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Next Meeting: *Amber Drive Primary Plus School, Tuesday, January 14, 7:00 p.m.*

Guest speaker: Rich Dressler from the
Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport

President's Message
Armin Quiring

As we begin the new year I would like to wish all of you the very best in 2003. This past year has been filled with many challenges and events, and in this coming year your ENA will continue its growth and service working towards a safe, clean, and friendly neighborhood.

Our guest speaker at the January meetings will be Rich Dressler from Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport. Mr. Dressler will speak to us about the Airport Improvement Plan and its current status, as well as sharing Air-travel and trip preparation advice in light of the recent legislation changes. This is a topic which will affect most of us this coming year!

Newsletter Editor Torch Passed to New Editor

Betty Kabanek has done an exceptional job in producing the Eden Examiner for several years, among many other duties she has performed, and we are very grateful for her assistance. Thank You Betty for a wonderful job! At this time the torch has been passed from Betty to our new Editor, Ivy Quiring. If you have information or articles you wish to submit for the Eden Examiner, please email them to Ivy at ivy_quiring@yahoo.com.

**Working toward a safe, clean,
friendly neighborhood**

ENA's 2003 Officers and Chairpersons:

Your elected 2003 ENA Officers are:

- President - Armin Quiring
- Vice President - Wayne Hall
- Treasurer - Mona Hall
- Secretary - Richard Kabanek



This year's Committee Chairs are:

- Beautification - Carl Shoemaker
- Dumpster Day - Mario Vasquez
- Emergency Preparedness / Safety / Security – Al Hagmann
- Garage Sale - Peter Taylor
- Goodwill / Bereavement - Betty Ford
- Luminaria - Leslie Posada
- Membership - Mario Vazquez
- Newsletter Distribution – Elaine Uruski
- Newsletter Editor - Ivy Quiring
- Social / Picnic - Elaine Marron
- Traffic - Betty Kabanek
- UNSCC – Isobel Taylor
- Welcoming – Elaine Marron

Sheila Callan is working on organizing an Harvest Festival for ENA, possibly in conjunction with the Lynhaven Neighborhood.

The chairperson position for the Political Committee is open. If you are interested in helping with any of the committees, please let us know on your membership form or by leaving a message on the hotline (408) 404-7404, and someone will contact you. We greatly appreciate all of our volunteers and chairpersons, and encourage you to become involved in bettering your neighborhood and your neighborhood association!

ENA and PG&E Talking

After receiving calls from residents from Runnymede Drive and Calboro Drive about the five power outages within three days, it was time to take action. First, I contacted Linda LeZotte's Office. Her assistant Scott Green told me they had a contact at PG&E. Within twenty minutes, I got a call from PG&E rep Teresa Alvarado. The only problem was that she was in Santa Cruz looking into bigger problems. Since one of our members needs electricity to run his oxygen monitor 24 hours a day, a serious situation arose when the last outage lasted from 8:15 AM to 9:07 PM. The elderly member's wife had to change his oxygen tanks every two hours without lights. Teresa did contact this couple to address the situation. Since then, we have found more residents using oxygen monitors for their health. Teresa will meet with a few ENA members after she receives outage reports and a map of the area effected. The affected circuit involves the area between Eden Ave and Calboro Drive and Walton Way to Amherst Lane, the West side of Runnymede Drive, the East side of Calboro Drive, the Primary Plus School, and the South side of Valley Square Lane. If this had happened during school hours, there would have been more problems. The outage report says that there were from 180 to 284 homes affected. After this meeting with PG&E, we will invite PG&E to talk at our General Meeting. I will keep you posted via the Eden Examiner.

Mario Vazquez

Beautification Committee

Thanks to Bob Leverett for rapidly removing fresh graffiti from the wall along Payne Avenue recently. A rapid response is vital for minimizing additional graffiti. Is anyone interested in improving a small area with flowers in the garden by the school? If so, please call Carl Shoemaker at (408) 244-2464 to discuss what you would like to do. It is time to make plans for this new year. One of our neighbors on Woodbine made a lot of sand available to the neighborhood - sand has been spread throughout the garden. The soil is prepared and after planting, only weed removal and fertilization are required. Many people make compliments and appreciate the flowers in our garden.

Carl Shoemaker

ENA 2003 Budget

EXPENSES	2002		2003 Budget
	Budget	2002 Actual	
Printing & Newsletter	\$2,500.00	\$2,207.69	\$2,300.00
Dumpster Day	\$2,400.00	\$1,704.80	\$2,400.00
Summer Picnic	\$1,300.00	\$1,406.37	\$1,300.00
Volunteer Appreciation	\$800.00	\$370.24	\$400.00
Garden	\$300.00	\$137.58	\$200.00
Hotline	\$252.00	\$198.09	\$75.00
Office & Computer Supplies	\$250.00	\$95.62	\$250.00
Postage	\$250.00	\$266.60	\$275.00
Garage Sale	\$200.00	\$183.38	\$200.00
Emergency Preparation	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Bereavement	\$120.00	\$43.30	\$120.00
Luminaries	\$100.00	\$38.23	\$250.00
Meeting Refreshments	\$100.00	\$99.95	\$100.00
Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
UNSCC	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Website	\$60.00	\$59.40	\$60.00
Conferences	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
PO Box	\$38.00	\$38.00	\$38.00
Total Expenses	\$9,095.00	\$6,964.25	\$8,393.00
INCOME			
Membership Dues (\$15 each)	\$7,500.00	\$6,210.00	\$6,750.00
Additional Donations	\$1,595.00	\$1,559.00	\$1,643.00
Total Income	\$9,095.00	\$7,769.00	\$8,393.00
Net	\$0.00	\$804.75	\$0.00

Mona Hall

2003 Calendar of Events

Jan 14	GM: San Jose Int'l Airport
Feb 11	General Meeting
Mar 11	GM: PG&E (tentative) with Lynhaven N.A.
Apr 08	General Meeting
Apr tba	Emergency Preparedness
May 17	Neighborhood Garage Sale
May 13	General Meeting
Jun 10	General Meeting
Jun 28	Free Family Summer Picnic
Aug 12	General Meeting
Sep 09	General Meeting
Sep 13	ENA 8 th Annual Dumpster Day
Oct 14	General Meeting
Oct 18	ENA 6 th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day
Nov 11	General Meeting
Dec 21	ENA 4 th Annual "Festival of Lights" (Luminaria)

Great News for Our Neighborhood

On December 6, 2002, Council Member Linda LeZotte and Traffic Engineer Henry Servin joined us in the unveiling of new traffic signs showing that the official speed limit on Eden Ave is now 25 mph (see picture).

Success often comes one step at a time. That is how it has been for ENA.



Fall of 1993—People living on Eden Ave expressed concern about the traffic on Eden Ave. There were too many cars going too fast. Word of the concern spread, and meetings were held at Amber Drive School. Trixie Johnson, our Council Member at the time, attended meetings and commissioned a study of the traffic on Eden Ave. The study concluded that most cars were going over the speed limit. The solution? Raise the speed limit to 30 mph!

November 1993—ENA was formed. Several neighbors including Elayne Weldey, Mario Vazquez, Ed Gawf, Andy Sermersheim, Phyllis Garrity, Betty Kabanek and others met and formed the Eden Neighborhood Association. Their goal was to promote “a safe, clean, friendly neighborhood” and reduce the Eden Ave speed limit back to 25 mph. This is why the association is called the Eden Neighborhood Association. Mario, Ed, & Betty took turns chairing the first meetings.

1996—ENA elected its first official President, Richard Kabanek. Mario Vazquez and Carl Shoemaker, each serving for 2 years, succeeded him. Armin Quiring is currently serving his second term. During their terms, ENA has continued to press for help with Eden Ave.

2001—ENA’s traffic committee joined the Lynhaven traffic committee to pursue traffic calming on Eden Ave. Both committees joined the Winchester Strong Neighborhood Initiative (SNI) Neighborhood Advisory Committee, which ultimately listed traffic calming on Eden Ave as one of the top ten priorities of our neighborhoods.

2002—Department of Transportation accepts traffic calming plans for Eden Ave. City council approves the reduction of speed on Eden Ave. New signs unveiled – 25 mph.



What’s Next?

January 2003—Contract the Eden Ave. traffic-calming plan to design engineers.

Mid 2003—Remove temporary devices (circles and bulb-outs); begin construction of permanent devices.

Thirty days after completion—test to see if the number and speed of cars has decreased.

Many, many thanks to the people who never lost sight of the ultimate goal—to make Eden Ave a safer residential street.

Betty Kabanek

FBI Rates San Jose as Safest Large City!

Did you know that in a report released this past October, San Jose was ranked the Safest Large City in America? San Jose received the ninth annual Morgan Quitno Safest City Award based on the statistics from six crime categories reported to the FBI. Let's all make sure that we work on making our area one of the safest neighborhoods! Some suggestions include keeping our doors closed and locked (even when we are home), motion sensed exterior lighting, timers for interior lights, a working alarm system and/or a dog, reporting suspicious behavior, being aware of our surroundings, letting our trusted neighbors know when we depart for extended times, and arranging to have any mail, packages, newspapers, & leaflets picked up daily when we are away.

Emergency preparedness is another important part of safety and security, especially after any wide-spread disaster or event. We can never have enough prepared folks - please consider attending training for the Emergency Preparedness Team or at least brushing up on your First Aid & CPR, as well as ensuring you have adequate supplies!

Armin Quiring

January 2003 Membership Report

The 2003 ENA Membership Drive is going great! By the New Year, over 25% of our membership have renewed & 31% have sent in additional donations. We now have 103 members and an additional \$405 in donations. It is great that ENA is getting such support! Remember, the annual \$15.00 dues is a great investment in your Neighborhood. Try going to the dump with a pickup load and it will cost you about \$45.00. Members do it for free in September. No limit. Our budget of around \$9000 is covered by membership dues. It takes a lot of \$15.00 membership dues to meet that budget. Don't forget you also get the monthly newsletter, free Family Summer Picnic, Neighborhood Garage Sale, and Festival of Lights (Luminaria).

Membership is just a \$15.00 investment, and IT'S WELL WORTH IT!

ENA welcomes new members Xinyu Chen and Que Wiehang.

ENA thanks the following renewing members for their continued support:

Hassan & Prasanna Ali	Alan & Kathy Fryer	Pat Madison	Elizabeth Schultz
Eleanor Allen	Jackie Funk	Tom & Elaine Marron	Jim & Denise Sitter
Agostinho Andrade	Phyllis Garrity	Dewey & Carol Moore	Jason & Roseanne Smith
William & Josie Ang	David & Shelley Giles	Fin & Faye Most	Betty Souza
James & Ann Bailey	Nat Guruklmoorthy	Tom & Mae Nakagawa	Esma Sprague
Loretta Carter	Al & Pat Hagmann	Don & Marie Navarra	John & Elaine Steffens
Linda Chin	Jerry & Beth Hatcher	Bud & Evelyn Newman	Jean Marie Tomasello
Peggy Constantino	Dan & Debra Hunter	Francis O'Leary	Joseph & Elaine Uruski
Paul & Monique Cooper	Hiroshi & Wako Isozaki	Bob & Judy Park	Mario & Connie Vazquez
David & Grace Cox	Bharat & Smita Joshi	John Parissenti	Kris & Paula Vogelsong
Joe & Cheryl Denham	Richard & Betty Kabanek	Gus & Bess Pinoris	Ed & Bonnie Walzer
Leona deVries	Natalie Kanzaki	Bert & Karen Plambeck	Craig & Sandra Whitwell
Frank & Pat Fanelli	John & Jane Kim	Bill Robertson	Eric & Nanette Wylde
Robert & Beverly Fisher	Sal & Mary Lipari	Lester & Audrey Santo	Ralph & Sharron Zitzler
Jerad & Terri Forman	Leon & Lisa Ma	Clement & Elizabeth Schrick	

2003 Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ (W): _____ Email: _____

(Privacy Policy: ENA does not sell or give out the names, phone numbers or email addresses of its members.)

<input type="checkbox"/> I am renewing my membership	Membership Dues	\$ <u>15.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a new member	Additional Donation	_____
	Total	\$ _____

I would like to help with the following committees:

<input type="checkbox"/> Beautification	<input type="checkbox"/> Block Watch/Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors	<input type="checkbox"/> Dumpster Day
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage Sale	<input type="checkbox"/> Luminaria	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Social	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic
<input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		

General Comments & suggestions for meetings: _____

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