vote to authorize the funds for each party.

For full minutes, please visit the SNAILorg Yahoo Group website: http://tinyurl.com/SNAILorg
-June Valenti, SNAIL Secretary

Family Fun Day at CNC

You are invited to the 18th annual Family Fun Day in the Columbia Neighborhood

Center gym on *Saturday, October 29th,*2 to 5 p.m. This fun, free, communitybuilding event celebrates Halloween
safety with carnival games and prizes
while connecting members of our
community to various resources
provided by the Department of Library

and Community Services. The event is also supported by other city departments and community partners. Free, light sna cks will be provided for kids. Costumes are encouraged! For more information, call (408) 730-7800.



-Submitted by Bonnie Lloyd

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 Early Learning Program for Caregivers of Young Children: YMCA Silicon Valley is bringing an evidence-based early learning program, Nana y Yo: Early Learning Readiness Program to Sunnyvale at two sites; Columbia Neighborhood Center and Lakewood School. This is a play-based program provides caregivers of children ages 6 weeks to Pre-K with experiences and knowledge necessary to ensure their children enter kindergarten ready to learn. Those families who cannot afford a formal preschool experience will receive registration priority. The program will meet Wednesdays and Fridays for 36 weeks at Columbia Neighborhood Center from 9–11 a.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9–11 a.m. at Lakewood School beginning in October.

Voter Education Forum: Tuesday, Oct. 4th, 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Columbia Middle School Multi-Purpose Room, 739 Morse Ave. Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC) and Services Immigrant Rights and Education Network (SIREN) will host a free voter education forum. Attendees can expect to learn more about how the voting process works, important facts about the upcoming election and why they should participate. The forum will be conducted in English and Spanish and will include an instructional presentation by SIREN followed by a question and answer session.

Free Hands-on Cooking Workshop For Parents: Thursday, Oct. 13th, 6 to 8 p.m. in the Columbia Middle School Staff Room, 739 Morse Ave. Parents and caregivers are invited to a hands-on cooking workshop "Creating Healthy Main and Side Dishes for Holidays and Celebrations" taught by Fresh Approach. This class will include a hands-on cooking demo as well as educational information on healthy eating for families. For more information or to register, call (408) 730-7800 or

Email: childcareresources @ Sunnyvale .ca .gov

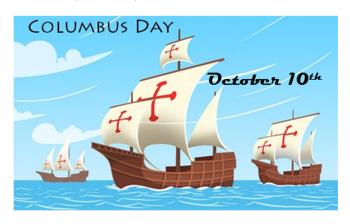
Day of the Dead Celebration: Wednesday, Oct. 19th from 3:3 0 to 5 p.m. in the Columbia Middle School Library, 739 Morse Ave. This special extended Bilingual Storytime event celebrates *Dia de los Muertos* and will feature special guest Rachel Palacios who will guide youth and families in making skeleton masks, Day of the Dead puppets and colorful paper flowers. No registration required.

-Angela Chan, CNC Manager

Condolences

Condolences go out to the Morse Family in the passing of their matriarch, Madeleine Morse, on August 15th. She lived in SNAIL for over 60 years.

-Submitted by Bonnie Lloyd



Columbus Day History

Columbus Day is the celebration of the arrival of Christopher Columbus in the Americas on October 12, 1492. Christopher Columbus was an Italian-born explorer who discovered the Americas for the Spanish King in 1492. King Ferdinand of Spain sponsored the expedition west, in the hopes of sailing to India. In August of 1492, Columbus set off into the Atlantic with three ships; the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. Two months later he would set foot on the Bahamas and establish settlements on Hispanola Island (now Haiti and the Dominican Republic.) Upon his return to Spain, he spoke of gold in the New World and thus the Americas were opened up for European colonization.

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared October 12th every year as Columbus Day. In the U.S., Columbus Day is celebrated by all U.S. states except for Hawaii, South Dakota and Alaska. Columbus Day now occurs on the second Monday in October each year.

Columbus Day Facts & Quotes

- Colorado was the first state to officially recognize and celebrate Columbus Day in 1906.
- Christopher Columbus' first settlement on Hispaniola Island was called Villa de Navidad (Christmas Town).
- In 1971, the official holiday was moved to the second Monday in October in order to give workers in the U.S. a long weekend. This was part of the Uniform Monday Holiday Act.
- "Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly."
 -Robert F. Kennedy
- "You can never cross the ocean unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore." -Christopher Columbus

Columbus Day Top Events and Things to Do

- > Eat some good Italian food.
- Watch a parade.
- Visit the Library of Congress's online exhibit 1492: An Ongoing Voyage.
- Host a scavenger hunt for the neighborhood kids and let them become Explorers for the afternoon.

Columbus Day References and Related Sites

<u>Library of Congress: 1492, An Ongoing Voyage</u> Presidential Proclamation: Columbus Day, 2015

SNAIL Neighbors' Change Request Granted

I wanted to update you on the progress of the Peery Park Change Request to remove the item to put an opening in the walls at Duane / Mathilda and San Aleso / Ferndale.

After several meetings with the Planning Commission and submitting in writing this request, they approved the Peery Park draft as is and forwarded it to the City Council to be certified. On September 20th, it was submitted to the City Council. With the support and comments from several members of the SNAIL neighborhood, the owners of the Best Western on Mathilda and representative of the builders for the new housing to be built on San Aleso, the City Council added a recommendation to remove any comment about the openings to the wall in the document. The Peery Park Plan was then approved.

-Your Neighbor, Sharon Mc Knight

"Support Your Local Law Enforcement" Tip Sheet

- **1. Participate** in Project Blue Light (change one exterior home light to a blue light to show support for police).
- **2. Display** an LELDF "I STAND WITH THE POLICE" decal on your car window/bumper, mailbox or office.
- Attend "National Police Week" in Washington D.C. (currently scheduled for the week of May 15th).
- **4. Write** a Letter to the Editor of your community newspaper in support of local police.
- 5. Write or call your local Police Chief/Police department if you have a story of the police going above and beyond the call of duty.
- **6. Wave** to your local police or just stop and thank an officer on the street.
- 7. Rebut unjust criticism of the police in your presence.
- 8. Visit the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington D.C. to show your respect for police who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Thank you for showing your support to your local law enforcement community!

-Submitted by Connie Cook-Turner

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, Oct. 11, 25			
West SNAIL Neighborhood	Wednesday, Oct. 12, 26			

November 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, Oct. 15th. Send an email to <u>SNAILeditor</u> @ snail.org



Peninsulaires Barbershop Harmony Chorus Guest Quartet: "Some Friends of Mine"

Lasagna Dinner and Caberet Show

Doors open 6:00 / Dinner 6:30 / Show starts 7:15 Tickets \$28 / SNAIL Discounted Tickets \$23

Location: 535 Old San Francisco Road (in the Methodist Church Auditorium)

Hosted by Jim and Connie Cook-Turner

Call Connie (408) 739-8490 by November 1st For SNAIL Discounted Tickets

North County Cold Weather Shelter

SNAIL will, once again this year, be volunteering to serve the meals at the North County Cold Weather Shelter. If you have a few hours to spare once or possibly twice a week from 6 to 8 p.m. and would like to get to know your neighbors while giving back to your community by providing a little ray of sunshine, this is the place to be. The shelter will open its doors the week after Thanksgiving. This is a great place for accompanied young adults, 16 years and older, to fulfill their community hours.

Donations will be accepted, from knitted scarves to beanies, toiletry or garment bags to small size hotel soaps and shampoos, to warm socks. We are also collecting gently used and clean items of clothing such as coats, pants, shirts and jackets. New children, women, and men's underwear are always appreciated. Clean microwave are welcome, too.

To hear more about this heartwarming opportunity, please send an email to <u>vsuares @ gmail.com</u> or call me at (408) 390-3335.

-Valérie Suarès, SNAIL Vice-chair

2017 SNAIL Officer Elections

SNAIL will hold elections for 2017 officers in November. If you have attended at least two SNAIL meetings within the last six months or served as an active volunteer within the last twelve months, you may run for any of our four elected positions. You can also nominate members of our current Board for re-election.

Please come to the October meeting to help keep SNAIL an energetic and influential neighborhood association.

SNAIL BOARD and CITY of SUNNYVALE SUPPORT STAFF

Chair	Tarik Peterson	667 San Diego Ave.	408-745-1241	SNAILchair @ snail .org
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