



# Neighborhood News

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## **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter General Meeting Wednesday September 27th**

**6:30-9:00 pm at the Concord Council Chamber, 1950 Parkside Drive**

- ☆ **Dana Plaza Update**
- ☆ **Naval Weapons Station Tour Report**
- ☆ **Hazards that may affect the Naval Weapons Station development (Guest Speaker Phil Ramsey from the US Environmental Protection Agency)**

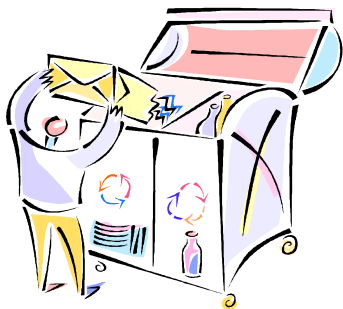
### **CNWS Tour**

Phil and Ricki Schafer, along with Ken Weis, took the August 26 morning tour of the Concord Naval Weapons Station; it was the first of seven that were offered over a three week period by the City of Concord to help residents comprehend the size and reuse challenges of the property. Michael Wright, Director of Concord Community Reuse Project, was the tour leader.



It was an eye-opening experience. The place is immense! It was sobering to realize the enormous amount of munitions that could have been stored in the over 250 bunkers; most of them are located in "Bunker City" which is close to Dana Estates. There seems to be ample room to accommodate multiple uses of the land, including housing, parks, educational facilities, historical preservation (some of the bunkers should be retained), wetlands preservation and businesses. All tour participants found the venture worthwhile and useful for understanding the developmental challenges ahead. A Navy/City of Concord workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10 at the Concord Senior Center.

### **Clean-up Days**



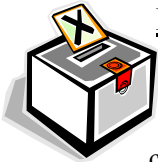
Many Dana Estates residents took advantage of the August 5 & 12 neighborhood clean-up days. Most of the City-supplied dumpsters were filled with unwanted items by noon of each day. Please give a well deserved thank you to your neighbors who served as volunteer monitors.

#### **Clean-up Day Volunteers**

Bob Alford, Bob Barnes, Jerry Bohm, Harry & Beth Byrne, Kaffy Cecil, Ellen Chang, Chet Freitas, Bob Hull, Encho Lejano, Jack Newton, Suzi Peek, Joanne Pitt, Francie Price, Barbara Quilici, Ricki Schafer, Leland Whiteside and John Wyckoff.

### **Dana Plaza Changes**

Several new businesses are scheduled to start soon, including a Dana Foods grocery store, the Ol' South Barbecue and Extreme Burgers restaurants. Property Manager Carla Lobato reports that there are some other businesses negotiating for space. An update will be given at the September DENA General Meeting.



## DENA Board Elections

Get involved! Candidates are now being sought for the Chair, Secretary and the five Area Representative positions. Successful candidates will begin service in 2007 for one year as Area Representatives and two years for the Chairman and Secretary. You can declare candidacy via email to [chair@danaestates.org](mailto:chair@danaestates.org) or by letter to DENA, P.O. Box 299, Concord, CA 94520. The filing deadline is October 31, 2006.

Voting ballots will be distributed with the November newsletter and will also be downloadable from the [www.danaestates.org](http://www.danaestates.org) web site. Each address that receives DENA newsletters is allotted one ballot; voters must be at least 18 years of age. Completed ballots can be submitted by mail or at the December General Meeting.

**Area Representatives** are expected to attend monthly Board Meetings and to distribute the quarterly newsletters in their districts with the assistance of area volunteers; the Board Meetings are usually held on the first Wednesday evening of each month and last about 1.5 hours. Attendance of the four General Meetings is also expected. Area Representatives may also be asked to assume leadership roles for DENA projects such as National Night Out.

The **Chair** is responsible for preparing agendas and presiding over all DENA meetings. This person also acts as the primary contact to other parties, including the City of Concord.

The **Secretary** is responsible for preparing written meeting minutes and distributing them to Board members. This person is also responsible for maintaining meeting attendance records. The Secretary will be responsible for handling DENA correspondence.

Votes will be tallied after the December General Meeting (the last voting opportunity).

## Current Candidates

Chair: Phil Schafer (incumbent)  
Secretary: Doreen Schwynoch  
Area 1 Rep.: Open  
Area 2 Rep.: Open  
Area 3 Rep.: Francie Price  
Area 4 Rep.: Kaffy Cecil  
Area 5 Rep.: Teri Lusk (incumbent)

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2006!

On **Tuesday, August 1st** Dana Plaza hosted Dana Estates' 4th annual **NATIONAL NIGHT**



**OUT**. About 200 residents enjoyed an ice cream sundae from Loard's Ice Cream, a jumpy house, the Concord Police Department's dog demonstration and exploration of CCFD's Engine #8 fire truck rig. Starbucks donated coffee & pastries and Safeway on Clayton Road gave a \$50 gift certificate that was used for purchasing water; their support for the Dana Estates community was much appreciated!

Concord Police representatives were on hand to offer information and answer residents' questions about crime and drug prevention. Contra Costa Fire Department representatives proudly talked about their Engine #8 and answered fire prevention questions from young and old! If you missed out, please visit the DENA website to see pictures of the fun that was had!!

Thanks for taking back your streets and sending a message to the criminals in your neighborhood-showing support by getting out and meeting your next door neighbor. THANK YOU!!!

## HOW TO REACH US

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**Check out our website for other GREAT information!!** [www.DANAESTATES.org](http://www.DANAESTATES.org)

## CURRENT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- General Membership Meeting, Wednesday, September 27th, 7:00pm at the Concord City Hall Council Chambers, 1950 Parkside Drive, Concord
- DENA Board usually meets the first Wednesday of the month at the First Christian Church, 3039 Willow Pass Road, Concord

All Dana Estates residents are encouraged to attend and participate in DENA General Membership and Board Meetings.

**BE SURE TO CHECK THE DENA WEBSITE  
FREQUENTLY FOR CHANGES!!**