



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



I hope everyone had a terrific summer and enjoyed our community event this past August. Sunnyvale Police and Fire, Mayor Larry Klein, District 5 City Councilmember Richard Mellinger, and 458 of your neighbors, lots of food, music provided by The Joint Chief's, ice cream for all, and more.

As the long summer days slowly fade and the crisp breeze of fall starts to roll in, we are excited for the months to come as our first major event will be the Mayoral Candidate Forum. To participate, register by following this link: <https://tinyurl.com/SVMayorForum2024>; enter your name, email address and the number 5 for our District.

While the days may be getting shorter, the warmth of our community remains as strong as ever. We'll come together in the spirit of an Indian Summer, enjoying the last hints of sunshine and welcoming the beauty of fall.

The end of October also means Halloween, with all the ghosts and goblins out trick or treating in the neighborhood. Let's make it a fun, safe and fitting start to the Holiday Season.

We will then decorate our trees with red bows in late November, for a festive end of the year.

The year 2025 will be an exciting one for SNAIL as we celebrate our 30th Anniversary as the leading neighborhood organization in Sunnyvale. People everywhere wish they had a community organization like ours as a source of pride, support, fun and information. I am excited to invite you to a very special event in conjunction with National Night Out on August 7th, to celebrate SNAIL's 30 incredible years. We want you to be a part of this milestone! If you want to be a part of the organizing and planning, or if you have some ideas on how we can celebrate, please reach out to any member of the SNAIL leadership.

This event will be bigger and better than ever and will require additional funds and volunteers. If you work for a company that matches monetary donations or volunteer hours, consider checking with your company as your employer may double your donation, providing even more support to our neighborhood. This celebration will take a community effort. Thank you.

-Valérie Suarès

UPDATE FROM D5 COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD MEHLINGER

Richard checked with City Manager, Tim Kirby regarding the waterline that the City is replacing on Maude. The work is expected to be completed in November.

-D5 CM Richard Mehlinger



GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, October 3rd, 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

One-tap mobile: +16699009128, 89925706502# (San Jose)

Dial by your location: +1 669 900 9128 (San Jose)

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: 11/7, 12/5, 1/9*, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1, 6/5, 7/3
 (* indicates meeting date change due to a major holiday)

2024 SNAIL EVENT CALENDAR – SAVE THE DATES

Date/Time	Event Name	Organizer
Thurs, Oct 3 7:00 - 8:30 PM	SNAIL Monthly Meeting	Valérie Suarès 408-390-3335
Thurs, Nov 7 7:05 PM	SNAIL Monthly Meeting Guest Speaker	Bailey Hall Environmental Programs Specialist



SNAIL will hold elections for our 2025 officers (Chair, Vice-chair, Secretary and Treasurer) at the **SNAIL General Meeting on November 7th**. If you have attended at least two SNAIL meetings within the last six months or served as an active volunteer within the last 12 months, you may nominate, and/or run for any of our four elected positions.

To read the duties for each office, type in this link and scroll down to **ARTICLE IV**: <https://www.snail.org/docs/SNAILbylaws.shtml>.

Come join us to nominate a SNAIL member and/or cast your vote. The new officers will commence in January 2025.

-Valérie Suarès, SNAIL Chair



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>.

Yoga Classes – Mon. & Wed. – 6:30-7:30 pm in the CNC Gym beginning on Oct. 2. Explore mindfulness and move your body gently. Engage both your mind and body in a healthy practice to build self-awareness, release stress, and leave you feeling calmer and more connected! All levels welcome. Class is offered in partnership with The Art of Yoga Project. Wear loose fitting, comfortable clothes. Bring a yoga mat, towel and water. Adults 18+, high school students (14-17) with signed parent consent, students (age 8 – 13) with parent or guardian present. Pay what you can, suggested \$3 donation/class, no one turned away for lack of payment. No childcare and children may not wait in the facility.

Active Aging Week at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, Mon., Sept. 30 – Fri., Oct. 4. Attention residents, age 50+, connect with others in the community and discover new ways to stay active and healthy as you age. Join the Sunnyvale Senior Center for a week of FREE activities for older adults. No registration necessary, spaces may be limited. For a list of activities, dates and times, please call the Senior Center, 408-730-7360.

Donate to our Halloween Costume Swap: Oct. 1 – 15. Donate your child's clean, gently used costumes and accessories so they can benefit another child in the community. Two drop off locations - **CNC, M-F, 8 am to 8 pm and Saturday, 9 am to noon.** You may need to enter the building from the back (Morse Avenue next to CMS campus) outside of regular business hours; and Sunnyvale Public Library during their operating hours.

FREE! Spooky StoryWalk, Wed., Oct. 30, 4:00 – 6:00 PM at Columbia Park. Stroll through the park and enjoy a featured book. Families are encouraged to wear costumes and bring a treat bag. Enjoy craft trick or treat stations and Halloween safety tips while supplies last.

FREE! Halloween Costume Swap Event - Tues., Oct. 22, 3:30 - 5:00 PM at Columbia Middle School, the two portables next to school library. If your child needs a Halloween costume, check out what's available here. Plan to line up, get a number and see if any of the gently used donated costumes will work for your child.

Free Legal Clinic (In-Person): Thurs., 10/10, 1:00 - 4:00 PM. In partnership with Asian Law Alliance, consult with an attorney on legal issues in the areas of immigration, housing, public benefits, and family law. Consultations average 30 minutes. This month, consultations will be provided in-person at CNC. Registration required, call CNC to register.

Zumba Class: CMS Multi-Purpose Room. **Tues., & Thurs, 6:30 – 7:30 PM.** A fitness program that involves cardio and Latin-inspired dance. Adults 18+, high school students (14-17) with signed parent consent, students (age 8 – 13) with parent or guardian present. Pay what you can, suggested \$3 donation/class, no one turned away for lack of payment. **Free childcare for children, ages 4-11 available on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6:15 – 8:15 PM. Children must be potty independent.**

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.** New families will need to register on distribution day. Distribution changed to a Farmer's Market model, participants must park, walk into the parking lot and bring re-usable bags for bulk produce, fruits and a cart for dry and canned goods, eggs, milk, etc. Each family will pick up about 100 lbs. of food. **The next distribution is scheduled for Wed., October 23.**

-Angela Chan, Youth & Family Resources Manager



PACE SCHOOL STAFF IS ACCEPTING CANDY DONATIONS

Fall is fast approaching, and Spooky Season is just around the corner! To celebrate, we are excited to host our annual Trunk-or-Treat event on October 31. To make this event a success, we are accepting candy donations to ensure all our little ghouls and goblins have a fun-filled night. If you would like to contribute, please drop off your candy donations to Pacific Autism Center for Education, 824 San Aleso Avenue, Sunnyvale. All Candy donations must be received by October 21. If you are interested in making a financial contribution, please visit: <https://www.pacificautism.org/donate/>

We appreciate your support in making this year's Trunk-or-Treat absolutely SPOOK-TACULAR! If you have any questions about making a candy donation, please contact our *School Resource Coordinator* Jocelyn Malkenhorst at: jocelynmalkenhorst@pacificautism.org. If you have questions about a monetary contribution, contact Melissa Watkins at: melissawatkins@pacificautism.org.

-Lori Strickland, PACE School Director

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBOR: KURATED KITCHEN!

155 E. Maude Avenue / <https://www.kuratedkitchens.com/>

Hours: Mon – Fri 7:30 AM – 9:00 PM / Parking in the back.

A new, fresh face in the SNAIL community, complete with a hip, modern, colorful vibe, and lots of seating inside and out, Kurated Kitchen is "a neighborhood cafe and food hall that features a collection of thoughtfully curated menus showcasing various cuisines, from burgers to curries, Pad Thai's to fries."

Place an order via QR code or kiosk or choose home delivery for an 808 Drip drink, Srasa build-your-own or preset bowls, Roost & Roast, Revival State Burgers, and Hatched – a variety of breakfast egg sandwiches.

Wi-Fi will be offered, and this will definitely be a spot you might like to hang out, eat, work a little, have a specialty 808 drink, chat in real time, eat a little more. . .

Owner brothers Craighton and Clifton Poon with head chef brother Brandon and all the staff are warm and welcoming and invite you to stop in for a visit and have a taste of their curated crafted specialties.

-Barbara Brunasso Oliver



HARLEY

We got Harley 3 years ago from a guy on the internet who didn't want him anymore. Harley was sold to my father as a 3 yr. old even though, as soon as he came home with us, he just lied down and mostly slept. He was chipped 11 years ago and has taught my Chinese parents, who grew up in the wake of Mao's great leap forward, to be patient, kind, and understanding. Many of the kids and adults in the neighborhood know and love Harley and pet him. He still walks most days for several hours, once in the morning and once in the evening.

-Mike Xie, Duane Ave.



Links for Forum Registration and Videos:



www.lwvcs.org/Election-Forums



Submit Questions for the Forum Candidates

tinyurl.com/LWVCSForumQs2024

Look up your Voting Districts:



tinyurl.com/SCCROVLookupDistrict

2024 LWV ELECTION FORUMS

School Board Forums *

Sept 30	7pm	FUHSD, Area 5 (Fremont Union High School District)
Oct 1	7pm	Santa Clara County Board of Education, Area 1 **
Oct 2	7pm	FUHSD, Area 2 (Fremont Union High School District)
Oct 15	7pm	CUSD (Cupertino Union School District)

* SESD (Sunnyvale School District) seats 2 & 4 and SCUSD (Santa Clara School District) seats 3 & 5 are uncontested, so LWV cannot hold candidate forums

** Santa Clara County Board of Education, Area 1 covers part of Sunnyvale, Palo Alto, Los Altos, and Mtn. View. This forum will be hosted and moderated by LWV Palo Alto

The League will also do a Zoom Webinar explaining the state and local ballot measures on Oct 16th at 7pm. The same link will take you to the page to sign up for that forum: www.lwvcs.org/Election-Forums. Please share this link with your Sunnyvale friends and neighbors.

SNAIL'S RED BOWS TRADITION 2024



SNAIL will be hosting its annual Red Bows event to celebrate the holidays. Last year, thanks to all our Red Bow reps, our neighborhood looked beautiful and festive. It is the tradition for the bows to go up the weekend after Thanksgiving and taken down the first weekend in January.



We still have streets that do not have Red Bow Reps. If your street was not decorated with Red Bows last year and you would like to participate in 2024, please let me know by sending your information (name, address, street to decorate) to me at: dorit.chapman@gmail.com

We are still looking for **Red Bow** reps for the following streets:

- 700 block of Madrone
- 800 block of Borregas

Thank you to all our volunteers for making our SNAIL neighborhood look so beautiful throughout the years!

-Dorit Chapman, Red Bow Coordinator



SNAIL RECYCLING PROGRAM

The SNAIL RECYCLING program has been a great success! Thanks to all of your recycling, our National Night Out benefited from the funds received. Please keep them coming!

If you haven't contributed to this great community program, please consider doing so by dropping off your cleaned and separated CRV cans and plastic containers (no glass, please) to the home of Dorit Chapman or Valérie Suarès.

SNAIL's 30th anniversary will be held in August 2025, and we will need as much money as possible for this celebration. For more information, please email: Dorit or Valérie (See contact information in table below.)

-Dorit Chapman, SNAIL Recycling Program

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 11th**. Send an email to: SNAILeditor@snail.org

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