

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

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## February 2012

#### **SNAIL General Meeting** Thursday - February 2nd

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: Our NRO – Officer Brian Gantt -- introduction.

Results of SNAIL survey: day of week to meet.

Discussion on publication of "City" issues in our newsletter. 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

Besides planning the activities for the year 2012, at our last general meeting we discussed some possible new types of activities for our neighborhood. We're thinking of organizing some group day trips that may include a lunch or dinner.

Transport could be either car pools or a charted bus. Some of ideas which I have heard are: Elephant Seals at Ano Nuevo State Park, Jelly Belly factory tour, Marine Science Institute, Le Boulanger Bakery tour, Sunnyvale Wastewater Treatment Plant tour, and Fujitsu Planetarium.

We're still looking for ideas which will bring neighbors together to share a common interest. Destinations can be near or far. Most of the activities should be family oriented. Please contact me if you have any ideas or suggestions!

Jim Quaderer

#### **Dinner Night Out - Chinese New Year**

This year we will have our Chinese Dinner on Monday, Feb. 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the Shanghai Restaurant, 253 E. Maude Avenue here in Sunnyvale. We always have a good time -- won't you come and join in the good fellowship and good food!

Our menu consists of the following:

Egg Rolls, Won Ton Soup, Chicken Salad,

Sweet & Sour Pork, Cashew Nut Chicken,

Beef with Snow Peas, Honey Walnut Prawns, Steamed Rice, Vegetable Fried Rice, Assorted Vegetables, BBQ'd Pork Chow Mein, with Fortune Cookies....

tea included. Well drinks on your own.

\$20.00 per person -- children ten and under no charge! Please call by Feb. 20th! Reservations for how many people:

Bonnie Lloyd, 408 747-1949. Let's Eat !!!



Don't miss SNAIL's annual Chinese New Year dinner on Feb. 27th!.

#### **Brief Summary of January General Meeting**

- 1. Our new Chief of Police, Frank Grgurina, discussed several issues including crime statistics in Sunnyvale and in our neighborhood.
- 2. We discussed the December Holiday Party and the possibility of bringing back holiday light judging.
- 3. January Dinner Nite Out and the Chinese New Year Dinner were planned
- 4. Bonnie Lloyd submitted the Treasury Report from last year listing all expenditures as well as income.
- 5. We listed yearly upcoming events and identified those still needing organizers.
- 6. We discussed the possibility of SNAIL outings, such as a waste water treatment facility tour/lunch, an Ano Nuevo Tour, Bike Trips, or a visit to the Marine Science Institute.
- 7. Mark Aubin suggested we volunteer to "adopt a highway" in the vicinity of the Hwy 101 ramps.
- 8. Kirstin Sims was voted in as the new SNAIL Secretary.
- 9. We discussed speakers for the upcoming year and the possibility of printing a color newsletter again in July.
- 10. Malcolm Lloyd spoke about feeding the homeless at the Ar-
- 11. The future of the Armory site will be discussed at upcoming City Council Meetings.



Chief Frank Grgurina popped into our January 5th meeting to introduce himself.

#### **SNAIL International Cookbook**



SNAIL International Cookbooks Have Arrived.

SNAIL INTERNATIONAL COOKBOOKS are still available from Jeannie Biddle for \$10. Many new cookbook owners have sent compliments on the wonderful recipes. We even have several people who read cookbooks the way some read novels - cover to cover, and one reader said she had just finished reading the book and was going to read it again.

#### **SNAIL 2012 Event Calendar**

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Feb. 7,	Feeding Homeless at the	Malcolm Lloyd
14, 23	Armory	
Feb. 27	Chinese New Year Din-	Bonnie Lloyd
	ner	
Mar. 6,	Feeding Homeless at the	Malcolm Lloyd
13, 22, 29	Armory	
Mar	Dinner Nite Out	Organizer needed!
Apr	Pot Luck Dinner	Connie Cook-Turner
May 5	Cinco de Mayo party	John Cordes
June 9	Dumpster Day	Barry Boole
June 9 &	Yard Sale	Organizer needed!
10		
June	Dinner Nite Out	Organizer needed!
July	Dinner Nite Out	Organizer needed!
Aug 7	National Night Out	Michael Rose
Aug 25	Sunnyvale Centennial	Connie Cook-Turner
	Parade	
Sep	Barbeque?	Organizer needed!
Oct	Dinner Nite Out	Organizer needed!
Nov	Dinner Nite Out	Organizer needed!
Dec	Red Bow Distribution	Connie Cook-Turner
Dec	Holiday Party	Georgina Aubin

# Some of what was posted on SNAIL Yahoo Groups last month: Yahoo SNAILOrg

- Last-minute announcement that Chief Grgurina would attend general meeting.
- Centennial parade.
- Trash around Hwy 101 ramps.
- Beyond The Badge Newsletter.

#### Yahoo SNAILChitChat

- Humane Society.
- San Miguel School Lock-down.

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

#### **Sunnyvale Armory -- Feeding the Homeless**

The dates we are scheduled for the year:

Tuesday Feb 7 14 Thursday Feb 23 Tuesday Mar 6 13 Thursday Mar 22 29

Remember to bring in your TB test results from last year or your new test results this year. We will meet at the armory around 6pm and we will finish around 8pm. Call Malcolm Lloyd by the Monday before the service date if you can serve. 408-747-1949. *Malcolm Lloyd* 

#### Columbia Neighborhood Center

Learning Through Relationships with Infants & Toddlers: A Free UC Davis Extension Workshop Exclusively for Licensed Family Child Care Providers

Learning Through Relationships with Infants and Toddlers (A Two-Part Workshop) February 2, 2012, Thursday from 6:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m.  $\underline{\text{and}}$  February 4, Saturday, from 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Sunnyvale Senior Center, Laurel Room, 550 E. Remington Dr., Sunnyvale. Participants will gain:

- Free Continuing Education Units (CEU's) for attending both sessions
- An increased understanding of the role of relationships and emotional development in learning and the temperament of children and adults.
- Ways to partner with parents and talk with them about deve opmental processes
- Additional insight on the key areas of emotional, social, i tellectual, and physical development of infants and toddlers and the supportive role of the caregiver

For more information or to register for this FREE workshop, please call 408-523-8150 or email

childcareresources @ ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

To find out more about the City of Sunnyvale's Youth and Family Resources Program, visit <a href="mailto:childcare.insunnyvale.com">childcare.insunnyvale.com</a>

#### **Special Author Event at CNC!**

WHAT: Award winning local author Dr. Francisco Jimenez will share his life story and experience as a young child who immigrated to California with his family. He will discuss working in the farm lands of California, his challenges with the English language, and how he took full advantage of his education at Santa Clara and Columbia Universities. Dr. Jimenez is currently the Fay Boyle Professor at Santa Clara University and has published and edited books on Mexican and Mexican American literature.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 6:30 pm

WHERE: Columbia Middle School Multi-Purpose room Books by Dr. Jimenez will be available for purchase at the event.

#### **New Secretary Elected**

As mentioned in the January newsletter, we had our special election for Secretary on January 5<sup>th</sup>. Kirstin Sims become our new Secretary effective immediately.

#### **Meet and Greet Our New NRO**

With the retirement of Jim Davis, SNAIL has been assigned a new Neighborhood Resource Officer (NRO) by the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety. Our new NRO is Officer Brian Gantt. Officer Gantt will attend our February General Meeting to get acquainted with SNAIL and to answer any questions.

### **Trash and Recycling Containers**

City codes state that trash and recycling containers must be stored behind the fence of the house or out of public view.



**Bishop Elementary February Events** 

Feb 2	PTO Meeting	Teacher's Lounge 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Feb 3	Coffee with Principal	Teacher's Lounge 8:15 - 9:00 am
		NEW FAMILY informational meet
		and greet
Feb 7	Teacher Learning Day	Early Release – All Grades –
		At 12:30
Feb 9	Dine Out Night	Tasty Subs & Pizza: 528 Lawrence
	Fundraiser	Expressway, Sunnyvale from
		11:00am - 9:00pm
Feb 10	Daddy Daughter	Cafeteria 6:00-8:00pm.
	Dance	Tickets will be sold before and at the
		event.
Feb 15 -	Avon Fundraiser	Order and support our school
Mar 2		
Feb	Winter Recess	NO SCHOOL this week for students
20 - 24		

Open Enrollment and New Student Registration occurs all month for Sunnyvale School District. Check your bobcat folders for further information for the 2012 / 2013 school year. New families can check with Bishop's front office for New Student Registration forms beginning Wed Feb 1.

Are you a new kindergarten parent for next school year? Come to our Fri Feb 3 COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL. Meet Mr. Eric Panosian, Bobcat PTO, and take a tour of our school. Ask questions and get to know Bishop better.

#### **January Family Dinner**

What a delightful evening it was!

Cheerful environment enhanced by red, white, and blue balloons floating above the long table. Good food and good visiting. At our table were neighborhood volunteers, two of our great chefs, a small-business owner, a Lockheed Martin manager, a new City Council member, and a home schooling family.

Conversation was interesting and lively, and the children enjoyed the play area. It was so nice to have happy well-rounded children in our midst. The children took home balloons, the ladies took home red roses, and we all took home the memory of a pleasant evening spent with old and new friends.

Those of you who haven't been attending the monthly dinners should give it a try. It's well worth the time.

Connie Cook-Turner

#### May 2012 Event

A progressive dinner has been suggested for our May Event. We need three homes within walking distance on one street, or around a corner. First home serves appetizers and salads, second home serves main course, and last serves desserts. SNAIL budgets the money for this event, but anyone who wants to bring a dish to share is welcome to do so. Would you and your neighbors like to coordinate this event? If so, please call 739-8490 as soon as possible. You can set the date and the menu.

In the past we have had this event on Ferndale Circle, and twice on Carolina Avenue. It would be nice to have another area.

Connie Cook-Turner

#### **Neighbors Helping Neighbors**

WHO ARE WE? Just good folks with time, talents, or skills, willing to share them with our neighbors. If you fall into any of these categories, please call and get on our list. 739-8490.

If you need help in any way, please call and see if we can be of assistance to you. 739-8490.

Connie Cook-Turner

#### Meal Program At Our Daily Bread

I recently was at the local bookstore (Leigh's Favorite Books) and one of the clerks is a neighbor from the Lowlanders neighborhood, Becky Horton, and she, Becky, asked me to pass on a bit of information. During these very trying times there are some among us who may need a hot meal, and there are some that will go without a hot meal. There is an answer: St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 231 Sunset Ave. sponsors Our Daily Bread (ODB). They a located at the corner of Sunset and McKinley Avenues on the west side of Washington Park. ODB serves these FREE meals on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Anyone and everyone is welcome. ODB's website is stthomassvale.org/orb/ .ODB also will take donations of any extra fresh food you have grown. If you do grow food at home, why not plant an extra row or two for the hungry. ODB is always grateful for the fresh vegetables and fruits. Simply contact the coordinator, David Barnes, 736-4108, or at http://www.stthomas-svale.org/odb to arrange drop-off.

Michael Rose

#### **Beyond The Badge Newsletter**

Hello, My name is Lieutenant Tracy Hern, the supervisor for the Crime Prevention Unit with the City of Sunnyvale, Department of Public Safety. The Crime Prevention Unit is a specialized unit within Public Safety that concentrates on serving the schools and neighborhoods and handles the special interest activities and events throughout the City. In addition to these duties, the Crime Prevention Unit distributes a monthly newsletter called, Beyond the Badge. Beyond the Badge is a public outreach email newsletter published by the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS). With this newsletter, we provide information to our community members about who we are and about the services we provide. The newsletter is "e-published" monthly and available for free to anyone who is interested. Below is a link to the City's website and the Crime Prevention Unit's webpage. On this page is a link to view the current issue of Beyond the Badge and another link to sign up for the newsletter. I hope you enjoy our newsletter and please sign up to receive future issues. This is a great way to hear about what is going on in your Department of Public Safety. http://sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/PublicSafety/

CrimePrevention.aspx

Tracy C. Hern, Lieutenant, Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention Unit

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