



Preserving and Enhancing the Quality of Life in the Burbank Area

Happy New Year!

As we kick off 2007, the BCA would like to extend a big thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who helped us achieve many goals that helped our community thrive. Together, we have helped to build bridges with the Luther Burbank School, Businesses, each other, and our Government.

Look at this wonderful list!

- Helped host National Night Out where our residents were able to view our first community outdoor movie.
- Support of the Luther Burbank School (LBS) Centennial Ceremony, one key item was securing funding for parking.
- The BCA worked together with other community associations to host County Supervisor Forum for the 2006 elections.
- Donated over 600 glow sticks to LBS students to help promote safety during Halloween.
- Collaborated with O'Connor Hospital to host a FREE Flu Shot Clinic
- Annual Daffodil Planting via San Jose Beautiful program
- Participated in the Jamboree Committee, and helped secure funding by writing and submitting a Grant application.
- Collaborated with Our City Forest to obtain over 30 FREE trees to help beautify the Burbank.
- Held neighborhood watch meeting for Patton Ave.
- Getting the word out about Measure A to help with funding for school improvements.
- Traffic calming, graffiti removal, litter pick up, and crime stoppers.

We are truly grateful for your participation, and we look forward to furthering that spirit of cooperation straight into the New Year. With your help, our neighborhood can be a better place for everyone. Here's to a happy and healthy 2007!

Please join us **at the next meeting, January 15.** We wish you a successful and prosperous year!

Assemblymember Jim Beall's Open House

Friday, January 19 from 3:00 – 6:00pm
100 Paseo de San Antonio Suite 300 and 319
RSVP 408-282-8920

Don't miss this opportunity to welcome Jim Beall as our new Assemblymember.

January Gardening Tips

- **Annuals:** Time to fertilize. Plant winter annuals through late February. For shady spots, try English or fairy primrose, primula obconica, cyclamen, cineraria and violas. For sun, try pansies, Iceland poppies, snapdragons, calendula, flowering kale or cabbage.

Bulbs: Apply bulb food when bulbs break ground and again when they finish blooming.
- **Roses:** Shop for bare-root roses. Prune roses in January & into mid-February. Spray with Microcop & horticultural oil before leaves emerge.
- **Shrubs:** Check camellias & azaleas for blight. Prune heartier shrubs such as rosemary, Escallonia, Abelia, common myrtle, Texas privet & Pittosporum by mid-February.



The BCA Sadly Announces the Resignation of Rebecca Stamm – Chairperson

After serving on the BCA Board for the last four years, we are sorry to see our wonderful Chairperson, Rebecca Stamm, step down. Rebecca will continue to be an active member of the Association by continuing to manage the BCA Web site, participating as a Weed and Seed committee representative, and offering support on an as needed basis.

The February edition of the newsletter will feature Rebecca’s accomplishments, along with her future plans. Her dedication, time, and support of our community is a stellar example of how we can change our neighborhood for the better one person at a time.

If you are interested in joining the BCA Board, we have several spots open. The time commitment is a minimum of three hours per month for meetings, however, if you would like to extend your community outreach, there is room for more!

The BCA is in the Market for a New Newsletter Manager

After two years of managing the BCA newsletter, Vice Chair, Chantale Hansen will be moving on to other responsibilities.

If you like to write, have that creative spirit and want to support your community, please contact the BCA. We would love to use your creative talents to provide the monthly news to our Community.

The time commitment can be a couple of hours per month. We have a list of people that we contact for content each month and many of our articles come from leveraging existing content that is available on local government web sites.

The BCA would like to extend our sincere thanks to Chantale for bringing the news to your homes from the last two years.



Tree Planting Delayed

For those of you who have signed up for free trees through the Our City Forest Grant program, we wanted to let you know that the planting date has been delayed pending the approval of the County permits. We will keep

you updated with any new information as it becomes available. We hope that January or February will be beautification months for the Burbank!

The BCA sincerely thanks Our City Forest for supporting and beautifying our community. If you decide that you would like a tree, there still may be time to squeeze your application in. Thank you everyone for your support of this very important beautification project!

Possible Meeting Day Change

At the November meeting, a recommendation was made to potentially change the BCA General Session meeting day from Monday to Thursday starting in 2007. At the January meeting, we will take a vote regarding a new meeting date.

Upcoming Meeting/Events

JANUARY

- 09 – W. San Carlos Bus Assoc.
- 09 – LBS School Board
- 11 – Weed & Seed Mtg.
- 15 – **BCA MEETING**
- 18 – Burbank Sanitary Board
- 25 – Burbank/NAC
- 31 – Dist 6 Candidate Forum

FEBRUARY

- 08 – Weed & Seed Mtg.
- 13 – W. San Carlos Bus Assoc.
- 13 – LBS School Board
- 15 – Burbank Sanitary Board
- 19 – **BCA MEETING**
- 22 – Burbank/NAC

Help San Jose Pick a New City Manager

Five public meetings have been scheduled for the community to give input on what qualifications the next City Manager should have.

January 10, 2007 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Franklin McKinley District Office
645 Wool Creek Drive 95112

January 11, 2007 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Berryessa Youth Center
3050 Berryessa Avenue 95132

January 13, 2007 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
SJ City Hall, Rooms 118- 120
200 East Santa Clara Street 95113

January 17, 2007
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Almaden Joint Library and
Community Center
6445 Camden Ave 95120

Jan. 18, 2007 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Camden Community Center
3369 Union Avenue 95124

For more information, please call 408-975-1439



Santa's Club a Big Success!

The West San Carlos Business District has hosted Santa's Club for more than 11 years. Each year, Santa takes time from his busy schedule to visit with kids of all ages in the Burbank Community. Held at the Luther Burbank School

with donated goodies from McDonald's and See's Candy made the afternoon a huge success. A big thanks goes out to the West San Carlos Business District who pulled this annual event together.



A Welcome From Ken Yeager Our New Supervisor

It is an honor to represent such a dynamic and active area of Santa Clara County, including the cities of Campbell and Santa Clara, as well as west San Jose, and the Burbank and Cambrian neighborhoods.

As your Supervisor, I am committed to maintaining the County's safety net of quality health care and social services. I am also dedicated to strengthening our public safety services and

ensuring that Santa Clara County is prepared in the event of an emergency or natural disaster.

I am passionate about finding solutions to homelessness, having served on the Santa Clara County Task Force to End Homelessness in Ten Years. I am also committed to finding creative ways to address the County's continuing budget shortfall while preserving vital county services.

I will advocate for quality parks, open space, and recreational amenities to serve the residents of Santa Clara County. I am also committed to providing efficient, affordable transportation options to county residents.

On the county Web site: <http://www.sccgov.org/portal/site/scc/> you can find answers to questions you have about our County. You will also find services that will assist you in everything from connecting with community resources, to joining a neighborhood association, to finding the right phone number for County services.

My office is always ready to assist you in every way. I hope you will find this site helpful, as well.

Please contact me at (408) 299-5040 or ken.yeager@bos.sccgov.org with your questions, thoughts, and ideas. I always appreciate hearing from my friends and neighbors in District 4.

Recipe Corner

Cranberry Cheesecake Bars

Rebecca Stamm

Crust

1 pkg of yellow cake mix with pudding & butter in the mix.
 ½ cup margarine or butter, softened
 1 egg
 ¼ cup chopped pecans

Filling

1 (8 oz) pkg. cream cheese, softened
 ¼ cup powdered sugar
 ½ teaspoon vanilla
 1 egg
 16 oz can whole cranberry sauce
 ¼ tsp nutmeg

Directions

Heat oven to 350 degrees F. In large bowl, combine cake mix, butter and 1 egg at low speed until crumbly. Add pecans; mix well. Press evenly in bottom of ungreased 13x9-inch pan. Bake mixture at 350F for 5-8 minutes or until crust is set. Please note that crust will not brown.

In small bowl, combine cream cheese, powdered sugar, vanilla and 1 egg; beat until smooth. In another bowl, combine cranberry sauce and nutmeg; blend well. Carefully pour cream cheese mixture over partially baked crust. Spoon the cranberry sauce lengthwise into 3 rows over cream cheese. Pull knife through cranberry sauce and cream cheese mixture to form swirls.

Bake at 350F for 30-40 minutes or until cream cheese mixture is set. Cool completely; cut into bars.

Makes 36 bars

Check Out Our Burbank Community Outreach Champions!

On December 16, Gene Delaplace, President of the WSCBD, the Kiwanas, and Marvelyn Maldonado of Luther Burbank School gathered together to take 15 children Christmas shopping. Each child was given \$100.00 to spend at the Mervyns in Santa Clara to make their Christmas extra special. Mervyns extended the reach even more and provided additional markdowns during their shopping experience.

It is key people like this in our community who make it a better place for our children. Thank you for making the Burbank a better place to live.

New TV Show to Help You Retrieve Stolen Goods.

A new TV show is kicking off on January 15 in the South Bay hoping to retrieve information regarding stolen property. The show, “**Stolen All Points Bulletin**”, features stories from victims or local law enforcement about anything reported stolen and will air on Comcast Cable channel 15. The first episode will feature stories regarding theft of motorcycles, DJ equipment, stolen pets and stolen cars to name just a few. If you're a victim of theft and would like to get the message about your stolen property on south bay TV, send a message and a producer will contact you. The TV show is free as a public service. If a viewer recognizes a stolen item on the show they can leave an anonymous phone tip at 408.416.3840 or send information through their website: <http://stolenapb.com/>

99 Cent Video at 1863 W. San Carlos

Thank you to the Burbank residents who brought it to our attention that the new video store on West San Carlos, which is within 500 feet of the Luther Burbank School, was advertising and selling XXX rated videos.

It was determined that this business was in the City of San Jose, at which time Code Enforcement was called. Upon inspection of the store it was determined that 65% of the store selling space was devoted to selling adult material. Since a significant portion of the inventory and selling space was dedicated to XXX material the establishment is considered an adult book store by the City. The owner of the store has been notified of this and will be given a Compliance Order that requires the XXX inventory be reduced to less than 50%, that the adult section be screened off from the main portion of the store and that they discontinue advertising as an adult book store. The store must comply with these three items within 60 days of the order issuance or the business will be closed.

West San Carlos Street Featured on Local TV Program

Last week Eye on the Bay, which can be seen on Channel 5, spent the day touring West San Carlos Street finding out what makes it great. The crew was treated to breakfast goodies at Just Laziz before they headed out. Stops were made at Antique Colony, Sterling's Barber Shop, The Falafel Drive In and Sam's Downtown Feed, just to name a few. They also toured the surrounding areas to see what wonderful neighborhoods we have. Be sure to keep an “eye” out for the upcoming episode.

Stormy Weather – How to Stay Safe

Loss of power overnight, call [PG&E](#) at 800-PGE-5002 and they will give you a wake up call the next morning as well as an update on the outage.

If you come across **downed power lines** assume they are live – DO NOT touch them. If a power line falls across a car that you're in, stay in the car. If you MUST leave it, jump clear so that no part of your body is touching the car when your feet touch the ground.

Don't burn charcoal indoors; it releases carbon monoxide, an odorless and sometimes deadly poison.

Do not open refrigerator/freezer doors unless absolutely necessary. Each time you open the door valuable cold air is lost

Keep your **car's gas tank at least half full** since many stations cannot pump gas during outages

After the storm be sure to take the time to clean your sidewalk and walkways of leaves and debris. The handicap ramps that were recently installed easily become blocked with debris after a heavy rainstorm.

Be sure to keep storm drain clear of trash and leaves.

District 6 Candidate Forum

January 31, 2007

7:00pm

United Way Building

1922 The Alameda #107

The District 6 Leader's Group and the Preservation Action Council invite you to meet with the Dist 6 candidates.



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BCA Meeting Agenda

January 15, 2007 – 7:00pm

7:00 - 7:05pm: Administrative Business

Welcome and Introductions – Chairperson

Attendance count/Quorum

Approve minutes for the November minutes

Treasurer's Report – September, October & November 2006

7:05 – 8:20pm:

Welcome Phil Lang, new BCA Board Member

Discussion of Rebecca Stamm resignation

Report on Free Tree Planting

Meeting Night Change?

Paid Advertising – Guidelines and Pricing

8:20 – 8:30pm: Comments for the Good of the Burbank Community

8:30pm: Adjournment



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BCA Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2006 – 7:00pm

Attendance: 7 (4 Board Members, 3 participants) — The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rebecca Stamm at 7:05 pm. There were enough people for a quorum.

Treasurer's Report: Deferred to January Meeting

Flu Shot Clinic: Rebecca Stamm attended the Flu Shot Clinic. O'Connor hospital was able to administer 100 flu shots. A few marketing lessons were learned. The flu shot clinic only used local Burbank marketing tactics. It was held on Veterans Day and the weather was overcast and cold. Next year the restriction for seniors only will be removed and it will be extended to a larger demographic. The idea of a combined flu shot and mini health fair will hopefully draw a larger crowd.

BCA General Meeting Date Change: January's BCA General meeting will vote on switching the night for the monthly BCA General Meeting. Currently, the second Thursday of the month is on the table for an alternate meeting date.

Tree Planting Day with Tree Amigos: December 23, 2006 Tree Amigos (a volunteer group) will help plant all the trees from Our City Trees, in the Burbank. We've had 18 applications and are thrilled to get additional trees in the Burbank.

Lisa Rauch from O'Connor Hospital: O'Connor hospital and the BCA are working together for the better of our community! Lisa Rauch with O'Connor hospital will be attending BCA General meetings on a regular basis. The BCA and O'Connor Hospital are committed to working together to bring better health awareness to the Burbank Community. If anyone has ideas of how O'Connor Hospital can help the Burbank Community, please bring your ideas to the January meeting.

Resident David ?? Concerns for traffic in the Burbank: David would like to see more being done for traffic control on Leland such as stricter speed enforcement and possible roundabouts or speedbumps. He has passed on some previous statistical data he helped gather a few years ago to the BCA Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.