



S.N.A.I.L. News

Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor, Including LaLinda
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Representing over 1,400 households Established in 1995

September 2015

SNAIL General Meeting Thursday – September 3rd

Location: Columbia Middle School Staff Lounge
Time: 7:00 pm – Look for the **SNAIL** sign

Partial List of General Meeting Agenda Items:

- Guest Speaker: Steve Pieters, OTO Development, re: the New Hotel @ 767 N. Mathilda Avenue

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.

Message from the Chair

We had our annual SNAIL National Night out Party on Aug 4th. It was a fun party as always. Special thanks to Sharon and Griselda, our organizers, Thomas Leibold, our volunteer cook and all the volunteers who helped out. The event was a big success for our neighborhood kids and us. Hopefully, you came to the SNAIL 20th Anniversary luncheon on Aug 30th.

Our Sep guest speaker is Steve Pieters, from OTO Development. Steve wants to inform us and gather feedback about a new Hilton Garden Inn planned for 767 N. Mathilda Avenue.

Santa Clara County is planning to put a temporary homeless shelter on the corner of California Ave and Fair Oaks Ave, by Central Expressway. They held an outreach meeting on Aug 17th. We can discuss the outcome at the Sep meeting.

We are looking for volunteers who want to be SNAIL officers next year. If you want to learn about what that requires, come to the Sep meeting.

We are still in a severe drought so please remember to conserve water.

Remember, membership in SNAIL is always free! How many organizations or activities can say that? We are funded by the advertisements in this newsletter, our yard sale, grants from the City and various fund raisers and donations. Getting involved in SNAIL is a great way to make friends who live within walking distance of home. Probably the easiest way to make new friends is just show up at our monthly meetings. We won't ask you to do anything but sign in. We have a consistent group of people who attend every month. You will get to know all of us and most likely make good friends with a few over time.

Sincerely,

John Cordes, SNAIL Chair, SNAILchair @ snail .org

SNAIL Bylaws – Proposed Revisions

The original bylaws committee report is on the SNAIL website <http://www.snail.org/> for review. We have received some suggestions from neighbors for additional changes. Please offer any additional changes by Sep 15th. All neighbors are welcome to attend the next bylaws committee meeting on Sep 22nd.

Elaine Rowan, SNAIL Vice-chair



SNAIL 2015 Event Calendar

Date	Event Name	Organizer
Sep 19	Dinner Night Out Gumba's (Italian) – 7:00pm 176 S. Murphy Ave.	June & Sam Valenti RSVP to Bonnie Lloyd (408) 747-1949
Sep 22	Bylaws Committee Meeting 810 Carolina Ave.	Elaine Rowan
Oct TBD	Dinner Night Out	<i>Need Volunteer to Host</i> Call Bonnie Lloyd (408) 747-1949
Nov TBD	Dinner Night Out TBD	Jim & Connie Cook-Turner

NNO Party Was a Success

We moved the party from Arbor Street to Columbia Park Picnic area, which added many new attendees, but lost some old friends. Still, we had over 200 people signed in and many more in the park that joined us. There was face painting, balloons, glitter tattoos, free hand paper supplied by local vendors. TJ Jumpers added to the fun with the Bounce House. Of course, it wouldn't be a party without our local band, The Sound Effect.

<http://www.thesoundeffect.com/> who shared their music and the drummers added a beat.

I would like to thank the many people that helped make this year's event a success, including City council members Jim Davis and Glenn Hendricks, a representative from Supervisor Cortese's office, Amber El Hajj, Sunnyvale Senior Planner for Peery Park and Elaine Marshall, Environmental Programs Manager, for their time to share information and status on city projects. These are the types of items that the SNAIL organization tries keep you aware of on a regular basis. We would also like to thank Captain Vince Chetcuti and his public safety officers who brought along the fire truck, police car and motorcycles.

Finally, a BIG Thank You to all of the volunteers that helped to make this event a success! If you have any suggestions to improve this event for next year, please let us know. We want to create a "what works/what to change" list to help with the planning for next year. Just send us your thoughts by phone or email to: Sharon McKnight at sharon_mcknight @ Comcast .net or (408) 745-0373. Griselda Morales at minina35fu @ gmail .com
Sharon McKnight and Griselda Morales, NNO Organizers

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 August Meeting Minutes

Announcements:

*Sep 12th thru 13th is the Sunnyvale Citywide Yard Sale. You may sign up online by searching 'Sunnyvale Citywide Yard Sale 2015' and click on 'register'. The registration deadline is Aug 24th. The City will advertise your yard sale for free.

*There is a Planning Commission Hearing on Mon, Aug 24th at 8pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave regarding a pending project on the corner of Maude/Morse. This involves the demolition of eight existing multi-family units and the new construction of 11 three-story townhome units within two buildings. A design review and variance will be discussed. Final action on this matter may be taken at this meeting. SNAIL committee meetings are planned prior to the hearing to write a petition to delay the final decision until the study is done. Any neighbor wishing to participate is welcome to attend these meetings.

National Night Out: Sharon McKnight reported on NNO. The cost of this event will be covered by our 2015 grant. It's estimated that about 200 people attended this event on Aug 4th.

20th Anniversary Party: Connie Cook-Turner reported on the plans for the Party. At 10:45am the chairs will be delivered. By 11:00am the set up will begin. There are restrooms on site.

Energy Competition: John Cordes informed everyone that Sunnyvale is competing for a \$5 million dollar prize for the city that reduces its residential energy usage the most. This competition is being run by Georgetown University.

City Development Plans: John Cordes stated plans have been filed for a six-story office at the corner of Pastoria/Maude. Sep speaker will discuss plans for a six-story Hilton Garden Inn on the west side of Mathilda Ave, near San Aleso at 767 N. Mathilda.

For full minutes, please visit the SNAILorg Yahoo Group website:

<http://tinyurl.com/SNAILorg>

June Valenti, SNAIL Secretary



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. 1 st , 15 th and 29 th
West SNAIL Neighborhood	Wed., Sep. 2 nd , 16 th and 30 th



Patriot Day History

Patriot Day is a day the U.S. remembers the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. This day is commonly referred to as "9-11" ("Nine-Eleven"). It is believed that 2,977 people died in the attacks. President George W. Bush proclaimed September 11th Patriot Day in 2002.

<http://www.911memorial.org/world-trade-center-history>

Facts about Patriot Day

- On September 11th, U.S. Flags should be flown at half-mast, both on U.S. soil and abroad.
- A moment of silence is held at 8:46 a.m. (EST) across the nation commemorating the time the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001.
- The National 9/11 Memorial and Museum takes up over half of the destroyed World Trade Center site. It contains bronze parapets inscribed with the names of those killed on September 11, 2001 and those killed in the 1993 World Trade Center attack. <http://www.911memorial.org/>
- Cleaning up Ground Zero, as the World Trade Center was renamed, took 18 months and 19 days and was completed in May of 2002.
- The Twin Towers of the World Trade Center were once the tallest buildings in the world and contained enough concrete to build a sidewalk from New York City to Washington D.C.

Submitted by Denise Perez



SNAIL Newsletter Team at Pizza Depot on 7/30/15 saying good-bye to owner Toto Lukito (center right, in shorts). Pizza Depot closed in August.

Pet of the Month

If you would like to submit your pet for Pet of the Month, send an email to the editor with a photo and include your name, the name of your pet, your street name and anything you would like to say about your pet to SNAILeditor@snail.org

October 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, Sep 12th. Send an email to SNAILeditor@snail.org

SNAIL's National Night Out Celebration – August 4, 2015



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