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July 2017




SNAIL General Meeting
Thursday – July 6th
Location (July & August):
Backyard of Jim & Connie's Home
810 Carolina Ave.
Time: 7:00 p.m. – Look for the **SNAIL** sign

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 the rest of 2017!
8/3, 9/7, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7




Downtown Summer Series Continues –
Wednesday, July 19th
Two Bands! Classic Rock Double Shot!

Celebrate summer with us on Wednesday, July 19th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Rok, 124 S. Murphy Ave.

I have reserved ten seats at an outside table so we can enjoy the night atmosphere and live music. The main feature of this restaurant is cooking your own entrée on a hot lava rock. It's fun and is a night to remember. Come early for drinks!

RSVP Bonnie (408) 747-1949 to confirm

SNAIL 2017 Event Calendar

| Date/Time | Event Name | Organizer |
|------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Wed, July 19 7 – 9 p.m. | Dinner Night Out Rok Bistro 124 S. Murphy Ave. | Bonnie Lloyd (408) 747-1949 |
| Tues, Aug 1 6:30 – 9 p.m. | National Night Out E. Arbor between Morse/Bayview | Diane Gleason (650) 353-1575 |

Brief Summary of June General Meeting Minutes

Announcements: John Cordes has a list of nine boy scouts and fifteen homeowners who are interested in making or having a 'Little Free Library' a.k.a. LFL. To qualify as an Eagle Scout, each scout must complete two to three projects. The boy scouts should pay for the projects. Valerie suggested advertising 'the SNAIL Free LFLs' on Nextdoor.com, stating no families applying for a 'Little Free Library' will have to pay for materials. The City of Sunnyvale employees strike has been settled with the signing of a five-year contract.

Business Meeting - Garbage Rate Increases (Diana Williams): Diana is against the increases. In 1982 the charge was \$20+ and in 2017 the charge is \$198. That is a 6.7% increase per year for the last 35 years. The landfill is nearly exhausted. The cost of waste transportation has increased. This led to a discussion of many aspects of this issue. Large scale production promotes increased use of GMO's and fertilizers. Don stated waste is separated before going to the landfill. Also, the price should increase only 2%. The new large buildings north of Central Expressway are increasing our waste. In addition, recycling will cost more money. John stated 15,000 homeowners would need to protest to prevent a utility rate increase. Also, in 2022 the waste station will be obsolete and it will need to be rebuilt. The water prices are expected to double. The Sunnyvale Golf Course costs \$220,000 a year to run and it is not breaking even. Current interest in golf seems to be waning. In spite of this, water usage has gone down.

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

International
Happy Friendship Day

July 30th

A friend is someone who brings us
smile even in our tears,
whose memories makes us
smile across the miles
and throughout the year.



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

Another Great Yard Sale Event this Year!

This event requires numerous volunteer hours prior, during and post event. Here are just a few tasks needed for the success of such event:

- ✓ Arranging for trucks and volunteers to pick up heavy furniture a couple of weeks prior to the set up day and bring them to the yard sale location,
- ✓ Ordering folding tables, City dumpsters and posting signs throughout the neighborhood,
- ✓ Posting event on Social Media sites,
- ✓ Setting up tables and moving items onto the tables on Friday early evening,
- ✓ Covering the tables and furniture to protect them from the night dew,
- ✓ Picking up breakfast and lunch for the volunteers,
- ✓ Uncovering the tables and selling on Saturday
- ✓ Covering the tables and furniture at the end of the Day,
- ✓ Uncovering the tables and selling on Sunday,
- ✓ Cleaning up by 5 p.m. on Sunday afternoon,
- ✓ Making numerous trips to Goodwill to donate remaining items,
- ✓ Gathering all unsold bicycles and taking them over to be refurbished and reused,
- ✓ Loading the dumpster with unsold items,
- ✓ Picking up the signs scattered around the neighborhood,
- ✓ Storing signs, tarps and covers for upcoming events and next year's yard sale.

I would like to extend my warmest gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the SNAIL annual yard sale. This was our 18th year!

The goals for this community event include raising funds for future SNAIL events and allowing everyone to clean out their unused items. As you read from the partial list of tasks above, it requires a "village" to put such a well-known event together. Yet, despite the fact that we had fewer donations and volunteers than in previous years, we were still able to raise ~\$3,000 (less than the previous years); funds which will be used for future SNAIL activities.

I welcome all SNAIL neighbors to participate in this event next year. Mark your calendar for the 2nd weekend of June and think about giving a few hours of your time to assist us with some of the tasks listed above. The success of this event can only be realized when everyone contributes even a few hours.

Reach out to me. I know you want to be part of this great event next year. I know you do... and I thank you for it, because I cannot do it alone.

-Valérie Suarès

Letter to the Editor

Hello,

My name is Nate and I live on West Duane Avenue.

I volunteer at the Senior Center playing cards. Recently I remembered a game called Tripoli. It's a card game where you don't have to bid or count melds or need a partner. Usually the game is played with 4-6 people.

I was wondering if there are other seniors in the neighborhood who would like to play on an afternoon. If interested, you may call my house and we can set up a game.

It's great for seniors!

1-408-736-5794



Thank you to all the many S.N.A.I.L. volunteers who contributed time, energy, goods, use of their vehicles, food for working staff and their cheerful goodwill to making our annual fundraiser yard sale such a tremendous success.

Thank you to all the neighbors and friends in the city who came out and shopped with us. This is our biggest event of the year and brings out more neighbors and friends than any other. It continues to be my pleasure to work with this wonderful group.

Thank you to our dumpster monitors, Barry Boole, Bob Cheney, Chuck Leath, Steve Papier, Jim and Doreen Perez and Gavin Wolfe for your service to the neighborhood. This is a special job requiring a good deal of patience and goodwill toward your neighbors. We sincerely thank you for your contribution to the day's success.

-Connie Cook-Turner



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>.

Still Have Availability for Various Youth Summer Activities: There are still slots open at Wizard Camp in late July, YMCA recreation camp at San Miguel School, Teen Fitness Challenge, Technology camp in August and higher level youth swim lessons. Go to the CNC website, <http://CNC.inSunnyvale.com>, and click on the 2017 CNC Summer newsletter in the upper right corner to see the details. Register in person at CNC during regular business hours.

Free Salsa Dance Class (Summer Salsa Series): Tuesdays, July 11th through August 1st, 7-8 p.m. at CMS Multi-Purpose Room. Learn to dance Salsa and Bachata from a volunteer instructor. Learn basic patterns, style and technique. Open to all adults, minimum age 18. No children please.

Summer Story Time: Thursday, 7/13 and 7/27. Join us for free stories, songs and activities with a Sunnyvale Public Library librarian from 3-4 p.m. at CMS School Library, 739 Morse Avenue. All families are welcome and children will enjoy a free snack at the end of the program.

Flick at Night: Friday, July 21st, arrive around 7:45 p.m., movie will begin after sunset. Free outdoor movie screening, **The Jungle Book (2016)**, at Columbia Park. Bring a blanket/chair and snacks.

Twilight Pool & Play: Friday, July 21st, 6-8 p.m. at Columbia Park. Free community event with recreation swim in Columbia Pool, music, games, hot dogs and snacks, while supplies last. All are welcome. Stay afterwards for outdoor movie, Flick at Night.

-Angela Chan, CNC Manager

World Population Day History

World Population Day seeks to draw attention to issues related to a growing global population. The world's population as of April 2016 is over 7.4 billion. The world's population is rapidly surging with birth rates on the rise and life expectancy increases. Over the last century, between 1916 and 2012, global life expectancy more than doubled from 34 to 70 years while world population has quintupled from 1.5 billion to 7.3 billion between 1900 and 2016. In 1989, the United Nations designated July 11th as World Population Day in an effort to garner attention for population issues and crises such as displaced people, rights and needs of women and girls and population safety on a global level. With an ever-growing world population, World Population Day serves to highlight the challenges and opportunities of this growth and its impact on planet sustainability, heavy urbanization, availability of health care and youth empowerment.

World Population Day Facts

- China and India are by far the most populous countries on the globe. With 1.4 and 1.3 billion inhabitants, respectively, both countries are home to about 37% of the world's people.
- According to the United Nations, India is expected to become the world's largest country by 2028 with 1.45 billion inhabitants.
- <https://www.census.gov/popclock/>

Accident in Visalia

Galen and Evelyn White, 62 year neighbors on Georgia Avenue, moved to Visalia to be near family in December 2016. They still read the S.N.A.I.L. Newsletter and miss their S.N.A.I.L. neighbors. Galen called Connie to let us know they had been involved in a head-on collision with a vehicle that had run a red light. Galen was not injured, but Evelyn suffered 14 broken bones. They are presently in a convalescent home where Evelyn is receiving physical therapy.

They want their friends and neighbors to know what is happening with them and stay in touch. Cards and notes may be sent to:

Delta Rehabilitation Station, 514 Bridge St., Visalia, CA 93291,

or

Galen may be reached on his cell phone (408) 569-3253.

I hope this little article will result in loads of cards and good wishes going their way.

-Connie Cook-Turner

August 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, July 15th. Send an email to SNAILeditor@snail.org

National Night Out Street Party - August 1st

SNAIL continues the tradition of hosting the largest National Night Out (NNO) party in Sunnyvale. NNO is on Tuesday, August 1st, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. This summer SNAIL's party will be located on E. Arbor Ave. between Morse and Bayview Avenues.

This is a great way to meet your neighbors or reconnect with neighbors you haven't seen in a while or to simply fulfill that desire to dance in the street! Free BBQ hot dogs and sausages, potluck salads and desserts, children's activities, fire engines, and our own local band, The Sound Effect! Come and meet neighbors and our city safety officers!

The origins of National Night Out go back to 1984, when an organization called The National Association of Town Watch (NATW) introduced the first National Night Out. The purpose was to unite people in communities nationwide to promote police-community partnerships, crime prevention and neighborhood camaraderie.

-Diane Gleason, NNO Organizer



NNO Volunteer Opportunities!

If you are too busy to volunteer regularly but would like to "give back" to the neighborhood, I have a few volunteer opportunities that only require an hour or two, or even just a half hour, of time! We need a few people to help set up tables and chairs (light-weight plastic) before the NNO party, and a few people to help take them down (requires about a half hour of time). Would you prefer to organize the potluck table? Or perhaps sign people in? Please contact Diane Gleason, gleasondiane@yahoo.com, or call (650) 353-1575.

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:

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|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| East SNAIL Neighborhood | Monday, Jul. 3; Tuesday, 18 |
| West SNAIL Neighborhood | Wednesday, Jul. 5, 19 |

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