

Notes from the Azalea Park Neighborhood Association

Meeting of January 14, 2014

APNA President Ricardo gave some general information on the "neighborhood teams" and the associated contact information.

Carla Pisbe of the Ocean Discovery Institute gave a power-point presentation on that groups activities. She is the environmental stewardship coordinator for that organization.

O.D.I. is a science education non-profit group that seeks to provide hands-on education regarding environmental preservation using the ocean to engage, educate and inspire students. Their strategy includes community, school-based and leader initiatives. Their 10-year goals are that they will be led by student graduates, the community will be transformed through science, student graduates will make scientific discoveries and the O.D.I. model will be replicated.

President Ricardo said that the February APNA meeting will be a mixer with the purpose of providing information regarding the aforementioned teams and information regarding local businesses.

Parksters Yvonne and Charlene announced their plan to host a potluck at their home at 1:00PM on March 15th (4155 Manzanita Drive).

Community Liaison Officer David Felkins was welcomed back and addressed briefly the recent graffiti and homeless activities locally.

Rudy Vargas, city council representative for Marti Emerald's office, handed out the office newsletter and reviewed some pending events. He announced that the Canyonlands group was again funded. Also, some infrastructure funding was achieved.

Raquel Maden, from Senator Ben Hueso's office, handed out that office's newsletter and she encourages community legislative input.

Gabe Gutierrez, from County Supervisor Ron Roberts' office, handed out that office's newsletter and he encouraged people to get flu shots.

Notes presented by Bob Walters, APNA Secretary