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*Preserving and Enhancing the Quality of Life in the Burbank Area*

## Daniel Chavez – Thank You!



The Burbank Community Association (BCA) would like to thank Daniel Chavez for his contributions to our community for the past six years. Daniel is stepping down as our current Chairperson, and Anthony Martinez has been elected to fill the role as the new BCA Chairperson.

Daniel will still continue as a board member for the BCA, and we are all very thankful that we can retain his expertise!

Here is a list of many of Daniel's contributions that our community has benefited from:

### SHOW ME THE MONEY!

Daniel has a wonderful talent for grant writing and making things happen in the Burbank. Take a look at the long list of the grants that Daniel attained:

- \$205,000 VTA grant and a \$31,812 CDBG grant for the Elliot Avenue sidewalk project
- \$46,000 for Elliot Avenue sidewalk project - Infrastructure Fund
- VTA grant for \$131,000.000 - Forest Avenue drainage project
- \$49,169, \$39,771 & \$40,000 CDBG grant for the Forest Avenue drainage project
- \$100,000 infrastructure fund for Forest Avenue drainage project
- \$25,000 Traffic Safe Network Coalition Grant - Bradley Street - lighting project
- \$35,000 CDBG grant – Bradley Street lighting project
- \$77,200 CDBG grant for A&B street lighting project
- \$41,752 CDBG grant for Beverly Tract street lighting project - Laswell Ave.
- \$195,000 Infrastructure fund for the Beverly Tract street lighting project
- Advocated for \$100,000.00 allocation to CLSA for Burbank A&B street lighting area
- \$3,500, \$5,000, \$4,000 and \$3,700 CFSV grants
- \$4,000, \$8,000, & \$11,000, for the Burbank Family Health Fair
- \$3,200 & \$4,200 from Community Health Partnerships for the Burbank Women's Health Fairs
- \$5,000 CAP grant to assist funding the Burbank Jamboree.

### COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROJECTS

Daniel was fabulous at community outreach and made our neighborhood much more cohesive through his efforts. Here are some of the programs that he was responsible for or took part in:

- The BCA monthly newsletter
- Daffodil planting
- International Day that featured the Stars of the Community
- The Burbank Jamborees from 1998 to 2003
- Five annual health fairs and four December socials
- Two National Night Out events
- Planned, implemented, and secured funding for the UNSCC conference
- Secured passage of the County Lighting Service Area street lighting mail ballot election
- Helped plan and advocate for the BCA to successfully be removed from the SNI Project
- Formed the Girls Community Service Group & helped them to fundraise
- Participated as Santa Claus at the Midtown Safeway
- Helped conduct SCOPE surveys and Operation Spotlight

We wish you well with your next endeavor Daniel...all the best from your community.

## Spring Has Sprung!

Have you seen the Burbank bulbs? Take a nice stroll over to the corner of Bascom & W. San Carlos and see all of the beautiful Daffodils that have bloomed! A special thanks to all of the volunteers who helped to beautify our community.



## March Gardening Tips:

- Prepare your planting beds. Cultivate down to about one foot and add organic compost, especially for vegetable and flowerbeds.
- Start seeds for your summer flowers and vegetables. Plant in April/May. planting.
- Fertilize trees and shrubs; fruit trees, when they first generate leaves; ground covers; roses; strawberries; and citrus. Use a nitrogen fertilizer to promote healthy growth during the spring growing season.
- Most plants need to be fertilized only two times a year — once in March with a nitrogen fertilizer and once in September with a complete fertilizer. Check labels carefully for directions.
- Fertilize lawns this month to get them growing again. Lawns deficient in nitrogen are very susceptible to rust and red thread fungus diseases during the cool months of spring.

## The BCA Board Members:

Please find a comprehensive list of representatives and areas where we still need people.

Chairperson — Anthony Martinez  
 Treasurer — [Art Chavez](#)  
 Board Member — [Daniel Chavez](#)  
 Board Member — [Vacancy](#)

Vice Chairperson — [Rebecca Stamm](#)  
 Secretary — [Chantale Hansen](#)  
 Board Member — [Vacancy](#)

### Board Representatives:

District 1 — [Vacancy](#)  
 District 3 — [Chantale Hansen](#)  
 District 5 — [Vacancy](#)

District 2 — [Daniel Chavez](#)  
 District 4 — [Rebecca Stamm](#)  
 District 6 — [Art Chavez](#)

If you have issues, feedback, or concerns in your district that you would like to convey to your district representative, or if you would like to apply for one of the vacant positions, please send an e-mail to [contact@burbankcommunityassn.com](mailto:contact@burbankcommunityassn.com) or leave a message at the BCA hotline: 408.236.3769. For a map of the districts, refer to the BCA web site.

## Please Attend the Next BCA Meeting:

Monday, March 21, 2005  
 Time: 7:00PM  
 Community Justice Center  
 105 N. Bascom Avenue, Suite 104  
 San Jose, CA 95128

### Agenda

#### 7:00 - 7:05pm: Administrative Business

Welcome and Introductions – Anthony Martinez  
 Changes and additions to the agenda  
 Attendance count/Quorum  
 Approve the minutes for the February 2005 meeting

#### 7:05 - 7:30pm: Speaker Teri Allen – Anti-Graffiti and Litter Program

#### 7:30 - 7:40pm: Break

#### 7:40 - 8:30pm: Report/Discussion/Actions

Membership and Treasurer's Report  
 UNSCC Membership/Representative  
 West San Carlos Business Association Membership  
 Website/Newsletter  
 Plans for Lou's Village Property  
 Supervisor Beall's Pancake Breakfast – April 9  
 Aging Services Strategic Plan

#### 8:30 – 8:35pm: Comments for the Good of the Burbank Community

#### 8:35pm: Adjournment - Next meeting is April 18, 2005

## An Update From Ken Yeager: Aging Services Strategic Plan

The San Jose City Council and the Santa Clara Board of Supervisors voted to adopt the Aging Services Strategic Plan that addresses the needs of our rapidly expanding elderly population.

After conducting comprehensive research and a needs assessment, it was determined that transportation and access to information were the two top issues seniors are facing, followed by

the need for housing, language assistance, healthcare, in-home care, caregiver support, and senior center programs. A long term Strategic Master Plan has been developed. For a copy, please contact Ken Yeager at [ken.yeager@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:ken.yeager@sanjoseca.gov) or call 408.277.5166 for more information.

## Recipe Corner

Here is a delicious recipe for your files!

### Chinese Cabbage Salad

*Sue McCann*

#### MAIN INGREDIENTS

1/4 cup of margarine (or butter if you want to go there)  
 1/2 cup of sesame seeds  
 1 package of chicken top raman  
 1 head of cabbage, shredded  
 6 whole green onions, chopped  
 1 bunch of cilantro

#### DRESSING

1 cup of olive oil  
 1 tablespoon of soy sauce  
 1/4 cup of red wine vinegar  
 1/3 cup of sugar

#### DIRECTIONS

In large frying pan, melt the margarine.

Smash the top raman noodles and add to the melted margarine along with sesame seeds and almonds. Brown slightly.

Add the flavor packet from the top raman and mix well.

Cool mixture.

Shred the cabbage and add chopped onions and mix well.

Just before serving, combine all ingredients, and then add the dressing. Serves 12-16.

And remember, always bring copies of the recipe with you, everyone usually wants it!

Have a recipe you would like to share? Send an e-mail to:

[newsletter@burbankcommunityassn.com](mailto:newsletter@burbankcommunityassn.com)

## Have You Started Your Spring Cleaning Yet?

InnVision, Santa Clara's largest homeless shelter is in need of clothing, small

appliances, electronics, computers, and food for homeless families. All donated items are tax deductible.

For more information, refer to <http://www.innvision.org/> or call 408.292.4286.

## An Update From Our County Supervisor – Jim Beall

On February 16, 2005 Supervisor Beall held a community meeting at the Luther Burbank Elementary School. The meeting began with a discussion of the street light project for the Beverly Tract area. The county has received a CDBG grant that it will supplement with district infrastructure funds. Approximately 19 street lights will be installed begin in July 2005. Supervisor Beall is concerned with storm drainage issues in the area. Additional inlets to the storm drains will be added near Rutland and Clifton at W. San Carlos to help with drainage issues. There was a brief discussion on the Scott Street Pedestrian Corridor. The county is applying for CDBG grants to upgrade/repair sidewalks in the County areas. The Burbank/Del Monte NAC is working on funding for the city areas

## You're Invited to Jim Beall's Pancake Breakfast

Please join Santa Clara County Supervisor, James Beall at the 5th annual Pancake Breakfast. The purpose of the breakfast is to allow residents to express their ideas and concerns to their County elected official and to build community spirit. The Santa Clara County Firefighters have agreed to donate their time and have traded in their fire hoses for spatulas to prepare this tasty meal.

When: Saturday, April 9, 2005

Time: 8:30am-10:30am

Where: Campbell Community Center

Orchard City Hall Banquet Room

1 West Campbell Avenue, Campbell CA



Please RSVP at: 408.299.5040

For more information about Jim Beall, updates on your community, or, to sign up for Jim Beall's newsletter, refer to: <http://www.jimbeall.org>.

## Thank You Burbank Members for Your Generosity!

The BCA would like to sincerely thank the following residents for supporting our efforts:

Curt Hansen - President  
C.W. Hansen Construction, Inc.  
Residential & Commercial Construction  
[cwhc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cwhc@sbcglobal.net)

Thank you for helping the BCA print the latest newsletter, you helped save time and resources!

Alex and Evelyn Amaya

For over eight years, Alex and Evelyn have worked behind the scenes for the BCA with duties such as data base maintenance, labels production, audits, and have volunteered on many BCA activities. They are valued members of our community and are deserving of substantial praise and gratitude for their awesome dedication to the BCA.



## Feedback

The BCA is very interested in receiving your feedback on how we can improve our community. If you have any feedback on the content of this newsletter, how it can be improved, and/or content you appreciate reading about, please let us know, we're listening!

Send your comments to:

[newsletter@burbankcommunityassn.com](mailto:newsletter@burbankcommunityassn.com)

## Raise Your Community Awareness — Megan's Law

Megan's Law provides the public with certain information on the whereabouts of registered sex offenders. To obtain a list of offenders in your neighborhood, refer to <http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov/index.htm>

You may also call the California Department of Justice at (916) 227-4974 for additional information.

## We Need You to Help Improve Our Community

The BCA needs your expertise, time, and resources to elevate our neighborhood!

### Volunteer Opportunities

We will be launching our brand new Website and need the following expertise:

- Web mailing list set-up and mgmt.
- A CGI script writer
- E-commerce site development

### Other volunteer opportunities include:

- Newsletter delivery
- Experienced grant writers
- Neighborhood clean-up
- Article writers for the newsletter

### Donations Needed

We are looking for a donation of up to six outdoor enclosed bulletin boards so that we can post information about the BCA. Estimated costs are about \$250 each.

We also need replication services for the BCA newsletter each month.

If you can help with any of the aforementioned items, send an e-mail to: [contact@burbankcommunityassn.com](mailto:contact@burbankcommunityassn.com) or call the BCA hotline: 408.236.3769

## Free Community Event

The Commonwealth Club Presents:  
Building Confidence in Local Government:  
Who Can We Trust?

Wednesday, March 30, 2005  
7:00pm–8:00pm

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, Library, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.  
150 E. San Fernando Street

For more information, refer to [www.commonwealthclub.org/sv.html](http://www.commonwealthclub.org/sv.html) or call Trish Newfarmer at 408.351.3477