



# S.N.A.I.L. News

Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor, Including LaLinda  
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Representing over 1100 households Established in 1995  
**FEBRUARY 2007**

## SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – February 1st

This month, Dennis Ng, Senior Traffic Engineer, will discuss the design of traffic controls in our neighborhood.

*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.



Another magnificent SNAIL dinner, at Marie Callenders.

## Message from the Chair

Traffic problems in the neighborhood will be the main topic of the first two SNAIL general meetings this year. Due to illness on January 4th, Joe Avila from the City stood in for Dennis Ng. Joe recorded some the comments of SNAILs at that meeting -- such as the "cut thru" speeders on Balsam and Worley. Dennis will be at our February meeting to address this and other traffic issues. Attendance at the meeting on Feb 1 from 7 to 7:30pm is the best way to voice your concerns about traffic in the neighborhood.

In January, we had our first committee meeting for our April "Taste of Sunnyvale" event. The planning is still in the formative stages. SNAILs are welcome at any of our planning meetings.

A "Newcomers Welcoming Committee" is now being formed within SNAIL. Marilu Sawyer has volunteered to lead the committee. This is probably one of the "funnest" volunteer jobs available - greeting new people and helping them to feel at home in their new home. Call Marilu at 733-6631 if you can help.

-Jim Quaderer

## SNAIL's Spring Event

We are moving forward with our plans for our Spring event, "A Taste of Sunnyvale" on Saturday afternoon of April 21<sup>st</sup>. The location is not confirmed at this time, but will be in close proximity of the neighborhood. This event is for all SNAIL residents and families and we especially encourage our new neighbors to join us. We will have samplings of food from local restaurants, activities for children and adults, music, prizes, and much more! What is *your* favorite Sunnyvale ethnic restaurant? Do tell us! To make this event successful, we need your support. Can you assist? Many tasks can be broken down to small ones and require minimal time commitment.

A planning meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 8th. Please join us and let us know how you can be a part of this worthy project. Please contact Jim at 737-9479 for more information.

## SNAIL Dinner Night Out Tuesday – February 20th

Our chef at Shanghai restaurant has chosen the menu for our Fourth Annual Chinese New Year Celebration providing eleven items for the low price of \$20 including tip and tax. Children under 10 will not be charged. Cash only. Drinks additional. Menu follows:

Hot and Sour Soup	Egg Rolls
Special Fried Rice	Chicken with Broccoli
Braised Bean Curd	Peking Spareribs
Honey Walnut Prawns	Double Mushroom Beef
Hot Braised Egg Plant	Sweet and Sour Prawns
Kung Pao Three Delight (prawns, chicken and beef...very special)	

*Location:* Shanghai Restaurant  
 253 East Maude (at Sunnyvale Ave.)  
 (408) 245-1342  
*Time:* 6:45 p.m.

RSVP Jeannie at 734-0739.

## SNAIL Quartermaster

A new position has been created in the SNAIL organization: the Quartermaster. This position is the result of the need to know where SNAIL-owned items such as picnic supplies or Christmas bows are stored. This will help us to make the correct "buy or retrieve" decisions each time we have an event. As the first quartermaster, I am going to create a master inventory list. To accomplish this task, I need everyone who is storing SNAIL property to send me a list of what they have. I will need the following information:

- Your name, address, telephone number, and email.
- The items you have. Please provide amount and name of item (e.g., 10 plastic knives, 40 cups for hot drinks, 2 liters of sprite).
- Any information I haven't mentioned here.

Please send this information to Chuck Leath at [quartermaster@snail.org](mailto:quartermaster@snail.org). Questions? Call 733-5484.

**Letter to the Editor**

Two neighbors on the 600 block of Madrone are getting very annoyed at the person or persons who are using our recycling bins without permission. They are overflowing our recycling bins with articles wrapped in plastic bags. This act happens after the cans are put out in the early a.m. This is an invasion of our privacy, we are hoping someone has seen something or has a number we can call to help us find the violator too lazy to pay for their own garbage.

Ann Stewart

[Jim Davis, our Neighborhood Resource Officer, is the one to call. On my street, folks occasionally put their extra trash or garden debris in a neighbor's can, but they ask first! -- Editor]

**SNAIL Newsgroups**

Due to space limitations of the printed newsletter, the general meeting minutes are published on the SNAILorg Yahoo newsgroup. SNAILorg and SNAILChitChat are open to all SNAILS. If you >

are interested, please send an email, including name and address to Jim at [groups@snail.org](mailto:groups@snail.org).

**Founders' Corner**

"The American future is an innumerable multitude of men, all equal and alike, incessantly endeavoring to procure the petty and paltry pleasures with which they glut their lives. Government becomes the parent, as it provides for their security, foresees and supplies their necessities, facilitates their pleasures, manages their principal concerns, directs their industry, regulates the descent of property, and subdivides their inheritances: what remains, but to spare them all the care of thinking and all the trouble of living? Such a power does not destroy, but it prevents existence; it does not tyrannize, but it compresses, enervates, extinguishes, and stupefies a people, till each nation is reduced to nothing better than a flock of timid and industrious animals, of which the government is the shepherd."

Alexis de Tocqueville, 1840

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Last Month's S.N.A.I.L. Home Sales: 3  
 Average home square footage: 1527  
 Average Asking Price: \$719,300  
 Average **Final** Sales Price: \$736,667  
 Average Days on Market: 48

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