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You're Invited to Our Community Meeting on Zoom!

Thursday, September 3, 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 SNAIL monthly meetings:

10/8*, 11/5, 12/10*, 1/7, 2/4 – * moved due to holiday

Community Events

Date	Event	Contact/Location
09/05/26 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Bike Safety Information and Repair Workshop	Location: Sunnyvale Public Library 665 W. Olive Ave
09/12/26 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Master Gardeners: The Mysteries of Purple Veggies	Location: Sunnyvale Public Library 665 W. Olive Ave
09/26/26 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Personal Emergency Preparedness	Location: Sunnyvale Public Library 665 W. Olive Ave
December 2026	Red Bow Event	Valérie Suarès Dorit Chapman

Mark your calendars! **Saturday October 24, 5:00PM-8:30PM**

The 5th Annual Sunnyvale Halloween Crow Ride is coming to SNAIL! Bike Sunnyvale created this family fun ride to hang out with our MANY nationally famous crows AND to check out our neighbors' **AWESOME Halloween decorations!**

Perhaps you noticed that the crows migrated to spending their time in the Baylands. Therefore we will **start at Columbia Park** in the heart of SNAIL! This is our opportunity to decorate our houses to the max, dawn our best Halloween attire, ride like the wind with the crows, and enjoy our community in this unique event!

More information forthcoming!



Newsletter Article Submission Deadline

Submit an article to bit.ly/snailarticle or SNAILeditor@snail.org by **August 14** for publication in our **September** edition.



Newsletter Editor Wanted!

Help keep our community informed and connected!

You are creative, comfortable with Canva, Word, or similar tools to assist us with our community newsletter. We'd love to have you on our team! **Interested? Contact Valérie at vsuares@gmail.com / 408-390-3335.**

What an incredible evening it was to see Arbor Avenue come alive with laughter, music, conversation, and the wonderful spirit of SNAIL on August 4th for our annual National Night Out community event!

From the delicious flavors of our international potluck and the energy of the live music, to the children's activities, colorful balloons, and the many community organizations and guests who joined us, there was something for everyone to enjoy. More importantly, neighbors had a chance to reconnect, meet someone new, share a meal, and simply enjoy being together. That is what National Night Out is all about—and what makes SNAIL such a special place to call home.

An event of this size does not happen on its own. It takes an extraordinary community working together. To everyone who helped organize, volunteered, cooked, set up and cleaned up, staffed a table, sponsored an activity, donated food or supplies, entertained us, or simply came out and joined the celebration—**THANK YOU!** Each of you played a part in making this year's National Night Out such a memorable success.

Seeing East Arbor Avenue filled with neighbors of all ages reminded us once again that the true strength of our neighborhood isn't measured by streets or houses—it's measured by the people who call it home and the connections we build with one another.

Thank you for bringing your smiles, your enthusiasm, and your community spirit to this very special evening. Together, you made East Arbor Avenue shine!

We look forward to many more opportunities to gather, celebrate, and continue strengthening the bonds that make us proud to say:

**This is our neighborhood.
This is our community.
This is SNAIL!**

With my profound gratitude to everyone.

Valérie Suarès, Chair



A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS, PARTNERS, EXHIBITORS, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORTERS

The City of Sunnyvale, Silicon Valley Clean Energy, El Camino Health Foundation, Renna Shee Realtor, Meriwest Credit Union, Assemblymember Patrick Ahrens, Hillsdale College, Safeway, Target, and Junkluggers.

Their financial contributions, in-kind donations, volunteerism, and participation made it possible to present one of the largest and most successful neighborhood celebrations in the City of Sunnyvale.



Sunnyvale CERT Basic Training classes

Fall 2026 class Registration is now open.
Go to <https://sunnyvaleserv.org/classes>

The class runs Tuesday nights from September 22 through November 3, 6:30-9:30pm, and all day on Saturday, November 7. It will be held at Sunnyvale City Hall, 456 Olive Avenue.



Contribute to the SNAIL CRV Recycling Program



The SNAIL Recycling Program has been a huge success! Let's keep the momentum going! Drop off **cleaned and separated CA CRV aluminum and plastic** containers (**no glass, please**) to the home of Dorit or Valérie.

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 9/1, 9/15, 9/29, 10/13, 10/27

West SNAIL Wednesdays 9/2, 9/16, 9/30, 10/14, 10/28



Join Our Email List



For additional important information about SNAIL and activities in the City of Sunnyvale,

Please sign up at bit.ly/snailemail

Interested in local produce?

Some of your neighbors recently joined Santa Cruz Permaculture Farm's CSA share box. The produce is local, fresh, and delivered to the SNAIL neighborhood every Friday! The box is completely customizable each week on the website store. There is a minimum amount of \$35 in each order. They offer lovely lettuces as well as other vegetables, herbs, great strawberries etc.



Several of your neighbors get weekly boxes. We bring our own bag and take the veggies from our personally labeled farm box. Then collapse the box, which goes straight back to the farm. No plastic is used at all, but you may want to put your produce in plastic to store in your refrigerator if you will not be eating it within a day or so. The produce is fresh and delicious!

At their farm just north of Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Permaculture's growing methods will transition soil that was cultivated organically, but traditionally, to a no-till, biologically complex ecosystem that is not just organic, but regenerative. They also host lots of community events, so it's a great way to get involved with local food & garden people. Through the Santa Cruz Permaculture CSA, you can know your farmer, support permaculture in our area, and enjoy high quality, nutrient dense food grown in an ecologically beneficial way.

<https://santacruzpermaculture.com/farmbox/>

Monthly Meetings:

First Wednesday of the month (hybrid)
Where: Sunnyvale Community Services
When: 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Website: LivableSunnyvale.org





Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC) News

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

Ongoing Programs – Call CNC for details



Register online for drop-in programs

Since July 1, participants in drop-in programs must have an online recreation account to sign in. Minors (under age 18) must have parent/guardian set up an account and list the minor as a family member. Creating an account is easy, quick and free! Go to Sunnyvale.ca.gov/Activities. Staff available to assist.

- **CNC closed on Monday, 9/7/26**, City Holiday.
- Registration Open! **ShapeUp Sunnyvale – Fitness and Healthy Cooking Program**, funded by El Camino Healthcare District. Join the interest list for this program to learn healthier meals to cook with a once-a-week meal kit, fitness activities, & monthly nature walks. Open to Sunnyvale residents; priority goes to low-income residents. Call/email CNC to be added to the interest list.
- **FREE Storytime at Magical Bridge Playground** – Fri., 9/4, 11-11:30 a.m. Join a Sunnyvale librarian for storytime. All ages and abilities are welcome. Location: 540 N. Fair Oaks Ave. Program held in the playhouse inside the playground.
- **FREE Medical Services for Adults** – Tuesdays, 9/8 & 9/22, 4:00–8:00 p.m. by RotaCare Bay Area, Inc. and Catholic Charities. Appointments available and walk-ins welcome.
- **Parents Helping Parents**, Wed., 9/9, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Information, support, and referrals to assist families with disabled children.
- **FREE! Food Distribution**, Wed., 9/23, 4:15 - 5:15 p.m. New families must register the first time. Bring bags or cart for about 50 pounds of food.
- **Drop-In Zumba Classes in CMS Multi-Purpose Room** – Tues. & Thurs. 6:30–7:30 pm. Cardio class with Latin-inspired music. \$3 donation, no one turned away for lack of funds.
- **Drop-In Fitness Room, Monday** - Friday, 3:30–8 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. Get active with cardio machines, free weights, and strength training machines. Must be a Sunnyvale resident. \$1 per visit donation, no one turned away. Middle school students must come with parent/guardian. High school students must have signed parent consent in on-line account.
- **Drop-In Yoga Classes in CNC Gym** – Saturdays, 9:15–10:15 a.m. (No class 9/5.) Explore mindfulness, gentle movement to reduce stress and gain flexibility. \$3 donation, no one turned away. Middle school students must come with parent/guardian. High school students need signed parent consent in online account.
- **FREE! Youth Drop-In Basketball in CNC Gym** – Fridays, 7–10 p.m. For middle and high school students. Bring student ID. All participants must have signed parent consent in online account.
- **Drop-In Pickleball for Beginners in CNC Gym** – Saturdays, 12:30–2:00 p.m. This location is for beginners and recreational, non-competitive play. No instructions will be provided. Bring your own paddle and balls. Limited number of paddles available to borrow. \$3 donation, no one turned away. Minors age 8-13 must come with a parent/guardian. High school students must have signed parent consent in online account.

Angela Chan, Youth & Family Resources Manager

Join Us for the 18th Annual PACE Golf Classic

The Pacific Autism Center for Education (PACE) is excited to host its 18th Annual PACE Golf Classic on September 24 at Cinnabar Hills Golf Club in San Jose.

We invite members of the SNAIL community to support this important event by participating as a sponsor, golfer, volunteer, or silent auction donor. The PACE Golf Classic is one of our largest and most successful fundraising events, with all proceeds directly benefiting PACE's education, housing, and early intervention programs for children and adults with severe autism.

Register your foursome or become an event sponsor here:

<https://secure.ggiv.com/event/2026pacegolfclassic/>

Volunteer Opportunities Available

We're also looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make the event a success. A variety of volunteer roles are available, and no golf experience is required.

To learn more about volunteering

email sydneyzitzer@pacificaautism.org or

complete the volunteer interest form:

Thank you for supporting PACE.

We hope to see you on Sept. 24!



SNAIL'S RED BOWS TRADITION 2026

SNAIL will be hosting its annual Red Bows event to celebrate the holidays. **We have several streets that do not have Red Bow Bowtistas.** If you would like to participate in decorating our SNAIL trees in 2026, please let me know by sending your information (name, address, street to decorate (see below)) to me at: dorit.chapman@gmail.com

We are looking for Red Bow Bowtistas for the following streets:

- Pine Street
- 600-700 block of Borregas
- 400-500 block of E. Duane
- 500 block of E. Arbor



-Dorit Chapman, Red Bow Coordinator

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