

S.N.A.I.L. News

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April 2024



Thursday, April 4th, 7:00 PM

SNAIL Community Meeting via Zoom Login:

https://us02web.zoom.us/i/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 major holiday. All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome. Membership in SNAIL is always free.

Schedule: 5/2, 6/6, **7/11***, 8/1, 9/5, 10/3, 11/7, 12/5 (* indicates meeting date change due to a major holiday)

2024 SNAIL EVENT CALENDAR - SAVE THE DATES

Date/Time	Event Name	Organizer	
Thurs, Apr 4 7:00 – 8:30 PM	SNAIL Monthly Meeting	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335	
Sat, Jun 8	SNAIL Dumpster Day	Jesse Bly (650) 254-6066	
Sat/Sun, Jun 8-9	SNAIL Yard Sale 667 San Diego Ave.	Barbara Brunasso (626) 628-7993 Tarik Peterson (408) 745-1241	
Thurs, Aug 1	SNAIL Monthly Meeting NNO final details and call for volunteers	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335	
Tues, Aug 6	National Night Out E Arbor, between N. Bayview and Morse	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335 Dorit Chapman dorit.chapman@gmail.com	

Speakers Corner	2024 SNAIL MEETING SPEAKER CALENDAR		
Date/Time	Speaker	Topic	
Thurs, Apr 4	CM Richard Mehlinger	Study Issues 101: How to Recommend Study Issues and How Does the City Select Them?	
Thurs, May 2	DPS Neighborhood Resource Officer (TBD)	How to Prevent Theft of Catalytic Converters	
Thurs, Aug 8	All SNAIL Members	NNO Debrief	
Thurs, Sept 26	Elaine Manley, Moderator	SNAIL Candidate Forum - Mayoral Race	

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



With the turmoil we are all experiencing, internationally, domestically, nationally, locally, politically, emotionally, environmentally, financially, it is difficult for me to see how I can make positive contributions to resolve these issues.

I am saddened by the realization that in the grand scheme of things, I am just one small piece of this large puzzle of contributors. In my darkest moments, I am reflecting on the world we are leaving to the next generation of society leaders and contributors. Thinking back on the Middle Ages, the 100-year war, the revolutions, and the international wars, I cannot stop thinking... "why can't we all get along? Why does history repeat itself? Haven't we learned anything from this repeated turmoil?"

There is so much uncertainty all around us, yet there is one constant that keeps us all grounded: the seasons can always be expected with variations of course but with constant regularity. The Earth revolves in orbit around the Sun for 365 days, six hours, and nine minutes. This is about an extra day every fourth year, added as February 29th, as it did this leap year.

Seasons are constant as they are linked to the earth's tilt with respect to the revolutionary plane of the earth around the sun. At any point of the year, the angle at which earth is tilted towards the sun becomes cyclic, increasing and decreasing, as the earth revolves around the sun. This in turn makes the seasons cyclical. This will never change.

So let us embrace the spring and look forward to the summer. Last month we talked about planting seeds. We welcomed the rains and now the plants are sprouting, soon we will reap the fruits of our labor. While unfortunately we cannot control the societal instability we live in, we can expect the annual return of spring to plant, sow and reap with regularity. Like the new plants, we can generate the new by clearing the old. Coming in June will be our annual yard sale and dumpster day. Start making your plans now.

Happy spring! -Valérie Suarès



RECYCLE FOR S.N.A.I.L.



Drop your recycling off at 418 E. Arbor Ave or 256 E. Eaglewood Ave.

Pick-up is available through April 25th by contacting Dorit Chapman at: dorit.chapman@gmail.com -Dorit Chapman

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

UPDATE ON FUHSD MOVE TO BY-TRUSTEE AREA ELECTIONS



It has been just over one year since the Fremont Union High School District (FUHSD) voted unanimously to move from at-large to by-trustee elections. Work in March focused on selecting district maps based on all of the district maps that were submitted by the community, discussing which areas should be

included in this fall's elections, and collecting community input on the three selected. District maps will divide the district into five areas. Per federal law, each area must have nearly equal populations (less than 10% total variance). District maps are based on total population (instead of voting population or FUHSD families) because the school district serves all families who live in the area, not just those who are of voting age or already have students attending a FUHSD school.

On March 11, the Committee for Trustee Area Districting (CTAD) met to review all of the community feedback, identify 1-5 maps that were legal and represented the community feedback, and draft a proposed election sequence for each map. Some of the clear themes from this meeting were: (1) while trustee areas cannot match school attendance boundaries, those boundaries should be considered when creating the maps; (2) the Lynbrook High School area wanted to be a separate area from the Cupertino High School area, and (3) Sunnyvale residents preferred that the two trustee areas in Sunnyvale be split north-south (based on middle school attendance areas) instead of east-west.

After reviewing the information and evaluating the maps, CTAD identified three maps to present to the FUHSD board. All maps have two trustee areas in Sunnyvale split north-south, although the exact split depends on the map. Regardless of the final map, CTAD is recommending that the North Sunnyvale trustee area be up for election in November 2024.

CTAD members presented the maps to the FUHSD board at the third map hearing on March 20. There was a zoom meeting on March 24 to provide residents with the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.

The three maps are online here:

https://tinyurl.com/MapScenario5 https://tinyurl.com/MapScenario6 https://tinyurl.com/MapScenario7

CTAD will meet again in early April to compile community feedback on the three proposed maps. The final map hearing will be at the FUHSD board meeting on April 24. The final map will be used beginning with the November 2024 election. District maps are redrawn after every census, so the next district maps will be drawn after the 2030 census.

This will be the first time that there will be a trustee who lives in North Sunnyvale on the FUHSD board, so it's important that our voices are heard regarding which map we prefer. Please review the maps and share your input. Providing feedback (including simply stating which map(s) you like) supports the move to by-trustee area elections and helps ensure equal representation on the FUHSD board. Email input can be sent to trusteeareas@fuhsd.org

For more information, visit:

<u>https://www.fuhsd.org/newsroom/trustee-areas</u> or view the CTAD Informational Presentation here:

 $\underline{\text{https://tinyurl.com/CTADPresentation}}$

-Cortney Jansen, SEE Member



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/SVLECNC.

FREE! Monthly Activities at Magical Bridge Playground for All Ages, All Abilities at Fair Oaks Park, 540 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. All are welcome.

- Inclusive Storytime in English: Wed, April 3, from 4:00 4:30 PM
 Fri, April 5, 11:00 11:30 AM
- Inclusive Storytime in Spanish: Fri, April 12, from 4:00 4:30 PM
- Inclusive Musical Show: Saturday, April 13, 2:00 3:30 PM with Lori and RJ of Cotton Candy Express Music.
- Music & Movement: Friday, April 26, 10 10:45 AM. Join San Miguel/Columbia Family Resource Center staff for a fun, interactive activity for families with children, ages 2-5.

FREE! Youth Drop-In Recreation Program with The Fun on the Run (FOTR) Truck: *Tues., 3:00 – 5:30 PM*. Offers a variety of recreation activities for youth, ages 8-12. Parents/guardians must fill out an emergency card on the first day of participation. First-come, first-served basis. Location – Muwékma Park, 1035 Indian Wells Ave.

FREE! Fun on the Run Hours for April School Break, April 15-19

Days	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
	4/15/24	4/16/24	4/17/24	4/18/24	4/19/24
Afternoon Session> 2:00 – 5:00 PM					
Location	Muwékma	Muwékma	Muwékma	Muwékma	Muwékma
	Park	Park	Park	Park	Park

Free! Intro. to Animation Camp for Youth, Ages 8-15 During Spring Break: (April 15-19, 1:00 – 3:00 PM. In partnership with AACI (Asian American for Community Involvement), this technology-based workshop will be offered to youth, ages 8-15 from April 15-19, 1-3 pm for youth ages 8-12. Location: Raynor Park Building, 1565 Quail Ave. Registration required (Activity #AB3CEG.DA), link to register: https://registration.sunnyvale.ca.gov/wbwsc/webtrac.wsc/splash.html

FREE! In-Person Evidenced-Based Fitness Program for Older Adults (age 60+): Bingocize (Bingo + exercise) is a fun fitness program that incorporates bingo games with fitness activities. Goal of the program is to get active and prevent falls. A chance to win prizes in each class. Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:00 – 2:00 PM. for 10 weeks beginning on April 1. Location: Sunnyvale Senior Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. Registration required: https://forms.office.com/g/P3YbStaJtG

FREE! Virtual Evidenced-Based Fitness Program for Older Adults (age 60+): SAIL (Stay Active and Independent for Life) is a fitness program that incorporates balance and strength training exercises. Goal of the program is to get active and prevent falls. *Tuesdays and Fridays, 1:00 – 2:30 PM via ZOOM for 12 weeks beginning on April 2*. Registration required: https://forms.office.com/g/a3Hq8w4nGT

FREE! Food Distribution, Family Harvest: Families in need of food are invited to register for the Family Harvest Program, a monthly food distribution program that usually takes place on the *fourth Wednesday, 4:15 – 5:15 PM.* Families drive through the CNC/CMS parking lot (739 Morse Ave.) and volunteers load about 100 pounds of food (dry, can and fresh food) into each car with no contact. The next distribution is scheduled for *Wed., April 24th*.

-Angela Chan, Youth & Family Resources Manager

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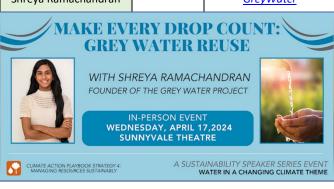
CITY OF SUNNYVALE – UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

Name	Date/Time	Location
City Council	4/9 7:00 PM	Online and Bay Conf. Room https://sunnyvale-ca- gov.zoom.us/j/96111580540
City Council	4/23 7:00 PM	Online and Bay Conf. Room https://sunnyvale-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/96111580540

CITY OF SUNNYVALE - UPCOMING EVENTS

Event Name	Date/Time	Location	
Sustainability Series	4/17	Sunnyvale Theatre	
Make Every Drop Count:	7-8:30 PM	550 E. Remington Dr.	
Grey Water Reuse		Register:	
Speaker:		http://tinyurl.com/2024-	
Shreya Ramachandran		<u>GreyWater</u>	





Boards and Commissions Recruitment

Apply for a Board or Commission

Recruitment is underway for the following openings:

Arts Commission

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Board of Library Trustees
Heritage Preservation Commission

Housing and Human Services Commission

Human Relations Commission

Parks and Recreation Commission

Personnel Board

Planning Commission Sustainability Commission

Application deadline: Thursday, April 25, 4 p.m.

Tentative interview dates: May 13 and 14

General eligibility requirements include Sunnyvale residency.

SPRING CLEANING FOR A SUCCESSFUL SNAIL YARD SALE



Think of decluttering as a gift you give yourself. The unused stuff that's taking up space in your home might be stuff that someone in our neighborhood could really use. Go on a scavenger hunt for "treasures"

that you don't need. Pack up those items and take them to Tarik's home in bags and boxes. If it takes longer than 60 seconds to decide if you should keep something, you probably don't need it, and should probably donate it to the SNAIL yard sale!

When: Sat/Sun, June 8-9

Where: Tarik's Home, 667 San Diego Ave. -Barbara Brunasso, Yard Sale Coordinator

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTH'S SNAIL ZOOM MEETING

City Updates (Mayor Klein): Study issues, ranked:

https://medium.com/@rmehlinger/2024-sunnyvale-study-issue-wrap-up-5b074e737e77

D5 District Updates (CM Richard Mehlinger):

- -Looking for a new City Attorney if anyone knows a potential applicant.
- -Fair Oaks Study Issue was ranked 4, below the line so won't happen this year.
- -Question from Gabriela: A child's classmate and family were involved in an accident this week, walking to school, on Duane, near Kings Academy, in San Miguel. What can be done at the Britton/Duane/Johanna intersection? Answer: The Principal needs to request a crossing guard. Sunnyvale has 30 crosswalk locations. School districts work with DPS each year to prioritize their needs.

For full minutes, please visit: http://tinyurl.com/SNAIL2024MAR
-Jenny Purushotma, SNAIL Secretary

FEBRUARY SNAIL LUNAR DINNER AT PHO LOVERS



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*, *April 12th*. Send an email to: SNAILeditor@snail.org

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