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November 2013

SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – November 7th

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:

- No guest speaker due to SNAIL elections
- SNAIL elections

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

Remember to VOTE. The Sunnyvale City Council elections are November 5th if you have not already voted by mail. Hopefully many of you attended one of the candidate forums and learned which candidates you will be voting for on Nov. 5th. If you want to join other residents across Sunnyvale in discussing the elections and other issues online, you can join the sunnyvalepolitics Yahoo group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SunnyvalePolitics/>

The SNAIL elections are the primary focus of our November meeting. We won't have a speaker. We need neighbors to volunteer for the offices of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Nominees should be able to attend most general meetings in 2014. Brief descriptions of these positions are in the SNAIL Bylaws on www.snail.org. We will be taking nominations immediately prior to the elections at our next meeting. You have to be a SNAIL member and have attended 2 SNAIL meetings or be a block rep to be able to vote. 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 November meeting. Hopefully you will hear about one that interests you and you will decide to run.

The Mathilda Development committee has been engaged with the city to ensure the poor notification process used for letting neighbors know about the plans for tall buildings, like the LinkedIn buildings, is not used again. The city heard us. The council voted to increase the notification distance to 500' for 1-2 story, 1000' for 3-5 story, and 2000' over 5 story buildings in Peery Park at the October 8th council meeting.

Sunnyvale is working on an "Area Specific Plan" for the redevelopment requirements for all of Peery Park. Peery Park includes the area North of Maude to South of US101, East from 237 to Mathilda. If you are interested, please contact the Sunnyvale planning department to get involved with the Peery Park Plan. You can find out more at peerypark.insunnyvale.com

Giving thanks for Thanksgiving,

John Cordes

Snailchair @ Snail . org

SAVE THE DATE ~ December Holiday Potluck Party

Plan to join your neighbors for a party to launch your holiday season. This annual event has proven to be a cozy time to enjoy good company and share good food. Children also enjoy space to play and crafts to create. Put it on your calendar today!

SNAIL HOLIDAY POTLUCK PARTY

Saturday, December 7th

6:30-9:00 p.m.

Potluck dinner - please bring a dish to share.

RSVP to snailholidayparty@snail.org
or Georgina Aubin 408-745-7693.

Officers Needed for 2014

I will not be volunteering for a SNAIL office at our November elections. My present job as Secretary will become vacant and in need of a volunteer. If this is something you think you might be able to take on in 2014, please attend Thursday's SNAIL meeting and speak to me about it, or call me. We can discuss what the job is and how much of your time it should take. If you wish, I can begin training you by slowly easing you in to the job this year. Please note that we will need a Vice Chair and Treasurer as well. (Thankfully, John Cordes will accept a nomination as Chair for 2014). If we don't get at least 3 officer volunteers, SNAIL cannot continue in 2014. Volunteers should be at the November general meeting.

Jim Quaderer



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

Peery Park Development Update

On October 2nd, Sunnyvale Residents for Preserving and Enhancing Quality Neighborhoods met with LinkedIn and all major parties involved with the project. It was a good meeting and LinkedIn desires to be a good neighbor. We are waiting to hear back what is feasible to mitigate the impact of the buildings. The lines of communication are open. If you have any concerns, especially if you live near the LinkedIn buildings, please forward them to me. The biggest change right now is that our neighborhood is dark at night. The construction lights are set to turn off on all upper floors after 6 p.m.

On October 8th, SNAIL residents attended a city council meeting on Peery Park ordinance. City Council will be reviewing all major project proposals for roughly the next year. There is now a graduated scale for notifying residents. Notification for buildings the size of LinkedIn is now 2,000 feet, instead of 300 feet. Residents outside of SNAIL also spoke in our favor. It was encouraging to see so many new faces speaking on Peery Park at the city council meeting.

On October 16th, SNAIL residents and other neighborhoods attended a Peery Park Specific Plan Community Workshop. Everything is still in the very early concept stages, but the initial proposal is to zone the parcels along Mathilda, Maude, and Mary for primarily R&D and office (probably taller) buildings and the inner streets such as Palomar and Vaqueros to be primarily service and manufacturing related (probably less tall) buildings. A lot of information was exchanged at the workshop and there will be more workshops. This is a good place to voice your vision for Peery Park.

Dwight Davis, Pine Ave.

DwightADavis @ earthlink . net

SNAIL Candidate Forum



L to R: Jim Griffith, Steve Hoffman, Gustavo Magana, Andy Frazer, Gustav Larsson, Tap Merrick, Glenn Hendricks.



Voters filled up the Fair Oaks building for the SNAIL Candidate Forum, September 25, 2013.

Bishop Elementary School News

We are off to a great start this year at Bishop School. We are pleased about two new opportunities for our families. The first is the Project Cornerstone ABC Program designed to engage the entire community in building the Developmental Assets of our children. The second is our partnership with the Family Engagement Institute. Through this program, families participate in free classes to learn how to better support the success of their children. For more information on both programs, check out our school website at www.sesd.org/bishop.

Have you seen more students walking or riding their bikes to school?

Safe Routes to School presents another great year of Walking Wednesdays! The kickoff event was held on October 9th! Each student received a pencil to remind them to walk/scoot/bike/skate to school. On 10/30 and 12/18, Safe Routes to School volunteers will be handing prizes out in the courtyard by the office and at the back of the field by the track. On 1/29, 2/26, 3/26 and 4/30, raffle tickets will be handed out for a chance to win a scooter. Come join us! Walking Wednesdays provide great exercise and help our Earth, too! If you'd like to help with Walking Wednesday's or some other Safe Routes to School fun events, please contact Ms. Garcia at jeanette.garcia@sesd.org. Our annual Health & Fitness walkathon was a fun, successful, healthy day for students. Thank you to all our parent volunteers who came out early in the morning and stayed all day to help make this event a success and THANK YOU TO OUR BISHOP FAMILIES FOR THEIR GENEROUS DIRECT DONATION TO THE PTO.

Jennifer Aufang

Brief Summary of October Meeting Minutes

1. 15 Neighbors and Vice Mayor Jim Griffith in attendance.
2. City Wide Disaster Drill, Oct. 26th, information and sign ups.
3. Guest Speaker: Maggie Parkhurst, Rebuilding Together. Rebuilding Together provides free home repairs services for those in need. More info at 650-366-6597 and www.RTPeninsula.org
4. Mathilda Development Committee: Discussions about the Peery Park Specific Plan and traffic.
5. Discussion: Allowing business owners with properties within the SNAIL boundaries to join SNAIL. There will be further discussion at the November meeting.
6. Discussion: Additional newsletter advertisers for holidays? Term limits for existing advertisers? Resume discussion in November.
7. Voted to refund \$400 for IRS filing fee.
8. Candidates wanted for 2014 SNAIL Officers: SNAIL will shut down if we cannot find three more officers. No volunteers came forward.
9. Looking for a new Chair for the Bylaws Committee. No volunteers came forward.
10. Announcement: Feeding the Homeless at the Armory again this year.
11. Holiday Potluck Party will be on Saturday, December 7th. For complete meeting minutes, go to the Yahoo SNAILorg newsgroup.

Newsletter Delivery Update

We need volunteers on the 700 block of Madrone, the 700 block of Borregas, Worley Ave., and the 200 block of East Ferndale to deliver SNAIL newsletters once a month. Each block takes about 15-20 minutes.

Please check your busy schedules and find a few minutes to help your neighborhood with this very important task. Our newsletter is how we keep in touch and share our coming events. Please call 408-739-8490 to volunteer a few minutes of your time.

Thank you,

Connie Cook-Turner

Columbia Neighborhood Center Events & Activities

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT – COVERED CALIFORNIA INFORMATION SESSIONS

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) can help you and your family access affordable health insurance through Covered California (CoveredCA.com), the state’s marketplace for high quality health care for individuals and families. The ACA makes changes to all health insurance plans starting January 1, 2014.

Covered California Information sessions in the CNC conference room:

- Tuesday, November 19, 6 – 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 27, 10 – 11 a.m.

CNC FITNESS ROOM

Open to Sunnyvale residents Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 8 p.m. Middle school students can attend accompanied by a parent. High school students can attend with a signed parental permission slip. Cost: \$2 per participant.

DROP-IN GYM FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Soccer, Monday, 7 – 9 p.m. and Saturday, 7 – 10 p.m.
Basketball, Friday, 7 – 10 p.m.
Students must have a school ID. Cost: \$0.50 for Sunnyvale residents, \$1 for non-residents.

NEW ZUMBA CLASS!

Friday evenings, 6 -7 p.m., \$1 per person. Children 10 years & older can participate. Children are not allowed to be left alone in the lobby or on CNC grounds during class.

NEXT FREE LEGAL CLINIC – November 2nd

Free 20 – 30 minute consultations on various legal matters the first Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. to noon. First come, first served.

FOR MORE CNC PROGRAM INFORMATION:

CNC, (408) 730-7800 or CNC.inSunnyvale.com.
Child Care Resources, (408) 730-7800 or see
ChildCareResources.inSunnyvale.com
Carolyn Lutticken

Project Sentinel Resumes Services

Project Sentinel will resume providing tenant-landlord services to Sunnyvale residents, in light of new funding provided by the city as part of the 2013-14 city budget.

Residents and other community members may request assistance by calling Project Sentinel at 888-331-3332 or visiting its office at 1490 El Camino Real in Santa Clara.

Information about tenant-landlord and fair housing services is also available at housing.org. There is no charge to residents for these services.

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SNAIL Dinner-Show

Saturday, November 16th, 6:30 p.m., 1095 Channing Avenue, Palo Alto, presented by the Peninsulaires Chorus, Dinner & Show \$25 per person. This night out was a big hit last year, so let’s do it again! Call Connie 408-739-8490 for tickets by Nov. 5th.

SNAIL 2013 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Nov. 16 6:30 p.m.	SNAIL Dinner-Show	Connie Cook-Turner 408-739-8490
Nov. 18 7 p.m.	Dinner Night Out @ Thai Basil on Murphy Avenue	Eric Keener RSVP to Bonnie: 408 - 747-1949 by Sun. 17 th
Dec. 7 6:30 p.m.	Pot Luck Supper Party Please bring a dish to share!	Georgina Aubin 408-745-7693
Dec ~ Jan	SNAIL Tree Decorating	

Dinner Night Out

Last month there were seven of us; however, we didn’t make connections at DishDash as planned. The organizers made the reservation under their last name, but another group of SNAILs didn’t know that! They couldn’t find the reservation and it was a 45 minute wait for a table, so they went to Tao Tao where there was no wait. As it turned out we all had a good night out but not together! In the future, let's put in a reservation under SNAIL in case people drop in to join us!

Bonnie Lloyd, Social Secretary 408-747-1949.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Who are we? Just neighbors with time, talent, or skills we are willing to share with other SNAIL neighbors who are in need of them. If you qualify for any of the above, please call 408-739-8490 to get on the Helpers List. If you are in need of help please call and see if we can be of assistance to you. Another nice way to get to know your neighbors.

Thank you, Tim Levine, for being a helpful neighbor.

Thank you, Malcolm Lloyd, for being a helpful neighbor.

Connie Cook-Turner

Armory Dates

Upcoming dates for SNAIL volunteers to work at the Armory are:

- Tuesday, Dec. 3rd & 10th
- Monday, Dec. 16th
- Tuesday, Dec. 24th & 31st

To volunteer, please contact Malcolm Lloyd 408-747-1949

Neighborhood November 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., Nov. 12 th and 26 th
West SNAIL Neighborhood	Wed., Nov. 13 th and 27 th

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

Next Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles and photos for the SNAIL December monthly newsletter is Saturday, November 16th. Simply email to SNAILeditor @ snail . org

SNAIL BOARD and CITY of SUNNYVALE SUPPORT STAFF

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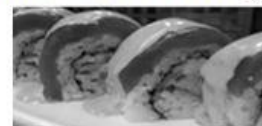
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