



Neighborhood News

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1st Quarter Meeting Wednesday March 22nd @ 7:00 pm!!

- ✦ Development of Naval Weapons Land
- ✦ Concord High Stadium Lights Project
- ✦ Presentation by East Bay Regional Parks



What is YOUR vision for the Naval Weapons Station development?



DENA's March 22 General Meeting will introduce important information for those interested in the future of the Naval Weapons lands. Development? Open space? Both? What input can citizens give? The development of the Naval Weapons station is going to have a large impact on Dana Estates – even if it is 10 years down the road!

Leslye Asera, Community Relations Manager for the City of Concord, will give an update and take questions regarding the timeline for decision making and the current preliminary proposal for the Naval Weapons Land which can be found at www.ci.concord.ca.us. There will be a Public hearing held on April 5th at 7pm in the City Council Chambers to discuss for the public to make comments. People can respond to the general plan in writing through April 20th.

Brian Holt, a representative of the East Bay Regional Parks, will present an update and take questions regarding potential EBRPD interest and involvement in the Concord Reuse project to preserve lands for recreation and open space.

Richard Nicoll, Ph.D., MDUSD Assistant Superintendent, will be available to answer questions about the anticipated impact of the Naval Weapons Station development on the school system. Dr. Nicoll will also make the Concord High Stadium Lights presentation.

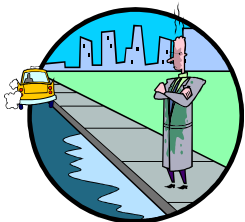
Got Waste?

You may have heard that, beginning Feb. 9, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control has banned household batteries, mercury thermometers, fluorescent light bulbs and electronics from your garbage carts.

The good news is, if you live in the Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority service area, there are options for you to legally and safely dispose of your toxic treasures.

The CCCSWA service area includes Alamo, Blackhawk, Danville, Diablo, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda and Walnut Creek.

All year long, you can take your batteries, mercury devices, fluorescent bulbs, along with paint, motor oil and pesticides, to the Central Contra Costa & Mt. View Sanitary District's Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 4797 Imhoff Place in Martinez.



Did you know that it is illegal to block the sidewalk when you park your car? It is! Parking any vehicle so as to obstruct the sidewalk is unlawful. It is dangerous for pedestrians, especially children and disabled people, who may have to walk in the street to pass your car. Please be careful when parking multiple cars in your driveway to not block the sidewalk. Contact the Concord Police Department at 671-3220 to report a car blocking a sidewalk.

DENA needs your voluntary \$5/household donation!

DENA Board Member Remembered

Just prior to our last newsletter DENA lost one of it's board members. William (Bill) D. Cecil passed away on Nov. 17, 2005 while traveling on cruise in Chile. Bill served in the Army Chemical Corp and worked 30yrs. as a chemical engineer. He loved traveling the world and being a devoted husband, father and adoring grandfather. He had a passion for Concord Blue Devils Drum and Bugle Corps. Memorial donations can be sent to Concord Blue Devils Scholarship Fund, 4065 Nelson Ave., Concord, CA 94520. Our thoughts are with his wife, Kaffy and family.

DENA Website News

Can't wait to see the neighborhood news? Items are posted to the Dana Estates website as we become aware of them, so check frequently to see what's going on in the neighborhood. Since the last newsletter, we've posted information about the Naval Weapons Station closure, posted information about CERT training, posted all 2005 general meeting minutes, and posted content from all 2005 newsletters, as well as numerous small items.

If you're privy to information which should be made available to the whole neighborhood, please send us an email. We'll make every attempt to post it.

On the web: <http://www.danaestates.org/board@danaestates.org>

Gehring Recreational Club

Did you know that Dana Estates has it's very own swim club (Gehring Recreation Club) and swim team (Gehring Gators)? The swim team provides group swim lessons for those who are not members of Gehring Recreational Club. 15-18 year old swimmers need not be members of the pool to sign up for the swim team. Both the swim club and the team are non profit organizations which provide a service to the families of the neighborhood and beyond. Come see what we're all about! To sign up for swim lessons or the swim team contact Cindy Gomez at 798-6677. Team and lesson sign ups will begin April 24th, 2006. To sign up for the Gehring Recreational Club contact Maria Leone at 680-1776.



DENA GRANTED FEDERAL TAX EXEMPT STATUS!!!

After much time and effort, and many pages of paperwork, DENA has been granted tax exempt status by the IRS under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore contributions made to DENA are tax deductible! DENA membership dues are voluntary; the suggested donation is \$5 per year per household. Donations can be made by check and should be sent to DENA's P.O. Box or given in person to the Chairperson or Treasurer at any General Membership meeting. All donations are GREATLY appreciated.

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BE SURE TO CHECK THE DENA WEBSITE FOR CHANGES!!

CURRENT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- General Membership Meeting, Wednesday, March 22nd, 7:00pm at the Concord Permit Center Conference Room, 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.