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**September 2013**

## SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – September 5<sup>th</sup>

*NOTE CHANGE IN OUR MEETING LOCATION  
RETURNING TO OUR USUAL MEETING LOCATION:*

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

*Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:*

- Sept. Speaker: Peter Larko
- Report on National Night Out
- Update from non-profit status committee
- Discussion on possible officers for 2014

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.

### Message from the Chair

I hope you are having a wonderful summer. We had a good crowd at the August meeting when we talked with Trudy Ryan, Sunnyvale Planning officer, about the new Linked-In HQ being built on the corner of Mathilda and Maude Ave. Sunnyvale is working on an “Area Specific Plan” for the redevelopment requirements for all of Peery Park commercial buildings. You can find out more at [peerypark.insunnyvale.com](http://peerypark.insunnyvale.com). If you want to get more involved, SNAIL formed a new committee to work on changes we want the city to make for getting community involvement in projects like this. The chair is Dwight Davis. There are more development proposals in development along northern Mathilda Ave that will impact traffic and other concerns of SNAIL residents. To talk about a couple of these projects Peter Larko from J.P. DiNapoli will be our September speaker. If you have concerns about these other projects, please attend so you can ask Peter

As we move into fall, consider if you are willing to be a SNAIL officer starting in 2014. You have to attend 2 SNAIL meetings within the last 4 months or served as a Block Representative for at least two months to be a member of SNAIL. Only members can run for our 4 elected positions; Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. If you are interested in keeping SNAIL a dynamic and active neighborhood association, please come to the September meeting where we will discuss the various roles. Hopefully you will hear about one that interests you and you will decide to run. Sunnyvale city council elections are coming this November. If you like the way Sunnyvale is being run or hate it, voting for the candidate who supports your views is the most effective way to change how Sunnyvale is run. To help you know more about each candidate, SNAIL is hosting a forum for the candidates on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>. This forum has become somewhat of a SNAIL tradition, so please attend.

Please put a note on your calendar to attend the SNAIL “Sunnyvale city council candidate forum” on Sept 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Fair Oaks Park building.

Looking forward to fall,  
John Cordes  
Snailchair @ Snail . org

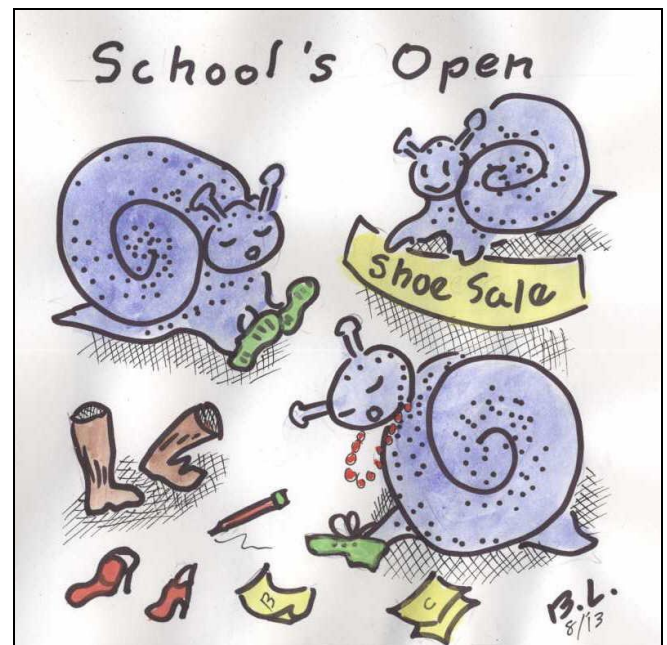
## Candidate Forum – Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>

SNAIL is holding a forum for the candidates for Sunnyvale City Council. There are three seats on the Council open for election this November. Come and hear the candidates answer questions from you, the SNAIL neighbors.

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> **LOCATION:** Fair Oaks Park Building (N. Wolfe Rd. @ N. Fair Oaks Ave.) **TIME:** Doors open to neighbors at 6 p.m. for setup & prep. **FORUM BEGINS:** 7 p.m. and ends at 8:45 p.m. Neighbors unable to attend can still send questions by email CandidateForum @ snail.org.

### Correction

In SNAIL’s June 2013 newsletter, a “get to know” party was announced for a candidate for City Council Seat #1. SNAIL regrets if this appeared to be an endorsement of one candidate over another. Our apologies for this oversight goes to the other candidate for Seat #1, Andy Frazer.



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



Fun music at NNO was provided by "The Sound Effect".

**FOOD AND FUN AT NNO**

National Night Out had another year with a great turnout! Although the evening was breezy and cool, 163 people signed in. But, over 250 plates were used, so I suspect that not everybody signed in. Many hotdogs, hotlinks, chicken sausages and bratwurst were consumed. Tasty side dishes and some desserts, too. The Pizza Depot (on Duane Ave) donated four pizzas, which were quickly eaten. The band The Sound Effect played, and the Jump House was filled with kids. It looked like everyone was having a good time, even though the weather was a bit chilly and windy. City mayor Tony Spitaleri, and city council members Jim Griffith, Tara Martin-Milius, and Jim Davis stopped by. City Safety Officers also joined us, bringing along a big red fire engine and a black German Shepard dog. Special thanks to those who brought food for the potluck table, and to those who helped set up and take down the tables and chairs (particularly Lisa, Josh, Scott, Dave, Jim, Chiaki, Melinda, Joan, and Jose); Thomas for manning the barbecue all evening; Chiaki, Jim, Phyllis and Bonnie for signing people in; Chris for the SNAP booth; Joan for transporting barbecue grills; Sylvia and Dorit for providing electricity; Chris for taking all the garbage; David for bounce-house bouncer duty; Bonnie for the flyer; and everybody else that helped. (Sorry I didn't get everybody's name!)

*Diane Gleason*



Part of the gathering of neighbors at SNAIL's National Night Out party, Aug. 6th.

**Neighborhood September Street Sweeping Schedule**

Our streets are generally swept every two weeks on the day following your trash pickup. This month, the street sweeping schedule is:

East SNAIL Neighborhood	Tues., September 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup>
West SNAIL Neighborhood	Wed., September 4 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup>

If possible, please move your car off the street on street sweeping days.

**Columbia Neighborhood Center Events & Activities**

**\*COVERED CALIFORNIA**

Specially trained & certified CNC staff will provide information to the community about Covered California, the state's marketplace for high quality health care through the federal Affordable Care Act. Individuals and families with income between 139% and 400% of the Federal Poverty Level should qualify for some assistance.

Enrollment in Covered California begins on Oct. 1, 2013. Informational sessions include program features, procedures on how to sign up and referrals to certified enrollment counselors. Evening sessions: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 – 7 p.m. Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Morning sessions: Fourth Wednesday of the month, 10 – 11 a.m. Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, Nov 27<sup>th</sup>

**IMPORTANT:** Enrollment in Covered California is FREE. If you receive calls, emails or letters offering to help you with eligibility or to sign you up for a fee, report these to Public Safety. Scammers are taking advantage of the program.

**\*BILINGUAL STORY TIME**

Thursdays, starting September 19<sup>th</sup>, from 4 – 5 p.m. at the Columbia Middle School Library. Stories, songs and games in English & Spanish. Participating children can borrow books. A free book is given away every week. Free snacks for children.

**3D PRINTER DEMONSTRATIONS**

Sunnyvale Library staff will demonstrate how 3D printing technology works, where to find free 3D printing resources, and how to use the printer at the Sunnyvale Library.

- Friday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 3 – 4 p.m., Columbia Middle School Multi-Purpose Room. No registration required.

**\*\*VISION LITERACY ENGLISH CONVERSATION SKILLS**

Free English language class to practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing in small groups with trained instructors. All levels are welcome. Adults ONLY; no childcare available. Columbia Middle School Library, 739 Morse Ave., Sunnyvale Tuesdays, 7 - 9 p.m., September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 – April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 New Student testing and orientation: Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> only.

**\*LIBRARY LENDING MACHINE / BOOK BIN**

The Library Lending Machine is up and running in the CNC lobby. It has books in Spanish & English for children up to 5 years old and for parents. A SV Library card is needed to check out a book. CNC staff can issue one if needed. Save yourself a trip across town - you can return any SV Library books to the blue bin in the CNC lobby during regular business hours (weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

**\*RECREATION**

**Fitness Room** - Open to Sunnyvale residents every Thursday night, 6:30 – 8 p.m. for \$2 a visit. A certified fitness instructor is on site. Middle school youth must be accompanied by a parent; high school youth need a signed parent authorization. Cardio, strength training machines and free weights are available.

**Yoga** – free yoga on Tuesday nights, 6 – 7 p.m., children 9 and up allowed if accompanied by a parent.

**Zumba** – Wednesday nights, 7 – 8 p.m., \$2 per person. No children under 10 allowed in the Gym or CNC lobby during class.

\* For more information on these programs, contact CNC at (408) 730-7800 or see [CNC.inSunnyvale.com](http://CNC.inSunnyvale.com)

\*\* For more information on these programs, contact Child Care Resources at (408) 730-7800 or see [ChildCareResources.inSunnyvale.com](http://ChildCareResources.inSunnyvale.com)

### LinkedIn Update/Peery Park Development

On July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013, a group of SNAIL residents spoke at the Sunnyvale City Council meeting. Sunnyvale residents spoke about how LinkedIn affects their daily lives now and concerns about future large projects in Peery Park. In addition to the two 100 feet tall LinkedIn buildings, two more 100 feet tall buildings are in the planning stages. Sunnyvale City Council said they would review projects closer before approving projects. You can read about it in the Sunnyvale Sun August 9<sup>th</sup> on page 5 or on-line at [http://www.mercurynews.com/ci\\_23817726/sunnyvale-city-council-places-more-restrictions-peery-park](http://www.mercurynews.com/ci_23817726/sunnyvale-city-council-places-more-restrictions-peery-park) or email me and I'll send you the link.

At the same July 23<sup>rd</sup> city council meeting, we heard many different issues on the agenda. Interestingly, we found out Sunnyvale residents within 1,000 feet of proposed dog parks were notified. However, SNAIL residents within only 300 feet were notified of the LinkedIn project that takes up a whole city block and so tall that the zoning was changed to allow the project.

There are two groups in the SNAIL neighborhood addressing the Peery Park development issues. The SNAIL group is called **Mathilda Development Committee**. Its purpose is to find out why the LinkedIn project got approved without more input from the neighborhood, traffic, and to make recommendations at a SNAIL general meeting.

The other group is a grass roots group of SNAIL residents that is not part of the SNAIL neighborhood organization. The group is called **Sunnyvale Residents for Preserving and Enhancing Quality Neighborhoods**. It was formed to address our immediate and future concerns regarding the LinkedIn buildings.

If you are interested in either group, please contact me. And if you think the LinkedIn buildings look bad now, wait until the leaves fall off the trees this fall.

Dwight Davis, Pine Ave.  
DwightADavis @ earthlink . net



Sunnyvale Planning Officer, Trudi Ryan, explaining development at Peery Park, SNAIL General Meeting, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Next Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles and photos for the SNAIL October monthly newsletter is Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Simply email to SNAILeditor @ snail . org

### SNAIL BOARD and CITY of SUNNYVALE SUPPORT STAFF

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### Dinner Night Out

EACH MONTH we like to host a "Dinner Night Out" with our neighboring restaurants near SNAIL businesses. This is great fun eating different foods and joining in the conversation of neighbors and other SNAIL neighbors. The only expense is your own meal/snack/ dessert. I'll be happy to list it in the newsletter and accept phone calls if you are at work or not available to answer questions or take reservations! We have an opening in October. If you want to plan a party, I'll help you with that, too! Give me your name and phone number -- let's make plans!!!  
Bonnie Lloyd, Social Secretary 408-747-1949.

### SNAIL 2013 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Sept. 18 7 PM	Dinner Night Out @ Rok In memory of Jeannie Biddle	Toni Damberger RSVP to Bonnie: 408-747-1949 by 9/16
Sept. 25	Sunnyvale city council candidate forum	Michael Rose & Elaine Rowan

### Brief Summary of August Meeting Minutes

- 23 neighbors were in attendance, including Councilman Pat Meyering. Also Councilman Jim Griffith and candidates Tap Merrick and Andy Frazer.
- First speakers: John DiNapoli and Peter Larko of JP DiNapoli Companies Inc. They would like to work with SNAIL residents on the three new development projects along N. Mathilda near the SNAIL neighborhood. Contact info: John DiNapoli, 408-535-2220, johnd @ dinco .com ; Peter Larko, 408-998-2460, peterl @ dinco .com .
- Second Speaker: Trudi Ryan, Planning Officer, City of Sunnyvale, Trudi gave a history of the planning and development in the Peery Park area. She had two traffic studies at this meeting. Discussion included traffic and the 300-foot notice distance.
- Third Speaker: Richard Gutierrez, Sunnyvale Community Development and Housing Dept. 408-730-7459, rgutierrez @ sunnyvale .ca .gov . Richard handed out survey forms, "Housing Needs Community Survey – City of Sunnyvale 2014 Housing Element Update". The survey can also be completed online: HousingElement.InSunnyvale.com . He mentioned a loan program for up to \$60,000 for home repairs, a \$1000 grant for paint, and an emergency grant program for \$2500.
- Aug. 6 National Night Out Planning: Discussed insurance for the event. Voted to raise the NNO budget to \$2000.
- \$60 approved for block party for 22 homes on Beechnut Ave.
- Neighborhood Watch Groups: Julie Smith of E. Arbor is setting up neighborhood watch.
- A new SNAIL Parents Yahoo group is forming.
- 3 of the 4 officers: Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer, will not accept nominations for the year 2014 at our November 2013 election. SNAIL needs volunteer officers for 2014. Responsibilities of the officers are listed in our bylaws on the SNAIL web site [www.snail.org](http://www.snail.org) . SNAIL must have 4 officers to operate.
- Discussion about personal business and political articles in the newsletter: Decided that we will have no political or for-profit notices in the newsletter.

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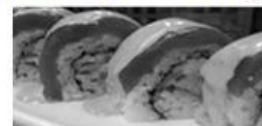
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