

S.N.A.I.L. News

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SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – August 4 Location: Columbia School • Time: 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Staff Lounge. Look for the SNAIL sign. Our guest speaker will be Josie Paolozzi: How Money Works -From Plan to Action. Josie uses her teaching degree and her background as a trainer and supervisor to bring to you a disciplined approach to money management. Her passion is helping middle- to low-income individuals and families gain financial security and freedom from debt. Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:

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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.



Yes, see you all on the National Night Out!

Message from the Chair

It's that first Tuesday of August again. What started out as an evening ice cream social has morphed into SNAIL's biggestattendance event of the year! Maybe it's the free hot dogs. Maybe the live band. Perhaps the jump house, police motorcycles, and fire trucks for the kids. Or maybe Tuesday evenings in the summer are just good for everyone. My theory is that many people just like the idea of not having to cook after a long Tuesday at work and find our National Night Out event a great excuse to go for a local walk with the kids. Whatever the reason, we've been registering 150-200 attendees at our NNO events the past few years, and we hope to see more! We're asking everyone to put on a name tag when they arrive. It will have your street name on it as well. Not only will your name tag get you some hot dogs, but it will help you to meet others. Look around at the name tags and especially seek out people on your own street. Be the first one to say, "Hello!". Trade notes about neighbors on your street. Sunnyvale Public Safety would like us all to get to know who's on our street and to take note of things which are out of the ordinary. Because there are not enough officers available to patrol our streets all of the time, we are each, individually, the eyes and ears of Public Safety. Do not hesitate to call the non-emergency phone number, 730-7100 (select option 1, dispatch desk), to report anything which seems odd or could be of interest to the police. This is another one of the ways we can look out for each other and continue to keep our neighborhood safe.

Jim Quaderer

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT A Neighborhood Block Party E. Arbor Ave. @ Morse Ave. August 2, 2011 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. BBQ, Music, and Fun (and it is free) SEE THE FLYER



Don't miss music from "The Sound Effect" this Tuesday!

National Night Out

HEY, neighbors! Do you want to spend an evening of fun? Maybe meet some old friends, and hopefully meet some new friends. And, all you have to do is come! Free music to dance to, a jumping house to burn off all that energy all children have, and a free BBQ. That's what is happening this Tuesday, August 2nd. SNAIL, your Neighborhood Association, is again celebrating National Night Out, and it is a "Block Party" on E. Arbor Ave. at Morse Ave. The party begins at 6:30 p.m. and goes until 9:00 p.m. SNAIL will provide the bar-b-qued hot dogs & sausages, water to drink, and this year SNAIL will have a (very) "CLEAN" portable toilet and a

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wash-station so your evening will not be interrupted by having to "Run" home. A local band "THE SOUND EFFECT" is providing the music for our neighborhood,....you our neighbors. So mark your calendars, make a note and put it on the fridge, but do whatever it takes to remember: DATE: Tuesday August 2nd WHERE: E. Arbor Ave. @ Morse Ave TIME: 6:30 p.m.. Although it is certainly not required, if there is a special dish you like to make and would like to share, bring that along too. But, most importantly, bring yourself and your family.

How Did National Night Out Begin?

As a national project every community was asked to go out on a certain date and time. Residents went out in front of their homes and made acquaintance with their neighbors. It was to help fight crime in the neighborhood. SNAIL has taken this night to have a big BLOCK PARTY with all the residents coming together to visit, dance, eat and watch the kids in the jumper. We prepare sausage links and hot dogs for the whole family. There is water for everyone. This year we are adding a portapotty (with handicapped access) AND washing station! Everyone can wash their hands before eating. This year our BLOCK PARTY is Tuesday evening, August 2 at 6:30 p.m. See article for details. *Bonnie Lloyd*

SNAIL 2011 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Aug 2	National Nite Out	Michael Rose 736-4811
		gastropod557 @ att.net
Aug 4	General Meeting	
Aug 14	Marie Callender's Brunch	Connie Cook-Turner 739-8490
Sep 1	General Meeting	
Sep	Dinner Nite Out	Still needed
Oct 6	General Meeting	
Oct	Dinner Nite Out	Still needed
Oct	Factory tour bus trip	Still needed
Nov 3	General Meeting	
Nov	Dinner Nite Out	Still needed
Nov	Homeless @ Armory	Malcolm Lloyd 747-1949
Dec 1	General Meeting	
Dec	Homeless @ Armory	Malcolm Lloyd 747-1949
Dec 3	Red Bow Distribution	Connie Cook-Turner 739-8490
Dec	Holiday party	Georgina & Mark Aubin

SNAIL Sunday Brunch

August 14, 11:30am Marie Callendar's Restaurant 751 East El Camino Real

Brunch includes: "Make your own omelet", eggs benedict, spinach quiche, biscuits & gravy, sausage, bacon, breakfast potatoes, waffles, French toast, pancakes, spaghetti & meatballs, chicken enchiladas, pink beans, menudo, chorizo & eggs, pork carnitas, BBQ ribs, BBQ chicken, artichoke & mushroom chicken. Also includes salad & soup bar, multiple dessert table, champagne, coffee, tea & juice. Cost:

Age 1-5, \$1.00 per year of age (plus tax/tip) Age 6-11, \$7.95 (plus tax/tip) Age 12-Adult, \$14.95 (plus tax/tip) Senior Discount, \$1.50 per person For Reservations call Connie by August 10th at 408-739-8490 Thank you!

Some postings on SNAIL Yahoo Groups last month

Yahoo SNAILorg

- Agenda & minutes of the July General Meeting.
- National Night Out planning.
- SNAIL Cookbook deadline notice.
 - Yahoo SNAILChitChat
- Notice for West Nile virus fogging in Sunnyvale.
- Program for older adults.
- Free Twilight Pool & Play at Columbia.
- Downtown music & jazz performance schedules.

If you would like to join these groups, send an email to SNAILgroups @ snail . org.

Do You Shop with Our Advertisers?

Before you go to the computer or yellow pages -- take a look at our own SNAIL ads...we have restaurants with good food, tips on real estate ventures, insurance from a neighbor, financial planning and even plumbing assistance. Our special flier this month boasts of school opportunities and shopping on Murphy Avenue and local grocery store. Some offer coupons or discounts for SNAIL residents. If you are receiving this newsletter you're a SNAIL too. *Bonnie Lloyd*

Brief Summary of July General Meeting

- The Dumpster Day and Yard Sale were both successful.
- Agreed to host a City Council Candidate's Forum this year. We will try to join forces with 2 other nearby neighborhood associations.
- Agreed to publish a brief summary of general meeting minutes in future newsletters.
- Bylaws meeting is expected to have about 9 neighbors in attendance.
- Specific NNO purchase decisions discussed and approved.
- Spoke about more ideas for a "Factory Bus Tour". \$50-80 estimated cost seemed prohibitive to many attendees.
- SNAIL Cookbook is almost finished!
- Discussed possible testing of PG&E pipeline at Glendale.
- Announcement of Older Adults Program.
- Neighbor Helping Neighbor project still active. More "cook and deliver" volunteers are needed.
- Sunnyvale's centennial celebration and parade in 2012 announced.

Bishop News

Greetings from Bishop Elementary PTO!

Our board members have been meeting over the summer to create great activities for our students and families. To kick off the year we will celebrate our two new playground structures by having a playground playdate on Saturday, August 20 from 10 am to noon. Come re-connect with friends and make new ones for the coming school year. Its coming quickly . . . are you ready?! The classroom lists will be posted Wednesday, August 24 on the cafeteria doors. Come see who your child's teacher is and the classroom number. The first day of school is Thursday, August 25 at 8:00AM. Finally, mark your calendars and please come to our first PTO meeting Thursday, September 1. We look forward to seeing you! Follow Bishop online - "Like" us on facebook! Contact PTO at bishop.elementary @ gmail . com . Come view our updated website and calendar of events at www.sesd.org/bishop *Sue Johnson*

Newsletter Distribution Update

We still need volunteers for delivery of Newsletter once a month on Santa Barbara, Santa Catalina, and Isla Vista. Also need substitute volunteers to cover when regular delivery person is on vacation for all streets.

Please call Connie, 739-8490

Dinner Nite Out at Dish N Dash



A few of the SNAILs enjoying Dish N Dash for Dinner Nite Out, July 12. L-R: Valerie Suares, Joan, Michael, and Alex deCesare.

This month, SNAIL tried something new: Instead of the "corporate" style restaurant SNAIL goers have usually gone to, I chose this DishNDash which is nothing compared to the Dish Dash on downtown Sunnyvale on Murphy street. There was no one-hour line outside the restaurant waiting for a table to open up: We arrived, ordered, and picked up our made-to-order, fast and efficiently prepared dishes. We sat outside on long country style picnic benches and tables and enjoyed the delicious hummus, tabouli, lentil soup, saffron rice, falafels, lamb or chicken shawarmas, salads and wraps. We also picked all of the sauces they offer and drank some of their unique fresh juices: pineapple, coconut, pomegranate, watermelon, carrot or mango. The nicest surprise of the evening was when the friendly owner served us some really yummy complimentary baklava, rice cake and baklava ice cream. If you missed it... Try it... They are just round the corner, on North Mathilda, off the Southbound 101 ramp. One final word, if you go during the lunch hour, I suggest placing your order over the phone, their menu is posted online at www.dishndashrestaurant.com, if you don't, you may be there a while, as the place is packed during lunch time. See you next month SNAILs! Valerie Suares

SNAIL Mourns Loss of Councilmember Ron Swegles Residents of the SNAIL neighborhood were saddened to hear of the death of City Councilmember, Ron Swegles, on July 21. We extend our deepest sympathies to his family, friends, members of the City Council, and City staff.



Ron Swegles at the 2007 SNAIL Holiday Party.

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 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. One of the things we do is provide an evening meal, and visit with our neighbors. (And we have some good cooks in the neighborhood!) At this time we could use volunteers for our "cook and deliver a meal" team. Each person is called on every month or two to prepare one meal. Another nice way to get to know your neighbors. Connie Cook-Turner

All Newsletters are in Color

You can find any of our newsletters with their original color photos, on line at www.snail.org . Look in the "Newsletter Archive". You can find the bylaws which are now under discussion in the "Bylaws" section.

Snail International Cookbook

The Snail International Cookbook is essentially done and full of what contributors say are the best tasting food one could ever experience. We are essentially waiting for three recipes from some people who have been very busy with NNO; proofing and printing will begin starting on the 10th. If you have something to add bring it with you and give it to Jeannie Biddle. Perhaps she can do some shuffling of the space to make room for your ideas. Jeannie will also have papers for you to sign stating how many cookbooks you will be ordering at the cost of \$10 (tax included), no cash now, just your address and phone number showing your interest so that we can reach you the minute the books are printed and you can get them into the mail at book rate for the holidays.

One plus in signing up to buy a book now is the books may cost more than 10 dollars once they are printed and printing costs are realized. We are a little new at this! However it is going to be a best seller. Jeannie Biddle 734-0739

Pet of the Month

Email your pet's portrait with your name, the name of your pet, your street name, and anything you would like to say about your pet to the editor at: SNAILeditor @ snail.org.

Sunnyvale Centennial Celebration 2012

The Heritage Association of Sunnyvale will hold a historical celebration event on August 25 & 26, 2012. The Sunnyvale Art Club has been invited to enter paintings showing our great history. The Heritage Museum will be open and there will be events and displays going both days.

There is a year to plan ... mark your calendars !!! Bonnie Luthy Lloyd

Au revoir Jim Davis

Au revoir is a classy French term most commonly used to say good-bye. But the literal translation is: "To the seeing again." Sunnyvale Public Safety Officer Jim Davis, has been SNAIL's Neighborhood Resource (NRO) for many years. He has become a regular at our meetings, a "Go to" person a question or problem, and a trusted friend to many. Jim retires this month after more than 20 years with the SDPS, and a previous 10 years with San Jose P.D. Even though Jim is retiring, I have good information that he will remain an active presence in Sunnyvale. Maybe he'll even come by for a meeting every now and then. It will be good to see him. SNAIL will be getting a new NRO and we will welcome her/him to our association, and allow them to experience our wonderful neighbors and neighborhood. I used the term "Au revoir," because this isn't good-bye, it is, until we meet again. So, from your SNAIL neighbors, "Thanks, Jim" for everything you have done for us. You will be sorely missed. Michael Rose

Progress with PG&E

PG&E is going to give us information on when and where in our neighborhood they will be water testing our pipelines. Don Hall, Manager with PG&E, is the person who spoke to us in January, right after the explosion in San Bruno. He is very forthcoming and will help us understand what's going on. Come and participate in our community awareness.

Bonnie Lloyd

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