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You're Invited to Our Community Meeting on Zoom

Thursday, January 8, 7:00 p.m.

<https://tinyurl.com/SNAILZOOM>

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All SNAIL residents, guests, and kids are encouraged to join. Our SNAIL community meets on the **first Thursday of the month** (except when it coincides with a major holiday). Meetings are typically 1.5 hours. Join us for all or any part. Membership in SNAIL is always free.

Mark your calendar for the next upcoming dates:
2/5, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7, 6/4

Message from the Chair

Happy New Year, Neighbors!

I hope everyone enjoyed a fun and safe end-of-year celebration. As we step into this new year together, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation for the spirit of community you continue to bring to SNAIL.

This year, let's keep building the kind of neighborhood we're proud to call home. Whether it's joining an event, lending a hand with a project, sharing ideas, or simply showing up for one another, every bit of involvement strengthens the SNAIL community.

Here's to a fresh start, new opportunities, and many moments of connection in the months ahead.

Warmest wishes,

-Valérie Suarès, Chair



SNAIL'S Red Bows Tradition 2025

Thank you to all of our volunteer "Bowtistas" for making our SNAIL neighborhood so beautiful and festive again this year! It was wonderful to have all the streets decorated with the traditional Red Bows!



Please take down, clean, and store the red bows preferably on Saturday or Sunday, January 3-4, but no later than January 10th. Thanks again for making the neighborhood look so beautiful!

-Dorit Chapman, Red Bow Coordinator

Contribute to the SNAIL CRV Recycling Program



The SNAIL RECYCLING program has been a great success! Thanks to all of your recycling, our 30th Anniversary NNO celebration benefited from the funds received. Please keep them coming!

If you haven't contributed to this great community program, please consider doing so by dropping off your **cleaned and separated CRV** aluminum and plastic containers (no glass, please) to the home of Dorit Chapman or Valérie Suarès. Please make sure all items are **CA CRV ONLY**. EMAIL Valerie or Dorit with questions (see Page 3).

-Dorit Chapman, SNAIL Recycling Program

SNAIL Newsletter Deadline

Submit an article to bit.ly/snailarticle or SNAILeditor@snail.org by **Sunday, January 11th** for publication in our February edition.



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Neighborhood Street Sweeping

Our streets are swept every two weeks the day after trash pickup. Please move your car off the street on these dates:



East SNAIL	Tuesdays 01/06, 01/20, 02/03, 02/17
West SNAIL	Wednesdays 01/07, 01/21, 02/04, 02/18

SNAIL Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

Cheers to the SNAIL volunteers! A brisk winter morning with hot coffee and cocoa and goodies to thank those who put up bows, design or deliver newsletters, coordinate and work at the yard sale, put on NNO, and do just whatever it takes to make the SNAIL community great, a heartfelt Thank You! Volunteers are always welcome.

-Barbara Brunasso Oliver, SNAIL Resident



Planning for Sports Events in 2026?

Football... Soccer... In 2026 the Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara will host two major sports events!



Super Bowl

<https://www.nfl.com/super-bowl/>

Sunday, February 8th



FIFA World Cup in June and July

<https://www.fifa.com>

World Cup 2026 matches coming to Levi's Stadium

June 13: Qatar vs. Switzerland

June 16: Austria vs. Jordan

June 19: TBD vs. Paraguay

June 22: Algeria vs. Jordan

June 25: Paraguay vs. Australia

July 1: Round of 32 match

New Year, New PACE Store Items!

As we begin a new year, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported Pacific Autism Center for Education (PACE) throughout 2025. Your generosity, involvement, and encouragement made a meaningful difference for our students, residents, and programs.

We are excited to share that the PACE Store has been refreshed with new items to kick off 2026. From apparel to accessories, each purchase is a great way to show your support for our community.

A portion of every item sold goes directly back to PACE, helping fund the services, resources, and opportunities that empower the individuals we serve.

Explore the updated collection here:

<https://tinyurl.com/buypace>

Thank you for your continued support as we enter another year of growth together!

-Sydney Zitzer, PACE





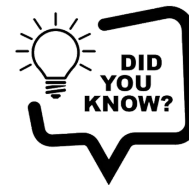
Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC) News

For current information on programs, call CNC at (408) 730-7800, email CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov or go to city website, Sunnyvale.ca.gov

- **FREE Watercolor Class for Individuals with Disabilities (Age 8+)**, Every Thurs., 5:30-6:30 p.m. Location: Creative Arts Center, Paint Room, 550 E. Remington Drive. Dive into the vibrant world of watercolor painting! With step-by-step guidance, you'll develop your skills and confidence in the versatile medium. All materials are provided; just bring your creativity and a willingness to experiment! Participants must be independent with self care and able to attend program with a 5:1 participant to staff ratio or bring an attendant. Registration required. Email CNC for registration link.
- **Sunnyvale Community Services @ CNC**, Thursdays, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Drop by CNC lobby and meet with Sunnyvale Community Services staff to learn all the resources they have to offer such as food, financial assistance and so much more. No appt. necessary
- **FREE! Storytime at Magical Bridge Playground**, Fri. 1/2 at 11 a.m. Location: Fair Oaks Park, 540 N. Fair Oaks Avenue. Families of all ages are welcome to enjoy a 30-minute storytime in the all-inclusive Magical Bridge Playground stage.
- **Parents Helping Parents @ CNC**, Wed., 1/14, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. If you are in need of resources or info. for a child with disabilities, staff with Parents Helping Parents, a non-profit organization that specializes in helping families with a child with disabilities, will be at CNC monthly, 2nd Wednesday, to assist families.
- **Free! Legal Clinic (Virtual)**, Thurs., 1/8, 1 to 4 p.m. In partnership with Asian Law Alliance, consult with an attorney on legal issue in the areas of immigration, housing, public benefits, and family law. Consultations average 30 minutes. This month, consultations will be virtual via Zoom or over the phone. Registration required, call CNC to register a minimum of 3 business days prior to clinic date.
- **FREE! Food Distribution @ CNC**, Wed., 1/28 – a monthly food distribution program that usually takes place on the fourth Wednesday, 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. New families will need to register on distribution day. A Farmer's Market model, participants must park, walk into the parking lot and bring re-usable bags for bulk produce, fruits and a cart for dry and canned goods, eggs, milk, etc. Each family will pick up about 100 lbs. of food. Location: Columbia Middle School staff parking lot, 739 Morse Avenue.
- **Zumba classes in CMS Multi-Purpose Room** – Tues. & Thurs. 6:30–7:30 pm. Adults 18+, high school students (14-17) with signed parent consent, students (age 8–13) with parent or guardian present. Suggested \$3 donation/class, no one turned away for lack of payment. No childcare; children may not wait in the facility.

- **Drop-In Fitness Room** – Regular hours - Monday - Friday, 3:30 - 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.—12 p.m. - get active with cardio machines (treadmill, bikes, ellipticals), strength training machines and free weights. Bring water, towel and wear athletic shoes. \$1, Sunnyvale residents only. High school students with signed parent consent waiver. Middle school students are free, must attend with a paying parent/guardian. No childcare and children may not wait in the facility.
- **FREE! Youth Drop-In Basketball in CNC Gym** – Fridays, 7 – 10 p. m. - indoor youth drop-in basketball for middle and high school youth. Must have current school ID and signed parent consent form. Bring your own ball. Program will be canceled if no one shows after the first hour.
- **2026 Recreation Scholarship Program** - \$500 scholarship per youth, age 17 and under for families that qualify. Must reside in Sunnyvale and meet income criteria. Go to city website, Sunnyvale.ca.gov, and search "Recreation Scholarship" for application and details.

-Angela Chan, Youth & Family Resources Manager



Gentle Reminder to Our Neighbors

We've received reports that food and fruit are being tossed over fences into neighboring yards where dogs are present. While this may be done with good intentions, it can create several risks:

- **Animal Safety:** Certain foods—even seemingly harmless fruits—can make dogs sick. Feeding someone else's pet without knowing their dietary needs can unintentionally cause harm.
- **Legal Considerations:** California law (Penal Code §597) prohibits actions that could injure an animal or interfere with its proper care.
- **Pest Concerns:** Leftover food in yards can attract rodents, raccoons, and other wildlife, leading to sanitation and safety issues for the entire neighborhood.

For everyone's well-being, please avoid tossing any food into another resident's yard. If you have concerns about a pet or need to communicate with a neighbor, we encourage a friendly conversation directly.

Thank you for helping keep our neighborhood safe, clean, and respectful for all, including pets.

Valérie Suarès, Chair

Pet of the Month

It's time to show off your amazing companions! We're looking for our next featured pet to win bragging rights. Please submit your pet's photo, along with their name, age and a fun fact to SNAILeditor@snail.org.



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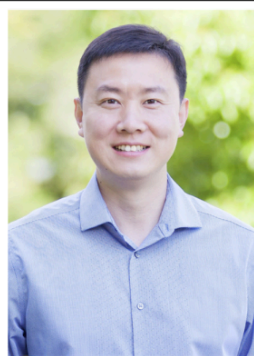
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