

ROSEMARY GARDENS

NEIGHBORLY

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER WWW.RGNA.ORG

RGNA President’s Message



I’m very honored to be your new RGNA President. I was raised in Portland, Maine and have lived in San Jose since 2001. My husband, Gil, and I made the good decision to purchase our Forrestal Avenue home in 2010.

We have six grown children between us, four of whom live in the Bay Area and two who live in Europe. I’ve grown to really care about this neighborhood and especially enjoy the close-knit spirit and diversity it offers.

At our annual meeting last month, it was great to see three neighbors volunteer to serve on our Board: Victoria Ramirez, Amanda Horan, and Emmanuel Mendoza. I’m confident they’ll all bring new ideas and perspectives that will only benefit Rosemary Gardens.

I look forward to advocating for our neighborhood and helping Rosemary Gardens continue to be a wonderful place to live and raise a family. Please feel free to email me at judi@zamoradesign.com with any concerns you might have about our neighborhood. If emailing is not an option for you, you can phone me at 408-265-9225.

Have a Happy Spring!

Judi Zamora
RGNA President

Welcome Committee

Welcome to



Let’s welcome new neighbors into Rosemary Gardens! The RGNA Board has decided to welcome our new neighbors with a small gift and a list of important phone numbers and other useful information.

If you have a new neighbor, please send an email to contact@rgna.org or leave a message at 408-673-7848 and let us know their address. A Board Member will reach out to them ... or better yet, we can provide you with a welcome kit and you can deliver it and meet your new neighbor at the same time!

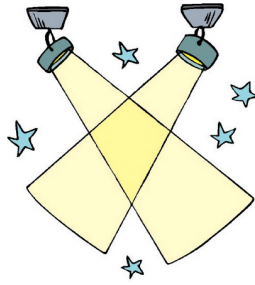
Rosemary Gardens

Annual Yard Sale

May 19, 2018

8:00 AM

**Do your spring cleaning and
make a few extra bucks!**



Neighbor Spotlight

Rosemary Gardens Neighborly would like to highlight many of our long-time residents of the neighborhood, including our neighbors Ray and Mary Clymer. Ray and Mary have lived in the neighborhood twice!

Ray was born and raised in Oklahoma. His family moved to Hollister to begin a produce business that they operated from 1937 to 1947. Ray and Mary met in 1948, fell in love, and were married in 1949. Ray began working for Terminix after he and Mary married in 1949. Ray then worked in finance for Commercial Credit Corporation for 33 years. From Commercial Credit Corporation, Ray moved to Bank of Santa Clara, where he worked for 15 years. As many of you remember, Bank of Santa Clara later became Greater Bay Bank, which later became Wells Fargo Bank. Mary worked with the Santa Clara County School District from 1970 to 2014.

Ray and Mary initially moved to Ferrari Avenue where they resided from 1959 to 1962. Ray then transferred with Commercial Credit Corporation to Washington State for a short while. He and Mary didn't care for the area, (might it be the weather?) and they longed to return to San Jose, which they did. Sadly, upon their return, no homes were for sale in Rosemary Gardens, but they waited until a home was listed! Patience pays off...in 1965, Ray and Mary were able to return to the neighborhood by purchasing a home on Keoncrest Avenue.

Ray and Mary have a son and daughter who together have given them 6 grandchildren. Ray and Mary's son, Michael, lives in Washington State and daughter, Melissa, and her husband, Paul, live in Rosemary Gardens.

They remember so much of the surrounding area being land only; when North First Street consisted of pear and apricot orchards; when there were truck farms; when DeAngello's Market was still around; when the airport was smaller. Ray and Mary like Rosemary Gardens because their neighbors are nice and friendly, the neighborhood is quiet and they feel quite safe here. They feel that Rosemary Gardens has always been a safe place to raise a family. Rosemary Gardens is lucky to have such amazing long-time residents such as Ray and Mary Clymer.

Next Door Pet Directory

Do you know that Next Door has an easy-to-use Pet Directory where you

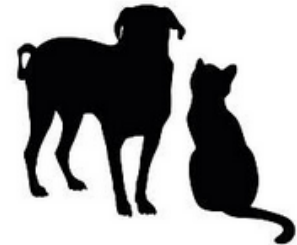
can post basic information about your pet, as well as a photo? From a laptop/desktop computer, go to

www.nextdoor.com,

scroll down to 'Pets' in

the Directory section and click on 'Add Pet' at the top.

From a mobile device, you'll need to go to your profile, scroll down to Family, select edit, and then add your pet.



This is a great feature to be aware of even if you are not a pet guardian. If you see an animal running loose in Rosemary Gardens, you can check the directory and try to locate its owner. Give it a try!

In Memoriam



With heavy hearts, the Rosemary Gardens Board of Directors mourns the death of one of our own. Monika Morrow, former Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association President, passed away early this year.

Monika was highly regarded in the world of high tech. While she advocated amateur radio licensing and Women in Tech, in Rosemary Gardens Monika was a driving force behind keeping RGNA up and running when it was on the verge of folding. She produced newsletters, promoted neighborhood yard sales, coordinated National Night Out and maintained the Rosemary Gardens website (www.rgna.org). Her tech skills were also at work behind the scenes in RGNA. Over a number of years she served as President, Vice President and Secretary of RGNA.

Our condolences to Monika's family, especially her husband, Corry Addison. Monika's smile, energy and presence will be deeply missed.

Dog Car Kits Available

Before moving to Michigan, Rosemary Gardens resident Laurie Spoon made a donation to RGNA to be used for aiding needy animals, particularly dogs.

A portion of the donation will be used to create Dog Car Kits. What's a Dog Car Kit? It's a bag that contains dog food, a food bowl, some bottled water, bedding and doggie treats. They can be carried in your vehicle to offer to a person in need who has a dog with them.

If you'd like a kit, please send an email to contact@rgna.org or leave a message at 408-673-7848.

Nearby Redevelopment Application

You may have seen the Public Notice sign posted on 1249 N. 1st Street, the building located just past the 76 gas station (previously Lily Spa). This notice from the City of San Jose, which for some reason had been removed by the landowner for the past year, shows that the landowner has applied for permits to redevelop the property, which borders a number of homes on the 1200 block of Keoncrest. The permit application indicates the owner is seeking to demolish both 1249 and 1231 N. 1st Street (Bay Maples) structures and build an 8,616 square foot, one-story commercial retail center with 40 parking spaces. You can view project information by visiting sjpermits.org, click on the purple Search for Permit box, then enter H17-002 in the Permit Reference Number section. We encourage residents to be informed and speak up before permits are approved. Questions and concerns can be directed to the Project Manager, Ms. Rina Shah, at 408-535-3555, or rina.shah@sanjoseca.gov. If the Planning Department receives enough interest or concerns about the project, they will hold a community

meeting for Rosemary Gardens. You can also contact RGNA Board Member, Judi Zamora, at judi@zamoradesign.com or 408-265-9225 with questions or comments, and she will forward to the Planning Department.

Upcoming Events

Amgen Tour of California

May 16, 2018
12:00-6:30 PM
Streets of South San Jose and Morgan Hill

Rosemary Gardens Yard Sale

May 19, 8:00am

Latin American Salsa Festival

May 20, 11:00 AM - 6:30 PM
Discovery Meadow

Memorial Day Veterans Event

May 28, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Oakhill Memorial Park

Downtown Farmers' Market

Every Friday, 10-2
San Pedro Square

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D3 News

D3 Decides is back and this time we have \$200,000 to allocate together! As a resident living in D3, you have the opportunity to directly impact the projects funded by the city of San Jose in your community, starting with sharing your ideas for improving District 3. If you have an idea about how things could work better in your community, please visit <http://d3decides.com/shareideas2018/>. Idea submission deadline is May 31, 2018.

District 3 is also looking for community leaders to become this year's 2018 budget delegates. Budget delegates are essential to Participatory Budgeting. Volunteering as a budget delegate is a great opportunity to become a community leader, develop team-building skills, get to know your neighbors, learn about the city budget, and help make your city a better place. Interested in learning about the process and becoming a budget delegate? Open to ALL residents in District 3. Sign up at: <https://goo.gl/forms/RxLmUDgGtP6Ol21O2> and join us for our first Budget Delegate Info Session:

Thursday, April 26th 2017
6:30pm-7:30pm
17th Floor, City Manager's Office
200 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose

For information on our participatory budgeting process, please visit www.d3decides.com

If you have comments, corrections, or you'd like to suggest something for the newsletter, please email contact@rgna.org.