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Next Meeting: *Amber Drive Primary Plus School, Tuesday, September 11th, 7:00 p.m.*

Guest Speaker: *Jessie Denver of the City of San Jose Environmental Services Department*

Topic: *Clean & Green!*

September 11th General Meeting Agenda

Dumpster Day – Saturday, September 15th

- Welcome
- ENA Updates & Committee Reports
- Guest Speaker: *Jessie Denver* from the *City of San Jose Environmental Services Department*.

Get ready! Set! Go! Clean up time is here. This year, ENA is resuming our annual Dumpster Day, a favorite event for all ENA Members. This year, we will also be doing E-Waste Recycling, as well as taking usable items to Salvation Army. Dumpsters will be lined up as usual on Amber Drive in front of the school. To access the dumpsters, line up along Phelps Ave and Amber Drive beside the school field. Please check with our monitors before proceeding.

Our guest speaker at the September General Meeting will be Jessie Denver from the City of San Jose's Environmental Services Department, Green Business Team. Ms. Denver will be teaching us about safer, healthier, and better ways of cleaning without using all those dangerous chemicals! Join us for her fun, engaging, and informative presentation on natural and healthy ways we can cleaning anything and everything in our homes, offices, and lives. These methods are good for our environment, our health, our sustainability, and our children! Speaking of helping the environment, please be sure to see the information about the Electronics Recycling Event at ENA's Dumpster Day!

Help! Volunteers are needed to pick up items & help neighbors unload their vehicles. Those who wish to volunteer, please call Mario directly at (408) 482-5731 or report to Mario near the dumpsters early Saturday morning. Your help will be greatly appreciated! Please bring your gloves. Orange vests will be provided to volunteers during the event. Some gloves & goggles will be available for use.



ENA's Annual Dumpster Day *

(including E-Waste Recycling **)

**Saturday, September 15th
7am until dumpster are full**



**See articles &
backpage for details**



*** Free to ENA Paid-Up Members**

**** Free to ALL**

This event is free for current paid-up ENA members only. Membership dues are only \$15, and it takes a lot of members to offset the cost. Dues must be paid by the September 11th meeting to dump for free. Those who are not members, will be charged \$25, which includes the \$15 membership dues for 2007. If you are not sure if you are paid-up, want to volunteer, or need pick-up assistance, call Mario at (408) 482-5731. Check the back of this Newsletter for what can and cannot be dumped. Don't be late - the dumpsters will be removed once they are full. Please do not leave anything at the school or street after the dumpsters are gone – this is considered illegal dumping by the city, and subject to fines & citations.

- Mario Vazquez & Armin Quiring



President's Message Ivy Quiring



Summer has sure zoomed by faster than I anticipated! I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer! And I hope many of you took advantage of the large number of National Night Out get-togethers many of your neighbors held on August 7th! Special thanks go to all the hosts and Armin Quiring for the great job they all did to welcome their neighbors, give crime a swift kick in the pants, and have fun!

Also, thanks also go to Brownie Troop 1102, Bill Lawrence, Carl Shoemaker, Phil & Shane Luna, Barb & Brad Grisier, and the various neighborhood volunteers who have put in time & effort to make the garden enjoyable for all! And kudos for the great effort by Caroline Reed and our neighborhood on the collection for the Children's Shelter & Clothes Closet for foster families! Keep up the ongoing effort!

I'll keep the rest of my message short & sweet. I invite each and everyone of you in our neighborhood to attend our General Meeting on Tuesday, September 11th to hear about better ways to be clean & green! And take advantage of one of the big perks of ENA membership – Dumpster Day! This year's event includes Electronic Waste (E-Waste) Recycling, so bring in those old computers, TV's, cell phones and other electronics!

A New & Improved Dumpster Day

Your cries have been heard. ENA has changed Dumpster Day to enable you to dispose of more items than before. You raised concerns on the limited types of items we have been able to dispose of, due to laws & regulations. This year we added the ability to dispose of E-Waste as well as items that can be re-used to help those in need. EarthCare Recycling will be supplying us with special bins to fill with electronic items! Please see the list on the back page for details. E-WASTE DISPOSAL is OPEN to EVERYONE – Tell Your Friends! ENA has seen a lot of reusable items disposed of at our Dumpster Days. Instead of disposing of these items, ENA will be taking them to Salvation Army. Donation receipts will not be available. Salvation Army does not accept: metal desks, built-in appliances, text books, items needing repairs, stained items. If you have any questions, please give Armin a call at (408) 404-7404 or (408) 247-2722.

Other Recycling / Disposal Options

Many of the items that we used to be able to dispose of in our garbage and landfills are no longer disposable via normal methods. Where can we dispose of items such as paint, appliances, toilets, car tires, water heaters, mattresses, and furniture? Numerous municipal and national organizations provide free / low cost disposal and reuse avenues:

- Recycle Plus! Recycling Hotline (408) 924-5453 and website (<http://www.sjrecycles.org/residents/>):
- Bulky Goods Curbside Collection (408) 535-3500: appliances, mattresses, water heaters, couches, etc
- Santa Clara Household Hazardous Wastes Program (408) 299-7300 & website (<http://www.hhw.org>): Motor oil & filters, automotive fluids, antifreeze, fuels, pool chemicals, paint, adhesives, solvents, degreasers, cleaners, pesticides, fertilizers, herbicides, fungicides, asbestos, smoke detectors, batteries, unwanted or outdated medications, light bulbs, etc
- Center for Development of Recycling (CDR) (408) 924-5453 or (800) 533-8414, or use their recycling search engine: <http://www.recyclestuff.org>

- Ivy Quiring



National Night Out 2007



A Big Thank You to all of our hosts for NNO this year! We had 12 sites take part, with attendance estimated at over 250 neighbors. Events ranged from coffee, tea, & desert to a full barbecue with a street closure. Various sites were visited by our SJPD officers, SJPD Crime Prevention Staff, and Councilmember Pete Constant, and most sites were also visited by ENA Boardmembers. To support the events, each site received a gift card for supplies, flats of soda and water, and attendee favors like the ENA pencils and ENA twist pens. Hosts were also given appreciation gifts for their time and energy in hosting a NNO Event.

Didn't have a NNO event on your street or block? Call me at (408) 404-7404 or (408) 247-2722 with your name and number to volunteer for next year! Thanks again to all who hosted and worked on the events. It is neighbors like you who make this a great neighborhood.

- Armin Quiring

Upcoming Calendar of Events

Sep 11	GM: Clean & Green
Sep 15	ENA 12 th Annual Dumpster Day
Oct 09	GM: Neighborhood Watch & Nominations
Oct 13	ENA 10 th Annual Volunteer Appreciation
Nov 13	General Meeting & Elections
Dec tbd	ENA 8 th Annual "Festival of Lights"

Membership Report

Several people have joined our Association recently. We're happy to welcome the following new members: Bill & Aileen Caughran, Diane Clewett, Oren Danieli & Efrat Orkin, Lin-Lin & Mitsuru Otani, Rhea & Harry Rosingana, Wayne & Gerry Scott, Kyle & Lynn Thomas, and Vadim & Stefanko Von Brzeski.

Our neighborhood association relies upon the continued support of its members. Since the last publication of our newsletter, the following people have renewed their membership:

Tassew Wodaj & Aster Bitewlign
R. S. & Mary Nell Baggett
Ann Bailey
Lisa & Ron Beam
Susie & Scott Bishop
Marty & Kate Brill
Fernando & Dale Capulong
Phil & Roxanne Chamberlain
Hector & Pati Curiel
T. Todd & Melissa Evjenth
Richard & Vangie Fuhrman
Barbara Grisier
Joe & Kaylie Gruender
Bob Matsui
Ned & Kelly Nix
Ted & Julie Osier
Frances Pisano
John & Ginny Pyle
Charley & Catherine Reed
Rob & Leslie Reilly
Jim & Lizy Shepherd
Ron & Marian Tabuchi

Thank you everyone!

- Betty Kabanek



ENA Family Summer Picnic

As most of you know, ENA held its Annual Summer Picnic on June 30th. If you were there, you know how much fun it was. If you were not there, you missed a parade, snow cones, a Mad Science show, bingo, kickball and much more. It was a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old neighbors and meet new ones. While I do not have an official count, it seems that the event gets bigger and better every year. I would like to thank so many people for their help making the event a success. Had it not been for volunteers such as Betsy Gebhart & her children, Betty & Richard Kabanek, Mario Vazquez, Glen Avila and his children, Paula Vogel song, Dianne Rosano, Paul Lipari, Jason and Roseanne Smith, Scott Bishop, Rose Myers, Elaine Ureski, Sue Gutreau, Bonnie Walzer, Tom & Elaine Marron, Elaine's mom, Armin & Ivy Quiring, Beverly Fisher, Peter & Isobel Taylor, Penny Brennan, and the woman who went home to get ice when we were running low. The event would not have been possible without all of you. My heartfelt thanks to you.

- Susan Bishop

A Friendly Reminder for Pet Owners

When walking your pets (cats, dogs, etc), or letting them run free, please remember to clean up after them. Several of your neighbors continue to experience an increase in pet waste in their front yards and sidewalks, and none of us appreciate having to clean up after someone else's animal. In fact, it is very upsetting to walk out onto your doorstep or lawn, and encounter the waste directly. So, please clean up after your pets. We realize most pet owners do clean up after their pets and are very appreciative of their thoughtfulness!

Thank you for helping keep the neighborhood clean and pleasant.



- Your Neighbors



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

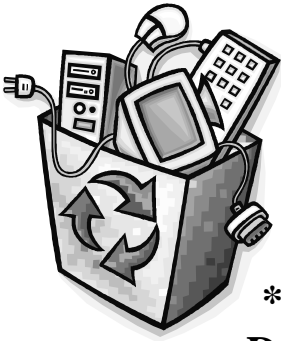
Dumpster Day

Saturday, September 15th

7:00am until full

Non-members \$25.00

Members Free*



*** Last day to become a member & still receive free
Dumpster Day privileges is Tuesday, September 11th**

Break down all items to be disposed of as much as possible. Please place all recyclables that fit into your regular recycling can and all yard waste in your regular green waste location.

Please remember – everyone working is a volunteer and is trying to make this a smooth & enjoyable process! Please be patient and follow the directions of the check-in staff and monitors. All event workers will be wearing orange vests.



Please assist by unloading your own items from your vehicles.
The bin volunteers will then place them in the dumpsters.



E-Waste Bins ACCEPT:

- DVD / CD / Tape Players
- TV's, VCR's, Stereo Equipment
- Cameras (digital, non-digital)
- Phones, Pagers, Cell Phones
- Copiers, Fax Machines, Printers
- Any size wire / cable
- Electric Office Equipment (ie. shredders, staplers, typewriters)
- Computers / Monitors
- Computer Cards / Components
- Ink & Toner Cartridges
- MP3 Players / Radios / PDA's
- Small electric appliances (ie. can openers, toasters, fans, vacuums cleaners, microwaves, clocks, shavers, toothbrushes, sewing machines, curling irons)
- Power Tools / Power Supplies

Salvation Army ACCEPTS

- Usable Household Items
(see article on page 2)

Dumpsters ACCEPT:

- Household debris
- General household items
- Old luggage & toys
- Old clothes / accessories / shoes
- Indoor / Outdoor furniture
- Wood, metal, plastic debris
- Fencing / doors / windows
- Dried out paint cans
- Gas-powered equipment
(with gas & oil drained out)
- Non-donation items

Dumpsters DON'T ACCEPT:

- ANY Batteries
- Paint, oil, gas
- Chemicals / solvents
- Fluorescent tubes, Light Bulbs
- Smoke detectors
- Refrigerators / Freezers
- Water or pool heaters
- Air conditioners
- Tires
- Concrete / Dirt
- ANY equipment with gas / oil
- Medical or industrial waste
- Items with any hazardous materials on or in them

NOTICE

Members & Volunteers unload items & stack dumpsters at their own risk. ENA accepts no liability related to this event.