

S.N.A.I.L. News

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DECEMBER 2006

SNAIL General Meeting Thursday –December 7th

This month, Val Conzet and Larry Disque of the Sunnyvale water department will address chemicals added to city water, and the recent sewer work. Also, Pat Meyering will discuss the future of the County Fairgrounds.

Location: Columbia Middle School

Staff Room

Social Time: 6:45 - 7:00 p.m. Meeting Time: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome.

SNAIL Holiday Party Saturday – December 16th, 5 p.m.

All SNAIL residents are invited to the 2006 Holiday Party hosted by the Aubin family at 763 San Diego Ave. This is a pot luck dinner party, so please bring your favorite dish to share. There will be a play room and crafts for the kids. Please RSVP with Georgina at HolidayParty@snail.org or 745-7693.

It has become a SNAIL tradition to award prizes in the annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest. This year the judging will be performed on two evenings, just after sunset. On Friday, four SNAIL residents will select twelve houses. On Saturday, the official final judges, Chris Koelbel, Jenny Anton, and Councilmember Ron Swegles will announce the winners upon returning to the Aubin house. Please call Jim Quaderer at 737-9479 by Dec. 6th if you wish to participate in the preliminary judging on Friday, December 15th.

SNAIL Halloween Contest Results

Thanks for our four preliminary judges, Lisa Korff, Melinda Gilstrom Rybak, Joshua Sarsfield, and Valerie Suares, and our two final judges, Linda Kim (Columbia Neighborhood Center) and Glenna Avilla, winners for the SNAIL Halloween home decorating contest were chosen on Oct 27th and 28th. The winners are:

1st place: 594 Maple Avenue 2nd place: 554 Morse Avenue 3rd place: 297 Alturas Avenue

Ian & Elle Epperson threw a wonderful Halloween party that was fun for the kids as well as the adults! The winners of the SNAIL Halloween Costume contest are:

1st place (tie): Chris Vigliaturo and

Ian Epperson (San Diego Av.)

2nd place: Elle Epperson (San Diego Av.)
3rd place: Harmony Hiller (Eureka Ct.)

Prizes for the Halloween party were purchased or donated by downtown merchants.



Some of the participants at the SNAIL Halloween party

Message from the Vice-Chair

Happy holidays everyone!

This newsletter is different than all of the others you have read because of the way it arrived at your door.

A few weeks ago, Connie Cook-Turner resigned as a SNAIL volunteer. This was a big loss for SNAIL. Every month, Connie single-handedly counted out over 1200 newsletters, distributed newsletters to a third of the block reps, and mailed out over sixty newsletters -- hand addressing every envelope. That's just a small fraction of her contributions. There were also the yard sales, BBQs, and outreach. The list of good deeds goes on and on. Connie, THANK YOU for all you have done to make our neighborhood a better and more fun place to live!

Connie was literally doing the work of more than nine volunteers. Imagine the impact on any organization if nine of the top people leave -- all at once. So we are in a bit of a crisis mode now. If you've been thinking about becoming active in SNAIL -- even for two or three hours a month -- there has never been a better time to step forward. Our most immediate need is for five people to run the newsletter distribution. Call June at 497-0827 or Tarik at 745-1241.

-Jim Quaderer

Homeless

SNAIL volunteers serve food to the homeless at the Armory on Wednesday evenings, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. To volunteer, call Malcolm Lloyd at 747-1949.

SNAIL Election Results

Starting with the January meeting, our new officers will be:

Chairman: Jim Quaderer
Vice Chairman: Will Habeck
Secretary: Tarik Peterson
Treasurer: Jeannie Biddle

Sunnyvale Community Services Fundraiser Thursday – December 7th

725 Kifer Road, between Fair Oaks and Wolfe. Silent auction 5:00-7:00 p.m., oral auction begins at 5:45 p.m. Admission: a new toy, a household gift (towels, blanket, basic kitchen item), or a bag of food

Newsletter Assistance Needed

Due to Christmas calendar conflicts and the need for some extra help, our monthly dinner to support Sunnyvale businesses will be held on December 28th at Vito's pizza. Those attending will be asked to count lots and lots of newsletters. It looks like work but is actually fun.

Entertainment Book Sales

There is a new store called Avenue on Fair Oaks and El Camino, close to where Honey Baked used to be. The Entertainment Book has two 30% off coupons near the back. Try it -- let's keep all the new business we can in Sunnyvale. If you are planning to support our Fundraiser, you will need to buy your books soon, because all SNAIL books must be returned by the end of December.

Founders' Corner

"There is no subtler, no surer means of overturning the existing basis of society than to debauch the currency. The process engages all the hidden forces of economic law on the side of destruction, and does it in a manner which not one man in a million is able to diagnose."

Lord John Maynard Keynes, renowned British economist

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