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Campus Community Association's

The Advisor

February 2003

Town Hall Meeting — Closure of San Jose Medical Center Thurs. March 13 6:30 pm

State Assemblymember Manny Diaz,
County Supervisor Blanca Alvarado and
Councilmember Cindy Chavez on Panel
Discussion regarding Hospital Services

Northside Neighborhood Assn (NNA), Julian St. James Neighborhood Assn. and the 13th St. Strong Neighborhoods Initiative (SNI) Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC) will be hosting a panel discussion at Le Petit Trianon Theater, 72 N. 5th St. concerning the announced closing of San Jose Medical Center, the downtown areas only hospital. The elected officials will be on hand to discuss options and challenges for maintaining medical services in the downtown. Plan on attending this key community meeting.

CCA Elections April 16

The slate of new officer candidates will be offered as the official ballot at the April General Meeting. The term of office begins at the July General Meeting and runs until the following year's July General Meeting (or one year if there is no July General Meeting.) During the transitional period between the April and July General Meetings the new officers should attend the Executive committee and Steering Committee meetings as observers to become familiar with CCA issues and processes.

CCA Candidate Criteria

Candidates must be CCA resident members. The nominating committee will consider and recommend candidates based on the following criteria (not in any order):

- Interest and willingness to serve
- Ability to regularly attend scheduled meetings
- Familiarity with the CCA and the issues of the Campus community
- Demonstrated ability and commitment
- Active member of Steering Committee and/or worked on a CCA project or committee
- Suitability based on duties of office
- Committee's knowledge of candidate
- Other experience related to duties of office

All CCA resident members interested in being considered for an office are requested to contact CCA Vice President Tom Clifton at 947-0258 or tclifton@es-designs.com

CCA Votes To Remove Naglee Park From Strong Neighborhoods Initiative

by Farrell Podgorssek

At the General Meeting on October 16th, 2002, the CCA voted to remove Naglee Park (12th St. to Coyote Creek, Santa Clara St. to Hwy. 280) from the Strong Neighborhoods Initiative Redevelopment Area. A quorum of CCA members attended the meeting at Le Petit Trianon and cast their votes. The election was run with a first choice and an instant runoff choice. Members had three options to choose from: (1) The CCA supports the SNI Redevelopment Plan and the inclusion of Naglee Park in this plan, (2) The CCA will work strenuously for the removal of Eminent Domain on Residential Properties within the University Neighborhoods from the SNI Redevelopment Plan. If Eminent Domain on Residential Properties within the University Neighborhoods is not removed from the SNI Redevelopment Plan by or before October 31, 2003, the CCA shall work to remove Naglee Park from the SNI Redevelopment Plan Area. (3) The CCA should work to remove Naglee Park from the SNI Redevelopment Plan Area. In the first round of voting, position one received the most votes, although not a majority. In the instant

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CCA Steering Committee meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm. All CCA members are welcome to attend meetings or join the committee. Any member having an item to present before the Steering Committee should contact the President to be added to the agenda. Email president@nagleepark.org

Letter from the Editor

by Farrell Podgorssek

Some of you may have been wondering where your Fall 2002 issue of the Advisor was. Life got a little out of control and I never was able to get the issue ready. Consider this a combined Fall/Winter issue. Fall was a busy time for my household with the work required to hold a forum and vote on inclusion in the SNI, held at the October General Meeting. To find out more about that vote you can read the minutes of the meeting on page 16 and see my cover article about the election.

The SNI issue is all behind us now. The traffic on the email list has gone back to (mostly) civil discussions and less contentious neighborhood issues like permit parking, the impending war and peace marches.

Ironically, the entire SNI inclusion issue may end up being a non-issue since the City budget crisis has frozen all projects for the near future. The Federal, State, County and City budget crisis will directly affect services to residents of San Jose. In the upcoming months we will become more aware of what those effects may be.

Naglee Park residents have always been willing to work for what they want changed, and not wait for a handout from the City. This ability will serve us well. Many newer neighbors may be unaware of all the benefits the CCA has provided to Naglee Park over the years. Of course, the CCA is not a person. People — neighbors, did all of the work. Wendy Allen's article highlights some of the CCA accomplishments over the past 10 years, although the organization goes back much further than that. Safety, code enforcement and beautification have always been top priorities. The District Attorney's office has recently given neighborhoods an excellent resource with Deputy District Attorney- Community Prosecutor Ray Mendoza. Read the article on page 14 for an explanation on his job in the community.

Lastly, I have worked on the Advisor for over 8 years. The Summer 2003 issue will be my final one. Please read the notice below and contact me if you might be interested in working on the newsletter.

The Advisor Needs New Staff Members

After more than 8 years working on The Advisor, I'm ready for a break. I am looking for one or more people willing to work on and take over the responsibility of our quarterly newsletter. Content, layout and advertising are the three main areas of responsibility.

Email me at ccaadvisor@nagleepark.org or call me at home at 292-4709 if you might be interested



Pres' Says

*by Ken Podgorssek
CCA President
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We had a very successful tree planting in November. CCA Beautification organized a planting in Naglee Park and began a major Elm tree planting project on 10th/11th streets. It was great to see so many neighbors and service organizations out on an absolutely gorgeous day bringing such beauty to our neighborhood. Trees make a major difference in livability of a neighborhood and each of you that helped plant a tree help to make our neighborhood a great place to live and play. Special Thanks to Andre Luthard (Naglee Park Planting) and Gloria Sciara (10th/11th Elm Restoration Planting) for their efforts in organizing the planting. Thanks to Naglee Park Tree guru Ken Hardy for his many behind the scene and at the scene efforts. Ken put off a trip to be there that morning. Many thanks Ken. Also, thanks to Councilmember Cindy Chavez, Laura Lam, the San Jose Redevelopment Agency, Kate Bear, San Jose Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, Anh Nguyen, San Jose State University, Dennis Suit, Our City Forest, Christian Bonner and Rhonda Berry who provided very valuable and necessary support to our neighborhood on these plantings. Your support and help is much appreciated.

The CCA is getting very close to having planted over 1000 trees in the last 10 years. As a neighborhood, we are making a difference.

This past Halloween, we had many ghouls and goblins in our neighborhood that were much more visible and safer because of Councilmember Cindy Chavez. Cindy has sponsored glo-necklaces for Trick or Treaters for the past 5 years. Many thanks Cindy for helping our children have a safe Halloween. Also thank you to the Grybos and Luthard families for helping distribute the necklaces.

CCA Elections are coming up in April for one year terms beginning July 1. See the front page of the Advisor for the nominating process. The CCA is a volunteer organization that depends on its members to succeed. This is a great opportunity to serve your neighborhood.

I write this article realizing that this is my second to last article before my term ends as President. This is a great neighborhood, made up of great people. I want each of you to know that I appreciate you and what you do to make our neighborhood a great place to live, play and raise our families.



District 3 Happenings

by Councilmember Cindy Chavez

As I begin my second term as your City of San Jose representative, I want to commend each of you for your dedication to making downtown San Jose the safest big city in the country. I am committed to doing everything in my power to keep us in that standing. Of course, we have a lot of work to do. I am also committed to continuing San Jose's successes by adding one more line to our resume. I want to attract biotechnology companies to San Jose. The City has started a biotech incubator that will bring more jobs to San Jose. This will help us achieve our goal of becoming the Center for Innovation and Creativity.

This spring, I will be hosting the fifth annual District Three Neighborhood Summit. This Neighborhood Summit and Leadership Conference offers a unique opportunity for residents, business representatives, and community organizations to learn about the state of the district and to continue to work collaboratively on issues facing our community.

I am expecting over 700 neighborhood and business leaders to be in attendance this year. We will be offering various workshops, presentations, leadership seminars, continental breakfast, and lunch. The day will be infused with entertainment and festivities to celebrate the diversity of our community and the vibrancy of our Downtown.

A summit of this magnitude promises to be a tremendous success but I need your help. If you would like to be part of the team that will decide the conference topics, speakers and activities, please contact Laura Lam at 277-2388. As a valued member of our community, I am calling on you to help make this a success.

On a personal note, I am excited to tell you that my family and I have purchased a new home Naglee Park. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to help get the house ready. We are still in boxes but happy to be in and surrounded by such wonderful neighbors.

**Naglee Park sends a
warm welcome to
Cindy, Mike & Brennan**



Washington Wrap-Up

By Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren

I would like to wish everyone in our neighborhood and our city a very safe new year. 2003 will be a significant year in Congress, and I will be reporting to you through this newsletter and other publications when events in Congress affect our neighborhood, our city and the Bay Area.

Recent earthquakes in the North Bay are a good reminder of the need for more earthquake research. According to press reports, the cluster and motion of the earthquakes in the San Ramon area are unusual, leaving scientists to wonder if silent or previously unknown fault lines are active and more earthquakes are likely. In fact, the federal government funds most basic research in America. Seismic research, in addition to studies by scientists at universities around the country, is a primary mission of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). Recently you may have noticed small holes in William Street Park. These holes are part of seismic tests being conducted at the Park. According to USGS, the goal of this testing is to understand the soil in our area to determine the shaking hazard in future earthquakes. This testing, and other experiments being conducted around the Bay Area and California, is important in our quest to determine the correct level of preparedness, and whether building standards and regulations are sufficient for safety.

Next year, Congress will reauthorize the National Earthquake Hazard Reduction Program (NEHRP). In the 25 years since NEHRP was created, USGS scientists have made significant strides in the understanding of earthquake mechanics and of how people can live safely on our dynamic planet. You can learn more about this program at www.usgs.gov/features/nehpr. In Congress, I serve as a senior member of the Science Committee, which has jurisdiction over this program. I will urge my colleagues to quickly reauthorize this program and, more importantly, to fund this important research. Over the next year, you will be hearing a lot about budget cuts, and the lack of federal appropriations from Washington. I believe basic science research should be low on the list for budget reductions. Investment in science research, including seismic studies, will make us safer and more prosperous in the long run. With so many scientists and engineers in Nagee Park, I look forward to hearing from my neighbors about issues of interest to you within the jurisdiction of the House Science Committee.

Kudos and Congrats: Please join me in recognizing and congratulating the San Jose Conservation Corps which will receive \$700,000 to provide funding for Youthbuild, a program to provide on-site construction

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State Assembly News

by Assemblyman Manny Diaz

I hope you have enjoyed the holiday season! It is difficult to believe that I am beginning my second term as your State Assemblymember for the 23rd District. I wish to thank you for your continued support. As the state legislature begins its new session, we are faced with national and state news that is bleak, especially with regard to the economy and budget issues. However, we still have much to be thankful for. We need to remind ourselves to be thankful for family and friends and for being able to enjoy our wonderful communities in a land that is free.

Governor Gray Davis called a special session of the Legislature on Monday, December 9 to begin to tackle a \$10.2 billion spending reduction package that will impact schools, health care, traffic relief, poor working families, and hundreds of state workers.

There is no way one can discuss the state budget crisis without saying that it is indeed a terrible crisis and the only way we are going to solve this problem is with a balanced approach that includes both budget cuts and additional revenues. During last year's budget deficit, the legislature responded by making more than \$7 billion in cuts to state programs. Today we face a deficit approaching \$30 billion! As your state representative, I will work hard to minimize the impacts through whatever methods we can. There is no easy answer, but please know that I will be working for a balanced solution that keeps the doors open at our schools, keeps police and firefighters on our streets and protects the most vulnerable Californians.

Like many other counties throughout California, Santa Clara County is facing a difficult challenge in preserving a quality and viable health care delivery system.

For these reasons, I convened a public hearing on December 4, 2002, in collaboration with key stakeholders who included the South Bay Labor Council, the Save the San Jose Hospital Coalition, educators and key community leaders, to research and seek solutions to the issues that have put our community in the brink of a health care crisis. Over 300 people attended and heard experts from both the state legislature and from Santa Clara County health care providers. We heard testimony on the plans for the potential closure of our downtown hospital and expansion of the Regional Medical Center (formerly Alexian Hospital).

The hearing outcome resulted in a call to action as follows:

- To support the establishment of a County Health Care Commission that will evaluate staffing standards in local hospitals and inform the community regarding the adequacy of staffing levels.

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Put a Stop to Junk Mail!

by Supervisor Blanca Alvarado



Senior Corner

By Frances Schwab,
City of San Jose Senior Commissioner

When you are a Senior Commissioner, LOTS of great information flows before the eyes and ears at the monthly meetings. Some that may particularly interest neighbors:

St. James Senior Center adds Housing – You read earlier that our neighborhood senior center at St. James Park will be moving to a new location. The St. James Senior Center Advisory Council stressed the huge need for low-income senior housing, and asked that this be included in this site change project. After reviewing seven proposed sites, the Advisory Council recommended two facing the park for this expanded facility: the Christ Church block on St. James and the Guitar Building and adjacent parcel on St. John. Though there was much interest in the possible renovation of the domed Church as part of the project, developing that block became too complex to do quickly. Instead, the City added another parcel to the Guitar Building site to allow space for 150 housing units. The City Council later approved taking steps to purchase the properties: three adjacent Second Street parcels beginning at St. John. The next step, a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to developers, is due out soon, which will also reflect Advisory Council recommended housing and use priorities. Stay tuned!!

Fire Safety Presentations for Seniors – the San Jose Fire Department offers free general fire safety presentations to community groups. Recently they developed a special senior component, including a section on the Vial of Life (the large capsule to hold listings of all meds, etc. for emergency aid). **Info:** Public Education & Fire Safety Department; ask for the senior specific presentation.

Homeowners Assistance for Property Taxes — Homeowning seniors, the disabled and low-income residents (under \$37,119) may be eligible for help with up to 139% of their property taxes paid. Ask for Form 9000 for more information.

Like a day in the park? Entry fees reduced!! The San Jose City Council just extended for another year the pilot program reducing regional park entry fees for seniors, veterans and the disabled. So head out, enjoy and save \$3.00 for entry at: Alum Rock, Almaden Lake, Kelly and Lake Cunningham Parks!

New Requirement: health practitioners must have gerontology training – State Senator Alquist sponsored the bill that was enacted this year reflecting and respecting the crucial nature of this special training.

Frances Schwab is a South 12th Street neighbor & a City of San Jose Senior Citizens Commissioner. Email her at fbschwab@pacbell.net

Are you frustrated with the deluge of coupons, catalogs, prize offers, and pre-approved credit card applications in your mailbox?

The amount of time the average American spends opening junk mail over the course of his or her life is 8 months, according to the Consumer Research Institute.



Bulk mail destroys 62 million trees a year in the United States, that's a tree and a half per American family.

Anytime you buy a car, purchase merchandise from a catalog, subscribe to a magazine or dial a toll-free number, your name is sold to mail order companies.

A group of local organizations teamed up to help you reduce your amount of unsolicited mail. The County of Santa Clara Integrated Waste Management Program, San Jose State University's Recycling Hotline, and local cities developed a Junk Mail Reduction Kit. This kit provides six simple ways to reduce junk mail and help you take control of your mailbox.

TIPS TO REDUCE JUNK MAIL:

1. Fill out and mail the postcards provided in the kit.
 2. Call the following numbers to request your name be taken off their list:
 - **Credit Card Offers- Equifax/Trans Union/Novus/Experian 1-888-567-8688.**
 - **Sweepstakes – Publisher's Clearinghouse 1-800-645-9242.**
 - **Shopping Flyers – Advo 1-510-489-6577 AND PennySaver/ Potpourri 1-800-479-4795.**
 3. Call the number on the catalog and tell the representative you want to be taken off its list.
 4. When you buy from a catalog over the phone or online, make sure to let the company know: "DO NOT SELL MY NAME."
 5. Write on the bottom of checks and mail orders: "DO NOT SELL MY NAME."
 6. Don't use Change of Address cards supplied by the Post Office. Instead, send out your own postcards.
- To request the Junk Mail Kit, call the recycling hotline at 1-800-533-8414 or visit www.ReduceWaste.org to download the kit.



Neighborhood News

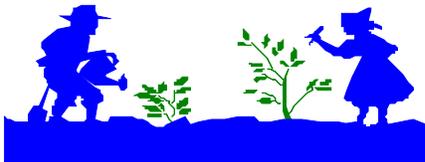


Meals Provided for Firefighters

As a way to honor September 11, 2001, neighbor Irene Smith organized a month of dinners for our local fire station. The firefighters who watch out for our homes at Station 7 are:

Capt. Phil Croyle,	Firefighter Amalio Gonzalez
Capt. Brent Dickinson	Firefighter Vincent Dupree
Capt. David Moore	Firefighter Richard Crawford
Capt. Al Souza	Firefighter Eric Westcott
Fire Engr Shannon Blean,	Firefighter Cesar Martinez
Fire Engr Henry Mendoza,	Firefighter John Martinez
Fire Engr Randy Perez	

The participants were: Karen Ajluni, Andrea Avdeef, Amy Ballesteros, Susan Battle, Alison Buchholz, Jane Burgunder, Danielle Burkhardt, Lisa Chock, Cindy Cruz-Muhleman, Kirsten Dahl, Joyce Diamond, Susan Dworak, Biz Eischen, Mary Ellison, Amy Faust, Leslie Gray, Cici Green, Syd Hackworth, Lidia Fandi, Melissa Johnson, Danielle Krebill, Lani Luthard, Rania Mehrten, Diana Miller, Diane Myers-Lipton, Judy Pearson, Farrell Podgorsek, Jane Przybysz, Eugenia Rendler, Susanne Rubio, Marianne Salas, Kristin Schafer, Cindy Schmidt, Nancy Sharp, Soozee Shireman, Irene Smith, Anne Werner, Stacy Wheeler, Laura Wolford



Beautification Volunteer Supervisors Needed

Volunteer to be a supervisor for CCA Beautification On March 15 from 9 to 12, student workers will be cleaning up medians and the San Antonio Bridge as part of a city wide Servathon. We need neighbors to volunteer to supervise the student workers on that day. There is a free BBQ at St. James park afterwards.

Email Karen English at english@pacbell.net or call 294-2015 if you can be a supervisor that day. We will have a brief organizational meeting and orientation on Wednesday, March 12, at 7pm (216 S. 12th Street) to get work assignments.

Curb Cuts Are Here

A HUGE thank you to Andre Luthard for keeping after the city for so many years to get our curbs cut with handicap (and stroller) accessible ramps. Also thanks to Irene Smith, Ken Podgorsek and the other neighbors for their reminders and considerable efforts to hold the city to its commitment.

Off/On Ramp Cleanup

Just in time for the holidays! You won't be embarrassed by shabby-looking off/on ramps whilst your holiday visitors make their way to your house for festivities. Last Saturday, a small group of diligent and enthusiastic neighborhood volunteers cleaned up the litter and trash around our 10th/11th St. gateways at 280. Notice how nice it looks! (It felt good to do it, too.) Thanks (and tee shirts) to the following December crew: Linnea Hagaen, Pat Curia Hillary & Todd Spartz my husband Ron Deborah Yantis from Spartan-Keyes Stay tuned for the January event! Lynnea Hagen NP Beautification Gang (working for the greater good of the 'hood)

Neighborhood Progressive Dinner planned for March 1st.

Wanted: Neighbors who enjoy good food, good company, a little exercise (walking) and an extremely fantastic time!!!

We take 10 couples and have them pair up to present 5 courses. We use one of their homes to host the course, but both couples share the cooking and preparing of the course. We walk from house to house eating, chatting and getting to know each other. By the end of the evening, we know more about our neighbors and have seen 5 of the beautiful homes in Naglee Park...not to mention the fantastic foods and wines we consume. This has been a very popular event in the past, so sign up ASAP. For more details call Gilda at 408 294-6252.

Keep Kids Alive Drive 25



Signs are available. To sponsor a sign please mail a check for \$15 payable to CCA to PO Box 90038, San Jose, CA 95109-3038. Please include a note stating where you would like the sign to be delivered.

Join the CCA Email List. Go to: www.nagleepark.org

Permit
Parking
Only
Hours
vary by
block

Permit Parking Changed

Permit Parking Hours are changing on many blocks in the neighborhood.

Not all signs have been changed yet. New hours are in effect as soon as the signs are changed.



San Jose Paint Program

The Department of Housing will pay 100% of the cost of painting the exterior of your home, up to a maximum of \$5000. To qualify, household income levels cannot exceed the Santa Clara county median-income standards. A family of four may earn no more than \$96,000.

If you are interested, you can call the City of San Jose Housing Department, City Painting Grant Program at 408-277-5273 or visit their website at www.sjhousing.org.

CCA Vote Continued from page 1

Runoff tally, the final vote was to remove Naglee Park from the SNI Redevelopment Area. The CCA Executive Committee followed immediately by notifying our Councilmember that the CCA wished Naglee Park to be removed. Only the City Council, acting as the Redevelopment Agency Board, has the power to remove an area from the Redevelopment Area. Effectively, however, the City has heard our wish to be removed, and will distribute funds intended for Naglee Park to other SNI areas.

The meeting and the vote itself went very smoothly. Each option had two or three speakers who presented their position. Members were encouraged to listen to the presentation before voting. After the ballots were cast, representatives from all positions went upstairs to count the votes. All ballots were double-counted for accuracy.

The CCA has formed a committee that meets regularly with Councilmember Cindy Chavez to advocate the amendment of the Redevelopment Plan to remove Naglee park from the SNI Redevelopment Plan Area. This process may take some time as it requires a rather large expenditure from the City and with the current budget crisis, it may be difficult to immediately find this money. Once the Plan is amended, Naglee Park will no longer be in the SNI Redevelopment Plan Area. This means Naglee Park will not benefit from any Redevelopment dollars the Redevelopment Agency may invest in the neighborhoods in the upcoming years, such as the \$25,000 grant to qualified homeowners for home and roof repair. This also means that some of the perceived threat of eminent domain by the Redevelopment Agency is reduced by our removal.

Some Naglee Park neighbors have questioned the validity of the CCA advocating the removal of Naglee Park without an adequate polling of all property owners in the neighborhood. With all the City Redevelopment Projects currently on hold due to the budget crisis, the entire issue may be moot.

Tree Planting A Success

by Ken Podgorssek

November 9th's Tree Planting was a great success. Over 90 trees planted in less than 3 hours. Over 100 Neighborhood volunteers came out on a beautiful Saturday morning to make a great difference in our neighborhoods. CCA Beautification has coordinated the planting of over 800 trees over the past 10 years and will keep on planting.

Saturday's planting included a neighborhood planting in Naglee Park and began the first phase of a Memorial Tree planting of Elm Trees on South 11th and 10th streets. These Memorial Trees will remember the victims of September 11.

Both Plantings were coordinated by CCA Beautification and they did an incredible job and deserve a great big pat on the back.

I want to thank our partners in this planting who worked hard to make this planting happen: University Neighborhoods Coalition San Jose Redevelopment Agency Councilmember Cindy Chavez San Jose State University City of San Jose-Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Our City Forest South University Neighborhood, Kappa Sigma, Theta Chi, Mission College, City Year, Conservation Corps, Girl Scouts

I want to thank the following individuals who went beyond the call of volunteerism: Gloria Sciara-10th/11th Memorial Tree Planting and Elm Restoration Project, Andre Luthard-Naglee Park Neighborhood Tree Planting, Anh Nguyen-City of San Jose-PRNS, Laura Lam-Councilmember Cindy Chavez's office, Kate Bear-San Jose Redevelopment Agency, Dennis Suit-SJSU, Ken Hardy-Naglee Park Tree Planting Guru, and of course the many volunteers who came out Saturday morning to beautify our neighborhood. Stay tuned, as further phases begin in 2003.

Working together, we are strong neighborhoods.





**Tree Planting
November 2003**





Oliver's Report

by Cooper Eckstone (for Oliver)

Greetings. This is my first report and I am a little nervous about stepping into Oliver's paws. I am especially concerned about this human that is typing my words as I dictate.

He is not the brightest dog biscuit in the box—if you know what I mean. Since I am the new kid on the block I think I should tell you a little about myself. I was born in Colorado Springs 8 months ago. I am having a really hard time getting used to my leash and not being able to run free.

Since it was my first time at Bark-in-the-Park, I was stunned to see so many happy dogs—smiling from ear to tail. What a wonderful treat our humans have put together for us—imagine what a mess we could have made of it. My favorite events were the obstacle course where I got to see my human make a fool of herself as she attempted to show me how to negotiate the course. I don't know who was funnier, we dogs or our humans. And what about that ice cream for dogs. My first taste.. Wow was that good! Since I am told that I am a water dog, I had the best time playing in the water tents and got to meet some of the nabe dogs.

I was standing around the other day with Tyson boxer, Kaiser shepherd, and my cat, Juan Carlos, and we were talking about blight. I said, "What's up with that? Do you see any blight?" They said, "Nope. No blight here."

But speaking of blight, did you know that some of our neighborhood humans are putting crunchies in the bowl by selling their parking permits to students? Now that's what I call human blight.

Several of us like to take our humans for a walk on the campus and I almost dropped my lunch the first time I saw that enormous new building going up on the far corner. I think it could tilt the whole campus in that direction. I guess it will balance out, because they are getting ready to build even bigger buildings at the opposite corner.

There are so many worthwhile charities and needy human and animal organizations in San Jose, I could give all of my crunchies away and still give more. Now I see that humans are giving money to send dogs to Israel to sniff bombs. That's my kind of charity. Hu-Ahh!

It's time for my nap and then I have to deal with that leash. See you around the nabe. Until then barking is on.



Upcoming Library Events at East San Jose Carnegie and Joyce Ellington Branches

STORYTIMES

Preschoolers and Books 3–5 years
Fridays, 9:30 Joyce Ellington Branch
Saturdays, 10:30 ESJ Carnegie Branch

Young and Restless 0–35 months
Fridays, 10:00 Joyce Ellington Branch
Saturdays, 10:30 ESJ Carnegie Branch

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Wearing of the Green

What's green and is found at the library? You! Wear or bring something green and hear stories about green things

Wed., March 12 7:30 pm ESJ Carnegie
Sat., March 15, 2:00–3:00pm Joyce Ellington

TEENSREACH Ages 13–18

Join a monthly meeting for teens interested in library and volunteer community activities.
Refreshments will be served.

Mad Hatter's Hat

What kind of a Mad Hatter's Hat can you make?
Friday, March 21, 4:00 PM Joyce Ellington

PROGRAM FOR MOMS

Mommy's Night Out In Spanish and English

Learn fingerplays, songs and simple crafts to do with your young children

Saturday, March 1, 2:00–3:30 PM



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Offering Handyman services
to my Naglee Park neighbors

Construction to Begin on New SJSU Campus Village Housing Project

by Sharon Willey

San José State University began construction preparation work on its exciting new housing project, the Campus Village, in December 2002. In order to meet increasing demand for student, faculty and staff housing, SJSU is building 2277 bedspaces in three buildings ranging from seven to fifteen stories. The new housing will be comprised of suite and apartment style housing. The Campus Village will also include 700 underground parking spaces, recreation space, a computer lab, meeting rooms and retail space. This \$206M project is expected to open fall 2005.

The campus has greatly appreciated the input received from our neighbors during several University Neighborhoods Coalition meetings. Feedback has been incorporated into the faculty/staff building design as well as suggestions for landscape materials and improving communication with our neighbors.

The site is located between San Carlos to the north, San Salvador to the south, 9th Street to the west and 10th Street to the east. The three existing red brick residence halls on the site will be demolished in January 2003. Activities during the first eight months of construction will generate very heavy truck traffic. The traffic will subside somewhat during the following 24 months but will still be heavy at times. We are currently working with the general contractor to identify traffic routes, expected to be 10th and 11th Streets. One lane of traffic on 10th Street will be unavailable during the project as will the parking spaces along the west side of 10th and the north side of San Salvador. Construction hours will be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays, with Saturday work hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. if requested in advance and approved by the university.

As the campus recognizes the construction will impact our neighbors, a construction information line has been established to answer any construction questions from the community and respond to concerns. The phone number is 924-7362. Information about the project will also be available at <http://planning.sjsu.edu>.

A "retirement" party for Markham, Moulder and Allen Halls was held on January 25th. The party included food, entertainment, crafts and special guests. It was nice to see so many neighbors enjoying the event with their families.

For more information, call us at 924-4663. We will also keep you informed through direct correspondence as well as periodic updates at the University Neighborhoods Coalition meetings. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



view from 10th & San Salvador. Completion date 2005

Flexcar

Flexcar announced it has expanded its Bay Area operations to the city of San Jose. Flexcar initially will place four cars in the city, with one located at Adobe Systems Incorporated headquarters, two located at San Jose State University and a fourth near Park Center Plaza. Flexcar offers a similar program in Palo Alto and will continue to expand throughout the Bay Area in the coming year.

Flexcar's innovative neighborhood-based car-sharing program provides members with access to a fleet of environmentally friendly vehicles, including gas-electric hybrids and electric cars, located throughout selected metropolitan areas. Members reserve the vehicles for hourly use with Flexcar covering the cost of the car, gas, parking, insurance and maintenance. Members access the cars via a specially coded Smartcard, and pay hourly (\$9.00 per hour) or monthly (plans begin at \$40 for 5 hours) for use of the vehicles. Flexcar does not require a security deposit or monthly dues to participate in its program.

San Jose State, Adobe and the community at large all have different, yet interrelated, issues when it comes to the impacts of traffic and parking. For SJSU, most of the University's staff and students drive to campus and leave their car there all day. As the population size grows, parking pressures inevitably increase. "Flexcar has the potential to help us relieve parking pressure here at SJSU," said Ric Abeyta, Chief of Police for the University.



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Your CCA - What's it Done for You Lately?

by Wendy Allen

The CCA was originally formed in 1971 in response to the closure of wards at Agnews State Hospital. It was chartered with the sole purpose of opposing further placement of Board and Care (B&C) homes in this area and to monitor existing B&C homes. Over the years the CCA has restated its mission and added many other activities and projects aimed at improving the quality of life for residents of Naglee Park and other downtown communities.

The CCA sponsors and obtains funding for projects. At the same time, the CCA is an organization of committed people. Integral to the success of these programs are the dedicated volunteers who do the actual legwork (shoveling, painting, writing letters, attending meetings). Well, that's great...so what has the CCA done for you lately? Probably the two most well-known events the CCA sponsors are Naglee Park's 4th of July Celebration and Bark in the Park. The 4th of July celebration has been around since 1976 and probably best embodies the spirit of the CCA. The years of fun runs, bakeoffs, parades, barbecues, music and neighbors enjoying each other's company are a true celebration of our community.

Bark in the Park, begun in 1996, is a yearly celebration which provides day-long fun and entertainment for dogs and dog-lovers alike. This event raises thousands of dollars every year to fund projects such as the CCA Neighborhood Tree Planting, People and Dog Water Fountains in William Street Park, Elm Disease Abatement, seed money for the 6th and William St. Park as well as many other projects.

Some other programs that the CCA also sponsors have lower profiles, but are equally valuable to our community.

A few of these are:

Annual Tree Planting

The annual tree planting project was created by our tree amigo Ken Hardy and is now a model program for other neighborhoods. Over the past 14 years nearly 800 trees have been planted in Naglee Park. In this program, trees are donated by Our City Forest for planting in neighborhood park strips. After the holes are professionally augered, the trees are then planted and cared for by dedicated neighbors.

CCA Website and Email

The CCA website was implemented in 1999 and provides useful information for Naglee Park residents. The website includes a calendar of neighborhood events, Naglee Park information, the latest on volunteer interest groups and ongoing projects such as Median Cleanup, Anti-Graffiti, and Floodwatch; as well as an interactive classifieds section.

The CCA email is an invaluable service created by Leisa Fearing which provides an unmoderated, respect-

ful forum for neighborhood communications. The list discussions range far and wide, from current politics to historical background. It is also a great way to announce things and find out what is happening.

10th and 11th Street Traffic Calming

The CCA has been integral in the effort to calm neighborhood traffic in the downtown. Of specific concern to Naglee Park residents, CCA volunteers have worked with the City regarding the one-way couplet of 10th/11th streets south of Santa Clara Street. The city's recommendation has been to reduce the number of lanes but maintain the one-way status in this area. This recommendation has come with \$300,000 worth of traffic calming devices. An additional recommendation was also included to review the traffic volume after the other couplet conversions were completed to see if our section of 10th/11th could justify being converted to full 2 way status.

Neighborhood Beautification Projects

The Beautification committee has spearheaded many neighborhood projects which enhance the neighborhood's ambiance. These projects include median plantings, repair and repaint of San Antonio Bridge, and anti graffiti efforts. One of the Beautification team's most amazing efforts commenced in 1996 in which CCA Beautification volunteers worked with Caltrans and CABG (Create a Beautiful Gateway) to plant nearly 80 trees and oleanders, as well as nearly 800 1-gallon groundcover and flowering plants at the on/off ramps from Hwy 280 to 10th and 11th streets. The success of this project inspired the adopt-a-highway program seen throughout the Bay Area.

Police Liaison

The CCA has helped Naglee Park become a safer place by creating a Police Liaison. The Liaison volunteers have created a Cyberwatch program which involves notifying police of suspicious activity and then notifying neighbors by posting on elfnet. The patterns of crime reflected by this process are then forwarded to the police. Furthermore, the Megan's Law Citizen Advisory Group works with the SJPD, Parole and DA's office to encourage a proactive approach to Megan's Law.

The CCA, inspired over 30 years ago, continues to create and implement activities and programs which enhance the quality of our daily lives. By sponsoring and funding projects and working with dedicated volunteers, the CCA will continue to make Naglee Park a wonderful neighborhood to live in.

...and that's what the CCA has done for you lately.

Past CCA Victories

By its 10th Anniversary the CCA had already accomplished the following. . . .

The defeat of a race track for motorcycles and go-carts on the old dump across the freeway from William St. Park

Downzoning of the majority of Naglee Park from R-3 (multi-family) to R-1 (single family)

Limitation on alcohol treatment programs in the neighborhood

Permit Parking System to keep the neighborhood from being a SJSU parking lot

Participation with other neighborhoods in the Prostitute Patrol to remove hookers from the downtown area.

Agreement with San Jose Medical Center to limit density on the Classic Communities site

In 1986 the prevention of a Business Park on William Street with 32 truck docks and doors

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Houghton-Donner House

by Jack Douglas

Recent research has uncovered information that the Allen Apartment House at the southeast corner of South Fourth and St. John Streets was the mansion of Sherman Otis Houghton, one of San Jose's most distinguished early settlers. The building's current owner, Keith Watt, commissioned the Dill Design Group to do an historical analysis of the building, and after extensive research by their historian Charlene Duval we now have a graphic depiction of life among the City's elite from before statehood through to the 1890's.

Despite its current shabby appearance, the Allen Apartments was obviously a home of some significance. Built for Houghton and his wife Eliza in 1881 by local architect and builder John T. Burkett, the house has many beautiful Italianate design features which were popular among the more well-to-do home owners of the era. From the porches, balconies and window walks (the latter now removed) and the graceful rounded bay windows on the western side (see 1890's photo) it is evident that this was one of the most graceful homes of the period, and it is one of the last such examples in our City.

Originally built on a lot at Third and Julian Streets, the house was moved to its present location in 1909 by its then owner, Wallace Allen, who maintained it as an apartment building.

Sherman O. Houghton

Houghton was born in New York City on April 10, 1828. He was a descendant of colonists who settled in Charleston in 1635. His ancestors fought in the Revolution, and his father was a Captain in the War of 1812. Young Sherman was educated in private schools but chose to enlist in the Army rather than continue his education. Just eighteen, he was caught up in the patriotic frenzy of preparation for war with Mexico -he signed up for service as a private in the First New York Volunteers which was being organized to go by ship to California to conquer and colonize that sparsely settled empire. He arrived in San Francisco Bay on March 26, 1847.

He rose rapidly from private to master sergeant, then to lieutenant, and finally, because of his administrative capabilities, was made Regimental Adjutant.

Upon discharge in 1848 Houghton joined several fellow officers in a mercantile establishment to supply gold miners. After a series of failures, he found himself, in November 1849, in San Jose where he formed a partnership with a Mr. Peasley in supplying beef and mutton to the hungry legislators who had arrived that rainy winter for California's first legislative session. Once again his luck failed when the paper script then in use turned out to be almost useless.

After several failed attempts to seek the offices of City Clerk and Sheriff, Houghton started farming near Milpitas. In 1854 he finally succeeded in being elected to the City Council and served as Mayor of San Jose in 1855-56. During this time he studied for the law, gave

up farming and joined the influential law firm of W.T. Wallace and C.T. Ryland.

Houghton married Mary M. Donner, survivor of the ill-fated Donner Party, in 1859. She died of complications after the birth of their daughter, and a year later he married her cousin Eliza Donner with whom he had seven children.

Sherman Houghton gradually rose in prominence in San Jose. His knowledge of Spanish gave him an advantage in law cases involving land ownership - a lucrative occupation during the decades following statehood. He also became a trustee of the Woolen Mills in 1869 and a Director of the Santa Clara Valley Railroad and Transportation Company in 1870.

During the Civil War he served as a Captain and later Lieutenant Colonel in the National Guard. In 1871 he was elected to the U.S. Congress where he served on committees dealing with railroads and finance. He was defeated in an attempt for a third term, and in 1881 he was appointed by President Arthur as Commissioner to investigate the affairs of the U.S. Mint in San Francisco.

Eliza Donner Houghton

Eliza Donner was only three when her parents George and Tamsen Donner left Illinois for their fateful trek to California. It is a credit to the caring adults in the party that so many of the children survived that dreadful winter in the Sierras. A number of them, including Eliza and her sisters, were orphaned as a result. The experience would be a defining factor in her life. She was raised by foster parents in the military outpost of Sonoma and educated in Benicia and Sacramento. As an adult she made a personal study of the Donner tragedy and provided C.F. McGloshen with background for the first history of the event. In 1911 she published her own account: *The Expedition of the Donner Party and Its Tragic Fate* (recently reprinted).

As the wife of Congressman Houghton she was hostess to many influential people in Washington. President Rutherford Hayes paid a visit to the couple when he passed through San Jose in 1880.

The magnificent home that Sherman Houghton built for his wife as a symbol of their place in the community would not be their final address. Eager to develop new areas of California, the couple moved to Southern California in late 1886 after hosting an almost legendary going away party that was attended by every notable citizen in San Jose. Houghton was to become a major figure in the establishment of Long Beach and San Pedro Harbor.

It is evident that the Houghtons' San Jose home has a history that is the equal of our lauded Fallon House, but because of plans to clear the block on which it stands its fate is in doubt. Sherman Houghton has a place in almost every biographical reference of prominent Americans. His home should have a place in San Jose.

Fixing Broken Windows: Santa Clara County DA's Fights Blight Through Community Prosecution Program

by Ray Mendoza, Deputy District Attorney-Community Prosecutor, Santa Clara County District Attorney

Community Prosecution is a new facet of law enforcement by the Santa Clara County District Attorney. My job? Get to know the neighborhood, its problems and concerns. Like all DAs, I file charges and make sure there is follow through on sentencing and probation. But I also work with code enforcement officers, write letters to landlords running dilapidated apartments or permitting drug sales and prostitution requiring eviction, and I attend community meetings and events.

The California Constitution describes the role of the District Attorney of each county as a two-part job: 1. to prosecute all crimes occurring in his or her jurisdiction and 2. to abate public nuisances and enforce residents' rights.

Community Prosecution is the end product of the "Broken Windows" movement started in the 1970's. "Police and criminal justice agencies in a democratic society should be part and parcel of such communities...both encouraging tolerance for differences and supporting citizen efforts to control the unruly and predators." (See, G. Kelling & C. Coles *Fixing Broken Windows* (1996), at p.9).

The movement monitored the quality of life issues that were significant to the community. Leaving windows broken or other problems unattended leads to "the immediate fear that such disorderly behavior engenders in the local community when it reaches a critical mass, and to the potential for more serious crime, urban decline, and decay that may ultimately follow on the heels of unconstrained disorder." (*Fixing Broken Windows*, at p.16).

My job as a deputy DA goes beyond waiting for crime to happen and react to it, but rather I am and should be a proactive part of bettering the lives of our residents and improving our communities.

Community Prosecution brings together citizens and the criminal justice system to solve neighborhood problems. The bottom line is partnership. The goal of meeting with police officers, health officials, educators, welfare specialists and others is to bring them into the fold, engaging their expertise and manpower to solve everyday neighborhood problems. The Community Prosecution Program taps the creativity of the District Attorney's Office by placing prosecutors in local communities where they work shoulder to shoulder with local citizens, businesses, as well as county and city agencies to reshape community conditions specific to local crime problems.

The Community Prosecutor works with a Community Coordinator, Neighborhood Accountability Boards, and the Police/Sheriff to clean-up blighted areas by assisting residents to identify houses, businesses and other activities that make their community less desirable and heighten community risk factors.

The Community Prosecutor helps the community attack both criminal elements and community conditions

that lend themselves to crime by working in collaboration with other public and private agencies providing services to these communities.

The Community Prosecutor seizes the opportunity to help the community gain some sense of empowerment by demonstrating that they can take collective action to resolve problems. The Community Prosecutor along with neighborhood association members walk streets and identify trouble spots, buildings with possible code violations, vacant lots being used for dumping trash, and all graffiti related offenses.

I cannot stress enough the importance of graffiti abatement. It is the single most complained about blight in almost any neighborhood, but as the sports cliché goes, "You can't beat it, you can only hope to contain it." Clean up days and getting the community involved in neighborhood watches is critical. Do not let them think you will do it for them; they must help. Make every city/county resource available and make it a priority, because it will be to your community.

The most potent weapon we have is the DA letterhead. Sometimes a letter from the DA can change the attitude of a difficult landlord or business that refuses to cooperate with another agency. Also, I can work with other law enforcement agencies to target specific area for intensive law enforcement efforts.

"Whether it involves police, prosecutors, probation, parole, corrections or courts, community justice is more than just another name for community relations. It represents a fundamental shift in philosophy—from centralized authority to neighborhood-based decision-making, from working in isolation to engaging in collaboration, from a narrow focus on offenders to a broader appreciation of how crime affects victims and communities. Across the country, community justice programs are giving citizens an active role in making their neighborhoods stronger and safer. They are improving the quality of life on a block-by-block basis. And they are testing new solutions to age-old problems that affect citizens and the communities they live in." (C. Coles & G. Kelling, "Prosecution in the Community: A Study of Emergent Strategies," *Program in Criminal Justice Policy and Management*, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard Univ. (1998)).

Community Prosecution and Neighborhood DA programs are vital to the maintenance of safe neighborhoods and the to fulfillment of our duty as law enforcement officials to protect and serve our communities. By taking a deputy DA out from behind the walls of the courtroom and putting him into the neighborhoods we can make our communities better places to live and significantly reduce crime at its roots.

Ray Mendoza is the community prosecutor for our neighborhood. You can contact him at 792-2614 or rmendoza@da.co.scl.ca.us.



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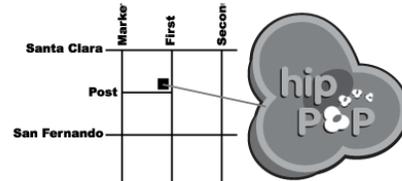
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Campus Community Association

General Meeting Minutes January 15, 2003

CCA's first quarterly General Meeting of 2003 was held at the Roosevelt Community Center on January 15. The two major agenda items were a report from San Jose State University (SJSU) representatives on the status of the University's dormitory construction project and a discussion with District 3 City Council Member Cindy Chavez about a number of community achievements and issues. President Ken Podgorssek convened the meeting shortly after 7 PM and invited Naglee Park's several new residents in attendance to introduce themselves.

Introductions were followed by a number of announcements. Ted Cunningham, president of the Brookwood Terrace Neighborhood Association, invited community members to a City workshop on January 25 at the Roosevelt Community Center to provide input into the design of planned improvements at Roosevelt Park. Richard Ajluni invited attendees to participate in a Peace March planned for downtown San Jose on January 18. Richard also reported that the new library was planning to display banners with quotes about the value of reading and is seeking suggestions from residents and others.

San Jose State University representatives were present to report on the status of the *Campus Village dormitory project*. Project manager Richard Macias pointed out that the site was nearly cleared and identified the construction impacts that the neighborhood will be experiencing, primarily truck traffic and closed parking lanes on Tenth and San Salvador Streets. There will be extensive truck traffic through at least late 2004, first trucks hauling away demolition debris, then excavation dirt and lastly cement trucks delivering construction concrete and other materials. Truck haul routes will be generally north on 11th Street, west on San Carlos Street to the site and then south on 10th Street. Richard added that all toxic cleanup work has been done and that the project involves no piles or pile driving but it will involve three or four weeks of PG&E work which will contribute additional congestion. *The University has established a phone line to answer construction questions and provide information — (408) 924-7352.*

Planned Phase 1 occupation dates are April 2005 for initial occupation and October 2005 for final occupation. Phase 1 will consist of 2277 beds and 700 parking spaces. Phase 2 will be roughly similar in size, will include some retail space and a dining commons and will result in the following campus totals compared to existing:

	Existing	Total Project
No. of Students (by 2011)	21,300 FTE	25,000 FTE
Campus Size	88.5 Acres	88.5 Acres
Students Housed on Campus	1800	5700
Percent Student Body Housed		
On Campus	8.4%	23%
Parking Available	7600	9350

Community members had a number of questions, including questions about, and suggestions for, keeping the truck traffic from wandering into parts of the neighborhood where they might encounter medians and other obstacles. Other questions concerned the type of facilities to be provided in the "dorms". They will consist primarily of apartments for single upper division and graduate students and eight person suites for single lower division students. While the project area itself will not include any new open space or recreation facilities, small open space and recreation additions are being planned in other parts of the campus.

A number of people expressed concern that the proposed parking seemed to be inadequate. Richard explained that there are now .37 spaces per student on campus and that that ratio will not change with Phase 1. (The national average is .5.) Other speakers objected to the removal of the large redwood trees formerly on the site. Richard explained that their removal was unavoidable, that the project will include replacement landscaping, and that wood from the removed trees will be used in the project.

Council Member Cindy Chavez came prepared to speak to three major topics — community facility successes in District 3, the characteristics and strength of CCA and the process for extracting Naglee Park from the SNI Redevelopment Area. Cindy first listed the new or enhanced park and recreation facilities planned for this part of District 3: the planned new Roosevelt Community Center and improvements to Roosevelt Park, including a skateboard park within it; and the new Selma Olinder Park south of William Street. The Roosevelt park improvements will be done as a joint City/San Jose Academy project; both the City and the San Jose Unified School District have funds available from recently passed bond measures. About half of the funding for the Olinder Park is currently available and efforts to raise the full amount continue.

Cindy announced that she and her family have purchased a house in Naglee Park and will be moving there soon. She explained that she now has an additional reason for wishing to see CCA continue as the vital neighborhood organization it has always been. She also explained that she is of necessity exploring the legal and conflict of interest ramifications of her role in helping to remove Naglee Park from the SNI Redevelopment Area. Cindy did, however, reconfirm her commitment to do as much as she possibly can to help the neighborhood reach its goal of getting out of the Redevelopment Area.

There were many questions about Naglee Park's inclusion in the SNI Redevelopment Area and current efforts to remove it. Cindy reported that the removal will

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take majority City Council support and some substantial amount of funding; both requirements are still being explored. The original estimate of \$.5 million is probably not accurate but a new estimate is still being developed. Costs could potentially be reduced by combining the Naglee Park removal with some other SNI Redevelopment Area adjustments, possibly some additions. Cindy also pointed out that the exact area to be removed still has to be agreed upon. She is proposing to leave 11th Street to the west and Coyote Creek to the east in the Redevelopment Area, so that the couplet changes and the Coyote Creek Trail remain eligible for Redevelopment funds.

A community member suggested that perhaps a small neighborhood committee could be created to monitor the progress of Naglee Park's SNI removal. Ken Podgorssek offered to help set up the committee.

There were additional questions from the audience on a number of other subjects, including the expected implications of looming budget cuts. Cindy pointed out that the full effects are not yet known but that some city projects will have to be postponed, including downtown projects. She does feel, however, that the city will have to be careful not to cut economic development projects unnecessarily. There should be better budget information available by the time of the District 3 Neighborhood Summit in April.

A couple of people expressed some concern about leaving 11th Street in the Redevelopment Area, particularly about any implications for replacing the 0, 600 and 700 blocks with high density housing. Cindy explained that there were no plans nor intentions of doing that and also answered a question about historic preservation with the reassurance that the vision of the SNI program is preservation and that she is committed to it herself.

Ken adjourned the meeting at 8:45.

Notes for Newbies

by April Halberstadt

Last week I came across this old letter about the neighborhood just south of William Street, and this seems to be a good time to share it. It's easiest to just transcribe it. It was written by a fellow living on 21st Street to Mercury News columnist Dick Barrett in 1967.

Dear Dick - I saw your write-up about 13th Street. We came to San Jose in 1892 from Chicago. We rented a house and three acres. The address was 13th and William streets. Rent was \$45 per month from a Mrs. Adams. I believe she was the mother-in-law of a mining engineer who owned the property but had gone to Australia. Part of the property was across the street next to Naglee Burk's race track. We could see the horses race. We kept our cow on this lot. The house on the south side had an orchard with all kinds of fruit trees and grape vines. It had two windmills. There were two palm trees on each side of the walk. One is still there. There was a road between the property and the creek. The Chinese used to make bricks in the creek bed. My youngest brother was born there. He is C. J. Ryland who now lives in Carmel. He designed the grandstand for the fair, also the portable stage and the Exposition Hall. I went to the Reed Street School. My teachers were Nellie O'Brien, Cora Osgood and Louis Peckham. I was downtown and stayed all night when San Jose had its big fire in July of 1893. I knew John B. Harmon who worked for the water company. The Tormey's lived right back of us. (Signed) A. S. Ryland, 79 South 21st Street.

Notes - Naglee's daughter and her husband had champion trotting horses. The Tormey family owned a large estate overlooking what is now William Street Park - their property became the Naglee Terrace subdivision in the



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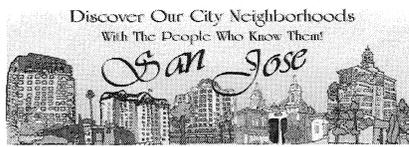


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• To call for the completion of needs assessments for potentially underserved parts of the region: one needs assessment on the East side and one in downtown San Jose, to ensure that HCA actions at Regional Medical Center and San Jose Medical Center provide essential health services to the community.

• To create a working group that will evaluate promising options to ensure that medical services provided at San Jose Medical Center are not lost to the community.

• To support efforts to assist low wage workers, including janitors, childcare workers and temporary workers, to secure access to affordable health insurance.

• To support efforts and coalition building in developing means to quality health care that is more accessible and affordable to all Santa Clara County residents.

Silicon Valley's current economic situation has forced many employers to drop health plans, leaving many working families without health insurance. In addition, the growing shortage of health care workers in Santa Clara County has already begun to affect access to health care. Everyone is concerned about the plummeting access to quality health care. This is why it is important that state and local elected officials and community leaders understand and support ways in which we can work to resolve health care needs. The hearing on December 4th was what I propose to be the first in a series and I will continue to invite you to attend future hearings or contact me if you have any ideas or recommendations.

Please feel free to contact my district office at (408) 269-6500 or email me at assemblymember.diaz@assembly.ca.gov, 100 Paseo De San Antonio, Suite 319, San Jose, CA 95113. You can also access state information on www.assembly.ca.gov/diaz

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skills training for local individuals by working to build 100 new homes in East San Jose. In addition, kudos to the Legal Aid Society of Santa Clara County which will receive a \$448,000 Legal Assistance for Victims Grant to fund comprehensive legal services to victims of domestic violence at their Domestic Violence Legal Resource Center. Always remember, my office is here for you. If you don't see me on weekends killing weeds in my front lawn, you can reach me at 408.271.8700, Zoe.Lofgren@mail.house.gov or www.house.gov/Lofgren.

**Volunteer to help with the
Annual CCA
4th of July Celebration**

**Contact Ken Podgorsek at
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HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR CCA MEMBERSHIP?

Many CCA sponsored activities take place during the year.

Your dues help CCA sponsor picnics, newsletters, and many community education and beautification projects for our neighborhood.

DUES: New Members-\$15, Renewal-\$10, Senior/Student-\$5, Business Org-\$25, All Dues are tax-deductible. We'd be happy to accept an additional tax-deductible donation for our General Fund or one of the following ongoing activities: Beautification, Medians, Elm Trees & Tree Plantings, Graffiti Clean-Up, ECCO, Naglee Park Prepared, Bark in the Park, or Welcoming Committee, Gateways/Traffic Calming — just specify which one below!

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

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Numbers To Remember

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Neighborhood Preservation	408-277-5680
Code Enforcement	408-277-4528
Graffiti Hotline	408-277-2758
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