



**Carmichael Creek
Neighborhood Association, Inc.
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**CARMICHAEL CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.
MEMBERSHIP**

THE CARMICHAEL CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. (CCNA) WAS FORMED IN 1986 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S SEMI-RURAL ENVIRONMENT AND ADDRESSING RELATED NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS. YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THESE EFFORTS.

The organizational boundary includes the land bounded by Sutter Avenue (both sides of the street) on the north, the American River on the east, Stanley Avenue (both sides of the street) on the south, and California on the west.

Dues are \$20.00 per household per year. Anyone over 18 years of age that lives within the membership area can be a voting member. Those living outside the organizational boundary may be non-voting members.

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**Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association
Membership Form – Dues \$20.00 per household**

Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

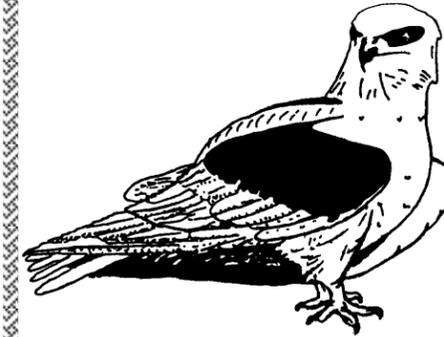
Telephone: (day) _____ Telephone: (evening) _____

Please provide your email address if you would like to receive minutes and other information electronically:

Email Address: _____

Make \$20.00 check payable to the CCNA.

Mail to CCNA Membership, c/o Anne Berner, PO Box 1902, Carmichael 95609-1902



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Newsletter**

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Annual Meeting
Thursday, November 14, 2013
7:00 P.M.
Carmichael Library
Community Room

Speakers:

Susan Peters – Sacramento County
Supervisor, 3rd District
What's new in Carmichael?

Doug Kobold, Program Manager,
Sacramento County Municipal Services Agency,
Department of Waste Management and
Recycling
Can I recycle my old Crocs? What about foil
with cheese?

Russell B. Blair– Supervising Fire
Inspector, Sacramento Metropolitan Fire
District
Responsibilities of homeowners to prevent
fires in our neighborhood

Tarry Smith– District Administrator,
Carmichael Recreation and Park District
Status of Carmichael parks, including Sutter-
Jensen Park

Refreshments will be served

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**Your Neighborhood Association:
What is the CCNA?**

Although the Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association was formed to preserve Carmichael's semi-rural atmosphere and still endeavors to preserve current zoning to protect the open spaces and feel of our neighborhood, we are involved in many other activities that engage our neighbors and maintain our community.

Over the years, the CCNA has sponsored voters' forums so the public could meet and ask questions of candidates running for local and state-wide offices. Last year, we sponsored such a forum so the public could meet the candidates running for the Carmichael Water Board. In addition, over the years, we have invited candidates for our local Congressional district to speak at our monthly meetings so that residents can stay informed on current issues.

The CCNA does its best to keep Carmichael clean and tidy by sponsoring "Boulevard Brush Ups" three times a year. Members and other volunteers walk Fair Oaks Boulevard, cleaning trash and debris from businesses, bus stops, and vacant lots.

Several board members have served on the committees that established the community garden at Sutter Park and helped develop community plans for Carmichael and the Fair Oaks Boulevard corridor. Currently, other members continue to work on preserving the land at Sutter-Jensen Park by creating a walking trail in this natural park setting.

In keeping with our founding mission of

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Agenda

Opening Remarks from Susan Peters, Sacramento County Supervisor

Doug Kobold - Program Manager, Sacramento County Municipal Services Agency, Department of Waste Management and Recycling

Let's Spruce up Carmichael. Supervisor Susan Peters will give an overview of what's planned for Carmichael, while Doug will be able to answer all your recycling questions.

Russell B. Blair - Supervising Fire Inspector, Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

Mr. Blair will discuss the main causes of household fires and suggest ways to prevent them. He also will describe the services that our local station provides and will answer your questions about fire protection.

Tarry Smith - District Administrator, Carmichael Recreation and Park District

Tarry Smith, new administrator for the Carmichael Recreation and Park District, has an extensive background in park management. He graduated from Oregon State University with a bachelors' degree in recreation administration. His career has covered a wide variety of positions all within the field of parks and recreation, including 10 years as the Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Folsom.

Tarry comes most recently from the Ambrose Recreation and Park District in Bay Point California where he served for six years as the general manager.

Tarry will speak on the status of the parks in Carmichael and will specifically address plans for Sutter-Jensen Park.



Elections: Board of Directors

CCNA members elect a 10 to 15-member Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting. Directors are expected to attend all of the monthly meetings which are held the second Thursday of each month. All CCNA Board meetings are open to members, interested neighbors and guests. Meetings are generally held at the Carmichael Library Community Room. The nominating Committee has proposed the following slate for the Board of Directors, but nominations will be gladly accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting

Anne Berner
Lora Cammack
Jorel Cooper
Sharon Doughty
Sandy Helland
Richard Humphrey
Riki Merrick
Buck Meyer
Manda Ness
Julia Reyes
Laverne Shell
Cindy Younger

What is the CCNA?

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preserving the semi-rural character of our neighborhood, the CCNA diligently monitors proposed development within Carmichael. We work with and testify before the planning commission and county Board of Supervisors in order to maintain the goals of our Neighborhood Preservation Area. We attend water board meetings, park board meetings and meetings of the Carmichael Community Planning Advisory Council when items involving our neighborhood are discussed.

Finally, we hold an annual meeting and invite all residents within the boundaries of our association to meet each other, chat over refreshments and interact with the various speakers who address issues pertaining to our community. We hope you will attend our meeting on November 14 to meet your neighbors and learn more about our organization.

YOUNG FAMILIES UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CCNA

The Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Preservation Area (NPA) was established in 1986 in order to keep a close eye on proposed changes and development within our local community. In that year, a group of residents became increasingly concerned about development in Carmichael. The group canvassed the neighborhood and worked with the County to form the Neighborhood Preservation Area and the Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association (CCNA) was formed. Ours is not just another neighborhood association, but an actual entity proscribed within the county ordinances in order to preserve the open space and semi-rural character of our neighborhood. The primary goal of the CCNA is to ensure that the semi-rural character of the neighborhood is maintained according to the zoning which was in place at the time of formation of the NPA.

We owe our thanks to many of the original founders of the organization who lived out their lives in the neighborhood and have passed on. Joe Patitucci, Dale Wilson, and Bill Berry are a few of our founding giants. Frank Weisman also served on the CCNA board for several years and dedicated many hours to CCNA projects. Other original and long-time members are still working hard to keep the goals of the NPA alive.

The CCNA has benefitted from the expertise and enthusiasm of several new residents who have

recognized the importance of the NPA and joined the association. Cindy Younger is the mother of two small school-aged children and is very busy with her career as a finance manager. Because Cindy understands the role the CCNA has on the future of our neighborhood, she has joined the Board of Directors. Cindy notes that the CCNA's active support of parks projects and the Fair Oaks Boulevard planning project benefits the entire community. Cindy insightfully comments that the important and valuable work of the CCNA unfortunately goes mostly unnoticed by the community.

Riki Merrick, mother of high-school-aged children when their family moved to the neighborhood a few years back, also notes the importance of the community work done by the CCNA. Riki, a busy public health information specialist, joined the Board of Directors because she knows the work done by our organization enhances the neighborhood in general and keeps the neighborhood strong. Riki believes that parks are an important asset of our community and has been very active in the group to preserve Sutter-Jensen Park.

Both women understand that it takes hard work and vigilance to maintain the semi-rural and open-space character of our area. We all benefit from the fact that they have chosen to give of their precious time to help preserve the quality of our neighborhood.

Other new board members have contributed to the public face of the CCNA. Julia Reyes, a dedicated teacher in the Twin Rivers Unified School District, has brought the CCNA into the 21st century by designing and maintaining a Facebook page so the CCNA can be a part of the expanding social media. Another new resident, CCNA webmaster Jorel Cooper, continues to update our website to ensure that those who look for us on the Internet can have the most current information.

If you are a new family who has recently moved to our area, please come to our annual meeting on November 14th to meet your neighbors and hear the latest on our little part of Carmichael. See how you can be an active part of this great community and help the CCNA stay strong for your future.

We look forward to meeting you there!

