



### GENERAL MEETING

**Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 PM**

SNAIL Community Meeting via Zoom Login:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89925706502>

or: <https://tinyurl.com/SNAILZOOM>

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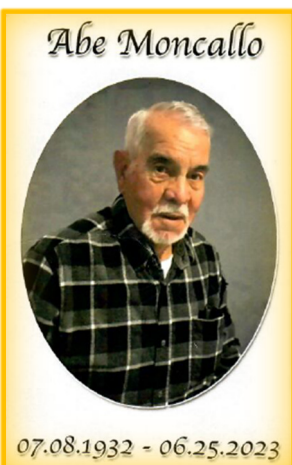
SNAIL typically meets on the first Thursday of the month. The rare exception is when the first Thursday is also the same date as a big holiday. All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome. Membership in SNAIL is always free.

Schedule: 9/7, 10/5, 11/2, **12/14\***, **1/11\***

(\* indicates meeting date change due to a major holiday)

### SNAIL 2023 EVENT CALENDAR – SAVE THE DATES

Date/Time	Event Name	Organizer
Tues, Aug 1 5:30 PM - Sunset	National Night Out E Arbor, between N. Bayview and Morse	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335 Dorit Chapman <a href="mailto:dorit.chapman@gmail.com">dorit.chapman@gmail.com</a>
Thurs, Aug 3 7:00 – 8:30 PM	SNAIL Monthly Meeting	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335
Dec-Jan	Red Bows	Dorit Chapman <a href="mailto:dorit.chapman@gmail.com">dorit.chapman@gmail.com</a>



### A SAD GOODBYE TO A MUCH BELOVED SNAIL NEIGHBOR

With sadness, we announce the departure of a good friend and neighbor, Abe Moncallo. Abe passed away on June 25, 2023, after a short illness. He lived on Santa Christina Court. We will often think of him and miss him a lot.

Abe was kind and friendly with everyone in the community. He was a good father and surely a wonderful grandfather. Abe has left us with fond memories.

God's finger touched him, and he slept. -Alfred Lord Tennyson

-Frank Mirland



### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

I sincerely hope you are enjoying your summer.



We're excited to invite you all to our Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> annual National Night Out potluck from 5:30 to sundown. NNO is an annual event held on the first Tuesday in August to heighten awareness of the

importance of neighborly collaboration with our neighbors and those who provide public safety services. During this event, SNAIL promotes safety measures to reduce crime, and encourages involvement and connection with your neighbors and our community.

Returning for the third year, "The Joint Chiefs" will entertain children and adults alike, playing songs known to all so that everyone can dance to their familiar music. We will have children's activities such as playing under a supported colorful parachute, chalk drawing on the sidewalk, glow-in-the-dark temporary tattoos, and face painting. There will be plenty of time to view fire trucks, police motorcycles, and, hopefully, the canine unit will make an appearance. Bring a book or leave a book at the Little Free Library (LFL) located at the event. (LFL maps will be available to see where the other SNAIL LFL's are located).

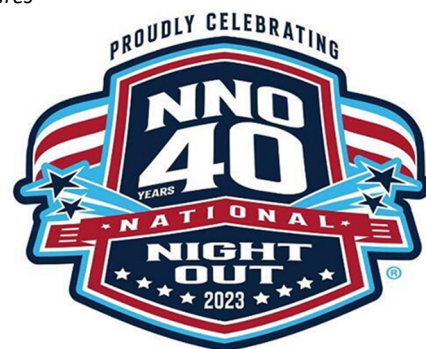
This is a community potluck, so please bring your favorite dish to share. Vegan, vegetarian, and nut-free dishes are appreciated! Please make a note of ingredients, visible to all. SNAIL will cover one ice cream, hot dogs and water.

Only one person per family will need to register at the welcoming tables. Please indicate the street you live on and the number of adults and children so that we can report an accurate head count for next year's grant application. Collect your wrist bands and ice cream tickets for each family member.

We thank our sponsors this year without whom this event would not be the largest street party in the City of Sunnyvale. They will be attending this year, so come and meet them. These are The City of Sunnyvale Dept of Parks and Recreation and Library Services, as well as Edward Jones (Financial Advisor), Renna Shee (Realtor), The Oxford Kitchen & Gastropub (South Murphy Avenue), and Bay Area Data Supplies (supplier for printers and copiers).

We look forward to seeing all of you, meeting new neighbors and making new friends.

-Valérie Suarès





### COLUMBIA NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER (CNC) NEWS

For current information on programs, call CNC at 408-730-7800 or email [CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov) or visit: <https://tinyurl.com/SVLECNC>.

**Sunset Movie Series – Free Movies in the Park:** Movies will begin after sunset, 7:00 PM.

Friday, 8/11 at Ortega Park - Minions: The Rise of Gru

Friday, 8/18 at Columbia Park - Maverick: Top Gun

Friday, 8/25 at Washington Park - Lightyear.

**Recreation Scholarships Available for Youth with Disabilities:** If approved, any youth (up to age 21) with disabilities that reside in Santa Clara County can use scholarship funds to register for a recreation program with City of Sunnyvale. Scholarship can assist with program fees, transportation fees and inclusion aide, depending on staff availability. Must meet income guidelines, complete an application and submit required documents. For more information or to register, call 408-730-7350 or email [CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov). Funding provided by California Department of Developmental Services.

**FREE! Monthly Storytime at Magical Bridge Playground:** August 17, 11:00 – 11:30 AM. Sunnyvale Library host Storytime, ideal for age 0-5, at Magical Bridge stage in Fair Oaks Park. All ages welcome.

**FREE! Youth Drop-In Basketball @ CNC:** Fridays, 7:00 – 10:00 PM. Indoor youth drop-in basketball for middle and high school youth. Must have current school ID and signed parent consent form. Bring your own ball. Program will be canceled if no one shows after the first hour.

**Drop-In Fitness Room:** Monday-Friday, 3:30 – 8:00 PM; Saturday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Get active with cardio machines (treadmill, bikes, ellipticals), strength training machines and free weights. Bring water, a towel and wear athletic shoes. \$1, Residents only. High school students with signed parent consent waiver. Middle school students are free and must attend with a paying parent/guardian.

**Vaccination Clinic for Children (Ages 3-18) with MayView Clinic:** Wednesdays, 5:00 – 6:00 PM. Children can get their required vaccinations for school or childcare. Fees are based on a sliding scale. Appointments are required, call 650-330-7400 or <https://ravenswoodfhn.org/service/immunization-clinic/>.

**Free Food Distribution, Family Harvest:** The fourth Wednesday, 4:15 – 5:15 PM. The next distribution is scheduled for Wed, August 23. Families in need of food are invited to register for the Family Harvest Program, a monthly food distribution program. Families drive through the CNC/CMS parking lot (739 Morse Ave.) and volunteers load about 100 pounds of food (dry, can and fresh) into each car with no contact.  
-Angela Chan, Youth & Family Resources Manager

### SHARING PLUMS WITH NEIGHBORS



-Barbara Brunasso Oliver

Nellie, Peggy, Andi and Case pick loads of plums from Barbara's tree. Summer is here!



### SUNNYVALE FOR EQUITY IN EDUCATION UPDATES



#### Transportation Update

On July 13<sup>th</sup>, we met with Fremont Union High School District to review responses to concerns brought up at the May 20<sup>th</sup> Community Meeting on Transportation of High School Youth.

Bus Pass Eligibility and Cost: The district clarified who is eligible for bus passes and if there is cost.

Students north of Central Expressway receive free bus passes regardless of income. Students between Central and El Camino Real receive free bus passes if they qualify for free or reduced lunches. If they don't qualify, they can purchase passes for \$15/month. Students south of El Camino Real can purchase bus passes at full price. Bus passes are \$35/month.

Communication: Communications with families about bus transportation will improve. This includes creating a one-page guideline that describes types of passes offered, eligibility, process for application and pick-up, and VTA resources for route planning. There will be a simplified, district-wide form in Spanish and English to sign up for bus passes. The district will meet with staff at each school to make sure everyone understands and applies the district policy. VTA will attend Freshman Orientation at Fremont HS to provide an overview to students on how to ride the bus, plan routes, etc.

Tardy Policy: The District will try to conduct a pilot program that will excuse students who are tardy because the VTA bus is late. This is complicated, which is why they want to test ways to do it.

VTA Service Update: VTA updates service twice a year in August and December. For the August update, VTA will be changing the bus schedule so it arrives at Fremont five minutes earlier (8:15) to give more buffer time in case of delays. They will convert one of the two extra service buses that they run, into an express-like bus (255) that will run from Lakewood directly to FHS without going through SNAIL and downtown.

Other: Parking passes at Fremont High School will be distributed with some consideration for distance from residence to school and not just student seniority. We discussed a school bus service, safety on buses, students having to walk 20 to 30 minutes to a bus stop, and the challenges with having to get a bus pass monthly vs. an annual pass. There needs to be further discussion with the City of Sunnyvale regarding improved bike/ped infrastructure and the City's shuttle study issue. Trustee Sinks is very interested in pursuing other options to serve Sunnyvale students, especially in extracurricular activity participation.

#### New Partnerships

On July 14<sup>th</sup>, Sunnyvale for Equity in Education partnered with Livable Sunnyvale and Sunnyvale Community Services to provide information about education inequity to Spanish-speaking Community Leaders. We joined mentors from Livable Sunnyvale in providing support to those who wanted to speak or write to the school board. On July 18<sup>th</sup>, the community spoke compellingly to the Board during public comments. After the comments, trustees spent about 20 minutes asking Superintendent Clark about issues that the community brought up: bullying, racism, the discrepancy in academic scores, language barriers, inequitable services, transportation barriers, lack of support for students. SEE is enthusiastic that a broader range of community voices are emerging.

-Peggy Brewster, Lauren Ledbetter

[SunnyvaleEquityInEducation@gmail.com](mailto:SunnyvaleEquityInEducation@gmail.com);

<https://bit.ly/joinSEE>



## S.N.A.I.L. NNO BLOCK PARTY

Date: Tuesday, August 1, 2023; 5:30-9:00 PM

Location: E. Arbor Ave. between Morse and Bayview



### THIS IS A POTLUCK EVENT

- ♥ **Potluck:** Guests, please bring main dishes, side dishes, appetizers or desserts. Gluten-free, nut-free or vegan are also welcome and, if so, please write it on a small card displayed in front of your dish.
- ♥ **SNAIL Will Provide:** Hot Dogs, Sausages, Water and our Traditional Ice Cream Truck.
- ♥ **Entertainment:** Returning for the third time, The Joint Chiefs (R&B), one of the most versatile and exciting dance bands currently performing. <http://thejointchiefsband.com>
- ♥ **For The Kids:** Face painter and children's activities.
- ♥ **DPS:** Fire trucks, police motorcycles and emergency preparedness team, sponsored by the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety.
- ♥ **Special Guests:** City Council, City staff and Councilmembers.

Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs (between 3:00 – 5:00 PM), manage the food, working at the sign-in table and to clean up, collect plastic bottles, and fold tables and chairs. Please contact: Valérie Suarès: 408-390-3335, [vsuares@gmail.com](mailto:vsuares@gmail.com) or Dorit Chapman: [dorit.chapman@gmail.com](mailto:dorit.chapman@gmail.com), if you can give us a hand.

### Thank You To Our NNO Sponsors!



### SUFA EDIBLE TREE WALK

Thanks to all who participated in the SUFA Edible Tree Walk on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Over 40 fruit producing trees and bushes were featured.



The next nearby Tree Walk will be at **Murphy Park on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**. Learn the history of Sunnyvale's founding family while discussing trees throughout the park. No reservations needed.

For walks in other Sunnyvale parks, visit [www.sunnyvaletrees.org](http://www.sunnyvaletrees.org).  
-Jenny Purushotma

### SNAIL TRAFFIC SAFETY



On the evening of July 6, I was gardening late at night when a car recklessly drove seven donuts and burned out in front of our house for 31 seconds. While I watched it happening with my own eyes, we also captured it on video. We could not get a license plate because of low visibility at night and the speed of the car. I called Public Safety and was pleased that a neighbor had already called in about the same incident. I followed up with an email to the city (Dzanh Le, Dennis Ng, Chip Taylor, and copied Richard Mehlinger and Valérie Suarès). The same car came around one week later. When I called in, they told me that there was already an officer on patrol in the neighborhood and was with the driver and vehicle at that moment. Thank you, Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety. Neighbors, be vigilant about traffic safety. If you see something unsafe, call it in. (408) 730-7180.

-Peggy Brewster

### SNAIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

All SNAIL neighbors are encouraged 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 **Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>**. Send an email to: [SNAILeditor@snail.org](mailto:SNAILeditor@snail.org)

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**HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTH'S SNAIL ZOOM MEETING**

- Richard Mehlinger, D5 Councilmember**
  - On Tuesday, July 11th, the city council voted to approve the Moffett Park Specific Plan (MPSP). Moffett Park is the triangle of land north of Hwy 237. Right now, it is all office and industrial. The MPSP will add 20,000 new homes to Moffett Park, as well as 10,000,000 sq. ft. of office space, extensive community benefits, new bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, new parks and open space. It's going to be an eco-innovation district, so there's going to be a strong emphasis on providing spaces for smaller businesses, startups, maker spaces, that sort of thing.
- Peggy Brewster, Sunnyvale for Equity in Education**
  - Peggy gave a presentation last month, and she asked Livable Sunnyvale if we could be a coalition partner with them and they voted us in. We have an exciting opportunity tomorrow at Sunnyvale Community Services. They have community leaders that have gone through a mentoring program with Livable Sunnyvale, and they asked SEE to come and provide some information about education inequity. SEE will do a workshop to prepare those community leaders to speak at a school board or to email the board.

**For full minutes, please visit:** <https://tinyurl.com/SNAIL2023JUL>  
 -Denise Perez, SNAIL Secretary

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