SSA SUMMER POTLUCK PICNIC AND
ART AND HOBBY FAIR
JAQUA RANCH
SUNDAY JULY 27
12:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Bring a potluck dish to share.
SSA will provide plates, utensils and soft drinks.

This year the South Skyline Association’s July picnic will feature an exhibition of local art, music, hobbies and various subjects of interests within the South Skyline community.

We are looking for Skyline residents to share their talents, hobbies, and interests. We would like this to be an opportunity for Skyliners to network and share a variety of interests and ideas.

Examples:
Artwork, pottery, photography, wine making, children’s playgroup network, emergency preparedness, bird watching, antique tractors, music, gardening, baking, spinning and spinning wheels… and more!

Each person entering an exhibit will be responsible for bringing tables, umbrellas, and other equipment needed for setup.

There will be no sales at this event. This will be an afternoon for sharing good food and interesting pastimes amid the beauty of the Jaqua ranch and pond.

If you would like more information about sharing your talent, hobby or interest please contact Bill Fowkes at 650-941-4684, or email WCF@stanford.edu.

This event will take place at Dick and Ami Jaqua’s on Langley Hill Road, which is located 4.5 miles south on Skyline from Rte. 84, or 1.5 miles north on Skyline from Page Mill Rd., across from Fogarty Winery.

Please leave your dogs at home.
SSA Faces Issues Head-On

Janet Schwind, a founding member of the SSA in 1969, wrote this article for Skylines. She and others in the Skyline Historical Society are writing a book about the history of the South Skyline area.

Recently, I was reviewing back issues of the Skylines preparing to write the next chapter in South Skyline history. It struck me that the South Skyline Association had developed a modus operandi that may differ from some other organizations, which sometimes spring up to promote a single cause and then fade away.

One of the first issues the Association faced was a proposal in 1971 for a motorcycle park for all of Portola Heights. Board members met this issue head-on, as they would subsequent ones. They invited the promoters of the motorcycle park into their living rooms to explain the plan.

From this meeting and a telephone poll of owners of neighboring properties, members gathered information that led them to take a stand opposing the park and develop an effective strategy for defeating it at the county level. Promoters of other development schemes willingly submitted to the scrutiny of association members, often to be opposed as a result.

Over the years the Association gained the reputation for getting the facts straight from the horse’s mouth. They also learned how to relate to officials in positions of power, invite them up, so that they understand your point of view (a mental picture is worth a thousand words - seeing is believing). They reaffirmed that actions speak louder than words, to use another cliché.

The SSA actually was born in 1969 out of one resident’s frustration over grading along the Skyline. She roused the county planning director on a Sunday and persuaded him to drive up the hill.

When members were concerned about the expansion and maintenance of Castle Rock State Park, they invited the State Director of Parks and Recreation along with his chief deputy up for dinner and a private fly-over of the territory. They also scheduled meetings with state legislators, county supervisors, planning commissioners, law enforcement and road maintenance personnel.

Instead of begging at the Mosquito Abatement District, dog lovers helped raise funds for its officer to perform a study of canine heartworm in the Skyline area.

When wells went dry after the Loma Prieta Earthquake, neighbors collected data from individual wells that led to a scientific study by geologists.

When propane users felt hostage to capricious pricing on the part of gas companies, they invited representatives from all the suppliers to explain their pricing plans and make a proposal to a newly formed users’ group (SPUG).

When jurisdictions were updating their general plans, the strategy was to gain representation on a committee and try to get local issues addressed before the plan was submitted for final approval of commissions and boards. For input to these plans, the Association polled members through questionnaires issued in the Skylines.

When wild pigs began to root up the landscape, members initiated their own depredation program, and urged other agencies to work together on a regional approach. (It’s easier to get help when you help yourself.)

In 1971 the two-year old Association entered into one of its most important and long lasting relationships. When folks in the Valley proposed the formation of an open space district, the SSA invited the promoters to a meeting on their mountain turf. Upon reviewing the State legislation for open space districts, members realized that the power of eminent domain would be the main stumbling block to its acceptance in the community. Nevertheless, with 73% of poll respondents favoring the district, the SSA Board took the bold step of endorsing its formation (not that SSA endorsement had much impact on the final decision.) Members viewed the benefits as preventing haphazard development and providing a responsible caretaker for the larger ranches whose owners wanted to sell them intact.

The issue of eminent domain did come to a head in 1985 when District staff recommended its use for a parcel on Page Mill Road. Other members reported sales agents appearing at their doors making veiled threats if they didn’t sell their property to one of the open space organizations. Already sensitized to this issue by similar experiences in the Castle Rock area, the members reacted with a campaign to alert owners of large properties in the entire Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District.

This effort got the attention of the District Board members. Some of them came on hosted tours of the Skyline area. They consented to hold a series of workshops aimed at adopting a policy on the use of eminent domain. SSA members were regular participants, promoting the concept of “willing sellers only.” In the end, a compromise policy was adopted. The main outcome, however, was that the District became more loathe to use their power. The mountain folk had been heard loud and clear on this gut issue. (Later, the Board of MROSD would renounce the use of eminent domain for the proposed coastal expansion.)

During their discussions with individual staff and Board members, local residents found many areas of mutual concern where a good working relationship would be beneficial. The District became more attuned to local needs and developed a “Good Neighbor Policy.” It became easier to work out
concerns with staff who tend to view maintenance issues with the same practical mind as residents.

Maintenance and patrol of all park and open space lands in the area has been the mantra of the SSA since its inception. Each time a new general plan is considered, SSA representatives ask, “Where is the funding for long term operations and protection?” Of the three agencies holding public land, MROSD has certainly provided the most support and, as a result, the South Skyline area is a safer place today than it was thirty years ago.

In various elections for the MROSD Board, individual members of the SSA have supported and campaigned for candidates who supported their views. (SSA, as an organization, does not endorse candidates but supplies a forum for all sides). The community celebrated when Larry Hassett, former Association president and volunteer firefighter, was appointed to the MROSD Board. I don’t think this would have happened without the respect that SSA has earned over the years. Just because their neighbor sits on the Board doesn’t mean that the District can’t benefit from the input of individual Skyline residents and the SSA.

I am proud to be a member of the South Skyline Association, an organization that does its homework and tackles issues head-on, and also follows up with sustained constructive, cooperative action. With this approach, there have been some false starts and overreaction at times, but on the whole, I think the SSA “has money in the bank” when it comes to credibility. It pays when the group takes a stand on an issue. ~Janet Schwind

MAD or Empty Skies?
San Mateo County, like its neighbors, implements a Mosquito Abatement District (SMC MAD). Unlike neighboring counties, SMC MAD does not extend its activities to the unincorporated areas. Skyliners and areas west of Highway 35 are not protected. Worried about the spread of West Nile Virus westward, the District proposes to extend its sphere of influence to serve all of San Mateo County. The issue will be discussed at the next public meeting of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) in the Supervisor’s Chamber, Redwood City on July 16, 2003.

You can guess from the title that I am in favor of the MAD expansion. Coast Side farmers hold a different point of view. I am aware of two major questions the farmers have raised about the proposed expansion of MAD’s sphere of influence. One, the possibility that MAD technicians could come on their lands without prior notice and permission. Property owners along Skyline also share this concern.

The second question, specific to organic farmers, is the possibility of losing certification if MAD technicians were to use chemical or non-organic sprays as a method of control. Were this to occur, the economic impact would be severe and the fate of organic farming in doubt.

Chindy Peavy, Vector Ecologist for SMCMAD writes in response to my inquiry regarding farmers’ concerns,

…Organic farmers do not need to be concerned about our operations...All of the products we use are specific to mosquitoes...2 types of bacteria and an insect growth regulator. Both of the bacterial products have received organic certification...It is our policy to contact land owners first, before entering their property and to work in cooperation with them in alleviating mosquito problems...

And regarding organophosphates:

...as a result of heightened concern over environmental impacts and worker health and safety, the SMCMAD has voluntarily eliminated their use..

Dr. Peavey invites telephone inquiries at (650) 344-8592 for further details.

Here is why others and I, especially persons interested in the health of man and beast, are in favor of the MAD expansion to control mosquitoes.

West Nile virus (WNV), transmitted by mosquitoes, is expected in California, late summer. The common house mosquito, night-feeder Culex pipiens, (see MAD Battles WNV in the April 2003 edition and Tiger Trapped in the October 2002 issues of the SSA Newsletter), implicated recently as a major vector of West Nile virus, strikes birds, livestock and people by sucking up infected blood of WNV victims, primarily birds—the major reservoir of the virus. If you, in turn, are bitten by such a carrier-mosquito, you may fall ill with symptoms of the disease and, if unlucky, with its severe form, inflammation of the spinal cord and/or the brain (meningoencephalitis).

Empty Skies: WNV is predominantly a disease of birds. The Ornithological Council (a coalition of ten major bird research groups) is worried that WNV could empty the skies, trees and bushes. According to recent estimates, it has already killed at least 100,000 crows, blue jays, ravens, the species most susceptible. At least 120 North American birds, from black-capped chickadees to bald eagles, have been infected. Antibodies for the virus have been found in the great horned
owl. Bird deaths will signal WNV has arrived here. It is your and my guess what effect a massive bird die-off would have on our ecology and particularly on farming.

U.S. Blood Supplies: Last year was the worst season ever for West Nile infections in the United States, with over 4,000 documented cases. At least 21 of them came from blood transfusions. Twelve of those patients developed encephalitis, six died. According to Lyle Petersen of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), another 21 cases may stem from transfusions, source undetermined. Blood banks are now in a ‘Race Against Mosquitoes’ to protect the North American blood supply from WNV.

Last Word from Physicians, Scott Morrow, MD, MPH and. Sam Stebbins, MD, MPH: By far the most important thing that can be accomplished to reduce human and animal infections, and death from this disease (WNV), is to expand the boundaries of the SMCMAD to include the entire county.

And from me: I don’t like to get bitten.

And from you: Let your voice be heard on July 16 Visit the LAFCo website at http://www.sanmateolafco.org, and SMCMAD at http://www.smcmad.org ~Eva Blum

Irruptive Year For Western Tanagers

I’m not at all sure if Western Tanagers are considered an "irruptive" species like Pine Siskins where depending on food and weather they can be all over in great numbers for many months or very scarce for short periods of time. However, this certainly has been a banner year for these gorgeous and shy birds. Many customers have excitedly phoned or come into the store with stories of seeing these brilliantly colored birds for the first time. One gentleman came in with a story about seeing 5 males bathing in a puddle in the gutter. What a sight that must have been. If you’ve never seen a Western Tanager (Piranga ludoviciana, family Thraupidae, order Passeriformes), please look it up in your field guide. Word descriptions just do not do it justice, even though I'm about to try.

They're a smallish bird, a smidge over 7" with a wingspan of 11 or so inches, bigger than a house finch, smaller than a robin. Sibley's Guide to Birds calls them "small and relatively short-tailed, with small bill and long, pointed wings." What's really outstanding about these birds is the color of the male. His whole body is BRIGHT yellow. Now imagine that he's put a black-cropped jacket on for his wings. Coming down the wing, starting at the shoulder is a yellow stripe and a white stripe. Now for the head: His entire head from the base of the neck in back to the upper chest in front is BRIGHT raspberry to scarlet red. He truly is magnificent. The female is "dusky back contrasts with yellower nape and rump" according to Sibley.

They are insect eaters so their bills are a bit stout and the bill is more orange than black. Since they are insect and fruit eaters, water is the best way of attracting them to your yard. Serving insect suet or offering fruit are possibilities but moving water is a surer bet. In Sibley's Guide to Bird Life and Behavior, Allison Childs Wells and Jeffrey V. Wells have written the piece about Tanagers. Apparently, Western Tanagers, "sometimes fly catch, but most food is plucked from vegetation". Too bad tanagers aren't more common in larger numbers, because their favorite foods include "wasps, bees, caterpillars, moths, and beetles."

They are forest dwellers up to 10,000 feet in dense mixed forests but also present in lower elevations in cottonwoods along streams. Western Tanagers are classic neo-tropical migrants, wintering in South and Central America, migrating all the way up into Canada for the summer. While the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society Checklist shows it as a "county breeding bird", it shows their numbers higher in May (going north) and in mid-August to the end of September (going south). So if you missed them on their northward journey, keep an eye out for their return journey. It's worth the wait.

~ Freddy Howell
West Meets East Along Skyline

Elk clover or California spikenard (*Aralis californica*) is so large, it’s difficult to think of as an herb. The plant grows 3 to 9 feet tall. Then again, it’s not a clover either, but the sole native California member of the ginseng family, Araliaceae.

The giant perennial herb (stems are not woody) is winter dormant with shoots appearing in early spring. The erect stems branch into pinnately compound leaves 1 to 3 feet long, which branch again into 3 sections of 3 to 5 leaflets. The hairless leaflets are oblong-oval and finely serrated along the edges.

While the plant is large, the flowers are tiny. From June to August, hundreds of white or greenish-yellow flowers bloom in loose clusters of ball-shaped umbels. The individual flowers are 1 to 2 mm across with sepals, petals, and stamen in groups of 5. From August to October, flowers mature into purple-black berries, 5 mm across and containing 3 to 5 seeds. After fruiting, the plant dies back to below ground, reappearing the following spring.

Elk clover is found primarily in the coastal mountains from southern California to southern Oregon below 6,000 feet. It grows in shady, moist places along slopes and streams of redwood and mixed evergreen forests and prefers to have its roots reach flowing water.

Elk clover is related to American spikenard (*A. racemosa*) found in the mid-western and eastern U.S. The roots of both have been used as less potent alternatives to ginseng, commonly used in Chinese herbal medicine. Elk clover may be cultivated from seed or macerated fruit, germinating in about 60 days. ~Sarah Schoen

**Williamson Act Is Saved…**

The California Land Conservation Act of 1965—commonly referred to as the Williamson Act—enables local governments to enter into contracts with private landowners for the purpose of restricting specific parcels of land to agricultural or related open space use. In return, landowners receive property tax assessments, which are much lower than normal because they are based upon farming and open space uses as opposed to full market value.

Governor Gray Davis proposed eliminating the funds in his economic plan announced in early January 2003. However, a coalition of farm groups, open-space advocates and local governments has convinced Governor Davis to restore money for this popular farmland-preservation program. The governor’s May budget revision, announced May 14, 2003, restores $40 million dollars in reimbursements to local governments for the program. For more details see: http://www.montereycountyfarmbureau.org/

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**Local Business**

**Alice’s Restaurant**
Four Corners on Skyline
Come meet the new owners. Gourmet dinners from our chef Ruffino. Full breakfast and luncheon menu. Personable and knowledgeable Maitre D’.
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. (Tuesday)
650-851-0303

**The Mountain Terrace**
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Charming and rustic atmosphere uniquely suited to your special occasion. Now available for private events, the Mountain Terrace is open to the public for Sunday brunch.
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Groceries, DVD rentals
Full Deli - Sandwiches, burritos, and more
Try our new breakfast menu, featuring breakfast burritos, bagels & a new espresso machine
M-F 7:30AM - 7:00PM
Sat 8:30AM - 7:00PM
Sun 8:30 AM - 6:30PM
For information call 650-851-0914
Aloha in the Redwoods
A Benefit for La Honda Education Foundation
Sunday, September 14,
~ 12 noon till 6 pm

La Honda Gardens
8865 La Honda Road (Hwy 84) in La Honda, CA
6 miles west of Skyline (Hwy 35)

Concert ~ Hula ~ Potluck Luau
Featuring Hawaiian Ki Ho'Alu (slack key) guitarist & storyteller Patrick Landeza, HULA Dancers, and special guests!

Picnic blankets and lawn chairs are welcome!

Tickets will be on sale in August for $20 in advance; or $25 at the gate, day of show. $10 for keiki (children under 10 yrs old.)

For more information & ticket sales, go to:
http://www.karenshaff.com/aloha or email aloha@karenshaff.com, or call 650-747-9633.

For information about Patrick Landeza go to:
http://www.patioklandeza.com

La Honda Education Foundation is a non-profit organization, which raises money to fund salaries for teachers, teachers' aides, and the art & music programs at La Honda Elementary School. Due to major state budget cuts this year, we need to raise over $90,000 to keep teachers in this small, rural La Honda-Pescadero Unified School District. We welcome you to join us for a wonderful afternoon of Aloha and supporting education in our community! ~ Karen Shaff

SPUG Quarterly Report
Skyline Propane Users Group (SPUG) was formed as a benefit for SSA members. For information about joining the Skyline Propane Users Group (SPUG), or for members wishing to have correct information on the Amerigas contract with us, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your request to Ruth Waldhauer, SSA Membership Chairperson, 22400 Skyline Boulevard, Box 35, La Honda, CA 94020.

Recent SPUG prices are:

- April $1.369/gallon
- May 1.249
- June 1.249

Prices are subject to changes as frequently as wholesale prices change. Reported here are usually prices for the first week of the month. See www.southskyline.org for recent updates. Members 55 years of age or older qualify for a 5 cent/gallon discount on the SPUG group price. Our SPUG rate is based on automatic regular route deliveries on a keep-full basis, not "will call" service.

Important SSA Questionnaire
In a few weeks, members will receive in their mail a questionnaire from South Skyline Association. We want to learn your views on issues before the board to be sure we are on track representing you. Thus, it is very important that you promptly complete the questionnaire and return it to us! ~ Dick Schwind, President

How to Catch A Tick—And Why Bother

Dry ice will do the trick! And you’ll catch a whole lot more than just one, if that is your ambition. Ticks can smell the carbon dioxide given off by dry ice, also by your breath, from up to thirty feet! Closer, they sniff out the ammonia in your sweat; closest, your body heat helps them zero in for a blood meal. Cunning adaptation for critters blind and deaf!

Most ticks, “nesters” and “questers,” are slow as a sloth. But the “hunter ticks” will race after you from over thirty feet. Daniel Sonenshine, author of The Biology of the Tick, has clocked a tick crossing his desk in less than ten seconds. During feeding, a tick is hard to remove because it has fishhooks on its feeding tube. For good measure, most secrete a cement-like substance that glues them to their feeding station. After dinner the substance dissolves.

There are approximately 850 species worldwide, divided into two families, hard tick, family Ixodidae and soft tick, Argasidae. Within one hour during voracious feeding soft tick can stretch her cuticles as much as 8 – 10 times original size. Slow and dainty feeder, hard tick savors her meal over several days, growing new cuticles to increase in size a phenomenal 100 fold. The male also enjoys a blood meal but consumes less. Different tick, different strategies. Hard tick goes questing, soft tick likes nesting (usually). Hard tick crawls up grass or perches on a leaf, legs outstretched,

Patrick Ladenza, Photo by Dana Pitchon
welcoming the passing victim. Soft tick likes to venture forth from the safety of her hosts’ nest.

Such a one is the Pacific Coast Tick with whom you, your pets, and neighborhood rodents are unhappily familiar. The American Dog Tick is important east of the Rocky Mountains as the vector of Rocky Mountain spotted fever. It also can transmit tularemia (Rabbit Fever), as can mosquitoes—of concern as a possible bio-weapon. The Rocky Mountain Wood Tick is also a tularemia vector. Fortunately, it is only rarely found on the western range of the Northern Sierras.

And there is yet another pest worthy of interest, the Brown Dog Tick or kennel tick. A “nester,” it lays its eggs at the victim’s residence. This tick may be the vector for canine hemorrhagic fever, tick typhus and canine acute hemolytic anemia.

You want to watch out for the Western Black Legged Deer Tick, *Ixodes pacificus*, vector of the Lyme disease spirochete. A hard tick, it is much smaller than the common dog and cattle ticks (see, *Love that Lizard Lounging on the Fence*, Skylines newsletter April 2000, p.5).

Is there something good to be reported? Well, yes. The pajaroello tick, for one. After trapping females with dry ice, feeding them in the laboratory through blood-filled sausage casings, they are used for scientific studies instead of other animals. Another positive, only one tick in a million finds enough food to survive to adulthood. Finally, SMC MAD is here to control bad actors like ticks, mosquitoes and—upon arrival—Africanized bees and the imported red fire ant! ~Eva Blum

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**Mountain Girls are on the Run**

“Girls on the Run is so much fun!” has been an often-heard cheer around Lakeside Elementary School this spring. Those cheers came from 33 girls age 8-12 from Lakeside, Lexington and Hillbrook Schools participating in a new program called Girls on the Run.

Girls on the Run of Silicon Valley is an experiential program that combines training for a 5 km (3.1 mile) running race with life-changing, self-esteem enhancing warm-ups and workouts. This new genre of recreation programs encourages emotional, social, mental, and physical development. Emphasis is given to a non-competitive approach that fosters cooperation and camaraderie.

In 1996, 4-time Hawaii Ironman triathlete and young mother, Molly Barker “invented” Girls on the Run. Molly began running at the age of 15 – the age when she found herself stuck in what she describes as “the girl box”, when only girls who were a certain size with certain beauty were popular; when girls who wanted to “fit in” had to mold their bodies and the personalities to fit the requirements of this box.

In 2001 mountain residents Kathleen Nestler (from the Summit area) and Christy Cowley (from the South Skyline area) introduced Girls on the Run to California. Kathleen, an avid marathoner and mother of two daughters grew up in the Santa Cruz Mountains and attended Lakeside Elementary School and Los Gatos High School. Christy is the mother of two boys and a passionate runner. She says, “Girls on the Run is a great way for me to reconnect with my girlhood”. (Christy recently placed 1st in her age category in a local Go Girl Triathlon.)

The girls ran the Forest of Nisene Marks 5K run in Aptos on Saturday, June 7, 2003. Some were ready to run a 5K by then and some chose to walk the distance; but all the girls participated and finished the race. In the under age 18 category two Lakeside fourth graders took second and third places.

Girls on the Run of Silicon Valley is a California non-profit corporation. Initially introduced at Lakeside Elementary School, Kathleen and Christy are looking forward to expanding to other sites throughout Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. Next year Kathleen and Christy would like to start a program called Girls on Track for middle school girls. The training program will be similar but they will deal with different issues that concern that age group.

Girls on the Run of Silicon Valley is looking for volunteer coaches to help them expand this program. If you would like to volunteer, if you need more information regarding the program, or would like to enroll your daughter call Kathleen Nestler at 408-354-8675 or check out the website at www.girlsontherun-sv.org.

~Patti Begley

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**FOR SALE**

2 steel 500-gallon fuel tanks - $100 for both 650-747-0430

Bench & Chair -1 hardwood and saddle leather Spanish Colonial or early Calif. Style bench and matching armchair – at a good price. 650-747-0430

Oak Barrel Halves - 1/2 used oak wine barrels for sale. Make good wooden planters. $20 for 15-gallon size (2 available - halves of a 30 gallon barrel), $25 for 30-gallon size (8 available - halves of 60 gallon barrels). Call John at 408-867-3205

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**WANTED**

Tractor, crawler – type: cat, cletrak, other. Must be narrow gauge, 36 inches-42 inches. Please call regarding anything you might know of or have. Steve 650-851-3181

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**Want Ads:** Free to SSA Members only. No continuing ads will be accepted. They must be resubmitted for each issue. Deadlines are - July 1, October 1, January 1, and April 1. **News Articles:** Next issue – September 19, 2003 Send ads and articles to: Patti Begley 26160 Highway 9, Los Gatos, CA 95033, or email SkylinesEditor@earthlink.net. **We reserve the right to edit all submissions. We assume no responsibility for omissions, incorrect information or personal opinions.**

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