



Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Association

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Association is a volunteer group of residents working to make our Issue 138 of your local neighborhood newsletter.

Notes From the President

For those of you who missed our Ice Cream Social last month, you have another chance to enjoy a relaxing evening with SONA neighbors in August. Our July event brought more than 75 people to the new community center. We enjoyed a respite from the heat, ate ice cream, visited with each other and toured the new facility. We were joined by folks who were using the fitness center, had dropped in for open gym and who had wrapped up their Zumba class.

National Night Out is an international event aimed at helping neighborhoods fight crime by connecting with each other. Events run the range from potlucks in front yards to outdoor movie screenings. We hope to use this event to connect our residents with each other and with local organizations.

Staff members at the center are excited about our August event and have organized a kids carnival. The snow cone and popcorn booths will be up and running, snacks will be on hand and there will be activities in the gym. Because the site is still developing programs, a survey will be on hand to ensure your comments are captured.

I'm especially happy to note that we will have members of our local parent groups from surrounding schools! Parent groups will be on hand and are helping to put the word out. San Jose City College will be there with some exciting opportunities for you.

We are joining our neighbors from around the area in this event. Pamilar (across from Bascom) is joining us for the second year and the neighborhoods of the Burbank/Del Monte Neighborhood Advisory Committee (Shasta/Hanchett Park, Buena Vista, Burbank) and the West San Carlos Neighborhood Business Association will all be participating.

The Friends of Bascom Library Community Center will also be on hand along with Greentbelt Alliance.

If you can help by giving an hour or so of your time that night, it would be appreciated. As the "host" neighborhood, we are providing a lot of the set up and clean up support.

See you at the meeting...Randi

National Night Out

Our usual meeting time and place has been changed this month. We will be celebrating National Night Out on:

**Tuesday August 7, 2012
6-8pm**

**Bascom Community Center
1000 South Bascom Ave
San Jose CA 95128**

See page 3 for more details.

Our regular meetings will resume in September on the second Thursday of the month. Please note that we are now meeting at the Bascom Community Center, 1000 South Bascom Avenue. SONA board meetings are also held here on the third Tuesday of each month.

Notes and News From The Neighborhood

Want to stay in touch with neighbors online? Join our Facebook page. We post issues and concerns there along with announcements of upcoming events. Just go to Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Association. We will be moving our primary online contact to our website and Facebook pages in the next month. This allows us to chat with each other, keep up to date and post pictures of activities.

We also provide online delivery of our newsletter. You can sign up for online delivery by contacting board member Layne Kulwin. Thanks goes out to Layne and our new website administrator Richard Anderson.

Save those cans and bottles for our recycling drive. Board members Jussi and Lisa will be conducting another pick up drive. Give them a call to be on the list. They offer front porch pick up and your contribution helps our bottom line.

Thanks to new and renewing members and those who have donated: **Chris Amman and Bill Todd, Lois Silva, Mehran Beheshti, Susan Price and Victor Jang, Janet Smith and Dan Rohrer, Corky Dick, Can and Lien Thai, and Marion McClellan.** Each new and renewing membership and donation helps our bottom line and we thank you.

Back to school time is coming up. August 20 is the first day of school for kids in our area, so please be careful and look out for them during your morning rush to work. The fall semester starts for San Jose City College on September 4 and that signals a week or so of settling in with students new to our area. Be safe, be aware and be patient.

While things have calmed down to some degree in our neighborhood, the surrounding neighborhoods are reporting bumps in auto break ins and burglaries. The pattern is that these things come in waves and move from neighborhood to neighborhood, so be aware and do not let yourself be a victim.

We missed our election cycle earlier this year but got caught up at the June meeting. Congratulations to new board members. We have also begun a policy of including youth and school groups as representatives to our board. We are looking for contacts within each school to keep in touch with us, whether that is a youth representative or somebody from the administration or a parent group. Let any board member know if you are interested.

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Neighborhood
Business Association

City of San Jose

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Police Department

Fire Department

Celebrate National Night Out

Tuesday, August 7, 2012 6-8pm

Bascom Community Center

1000 South Bascom Avenue



Our thanks to the staff at the Bascom Community Center who will be providing a Kids Carnival and organized activities. Sample some of the adult programs available and bring out that inner child while enjoying a free snow cone and popcorn. For more information contact Randi Kinman at randikinman@yahoo.com or 835.2881. We are looking for volunteers to set up and clean up, too!



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