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San Jose Medical Center Shuts Down

On Thursday, December 9th, the San Jose Medical Center closed and locked its doors. Today, the hospital sits empty surrounded by cyclone fencing, police tape, and barbed wire. Its windows on 14th Street are boarded up.

The medical center opened 81 years ago as San Jose Hospital. Since then, the hospital has employed, healed, and given birth to many Naglee Park residents.

HCA's closure of the medical center has left the city and county scrambling for hospital beds and trauma services. Prior to the closure announcement in September, HCA reported that our downtown hospital would not be closed until 2007. Now, the county and remaining trauma centers are trying to fill the void.

Both Valley Medical Center and Stanford Hospital are expanding their emergency and trauma care services. HCA is trying to expedite the creation of a replacement trauma center at San Jose Regional Medical Center.

But, none of these measures will take care of the immediate drop in service, or help downtown residents who need emergency care today.

The major concern to downtown residents is that now emergency hospital care may be limited during natural disasters. A large earthquake could destroy the bridges into downtown. As a result, downtown San Jose could be isolated from emergency rooms and trauma centers. This concern only grows as the population of downtown increases.



photo by Tom Clifton

CCA Holiday Social

The CCA held its 6th Annual Holiday Social on Sunday, December 5 at Bill and Sally Souders' house. The event was well attended and provided great opportunity to see old friends and meet new ones.

Neighbors brought myriads of cookies and desserts to share. Santa showed up to the joy of hundreds of children. And food and toys were collected for a local charity.

In past years, the Holiday Social was combined with the CCA wreath sale. This year, the wreath sale was canceled, but that did not hurt attendance. In fact, it may have helped: several people noted that they had not attended in the past, because they hadn't purchased wreaths.

Many thanks to the CCA for sponsoring the Holiday Social and the Souders for hosting it.

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From the Editor's Desk

by Tom Clifton

You may have noticed that this Advisor is a little light. As the holidays approach, it is a little hard to focus on things, including the Advisor.

For this holiday season, I thought I would thank our volunteers. The CCA would be nothing without the people who devote their time and energy to our neighborhood and beyond.

Let's start with our neighbors who come support Bark in the Park. Bark is a great festival that showcases our neighborhood and helps fund neighborhood projects. Bark's success over the years is the result of our neighbors who volunteer and their commitment to make it work. If you would like to get involved with Bark in the Park 2005, contact info@BarkSanJose.org.

Next, notice the beautiful flowers and plants that grace the medians and chokers in our neighborhood. The CCA beautification committee strives to make sure that every median has someone taking care of it. They are also involved in street tree plantings and the monthly freeway off ramp cleanings.

In the past, I have mentioned the Friends of Coyote Creek (FoCC) and the work that they do to keep the creek clean and flowing. They are planning the first creek cleanup of 2005 for Sunday, January 9. This year FoCC is focusing on opening the waterway to allow boat travel to the Bay.

The CCA officers and steering committee comprise another group of stellar volunteers. They meet on the first Tuesday of every month and guide everything that the CCA is involved in. That is a big task because the CCA is much more than the four groups mentioned here.

Unfortunately, I have run out of room, so to those volunteers I haven't mentioned, thank you and keep up the great work.

A final note, typically the Advisor is sent to our members and every fall to all our Naglee Park neighbors. This year, thanks to a CAP (Community Action and Pride) grant from the City of San Jose, every issue of the Advisor will go out all our Naglee Park neighbors.



Assembly News

by Assemblyman Manny Diaz

As my tenure in the State Assembly draws to a close, I would like to thank you for your assistance in the work and legislation that I have accomplished. These past four years have been extremely busy; beginning with the energy crisis, the budget deficit, and a recall of the Governor, to name a few. Locally, issues such as the closure of San Jose Medical Center and the presidency at San Jose State University have received much of my attention.

This work would not have happened without your support and advice. Government works best when the people actively participate in the democratic process. This understanding is crucial because a healthy democracy requires that communities understand how a free system works.

I am proud of various bills I authored, especially the creation of a state fund giving incentives for counties to create a Children's Health Insurance Program, replicating the successful Santa Clara County Model "Healthy Kids." As Chair of the Assembly Select Committee on Housing, I worked with Silicon Valley leaders and community groups to pass legislation establishing a state-funded matching grant program for low-income housing and development, through which funds go to groups such as the Housing Trust of Santa Clara County which assists first-time homebuyers in making their dreams a reality.

Other successful legislative education issues included improving low-performing schools which increased minority student access and opportunities in higher education institutions, charter school reform, expanding student financial aid opportunities and improving teacher and staff development opportunities.

We also successfully fought to ensure that the state budget would not cripple the ability of local redevelopment agencies to provide important programs and neighborhood improvements.

Together we have taken steps to ease the congestion that clogs our freeways. We passed Proposition 42,

ensuring that highway repairs and construction would be properly funded. We have made unprecedented investments in our local mass transit, opening a light rail extension to Alum Rock and laying the groundwork for the BART extension to Santa Clara County.

I sincerely believe that through the many committees I worked on - Budget, Education, Insurance, Utilities and Commerce, Chair of the Budget Subcommittee on Transportation and Information Technology, I was able to help the people of the 23rd Assembly District and throughout the state.

Again, it has been an honor to serve you. I hope to continue working with you and to serve our community in the future.

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Naglee Park Halloween Parade



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The Naglee Homestead - A Reminiscence (part 2)

by Jack Douglas

The following "Reminiscence" was published in The Raven, a popular magazine that was first published in Oakland. The article, which appeared in 1905, was written by someone in T.S. Montgomery's office - its purpose was to sell lots in the recently established Naglee Park.

For the builders of these homes are called from nearly every walk of life; there dwell men, mechanics, capitalists, and business people of numerous callings. It has not been the aim to restrict the advantage to the favored few, but rather to offer the opportunity of owning a home to appreciative men of all classes. Building is being fostered by hitherto unknown terms of liberality, and the results achieved attest the wisdom of this generous offer.

And even so, the good work is in its infancy, for the new awakening of progress in our Garden City has generously favored the Naglee Park Tract. Soon we are to see a new and enterprising street railway company construct its lines along San Fernando and San Carlos Streets. In a short while we shall witness the Santa Clara Street Railway in new hands, with a highly superior grade of cars, and greatly improved service.

With the completion of these great improvements, there will be no spot in Naglee Park from which a

person may not step to find a car ready to convey him wherever he may wish to go.

The wonderful growth of this section of late, and the increasing demand for lots, has induced the Naglee Park Improvement Company to open a new tier of blocks, and so shall soon see the beauties of Naglee Park extended as far south as San Carlos Street. The contractor's street-plow and grader will soon be seen at work, preparing for the introduction of all those modern conveniences which characterize what we may now call the old Naglee Park Track. The improvement is to be made complete, new features being introduced to improve upon the old wherever possible.

Two years and a half have wrought almost magical changes upon the old Naglee Homestead, but, unless the signs entirely fail, we shall see far greater improvements within the next few years.

Naglee Park Tract is established as an ideal home section. Those who have built there are loudest in their praises, and this fact is both gratifying to the fathers of Naglee Park, and promises well for the future.

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Oliver's Report

by Cooper Eckstone

Bark in the Park. What can I say that hasn't already been said? It just gets better and better. I met humans who provide socialization events and educational seminars

for dogs. I want to know more about the company that says, "Love Your Dog from the Inside Out." I think they make water. And the company that asks: "Who Will Be Your Pet's Guardian When You're Not There?" Oh really.

I watched a uniformed band with a drummer who loved his work, spinning his sticks and just having a good old time. I saw a small dog of mixed origin leap five feet straight up into the air. What kind of fence do they have at his house? I always love the dog and human look-alike contest. This year, a Chihuahua named Chico won because her biker leathers matched the ones her human, Lola Segovia, wore. What a lucky coincidence.

I'm still not sure what to think about Great Danes, either as a breed or as natives of Denmark. That being said, I was impressed by their presence. They are stately beasts and when they get old, they are even statelier. Hamlet would have been impressed by his country dogs.

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English dogs were everywhere. I think I counted six Springers, some Bulldogs and a brace of Boston Terriers who still think they are English. Louie, who lives next door, became irritated at something I said and tried to bite my nose off.

This was a great event and a tribute to our humans for their energy and fun-loving spirit. Next year, we need a reciprocal event which gives us a chance to show off our humans. Bring them out if they can do tricks. Bring them out if they bought Google on the IPO. Bring them out if they will make us laugh and bring them out if you love them as much as they love us.

Bark on.

Oh. I almost forgot...our good neighbor and Congress-human, Zoe Lofgren, had a shindig at her beautiful home to honor that doctor who ran for president. We support her in return for her loyalty to the nabe, but not all of the humans in our house vote with her. Anyway, I was sending my male human as our representative, and, here's the best part: He was to ask them if they would support a constitutional amendment to allow dogs to be elected president. Is that great? Unfortunately, when our female human found out, we were accidentally locked in the backyard all day.

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