

# DOMINICAN AREA news

DOMINICAN/BLACK CANYON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION | P.O. BOX 151702 | SAN RAFAEL, CA 94915-1702 | SPRING 2016

DBCNA

## Annual Meeting

Wednesday May 25 | 7:00 pm

Doors open at 6:30  
to Meet & Greet

Santa Sabina Center  
25 Magnolia Avenue

Sodas and snacks will be served

Every resident welcome –  
non-members, too!

Come be a part of your community

*Enjoy a tour of historic Santa Sabina  
at the end of the meeting*

### Annual Meeting Agenda

- 6:30 Meet & Greet neighbors and our  
San Rafael Police Beat officer
- 7:00 Welcome and Election of new  
Board Members
- Neighborhood News Update
- Dominican University Update
- Homelessness in San Rafael and  
Our Neighborhood  
**Andrew Hening**, San Rafael Director  
of Homeless Planning and Outreach
- 8:30 Adjourn and Santa Sabina Tour

### Dominican University Commencement

Saturday May 14

Students and family start to arrive at 8am  
for the 10am ceremony. Festivities end  
around 1pm. Please plan for parking issues  
and traffic!



## San Rafael's Plan for the Homeless

Come to the Annual Meeting and learn how we can:

- Take care of those in need without attracting newcomers
- Quell the disruptions in downtown
- Make our own neighborhood safer

Homelessness has become a front burner issue of late. The dialog in the Dominican neighborhood has become impassioned on the subject. We often think in terms of polar opposites: should we seek to remove the homeless from San Rafael or show more compassion for them no matter what the cost? If compassion means "care", then what does that include—housing, food, mental health counseling? What are we willing to overlook—public drug use and unsanitary habits, fire danger from encampments in the open space, theft?

In a perfect world, we would have an economically vibrant community where everyone was adequately housed, fed and clothed. And in this imaginary world, if some of our neighbors fell on hard times and lost their home or could not put food on the table, then I am sure most of us would reach out, contribute and help those in need. But what if this care became so publicly available that others from far away came here to take advantage of the generosity? What if some of these newcomers were mentally unstable, had ill intent or substance abuse issues and weren't really looking for a normal lifestyle? Could we, or should we, care for them all? Or should we find some third way, where we help those among us who

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## Changes to the Neighborhood Association Board of Directors

The DBCNA Board of Directors is undergoing a change. Five of our seven members are not standing for reelection when the current term ends on May 31. We wish to thank them for their many years of service to our neighborhood. It's hard to describe their contributions over so many years, but here are a few of them:

### Dan Sonnet

Dan led the Board as President for 11 years while also serving as editor of the newsletter. You've seen him host many annual meetings, reading the latest news about town from his index cards. Dan always promoted the events at Coleman school, took interest in getting trees planted on our streets and worked with the City and Federation of San Rafael Neighborhoods on many key issues.

### Carol Goepf

Carol has lived in the Dominican neighborhood most of her life, and has been providing service for 25 years as Secretary and the last 14 doing double duty as Treasurer. We thank Carol for keeping tabs on the finances and providing the "institutional memory" of where we came from and what we are trying to achieve.

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### **San Rafael's Plan for the Homeless** *[continued from page 1]*

have needs without subjecting the community to an influx of others we cannot possibly care for, who in fact will significantly change the character of our town and neighborhood?

In an oversimplified sense, that is where we find ourselves now. There is no doubt that some of our homeless are local, while others are not native to San Rafael, Marin or even the Bay Area. This is reported to us by the police and fire personnel who encounter the newcomers on a daily basis. We also know that there is a chronic group of "bad actors" estimated at around 30 people (and yes, some of them are local) who cause much of the trouble downtown.

At our Annual Meeting on May 25th, we will address these issues as best we can. Andrew Hening, San Rafael's Director of Homeless Planning and Outreach will update us on recent actions to improve the situation and present specific plans to address three key problems:

1. **The Attraction Factor** – How can we change services in San Rafael so that we are not attracting newcomers from other parts of California and the nation solely to use them?
2. **Rehabilitating Downtown San Rafael** – How can the city quell the disruptions in the downtown area that are caused by the increased homeless population?
3. **Protecting the Dominican Neighborhood** – Can any of these plans reduce the number of homeless in the City and the amount of crime in the neighborhood or reduce the risk of fire danger potentially created by homeless encampments in the open space?

“ I believe that if we can stop the inflow of new homeless people from outside of Marin while simultaneously investing in data-driven solutions that are actually getting people off the street, then we can end homelessness in San Rafael.”

ANDREW HENING

Believe it or not, city staff actually have positive steps underway in each of these areas. Some you may have heard of and others will be new to you. **Please come to the Annual Meeting to hear Andrew Hening discuss the plans, ask questions and share ideas.**

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## Ritter Center Recap

At the March 21 City Council meeting, the City Council received a report on the Ritter Center's performance, including compliance with its use permit, which regulates client caseload, litter control and security/safety issues. The Council accepted the report and directed staff to **consider** the following options and come back to the council as early as May 2016 with recommendations:

- Consider a modification to the use permit, which could potentially include a reduction in the number of clients Ritter can see to a full revocation of the use permit, among other things.
- Consider a moratorium on day service users at Ritter in order to study and consider potential changes to the Zoning Ordinance related to certain uses that cater to homeless services.

The City will hold two town hall meetings to discuss these ideas once the staff reports are completed, most likely in May.

**No action has yet been taken to modify the Ritter Center's current operations.** To keep up to date on this and other homelessness issues, subscribe to the City of San Rafael mailing list at [www.cityofsanrafael.org/enotify](http://www.cityofsanrafael.org/enotify) and check the box next to "homelessness" under Topics.

Or you can go directly to the Homelessness blog at: [www.cityofsanrafael.org/homeless](http://www.cityofsanrafael.org/homeless)

## Marin Civic Center Part of World Heritage Nomination

*The following is a news release from the county of Marin:*

The Marin County Civic Center is one of 10 structures designed by Frank Lloyd Wright nominated for inclusion on the World Heritage List of the most significant cultural and natural sites on the planet.

The U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Sally Jewell, announced the nomination of the Wright-designed buildings and the UNESCO World Heritage Committee will consider all nominations in the summer of 2016. If approved, the Marin County Civic Center would join 31 other American locations and more than 1,000 locations worldwide on the list, including the Taj Mahal, Stonehenge, the Statue of Liberty, Independence Hall, Monticello, the Grand Canyon, and Yosemite and Yellowstone national parks.

The Wright group would be the first World Heritage listing for the United States in the field of modern architecture.

Wright is widely considered to be the greatest American architect of the 20th century. He died before he could see completion of the Marin County Civic Center, the only municipal building he ever designed (along with the nearby post office on Civic Center Drive). The design work began in 1957 and was completed by Wright disciples William Wesley Peters and Aaron Green in 1962.

## ***Changes on the Board of Directors*** [continued from page 1]

### **Cheryl Douglas**

Cheryl has been on the Board since 1998. She serves as Membership chair, and has served as Acting Secretary. She works with San Rafael's development review process, giving feedback on our behalf regarding projects in the neighborhood. Cheryl is a staunch supporter of our environment, working to obtain grants to clear broom and reduce fire risk through general vegetation management, and for many years organized the DBCNA Chipper Day program to help us all get into compliance with the 2007 Vegetation Management Ordinance.

### **Jim Harrison**

Jim has been serving since 1997 and is a past president of DBCNA. More recently, he organized the sidewalk rehabilitation program, obtaining a neighborhood permit through the Public Works Department and negotiating with a contractor to provide reduced rates to participating neighbors. Jim also started the Over 60 Exercise Group at the Conlan Gym. And among many other achievements, you probably remember Jim from his excellent bartending at the annual cocktail party.

### **Sandy Miller**

Sandy served on the Board of DBCNA as the Event Coordinator for over 20 years. During her service, she conceived, planned and set up many of our events. She initiated neighborhood dinners at the cafeteria, participated in organizing and setting up the summer picnics, coordinated coffees served on the campus, worked with Lindy Emrich on the Cocktail Party, and provided refreshments for the Annual Meeting. For most of these activities she also worked extensively with Dominican University. In addition, Sandy was Dominican Black Canyon's representative to the Federation of San Rafael Neighborhoods' monthly meetings, and served as their recording secretary.

## **Meet the Nominees for the New Board of Directors**

*The following nominees will be presented at the meeting for election to the Board of Directors.  
All DBCNA members can vote.*

The Dominican Black Canyon Neighborhood Association is pleased to present the following nominees for the 2016 – 2017 Board of Directors. This Board will serve from June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017. They are eager to carry on the good work and expand the variety of events to bring neighbors and families together.

- **Corinne Bartshire** has served on the Board of Directors for several years and looks forward to facilitating opportunities for families with young children to socialize and share resources.
- **Kay Cooke** is excited at this opportunity to help the association with it's ongoing drive to improve reach and relevance in the neighborhood.
- **Dennis and Tamara DeMille** are a husband and wife team who live in the neighborhood and own and operate a licensed family child care center. Tamara is a Dominican neighborhood native. They both volunteer extensively for the Marin Family Child Care Association and the Homeschool Association of California, and they are excited to use their experience and skill serving on the DBCNA Board. They have seven children and have interest in developing more family events in the neighborhood.
- **Paula Doubleday** has served on the Board of Directors for 5 years and remains committed to expanding communication channels and event participation in our neighborhood. She developed the ReadyDominican program to prepare the neighborhood for a disaster.
- **Jack Nixon** has served as a San Rafael City Councilman (8 years), a Marin Co. Planning Commissioner (4 years), lead coordinator of the ad hoc Committee to Save Gold Hill Grade (6 years), and Foreman of the 2014-15 Marin County Civil Grand Jury. He has been a resident of the Dominican area (same home) for 46 years and is most appreciative of the work of the outgoing board members.
- **Arline Van Gessel** has lived in San Rafael for 22 years, the past 11 in Dominican. She is a nurse at Kaiser and wants to create more opportunities for neighbors to be involved, get acquainted and have some fun!

## Nextdoor Participation Growing!

We are thrilled to see an increase of neighbors using Nextdoor.com. It is a fantastic tool for us all to communicate critical and just-for-fun topics with each other. Join Nextdoor today or help us spread the word to neighbors that haven't joined yet.

Please be mindful when posting and replying to conversations on Nextdoor. There are guidelines and a flagging process to help keep the conversations meaningful to the neighborhood.

### Nextdoor Guidelines

One of the purposes of Nextdoor is to provide a venue where neighbors can discuss important local issues—which sometimes leads to contentious or inappropriate posts. The guidelines are simple:

- **Commercial:** business and self-promotions are against Nextdoor's rules
- **Inappropriate:** the following do not belong on Nextdoor:
  - personal attacks, profanity, and incivility
  - messages that should have been posted as private or group message
  - overposting in a discussion
  - campaigning to promote (vs. to educate) on a specific issue
- **Racial profiling:** messages that discriminate or imply racial profiling are against Nextdoor's rules

### Flagging a Post on Nextdoor.com

If you see a post that violates the above guidelines, please flag it. The person who wrote the post/comment that has been flagged will receive an email notifying them of the flag. It will not disclose the person who did the flagging. At the same time, our neighborhood leads will be notified of the flag. Any lead can respond and has the choice to remove the flag or take action on it. If the post or reply violates the guidelines, the Lead can remove the post. If it isn't a violation, the flag is removed.

**If you don't want to read a post, there are a few options for you: Remember, excessive or retaliatory flagging is itself unneighborly and a violation of the guidelines.**

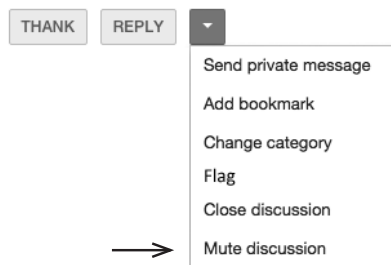
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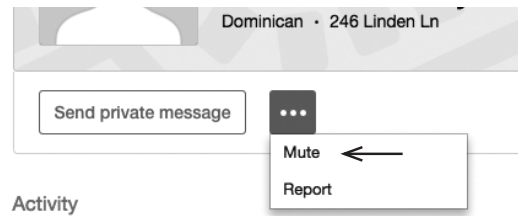
### How to Mute a Discussion

If you simply disagree with the post, or the message is not of interest, please consider muting the discussion. You can mute a discussion by clicking on the green arrow dropdown below the post. You cannot undo this.



### How to Mute a Member

If there is a Member you want to Mute, click on their name to go to their profile page. Under the profile banner, click on the three dots ( . . ) button and choose Mute. You will no longer see email notifications or posts from that person. You can unmute them at any time.



## How to Sign Up

Go to [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com) or send an email to: [info@DominicanAreaNews.com](mailto:info@DominicanAreaNews.com) and we'll send you an invitation.

## News Around Town

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The **Whistlestop** project at 930 Tamalpais is on hold while they pursue a partnership to use part of the PG&E site at 999 3rd St. This land was recently purchased by BioMarin, which is considering allowing Whistlestop to use part of the land for their housing project. BioMarin has indicated they are considering developing the rest of the site as office or lab space. No applications, or pre applications, have been filed yet.

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Speaking of **BioMarin**, the SR Corporate Center Campus--the first phase of the Lincoln Garage and the last building have been completed. BioMarin has received planning approval for a 6th building at the corner of Anderson and Lindaro, as well as a parking garage expansion. They are currently submitting a building permit plan for that work.

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You may have heard about a plan to rehabilitate the **City Garage at 3rd and Lootens** and expand retail and housing into the old Macy's building (now more or less deserted). The developer would have rebuilt the City garage and added housing on top of that and redeveloped the Macy's and drycleaner. For better or worse, this project has died.

We have heard rumors that someone has bought just the old Macy's building and plans to re-tenant with some new use, but they have yet to formally approach the city.

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The **Fire Station 52** rebuild at 3rd and Union, the Civic Center Fire Station and the Station 51/public safety facility at 1313 5th are moving along through the design review process. Plans and brief videos can be accessed at [CityofSanRafael.org](http://CityofSanRafael.org).

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**524 Mission Ave – 15 Carriage Homes** – This was an old project that was approved to demo the 10 homes at the corner of Mission and Irwin and build 15 new units. It has languished for years and it appears that they are once again seeking permits. This project has started and stopped many times over the years.

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No recent activity at the empty lot at the corner of **Lincoln and Mission**. They still have valid planning approvals and it's for sale.

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**Whole Foods parking lot addition** –You may have noticed that Whole Foods added a "temporary" parking lot a few years ago, where a gas station once stood. The city is working with them to formalize the lot and add the appropriate landscaping. Right now it is a bit of an eyesore.

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## Coleman Elementary School International Festival

**Saturday, May 21 – 11am-4pm**

Coleman Grade School's Annual International Festival will be held on the school grounds on Saturday, May 21 from 11:00 to 4:00 pm. The festival is an important annual fundraiser to support the art, music and physical education programs at the school.

The International Festival is a fun event for the entire neighborhood and showcases food, games, and crafts from around the world. International dance performances will include Chinese lion dancers, Irish step dancers, Ballet Folklorico (traditional Mexican dances), as well as student performances. The International Festival also features raffles with fabulous prizes and a silent auction.

Bring your family and friends to enjoy many new festival games, a delicious lunch and celebrate the cultural diversity that hallmarks both Coleman and the city of San Rafael. Coleman School is located at 800 Belle Ave. near Rafael Dr. and Dominican University. Admission is free. For more information, call 415 485-2420.

### Ever wondered how this newsletter arrived on your doorstep?

#### Volunteer to Distribute the DBCNA Newsletter

Twice a year a team of volunteers walk the Dominican neighborhood and deliver 1000 newsletters.

We need more volunteers!

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## SMART Update

SMART has started system wide testing along the initial 43-mile route, from downtown San Rafael to the northern part of Santa Rosa. SMART's testing includes running trains, operating railroad crossing gates at intersections and verifying that train control and communications systems are accurate and working effectively.



In the interest of safety, the public is advised to:

- Be prepared to stop at railroad crossings, even when trains are not visible. SMART is testing crossing gates with and without trains.
- When driving, never stop on the tracks and never race a train.

### Where's the quiet zone?

You have probably heard the train horns as SMART is testing and will continue to do so throughout the year. The Quiet Zone application has been completed and is expected to be submitted by the end of April. This will provide quiet zones for all San Rafael crossings. However, horns will continue to sound as a train enters and departs a train station. **The quiet zone won't go into effect until actual train service begins in the Fall.** In the meantime, we have horns.

### Official Schedule Posted

SMART has posted a draft schedule for Fall service. There will be 30 trains a day and 12 on weekends (numbers include both northbound and southbound). The first train arrives at the Downtown San Rafael Station at 5:56 am with the last train heading north at 7:29 pm. The trains run about every 30 minutes with the exception of a couple hours in the middle of the day. This is all subject to change, of course.

### SMART Track Safety Signals

San Rafael is considering the procurement of "queue cutter" traffic signal system poles in order to provide an additional level of safety at the SMART at-grade rail crossings on Fourth Street, Fifth Avenue, and Mission Avenue. Queue cutter signals function just like traffic signals but with a specific purpose - to keep vehicles from backing up on the railroad tracks. These three signal systems will be able to detect if there is a backup, or queuing of vehicles, near the railroad tracks and change the light to red to prohibit vehicles from waiting on the tracks. This will minimize the overall impact to the Downtown traffic signal network while at the same time ensure that the grade crossings are as safe as possible.

## Library Parcel Tax

The City Council is considering placing the Special Library Services Parcel Tax renewal on the ballot for June 7, 2016. A Special Library Services Parcel Tax was last passed by San Rafael voters in 2010 to provide for the Downtown and Pickleweed Libraries staffing, hours of operation, services, equipment, facilities, materials, programs, and help with the City's long-term goal of setting aside funds for necessary facility improvements to the San Rafael Public Library. Without a renewal, this tax would expire in 2017, causing an immediate reduction in service.

## Keep Your Sidewalks

Overhanging shrubs make our streets narrower, and blind curves more dangerous, forcing drivers into the oncoming lane. Shrubs overhanging a sidewalk force walkers and strollers to travel in the street. Foliage should be maintained behind the sidewalk, and, where there is no sidewalk, vegetation must be maintained behind the back of the curb.



According to California state code, property owners are responsible for maintaining the area between their property line and the street edge, including the landscaped parking strip. Keeping the pathway clear makes travel safer for all of us.

Your neighbors may not be aware of how far their plants have grown into the street or sidewalk. If there is a problem on your street, start by suggesting the owner trim them. If that doesn't work, you can report vegetation overgrowth in roadways or sidewalks to Public Works Supervisor Mark Wright at 415-485-3375 or use the problem report form at [cityofsanrafael.org/pubworks-report](http://cityofsanrafael.org/pubworks-report).




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## Dominican Leads Initiative to Engage Youth In 2016 Election Debates

On June 1, more than 150 students from all over the country will come to the Dominican campus for a two-day workshop on how to utilize social media to engage other students in the 2016 debate this Fall.



#COLLEGEDEBATE16

"The goal is to connect students in a vibrant, participatory, real-time discussion about the major issues of our time," said Dominican University of California President Mary B. Marcy. "This project will draw on technology and social media to give young voters a platform to voice their beliefs, become civically engaged, and have a meaningful impact on the political process."

As a voter education partner of the Commission on Presidential Debates, Dominican will bring the students back in September for the College Convention 2016. They will discuss the issues important on their campuses and prepare a list that will be presented to the Presidential debate moderators. This is a great opportunity for students to participate in the process, learn civil discourse and begin a lifetime of civic engagement.

You can read more about the project and meet the delegates at [CollegeDebate16.org](http://CollegeDebate16.org).

## 2016 Downtown Farmers' Market Opening!

The opening of the Downtown Farmers Market Festival is scheduled for Thursday, May 5, from 6 to 9 p.m. Featuring fresh organic produce, flowers, arts and crafts and an international gift mart, there is also food, live music and family fun. This is a great way to connect with friends, family and neighbors as well as support our Downtown shops and eateries. For more information, call 415-492-8007, or visit [www.sanrafaelmarket.org](http://www.sanrafaelmarket.org).

## What's in a Name?

Ever wonder how Puerto Suello Hill, the hill that separates our neighborhood from Terra Linda, got its name?

The name means "a pass between the hills". Originally, it was called *Puerto Suello Santa Margarita*, meaning "a pass between the hills within the Santa Margarita Ranch," referring to an 1844 land grant called Rancho Santa Margarita. Over the years, the name was spelled different ways, including *Puerto Zuelo* and *Portosuelo*. All these terms are derived from the Spanish term, *Portezuela*, meaning a pass between the hills.

## Have a Green Party . . . We Did!

For the last few years the DBCNA February Cocktail Party and Annual Meeting have become greener and greener. You can have a green event too, with everything from the food scraps to the plates and trash bags all going into the green can as compostable. Marin Sanitary Service delivers our green waste to a composting facility that makes organically certified compost, so we have to meet a high standard with our contributions to the compost stream.

We start with good quality Paper Plates (all paper, no plastic coating) and Napkins of recycled paper from Cash & Carry, and end with Bag to Nature Lawn and Leaf compostable Trash Bags from Orchard Supply (look for the BPI certification label on the carton). The bags come in various sizes and are approved to go directly into our green cans, whether filled with party waste, dirty pizza boxes or garden leaves.

## Compostable Plates, Bowls and Utensils a Problem in Marin

It is easy to go wrong in the choice of cups, glasses and utensils. Although some clear plastic cups are labeled compostable, they are not in Marin. The same is true for plates, bowls and utensils made with plant based composites such as corn starch and sugarcane. The composting process used in Marin cannot break these items down and go to the landfill.

Toward our green footprint, glasses for wine and beer are rented and made of endlessly reusable glass. Costco carries Blue Stripe glassware, made with 25% post-consumer waste, which makes them greenish and recyclable in Marin, but they are still waste.

Our challenge has been cutlery. Forks and spoons made of Bamboo or Birch are gaining in popularity and are fully compostable. They are readily available online, but we are looking for a local source. If you know where to find them, send Cheryl an email: [arbutus1040@yahoo.com](mailto:arbutus1040@yahoo.com). We are just one step away from a no garbage party, where everything left on our table is either washed and reused, or becomes compost.



# JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION!

## Dominican Black Canyon Neighborhood Association Annual Membership Dues June 1, 2016 - May 31, 2017

Anyone who resides within the Dominican Neighborhood of San Rafael is welcome to join the neighborhood association. Please support our annual meeting, cocktail party, disaster preparedness, social events, newsletter and other activities.

**Send in your Annual Dues of \$20 today or, starting in June, you will be able to pay via PayPal on our website. We will send out the announcement soon.**

### Interested in helping?

Meet your neighbors and share in the organizing and running an activity. And we'd love to hear your ideas of events you'd like to see.

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### Dominican/Black Canyon Neighborhood Association

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| Jim Harrison                                      | Corinne Bartshire |
| Paula Doubleday, <i>Webmaster, ReadyDominican</i> |                   |

#### Upcoming Board Meetings

Please join us at our Monthly Board Meetings. All residents are welcome! Meetings are generally held at 7 pm at the Ballet School Board Room on the second Wednesday of the month. We will announce upcoming meetings on [Nextdoor.com](http://Nextdoor.com).

#### Are you on the email list?

Send us an email if you want to join the list at: [info@DominicanAreaNews.com](mailto:info@DominicanAreaNews.com) and STAY INFORMED!

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#### Are you on Nextdoor.com?

Please join [Nextdoor.com](http://Nextdoor.com) to build our neighborhood communication channel. You can go to [Nextdoor.com](http://Nextdoor.com) to register (watch the video tour too!) or send us an email at [info@DominicanAreaNews.com](mailto:info@DominicanAreaNews.com) and we'll send an invitation.



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