

S.N.A.I.L. News

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Representing over 1200 households Established in 1995 NOVEMBER 2007

SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – November 1st

This month, we will hold our annual elections. There will be no speaker.

Location:

Social Time: Meeting Time: Columbia School Staff Room 6:45 - 7:00 p.m. 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

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

Candidates' Night Report

Vying for three City Council seats in next week's election, five candidates appeared on Oct. 15th at an open forum hosted by the Sunnyvale West Neighborhood Association. Candidates fielded tough questions from the audience. The main issues were the Mary Avenue Extension and development in general. The candidates' policy differences were clarified, the exchanges were pleasant, and a good time was had by all. There will be another candidate's night on November 5. Call 730-7535 for details.

San Aleso Report

On Oct. 23rd, a delegation of seven SNAIL residents met with Ms. Jamie McLeod of the SV Planning Department. Ms. McLeod explained the process by which the City approves or rejects proposals such as the San Aleso development. She noted our concerns, but advised us to present them in writing. All letters become part of the staff report to the City Council. She also advised us to attend all relevant Planning Commission and City Council meetings, and showed us how to obtain pertinent information on-line.

We were shown preliminary drawings submitted by the developer, and some of these show what appears to be a path through a breach in the wall at the west end of Ferndale. Because there is yet no formal proposal, Ms. McLeod was unable to elaborate on this question.

There is power in numbers. The best way to present our concerns to the City would be to form a committee of local residents, and have them write a letter expressing a consensus opinion.

More details at the General Meeting. SNAIL welcomes input from all residents and owners. Please call Michael Rose at 736-4811.



Sunnyvale Public Safety dowses a tree fire on West Duane Avenue, October 19.

Message from the Chair

SNAIL's annual elections shall be at the general meeting on November 1. I will not be able to volunteer for any office this year as I will be going through a major home remodel. At the time I am writing this, we still don't have any nominees for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair. Two of the other officers that have been doing this for at least 7 years are tired and would like to hand over the reigns to some new blood.

No experience is necessary. The 2008 officers will be given help from the 2007 officers as long as they need it. The responsibilities for all offices are detailed in the SNAIL bylaws which can be found both at www.snail.org and in the SNAILorg Yahoo newsgroup files section. If you don't have access to the internet, I will drop off a copy of the bylaws at your house.

Please call any of the officers if you have any questions.

-Jim Quaderer

The Peninsulairs

Saturday -- November 10th The Barbarshop Group that generously graced our National Night Out celebration in August is having a social. Ice cream, cake, lemonade and coffee will be served at the afternoon show, Lasagna at the dinner show. Information and tickets available at nostalgia@thepeninsulairs.org or call (650) 618-8600.

The publication of our newsletter and activities sponsored by the SNAIL Neighborhood Association are supported through our annual garage sale, newsletter advertisements, in-kind donations, and the annual sale of Entertainment books.

Back by Popular Demand

Columbia Neighborhood Center offers a free yoga class on Tuesday evenings, 6-7 p.m., through December 4th. Adults and accompanied children 9 or older are welcome. Class is geared toward beginners and individuals who have no experience with yoga. Bring a mat or towel and wear loose fitting clothes. Call 523-8150 to register.

Feeding the Homeless

SNAIL volunteers will feed the homeless at the armory, starting sometime around Thanksgiving. Call Malcom Lloyd at 747-1949 to find out exactly when.

Las Posadas Celebration Friday -- December 14th

Las Posadas, a custom in many Latin American countries, celebrates the procession of Mary and Joseph. Families are invited to participate in this traditional celebration at Columbia Neighborhood Center on Dec. 14th from 7-9 pm. There will be a pinata and refreshments. Bring a warm jacket for the walk.

Christmas Shop with SNAIL

Buy your friends and family an Entertainment Book for Christmas. If they go to Long's Drugs and Safeway four times during the 2008 year, they will have retrieved the money you spent and \$15 besides. Your gift is tax deductible because the proceeds go to a non-profit organization. Lisa Sarsfield and Jeannie Biddle (734-0739) are selling them.

Founders' Corner

"An elective despotism was not the government we fought for, but one which should not only be founded on true free principles, but in which the powers of government should be so divided and balanced among general bodies of magistracy, as that no one could transcend their legal limits without being effectually checked and restrained by the others."

Thomas Jefferson

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