



GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, October 5th, 7:00 PM

SNAIL Community Meeting via Zoom Login:

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

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

Meeting ID: 899 2570 6502

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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: 11/2, **12/14***, **1/11***, 2/1, 3/7, 4/4, 5/2, 6/6
 (* indicates meeting date change due to a major holiday)

SNAIL 2023 EVENT CALENDAR – SAVE THE DATES

Date/Time	Event Name	Organizer
Thurs, Oct 5 7:00 – 8:30 PM	SNAIL Monthly Meeting	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335
Dec-Jan	Red Bows	Dorit Chapman dorit.chapman@gmail.com



CITY OF SUNNYVALE – UPCOMING MEETINGS

<https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Name	Date	Time	Location
Board of Library Trustees	10/2	7:00 PM	Bay Conference Room https://sunnyvale-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/97058153563
Heritage Preservation Commission	10/4	7:00 PM	Bay Conference Room https://sunnyvale-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/93323345826
City Council	10/10	7:00 PM	Bay Conference Room https://sunnyvale-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/96111580540
Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Comm.	10/19	6:30 PM	Bay Conference Room https://sunnyvale-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/97997417379
City Council	10/24	7:00 PM	Bay Conference Room https://sunnyvale-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/96111580540

Watch the City Council meetings on television over Comcast Channel 15 at: <http://youtube.com/SunnyvaleMeetings> or <https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/calendar.aspx>

Submit written comments to the City Council up to four hours prior to the meeting to council@sunnyvale.ca.gov or by mail to City Clerk, 603 All America Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Where did this year go?

Labor Day ended the summer, and we are now entering the fall season. The weather is changing, and the leaves are turning color and falling.

Grade schools are back-in session, as well as colleges and universities, and I am sure you have all seen the impact on traffic. This can be a period of stress and change for parents and students alike. Don't rush, take your time! Try to avoid any speeding in our neighborhood and in other communities as well.



Fall also marks the start of new sports seasons, including football and basketball, and of course there will be baseball playoffs leading to the World Series.

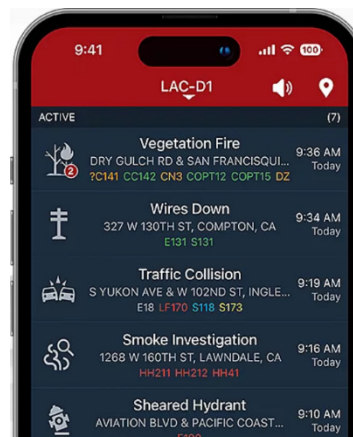
Stores have started displaying Halloween and Christmas items already. Christmas seems to come earlier every year. Obviously, the stores know the holiday season is almost upon us. Then Black Friday will come, Cyber Monday, and the cold weather.

So why not enjoy the fall colors before they all disappear.



-Valérie Suarès

PULSEPOINT MOBILE PHONE APPLICATION



PulsePoint is a 911-connected mobile app that allows users to view and receive alerts on calls being responded to by fire departments and emergency medical services. <https://www.pulsepoint.org/>

PulsePoint notifications provide an early heads-up to local threats such as wildlands fires, flooding and utility emergencies.

When that life-threatening call comes in emergency responders will be ready. But what if someone was already at the scene, applying lifesaving CPR and defibrillation until they arrive? With PulsePoint, the dispatch center immediately alerts CPR-trained individuals about nearby cardiac arrest events through the free PulsePoint Respond mobile app, and also lets them know the location of the closest Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs).

"PulsePoint is a 501(c)(3) public non-profit foundation building applications that help public safety agencies inform and engage their citizens." [8]



COLUMBIA NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER (CNC) NEWS

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

FREE! Virtual Fitness Class for Older Adults (Age 60+): Location: Virtual/On-line. Dates/Times: Mons and Thurs., Oct. 23 – Feb. 5, from 10:00 – 11:30 AM.. Stay Active and Independent for Life (S.A.I.L.) is an evidenced-based program funded by Sourcewise. This 12-week, virtual class will be taught by a trained instructor that will lead participants through 90-minute classes to improve balance, build strength and increase cardio and stamina. Registration required, <https://forms.office.com/g/DDaPaRC1Vr>

Questions? 408-730-7599 or ncs@sunnyvale.ca.gov

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 the 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 age and proof of residence. For more information or to register, call 408-730-7350 or email CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov. Funding provided by California Department of Developmental Services.

FREE! Monthly Library Program at Magical Bridge Playground: Friday, October 6, 11:00 – 11:30 AM. Enjoy music from Megan Schoenbohm, ideal for age 0-5, at Magical Bridge stage in Fair Oaks Park. All ages welcome.

FREE! Youth Drop-In Gym – Multi-Sport @ CNC Gym: Fridays, 7:00 – 10:00 PM. First and second Fridays: basketball and volleyball; Third and fourth Fridays: basketball and dodgeball. Indoor youth drop-in gym 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, 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 – 7:00 PM. Children can get their required vaccinations for school or childcare. Fees are based on a sliding scale. Walk-ins welcome, no appointment necessary, 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., Oct. 25. 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

SUNNYVALE FOR EQUITY IN EDUCATION (SEE) and FREMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (FUHSD) UPDATES



The second public hearing about trustee areas was held on Tuesday, September 19th. It was a long conversation with many public comments.

There was a lot of support expressed for a community (not just citizens) advisory committee with representatives from all over the district to take the lead in map drawing. The community representatives could then also communicate with their neighbors. In this way, information may be better distributed that way than directly through the district. Many members of the public also advised mapping tools be made available as soon as possible, without having to wait for the advisory committee to be selected and formed.

The board did agree to have Superintendent Clark start the community advisory committee with FUHSD staff. The current trustees will not be part of the selection process. However, the current trustees will ultimately be the ones to decide on which map should be approved.

A notable difference in public comments from the first pre-map meeting was there were many more families from the southern part of the district - especially West San Jose, 94129 - expressing concern about the process. Many Cupertino Union School District commenters felt like they were not informed about this process and weren't clear on the reasons to go to trustee areas. The board acknowledged that more outreach to clarify misinformation and to inform about this process was needed in all parts of the district.

A few suggestions came in that attendance boundary maps could be used as a starting point when considering trustee areas. We know that since population needs to be balanced (approx 48,000 for each of the five districts), there must be a substantial difference in attendance boundaries and trustee areas.

A new email address regarding this topic has been created. Emails sent to trusteeareas@fuhd.org will go to the five trustees, Superintendent Graham Clark, Coordinator of Communications Rachel Zlotziver, and the consultant (Cooperative Strategies).

The next public hearing is scheduled for October 17, 2023. First drafts of maps will be presented on that date.

Stay informed and participate by signing up for free:

<https://bit.ly/joinSEE>



-Peggy Brewster, Lauren Ledbetter
SunnyvaleEquityInEducation@gmail.com

SNAIL NEIGHBORHOOD UNDER ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY QUARANTINE



On September 6th, the California Secretary of Agriculture issued a quarantine for the oriental fruit fly (*Bactrocera dorsalis*). The quarantine affects a 112-square-mile section of Santa Clara County, and it was put in place after eight oriental fruit

flies were found in Santa Clara and Sunnyvale. **The quarantine covers all of Sunnyvale and Santa Clara, along with parts of Campbell, Cupertino, Los Altos, Milpitas, Mountain View, San José and Saratoga.**

As a result, all residents of the SNAIL neighborhood are included in the quarantine. While under quarantine, residents:

- ★ Should not take any homegrown fruits and vegetables from their property. This includes anything grown in gardens as well as fruit from fruit trees in our yards.
- ★ Should not put any homegrown fruits and vegetables in the FoodCycle compost (yellow) part of the garbage can.
- ★ May dispose of homegrown fruits and vegetables by:
 - ★ Grinding them in the garbage disposal.
 - ★ Double-bagging and sealing them, then placing them in the regular (black) part of the garbage can.

Note that these fruits and vegetables are safe for processing and consumption (e.g., juiced, frozen, cooked), if the processing and consumption occurs on the resident’s property.

For more information, go to the official news release here: https://news.sccgov.org/news-release/oriental-fruit-fly-quarantine-declared-portion-santa-clara-county?embedded_webview=true



-Cortney Jansen



Happy
Columbus Day
Monday, October 9th

COLUMBUS DAY HISTORY

Columbus Day is the celebration of Christopher Columbus’ discovery of 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 Hispaniola 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 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 occurs annually on the second Monday of October.

COLUMBUS DAY FACTS & QUOTES

- ❖ 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 to give workers in the U.S. a long weekend. This was part of the Uniform Monday Holiday Act.
- ❖ Colorado was the first state to officially recognize and celebrate Columbus Day in 1906.
- ❖ *"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*

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, October 13th**. Send an email to: SNAILeditor@snail.org

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HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTH'S SNAIL ZOOM MEETING

- Eric Stroker, SCC Supervisor Otto Lee's Office Updates**
 - Medical Assist program, small application to be reimbursed for extra medical expenses not covered for out-of-pocket medical expenses.
 - Day On The Bay 2023 – October 14/Alviso Marina - Multi-cultural event.
- Laurie Thomas (for Peggy Brewster,) Traffic Safety, FUHSD, SEE**
 - Crossing the street from the south side of Maude to the north side to enter the neighborhood has been especially hazardous to Fremont High School students dropped off by VTA bus 55 and Columbia Middle School students crossing into SNAIL, usually without an adult escort.
 - For FUHSD, the VTA bus pass application process is much more streamlined, and policies are widely known across staff.
 - SEE met with Jaqui Guzman, who oversaw the City's recent districting and redistricting to learn about what practices worked well for Sunnyvale that may also work for the high school district.

For full minutes, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/SNAIL2023SEP>
-Denise Perez, SNAIL Secretary



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