

SUFA ENews

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Sunnyvale Urban Forest Advocates

Welcome to the Summer 2018 issue of the Sunnyvale Urban Forest Advocates (SUFA) newsletter. This quarterly newsletter will keep you informed about how you can participate in SUFA's efforts to increase the tree canopy in Sunnyvale through education, tree plantings, and advocacy.

Upcoming Events

Second Annual Fall Forest Festival

Saturday, September 8, 2018

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Ortega Park and Park Building
636 Harrow Way, Sunnyvale



Join us as we celebrate Sunnyvale trees at the second annual Fall Forest Festival at Ortega Park. There will be activities appropriate for all ages, including tree walks through the park, a Library story time, craft activities for kids, face painting, city crew tree climbing demos, and much, much more.

This event is **FREE** and **EVERYONE** is invited!

Festival Schedule

10 am - 2 pm: Children's games/activities

10 am - 2 pm: Tree Climbing Demonstrations - City Tree Crew

10 am - 2 pm: Tree Lift Truck Demonstration - City Tree Crew

10 am: Tree Walk - Sunnyvale City Arborist

11 am: Story Time - Sunnyvale Library Staff

12 pm: Tree Walk - Sunnyvale City Arborist

1 pm: Tree Planting



Fall Forest Festival Volunteer Opportunities

The Fall Forest Festival is right around the corner and we need your help to make it a success! Last year's festival was so popular, we are expanding our children's activities this year. We need volunteers to staff the activity tables.

If you would like to spend a fun day in the park and help spread the message about trees, please join us!

The Fall Forest Festival will be held at Ortega Park on September 8th from 10am-2pm (see above for the complete schedule). We will set up at 9 am and be finished by 3 pm. Volunteers are invited to work from 9am to 3pm, from 9am to 12pm, or from 12pm to 3pm.

Email info@sunnyvaleurbanforestadvocates.org to sign up!





City Council Candidate Forum and Urban Forest Talk

**Saturday, September 22nd
3 pm - 5 pm
Sunnyvale Public Library Program Room**

Join the Sunnyvale Urban Forest Advocates on Saturday, September 22nd for a talk about the importance of trees followed by a forum of city council candidates expressing their views on Sunnyvale's urban forest.

Leonard Dunn, Sunnyvale's Urban Landscape Manager, will begin the event at 3 pm with a presentation titled: **"Why Trees? Why are they important? What do they do for us?"** The talk will take a look at trees beyond their aesthetic value - what benefits they provide and how they are crucial to life on planet Earth.

After the presentation questions from the audience will be welcome.

At 4 p.m. the candidates for the City Council election in November will speak on their accomplishments and/or interest in promoting Sunnyvale's urban forest. Incumbents Mayor Glenn Hendricks and Gustav Larsson will attend as well as candidates John Cordes, Mason Fong, and Josh Grossman. Henry Alexander III will not be able to attend.

Each candidate will have three minutes for introductory remarks followed by questions from the audience.

Hope to see you there!

Tree Walks Galore!

Sunnyvale Urban Forest Advocates (SUFA) has had a busy summer hosting tree walks. We've had four walks at the **Civic Center/Library** - one at the Living Green Fair in April, two evening walks in June, and one at the Outdoor Fair, also in June. The Civic Center walks are of particular interest because of the more than 700 trees on the property and the upcoming Civic Center remodeling.



In addition, in July SUFA held a presentation on the Sunnyvale urban forest at **Ponderosa Park**, followed by our first ever tree walk there.

**Upcoming Tree Walks: Saturday, September 8th; 10 am and 12 pm;
Ortega Park, 636 Harrow Way**



Tree Walk Maps Online

Did you miss our trees walks? Have kids and would like to do them at your own pace? Take a self-guided tour! Tree Walk maps for the **Civic Center, Washington Park, and Ponderosa Park** and - coming soon - **Ortega Park** are available on the SUFA website - <http://www.sunnyvaletrees.org/tree-walk-maps>

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