



Sunnyvale Neighborhood Association Newsletter #10 – July 2012

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## NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### Birdland Neighborhood

- Full Circle Farm Stand  
Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:30pm to 7:00pm and Sundays from 11:00am to 3:00pm  
Full Circle Farm at 1055 Dunford Way at the East Gate  
Features seasonally grown produce year round at their farm stand, all produced following organic practices, which means no synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, or chemicals.

### Lakewood Village Neighborhood

- National Night Out – Ice Cream Social  
Tuesday, August 7th from 7:00pm to 8:00pm  
Lakewood Park at 834 Lakechime Drive  
If your neighborhood is not having a National Night Out event, the folks at Lakewood would like to invite you to theirs.

### Sunnyvale Neighborhood Association Quarterly Meeting

The next quarterly meeting will be held on Monday, August 6th from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Laurel Room at the Senior Center. This meeting is for neighborhood association leaders, City Council members, those considering starting a new neighborhood association where one does not already exist, and neighborhood association partners. The speakers will be Councilmember Jim Griffith to discuss what is going on in Sunnyvale, Lieutenants Hern and Sartwell to talk about gang enforcement, and leaders from CherryHill to share a “welcome” bag that they have created for new residents moving into their neighborhood.

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## GENERAL AND CITY WIDE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### Full Circle Farm Summer Farm Camp

Monday, July 2nd through Friday, July 27th at 1055 Dunford Way at the West Gate  
Each themed day of these one and two week long summer camps will be filled with a variety of farm-based, age-appropriate activities. Hands-on science lessons, craft projects, food preparation, music, and games will facilitate the exploration of sustainable farming and development, and appreciation of the natural world. Whether it is learning about vermiculture (worms!), concocting edible snacks, making a kite to see how seeds travel, pouring beeswax candles, or building a solar oven, campers will have the chance to get their hands dirty, be outside, and have a week full of fun. Additional information, sign-ups, and date and times can be found at <http://www.fullcirclesunnyvale.org/summer-farm-camp-2011-register-now/>.

### Sunnyvale Jazz and Beyond Series

Saturdays, from July 7th through August 25th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm at Murphy Avenue  
<http://www.sunnyvaledowntown.com/jazz--beyond.html>

### Sunnyvale’s Big Band Performance

Sunday, July 8th from 1:30pm to 3:30pm at Ortega Park at 636 Harrow Way

Sunnyvale's 14-piece big band, the Serenaders, performs swinging hits of the 1940s and 1950s under the Gazebo at Ortega Park. Dance the afternoon away outdoors under the shade of the Gazebo, or bring a chair to sit back and relax while you enjoy the music. Performances will also be on August 19th and September 9th. For more information call 408-257-4866.

#### Sunnyvale Downtown "Music & Market"

Wednesdays, July 11th through Wednesday, August 29th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm on Murphy Avenue  
For further details, go to <http://www.sunnyvaledowntown.com/summer-series.html>.

#### eBooks Made Easier Class

Thursday, July 12th at 3:00pm at the Sunnyvale Public Library (Program Room) at 665 West Olive Avenue  
eBooks are growing in popularity, but can be confusing. This class is a great introduction if you are contemplating purchasing an eBook reader or would like to know more about the Library's free eBook collection.

#### City Compost Workshop

Saturday, July 14th from 10:00am to Noon at the Murphy Park Building, 250 N. Sunnyvale Avenue  
Sunnyvale's Recycling Program offers monthly composting workshops to residents at no charge. Volunteer Master Composters teach and use hands-on demonstrations to show how mixing grass clippings, leaves, yard trimmings and food scraps produces a nutrient-rich soil amendment called compost. A portion of the class is also dedicated to worm composting (vermi-composting). Registration is required to attend a workshop. For more information go to  
<http://sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/EnvironmentalServices/GarbageRecyclingandWasteReduction/Events/CompostWorkshops.aspx>

#### Where Does Your Wastewater Go?

Saturday, July 14 from 9:00am to 11:00am at 1444 Borregas Avenue  
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Do you want to find out? Join us for a free community tour of the Sunnyvale Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP). Due to popular interest in our tours, we have added two additional times this summer. During the tour, you will learn about environmental issues, the various stages of wastewater treatment, how the plant uses alternative fuel sources to produce electricity, and how Sunnyvale promotes water conservation by producing and using recycled water. For more information about the tours or to reserve a spot, contact the Environmental Outreach section at (408) 730-7717, TDD (408) 730-7501 or [wpcp@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:wpcp@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

#### Friends of the Sunnyvale Library Book Sale

Saturday, July 21st and Sunday, June 22nd from 10:00am to 4:00pm  
Sunnyvale Public Library at 665 W. Olive Avenue  
Get great deals on thousands of books, movies and music at the Friends of the Library Book Sale. The sale will be held in the Library Program Room, and proceeds support library programs and services. The event is open to members at 9:00am and to the general public from 10am to 4pm. Not a member? You can join at the sale! Membership is just \$5 for individuals, \$10 for families, or \$100 for lifetime membership.

#### Free Master Gardener Talk – Getting Ready for Fall

Saturday, July 21st at 1:00pm  
Teaching and Demonstration Garden, located inside the Charles Street Community Garden at 433 Charles Street  
These talks are given on the third Saturday of the month, starting at 1 p.m. and usually include a tour of the demonstration garden following the talk. This month it is "Getting Ready for Fall – Cool Season Vegetables". We're lucky to live in a climate where we can garden year-round. Even though it's the height of summer it is now time to start thinking about your winter garden. We'll be seeding six-packs with winter vegetables.

#### Sunnyvale Garden Share

Sunday, July 22nd from 11:00am to Noon at Full Circle Farm at 1055 Dunford Way at the East Gate  
Join other home edible gardeners in sharing the bounty of your gardens--- homegrown fruit, vegetables, eggs, herbs, honey, seeds, and flowers. Is your garden not producing right now? No worries - we welcome homemade treasures and supplies made from or for the garden too. Bring what you have to share; take home something you don't have. Any items remaining at the end of the event are donated to Sunnyvale Community Services for distribution to those in need. For more information contact Michelle Philips at [michelle\\_philips@yahoo.com](mailto:michelle_philips@yahoo.com).

#### Sunnyvale Public Library Development Meeting

Tuesday, July 31st from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in the West Conference Room at Sunnyvale City Hall, 456 West Olive Avenue

This Special Council Meeting will be to consider what steps, if any, should be taken towards the development of a new main library in Sunnyvale. The public is welcome to attend.

#### Sunnyvale Centennial Celebration

Saturday, August 25th and Sunday, August 26th

The celebration will kick off with a parade starting at Fremont High School and ending up at Heritage Park. The State of the City address will take place there, followed by booths all over the park. These attractions will include music and dance from the last 150 years, hayrides, wagon rides, gold panning, blacksmith demonstrations, 1912 General Store, model railroad, horseshoes and shooting marbles in the orchard, and scavenger hunts. The parade application is now available on the website as well at

<http://www.sunnyvale100.com> or <http://www.heritageparkmuseum.org>.

#### Full Circle "Farm Fridays"

Fridays at 3:00pm at 1055 Dunford Way

Full Circle Farm offers a drop-in tour every Friday. No reservation necessary, but a \$5 donation is appreciated. Meet at the tour picnic table next to the farm stand by 3:00pm. More information can be found at:

<http://cts.vresp.com/c/?SustainableCommunity/d3c615bb30/aed8318fd8/6a36dee191>. For large group tours, contact Rachel at [Rachel@FullCircleSunnyvale.org](mailto:Rachel@FullCircleSunnyvale.org).

#### Sunnyvale City Calendar of Events

This city run calendar has a useful feature where you can limit what you want to view so you can drill down by category. Many Neighborhood Associations have their meetings posted on this calendar. If that is something of interest to you (or you have an event to publicize) please can contact the city at [events@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:events@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

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## REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Sunnyvale Safety and Sobriety Checkpoint Aims to Educate

Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety officers will operate a safety and sobriety checkpoint from Saturday, July 7th at 9:00pm through Sunday, July 8th at 3:00am. The primary purpose of the checkpoint is public education. Each year a countywide "Avoid the 13" safe-driving program is launched by police agencies in Santa Clara County. Numerous checkpoints will be established throughout the county, all with the intent of educating the public to the perils of driving while impaired. This year, Sunnyvale will operate its own checkpoint. Cars traveling southbound on Mathilda Avenue between Olive Avenue and El Camino Real will be randomly stopped and checked. Officers will look at the safety of the vehicle, use of seatbelts, the operator's license, and state of sobriety. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.

#### Single-Use Carryout Bag Ordinance

This went into effect in Sunnyvale for approximately 100 stores on June 20, 2012. The City has helped stores prepare for the transition by providing reusable bag reminder signs for store parking lots and entrance doors and employee fact sheets in English, Spanish and Mandarin. City staff has also been at community events, the Sunnyvale Farmers' Market, and local grocery stores to hand out reminder door hangers, static window clings, and free reusable bags. To find out about upcoming events that the City will be attending, please visit [Bringyourbags.inSunnyvale.com](http://Bringyourbags.inSunnyvale.com). For any questions or concerns about the ordinance itself, please email [Bringyourbags@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:Bringyourbags@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

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## SUNNYVALE NEWSLETTERS

- Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Newsletter – sign up for the electronic newsletter "Beyond the Badge" for a personal look at Public Safety's Crime Prevention and Community Outreach programs. <http://sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/PublicSafety.aspx>.
- Sunnyvale School District Newsletter – this is an online newsletter that provides information on activities and programs at the ten schools. <http://www.sesd-district-digest.org/>
- Sunnyvale Department of Environment Services Sustainability Newsletter – each newsletter features articles that approach sustainability from a variety of perspectives and issues such as recycling and waste reduction, water conservation, pollution prevention, green business, green building, transportation, energy conservation, and City Council actions.

## SUNNYVALE YAHOO GROUPS

Sunnyvale has a number of Yahoo Groups that are moderated by individual residents and open to anyone to join. The links to subscribe to them can be found below. Descriptions of each group will be coming soon to the Sunnyvale Neighborhoods website at <http://sunnyvaleneighborhoods.org>:

Sunnyvale Café - [SunnyvaleCafe-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:SunnyvaleCafe-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Composters – [sunnyvale\\_composters-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:sunnyvale_composters-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Cool - [sunnyvalecool-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:sunnyvalecool-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Freecycle - [FreecycleSunnyvale-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:FreecycleSunnyvale-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Garden Share - [gardenshare\\_sunnyvale-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:gardenshare_sunnyvale-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Politics - [SunnyvalePolitics-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:SunnyvalePolitics-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Put Neighborhoods First - [PutNeighborhoodsFirstInSunnyvale-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:PutNeighborhoodsFirstInSunnyvale-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Sell - [sunnyvale-sell-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:sunnyvale-sell-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

Sunnyvale Trails - [Sunnyvaletrails-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:Sunnyvaletrails-subscribe@yahogroups.com)

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