

PARK SANTIAGO NEWS

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“Decorate Anything on Wheels” Annual 4th of July Parade



It is time to let freedom ring by celebrating our nation's independence on the 4th of July. It would not be a true celebration without breaking out the grill for the hot dogs, watching a firework spectacular, and for Park Santiago Residents, the Annual 4th of July Parade.

This year's parade theme is “Decorate Anything on Wheels.” Parade and contest are open to children of all ages—as long as you feel young at heart! Decorate what you have...as long as it's on wheels: bicycles, tricycles, wagons, wheelchairs—creativity is a plus! Do you feel like you do better on the sidelines? Then please line the parade route and cheer on your favorite.

The parade will take place on the 4th of July at 4:00pm at the Park Santiago Lawn Bowling Center. All participants must register to participate. Registration will take place between 3:30pm-4:00pm.

The parade will travel south on Valencia Avenue, turn right on Santa Clara Avenue, turn right onto French Street, and right on Virginia Avenue to end at the Lawn Bowling Center.

Event organizers, Kitty Canada and Mary Meduena, would like to extend their appreciation for all past participants and prize sponsors. They are requesting that prize sponsors for this year's parade please pledge their support by July 3rd. Advance notice of prizes will allow the prizes to be listed at the parade so participants know what they are working towards. As a request from organizers for prize sponsors, please make an effort to make prizes age appropriate for the young participants.

Please contact Kitty Canada at (714) 296-6666 or by email at kitty.canada@sbcglobal.net with any event questions and to pledge your support by donating contest prizes.

July is National Hot Dog Month

Did you know that approximately 150 million hot dogs will be eaten by Americans on the 4th of July? What will you put on yours?

The possibilities are endless!



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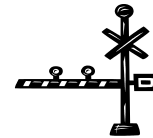
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Neighborhood Update
Double Tracking and Quiet Zone
By Isabel Reed, Treasurer



The following information is being furnished to Park Santiago residents after having spoken to David Biondolillo, Santa Ana Senior Transportation Analyst, and Mary Toutouchi, OCTA Project Manager.

1. Fairhaven and Lincoln: This crossing will be closed permanently by order of the Public Utilities Commission. After double tracking, the liability at that crossing is too great for it to remain open. Biondolillo stated, "The decision to certify the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Fairhaven/Lincoln Closure and Santa Clara/Lincoln intersection modifications has been delayed due to the City Council focusing on approving the FY 09/10 Budget. This item will be on the July 6, 2009 City Council agenda for approval."

2. Santa Clara and Lincoln: Issues are still being resolved at this intersection. As of now, there is discussion of a signal, raising Lincoln to accommodate the steep slope at Santa Clara, and moving the driveway of the home on the southwest corner of Lincoln to Aspen.

3. Toutouchi stated that the construction of the safety improvements, which will help the cities to qualify for Quiet Zone, has been delayed until August 2009 due to ongoing contract negotiations with the contractors. As soon as matters are resolved, work will begin in three cities--Anaheim, Orange, and Santa Ana. Construction in these cities is to be coordinated with the contractors meaning work will take place at different crossings and at different times. It is anticipated that the construction of all the crossings in the city of Orange and most of the residential areas in the cities of Santa Ana and Anaheim be completed by August 2010. The construction of all the crossings are scheduled to be completed by August 2011.

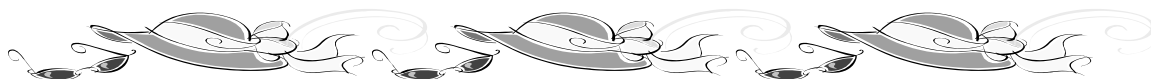
Residents of PSNA must be diligent to keep this issue to the forefront of city administrators. Forward any comments to:

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Carlos Bustamante, Councilman, (714) 647-5293, cbusamante@santa-ana.org
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David Biondolillo, SA Sr. Transportation Analyst, (714) 647-5603, dbiondolillo@santa-ana.org

Getting to Know Neighborhood President, Bobbie Rooker

Bobbie Rooker has been a resident of Park Santiago since 1963. She moved to the neighborhood after having been raised in a south Santa Ana neighborhood. In addition to living in the neighborhood, Bobbie has dedicated a lot of her time to our elementary school, Hoover Elementary. She began as a member of the PTA in 1963 and later worked at the school for 25 years. Bobbie continues to be an active member of the school by volunteering her time when needed.

Bobbie enjoys a number of activities on a regular basis. Among her hobbies are walking, gardening, and swimming. She also serves as a wedding coordinator at her church. When a change of scenery is called for, she enjoys visiting our local beaches and mountains. As one can tell, Bobbie greatly enjoys the neighborhood she lives in and serves.



Wait! Did someone say *free*? *Summer Lovin' in Santa Ana*

With the dog days of summer upon us and the kids home for the summer, fun (and free!) activities are needed to fill the days. City of Santa Ana residents receive perks from local attractions which grant free admission. The Santa Ana Zoo at Prentice Park allows free admission on the second Tuesday of the month. The Discovery Science Center, conveniently located within walking distance from Park Santiago, is free on the first Monday of each month. The Bowers Museum is free on the first Sunday and third Tuesday of every month. The Bowers Kidseum offers free admission on the first Sunday of the month. The Heritage Museum of Orange County, a culturally rich and historical monument of Southern California, offers free admission and tours on the first Sunday of the month to city residents. And finally, the Cal State Fullerton Grand Central Art Center is always free. The museums and zoo require proof of residency be shown to enter—California Driver License, California Identification Card, or utility bill with photo ID are acceptable. Below is the contact information for all of the featured attractions.

The Bowers Museum
2002 N. Main Street
(714) 567-3600
www.bowers.org

Heritage Museum of Orange County
3101 W. Harvard
(714) 540-0404
www.heritagemuseumoc.org Cal State

Discovery Science Center
2500 N. Main Street
(714) 542-2823
www.discoverycube.org

The Kidseum
1802 N. Main Street
(714) 480-1520
www.bowers.org

Fullerton Grand Central Art Center
125 N. Broadway
(714) 567-7233
www.grandcentralartcenter.com

Santa Ana Zoo at Prentice Park
1801 E. Chestnut Ave.
(714) 835-7484
www.santaanazoo.org

Park Santiago Neighborhood Association
would like to extend their gratitude to
Judy Evans, Century 21 Realtor
for her sponsorship of this newsletter.
Thank you, Judy!

Letters to the Editor...

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions for upcoming issues, please share them with Connie Gonzalez at (714) 543-0603 or jcgonzalez864@sbcglobal.net.

Follow Park Santiago on the Web!

Please follow the latest news and receive notice of upcoming events by logging-on to our neighborhood website at www.parksantiago.org.

Park Santiago can also now be found on **Facebook** under the Global Group of Park Santiago Homeowners.

Thank you to David Willard for creating and maintaining the website and to Darcie Cancino for creating the Facebook page.

First Congregational Church Offers Programs to Residents

First Congregational Church offers yoga and fitness classes to everyone.

Yoga classes began in June but offer rolling enrollment. Classes are offered every Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:30pm for a cost of \$5.00 per class or \$15.00 per month.

Fit Senior classes, specifically designed for senior citizens, take place every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:30am-12:30pm. The cost for a six week program is \$20.00. Classes begin every six weeks.

All classes take place at First Congregational Church at 2555 Santiago Street. Please call Beth at (949) 933-1681 for additional information and to reserve your spot.

Santa Ana People's Garden

The Santa Ana People's Garden is located at First Congregational Church. The goals of the garden are to build a low/no-cost garden for residents, teach residents about composting, gardening, and harvesting, and to create friendships.

The Garden accepts donations in the form of organic food and yard waste for compost, irrigation supplies, tools and materials, seeds or fruit trees, and volunteers.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Jim Rosenquist at 2555 Santiago Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706 or by email at urbanreality_design@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Events

July 4th

Annual 4th of July Parade
Santiago Park Lawn Bowling Center
4:00pm

September 2nd

PSNA Meeting
Park Santiago Lawn Bowling Center
7:00pm

September 5th-6th

Garage Sale Weekend

SUPPORT PARK SANTIAGO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Please help support PSNA with your 2009 Membership donations. Just fill out the coupon and mail it to the address listed below. Your donations help sponsor events, newsletters, and projects.

Thank you for your help.

_____ \$5.00

_____ \$10.00

_____ \$50.00 Sponsor

Name: _____ Telephone Number: (____) _____ - _____

Address: _____

Mail to: PSNA, P.O. Box 11061, Santa Ana, CA 92711

Park Santiago Neighborhood Association (PSNA) is a Santa Ana neighborhood of 1,1175 homes bordered by 17th St., the Santa Ana Freeway, Main St., Santiago Park, and Lincoln St. Our neighborhood's goals are to preserve and enhance the integrity and quality of the neighborhood and to foster effective communications. The work of PSNA is facilitated by an elected board of volunteers and various volunteer committees.