



Preserving and Enhancing the Quality of Life in the Burbank Area

2006 BCA Elections – We Need You!

The BCA 2006 board elections are just around the corner and in order for the BCA to continue, we need members from the community to get more involved.

The time commitment can be whatever you choose, but at minimum, there are two meetings per month.

The current Board has already begun to cut back on their levels of involvement in the Community due to lack of time and available people resources – which is NOT to our community's benefit. Without more support, we will have to continue to cut back unless we can obtain more volunteers and residents to help with some of the load. The BCA has received many compliments and has achieved much over the last two years. With your help we can continue with projects that benefit the community. So please donate an hour or two each month to help keep the board from burning out.

If you would like to become a board member volunteer to help with some of our important initiatives, please contact us at 408.236.3769. We have room for two more board members. We'll see you on September 18 at the next meeting!

It's Just Weeks Away, Mark Your Calendars! The Luther Burbank School Centennial Celebration!

On **Saturday, September 23**, the Luther Burbank School will be celebrating their 100th birthday. There will be carnival games, balloon artists, a bounce house, obstacle course and a really big slide. We will also have a huge birthday cake for everyone to enjoy. **Come by Luther Burbank School at 4 Wabash Ave from 11am - 3pm.** Lunch is being catered by Andy's BBQ (lunch is \$10.00). Due to parking constraints, please try to walk or carpool to the event if possible.

We are also looking for volunteers to help. Time commitments vary between an hour to several hours. If you are interested, please contact the BCA Board.

PG&E Offers Help to Deal With High Summer Bills

PG&E is offering two ways to help residents. First is the REACH program which provides grants up to \$300.00 for those who are at risk of losing service due because of a sudden or unplanned hardship. Also, more flexible payment plans are being offered. For more information call 800-PGE-5000

September Gardening Tips

- **Brown Spots on Apples** - You may have noticed small areas just under the skin that are brown and corky. The spots may even appear after harvest. This problem is called bitter pit and is caused by a calcium deficiency early in the spring. Bitter pit can be treated by spraying the leaves with calcium nitrate at the rate of one tablespoon per gallon of water in the spring just after bloom and again one or two months later. Mark your calendar as a reminder.
- Surprisingly, even if a tree gets watered every time the lawn does, you still need to deep water twice during the summer. Use a soaker or drip hose around the tree at the drip line and let it slowly drip for 2 to 3 hours. A mature ornamental tree or street tree may not need any water. Mature fruit trees should be watered by filling a watering basin around the tree every three or four weeks. Young fruit trees need watering every two weeks. Don't let lawn sprinklers hit tree trunks as this may cause crown rot and kill the tree.

Meeting Etiquette

It has been brought to the Board's attention that in order to have more effective and timely meetings we will need to change our meeting format so that we keep BCA-related Business on the agenda, and offer time limitations for discussion points. The Board's goal is to make sure that the BCA meetings are positive, constructive, and effective. At the next meeting, the Board will be introducing a new format to help keep us on track.

Welcome New Captain Pat McGrady!

Sheriff Captain Pat McGrady has been appointed to the Burbank! He has graciously accepted our invitation to attend the BCA's September General Session Meeting. Please come and meet our new Captain!

The BCA would also like to extend a huge thank you and acknowledgement of appreciation to Captain Ed Laverone who has served our Community over the past two years. Thank You Captain Laverone, we will miss you!



Class Information from O'Connor Hospital

The following "Body Language" classes will be presented by physicians and other medical professionals who specialize in Sports Medicine. All classes are held in the Medical Office Building on the campus of O'Connor Hospital. Refreshments provided.

Please RSVP by calling 408-947-2909.

Please Your Knees: What makes your knees ache? Learn the correct exercises for strength and flexibility that will help you avoid knee pain... and get your wheels back.

Wednesday, September 20 from 6:30 - 8 p.m

Solving the Mystery Pain Puzzle: Managing Overuse Injuries

Find out about a common cause of upper back, arm and wrist pain and what you can do about it. Upper extremity overuse injuries affect millions of people... and they don't even know why. Learn what you can do to relieve these overuse injuries.

Wednesday, October 11 from 6:30 - 8 p.m.

The Best Kept Medical Secret: What Exercise Can Do For You

We have a secret. It's a therapy that helps with diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, cancer and more. Join us and we'll share our secret on how to integrate this free therapy into your life.

Upcoming Meeting/Events

September

12 – W. San Carlos Bus Assoc
 12 – LBS School Board
 14 – South Midtown Meeting
18 – BCA Monthly Meeting
 18 – Lou's Village Devel. Mtg
 19 – Measure A Special Election
 21 – Burbank Sanitary Board
23 – Luther Burbank Centennial
 27 – Dist 6 Park & Rec Meeting
 28 – Burbank/NAC

October

05 – Burbank Sanitary Board
 10 – W. San Carlos Bus Assoc.
 10 – LBS School Board
 19 – Burbank Sanitary Board
16 – BCA Monthly Meeting
 26 – Burbank/NAC

Free First Aid Classes for Kids

KidPower – first aid for 3rd-5th grade
 CPR Saturday for Youth
 First Aid Fun Day (For Youth)
 Babysitting Training

Please visit the following web site
 or call 408-577-1000

<http://chapters.redcross.org/ca/scv/pages/youthcourses.html>

New Vector Control Number

Please make a note of the new
 Vector Control phone number:
 408.918.4770

Evening Wear – Don't Leave Home Without It!

The BCA has been asked to remind residents that if you are out at night to please wear reflective gear! It is very difficult to see people at night, especially if they are crossing on Bascom Avenue without a light or some form of reflective wear.



West Nile Virus Update

West Nile Virus was recently detected in an area around the San Jose/Campbell area and Prospect High School in Saratoga. Last week, approximately 6,200 residents in the San Jose-Campbell areas

were notified by mail and the local media that the Santa Clara County Vector Control District would have to begin spraying. Vector Control also organized a community meeting with local residents to address this issue. In addition to treating the affected area, mosquito traps were placed in the Saratoga/San Jose area to assist in the spread of the West Nile Virus.

Taking preventative measures and educating the public is the first step in ensuring the safety of our County and State. To minimize mosquito exposure:

- Stay indoors during dusk and dawn, peak of mosquito activity, wearing long sleeve protective clothing;
- Secure that doors, windows, and screens are tight fitting and free from gaps and holes;
- Drain all standing water. Mosquito eating fish (mosquito fish) - available free of charge from the Vector Control District - can be placed in back yard ponds.
- Replace standard outdoor lights with yellow bug lights.
- Contact the Vector Control District if you are being bitten by mosquitoes or know of a possible mosquito source. Safeguard yourself and your family with mosquito repellent.

More Activity in the Future for West Nile Treatment

Based on current positive findings in the area, the Vector Control District initiated a fogging event on Monday, August 14, 2006. For more information about future activity, please contact:

Santa Clara County Vector Control District (408) 792-5010, 1-800-675-1155, or www.sccvector.org

If you find a dead bird contact the Dead Bird Surveillance program at 1-800-WNV-BIRD or report it electronically at <http://westnile.ca.gov>.

Lou's Village Development Meeting

Summerhill Homes is proposing to build 95 units on the Lou's Village site – 84 residential and 11 live-work units. The meeting is on Monday, Sept 18 @ 7:00pm at the Fire Training Center Multi-Purpose Room (355 S Montgomery, SJ).

For more information, call Vince Cantore (Summerhill Homes) 650-842-2394 or Erin Morris (SJ Planning) 408-535-7846

Recipe Corner

Crockpot Applesauce – Simple & Yummy

Ingredients

3 lbs. Granny smith apples
1/2 cup brown sugar
1-1/2 Tbsp. lemon juice
1 tsp. cinnamon

Directions

Peel, core, and slice the apples. Combine in a 3-4 quart crockpot with the brown sugar and lemon juice. Cover and cook on high for 3-4 hours. Mash with a potato masher into the consistency you want.

This is a great recipe for those of you with apple trees!



Correction from Last Area Wide Newsletter

The phone number for County Roads/Airports was reported as 408-441-0142, it should have been **408-494-2750**. Please note the change.

School is Back in Session

School is back in session so please remember to slow down and watch for children walking to and from school.



Animal Care & Services Public Meeting

All members of the public are cordially invited to participate in a meeting to discuss recommended changes to the City of San Jose's current animal ordinances. These ordinances will directly affect the community and some changes may also impact animal rescue groups.

The agenda will include a summary of recommended ordinance changes along with a period of Q & A regarding the proposed changes.

When: Saturday September 16th, 2006
Time: 10:00 A.M.- 12:00 P.M.
Place: San José Animal Care Center - Classroom
2750 Monterey Road
San José, CA 95111

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by voicemail to Julie St. Gregory at (408) 361-6615 by Tuesday, September 12. If there is a significant response, they may need to schedule a second meeting.

A written summary of the proposed changes can be reviewed at:
www.sanjoseca.gov/clerk/CommitteeAgenda/BSN/061906/BSN061906_c.pdf

The BCA T-Shirts Are Coming Along...

At the July General Session Meeting, the BCA members were presented with some possible options for new t-shirts. At the September meeting, we hope to have some new designs to show you and hopefully have a vote so that we can move forward.

Bring your constructive input along, we always enjoy hearing from our members!

District 6 Parks & Recreation Master Planning

The City of San Jose Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) will be holding a Master Plan Meeting for Council District 6. The purpose of the meeting is to obtain community input to help staff develop a plan to guide the development of future parks and recreational.

When: Wednesday, September 27, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Where: Historic Hoover Theatre, 1677 Park Ave, San Jose, CA 95126

For more information: Contact Matt Cano, Division Manager of the Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Department, at 535-3580 or via email at matt.cano@sanjoseca.gov

Adopt-a-Creek Clean Up Day

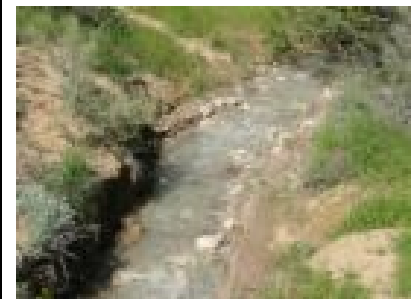
Supervisor Beall's Office has adopted a stretch of Los Gatos Creek through Santa Clara Valley Water District's "Adopt-A-Creek" program.

His adopted stretch extends to the trails between Campbell Avenue and Camden Avenue and borders the Campbell Park located on the corner of Gilman and Campbell Avenue.

His office coordinates at least one creek clean up a year. Please join your friends and neighbors for his next Creek Clean-up, Saturday, September 16, 2006 at 8:45 a.m. Refreshments will be provided.

Date: Saturday, September 16
Registration: 8:45 a.m.
Clean-up: 9:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Youth Awards: 11:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Location: Campbell Inn
675 East Campbell Ave.
Campbell, Ca

If you have questions, please call Andrea Villasenor-Perry at (408) 299-5042 or send an email to:
andrea.villasenor-perry@bos.sccgov.org





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BCA Meeting Agenda September 18, 2006 – 7:00pm

7:00 - 7:05pm: Administrative Business

Welcome and Introductions – Rebecca Stamm, Chairperson

Attendance count/Quorum

Approve minutes for the July and August 2006 meetings

Treasurer's Report – July and August

7:05 – 8:20pm:

Introduction – Questions and Answers for Sheriff's Captain Pat McGrady

Sheriff's Home Protection Presentation – Oct 16 meeting

Board Elections

Two County seats open on the Neighborhood Action Committee (NAC)

Luther Burbank School Centennial Celebration

Volunteers needed

Recap of Burbank Theater Meeting

Recap Sept 14 Midtown South meeting

Area Wide Newsletter Volunteers needed

Daffodil Planting

Scott Street Project

Clifton/Scott Park

Measure A Special Election

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

8:30pm: Adjournment - Next meeting is October 16, 2006



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BCA Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2006 – 7:00pm

Attendance: 7 (2 Board Members, 5 participants) — The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rebecca Stamm at 7:05 pm. There were not enough people for a quorum.

Treasurer's Report: Deferred to September Meeting

June Meeting Adjustments: Kathy and Ken Hoag wished it noted in the minutes that they did not participate in the letter sent to the Burbank Theater owner in June requesting that the tall weeds be removed from the property.

National Night Out Update: Rebecca Stamm and Marisol Verdugo both attended the National Night Out on as BCA members. The evening was a great success even though marketing efforts fell through. Next year, additional efforts will be made to attract more residents.

Annexation of County Pockets: An article came out in the *Resident*, December 31, 2006 ends LAFCO regulation on size of county pocket regulating annexation restrictions. San Jose wants to annex 58 pockets starting with the smallest. This puts the Burbank in about 44th place for annexation. It is estimated to take 5 or more years for San Jose to approach the Burbank regarding annexation into the City of San Jose.

Luther Burbank School Centennial Celebration Needs Volunteers: LBS will have their centennial celebration on September 23, 2006 from 11:00 am to 3:00pm. The event and birthday cake are free and a BBQ lunch, catered by Andy's, will be served for \$10.00. A BCA member requested a vegetarian lunch and the request will be forwarded to the centennial celebration committee. Volunteers are still needed for a variety of tasks. This includes, but is not limited to, parking attendants, cleanup, setup, booth attendants.

Measure A, Special Election: September 19, 2006, will be a special election to extend a bond that will help build a larger cafeteria, and additional classrooms. This bond needs a 2/3rd approval to win. The BCA is a proud to formally approve this bond for the improvement of Luther Burbank School.



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Mid Town South Improvement Meeting: Improvements zones (Meridian and West San Carlos) is the only targeted intersection in the Burbank area. Currently, even though private development money is used for these improvements, these improvements cannot be made within county pockets. The BCA has contacted the San Jose Planning Department for an explanation as to why.

The Sheriff's department was awarded a grant for education directed at alcohol prevention.

Community Coalition for Alcohol Education: The BCA is looking for a collaborate, perhaps the Weed & Seed, to help apply for this grant.

BCA Elections: The BCA elections are coming up again. We currently have 2 openings on the board. Please contact any board members if you are interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.