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NAGLEE PARK ADVISOR

NAGLEE PARK'S NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER



Thank you for reading

By Gabby Solleder, CCA Secretary

Dear Neighbors,

Welcome to Volume II of the "Naglee Park Advisor"!

My name is Gabby Solleder and I am the Secretary of the Naglee Park Campus Community Association (aka CCA) Board.

When I first moved here in 2010 (yes, I'm a newbie compared to many residents!), my neighbors were so friendly and welcoming that I was a little freaked out. But I soon realized that it was the neighbors and events that made Naglee Park so special. So, I jumped in and volunteered for all sorts of things, but I got kind of "snookered" into joining the CCA Board. John Turner asked me if I would spearhead a really large project and I said no. Then he asked if I would be the secretary of the CCA Board. He said I would attend a monthly meeting and take a few notes, and I agreed. Well, it entails a bit more than that, but I have never regretted it!

Naglee Park and its residents have given so much to me that I want to give back in any way that I can. I encourage you to do so, too.

Are you a member of the CCA? If not, join now! Do you volunteer? If not, then sign up for an event/activity or make a donation to fund them! Go to: www.nagleepark.org and sign up to be a member and part of our email list. You can also donate on our website.

The more you participate the more neighbors you'll meet and the more you will love, appreciate and enhance our amazing Naglee Park!

We want to hear from YOU!

Marketing Committee

This is our second edition of the revised newsletter. We mean it when we say we want to hear from YOU about topics you care about. We had some great feedback last time and want to keep the momentum going.

Nothing is too small or too corny to be "small town neighborhood" news.

Have some ideas? Want to help? **Contact the Marketing Committee: Marketing@nagleepark.org**



The Tales of Naglee Park

By Jack Douglas

From "Tales of Naglee Park, 2nd Edition" 2021 by permission of the Campus Community Association

As a reintroduction to some of our newer neighbors, the CCA wanted to share one of the tales of Naglee park. Here is one of the stories from that collection.

OUR OWN GENERAL HENRY M. NAGLEE didn't waste his time soldiering when there wasn't a major war at hand. The Philadelphia-born Naglee graduated from West Point in 1835-23rd in his class of 56. He served five months as a second lieutenant before resigning and pursuing a promising engineering career. Realizing, perhaps, that fortunes were to be made in California, he joined Stevenson's regiment, which made the surreptitious journey west to help wrest control of California from the weak Mexican government. As captain of volunteers, Naglee was involved in a number of skirmishes in the southern part of the state during the Mexican War. With the Americans in control, Naglee quickly returned to civilian life where he made a fortune in banking, real estate, and agriculture.

With the outbreak of the Civil War, thousands of enlistees had to be processed and trained. The bulk of the Union Army was made up of volunteer units, many with untrained officers. West Point graduates with battlefield experience were a treasured commodity and Naglee must have felt that his country's destiny rested, to some degree, on his shoulders. He passed up being a lieutenant colonel in the regular army for a brigadier generalship in the volunteers.

In the spring of 1862, his brigade was in the vanguard of the Army of the Potomac's march toward Richmond. On May 31 the division in which Naglee's brigade was a part had crossed the flooded Chickahominy River near Fair Oaks, Virginia. Johnston, the Confederate commander, seized the opportunity to cut the Union force off from the main army and crush it.

He subsequently sent an overwhelming Confederate force to meet the stranded Federals.

In earlier battles of this magnitude, the green recruits of the Union Army had suffered humiliating defeats, and Johnston had every reason to believe these troops would break and run. Not so under the command of Henry M. Naglee. His brigade held its ground for three hours of withering Confederate attacks. Naglee even ordered a counter attack with bayonets in order to have time to move his artillery to higher ground. Many senior officers were killed and the General did not come out unscathed. He reported in a letter sent after the battle to his lady friend in San Jose:

A rifle ball scraped my right nipple and a shell struck me in the small of the back, just under my right shoulder blade. Two shots struck my right leg, and I had five balls strike three horses, all of which were killed or abandoned by me. I went into the fight with 1,600 men and lost over 638.

Surrounded on three sides, Naglee led his men in an orderly retreat to the main Union force.

The Battle of Fair Oaks (referred to in the South as the Battle of Seven Pines) seemed to be a draw. The Union forces had every reason to consider it a victory. They had faced the enemy, blocked him from achieving his objective, and had inflicted heavy casualties on the attackers. Through political machinations (much of his own doing) Naglee was never to lead another army in battle. This was unfortunate, for Lincoln needed more aggressive field commanders. But then one wonders how many more battles our "fighting Harry" could have survived.



Spotlight Section

By Gary Hubbard

A CULTURAL JEWEL FOR NAGLEE PARK: 3 Below Theater

Lights, camera, action, snacks, live theater, movies, classes, free parking!



Naglee Park is blessed with at least four live theater sites within walking distance, but one that stands out with its breadth of live, filmed, and activity offerings to all ages: San Jose Playhouse/3Below Theater (sanjoseplayhouse.org) at 288 S. 2nd St. Their Director of Community Development/Sales, Nanci Williams, is a new Naglee Park resident!

Many of us have attended great performances at San Jose Stage, City Lights Theater, and the Tabard Theater. San Jose Playhouse's season is also back with hilarious "La Cage Aux Folles", just completed, featuring Stephen Guggenheim, a veteran opera performer joined by no less than 5 professional members of Actors Equity Association. More upcoming musicals/plays are: "Man of La Mancha", "Xanadu", "Thanks for Playing (the game show show)", and "Sunday in the Park with George". Those who have seen their production of "Xanadu" HIGHLY recommend it!

And look at the array of offered films! There's Blockbusters, Retro, Independent Films, Documentaries, Royal Opera, Sing-alongs, Slapstick Sundays, and a "Club House Series" for ages 4 – 12! There's something for everyone, including monthly showings of "Rocky Horror Picture show". There's more: an Academy of theater education/training for all ages: children, teens, adults, and seniors. Four seasons of classes, taught by working theater professionals, are offered on week-day afternoons and evenings.

Nanci told me that their biggest challenge –like that of almost all small businesses – is difficulty in hiring staff. The Good News: they are very receptive to community volunteers such as those of us here in Naglee Park. Nanci also said that their performances are attracting about 30% capacity, similar to other local venues. So, San Jose Playhouse and 3 Below movies do need (and deserve) our participation. Bonus: they validate parking in the 2nd/3rd Street garage, right next door.

Their mission statement is to "inspire, stimulate, and entertain a diverse audience – including age, gender, race, ability, faith, and socio-economic status". I can't think of anyone, right off the bat, that wouldn't fit under that umbrella.

Did You Know?

Lynnea Hagen, Marketing Committee Member

Naglee Park has its own designated “poet Laureate”.

You may have read some of his delightful/insightful poems in the CCA/Naglee Park email list, or maybe you saw him in the 2020 4th of July parade in a car bearing a Poet Laureate sign on the side and wondered, “Who is this guy?” Well, he’s Laurence (Larry) Snyder, a longtime Naglee Park resident, and a pretty interesting guy.

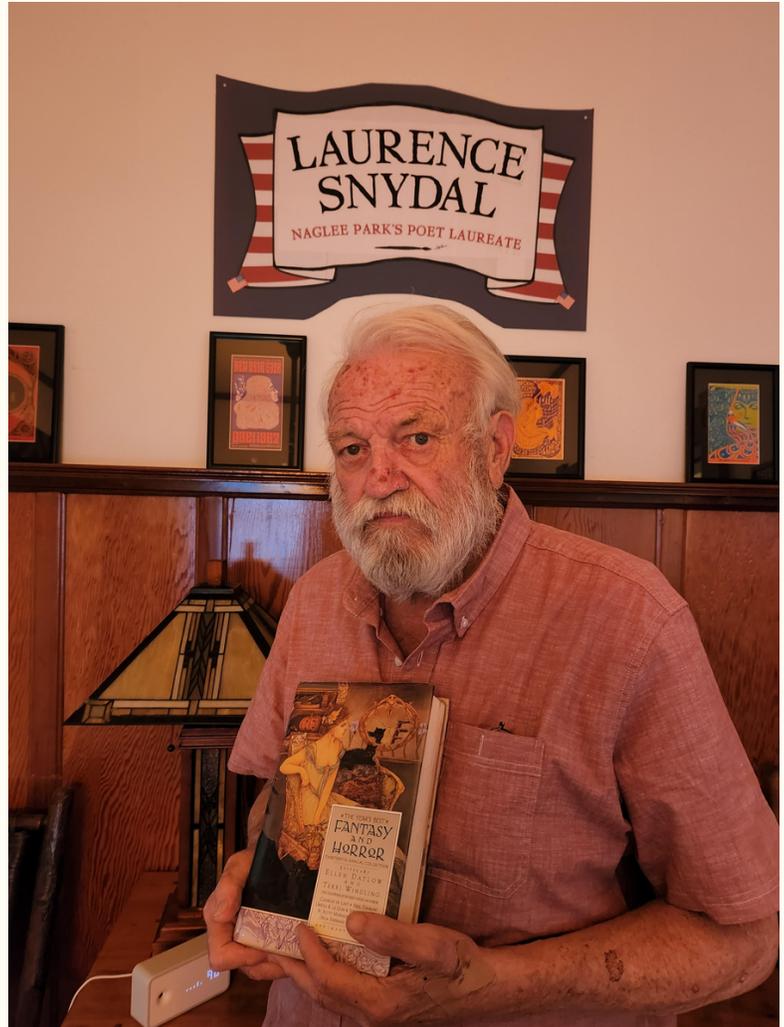
Besides being a well published poet, Larry is an educator, author, cook, and musician.

Larry grew up in rural western North Dakota, has Viking roots (he’s part Icelandic), and can sing the Serbian song “Sano Duso” better than anyone I know (and I’m Serbian).

Larry’s first teaching position was many years ago in the storied little town of Happy Camp, “located in proximity to nothing”, 30 miles south of the Oregon border, on the Klamath River. It was there that he met his wife, Susan, another teacher. They lived in the forested area there in a log cabin, while Larry taught English and History, kicking off a career that lasted many years until his retirement from teaching Jr. High students in San Jose.

Larry’s first published poem was in Lyric Magazine in 1984, and he has been gifting the world with poetry ever since. Larry estimates that he has had 180 poems published, and has written 500-600 poems (mostly sonnets) in his lifetime. Larry has published 3 books of poetry himself, including Homefields and Dakota. Larry’s poems range from silly to sublime (“Raiment”) and are filled with observations and nuances of his own history or personal musings on various subjects. One of Larry’s poems was included in Iowa University Press book about Robert Frost (Larry’s idol).

In addition to being a fine poet, Larry authored 2 textbooks for kids: Stories From Where We Live, and New to America, written from the vantage points of children of immigrants. He’s also the author of a book for new dads entitled The New Father Survival Guide, based on lessons gleaned as a father of his own 2 sons. Larry is a fine cook and has gathered friends to his home for readings of his poetry, accompanied by fantastic food...and good wine!



Many of you know Larry as a musician and have enjoyed him at events in Naglee Park, or in venues around the San Jose area. He has been singing with longtime Naglee Park resident, Greg Winslow, for nearly 40 years, and they are original members of our beloved Golden State Ramblers group. This group sings a huge number and variety of songs, ranging from old folk songs to the Beatles to modern ballads. And, recently, Larry produced his own album of old musical standards.

Finally, a little-known fact about Larry: years ago, he was in 2 Bay-Area-made “art house style” movies. Ask him about these projects. He is truly multi-faceted, and we’re blessed to have as a Naglee Park resident.

“Ends are in beginnings, beginnings are in ends” ~ Laurence Snyder



Neighborhood Celebrations

Here are the upcoming celebrations happening right here in the hood!

The 3rd Annual PorchFest

presented by Naglee Park Campus Community Association

Sunday, June 19th (Father's Day), 2-6pm

Featuring multiple music stops throughout Naglee Park neighborhood.



This popular neighborhood event is back to celebrate our Naglee Park neighborhood with live music on the front lawns, driveways and porches of our neighbors. You are encouraged to walk, bike, scoot & skate through the neighborhood to enjoy a different show every 35 minutes!

A SCHEDULE: Music starting at 2:05pm, 3:25pm, 4:45pm

B SCHEDULE: Music starting at 2:45pm, 4:05pm, 5:25pm

Full band schedule has been published on the neighborhood email list.

THANK YOU TO OUR ADDITIONAL PORCHFEST SPONSORS!

- Marianne & Carl Salas, who encourage you to visit Guadalupe River Park & buy a ticket to hear Symphony San Jose.
- Hoqoq-Bhudsabourg Family
- Cosmic Coffee Company
- Bob Kennedy Amp Repair
- Gary Hubbard
- Oscar O'Naglee Park
- Friends of Levitt Pavillion
- Naglee Park Pottery
- Julie Hardin
- Awesome Foundation Featuring Casey Wickstrom
- San Jose Mailing

EAT

Everyone's favorite neighborhood restaurant, The Naglee Park Garage will be serving up pre-order meals especially for PorchFest! To place your order, please call the restaurant (408-564-4111) no later than Saturday, June 18th. Food can be picked up on Sunday, June 19th between 1pm – 5pm.

4th of July

The 4th of July is coming and there's no better place to celebrate than our own Naglee Park neighborhood! The Fun Run, parade decorating/costume contest and neighborhood block party will all return this year to make a full day of activities.

Coyote Creek Fun Race

Explore on foot the outback of Selma Olinder Park, the Coyote Creek and new areas in between. One mile, 2 miles, and 4.5 mile courses. Participants welcomed in adult and children's categories. Meet at William Street Park at 8am to start the day off with some exercise. No pre registration necessary, just show up and get ready to run! Race begins sharply at 8:30am

The 46th Annual CCA 4th of July Parade

Decorate bikes, wagons, cars, or anything that can move! If you would like to participate in the parade, meet at 12:30pm at the corner of 14th and San Salvador Streets. No pre registration needed! Starting at 1pm, our community will parade over to 16th St, down to San Antonio, then back up to 15th to William Street. Everyone is welcome to join in or watch from the street or front gardens. Water Balloons are not allowed!

Parade Decorating & Costume Contest

Have you got what it takes to win? BEST COSTUME, MOST SPIRITED, and MOST PATRIOTIC will each win \$75 gift certificates to the Naglee Park Garage!

New Babies Cars

All new babies born since July 4th 2021 and their parents are welcome to ride in the New Babies Cars. Parents, please email babies@nagleepark.org to participate. Convertible owners please email babies@nagleepark.org to volunteer your vehicle.

Big Neighborhood Block Party

Free to All Naglee Park Residents and Friends of Naglee Park.

Picnic, Potluck, and BBQ. All Naglee Park residents, family and friends are invited to join together. Spread a blanket on the grass and enjoy the day. Free to all Naglee Park Residents and Friends! Beverages and a HUGE BBQ grill are provided. Bring a potluck dish to share, something to BBQ, utensils, and plates.

Block Party is held on the 600 Block of South 16th Street starting at 2pm



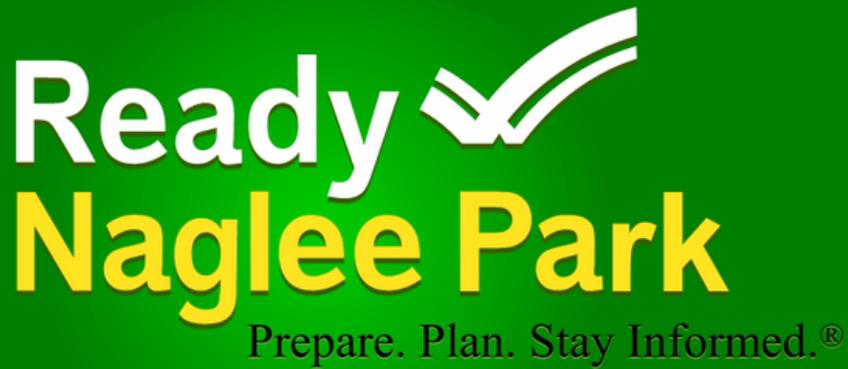
Bark in the Park

Bark in the Park is an annual dog festival sponsored by CCA. In 1996, a small, passionate group of dog-loving Naglee Parkers sought a way to bring attention to the architecture, neighborliness, and walkability of the neighborhood. Bark has evolved into a major fundraiser for our neighborhood, providing funding for neighborhood events and local animal shelters. When Bark in the Park San Jose began, there were a few hundred human festival goers and their four-legged friends. In 2019, Bark attracted over 3,500 dogs and 15,000 humans. It is reportedly the largest dog festival in the country.

This year, Bark in the Park is set to welcome back many unique dog vendors and services, plenty of food and beverage vendors, and dog entertainment - including dog contests (like "Best Costume"), in which your very own 4-legged loved one can participate! Also check out the dog-themed Kid's Zone where kids can live that dog life by playing in their own puppy agility course & doggy bounce house, participating in dog-themed crafts, learn about training a dog and hear stories about real and imaginary dogs.

Bark in the Park is volunteer-driven, and key volunteers are from Naglee Park. You can volunteer for the day of or for more ongoing involvement. For more information about every dog's favorite day, including how you can volunteer to support this amazing event, scan the QR code below.





Are YOU Ready?

Ready Naglee Park - Your Neighborhood in Action

Mother Nature can be downright mean sometimes! Earthquakes, heavy rain, flooding, excessive heat, and high winds are all naturally occurring events that happen all the time. Disasters only happen when these impact human beings. Are you ready? Is your family and household ready? What can you do to minimize the risk of injury or loss of life in your household if a disaster strikes? Are you prepared for a multi-day power outage in the event of a Public Safety Power Shutoff? Have you taken steps to protect your house from the risk of burning embers from an encampment fire? Are you prepared to evacuate – or shelter in place – in the event of a toxic release?

Ready Naglee Park is a group of volunteers who have completed CERT training in order to learn how to be better prepared for an emergency. You are welcome to join this ever-growing group of volunteers and learn how you can help yourself, your family members, and your neighbors. The CERT program covers disaster preparedness, emergency medical response, light search and rescue, hazardous materials, utility and fire safety, and disaster psychology. We also coordinate training programs with other neighborhood CERT teams throughout the City, and practice communication skills using GMRS and Ham radio networks.

When disaster strikes, it is expected that local emergency services and first responders will be overwhelmed, and may not be able to provide assistance – rescue, first aid, food – for extended periods of time. Residents must be prepared to take care of themselves and their families, and help their neighbors if possible, until professional responders can get to the scene. This is where CERT training comes in – to teach you what to do to be better prepared, how to respond, and how to safely help others.

If you want to learn more, be sure to sign up for CERT training when it is available. Ready Naglee Park will help you prepare a personal Grab-n-Go kit in case you need to evacuate, and a Family Survival Kit if required to shelter in place; how to check your house and surroundings for fire hazards – especially important with the ongoing drought, and develop a Family Emergency Plan for you and your loved ones.

Ready Naglee Park will be conducting some basic emergency preparedness programs over the summer. If you want to learn more, watch for upcoming events posted by Ready Naglee Park on the Naglee Park Group email, or contact us at ReadyNagleePark@gmail.com.



From the Marketing Committee

Call for Website Support

Catherine Bush

The Marketing Committee needs your help!

We have decided to update the Naglee Park website and will be moving to a Wix platform. **We are in need of a volunteer that has experience creating Wix sites that can work with the Marketing team to create our new community website.** If you are interested in volunteering or would like to learn more about the project, please reach out to Cat at Marketing@nagleepark.org

Resurrection of the “Naglee Parents” email group

Catherine Bush

The Naglee Park Parents email group has been resurrected! Thanks to neighborhood volunteers Maia and Ken, the email group is now live, and we are excited to see the number of families who have already signed up. Do you want to be part of the next generation of this group, or know someone who does? Please spread the word to your neighbors with school-age kids, caregivers of children, grandparents, and anyone who would be interested in learning more about social and sports meet-ups, age-specific group playdates, and other kid-focused news and activities. **Reach out to NagleeParents@nagleepark.org if you are interested in joining the Parents group** or if you are interested in volunteering.

With appreciation!

Cat & Maia



Joining the CCA

Here's how to do it

If you are interested in joining the CCA, that's wonderful! Welcome!

The Campus Community Association is a non-profit corporation organized to preserve the neighborhood and promote community spirit. Your dues help sponsor events, newsletters, and neighborhood meetings, as well as community, education and beautification projects. Annual membership is available for families (\$25) and businesses (\$40).

To join, complete and return the membership form. You can download the Membership Form (scan QR code below) or visit <https://nagleepark.org/joincca.html>



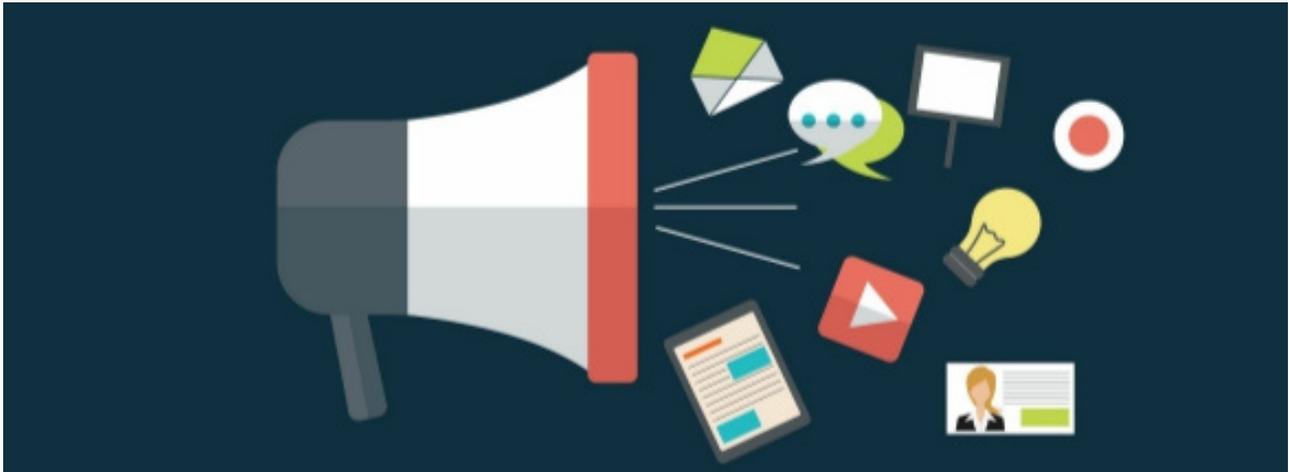
Naglee Park CCA has provided an email list that is open to all residents. Please note some of the community email terms below.

If you would like to join this email list, please visit:

<https://nagleepark.org/email.html>

1. List members should follow good (n)etiquette
2. Provide your name and general address (i.e. 3xx 13th)
3. Personal attacks on other people are unacceptable. Be as courteous to your neighbors online as you would be in person.
4. The list of member email addresses may not be distributed.
5. Email from the list should not be reposted elsewhere without permission of the author. Do not send private emails to the list without the author's permission.

Full terms and conditions can be found on the CCA website.



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Newsletters will be delivered to local Naglee Park residents on a quarterly basis. If you are interested in advertising in this newsletter, please reach out to Marketing@nagleepark.org. All proceeds go towards offsetting the cost of printing and distributing this newsletter.



Hungry for more newsletters? The archive of the past Naglee Park Newsletters can be found on the CCA website, nagleepark.org.

The Advisor was the newsletter of the CCA from 1988 to 2011. It included information of interest to the neighborhood such as recent and upcoming events, news from the CCA President and articles by local historians, and provided an opportunity for local businesses to buy ads.

Please note, this newsletter was written, compiled, laid out, and edited by community volunteers. Please forgive any errors you may find.

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