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Neighborhood News

Michael Jenesse, LVNA President

In this month's article:

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- LVNA Board Member Elections

Dick's Market

For those of you who could not make it out to the meeting last month, I thought we could review what occurred at February's LVNA meeting, and what action you can take in response to the issue of Dick's Market.

Mr. Metz of the Starlite Ballroom, and Mr. Yee owner of Dick's Market came to our meeting last month. Each had time to present to the residents of the neighborhood their arguments for the use of that space. It also provided the residents an opportunity to ask questions, and to voice their desired use of the space. Simply, Mr. Yee explained that it was just not cost effective for him to stay in business, and that initially he was looking for an independent ethnic type market to lease the space. Mr. Yee said at one point that he had a possible suitor, and that is when Mr. Metz came into the picture. Mr. Metz explained that he had heard of Mr. Yee's intent and quickly came to Mr. Yee with plans and a proposal to convince Mr. Yee that he had a better use for the space. Mr. Metz explained that at his current location on Tasman that he pays \$17,000 dollars a month rent for the location, but the landlord is raising the rent to \$80,000+ dollars a month.

Mr. Metz plan would utilize about 17,000 of the 27,000 sq. ft. available. His plan included subletting the other 10,000 sq. ft. Mr. Metz further revealed that the lease would be for ten years with a ten-year option at the end. That means that the ballroom would be in this site for a minimum of ten years and possibly as long as twenty years.

This caught most of us off guard, because it would mean no possibility of bringing in any other type of retailer for some time.

Of the residents that were there, the majority voted for keeping the space open and continuing the search for a market or other type retailer. We had intended as the LVNA to support this one way or another. But one of the residents voiced his concern of having the association endorse either side of the issue without first polling the entire constituency of the village. Because of the lack of time, we are not able to do that. So we decided to neither endorse nor condemn Mr. Metz's appeal to the planning commission. Instead, we chose to put the power back in the hands of the individual residents of the neighborhood. How? By asking you to either write (email or letter) the city planning commission, call Paula Bradley the city planning coordinator for this project, or show up to the planning commission meeting on Monday, March 12.

As one of the commission members once told me, they pay particular attention to the people who make an effort to voice their opinion's on issues and appeals that come before them. They want to know what the residents of the neighborhood truly want.

Mr. Metz's appeal of the Special Development Permit will be heard by the Sunnyvale Planning Commission March 12, 2001. The meeting starts at 7:00pm, and is held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale. Please, we ask that you take the time and this opportunity to shape your neighborhood's future.

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Celebration Time

March is the end of the year for the LVNA. Every year, this is when we take time to recognize and celebrate the successes of the year, and the people and volunteers that made them possible (see the list of names included with this month's newsletter). We do this by having an appreciation dinner and taking time to recognize the volunteers with small tokens of our appreciation. This year is no different except that we have more reason to celebrate.

Scott Morton, Sunnyvale Parks Supervisor, and special guests have asked to join in with our celebration.

The reason is to celebrate the final completion and opening of the Hetch Hetchy Greenway that runs through the neighborhood. He also is excited to announce approval of the Capital Improvement Plan for Lakewood Park that is scheduled to begin in the next year. There will be a short slide presentation of the work done on the Hetch Hetchy Greenway, and an opportunity to showcase the plans for the improvement to Lakewood Park. Talking with Scott over the phone, they are excited that the greenway is finally complete, and even more excited about the improvements to be made to Lakewood Park. He wants to hear what you think of the plan.

So please we invite all the residents of the neighborhood to come join us on this evening to recognize and celebrate the people and organizations that made this year a success. Scott and the city will be providing salad, pizza, and refreshments for the evening's festivities.

LVNA Board Elections

Also at the celebration dinner, we will be taking time to elect a new board for the LVNA. Like I said, this is the end of the year for the LVNA. This is where we celebrate the year that has been and elect a new board with the hope of looking towards our future. So, if you are looking for a volunteer opportunity that would serve your community as well as provide you with a new perspective of the city you live in, I strongly recommend participating.

I came in last year with no experience in this type of activity. The board members who were there that night said that they would support and help me. They were men and women of their word. I want to thank the board members for all of their help this year. Thank you to the city staff for their support and encouragement.

I want to especially thank Mel and Elena Anderson, who I consider the sponsors of this neighborhood. They have shown unique dedication and love of our village. Without them, I am not sure if any of what we have done would be possible. And a special thank you to Laurie Aguinaga, our

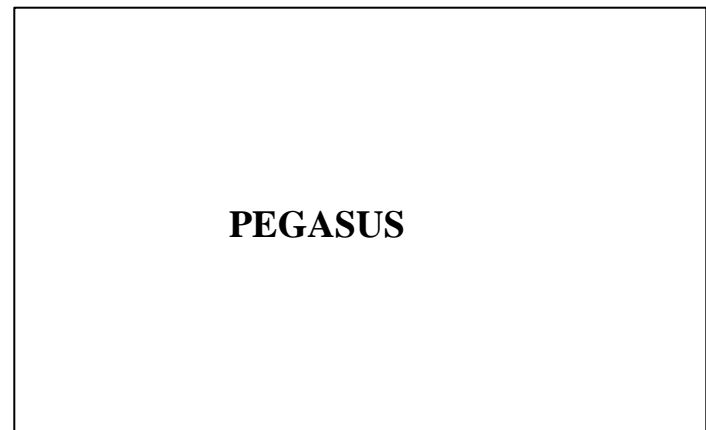
Neighborhood Preservation Officer, I am happy to have you on board with us and to have the opportunity to get to know you. You have been an incredible liaison of the city for us. The volunteers, although words would never be enough, I will just say thanks for caring. Mr. Lacy thanks for stepping in. Tom Freeman, thank you for your presence and caring. Rick and Rena for giving what precious time you could, especially with a new born. Craig Crawford and family, amazing! Thomas Mayer and family in a word dedicated. Thank you. Finally, to all the local businesses and corporations thank you.

Finally for those of you who complain about the state of degradation our society and world, or if you wish you knew your neighbor, here is an opportunity. This is an opportunity and challenge to pull on your own innate brilliance, your skills, and talents to have an impact for the betterment of the world starting with the very place you live-your home. Just to let you know, this is exactly what I wanted to know last year. I had impact and I got to meet some of my neighbors and to have a hand at making peace with them. That has been the greatest gift for me this last year.

Now, no excuses if your heart's true desire is to be of service take a moment of pause and see if this is the opportunity you had prayed or wished for. We all have busy schedules, families, and often feel we are not good or smart enough, what matters is if you have a true desire to be of service. And you won't be doing this alone; you will have the rest of us standing next to you. Let's have a bit of fun and come join us.

Meeting

This month's meeting and celebration will be on Thursday, March 15th. We will be meeting at the Lakewood Park Building, 834 Lakechime Drive. The meeting will begin at 7pm. Come join us, we look forward to seeing you there.



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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Parks and Maintenance	730-7506
Animal Control	730-7178
Code Enforcement	730-7610
Crime Prevention	730-7140
Hazardous Materials	730-7212
Housing Inspection	730-7610
Lakewood Pool	734-8190
Street Light Repair	730-7510

BRUCE ASHMORE

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

I need your assistance. I received 5 articles for this month's newsletter. I would like to incorporate more variety in the Newsletter. I welcome your suggestions. Deadline for articles the April newsletter is Friday, March 30, 2001.

E-mail: lindajoannewhite@hotmail.com

ADVANCED MARINE SERVICES

LVNA MEETINGS

All residents of Lakewood Village are encouraged and invited to attend these meetings. You will meet your neighbors, learn about upcoming events of special interest to our community, have a chance to voice your concerns and opinions and help work towards a better neighborhood.

Children are welcome.

Next meeting:

Date: **THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2001**

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Place: **LAKEWOOD PARK BUILDING
834 LAKECHIME DRIVE**

TW PAINTING

Hetch-Hetchy Greenway Opens

Put on your walking shoes, and wipe the cobwebs off of your bicycle. Spring has sprung and it's time to get out in the fresh air and walk, jog, or ride your 2-wheeled wonder from one side of town to the other.

Our guess is that you will probably prefer to do this while gazing at beautiful meadows and flowers instead of inhaling exhaust fumes belching from trucks ahead of you. Well now you can. How is it possible? Simple - you can stroll and ride the friendly confines of the newly landscaped Hetch-Hetchy Greenway that runs from east to west on the north end of town near Highway 101. It was reopened on January 27 and has been earning rave reviews by those who have been using it.

The Hetch-Hetchy right-of-way is a fairly straight piece of land 80 feet wide and 2.2 miles long extending east to west across the entire City. The land is owned by the City of San Francisco and is leased and maintained by the City of Sunnyvale. It serves as a pedestrian and bicycle greenway that links Fairwood Park with Orchard Gardens Park.

The City recently completed this "capital improvement project", which entailed landscape design and construction of 6.5 acres of land that stretched between Dick's Market in the east to Orchard Gardens Park in the west. For a price tag of about \$1.5 million, the project was designed by Callander Associates and constructed by Watkin & Bortolussi, Inc. Landscaping of the right-of-way from Lawrence Expressway to Fairwood Park had already been completed by a previous capital improvement project.

The main purpose of the project was to turn what had been a bare expanse of land into a beautifully landscaped greenway, making it easier for pedestrians and cyclists to get around. This was accomplished by surrounding the existing pathway with lawn and a mixture of plant material including ornamental grasses and flowering shrubs. The lawn areas border both sides of the pathway, followed by plants leading up to the perimeter fences. Users will enjoy the serenity of the gentle, waving effect that is created by the layout of the plants and the swaying of the grasses in a breeze.

You don't need to be a super athlete to traverse the full 2.2 mile right-of-way. You can catch your breath and enjoy the surroundings along the greenway on benches placed beneath a trellis planted with vines. And don't worry too much if your biking skills are a bit rusty. The lawn placed adjacent to the pathway creates a resilient surface to cushion you if you accidentally veer off the path and take a fall. Another safety enhancement is the addition of a pathway lighting system similar to those found in the City's parks.

So, take a break from spring cleaning, and stretch your legs out on the Hetch-Hetchy Greenway. Without too much imagination it's easy to feel like you have been transported to a yellow brick road in the middle of our emerald city!

Please join with the City and the LVNA in celebrating the opening of the Hetch-hetchy Greenway at our regular LVNA meeting at 7am on Thursday, March 15th in the Lakewood Park building. The City will be providing pizza and refreshments and will do a short presentation on the Greenway project and other items of interest.

There is some more good news for open space in the Lakewood Village Neighborhood. Funds have been allocated for fiscal year 2001-02 for the planning phase of a recreation facilities renovation project at Lakewood Park. Facilities included in the scope of the project include the skating rink, amphitheater, space station, and their inter-linking areas. Public meetings will be scheduled to gather input for the design process. If you are interested in participating please call the City of Sunnyvale Parks Division at (408) 730-7506. We appreciate your ideas and hope that you will help us to make Lakewood Park a place that continues to meet the recreational and open space needs of the community.

FOR SALE:

dresser	\$75 obo
wicker chest 4'w2'd3'h	\$50 obo
various suitcases, tote bags	\$2-\$5
WHITE pedal sewing machine -	
nds belt	\$175 obo
beige love seat	\$40 obo

**"for info: 408-732-2303 or email:
efessel@juno.com"**

LAKWOOD BARBER SHOP

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK



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The blue ribbon of generosity and good will certainly goes to the following people who have given time and effort to make Lakewood Village a better place:

Fred Fowler	Thom Mayer
Gene Goldsmith	Rick Bray
Beverly Mansfield	Kathy Bray
Elaine Spotts	Helen Lane
Tom Freeman	Jim Lane
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Annetta Winters	Sandy Goldsmith
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Mike Larson	Linda Joanne White
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Ashley Crawford	Annette Grasty
Caroline Crawford	Pat Anderson
Sarah Daugherty	Art Daugherty
Marie Welch	Mary Ellen Beavers
Dan Bailor	Verna Kirk
Judy Fernandez	Gary Fernandez
Columbia School, Lakewood School	Fairwood School Fremont H. S. Band

LAKWOOD DENTAL

VIRGINIA LINDSTROM

ROYAL CLEANERS

SPRING IS COMING.....

Your Association is in need of a few good folks to help get the message out. It takes only a few minutes a month, gets you out of the house into the fresh air, and gives you an opportunity to meet some of your neighbors. If you can devote some time as a Newsletter Walker, please call Elena at 745-6028. It's a great way to make a contribution to the Neighborhood!

NAIKAN THERAPUTIC

LOOKING TOWARD SUMMER.....

Any suggestions to prevent this possible problem from reoccurring this Summer?

HI,

I was wondering if you knew what happened to the Police that blocked off Sandia from non-residents/guests of residents on the 4th of July? We have lived in this area for 10 years. Every year but the last two, we have had Police blocking access to Sandia, and only allowing residents and their guests into the neighborhood. Then the roadblock disappeared, and we had massive obnoxiousness in terms of strangers and all of their cars blocking the streets and making life hazardous for our neighborhood. The police had to come out and make people move their vehicles as the drivers suddenly thought the street was a parking lot. I also wonder if theft did not increase during that time. How do we go about getting the blockade, for lack of a better word, back in force? The corner of Sandia and Havenwood is one of the prime outlets to see the fireworks from Great America. Since I live in this area, I feel strongly about this issue. This last year was especially bad, as one of the families operating from a house on Havenwood had a lot of fireworks going. There were highway flares on the road, that 4 wheel drive cars ran over. There were unsupervised kids running around with sparklers while everyone else was watching the fireworks. I nearly got burned. There seemed to be a lot of people competing for the Darwin in Action award. They did not stop to think about all of the cars that were parked alongside the road that could be damaged. They did not stop to think about using aerial fireworks under power lines. They just wanted to have some fun and did not think of the consequences of their illegal activities. I suppose it was nice of them to want to include others in their idea of fun, but I would rather not be removed from the gene pool by them.

Sincerely,
Lakewood resident

Fasulo Electric

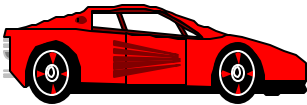
STREET SWEEPING NOTICE

**Attention Lakewood/Fairwood
Residents**

**EVERY OTHER TUESDAY IS
YOUR STREET SWEEPING
DAY!**

**STREET SWEEPING
CALENDAR - 2001**

March 13, 27	August 14, 28
April 9, 23	September 11, 25
May 8, 22	October 9, 23
June 5, 19	November 6, 20
July 3, 17, 31	December 4, 18



**Do not park your
car on the street between 6:30a.m. to
3:00p.m. on Street Sweeping Tuesday.**

The street sweeper needs to be able to sweep the whole street.



City of Sunnyvale

Neighborhood Preservation Division

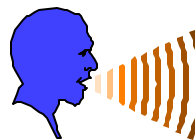
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94088

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PARKING HINTS

Remember to follow City Parking regulations. Failure to follow any of the following Parking regulations could result in you receiving a **Citation and/or having your vehicle abated.**

- ⊖ SMC 19.48.260 - Vehicles must be parked on a permanent paved surface. The entire vehicle must be parked on a permanent paved surface, not just the tires.
- ⊖ SMC 9.24.180 - Inoperable vehicles parked on private property can only be out in public view for 72 consecutive hours; after that they must be stored in a garage or a carport out of public view.
- ⊖ SMC 10.16.130 - Vehicles parked on the street must be licensed and operable, and cannot be left in one location for more than 72 hours (3 days).
- ⊖ 22500(e) + 22500 (f) V.C. - Vehicles should be parked so they do not block or partially block the public sidewalk or a neighbor's driveway.
- ⊖ SMC 9.26.030(s) + SMC 19.48.260 + 4000(a)V.C. - Boats must be licensed and stored on a trailer which is operable and registered. Boats must also be covered and parked on a permanent paved surface.



Please tell all of your friends and neighbors to remember to move their cars off the street on "Street Sweeping Tuesday" and to follow the "Parking Hints" guidelines.

THOUGHTS FROM THE LIGHTER SIDE

From ES Fessenden

The world cares very little about a man who knows, it is what he is able to do that counts-George Washington

Every success is built on the ability to do better than good enough-unknown

Do something for somebody every day for which you do not get paid-Albert Schweitzer

Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power-Abe Lincoln

The greatest thing in this world is not so much where we are, but in what direction we are moving-Oliver Wendell Holmes

Do a little more each day than you think you possible can - Lowell Thomas

SALA DE BELLEZA

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

I would like to especially Thnak Mel and Elena Anderson for all their assistance in getting this Newsletter to press. Due to late deadline articles, Mel is constantly traveling to San Jose to pick up the "Final out to press copy". You're the BEST!

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