

S.N.A.I.L. News

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Representing over 1100 households Established in 1995 APRIL 2007

SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – April 5th

This month, Jocelyn Lee, the Principal of Columbia School, will discuss a proposal to add fencing and gates because of issues with outsiders on campus during the school day. Also in attendance will be Rob Williams, Bond/Building Coordinator, and Gigi Swan, PE Department Chairperson.

Location:Columbia Middle SchoolStaff RoomSocial Time:Meeting Time:7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

All SNAIL area homeowners, residents and guests are invited. Children are welcome.

Arbor Day Celebration Saturday – April 7th

Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. For the whole family. Events start at 10:30 a.m. with stories, then a tree planting on the Library grounds. For more information, call (408) 730-7300.

Feeding the Homeless

Thanks to Malcolm Lloyd and his spirited and hard working volunteers, the feeding of the homeless at the Sunnyvale Armory was a big success this winter!

Traffic "Calming"

Last February, in response to complaints of speeding traffic in the SNAIL neighborhood, Dennis Ng, the city's Senior Traffic Engineer, discussed traffic controls. While no city ever agrees to all of the restrictions that residents would like, certain mild remedies are available. However, before it acts, the city must receive formal complaints. There are two appropriate forms, the "Traffic Calming Request Form" or the "Neighborhood Petition Form". Both forms are part of the same PDF document and are available on the SNAILorg Yahoo newsgroup or on the City web site. If you have questions or need assistance, call Jim at 737-9479.



SNAILs at Bay Meadows Racetrack on March 23, 2007 with the winner of the second race.

Message from the Chair

It's kind of like a duck in a pond. On the surface, all you see is the duck's upper body motionless as it scoots across the water. It looks effortless. But what you don't see are the duck's little ducky feet paddling furiously underneath.

There have been a handful of people working furiously "behind the scenes" on our upcoming Taste of Sunnyvale event. They've been going out to restaurants making food arrangements. They've been hunting for gifts for the raffle. They've been planning, detailing the budget, and working with the City on the grant application. They've been reserving the party space, updating records, recording receipts, preparing the flyer, and a multitude of other small but important tasks.

Back in 2005, we had over 125 people attend the SNAIL 10th Anniversary party. If we get anywhere near that turn out for this "Taste of Sunnyvale" event, the party could be absolutely fantastic or just "ok". It depends upon the number of people that call and lend a helping hand.

-Jim Quaderer

No SNAIL Dinner Night Out

This month, instead of visiting a local restaurant to show our support, it seems our local restaurants are supporting us. Thank you, vendors and restauranteurs of Sunnyvale. You are such a part in making our lives in this lovely city a joy! We appreciate all your help with the Taste of Sunnyvale celebration.

ToS Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Taste of Sunnyvale volunteers and committee at Jeannie Biddle's house, 245 E. Eaglewood Ave. 734-0739. Bring your own drink and ideas Monday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Call for Volunteers

SNAIL's Taste of Sunnyvale event is in the works. On April 21st, we need volunteers to pick up hot food from local restaurants and to help out at the event. We also need a large coffee pot for brewing five pounds of Starbuck's coffee. Please, please RSVP! Questions? Call Jim at 737-9479 or email ToS@snail.org . Read the flyer received with this month's newsletter for further details.

SNAIL Web site

The SNAIL web site, www.snail.org, is in dire need of a facelift and redesign. If you can help, please email webadmin@snail.org. Be sure to put "SNAIL" in the subject line so we don't think it's spam.

Chloramine in the Water

If you have questions about the health or environmental effects of chloramine, check out www.chloramine.org or call Darlene Nappi at 736-3982.

Dumpster Day/Yard Sale Coming Soon

Mark June 9th & 10th on your calendar! If you would like to be a dumpster monitor, please contact Bob Cheney at 734-5869 or send email to dumpster@snail.org. To volunteer for the yard sale, please call Samantha at 313-1834, or send email to yardsale@snail.org. To donate stuff for the yard sale, call Tarik at 745-1241.

Founders' Corner

"It is quite a new kind of jargon to call a Representative of the people an Opposer of the Government because he does not, as a legislator, advocate and acquiesce in every proposition that comes from the Executive." Congressman Matthew Lyon, writing from jail, 1799

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