



Preserving and Enhancing the Quality of Life in the Burbank Area

South Bay Libraries Host Legal Info Seminars

"Help Yourself to Legal Information @ Your Library" Bay Area libraries are introducing resources available through online and self-service legal centers

Ever feel like those resources you want/need may be just at your fingertips, but somehow still out of reach? With so much information available it is easy to feel overwhelmed or even lost when it comes to researching. Help is available at free workshops held Wednesday evenings in April hosted by four South Bay public libraries.

Attorneys and administrators from LawHelpCA (Public Interest Clearinghouse) and the Superior Courts of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties will introduce tools, resources and links for legal information. The seminars will focus on the areas most needed by average residents who'd like to represent themselves, including bankruptcy, guardianship, landlord-tenant rights, and Small Claims Court Programs. The workshops are open to the public and free of charge.

The seminars will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays during the month of April. Dates will vary by location.

For further information please contact a participating library:

April 11 - Bilingual - English & Spanish
Biblioteca Latinoamericana
921 S. First St. San Jose (408) 294-1237

April 18
Santa Clara City Library
2635 Homestead Rd. Santa Clara (408) 615-2900

April 25
Mountain View Public Library
585 Franklin St. Mountain View (650) 903-6887

Thank you to UNSCC for providing this information.

Important Dates

APRIL

- 11 – Legal Seminar, San Jose
- 10 - W. San Carlos Bus Assoc
- 10 - LBS School Board
- 12 – SONA Meeting with SJCC speaker
- 17 – BCA Meeting
- 18 – Legal Seminar, Santa Clara
- 22 – Earth Day
- 25 – Legal Seminar, Mt. View
- 26 – Burbank NAC
- 27 – Arbor Day

Changes at SJCC

Thanks to Michael LaRocca, Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Association President, for attending the last BCA meeting and inviting those interested to attend their next meeting. SONA is looking to work with BVNA and BCA to work on traffic changes that would allow the Leland entrance to the college to become the main entrance/exit. Those interested are invited to attend to learn what changes are proposed that might impact the community.

The meeting is Thursday, April 12th @ 7:00pm at the Sherman Oaks Community Center ~ 1800A Fruitdale Ave

~~ Just A Reminder ~~

Starting in March the BCA's meeting is now the third Tuesday of each month at the Luther Burbank School

County Health Dept Fights Increasing TB Cases

From Supervisor Yeager's Newsletter

For the first time in four years, Santa Clara County has seen a rise in cases of tuberculosis, a potentially fatal disease that attacks the lungs and is spread through the air by coughing.

The County currently has 228 cases of active TB, and though that number may sound small, a single person can infect hundreds of others unless he or she receives proper treatment.

Infections had declined since 2002, but 2006 data shows that the County had 29 new cases of the disease. Although cases decreased statewide by 4 percent, Santa Clara County had more new cases than any other county in California.

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Simply being exposed to a person who has TB, however, may not cause someone to get the disease. The immune system can sometimes keep the bacteria from damaging the lungs, so although a person may test positive for TB, he or she will not be contagious or experience extreme symptoms. This type of TB is called latent TB, and it can be treated and cured.

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No resident will be turned away from the County's TB Center in San Jose, where many of our community's tuberculosis patients come for treatment. The Center offers medical consultations in nearly two dozen languages, and all aspects of treatment can be performed there.

Where to get tested:

Park Almaden Immunization Clinic – 976 Lenzen Ave, SJ
 Fair Oaks Immunization Clinic – 660 S. Fair Oaks Ave, Sunnyvale
 East Valley Immunization Clinic – 1993 McKee Rd, SJ
 South County Immunization Clinic – 80 W. Highland Ave, San Martin
Call 408-792-5200 for an appointment of for information.

Loitering around 912 S. Bascom

The local community has expressed concerns about the increased loitering in the area of Bascom and Fruitdale in front of the new music studio.

Especially on weekend evenings groups of 15+ people have been seen loitering in front of the McDonald's and 7-11.

The BCA and SONA have contacted the SJPD and Sheriff's Department to pass on the local resident's concerns.

Valley Fair Community Mtg

A community meeting is planned to discuss the EIR for the Valley Fair mall expansion.

Wednesday, April 4
 6:30 – 8:00pm
 Cory Elementary School
 2280 Kenwood Ave, SJ

The EIR for the Valley Fair expansion is available on the SJ City Planning website at <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/eir/eir.asp>

It is a very large file, so be patient. Hard copies can also be found at the Martin Luther King library. Public meetings should be scheduled soon.

If you have questions concerning the EIR contact Janis Moore at 408-535-7815 or janis.moore@sanjoseca.gov

For questions about the meeting, call Erin Morris at 408-535-4906

This project could have a significant impact on the Burbank area, so public input is very important. Please mark you calendar to attend this important community meeting.

Arbor Day – April 27th

Did you know that Arbor Day originated in Nebraska? J. Sterling Morton, a journalist from Detroit, settled in Nebraska in 1854 and quickly started planting trees around his home. When Mr. Morton became the editor of the first newspaper in Nebraska, he used the medium to spread his enthusiasm for trees and agricultural information. Later he became the secretary of the Nebraska Territory, which provided another opportunity to stress the value of trees, including their need as windbreaks and to prevent erosion.



On January 4, 1872, Morton proposed a tree-planting holiday which was to be called Arbor Day. The date was set for April 10, 1872.

Arbor Day was officially proclaimed on March 12, 1874 by Nebraska's Gov. Robert Furnas. The day was to be observed on April 10. In 1885, Arbor Day was named a legal holiday in Nebraska and was moved to April 22, Morton's birthday.

In 1882, schools nationwide began to observe Arbor Day. Today the most common date for observance is the last Friday in April. This date can differ though depending on the best tree planting time for the area.

Want to help support the Arbor Day Foundation? If you join for a \$10.00 membership you will receive 10 free trees, the Tree Book, and a 6 month subscription to their bi-monthly newsletter. For more information call, 888-448-7337 or visit the [membership section](#) of their website

Want to learn more about Arbor Day, then visit www.arborday.org

Welcome To the Neighborhood Boxes



Thank you to Pat Martinez who has volunteered to take on the task of assembling and distributing the BCA's Welcome Boxes. These simple boxes include information on the BCA, the neighborhood and business district, and other small gifts and information. If you have new neighbors, please contact Pat and she will be glad to bring you a box for you to deliver, or deliver it herself to welcome the residents to the neighborhood.

You can reach Pat at 408-286-2625 or patricia_martinez515@yahoo.com

Recipe Corner

Eggs



The Perfect Hard Boiled Egg

- Place eggs in a saucepan and cover with cold water
- Bring water to a rolling boil; immediately turn off heat
- Cover the pan and let stand in the hot water approx 15 minutes
- Drain eggs and cool in ice water. Refrigerate for up to one week

Deviled Eggs

- Ingredients:
- 6 hard boiled eggs - cool
 - ½ tsp paprika
 - 2 tbs mayonnaise
 - ½ tsp mustard powder

Cut eggs in half, lengthwise. Remove the egg yolks and mash them together in a small mixing bowl. Mix in paprika, mayonnaise, and dry mustard. Spoon mixture into the egg whites, cool and serve.

Are Your Eggs Fresh?

Fill a large glass or deep bowl with cold tap water (enough to cover the egg).

Place the egg in the water. If:

The egg lies on its side on the bottom it is FRESH

The egg stands up or bobs on the bottom it is not as fresh but still find

The egg floats to the top, it is not fresh and should be thrown away.