

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

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Representing over 900 households Established in 1995

# **NOVEMBER 2006**

# SNAIL General Meeting Thursday –November 2nd

This month, Andrea Harris from the League of Women Voters will answer questions about the November ballot issues. Also, we will elect new officers for the coming year and plan our holiday activities. This will be a big meeting--y'all come!

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 Halloween Contest & Party Saturday – October 28th

Join us for a potluck/social with Halloween spirits and friends. Costumes are optional. Best adult costume and best house will receive prizes. All SNAIL members and families are invited. Bring a potluck dish, we will provide drinks and utensils.

Hosts: Elle and Ian Epperson Location: 640 San Diego Avenue

469-4832

*Time:* 6:00 -- 9:00 potluck social

Questions? Call Elle.

Prizes for the Halloween party were purchased or donated by downtown merchants. Do you have something you would like to donate to an upcoming SNAIL event?

# SNAIL Dinner Night Out Wednesday – November 15th

Meet your neighbors for a delicious Mediterranean dinner and show of support for our neighborhood businesses.

Location: Dish Dash Restaurant

190 S. Murphy Ave. (408) 774-1889

Time: 6:45 p.m.

RSVP Jeannie at 734-0739.

# Red Bow Distribution Saturday – December 2nd 9:00 -- 11:00 a.m.

ELF ALERT! Mark the date on your calendar now. This event will occur before the December meeting!

December 2nd is the morning when everyone congregates at Jeannie's, 245 E. Eaglewood Ave. for breakfast treats and hot cocoa.

WE NEED VOLUNTEER ELVES of all ages to help decorate the neighborhood trees. New elves need to bring a tree count in case we do not have one. Only street that have at least one volunteer will get decorated. For directions on the proper way to hang bows, go to the following web link:

www.snail.org/DecorateWithBows01.pdf or call Rick Smith at 245-0616

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS make wonderful Christmas gifts for families, fellow workers and friends with whom you share an occasional meal. They will be available at Jeannie's on Dec. 2nd, currently, and thereafter. Bring your checks or \$25 cash and visit with your neighbors picking up their bows and books.

#### **SNAIL Board Elections**

Every November, SNAIL members elect new officers. Some, but not all, of the current officers have agreed to stand for another term. We need new blood -- new candidates, and new voters to elect them! Anyone who may vote, is eligible to stand for office. That includes everyone who attends General meetings with any regularity, and any block representative, even if they don't.

# Homeless

Every winter, SNAIL volunteers serve food to the homeless at the Armory. This year we have Wednesday evenings, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., starting November 29th and continuing through March. To volunteer, call Malcolm Lloyd at 747-1949.

# Anniversary Celebration Saturday – November 4th

The Columbia Neighborhood Center will celebrate their tenth anniversary between 10:00 a.m. and noon. For information call 523-8150.

#### Water and Sewer issues

If you have any specific questions about water or sewer service in the SNAIL neighborhood, please forward your questions to vicechair@snail.org or call Jim at 737-9479. Your questions will be forwarded to Val Conzet of the Sunnyvale water department who will prepare slides on these topics for his presentation to SNAIL at the December 7th general meeting.

#### Overheard from a SNAIL Member

"People call me and ask why they don't have bows on their trees. What can we tell those folks?"

SNAIL block representatives are responsible for delivering newsletters, but not for putting up bows. That job falls to ELVES -- volunteers trained in the proper method of putting up and taking down bows. (The city arborist is rightfully picky about such things.) Some block reps volunteer as elves, others do not. Streets that lack elves do not get bows.

#### Have You Tried MetroFi?

Some people have asked if it is worthwhile switching over to free MetroFi internet service. If you have any recent experience with MetroFi, Jim has some questions about how well your internet connection is working. Please send an email to Jim at vicechair@snail.org.

# **Founders' Corner**

"The natural progress of things is for government to gain ground and for liberty to yield."

"A government big enough to give you everything you want, is strong enough to take everything you have."

"I am for a government rigorously frugal and simple. Were we directed from Washington when to sow, when to reap, we should soon want bread."

Thomas Jefferson

# SNAIL BOARD and CITY of SUNNYVALE SUPPORT STAFF

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# Last Month's S.N.A.I.L. Home Sales: 4 Average home square footage: 1480 Average Asking Price: \$724,200 Average Final Sales Price: \$722,500 Average Days on Market: 34

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