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Next Meeting: *Amber Drive Primary Plus School, Tuesday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.*

Guest Speaker: Doug Badia, GM of Santana Row

Topic: What's Happening at Santana Row



March 9th General Meeting Agenda

- Committee reports
- Guest Speaker: Doug Badia, GM of Santana Row
- Door Prizes (Several provided by Santana Row. Many thanks to Santana Row for donating door prizes.)

What's Happening at Santana Row?

Doug Badia of Federal Realty Investment Trust, the General Manager of Santana Row, will be our guest speaker at our ENA General Meeting meeting on March 9th at 7:00pm. He will be providing information about the great things that are happening at Santana Row, such as upcoming events, new stores, new restaurants, and future development plans. Come see a slide presentation. This is a real opportunity to get an update. Santana Row will also be giving away door prizes for several lucky attendees.

San Jose Prepared Exercise

Our annual exercise will be held on Saturday, April 3rd, 2004 from 9-12noon. Please meet at the Amber Drive School by 8:30am for assignments. Everyone is welcome to join us for hot dogs and refreshments after the drill to celebrate Spring and a successful exercise. If you would like more information, please contact Al Hagmann via the ENA Hotline (408) 404-7404.

Community Cleanup

Your ENA is happy to announce a special event coming soon to your neighborhood - a Community Cleanup on Saturday March 13, 2004 from 8 - 11am! This event will be in addition to ENA's regular Dumpster Day which is set to occur on September 18th.

This Community Cleanup in March is sponsored by Councilmember Linda LeZotte and the City of San Jose Code Enforcement, and is open to all residents of the area bordered by Williams Rd, Winchester Blvd, Payne Ave, and San Tomas Expressway. There will be dumpsters at Amber Dr Primary Plus, across from 1208 Spaich Dr, 1085 Andrea Dr, 3347 Walton Way, 3349 Oxford Ln, 3359 Yuba Ave, and across from 1359 Phelps Ave (Merrivale West). Flyers are being mailed out to all eligible residents with full details, and should be presented at the time of dumping. However, should you not receive one, and you live within the eligible area, we have it on good authority that you can show your driver's license in lieu of the notice. There are strict guidelines we must abide by, which are summarized below. For more information about this cleanup, please call Gwen Lum-Duffy of the CSJ Neighborhood Cleanup Program at (408) 277-4707.

Summary of Guidelines: Only rubbish can be accepted at the Andrea & Phelps sites. Wood, tires (limit 4), TV's, monitors, AC units, fridges, brick, & clean concrete will be accepted at the Amber site only. Please break up all bulky items, and follow the directions of bin monitors. No hazardous materials, batteries, chemicals, paint, gas cylinders/tanks, motor fluids, fluorescent bulbs, human/pet wastes, dirt, or wet garbage are allowed at any site. For Hazardous Waste, please call the SCC Hazardous Waste Program at (408) 299-7300. Curbside items that can be recycled should be placed in your regular recycling container.

- Armin Quiring

**Working Toward a Safe, Clean,
Friendly Neighborhood**

President's Message

Betty Kabanek

Seems that spring is in the air. Birds are chirping, bees are humming, and flowers are blooming. Somehow the season brings us renewed energy. For some, it's time for spring-cleaning or for planting gardens. For our Association, it's time to prepare for the annual Emergency Preparedness Day. We don't know all of the details yet because San Jose Prepared's meeting to coordinate citywide efforts doesn't take place until March 27th. We do know that the preparedness exercises will take place on Saturday, April 3rd, and that Al Hagmann will lead us in this valuable drill. Please mark your calendars and join us for this annual event. We won't have another newsletter prior to the event to remind you.

Planning has also started for the Annual Garage Sale, the Annual Family Summer Picnic, etc. It's not too late or too early to join one of these committees. It's a fun way to meet neighbors, as well as make a valuable contribution to the neighborhood. We still have time to plan new events, too. Just call the ENA Hotline with your ideas or speak to one of the current officers or committee chairs.

Events aren't the only things that need planning. We also have monthly meetings that we hope are responsive to neighborhood interests. This month, for instance, we'll have someone updating us on the success of Santana Row. I must confess to being a skeptic when the new retail/residential plans were made public. Now I'm curious: "What's next?" So what would you like to hear about? If you would like us to address a specific topic, or to host a specific guest speaker, please let us know. Again, call the hotline or talk to us at the general meeting. Hope to see you there!

Graffiti

Graffiti is blight, degrading any community. However it is not the problem that it was a few years ago. Probably one of the main reasons is that young offenders lose their driver's license for a year when caught. Another reason is probably due to the fact that all new displays have been cleaned up quickly, depriving perpetrators of the rewards of their mischief. Nevertheless every year there is a new crop of young people who want to leave their mark. Bob Leverett, who cleaned up most of the graffiti until recently, has moved from our community. We are in need of one or two people who are willing to quickly clean up the rare displays of graffiti with solvent or paint. All supplies are provided by the City of San Jose. If you are willing to participate in this worthwhile activity benefiting the community, please contact Al Hagmann via the ENA Hotline (408) 404-7404, or one of the ENA officers.

-Carl Shoemaker

San Jose Prepared! 2004 Schedule

Are you on ENA's Emergency Preparedness Team? Wouldn't you like to be? The current series of training modules has begun, with two additional series scheduled for this year. The series, beginning with Module 1 (held in the EOC at 855 North San Pedro St, others TBA), occur on Saturday mornings with the final class and graduation occurring on Monday evening:

- March 06, 13, 20, 27, & 29, 2004
- May 15 & 22, June 05, 12, & 14, 2004
- September 18, October 02, 16, 23, & 25, 2004

You may register with San Jose Prepared via phone (408) 277-4593, fax (408) 277-3345, email sjprepared@ci.sj.ca.us, or their website: <http://www.ci.san-jose.ca.us/oes/sanjoseprepared/>

2004 Calendar of Events

Jan 13	GM: Winchester Blvd Changes	Jun tba	ENA's Annual Family Summer Picnic
Feb 10	GM: San Jose Budget Crisis	Aug 03	National Night Out
Mar 09	GM: What's Happening at Santana Row	Aug 10	General Meeting
Mar 13	Community Cleanup	Sep 14	General Meeting
Apr 03	Emergency Preparedness	Sep 18	ENA 9 th Annual Dumpster Day
Apr 13	General Meeting	Oct 12	General Meeting
May 11	General Meeting	Oct 16	ENA 7 th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day
May 15	Neighborhood Garage Sale	Nov 09	General Meeting – ENA Elections
Jun 08	General Meeting	Dec tba	ENA 5 th Annual "Festival of Lights"

Meet Your ENA Volunteers

Moving onto March, we are featuring more of our volunteers that help make ENA successful. This month's volunteers are:

Armin Quiring (National Night Out Chairperson)



Armin grew up in San Jose, California, after moving from Germany in 1973. He graduated from U.C. Santa Cruz with a degree in Biology, and completed extensive coursework at several other universities and colleges. Armin has worked in the Physical & Vocational Rehabilitation fields, taught at UC Santa Cruz & local colleges, and worked in the Public Safety & Law Enforcement Sector as a LEO–CSO for the State of California. He has been active in helping our neighborhood and ENA since he and his wife Ivy moved here in 1997 and immediately joined ENA. Armin has served as ENA's President, Vice-President, has been on the Traffic & Festival of Lights Committees since they were formed, currently chairs ENA's National Night Out committee, and likes to help with ENA's various activities like Dumpster Day. He enjoys the outdoors immensely and partakes in various outdoor activities like camping, fishing, and hiking. He prefers the neighborly approach to events and issues, and works to enhance the neighborly aspects of ENA.

Betty Ford (Sunshine Committee Chairperson)



Betty was born in San Jose, California and has always lived in some part of West San Jose. She went to high school locally at Campbell High School as well as college locally at San Jose State University. Betty was married to Henry Ford for 43 years, who passed away in 1996, and is the mother of 7 children and grandmother of 12 grandchildren. She has lived in the neighborhood since 1960. Betty has been in ENA since it started and has helped out in many ways. Through her kind heart and good will, she assists ENA in expressing condolences and sympathy to the families of neighbors who have passed away.

Elaine Uruski (Newsletter Distribution Chairperson)



Elaine & her husband Joe have lived in the ENA Neighborhood for 40 years after moving from Santa Monica. She is originally from Dayton, Ohio and worked at the Joseph Magnin store in Valley Fair for 15 years before retiring. Elaine has been the ENA Newsletter Distribution Chairperson for 5 years. That involves the distribution of 810 Newsletters ten months of the year. There are four area coordinators, including herself, and 38 volunteers that distribute the Newsletters to your home. She also has helped with the ENA Family Summer Picnic for several years. Among her hobbies, she enjoys playing golf, traveling, gardening, and working crossword puzzles.

Grace Schirle (Directory of Services Coordinator)



Grace was born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, and later became a naturalized U.S. citizen. She was married to Bertram Schirle, who passed away in December 2000, and is the mother of four (Karen in St. Paul, MN, Paula in Beaverton, OR, Neal in Morgan Hill, CA, and Gregory in San Jose, CA), and grandmother of eight (Keith, Kyle, Kurt, Evan, Erin, Lauren, Cameron, and Angel). She has an Associate Degree in Business from West Valley College. Grace has lived in the neighborhood since 1960. She took over the Directory of Services from its originator, Aaron Katzman. Additionally, she is an area distribution coordinator for the Eden Examiner.



Membership Report



As of March 1, ENA Membership for 2004 has reached 66% renewal. This includes 262 renewals and 11 new members, for total of 274 members. Of those members, 94 have sent in additional donations of \$1334. Our goal for this year is 450 members and about \$2150 in Donations. Reaching that goal will help us meet our 2004 budget. If you do not know if you have renewed yet or have questions about membership, call Mario at (408) 482-5731, or send him an email at mariorvazquez@sbcglobal.net.

ENA welcomes new neighbors and new members: Martin & Susan Schulter, Tailong Ke & Jane Zou, Steve & Melinda Landau, Michael Severns, and Robert & Stacy Silva

ENA wants to thank the continued support from renewing members:

Naser Awad & Dana Al-Asseh	Constance Hermsen	Charley & Catherine Reed
Robert & Coni Berliner	Robert & Sharon Hoem	Janet Kulig & Rich Gilbert
Eb & Cammie Bright	Gladyce Kanagaki	Bill Robertson
Carrie & Ion Coman	Thomas & Rosanne Kretchun	Ravindra & Swait Sahasrabudhe
Loretta Carter	Steve & Melinda Landau	David Schirle & Denise Michael
Sukumar Chaudhuri	Elvera Landis	Grace Schirle
Mike Console	Barbara & Rick Massa	Ruth Sellers
Hector & Pati Curiel	Connie Mignano	Robert & Stacy Silva
Sorin & Mariam Damian	Bruce & Carol Moe	Larry & Rosanne Snapp
Chad Sittner & Cynthia Riley	Fredericka Fons & Eric Naslund	Danielle Davenport & Steven Smith
William & Donna Ferris Jr.	Paul & Carolyn Newburn	Jane Zou & Tailong Ke
Herbert & Ilene Finger	Bob & Teri Ogawa	Lam Thai
Alan & Kathy Fryer	Toni Ostrom	Jim & Kathleen Vela
David & Tiffany Gale	Nick & Sue Palermo	Joe & June Welsh
Julius & Judy Glick	Nikki Kim & Joe Palmer	Steven Wolff
Mary Guercio	Don & Anne Pauken	Frances Yarosky
Ed & Vivian Heinlein	Primary Plus - Ron Martin	Ralph & Sharron Zitzler

Snakes, St. Patrick's Day, and the Guadalupe Watershed Friday, March 12, 2004 3:30 to 5:00 PM

Legend has it that St. Patrick chased the snakes out of Ireland - but we are happy we have snakes in the Guadalupe Watershed! Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the Friends of Guadalupe River Park & Garden. Meet some gopher snakes with the help of the City of San Jose Rangers and learn why we love snakes.

The workshop is designed for children five years of age and older and will be held at the Guadalupe Garden Center, located at 715 Spring Street in San Jose. The fee for the workshop is \$5.00. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, so reserve your spot early by sending a check to: Friends of Guadalupe River Park & Gardens, 50 West San Fernando Street, Suite 1100, San Jose, CA 95113. Visa and MasterCard are also accepted via phone or mail. For more information please visit www.grpg.org or contact Kary Wilson, the Education Coordinator, at (408) 298-7657 or via <http://education@grpg.org>.

Eden Examiner Article Submissions

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