



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

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**September 2011**

## **SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – September 1st**

*Location: Columbia School • Time: 7:00 p.m.*  
The meeting will be held in the Staff Lounge.

Look for the SNAIL sign.

Our guest speaker will be JoAnn Rees, a librarian at the Sunnyvale Public Library. Her talk will be, "What Can The Sunnyvale Library Do For You?" Some topics are: programs for children, teens, and adults, the homework help center, and what the library has to offer in the way of materials and amenities (such as free fast wireless internet). She will answer any questions you may have.

*Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:*

- Discussion/vote on changes to SNAIL bylaws.
- City Council Candidate Forum update.
- Revival of SNAIL tee shirts.
- Laser printer for printing newsletters.
- SNAIL cook book.

SNAIL always meets on the first Thursday of the month. The rare exceptions are when the first Thursday is also the same date as a big holiday. **Mark your calendar now for the rest of the year!** All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome. Membership in SNAIL is always free.

these events. It was truly fun! Another improvement I noticed was that many more people stayed until the end of the event and, without being asked to do so, cleaned up and folded up the tables and chairs and stacked them neatly in one place for easy pickup. This left much less cleanup work for the NNO organizers than they had last year. Thank you late party people! Last but not least, I felt very honored to be the one to award our retiring Neighborhood Resource Officer, Jim Davis, a plaque from SNAIL expressing our gratitude for his 4 ½ years of service to our neighborhood. While always knowledgeable and professional, Jim has been especially approachable, personable, and friendly. These are traits which have made working with him a pleasure.

*Jim Quaderer*

## **SNAIL National Night Out**

Well SNAIL did it once again. We held the largest NNO in Sunnyvale, with over 250 neighbors, Public Safety, and Council members attending. It was a huge success!

We had the Jumping House for our young neighbors, our BBQ, a portable toilet and wash-station (for the first time), and our local band "The Sound Effect" returned to this year's celebration. And, I understand that "The Sound Effect" has booked their 2012 calendar to play at next year's NNO. SNAIL extends our deepest gratitude for their generous donation of fun and lively music. Our local TARGET store provided us with all of the paper products (and water), plus they brought "Sidewalk" chalk for the kids. It wasn't long before E. Arbor Avenue was decorated with many colorful drawings.

Melissa's Happy Jumpers again gave SNAIL a discount on the Jumper, tables, and chairs.

While I have received many compliments for the event, this "Honor" does not belong with me.

That "Honor" belongs to SNAIL. I will not name people, lest I forget someone. We, as a group of neighbors, put on this event; we, as a group of neighbors made it a success; and we, as a group of neighbors, will do it again in 2012.

Our thanks to all,

*SNAIL 2011 NNO Organizers*

*Michael Rose and Patsy Duke*



*Back to School!*

## **Message from the Chair**

I'm pleased at how well our Aug. 2 National Night Out went. This was our best NNO event yet! There were several City Council members, public safety officers, and a social worker who were "making the rounds" to NNOs around the City that fine evening. They consistently reported to me that SNAIL's NNO was "among the biggest and the best" of the events in the City. I was especially pleased to see our neighbors dancing in the street to the music of *The Sound Effect*. I noticed that there seemed to be a lot of people meeting their neighbors which is, after all, the main purpose of



*Target provided chalk for our many street artists at SNAIL's National Night Out, Aug. 2, 2011.*

*The publication of our newsletter and SNAIL Neighborhood Association sponsored activities are supported through our annual yard sale, newsletter advertisements, a grant from the City of Sunnyvale, coupon book sales, and donations.*



*Kids of all ages exploring a fire truck at NNO.*



*Jim Quaderer presenting SNAIL's award plaque to retiring Neighborhood Resource Officer, Jim Davis, at NNO.*



*A partial view of the crowd on E. Arbor Ave. at NNO.*

### City Council Candidate Forum

This year the City of Sunnyvale will elect four members to our City Council. The actions taken by our Council affects each of us on a daily basis and attending this forum, as well as others, will allow you to hear the candidates respond to a variety of questions that pertain to our City, and be an Informed voter. Please, DO NOT send in your "Mail-in-Ballot" until you hear the candidates at this, and other forums. SNAIL and the San Miguel Neighborhood Association are partnering in hosting this year's forum. It will be an opportunity for us, the "Voters" to hear the candidates, and meet neighbors from San Miguel/SNAIL neighborhoods.

*DATE: Saturday, October 1, 2011 TIME: 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. PLACE: Fair Oaks Park Building. Fair Oaks Park is at the corner of N. Fair Oaks Ave. and N. Wolfe Rd. Submitting of questions "Early" by e-mail is encouraged: Submit your questions to Michael Rose at CandidateForum @ snail.org , or by telephoning 408-736-4811. Water and light refreshments will be provided. Get involved, and stay involved. "All politics are local."*

*Michael Rose and Patsy Duke of SNAIL N.A., and Lou Angulo of San Miguel N.A. • 2011 Candidate Forum Coordinators SNAIL and San Miguel Neighborhood Associations*

### SNAIL 2011 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Sep 1	General Meeting	
Sep	Dinner Nite Out	<i>Still needed</i>
Oct 6	General Meeting	
Oct	Dinner Nite Out	<i>Still needed</i>
Oct	Factory tour bus trip	<i>Still needed</i>
Nov 3	General Meeting	
Nov	Dinner Nite Out	<i>Still needed</i>
Nov	Homeless @ Armory	Malcolm Lloyd 747-1949
Dec 1	General Meeting	
Dec	Homeless @ Armory	Malcolm Lloyd 747-1949
Dec 3	Red Bow Distribution	Connie Cook-Turner 739-8490
Dec	Holiday party	Georgina & Mark Aubin

### Columbia Neighborhood Center

Free yoga classes for area residents are offered to the CNC neighborhood on Tuesday evenings from 6 – 6:50 pm. Instructor Mary Ruth Green continues this popular class starting on Tuesday, September 6 through December 6. Class is held in the Columbia Middle School Gym. To sign up, call the Columbia Neighborhood Center at (408) 523-8150. If you are a new participant in yoga, please plan to arrive five minutes early to fill out a registration form.

### SNAIL Bylaws Vote at Next Meeting

There will be a discussion on the changes proposed by the Bylaws Committee and then a vote to approve them at the next general meeting. The key proposed additions to the bylaws are two new articles: "Authorization to Spend Funds" and "Modification of By-laws". A copy of the proposed bylaws has been uploaded to our Yahoo SNAILorg newsgroup. If anyone would like an electronic or paper copy before the meeting please contact Jim at SNAIL-chair @ snail . org or call 737-9479.

### Some postings on SNAIL Yahoo Groups last month

#### Yahoo SNAILorg

- Planning details for National Night Out.
- 80 photos from NNO were uploaded.
- Discussions about NNO afterwards.
- Proposed changes to bylaws were uploaded.

#### Yahoo SNAILChitChat

- Birth announcement: Matteo Galen of Beechnut, 7/25/11.
- CNC Advisory Committee looking for members.
- Upcoming events in Sunnyvale.
- Dave Cortese's Multicultural Festival, Sep. 17.
- City council candidate names.
- Free voice lessons.
- Bishop School PTA BBQ.

If you would like to join these groups, send an email to SNAIL-groups @ snail . org.

### An Opportunity for Singers

The Peninsulaires Chorus (a non-profit music education organization) is sponsoring The Singer's Voice Clinic - a free vocal training program specifically for the male voice. This six-week clinic begins Tuesday September 13th at 7:30pm and runs weekly through October 18th. Each 90 minutes session will deliver hands on training in the fundamentals of singing. The location is First United Methodist Church of Sunnyvale at 353 Old San Francisco Road. For additional information and to register visit [www.freevoicelessons.net](http://www.freevoicelessons.net) or call John Hinkle at 408-896-0444.

*Chris Munson*

### Cookbook Proof Readers Needed

SNAIL is going to receive a draft copy of it's International Cook Book for proof reading. It is very, very important that mistakes be eliminated from the cookbook because the publisher will increase SNAIL's cost for each and every mistake they find. This will impact the financial viability of the project. Typical mistakes might be an item called out in the instructions which is not listed in the ingredients. Jeannie Biddle will give you more examples. If you are interested in helping with this very detail-oriented task, please

call Jeannie at 734-0739. Please call soon because we are up against a deadline.

### Bishop News

Here is a list of the upcoming events at our elementary school:

*Thursday September 1: PTO meeting*

place : teacher lounge • time : 6:00 - 7:00 pm

*Friday September 2: Coffee with the Principal.* Meet and chat with

Mr Eric Panosian • place : cafeteria • time : 9:00 - 10:00 am

*Wednesday September 7: Back-to-School Night*

place : your child's classroom(s) • time : 6:00 pm auditorium

Principal Mr Eric Panosian's Introduction

6:15 - 7:00 pm teachers' classrooms

*Thursday September 8: Dine out Night School Fund Raiser*

Mention Bishop Elementary and we will get 30% of the proceeds

place : Pizza My Heart • time : 4:00 - 9:00 pm

*Coming next month:* Our major fund raiser for all School Field

Trips for the year! Friday October 28: Walk-a-Thon.

Contact PTO at bishop.elementary @ gmail . com.

Sue Johnson

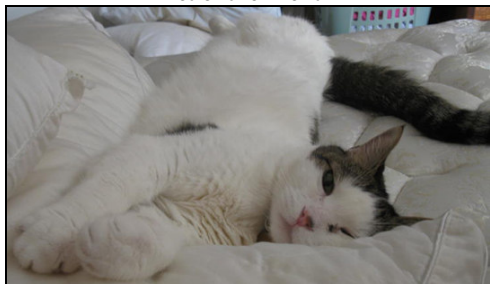
### Brief Summary of August General Meeting

- Candidate Forum definitely ON. Still talking to other neighborhood groups to partner.
- Discussed PG&E gas transmission line open meeting at Columbia, August 8.
- Decided to distribute half-page flyers about PG&E open meeting to homes near gas line.
- NNO report: 251 neighbors. Event was a success.
- Cook book close to submission date.
- Discussed occasionally changing General Meeting days from Thursdays. Survey will be taken at Sept. meeting.
- Discussed Sunnyvale Centennial Celebration in August 2012.

### St. Martin's Rummage Sale

590 Central Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA. Date: Sept 17th and 18th, Time: 9 a.m. to 4 pm. 1955,56, 57 Thunderbird Coupes Car Show. Carnival for the kids, Bar-b-que, Indian, Filipino, and Mexican food. St. Martin's Parish Rummage Sale has filled its school gym with useful and vintage items. Donations accepted 8:00 to 4:00 Wed/Fri and 9:00 to 1:00 Sat until Sept 10 at St. Martin's Parish Hall. Electronics, furniture, and software will be not accepted. Contact: Karen Ferguson at karenferguson @ compuserve . com

### Pet of the Month



*Mikey is a nine-year old indoor American Shorthair living on Morse Ave. with Leanne and Jeff Rzepiela. With a personality of a two year old child, his favorite things in life include playing, talking and sleeping.*

Email your pet's portrait and info to the editor at: [SNAILeditor @ snail.org](mailto:SNAILeditor@snail.org).

### Newsletter Distribution Update

Neighbors on Santa Barbara, Santa Catalina & Isla Vista: we need a volunteer for each of these streets to continue receiving your

### SNAIL BOARD and CITY of SUNNYVALE SUPPORT STAFF

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<b>Neighborhood Preservation</b>	Steve Frias	SFrias @ ci.sunnyvale.ca.us	730-7613

newsletter. You owe 'Thanks' to Michael Rose on Morse Avenue for delivering your Newsletter this month, but we need you to deliver next month. Please call 739-8490 to volunteer.

### Sunnyvale Community Services Seeking Donation for Kids' Food Program

Sunnyvale Community Services, a nonprofit group serving more than 700 families and 400 seniors per month through its food program, is seeking donations for the children's food program as summer comes to a close. With school out, the 40 percent of local students that typically receive free or reduced-cost school meals have been turning to nonprofit agencies such as Sunnyvale Community Services for meals. Those interested in donating food to SCS should bring nonperishable items to its warehouse at 725 Kifer Road. Financial contributions may be made via the agency's website at [www.svcommunityservices.org](http://www.svcommunityservices.org).

Alia Wilson, Sunnyvale Sun

[awilson @ community-newspapers.com](mailto:awilson@community-newspapers.com)

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### Josie Paolozzi @ August 4th Meeting

Josie Paolozzi was an informative and inspiring speaker. Hearing her background and how she came to be doing this line of work was as important as the information she shared with us. She works with middle-income to low-income people teaching them 'How Money Works-From Plan to Action'. It is not how much money you earn, but how you manage it that determines your Quality of Life. People were very interested in her program, and commented on how many people could benefit from her message. For any questions or concerns on the above articles, please call Connie Cook-Turner at 739-8490.

### SNAIL Elections in November

SNAIL will hold elections for Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer at the November 3rd General Meeting with the new offices commencing in January for the year 2012. In the past, we have called for "new blood" SNAILS to run for office. We found out that we have to be careful what we wish for... There have been several occasions in past years where we've gotten the "new blood" we asked for, but the nominees were *so* new that we didn't know hardly anything about them. Sometimes the first time we've met these neighbors was on the same election night in which they are running for an office! This doesn't work very well. All SNAIL neighbors are encouraged to run for office, but if you intend to run you need to be showing up at General Meetings for, at the very least, two consecutive months before the November meeting. It is best to attend many meetings and voice your opinion during discussions so at least we can learn a little about you.

Jim Quaderer

### School Began

As you may already know, school began the last of August this year. That means we have to watch for kids walking and crossing the streets. They may be in groups or by themselves and may not be watching for cars because they are excited about their day in school. Or they may be in after school activities and walking home a couple of hours later than other students. Like little SNAILS they all carry their books on their backs as they meander their ways home, around bushes and trees, lamp posts and sidewalks. Be sure not to squash any!!!

Bonnie Lloyd

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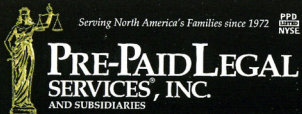
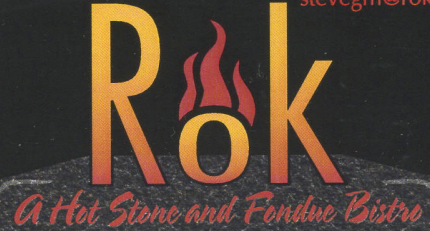
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John has previous SNAIL references.

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