



Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association, Inc.

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Everyone is welcome to attend our next meeting: Thursday, December 9, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at 3001 Marlynn Street, a joint meeting with the Carmichael Colony Neighborhood Association.

Minutes of November 4, 2010, CCNA Annual Meeting:

Members and guests enjoyed food and drinks prior to the meeting, which included hot food provided by Lido Bar & Grill. President Amanda Ness called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Carmichael Library. The following Board members (noted by an "x" at the left of their names) were in attendance:

	Kyle Anderson	x	Sandra Dunn	x	Amanda Ness
x	Anne Berner	x	Sandy Helland		David Schoellhamer
	Peggy Berry	x	Richard Humphrey		Sandra Stockman
x	Lora Cammack		Keith Jones		Doug Williams
x	Sharon Doughty	x	Buck Meyer	x	Walt Yost

Amanda noted the recent loss of our founding member Bill Berry. She said Bill will be remembered with gratitude and respect for all the work he did on behalf of the CCNA.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the October 14, 2010 meeting were approved (MSP) .

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Sharon Doughty reported:

Beginning balance	\$7599.10
Deposits and credits (+)	0.00
Expenses (-)	-528.11
Ending balance	7070.99

Board of Directors: The board of directors for winter 2010 to winter 2011 were unanimously approved:

Anne Berner
Lora Cammack
Sharon Doughty
Sandra Dunn
Sandy Helland
Richard Humphrey
Riki Merrick

Buck Meyer
Amanda Ness
Julia Reyes
David Schoellhamer
Walter Yost
Cindy Younger

Amanda introduced Moka Davis, president of the Carmichael Colony Neighborhood Association.

Speakers:

The first speaker of the evening was Sacramento County Supervisor Susan Peters. Susan discussed the financial plight of the county and said she hoped we've reached the bottom. She said public safety has been a priority for the county. Speaking on other issues she said:

- The American River Natural History Association (ARNHA) has been working to keep the Effie Yeaw Nature Center open
- Our local Community Planning Commission has been put on the shelf for a couple of years because it's not cost effective. Susan said she hopes it can be re-instated in better times. In the meantime, a Carmichael Community Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) will advise the Board of Supervisors regarding land use decisions.
- The Sacramento Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant is facing higher treatment requirements and the costs to residents and businesses could skyrocket.
- There is the possibility of a regional shopping center being constructed on the former Crestview Lanes bowling alley site on Manzanita Blvd.

Warren Truitt, president of Save the American River Association, spoke on the state of the American River Parkway. He said SARA sees itself as the guardian of the parkway, while the American River Natural History Association is now operating Effie Yeaw due to county cutbacks. Warren said a grassroots working group has been formed "to secure adequate, stable, long-term funding for operations, maintenance and expansion of our regional facilities and open space." He said the working group wants to place a measure on the Nov. 2012 ballot to help fund and preserve the parkway. Options being studied include a new independent or dependent regional parks and open space county parks district and a non-profit conservancy. Plans are also underway for a community summit. More info. is available at www.sarariverwatch.org.

The next speaker was Marilee Flannery, executive director of the Effie Yeaw Nature Center. She praised volunteers in the Carmichael community for often acting as "our eyes and ears," especially when the center was temporarily closed this year. Marilee mentioned how the nature center provides summer camps and other programs for local school children. She added that a budget of \$400,000 will be needed to keep the nature center operating next year. Marilee also brought along a special guest - Luna, a barn owl that lives at the center.

The next speaker was Dick Barbar who discussed a Carmichael Recreation & Park District benefit assessment proposal. He said a public survey showed more support for community parks than a proposed aquatic center at Carmichael Park. The district established a committee to look into the idea of an assessment district and a potential mail election next fall. More information will be available on the district website in December.

Lora Cammack concluded the evening's speakers with an update on Sutter/Jensen Community Park. A revised master plan for the park would kick-off an all-out volunteer effort by the Preserve Sutter/Jensen Committee to raise cash and services for Phase I development. More information is included in the CCNA annual newsletter distributed to every household in our boundaries and at <http://preservesutterjensen.org>.

The meeting concluded at 8:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Walter Yost, co-recording secretary.