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Community Action and Pride Grants  
**CYCLE 23 FINAL GRANT REPORT FORM**

Report Due No Later Than July 30, 2010

*If you have any questions about this form, please contact CAP Program Staff at (408) 723-4114*

Neighborhood Association (Grantee) Name: Vendome Neighborhood Association

Name of Person Completing This Form: Randy Saldinger, VNA Treasurer

Phone/Email: [REDACTED]

Grant Amount: \$2211.00 CAP Funding Cycle: 23

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Please complete both sides of this form and return it, with all required documentation, to:  
Neighborhood Development Center  
1601 Foxworthy Avenue  
San José, CA 95118

Please use additional pages as necessary. **THIS FORM HAS FOUR PAGES!**

**PART I**

1. Describe the project(s) your group completed, including start and end dates.
2. Also, describe how your project(s):
  - a. Built or strengthened your neighborhood organization;
  - b. Improved conditions: or
  - c. Addressed issues important to neighborhood quality of life.

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<b>Name of the Project including start and end dates</b>	<b>Contribution to neighborhood (Give specific details)</b>
<p align="center"><b>Summer Barbecue</b> Event Held June 26, 2010</p>	<p>Our Summer Barbecue was once again held in Ryland Park, at the south end of our neighborhood. The event was well-attended, with 68 people recorded on our sign-in sheets, and likely many more that didn't get a chance to sign in. Almost every street in our neighborhood was represented.</p> <p>The VNA provided a selection of main course barbecue dishes, as well as condiments, paper plates and so on. We also had a donation of fresh sausage from Chiaramonte's Deli. Neighbors brought side dishes, salads, desserts and beverages to share. We had a chili cookoff contest with 6 entrants, and a panel of judges chose the new Vendome Chili Champion. We had various games for the children, and a visit from Jet, the red-shouldered hawk. We conducted a raffle, thanks to generous donations received by local businesses and organizations, and raised \$94 for the VNA.</p> <p>The barbecue gave Vendome neighbors a chance to meet and get to know each other. A number of us talked with neighbors that we had never met before. People learned about what our neighborhood association does, discussed our shared concerns (such as traffic on San Pedro Street) and learned about neighborhood resources and activities (such as Rotary Ryland Pool, and our regular Ryland Park gardening days). Our city councilmember was in attendance, and engaged in spirited discussions about neighborhood issues. A dozen people signed up to join our existing neighborhood e-mail list.</p> <p>We wound up spending less than the funded amount for the Barbecue, and are returning the balance.</p>

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<p><b>Vendome Voice</b> February 2010</p>	<p>In February 2010, we published a print edition of our neighborhood newsletter, the <i>Vendome Voice</i>. This enabled us to reach more neighbors than our usual online edition.</p> <p>Written, edited and designed by members of the VNA Board of Directors, the newsletter updated the neighborhood on issues and upcoming events (see attached). Our Block Captains delivered the newsletter to each home in the neighborhood.</p> <p>We also attached a self-addressed envelope to each copy, to encourage people to donate to the VNA. Despite our not being a tax-exempt organization, we received an astounding \$1100 in donations in response.</p> <p>Since the only non-donated expense here was the actual printing, we are returning a large chunk of the money allocated for this project.</p>
<p><b>Fliers</b> August 2009 through June 2010</p>	<p>We printed half-page fliers to advertise each of our quarterly neighborhood meetings, which we hold at our local bank’s community room. These fliers were distributed by our Block Captains to each home in the neighborhood.</p> <p>On average, between 10 and 15 people attended our meetings, to discuss local issues and hear from guest speakers. Each meeting has a few neighbors who hadn’t attended a meeting previously.</p> <p>We also printed fliers to advertise our Summer Barbecue, again distributed by our Block Captains.</p>
<p><b>Dumpster Day</b> <b>Yard Sale</b></p>	<p>Although we had intended to hold a (possibly combined) Dumpster Day and Yard Sale event, we unfortunately underestimated the cost of renting enough Dumpsters to put on a useful event.</p> <p>Accordingly, we are returning the grant funds for this projects.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pumpkin Patch</b> Event Held October 31, 2009</p>	<p>Our third annual Pumpkin Patch Kidz event was held on Halloween Day, from 10 AM to noon, in Ryland Park. It was a very good turnout: 30 kids and 22 adults attended. Kids (and a few of the adults) chose their pumpkins and decorated them, using decorations provided by VNA. Many kids came in costume. Everyone enjoyed cookies and apple juice. People were having so much fun that at noon, when the event should have been over some neighbors opted to stay and offered to clean up.</p> <p>One of the great things about this event is that it builds community. It was especially nice to see new parents come with their children. They got to meet other parents, and connect with the various parent groups and other valuable resources. Local happenings pertinent to Vendome residents and the City of San Jose were frequent topics of conversation.</p>
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3. Provide the names of the neighborhood member(s) who attended the required training offered through the Neighborhood Development Center and which trainings they attended. Include the certificate of completion for each.

Name	Class attended
Kevin Kelley	Cycle 23 Application Workshop (1/15/09)
Randy Saldinger	Cycle 23 Final Grant Workshop (5/26/10)
Kevin Kelley	Cycle 23 Final Grant Workshop (5/26/10)
Joan Giampaolo	Cycle 23 Final Grant Workshop (5/26/10)

4. Please feel free to attach copies of newsletters, photographs of landscaping projects, events, et cetera!

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### PART II

Please provide an accounting of the volunteer hours contributed to your grant-funded project (s) and any monetary match.

<b>Volunteer Hours Match</b>		
Number of Volunteers	Total Number of Volunteer Hours worked	Total Volunteer Hours Matching Funds <i>(Total Number of Volunteer Hours Worked X \$19.51)</i>
15	170	\$ 3,316.70
<b>Monetary Match</b>		
Description	Dollar Amount	
Zanotto's — discount on cookie tray and pumpkins for Pumpkin Patch event	\$	50.00
Roy's Station Coffee & Teas — gift certificate and mug as prizes in our Barbecue raffle	\$	28.00
The Spokesman Bicycles — 2 bicycles helmets as prizes in our Barbecue raffle	\$	80.00
Whimsical Yogurt — gift card as a prize in our Barbecue raffle	\$	25.00
Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley — visit from Jet, the Red-shouldered Hawk, for our Barbecue	\$	60.00
Chiaramonte's Deli — donation of 10 pounds of sausage for our Barbecue	\$	49.90
Mel Cotton's Sporting Goods — donation of gear vouchers as prizes in our Barbecue raffle	\$	100.00
Sam's Downtown Feed & Pet Supply — gift certificate as prize in our Barbecue raffle	\$	20.00
Sam's Downtown Feed & Pet Supply — burlap sacks for sack races at our Barbecue	\$	40.00
Sam's Downtown Feed & Pet Supply — use of sheep tank for icing drinks at our Barbecue	\$	94.50
Chris Shay — donation of Roy's Station gift cards as prizes in our Barbecue raffle	\$	40.00
History San Jose — gift basket as a prize in our Barbecue raffle	\$	110.00
<b>Total Monetary Match</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>697.40</b>

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<b>Total Neighborhood Match</b>	
Total Volunteer Hours Matching Funds +	\$ 4,014.10
Total Monetary Match	

### PART III

Please list each expenditure of grant money as indicated below. **Be sure to attach receipts for all items purchased with grant funds.**

(Use additional pages if necessary.)

Date	Vendor	Item Purchased	Amount
7-Aug-09	FedEx	Printing of fliers for August neighborhood meeting	\$28.38
23-Oct-09	FedEx	Printing of bilingual fliers for Pumpkin Patch event	\$71.61
29-Oct-09	Michaels	Pumpkin decorating supplies for Pumpkin Patch event	\$23.64
29-Oct-09	Target	Pumpkin decorating supplies for Pumpkin Patch event	\$7.60
30-Oct-09	Safeway	Refreshments for Pumpkin Patch event	\$17.98
30-Oct-09	Zanotto's	Pumpkins and cookie tray for Pumpkin Patch event	\$50.00
6-Nov-09	FedEx	Printing of fliers for November neighborhood meeting	\$28.38
10-Feb-10	FedEx	Printing of the <i>Vendome Voice</i> , Volume 4 Number 1	\$139.84
15-Apr-10	FedEx	Printing of fliers for April neighborhood meeting	\$28.38
2-Jun-10	FedEx	Printing of fliers for Summer Barbecue	\$29.05
24-Jun-10	Target	Water balloons for children's games at Barbecue	\$3.16
25-Jun-10	Zanotto's	Disposable cutlery, plates and serving dishes for Barbecue	\$99.65
25-Jun-10	Zanotto's	Barbecue foods (meat, veggie burgers, condiments)	\$220.21
25-Jun-10	Target	Disposable cutlery for Barbecue	\$3.81
25-Jun-10	Michaels	Craft paper to cover tables at Barbecue	\$9.59
25-Jun-10	Williams	Rental of 2 tables for serving food at Barbecue	\$37.00
28-Jun-10	Mel Cotton's	Rental of 2 canopies to shade serving and sign-in areas	\$54.63
<b>TOTAL SPENT</b>			<b>\$ 852.91</b>

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Grant Funds Received (Your original grant amount)	<b>\$ 2,211.00</b>
Total Spent	<b>\$ 852.91</b>
Grant Funds Remaining (subtract total spent from original grant amount)	<b>\$ 1,358.09</b>

**IMPORTANT:** Any remaining funds must be returned in the form of a check made payable to: *UNSCC*. Mail your check along with a copy of this form and all your receipts to: Neighborhood Development Center, 1601 Foxworthy Ave. San Jose, CA 95118 (408) 723-4114

**Thank You!**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Randy Saldinger**  
**Treasurer, Vendome Neighborhood Association**

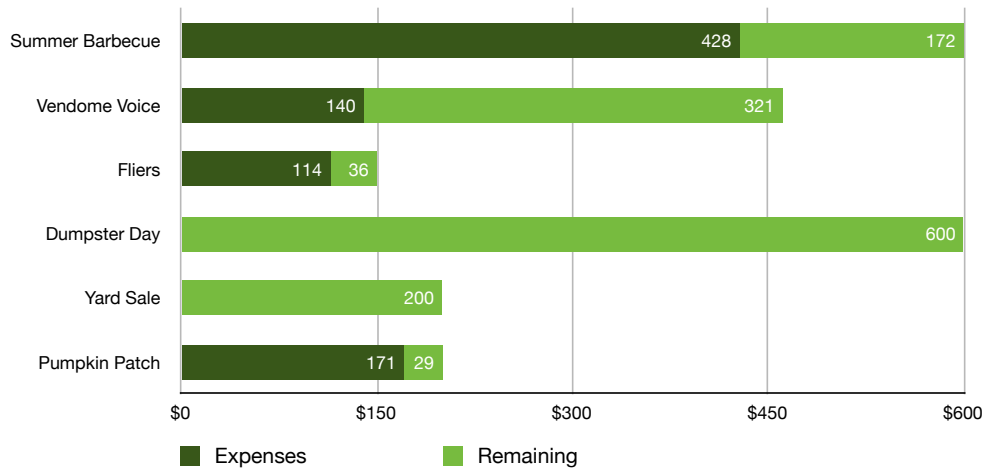
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**CAP Grant Cycle 23 Financial Report**

July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010

	Expenses	Income
<b>Summer Barbecue</b>		\$600.00
24-Jun-10 • Water balloons for children's games	\$3.16	
25-Jun-10 • Disposable cutlery, plates and serving dishes	\$99.65	
25-Jun-10 • Barbecue foods (meat, veggie burgers, condiments) for main course	\$220.21	
25-Jun-10 • Craft paper to cover tables	\$9.59	
25-Jun-10 • Disposable cutlery	\$3.81	
25-Jun-10 • Rental of 2 tables for serving food	\$37.00	
28-Jun-10 • Rental of 2 canopies to shade serving and sign-in areas	\$54.63	
	\$428.05	\$600.00
<b>Vendome Voice</b>		\$461.00
10-Feb-10 • Printing of <i>Vendome Voice</i> Volume 4 Number 1	\$139.84	
	\$139.84	\$461.00
<b>Fliers</b>		\$150.00
7-Aug-09 • Printing of fliers for August neighborhood meeting	\$28.38	
6-Nov-09 • Printing of fliers for November neighborhood meeting	\$28.38	
15-Apr-10 • Printing of fliers for April neighborhood meeting	\$28.38	
2-Jun-10 • Printing of fliers for Summer Barbecue	\$29.05	
	\$114.19	\$150.00
<b>Dumpster Day</b>		\$600.00
<i>no expenditures</i>		
	\$0.00	\$600.00
<b>Yard Sale</b>		\$200.00
<i>no expenditures</i>		
	\$0.00	\$200.00
<b>Pumpkin Patch</b>		\$200.00
23-Oct-09 • Printing of bilingual event fliers	\$71.61	
29-Oct-09 • Pumpkin decorating supplies	\$23.64	
29-Oct-09 • Pumpkin decorating supplies	\$7.60	
30-Oct-09 • Refreshments	\$17.98	
30-Oct-09 • Pumpkins and cookie tray	\$50.00	
	\$170.83	\$200.00
<b>Total for all activities</b>	<b>\$852.91</b>	<b>\$2,211.00</b>







**NEIGHBORHOOD  
ASSOCIATION**

**CAP Grant Cycle 23 Volunteer Hours & In-kind Donations**

July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010

**Fliers Volunteer Hours**

Date	Who	Hours	Value	What
Aug 6, 2009	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Layout of flier for 8-09 quarterly meeting
Aug 8, 2009	Block Captains	10.0	\$195.10	Distribution of fliers to neighborhood
Nov 5, 2009	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Layout of flier for 11-09 quarterly meeting
Nov 7, 2009	Block Captains	10.0	\$195.10	Distribution of fliers to neighborhood
Apr 15, 2010	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Layout of flier for 4-10 quarterly meeting
Apr 17, 2010	Block Captains	10.0	\$195.10	Distribution of fliers to neighborhood
May 23, 2010	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Design of flier for Summer Barbecue
Jun 5, 2010	Block Captains	10.0	\$195.10	Distribution of fliers to neighborhood
		<b>44.0</b>	<b>\$858.44</b>	

**Vendome Voice Volunteer Hours**

Date	Who	Hours	Value	What
Jan 29, 2010	Tina Morrill	3.0	\$58.53	Writing articles for Vendome Voice Volume 4 Number 1
Jan 31, 2010	Kevin Kelley	2.0	\$39.02	Initial editing of VV V4N1
Jan 31, 2010	Randy Saldinger	2.0	\$39.02	Editing and graphic design for VV V4N1
Feb 1, 2010	Kevin Kelley	1.0	\$19.51	Additional writing, final editing of VV V4N1
Feb 1, 2010	Randy Saldinger	2.0	\$39.02	Additional writing for VV V4N1
Feb 4, 2010	Kevin Kelley	4.0	\$78.04	Initial layout of VV V4N1
Feb 5, 2010	Randy Saldinger	2.0	\$39.02	Additional layout of VV V4N1
Feb 6, 2010	Randy Saldinger	2.0	\$39.02	Final layout and design of VV V4N1
Feb 13, 2010	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Labeling and stapling donation envelopes to VV V4N1
Feb 13, 2010	Kevin Kelley	1.0	\$19.51	Labeling and stapling donation envelopes to VV V4N1
Feb 13, 2010	Tina Morrill	1.0	\$19.51	Labeling and stapling donation envelopes to VV V4N1
Feb 13, 2010	Joan Giampaolo	1.0	\$19.51	Labeling and stapling donation envelopes to VV V4N1
Feb 13, 2010	Chris Shay	1.0	\$19.51	Labeling and stapling donation envelopes to VV V4N1
		<b>23.0</b>	<b>\$448.73</b>	

**Pumpkin Patch Volunteer Hours**

Date	Who	Hours	Value	What
Oct 31, 2009	Joan Giampaolo	2.0	\$39.02	Setting up for event and handling attendance
Oct 31, 2010	Tina Morrill	5.0	\$97.55	Creating fliers, buying supplies, setting up event.
Oct 24, 2009	Block Captains	10.0	\$195.10	Distribution of fliers to neighborhood
		<b>17.0</b>	<b>\$331.67</b>	

**Pumpkin Patch In-Kind Donations**

Donor	Value	Item
Zanottos	\$50.00	Discount on cookie tray and pumpkins for event.
	<b>\$50.00</b>	

## Summer Barbecue Volunteer Hours

Date	Who	Hours	Value	What
Jun 11, 2010	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Design of poster thanking donors
Jun 25, 2010	Randy Saldinger	2.0	\$39.02	Design of poster thanking donors
Jun 25, 2010	Randy Saldinger	1.0	\$19.51	Design of collateral (sign-in sheets, signs, etc)
Mar 16, 2010	Kevin Kelley	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Mar 16, 2010	Joni Talley	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Mar 16, 2010	Joan Giampaolo	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Apr 10, 2010	Kevin Kelley	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Apr 10, 2010	Caroline Bressler	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Apr 10, 2010	Chris Shay	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Apr 10, 2010	Joni Talley	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 6, 2010	Kevin Kelley	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 6, 2010	Caroline Bressler	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 6, 2010	Chris Shay	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 6, 2010	Joni Talley	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 6, 2010	Tina Morrill	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 6, 2010	Robert Gallego	1.0	\$19.51	Committee planning meeting
Jun 25, 2010	Kevin Kelley	1.0	\$19.51	Preparing burgers and toppings
Jun 25, 2010	Caroline Bressler	1.0	\$19.51	Renting tables for serving food
Jun 25, 2010	Chris Shay	1.0	\$19.51	Preparing burgers and toppings
Jun 25, 2010	Joni Talley	1.0	\$19.51	Preparing burgers and toppings
Jun 25, 2010	Robert Gallego	1.0	\$19.51	Preparing burgers and toppings
Jun 25, 2010	Tina Morrill	2.5	\$48.78	Shopping for food and supplies
Jun 25, 2010	Nancy DeMattei	2.5	\$48.78	Shopping for food and supplies
Jun 26, 2010	Kevin Kelley	7.0	\$136.57	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Caroline Bressler	7.0	\$136.57	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Chris Shay	7.0	\$136.57	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Joni Talley	7.0	\$136.57	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Tina Morrill	1.0	\$19.51	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Joan Giampaolo	1.0	\$19.51	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Robert Gallego	7.0	\$136.57	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
Jun 26, 2010	Jody Hunt	7.0	\$136.57	Setting up, staffing and cleaning up
various	Chris Shay	8.0	\$156.08	Soliciting donations for raffle prizes
various	Joni Talley	3.0	\$58.53	Soliciting donations for raffle prizes
various	Tina Morrill	4.0	\$78.04	Soliciting donations for raffle prizes
		<b>86.0</b>	<b>\$1,677.86</b>	

## Summer Barbecue In-Kind Donations

Donor	Value	Item
Roy's Station Coffee & Teas	\$28.00	gift certificate and mug for raffle prizes
The Spokesman Bicycles	\$80.00	2 bicycle helmets for raffle prizes
Whimsical Yogurt	\$25.00	gift certificate for raffle prize
Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley	\$60.00	visit from Jet the red-shouldered hawk
Chiaromonte's Deli	\$49.90	10 pounds of sausage
Mel Cotton's Sporting Goods	\$100.00	gear vouchers for raffle prizes
Sam's Downtown Feed & Pet Supply	\$20.00	Gift certificate for raffle prize
Sam's Downtown Feed & Pet Supply	\$40.00	Burlap sacks for sack races
Sam's Downtown Feed & Pet Supply	\$94.50	Free use of sheep tank trough for icing drinks
Chris Shay	\$40.00	Roy's gift certificates for raffle prizes
History San Jose	\$110.00	Gift basket for raffle prize
	<b>\$647.40</b>	

	Hours	Value
<b>Volunteer Hours</b>	170.0	\$3,316.70
<b>In-Kind Donations</b>		\$697.40
<b>Total Neighborhood Match</b>	<b>170.0</b>	<b>\$4,014.10</b>





Vendome  
Summer Barbecue '10

Thanks to our generous donors...

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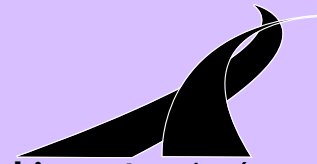


*Mel Cotton's*  
sporting goods

**1266 W. San Carlos Street**

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Supply**

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**COFFEE & TEAS**

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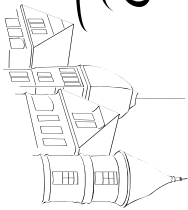
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# the Vendome Voice



VOLUME 4, NUMBER 1

## Cirque du Soleil

You may have noticed the tents going up — Cirque du Soleil is in town!

This year's show is titled "OVO" and runs from February 4 through March 7, with shows each day except Mondays. The Cirque du Soleil website says that "OVO is a headlong rush into a colourful ecosystem teeming with life, where insects work, eat, crawl, flutter, play, fight and look for love in a non-stop riot of energy and movement."

**To discourage** patrons from parking in our neighborhood, barricades and "no through traffic" signs will be put up on San Pedro and Miller Streets, near Taylor, as shown on the map. Traffic leaving the neighborhood will not be blocked. Barricades will be in position roughly 45 minutes before the start of each show, and will be taken down at intermission.

**No Through Traffic**  
Signs and barricades up about 45 minutes before show

**Barricade location during bank hours** — 4:00 shows on Fridays and one Thursday

Additional signs will be posted to remind people that there is "no event parking" in the neighborhood. These will be placed on San Pedro, Filomena, George, Acacia, Hobson and Rankin streets, and at several intersections at First Street. However, be aware that these are not enforceable parking restrictions — Cirque patrons cannot be ticketed for ignoring them.

We have asked the Department of Transportation (DOT) to post signs that clearly direct Cirque patrons to the designated parking lots, particularly for vehicles exiting Highway 87.

*If you have concerns related to the Cirque, please report them to Tina Morrill at [tinam777@yahoo.com](mailto:tinam777@yahoo.com) or (408) 298-8942. Tina is our designated neighborhood contact, and is working with the DOT, Office of Cultural Affairs, and Cunningham Liccardo's office on Cirque issues.*

**W**elcome to the first edition of the *Vendome Voice* for 2010. As you know, the Vendome Voice went to an online format last year, to save on printing costs. But thanks to a City of San Jose grant, we are able to revive the print edition for this first 2010 issue. Future issues will continue to be published online, and as ever, you can find back issues at [www.vendome.org/voice](http://www.vendome.org/voice). We hope you enjoy the newsletter. If you would like to contribute an article to a future edition of the *Vendome Voice*, send a message to [board@vendome.org](mailto:board@vendome.org).

# Vendome Voice, Volume 4 Number 1

## Median Island Landscaping



The Department of Transportation (DOT) has proposed halting maintenance on all median islands that have landscaping, and eventually removing that landscaping. This is being advocated as a cost saving measure.

In our neighborhood, all of the islands on North San Pedro Street, as well as the large island on Hawthorne Way, have been identified to eventually have their landscaping removed. (No trees will be removed, only the shrubs and plants.) The Hawthorne Way island is slated first for landscape removal. There is no yet a schedule for the North San Pedro islands, due to lack of money for the removal.

Many of us are concerned about the wisdom of this DOT proposal, and would like to understand the real benefits and advocate for alternatives — for example, an "adopt an island" program where neighbors maintain the landscaping instead of ripping it out.

The VNA has been in contact with the DOT and Councilman Liccardo's office, but we need you to make your voice heard. This issue will be discussed at our quarterly neighborhood meeting on February 25th, and Tom Ferguson, Maintenance Manager for the DOT, will be there.

*The VNA quarterly meeting is on Thursday, February 25th, at the California Bank & Trust, 515 North First Street. The meeting starts at 6:15.*

## Cinequest 2010

**T**he 20th anniversary Cinequest film festival starts February 23rd and runs through March 7th. Over 200 films are featured.

The venues are the Camera 12 and Camera 3, the California Theatre, the San Jose Repertory Theatre, and the San Jose State University Theatre.

Cinequest will be presenting their "Maverick Spirit Award" to Benjamin Brant on March 4th, and their "Life of a Maverick" award to Deepak Chopra on March 2nd.

*More information is available at [www.cinequest.org](http://www.cinequest.org).*

### The Vendome Voice

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## Help Wanted!

The Summer Barbecue is the Vendome's biggest event of the year. This year's Barbecue will be held on Saturday, June 26th. We need your help to make this event a success.



The Barbecue is organized by the VNA Barbecue Committee. The committee meets for about an hour per month leading up to the event, deciding what kind of food to serve and what activities to hold. This year's Barbecue is funded through a City of San Jose CAP grant, and we want to make the best of it.

This is your opportunity to have a lot of fun, while putting on an event that is appreciated by your Vendome neighbors! Ready to help? Want more information? Contact the Barbecue Committee at [bbq@vendome.org](mailto:bbq@vendome.org).

## The Bottom Line

**T**he Vendome is a small neighborhood, and the Vendome Neighborhood Association is a bare bones organization. Everything we do is thanks to volunteers who are generous with their time, and neighbors who are generous with their money.

In 2010, total VNA expenses were just over \$1500 — 70% of this was spent on neighborhood events, with the Summer Barbecue being our biggest and most expensive event. About 20% was spent on communication, including meeting fliers, web hosting and one print edition of the *Vendome Voice*. Less than 5% was spent on overhead; our yearly Post Office Box rental is our single largest overhead expense.

Where does our money come from? The VNA has no official standing with the City, and receives no regular funding. However, in 2008, we applied for and received a grant through the City's Community Action and Pride (CAP) program. We applied again in 2009 and received a somewhat larger grant.

While these grants have been helpful in funding events like the Barbecue and Pumpkin Patch Kids, the time overhead in writing grant applications, administering grant funds, and writing grant reports has been significant — the officers of the VNA spent more than 100 hours on grant requirements in 2009 alone. Given the overhead, our modest expenses, and the shrinking pool of grant funds, the Board decided not to apply for a CAP grant in 2010.

Thankfully, the VNA has a much more important funding source — our generous neighbors and downtown businesses. In 2009, Vendome neighbors donated more than \$800 to the VNA. Local businesses donated hundreds of dollars in prizes for the raffle at our Barbecue.

We greatly appreciate this support, and strive to manage our limited funds responsibly and transparently. The Treasurer presents a detailed financial report to the Board every month, and every one of these reports is available at [www.vendome.org/association](http://www.vendome.org/association). They are also presented at each quarterly meeting, and we invite your questions and comments.

*If you are able to make a donation to the Vendome Neighborhood Association, please use the envelope attached in this issue of the Vendome Voice, or send your check to P.O. Box 903398, San Jose, CA 95109. The VNA is not a 501(c)3 organization, so your donation is not tax-deductible, but it is still greatly appreciated.*

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## 2010 Vendome Neighborhood Calendar

Check out our events for 2010. An up-to-date calendar is always available at [www.vendome.org](http://www.vendome.org).

### Ryland Park Gardening Days

**Feb 21** Show up at Ryland Park to garden with your neighbors and play in the dirt!

**May 16** Tools, water, and snacks are provided, but you will need to bring your green thumbs and enthusiasm.

**Aug 8** Stay as little or long as you can, between 9:00 and 11:00 AM.

**Nov 7**

### Pumpkin Patch Kids

**Oct 31** The Vendome Neighborhood Association provides pumpkins and decorating supplies for all the little ghouls and goblins in the neighborhood. Cookies and drinks are also provided.

Ask your kids to bring you along as well. It's a great chance to get to know your neighbors.

*Pumpkin Patch Kids is held in Ryland Park on Halloween Days between 10:00 AM and noon.*

### Vendome Summer Barbecue

**June 26** The annual barbecue is the highlight of the Vendome social season. Our barbecue and potluck is held every June in Ryland Park.

There will be good food, fun games and an exciting raffle. Catch up with old friends and meet new neighbors.

If you can help out with the barbecue this year, **we would love to have your help**. See page 3 for more information, or send an e-mail to [bbq@vendome.org](mailto:bbq@vendome.org).

*The 2010 barbecue is funded by a CAP grant from the City of San Jose.*



NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

### Neighborhood Quarterly Meetings

**Feb 25** Join us to hear updates on neighborhood and city issues and events, as well as occasional guest speakers on topics you suggest.

**April 29** This year, our meetings will begin at 6:00 PM — with a mixer until 6:15. We realize that some people may not be available this early in the evening, but we need to be courteous to our hosts at California Bank & Trust, who have to stay late at work while we meet.

**Aug 12** On **Thursday, February 25th**, we will be joined by **Cecilia Barrie, Principal of Grant Academy**. Anyone interested in our local elementary school is greatly encouraged to attend. Also, **Tom Ferguson of the DOT** will be there to discuss the median island landscaping (see story on page 2).

**Nov 4** *California Bank & Trust is at 515 N First Street. We meet in the Community Room on the second floor.*

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