

Winchester San Tomas  
**THE EDEN EXAMINER**  
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**Next Meeting:** *Amber Drive Primary Plus School, Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.*

Guest Speakers: Dr. Rhonda Farber, Connie Corrales

Topics: Measure M's Impact on Us, Our Senior Healthcare Rights & Benefits

**October 12<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Agenda**

- Committee reports
- Guest Speaker: **Dr. Rhonda Farber**, Superintendent of the Campbell Union High School District, will speak to us about Measure M, which calls for a parcel tax to support our high schools. This proposal impacts all of us: taxpayers, parents, and children. Dr. Farber will give us some of the information we may need in order to vote responsibly on that issue.
- Guest Speaker: **Connie Corrales**, Program Manager for the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP), will speak to us about senior health-care rights and benefits. The program provides objective counseling and information to help consumers make informed choices about Medicare, Supplements, Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs), & long-term care insurance. For the past ten years, Connie Corrales has specialized in promoting the rights of senior citizens and disabled persons.

**Dumpster Day Success!**

It was a great day and now our neighborhood is that much cleaner! A total of one hundred ENA members filled up four 40-yard dumpsters. Another ENA project accomplished successfully. For the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Dumpster Day, we had 21 volunteers. Thanks go to these volunteers: Charlie Reed and his daughter, Pat Hascall, Carl Shoemaker, Isobel Taylor, Armin & Ivy Quiring, Allen Fryer, Richard & Betty Kabanek, Johnathon Lee, Dave Coffelt, Stan Latimer and friend, Wayne & Mona Hall, Lee Myers, Kevin & Vicky Lane, Obi Egwin, Kayshav Dattatri, and Sukumar Chaudhuri. If we missed your name, we apologize, and ask that you let us know you were there.

- Mario Vazquez

**ENA'S Good Samaritan**

A bad deed was corrected by a neighborhood Good Samaritan. First, someone abandoned a yellow electric stove in one of our neighbor's side yard on Eden Ave with a sign marked "Works Well" attached to it. It stayed on Eden Ave for a while. Somewhere else in the neighborhood, an elderly lady had called that she had just replaced her old stove, and had no way to get rid of it. During Dumpster Day, one of our members brought up the abandonment, and offered to take care of the abandoned stove. I mentioned this elderly neighbor's predicament, and he offered to also take care of her stove, too. This kind member picked up the stoves, took them to his house, and called the Recycle Plus! Bulky Goods Curbside Collection to pick them up with a large item he had for disposal. Both stoves are gone and the neighborhood looks better. The Good Samaritan and ENA member is John Peters! ENA Thanks You!

- Mario Vazquez

**Remember to Vote - November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

As a reminder, in California the Voter Registration Deadline for the November 2, 2004 Presidential Election is **October 18, 2004**. More information on last minute registration can be found by calling (408) 299-VOTE (8683) or 1-866-430-VOTE (8683), or by going to the following website:

[http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections\\_15day.htm](http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections_15day.htm)

**2004 Calendar of Events**

- Oct 12 General Meeting
- Oct 16 ENA 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day
- Oct 23 ENA Daffodil Planting at Amber Drive School
- Nov 09 General Meeting – ENA Elections
- Dec tba ENA 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Festival of Lights"

## President's Message Betty Kabanek

### Upcoming Election of Officers

Vision is not thinking of things as they are, but how they can be. If you have ideas for improving the association or the neighborhood, please consider running for office in the upcoming elections. We have four elected positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you'd prefer not to hold office, but want to participate in the board activities, please let us know. Talk to a current board member, email the association, or leave a message on the hotline. We always need fresh ideas. Whether your interest is politics, traffic control, crime prevention, streetscape enhancement, or social activity, there's a place for you on the board. Please join us.

### Entry Markers

Last month we asked for ideas regarding a neighborhood name. So far most of the responses have suggested that we move forward with the idea. The next step is to decide what name to use. Your suggestions have included: Winchester West, Santana West, Eden Neighborhood, Walgrove Manor, Rancho San Tomas, Eden Estates, etc. No one volunteered to work on a naming committee. A poll of the board was taken on the names, with the majority choosing Walgrove Manor. A number of homes in the neighborhood are listed on the county map under that tract name.

We'll start out by having entry markers on Eden at Payne and Williams. These markers are funded by the San Jose Strong Neighborhood Initiative, and are at no cost to the neighborhood. If residents on other entry streets like the look, we'll propose that the association pay to have similar entry markers made for other streets. Two designs shown on the right were drawn up by the city. If all goes well, we'll have full size mock-ups at the next meeting. Let us know your opinions.

Thank you for your continued interest and support for projects designed to keep a clean, safe, and friendly neighborhood.

## Winchester Business Survey

The ENA agreed to deliver a survey with your ENA newsletter so that you could have the opportunity to voice what kind of businesses you would like to see on Winchester Blvd. Under the "Additional Comments" section, you can list the kinds of businesses you would like to see.

### Design #1



Mounting Option #1



Mounting Option #2

### Design #2



Mounting Option #1



Mounting Option #2

## Beautification Committee

ENA will receive 350 Daffodils from the City of San Jose. I am preparing a bed for them such that there will be two bulbs for each square foot of soil. Planting is planned for the morning of **Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9am**. Volunteers are needed. Come and learn how to plant Daffodils. Thanks are long overdue to Andro Sergides, who keeps a section of the sidewalk of the school clean and neat on Amber Drive. Weeds never give up. Anyone with as little time as an hour can make a difference.

- Carl Shoemaker

## Volunteer Appreciation Day Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

This year, members of 86 households volunteered their time and efforts to helping the neighborhood. In appreciation of their support, ENA will invite those 86 households to a pizza party. It will be held at Angelino's Restaurant. You will be called to find out how many from your household are coming, so we can order enough pizzas. Without the volunteers, ENA would not have been successful with all the projects scheduled.

- Mario Vazquez

## Halloween Carnival – Saturday, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

A Halloween Carnival will be held from 10am to 2pm at Westside Preschool, 3257 Payne Ave (between Phelps Ave and Eden Ave). Enjoy fun games where every player is a winner! There will also be arts & craft activities, and food. Designed for young children. Admission is free, with game and food tickets sold at the door.

- Mona Hall

## Halloween Safety Center - October 31<sup>st</sup>

On Halloween, parents can bring their children by our neighborhood Halloween Safety Center at 1023 Phelps Ave. Your children will receive a glow necklace, a bookmark, and an informational safety card. This is part of Safe From the Start San Jose.

## Sunshine Committee

Your ENA sent flowers & condolences to the family of long time member, Alice Todd, who passed away recently.

- Betty Ford

## Elections – Moreland School District

More information on each candidate running for the Moreland School District can be found at:

<http://www.smartvoter.org/2004/11/02/ca/scl/race/3630>

Each candidate was asked to provide additional information to our neighborhood. A summary of what was submitted has been provided to you below:

### Dale Barr, O.D.:

My name is Dale Barr and I am running for the Moreland School Board in the November election. I have lived in the Eden neighborhood for 9 years now and have been in the Bay Area for 25 years. My children attend Payne Elementary School and I care deeply about all of the neighborhood schools we have in this district. I believe that strong neighborhood schools are important to maintaining strong and prosperous communities. I believe that taxpayer dollars need to be spent judiciously and guarded carefully. We need a school board that keeps the district accountable and makes sound financial decisions. We need board members that work tirelessly to strengthen our neighborhood schools. We need elected board members that represent the voters. We don't need another appointed incumbent appointed by appointees who have helped create this quagmire. The voters get to choose for the first time in 12 years.

### Jim Macfarlane:

We must continue to improve our schools. Many of our schools are making the grade and have been deemed "top performers," while others are struggling. We need to ensure that performance standards are met, ensure that a safe and nurturing environment exists for our students, and hold our administrators accountable for their progress. By doing so, we will improve our schools, and build strong and vibrant neighborhoods to raise our families. As a Trustee, I will work to eliminate any budgetary waste and ensure the funds find their way back the school rooms. I will seek innovative ways to ensure measured progress at our under-performing schools, and I will look for new ways to build partnerships with the corporate community and other local organizations to further help support our district. I will also make the safety of our students a top priority.

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

## Membership Report

This year was another successful year for the Eden Neighborhood Association. There were 410 paid-up supporting members, only 4 less than in 2003. And 134 members made additional donations of \$1977, which is up from donations in 2003. Of the 410 members for 2004, there were 31 new members.

ENA would like to welcome the following new members: Mehyeddine Alayleh, Paul & Andrea Casillas, Mark & Elizabeth Resch, Dennis & Pamela Guetschow, Chris & Jamie Robinson, Srinivas Talluri, and Kathleen Thomas.

Renewing members since the last newsletter were:

Paul & Teresa Ayoob	Al & Pat Hagmann	Alan & Kathy Lim
Karen Chez & Eddie Babcock	Andy & Wei-chen Hwang	Jon & Chris Linthacum
Chul & Thu-Nguyet Choi	Steven & Lynda Ichinaga	Steve Otto
Dave & Natagha Conti	Hank & Gail Jordon	Paul & Sharon Pearah
Don & Judy Correia	Joseph & Sheila Callan	Robert & Bernadette Rodriguez
Obi & Josephine Egwin	Bill & Jae Landers	Donald & Denise Ronalter
Robin & Alex Flores	Kevin & Victoria Lane	Timothy Rother
Mary Gardiman	Mildred Lawler	Julie Stephens
Mark & Laurie Garfield	Ira & Laura Leventhal	Venkat & Sandhya Viswanathan

ENA thanks you for your support!

- Mario Vazquez

## 2004 Volunteers

What is an organization without volunteers? Probably just a name, and nothing gets accomplished. Lucky for us, ENA has many volunteers. Some 38 deliver your monthly Newsletter, some work the annual Garage Sale, many support the Free Summer Family Picnic, several help out with the Dumpster Day, several assist with the Festival of Lights, and so much more. If you are not on the list, and you volunteered, my apologies. Let us know. If you want to be a volunteer: you can call the ENA Hotline, send an email, let one of the ENA Board members know, or check the committee you are interested in helping with on the 2005 Membership Application (included as an insert) when you send in your 2005 dues. It's fun and satisfying, doing a service to the community. In total, 86 households volunteered. In case you were wondering, here is the list for 2004:

George Allen	Obi Egwin	Johnathon Lee	Charles & Catherine Reed
Nathen Armstrong	Herb & Ilene Finger	Ira & Laura Leventhal	Bill Robertson
Glenn & Nancy Avila	Robert & Beverly Fisher	Thomas & Linda Lighthouse	Grace Schirle
Mark & Gail Avila	Betty Ford	Paul & Patricia Lipari	Jim & Elaine Schirle
Narayan & Vidya	Allen Fryer	Sal & Mary Lipari	Andro Sergides
Balasubramanian	Betsy Gebhart	Elroy & Mary Ann Lucero	Andy & Anne Sermersheim
Lloyd & Marlene Bass	Rick Gilbert & Janet Kulig	Pat Madison	Stephen & Patty Shaffer
Peter & Joan Bays, Jr.	Paul & Cecilia Gorenuc	Tom & Elaine Marron	Keith & Yvette Schemm
Robert & Coni Berliner	Suzanne Greene	Andy & Maureen Meyer	Carl & Vi Shoemaker
Fil & Jennifer Bettencourt	Al & Pat Hagmann	Bruce Moe	Dave Slesnich
Billy & Trish Boltz	Wayne & Mona Hall	Bud & Peggy Muchow	Jason Smith
Yvette & Bret Carpenter	R. Caroline Hanson	Lee & Rose Myers	Kim Sorch
Paul & Andrea Casillas	Patrick & Sandra Hascall	Horace & Elena Nevarez	Peter & Cathy Scibetta
Sukumar Chaudhuri	Carl & Marguerite Heintze	Bud & Evelyn Newman	Mick Speciale
Henry & Randee Chin	Richard & Susan Hoehnle	Bob & Judy Nichols	Michael & Melody Spradlin
Dave Coffelt	George & Shirley Horning	Ted & Julie Osier	Peter & Isobel Taylor
David & Grace Cox	Dan & Debra Hunter	Tom & Jane Pardini	Jean Tomasello
Kayshay Dattatri	Richard & Betty Kabanek	Medriene Plette	Joseph & Elaine Uruski
Steve Dodson & Stephanie	John & Susan Knapp	Ed & Denise Plonka	Mario & Connie Vazquez
Brooks	James & Diane Kono	Al & Leslie Posada	Paula Vogelsong
John Del Fiugo	Kevin Lane	Bud & Ginny Pyle	Mr & Mrs Vadim Von Brzeski
Jon & Annette Drew	Stanley & Cecilia Latimer	Armin & Ivy Quiring	Pam Zimmerman

- Mario Vazquez