



UNITED NEIGHBORHOODS OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY'S

Neighbor to Neighbor

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CALENDAR

WORKSHOPS & MEETINGS

Neighborhood Newsletters

Tuesday, Sep 10
Cancelled because part of Annual Conference.

Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday, Sep 18
6:45 pm
525 W. Alma Avenue
San Jose

Annual Neighborhood Conference

Saturday, Oct 12
San Jose State University
Student Union Building
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA

Advisory Council Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 13
6:45 pm

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CONTINUING A CIVIC TRADITION

A bedrock of civic leaders, the Berryessa Citizen Advisory Council (BCAC) are bounded by the boundaries of the City of San Jose Council District 4 and Berryessa Union School District. Covering such a large area, BCAC has been a fertile ground for developing civic leaders for almost thirty years including many school boardmembers and members of city and county boards and commissions. Some of the more recognizable civic leaders coming from BCAC includes current San Jose Mayor Ron Gonzales, Councilman Chuck Reed and former Councilwoman Margie Fernandez.

Retired from engineering, Dale Osborn is continuing the BCAC civic tradition by serving as its treasurer. Beside keeping the books, Dale also updates the membership list and supports BCAC projects such as the widening and landscaping of Berryessa Road and the development of the Penitencia Creek Park and Trail.

In addition, Dale is also the treasurer of the Berryessa Community Center Advisory Council, a member of the City of San Jose Traffic Appeals Commission, a member of the San Jose Beautiful Steering Committee, and a boardmember of United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County (UNSCC).

Dale puts his knowledge of San Jose and surrounding area to good use by volunteering in the information booth at San Jose Airport welcoming travelers. In giving back to the community, the San Jose City Council recognized Dale earlier this year with the Good Neighbor Award for San Jose Council District 4. UNSCC recognizes Dale for doing so much for his community and thanks him for including UNSCC on his plate.

AN UNWAVERING SUPPORTER

Santa Clara County Supervisor Blanca Alvarado has been a strong supporter of UNSCC and its mission over the years. UNSCC has always appreciated her support but much more so in this economy. UNSCC would like to acknowledge and thank Supervisor Alvarado for her unwavering support.

UNITED NEIGHBORHOODS OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County is a coalition of neighborhood associations. Our mission is to promote the creation, preservation, and enhancement of healthy neighborhoods through education, resources and outreach.

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ELIZABETH ANABO BRICC AWARD

The Elizabeth Anabo BRICC (Building Resourceful, Inspirational, Creative Community) Awards were established by Community Foundation Silicon Valley (CFSV) in partnership with United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County (UNSCC) to recognize the work neighborhood groups do in building community and revitalizing neighborhoods. Neighborhood associations nominate themselves for the award by submitting a nomination form. The award of \$1,000 and a plaque mounted on an actual clay brick are presented at the UNSCC Annual Conference. Spartan Keyes Neighborhood Association is the 2001 award recipient.

8/12: Information and application forms posted on CFSV and UNSCC web sites

8/16: Notification postcards are mailed to neighborhood associations

(This may be different from past years when nomination forms were sent. Nomination forms may be requested or downloaded from the web sites this year).

8/30: Reminder postcards sent to associations

9/20: Nominations due to CFSV

10/2: Review Committee meets with applicants and selects 2002 winner(s)

10/12: BRICC Award(s) presented at UNSCC Annual Conference

EMBRACING CHANGE

The "Party Time" July 17 Advisory Council Meeting had good food, great music, and lots of socializing. The wonderful jamming was provided by musicians T Bone Walter and Cory Neighborhood Association Judd Murkland.

With all the fun and food, there were 17 neighborhood associations present out of 54 members. This is a point of concern, as the proposed bylaw changes cannot be voted on without a quorum. UNSCC is looking for ways to improve attendance. Please send suggestions by phone 408-286-8661, fax 408-286-8680 or email unsc@pacbell.net. Would quarterly meetings insure greater attendance? Is Saturday morning a better time to meet?

HELP MAINTAIN AND PRESERVE NEIGHBORHOODS

Thank you to those who donated \$2675 towards the Challenge Fund. Your donations help maintain and preserve neighborhood associations throughout Santa Clara County by insuring that residents can hold meetings because their association has liability insurance coverage thru UNSCC. Your donations help residents connect and network, facilitating the exchange of ideas and made possible collaborations.

UNSCC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization so contributions are tax-deductible. To donate, send check to, payable to UNSCC, 525 West Alma Avenue, San Jose, CA 95125. For more information on how UNSCC serves neighborhood associations, contact Jacqui at 408-286-8661 or email unsc@pacbell.net.

I want to help UNSCC. Here's my tax-deductible donation.

I want to help UNSCC. Contact me so we can talk about how I can help.

Name _____ Email _____
Address _____ Phone _____

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Ninth Annual United Neighborhoods Conference

BUILDING OUR NATION WITH STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS

Saturday, October 12, 2002

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

San Jose State University - Student Union Building
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA 95110

NETWORKING!

COLLABORATION!

LEARNING!

FUN!

COME JOIN US FOR THE NINTH ANNUAL UNITED NEIGHBORHOODS CONFERENCE!!

UNSCC is dedicated to supporting Santa Clara County neighborhoods in developing and improving their local communities. The 9th Annual Conference is the largest we have ever held! It will feature over 30 workshops on common community issues and give suggestions on how to solve these issues and empower your own community.

Our Keynote Speaker is Rigo Chacon, ABC TV South Bay Reporter

Some Workshop Themes:

- Maintaining Neighborhood Associations
- Financial Development
- Coming Together as a Neighborhood
- Diversity: Interacting with Local Cultures
- Communicating with Government
- Youth Involvement in Neighborhoods

Other Perks:

- Breakfast and served lunch
- Registration Cost \$ 20 (\$15 early reg)
- Resource Fair of local agencies
- Award ceremonies/donation prizes
- Lunch-time entertainment
- Translators available

**Contact United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County
for registration information.**

Phone: 408-286-8661

Email: unsc@pacbell.net

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FROM THE OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR BLANCA ALVARADO

Supervisor Blanca Alvarado publishes these articles as a service to the public. Many of these articles will be about little-known county services that may help you improve your quality of life.

BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY

How the County can Help You Stay Healthy on Your Next Vacation

As the end of summer approaches, you may be thinking about taking a vacation before sending the kids back to school. Here are a handful of health tips to keep in mind as you plan your trip.

Traveling Tips Checklist:

In the excitement of planning your next vacation, don't forget to include your health needs. Remember the following:

Before You Travel:

- Get your prescriptions filled ahead of time.
- Pack a traveler's first aid kit.
- If needed, get your doctor's approval for travel.

Traveling First Aid Essentials:

Make sure your First Aid kit includes the following items:	
- Adhesive tape	- Cotton Swabs
- Antacid	- Decongestant
- Antibacterial ointment	- Laxative
- Antidiarrheal tablets	- Moist towelettes
- Antihistamine	- Pain reliever
- Bandages	- Sunscreen (SPF 15 or higher)
	- Tweezers

If Traveling Outside the Country:

- See your Physician or the County Travel Clinic six to eight weeks before your departure to obtain all of the required immunizations.
- Keep your medications in their original containers and store them in your carry-on luggage.
- A copy of your medical history may be helpful in an emergency.

If Traveling by Air:

- Prevent dehydration due to the pressurized cabin and low humidity of airplanes by drinking plenty of liquids, such as water and fruit juices. Avoid alcohol and caffeine.
- Remember to stand up and stretch periodically to avoid blood clots and improve circulation to your heart.
- To avoid ear pain during ascent or descent, try yawning, chewing gum, or swallowing to help equalize the pressure in your ears.

"Celebrate Healthy Babies" Fair

Time: Noon - 6 p.m.

Date: Monday, August 19

Location: Paramount's Great America

There will be booths throughout the park supplying important information on raising happy and healthy children.

County Travel Clinic:

One of the little known services the County provides to the community is the Public Health Travel Clinic. The clinic provides inexpensive immunizations along with advice regarding diseases you may contract when traveling outside the United States. Clinic nurses administer the immunizations. Make sure to take full advantage of this wonderful program to ensure that you stay healthy!

Note: The staff requests that you bring immunization records when visiting the Travel Clinic.

County Travel Clinic

(408) 792-5200

976 Lenzen Avenue in San Jose

Mon - Wed 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thu 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Fri 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFO, CHECK WEBSITE:

www.scctravelclinic.org

Source: Santa Clara County Health and Hospital System "Connections," June 2002

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CONGRESSWOMAN ZOE LOFGREN TO HOLD TOWN HALL MEETINGS IN SAN JOSE

WHAT: Four interactive town hall meetings for San Jose residents to hear the latest updates from the Capitol, and to offer their comments and concerns directly to the Congresswoman.

WHEN: Saturday, August 3, 2002, times listed below

WHERE: Various locations:

Willow Glen

Willows Senior Center, Auditorium
2175 Lincoln Ave (near Curtner Ave), San Jose
10:30am – 11:30am

Silver Creek

James F. Smith Elementary School
2220 Woodbury Lane (near Nieman), San Jose
12:30pm – 1:30pm

Evergreen

Mt. Pleasant High School, Auditorium
1750 S. White Rd (near Marten Ave), San Jose
2:00pm – 3:00pm

Mayfair

MACSA Youth Center, Outdoor Courtyard
660 Sinclair Dr (near Lavonne Ave), San Jose
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren (D-16th) has served the 16th District since 1994, an area that is wholly within Santa Clara County. The district, which extends from Milpitas in the north to Gilroy in the south, encompasses much of the city of San Jose.

Contact: Maya Esparza, 408-271-8700 or
maya.esparza@mail.house.gov

SAN JOSE COMMUNITY MEDIA ACCESS CENTER

The City of San Jose is looking for someone interested in cable TV and the community to be on their newly formed Board of Director. Specifically, a member of UNSCC has been requested to represent neighborhood association's cable TV access interests. The UNSCC representative would not have to reside in San Jose. The Board currently meets in the evening on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. When an executive director is hired, the Board will meet once a month.

The formation of a Cable TV Community programming is a wonderful opportunity to be involved with from the start. The Board is comprised of numerous interesting individuals.

For more information, contact Jacqui at UNSCC at 408-286-8661 or email unsc@pacbell.net.

FREE ENGLISH LESSONS

Free English Lessons are available at Silicon Valley Learning Institute, 2510 Town Center Lane, Sunnyvale, CA 94086. To make an appointment, please call 408-730-1512 or email info@svli.com. The lessons will help prepare for job interviews, learn more about American culture or just speak English better.

UNSCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair	Daniel J. Chavez
Vice Chair	Scott Scholz
Recording Secretary	(open)
Treasurer	Tom Freeman
Board Members	Tom Clifton
	Renee Horton
	Jean McClosky
	Dale Osborn
	Cecilia Santos-Chavez
	Rosario Vasutin

UNSCC STAFF

Executive Director	Jacqui Carr Gouveia
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GENERAL MEMBERS

Berryessa Citizens Advisory Council
Blossom Valley Neighborhood Association
Buena Vista Neighborhood Association
Burbank Community Association
Campus Community Association
Canoas Garden Neighborhood Association
Crescent Park Neighborhood Association
Eden Neighborhood Association
Edenvale Roundtable Community Association
Friends of Santa Teresa Park
Goodyear/Mastic Neighborhood Association
Guadalupe/Washington Neighborhood Association
Horace Mann Neighborhood Association
Julian/St. James Neighborhood Association
Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association
LeyVa Community Action Team
McLaughlin Corridor Neighborhood Association
Northside Neighborhood Association

Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association
Rancho Narvaez Neighborhood Association
Redwood Estates Community Club
Roosevelt Park Neighborhood Association
Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association
San Jose Downtown Residents Association
San Miguel Neighborhood Association
Santa Teresa Citizen Action Group
San Tomas Neighborhood Association
Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Association
Silver Leaf Neighborhood Association
South University Neighborhood
Spartan Keyes Neighborhood Association
Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association
Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including LaLinda
Thousand Oaks Neighborhood Association
Warner Heights Neighborhood Association
West of Fourth Street Neighborhood Group

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

College Park Neighborhood Association
Cory Neighborhood Association
Dobern Community Action Team
Independence High Neighborhood Association
Lyndale Neighborhood Association
Mayfair Improvement Initiative
Mount Pleasant Neighborhood Association
North Murray Neighborhood Association
North Willow Glen Neighborhood Association
Park Pleasant Neighborhood Association

Rose Garden Neighborhood Preservation Association
Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association
Seven Trees Neighborhood Group
Shasta/Hanchett Park Neighborhood Association
South Skyline Association
Sunrise Valley Neighborhood Association
Tamien Neighborhood Association
West Evergreen Neighborhood Association
Willow Glen Neighborhood Association