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Marble & Granite Being Cut!

Columns for Memorial Almost Done.

The 15 granite and marble pylons that will make up the Pink Triangle Park memorial are being cut in Minnesota. They will be set at Pink Triangle Park early in December by artists Robert Bruce and Susan Martin.

Add your thoughts.

Suggestions for the text to be on the Parks Plaque are welcome. Consider the following and submit them in writing to PTPM2001@aol.com.

- How do you think people become the objects of hatred?
- How has your personal experience with the effects of such hatred changed you?

We would like to receive submissions prior to celebrations of the 53rd anniversary of the signing of the U.N. Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The anniversary is December 10 and will involve events throughout San Francisco.

Commemoration details for the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial will be made available on www.evpa.org.

In August of 2000, EVPA became a co-sponsor of the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial Project. The project is a neighborhood-based effort to clean-up a parcel of city-owned property at the western side of the Castro/Market/17th street intersection. With help from the Department of Public Works and the Mayors' Neighborhood Beautification Fund and numerous volunteers and business contributors, the Pink Triangle Park has been transformed from vacant lot overgrown with weeds to a beautiful rose garden. Even more exciting is the creation of the Pink Triangle Park, a memorial sculpture dedicated to the GLBT victims of Hitler's concentration camp system.

**SF Run off for City Attorney
on December 11!**



Pumpkin carving winners Mike Babbitt and Nila Camino pose with their creation at the "120 Years of EVPA" celebration. We salute their Halloween spirit. See a scary photo of Mike at www.evpa.org

We Look Fabulous for Being 120! EVPA Marks 1881-2001 Milestone.

At a birthday party celebrating "120 Years of EVPA," guests reflected on the historic, marked the current and enjoyed old-fashioned fun.

Photos along the walls created a tour of Eureka Valley from a mostly treeless, hilly area of the 1880s to today's densely packed urban area.

Lion Barnett received a special plaque and applause for his service in EVPA, including serving as president for the last three years.

Large pumpkins were carved into jack-o-lanterns in a carving contest that, surprisingly, produced no injuries (excluding the gourds).

Members munched on fresh fruit, rolled sandwiches, bagel noshes and enjoyed a fruity champagne punch. Of course, the evening including a large birthday cake (chocolate with vanilla cheesecake) that melted in the mouth. The event was hosted by CHAT Café (18th @ Sanchez). View color photos of the party online at www.evpa.org

General Meeting Minutes October 18, 2001

Corresponding Secretary Gustavo Serina filling in for Recording Secretary Mike Babbitt.

- Meeting was called to order and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.
- Jody Sanford from the Presido Trust and Johanna Wald Natural Resources Defense Council discussed the plans for the Presidio.
- The Internal Affairs Committee presented its nomination for 2002 officer and board member candidates:

President: Gustavo Serina

Vice President: Tom Hanus

Corresponding Secretary: Joe Foster

Recording Secretary: Mike Babbitt (Incumbent)

Treasurer: Herb Cohn

At Large Board Members (2 year terms):

Drew Bertagnolli, Michael Crawford, Gerald Abbott

At Large Board Members to Complete seats vacated by Herb Cohn and Joe Foster: Rich McRee and Steve Hall

- Discussed the proposed bylaw amendment regarding discounted membership fees for seniors and individuals on disability. While the concept was met with general favor, the membership rejected the proposed bylaws, because the bylaws do not discuss the amount charged for membership.
- John Plevyak and Cynthia Metcalfe discussed their proposed changes to the roofline of their house on 19th Street and an increase in height, which require a variance. Steve Hall, a neighbor, said the neighbors do not object. Membership voted to support their proposal when it is heard by the Zoning Administrator. (This won't go before the Planning Commission unless someone objects and files for a discretionary review.)
- Mila and Pierre Martin made a presentation regarding demolition of a house on Douglass and 21st Streets. They will keep membership informed of this project.
- Michael Crawford and Tom Hanus reminded attendees that a 120th EVPA anniversary party would be hosted by the Chat Cafe on Tuesday, October 30, 6:30-8:00PM.
- A special thanks goes out to the Membership & Promotion Committee who have completed the 2001-2002 Membership Guide and begun distributing it at meetings. Please contact Committee chairman Michael Crawford at michael@sfchatcafe.com to receive a copy. Additionally, the Committee has updated the www.evpa.org website. The Committee asked for assistance from membership in distributing the newsletter at social spots in the area to introduce the EVPA to more of the public.
- The motion was made and passed to adjourn.

Visualize Membership as a Gift.

They seem to have everything. But do they have an EVPA membership? Mail in the application on the back of this newsletter with your friends' information, enclose the dues, and mark it "Holiday Gift." EVPA will send them an acknowledgement and begin their subscription to *Eureka!*

Holiday Cheer: EVPA Contributes.

EVPA's Board has approved a \$100 donation to the holiday tree, annually erected at the corner of Castro and 18th streets. The holiday tree is a project of the Merchants of Upper Market. EVPA will receive recognition on the banner near the tree, with significant visibility to passers by. We hope to add some cheer during stressful times.

It's Election Time @ EVPA!

The November 15th general meeting marks annual elections. The list of candidates appears in the minutes to the left. Please vote.

94114, 94117, 94131 Get in FREE!

The California Academy of Sciences is offering free admission to residents of zip codes 94114, 94117 and 94131 on November 16, 17, and 18th. This is part of a series of neighborhood free days. Learn more about the Aquarium, Natural History Museum, and Planetarium located in Golden Gate Park at www.calacademy.org or 750-7145.

Tag 'n Bag Sacked by City Supes.

City Supervisors turned back "Tag n' Bag" by a 4-7 margin. The proposed legislation would have required 48-hours notice before belongings left on sidewalks could be removed. EVPA opposed this legislation. District 8 Supervisor Leno voted No.

Want to Write Grant Proposals?

EVPA is looking for people who want to learn more about grant research and proposal writing. We are working with someone who can share his knowledge about the process. Curious? Email herbcohn@pacbell.net or call 621-6637.

Mark Bingham Memorial Planned.

November 10th, 3- 5 pm, Supervisor Mark Leno is hosting a community meeting to promote the development of a memorial to Cole Valley resident Mark Bingham, who died on United Flight 93 on September 11. At the EVRC, 100 Collingwood ST.

BV Tree Planting Takes Root.

More than 50 neighbors planted California Native Oaks, Madrone and Toyon trees on Nov. 3rd at Buena Vista Park. The Oaks were grown in Golden Gate Park Nursery, using acorns gathered a few years ago from BV Park's rare stand of Native Oaks. Congratulations!

City Supes OK Cost Analysis. EVPA Pressure Keeps Ball Rolling.

Members responded to the last newsletter with calls and emails to City Supervisors who, in turn, authorized an analyst to estimate the cost of:

- Steam cleaning Castro Street between Market and 19th Street, Installing a light at Harvey Milk Plaza,
- Increasing the number of beat police officers,
- Increasing the number of trash cans in the neighborhood,
- Hiring staff to do paperwork following police arrests.

District 8 Supervisor Mark Leno has spearheaded the effort between fellow Supervisors and the City's department heads. This effort was initiated by EVPA and included representatives from MUMC, MCC, LYRIC, and Ark House. Previously, the Board of Supervisors had 'continued' the motion.



Some of the smaller guests at the 120 Years of EVPA

Agenda for Nov. 15 Meeting

7:30 pm; EVRC, 100 Collingwood

- Patelco Credit Union, request for conditional use permit to develop retail space in the new retail/condo building at 15th and Market
- Billboard restriction, request from SF Beautiful to restrict construction of new billboards in SF
- Castro Theatre, presentation by Friends of 1800 about the plans for the Nasser family to renovate the landmark movie theatre
- Grandview Terrace, presentation by Stanton Street Association about a demolition and building proposal
- Election of Officers and Board

2001 Officers & Board Members

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Vice President
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At-Large Board Members

Drew Bertagnolli
Herb Cohn
Joe Foster

Lion Barnett
Gerald Abbott
Gustavo Serina
Mike Babbitt
Heide Chipp

Nila Camino
Michael Crawford
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Rachel Resnikoff (past president)



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