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**October 2014**

## SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – October 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Location:** Columbia Middle School Staff Lounge

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

Look for the **SNAIL** sign

### **Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:**

- Guest Speaker: Scott Morton, Superintendent of Parks
- Plans to upgrade Fair Oaks Park
- Discussion regarding SNAIL officers for 2015

SNAIL typically 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.



## SNAIL NEWSLETTER – FALL OUTREACH

We will be doing our Annual October-November Outreach to blocks within SNAIL neighborhood that are not currently receiving the newsletter. We are looking for volunteers to deliver the newsletter to these blocks. Each block takes 15-20 minutes once a month. (Another nice way to meet your neighbors.)

We will be outreaching to the following blocks and would appreciate any help in delivering on these blocks in October and November:

 Worley Ave.

 Waddington Ave.

 500 Blk. Borregas

 700 Blk. Borregas (West Side)

Please call (408) 739-8490 to assist with Outreach or to volunteer for your block. Thank you.

*Connie Cook-Turner, Newsletter Distribution Coordinator*

### Message from the Chair

It is time to consider if you are willing to be a SNAIL officer in 2015. You have to attend two SNAIL meetings or be a block rep to run for our four elected positions; Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. If you are interesting in keeping SNAIL a dynamic and active neighborhood association, please come to the October meeting. Hopefully, you will hear about volunteer opportunities that interest you. In addition to our elected positions, we have a number of appointed roles each year, like Social Secretary and Newsletter Editor, to name two.

There will be no Sunnyvale city council elections this fall. The city council voted to move elections from 'odd' years to 'even' ones so the next election of City Council members will be November 2016. Our Guest Speaker will be Scott Morton, Superintendent of Parks. The city has voted to use some of its new 'park dedication fees' that developers pay to upgrade some of the existing parks. Fair Oaks Park is high on the list of existing parks to be updated. Come hear about how we can get involved in planning the changes. The city's 20-year budget has \$5.7M to spend on improving Fair Oaks Park starting in FY2015.

<http://tinyurl.com/ProposedParkFunds>

Sunnyvale added one 'new' park near SNAIL this summer; Seven Seas Park (1010 N Morse Ave). Swegles Park was upgraded with a new playground and Orchard Gardens Park was expanded recently. It is time to check out your local parks if you haven't been there in a while.

Sunnyvale has been working on an "Area Specific Plan" for the redevelopment requirements for all of Peery Park. Peery Park includes the area north of Maude to south of US101 and east from 237 to Mathilda. Numerous projects have already been approved in Peery Park so it will be 'under construction' for the foreseeable future. Please contact the Sunnyvale planning department to get involved with the Peery Park Plan. You can find out more at: <http://peerypark.insunnyvale.com/>

Looking forward to fall,  
*John Cordes, SNAIL Chair*  
*SNAILchair @ snail . org*

### Peery Park Development Update

There are plans for another 100-foot tall office building serviced by a 4-level parking structure at 767 N. Mathilda, totaling 233,000 square feet at 110% Floor-to-Area Ratio (FAR). The LinkedIn buildings are 100-feet tall with a FAR of 100%.

Also proposed are two office buildings next to LinkedIn, each 70-foot tall, serviced by a five-level parking structure at 615 N. Mathilda. Each building is 132,000 square feet for a total of 264,000 square feet at 80% FAR.

The McDonalds restaurant with a drive-thru will be moved across the street to the corner of Mathilda and San Aleso at 696 N. Mathilda. The McDonalds will back up to our neighborhood with all the drive-thru sounds and smells.

More detailed information can be found on the city's website: <http://tinyurl.com/PeeryParkDevelopment>

I would like to encourage SNAIL residents to stay involved with the Peery Park Developments and make sure that they have a positive impact on our neighborhood. If you have questions or would like to know how you can get involved, please contact me: DwightADavis @ earthlink . net

*Submitted by Dwight Davis, Pine Ave.*

### Ahwanee Zoning Change Request

Bonnie Lloyd attended an August 26<sup>th</sup> meeting to hear about the zoning change request of property on Ahwanee from Industrial to Residential and Commercial. The Council will study the request and then have a hearing at a later date TBD.

*Submitted by Bonnie Lloyd*

### FREE ONLINE COURSE

Constitution 101 – The Meaning and History of the Constitution

<http://online.hillsdale.edu>

All Hillsdale college students are required to complete a one-semester course on the U.S. Constitution as part of their core requirements. Now, all citizens have an opportunity to study the Constitution with the Hillsdale College professors.

*Submitted by Connie Cook-Turner*

*The publication of our newsletter and SNAIL Neighborhood Association sponsored activities are supported through our annual yard sale, newsletter sponsors, and donations.*



### Brief Summary of September Meeting Minutes

- **Guest Speaker Kent Steffen, Director of Public Works:** Kent mentioned that the City has a chip seal on city streets and that they have an improvement project in the works. Kent spoke regarding the Mathilda 237 and 101 Interchange. The improvements roles/responsibilities for this project are: the City is the Project Sponsor; VTA is Project Management; Caltrans is Project Oversight and Environmental Lead; and WMH is Lead Design Consultant. Project Funding is a 50/50 split between the VTA and the City. The Project Initiation is expected to run from 2013 to 2014; Environmental phase 2014 to mid-2016; Final phase late-2015 to end of 2016; and Bid/Construction 2016 to end of 2017. A neighbor mentioned that they should keep in mind adding a light rail at some point; it is not in their current projected designs. They are looking at three different designs: 1) Tight Diamond Interchange, 2) Diamond Interchange, and 3) Diverging Diamond Interchange. Kent's PowerPoint presentation showing these three options and their benefits can be seen at: <http://tinyurl.com/Mathilda237Project>
- **Volunteers:** Asked for volunteers to organize a Halloween Party for kids – no one volunteered.
- **Peery Park:** Dwight Davis reported that there are three Peery Park buildings under review; a 100-foot building at 767 Mathilda (same height as LinkedIn) and two, 70-foot buildings next to LinkedIn at 615 N. Mathilda. Dwight mentioned he had heard the LinkedIn move-in date to the Mathilda buildings has been pushed back to 2015. He also said that the City's website had further information under Peery Park Development regarding this project.
- **Bylaws Committee:** Elaine Rowan said they would be meeting Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. Location will most likely be at Connie Cook-Turner's house.
- **SNAIL T-Shirts:** Sharon McKnight reported that they have a lot of different ideas but nothing digitized and currently nothing to vote on yet. Valerie Suarez mentioned that they have a graphic file which she downloaded and stitched as a sample, but the graphic is poor quality on the T-Shirt. Sharon said they were thinking of different designs – one for the Officers and one to sell to SNAIL neighbors. Valerie said there could be storage issues they are looking for an on-demand website that will sell one T-Shirt at a time.
- **City Updates:** John Cordes reported on a meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> regarding growth without gridlock. Council voted in August on the issue of losing the Armory and where to house the homeless. The City decided to follow the County's lead as it is their responsibility. Jim Quaderer reported that the study regarding neighborhood notifications of new buildings has gone to the Council. Also, the notices will be easier to read (some had looked like advertisements).
- **SNAIL Cookbooks:** John Cordes said there are still some SNAIL Cookbooks left for sale.

Sarah Cain, SNAIL Secretary

### Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC) News

- **Family Fun Night:** Wed, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30-8:30pm. Enjoy a fun Halloween party with your neighbors! Volunteers are needed-sign up by Oct 8<sup>th</sup> by emailing [CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:CNC@sunnyvale.ca.gov).
- **Yoga:** Tuesdays, 6-6:50pm in the CNC gym. Classes are free for adults and children from 9 yrs. old (with a parent or guardian). Bring a mat or towel and wear loose fitting clothes.
- **Zumba:** Wednesdays, 7-8pm; Fridays 6-7pm; \$1 per person. Children aged 10 and up can attend with a parent. No childcare available.
- **Drop-in Fitness Room:** Mondays and Thursdays, 6:30-8pm; Tuesdays, 7:30-9pm; Saturdays, 8-10am and 10:30am-noon; \$1 per person. Middle school students can attend with a parent or guardian; high school students attend with a signed waiver from a parent.
- **Drop-in Gym:** Middle and high school students. Indoor soccer: Mondays, 7-9pm and Saturdays, 7-10pm; Basketball: Fridays, 7-10pm in the CNC gym; only 50¢ per visit for Sunnyvale residents and \$1 for non-Sunnyvale residents.
- **Family Harvest Program:** Free monthly food distribution for families with a child under 18 living at home and meeting certain income guidelines: maximum household gross monthly income \$2,622 (2 people); \$3,298 (3 people); \$3,975 (4 people). For more information or to complete an application, bring photo ID, proof of monthly income and proof of all children living in the home to CNC.
- **Better Choices, Better Health Workshop:** Chronic Disease Management. Next class (in Spanish) starts Sept 30<sup>th</sup>, 6-8:30pm. Call (408) 961-9812 to register.
- **International Walk to School Day:** Oct 8<sup>th</sup>; students will be walking and biking to school to celebrate healthier habits, a cleaner environment and a safe, walkable neighborhood. Encourage your family and friends to participate.
- **Children's Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance:** Tuesdays thru Fridays, 9am-4pm. This has moved to the San Miguel Family Resource Center at San Miguel School. Call (408) 464-7144 for more information.
- **Bilingual Story Time:** Thursdays, starting Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Columbia School Library, 4-5pm.
- **Digital Safety Workshop:** Presented by the Sunnyvale Public Safety Department. Tuesday, Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm in the CMS Staff Room and Tuesday, Oct 28<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm at the Sunnyvale Library.
- **Free Legal Clinics:** First Saturday of each month. Get a free 20-30 minute consultation on a variety of legal matters. Next sessions: Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **Strong Start for Preschool and Kindergarten:** San Miguel School, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> thru Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm. This is a 4-week series provided by Foothill College for parents and primary caregivers to build a solid foundation for student success for children going into preschool and kindergarten. Topics include: family matters, how children learn, building early skills, better communication and effective discipline, partnering with teachers for success, educational and community resources. No registration required, just go to the first meeting.
- **Disability Awareness Day:** Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, 2:30-4pm at Vargas School.

For current information on CNC programs, call (408) 730-7800 or go to [CNC.inSunnyvale.com](http://CNC.inSunnyvale.com)

Carolyn Luticken, Program Coordinator CNC



### Home Surveillance Systems

Did you know that Fry's Electronics has some professional grade home surveillance systems starting at \$330? When on sale, you can save \$150 per system. These systems allow you to keep your eyes on your home 24/7 from your smartphone or the Internet. In light of all the recent burglaries, even if you know nothing about home surveillance systems, go to the Fry's Sunnyvale store located at 1077 E. Arques Ave. There is a college student working there, on weekends only, named Christopher who really knows his stuff. He was extremely patient and willing to answer all question asked. A real godsend! Call Chris at (408) 771-6367.

Submitted by a SNAIL Neighbor



### SNAIL THANKSGIVING DINNER

**Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 p.m.**

**Marie Callender's, 751 E. El Camino Real**

Traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings, plus soup, salad, dessert bars and their terrific regular brunch spread.

Adults: \$15.99, Kids: 4-12: \$7.99, 3 yrs. & under: \$1 per year  
Please join us for this special day.

*Hosted by: Jim and Connie Cook-Turner*  
*RSVP: (408) 739-8490*

### SNAIL 2014 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
October 21 <sup>st</sup>	Dinner Night Out @ Asteria Grill (Greek) 502 Ross Drive 7:00 p.m.	Chuck and Janet Leath RSVP to Bonnie Lloyd (408) 747-1949 by Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>
November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Special Thanksgiving Dinner Night Out @ Marie Callender's <i>(Please read article in this newsletter for details)</i>	Jim and Connie Cook-Turner (408) 739-8490

### Neighborhood Street Sweeping Schedule

Our streets are generally swept every two weeks on the day following your trash pickup. If possible, please move your car off the street on street sweeping days. This month, the street sweeping schedule is:

East SNAIL Neighborhood	Tues., Sep. 30 <sup>th</sup> , Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup>
West SNAIL Neighborhood	Wed., Oct. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup>

### November Newsletter Deadline

All SNAIL neighbors are invited to submit articles of interest to be published in our monthly newsletter. The deadline for submitting articles and photos for the next SNAIL monthly newsletter is Saturday, Oct 18<sup>th</sup>. Simply email to [SNAILeditor@snail.org](mailto:SNAILeditor@snail.org)

### Sunnyvale DPS Firefighter Pancake Breakfast Event

**Date:** Saturday, October 11, 2014

**Time:** 8-11 a.m.

**Location:** Fire Station #2, Wolfe Rd. and Arques Ave. Sunnyvale  
**Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk and coffee**

**Suggested donations:**

**\$8.00 per adult**

**\$5.00 for kids 10 and under**

**For information:** call (408) 730-7140

**"Go green; bring your own plate, utensils and cup for a chance to win a prize"**



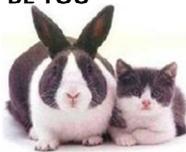
### A THIEF CAN TRY TO APPEAR TO BE YOU

By Using **YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION**

And then steal your money!

This is Identity Theft.

Learn How to Prevent It!



**Saturday, October 25, 2014 – 2:00 to 4:00pm**

The King's Academy High School, in the Performing Arts Theater, 562 N. Britton Ave. (close to intersection of E. Duane Ave.) Sunnyvale, California 94085

**FREE Conference** on both the prevention of and recovery from identity theft, one of the fastest growing crimes in the U.S. Presented by local residents, assisted by Pat Meyering. [pat.meyering@gmail.com](mailto:pat.meyering@gmail.com) (408) 507-0039

**Your identity is your most valuable asset.** Are you doing all that you can to protect it? Learn to EMPOWER yourself with education, information and resources. Speakers with more than 60 years combined experience in Fighting Identity Theft and Cybercrime around the world:

- Deputy Santa Clara County District Attorney** will share his experience with actual cases and outline ways you can avoid the ugly world of Identity Theft.
- Special Agent, U.S. Secret Service** describes how to avoid becoming a victim and steps to take if your personal information is stolen.
- Senior Engineer, Intel Security**, teaches how to block ID Theft while web surfing, shopping or banking online, emailing, texting, using Facebook, Twitter, Smartphones or tablets.
- Identity Theft Council Manager** explains how to stop criminals from breaking in to your computer, stealing your personal information and accessing your bank account.

**You Have the Power to**



Submitted by Pat Meyering, Sunnyvale Councilmember

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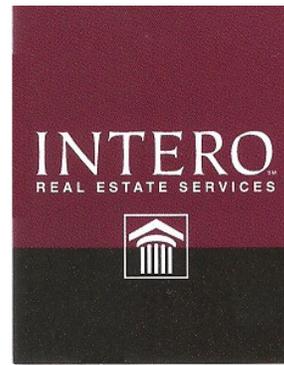
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