Coming Attractions …

June 13th-30th, S.F. International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, Castro & Herbst theaters. Information at www.frameline.org or 703-8650

Wednesday, June 19th, “District 8 Tree Summit”, 6-7:30 pm, Harvey Milk Academy. Learn more at 561-6890, ext. 108.

Thursday, June 20th, 7:30 pm, General EVPA Meeting, 100 Collingwood @ 18th, Map location at www.evpa.org.

Saturday, June 29th, “Pink Saturday.” Includes “Dyke March” from Dolores Park at 7:30pm. Street party on Castro.


EVPA salutes Pride Month, and encourages all to enjoy the vibrancy of the neighborhood!

Police Captain ‘Closes’ EVPA Event.

EVPA said ‘thank you’ to local beat and patrol officers at “They’ve Got The Beat” on May 19th at Rogue Art Space. Neighbors mingled with police while munching on strawberries and finger sandwiches and enjoying the gallery’s hand-blown glasswork. Guests included Mission Station Captain Greg Corrales who stayed until the event’s close to talk with everyone. The event coincided with National Police Officers Week.

Bubble Bath Cleans 18th Street

The Castro Bubble Bath brightens sidewalks around the neighborhood. On Sunday, June 9th, it was 18th and Hartford streets that got a scrubbing from residents, merchants and DPW. The Bubble Bath moves around targeting heavily trafficked areas. Each event is part work and part free food. Participants begin with coffee from CHAT Café and relax after with a delicious brunch from Red Grill. Special thanks to Moby Dick bar and resident Rox Cox for providing easy access to hot water, and to Lolita Robinson at DPW for waving her magic steam wand after us. Watch www.evpa.org for the date and location of the August Castro Bubble Bath.

If EVPA was a movie, it would be a: 1. Woody Allen film, 2. Melodrama, 3. Comedy, 4. Sundance entry, or 5. Low-budget Western?

Partial cast list inside. ☺
Cast from “They’ve Got The Beat” on cover, from top:
Police Captain Greg Corrales talks with one of many neighbors during the open house. SF Special Patrol Officer Jane Warner hears from a Eureka Street resident about her concerns. Cast from Castro Bubble Bath: EVPA member Rob Cox, Mayor’s Office Liaison Adam Benditsky, and District 8 Candidate and EVPA member Bevan Dufty work over a sunny Hartford Street. Patrick Batt (r), president of Merchants of Upper Market & Castro, teams with William Gerard of A.G. Ferarri Foods to tackle 18th Street.

Soon On Racks: Bikes & Papers.
Racks for bikes and racks for newspapers are making headway. At the recommendation of the UTNC Committee, bike racks will be installed at Harvey Milk Plaza to encourage linkage between bike riding and mass transit. The racks will be positioned to discourage overnight sleeping that occurs in the “dips” of the Plaza’s retaining wall. The City’s DPT says installation will occur this summer by the Civilian Conservation Corps.

With a lawsuit between newspaper publishers and the City over, multi-unit pedestal racks may start replacing freestanding racks. The new racks hold 6-10 different publications, use space more efficiently and are secured to the ground to prevent tipping over or use as a projectile. EVPA’s UTNC is preparing recommendations on rack locations for the City’s consideration.

EVPA member Jane Warner is special patrol officer who operates a private security firm in the area. Many clients are merchants, but residents also can add a layer of security through her services. Come to the June 20th meeting to learn more or call her directly at 665-1616.

Agenda for June 20th Meeting.
I. Call to Order/Introductions
II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes
III. Presentation by SF Patrol
IV. Presentation by UCSF.
V. Committee Reports
VI. Old Business
VII. New Business
   News Racks (possibly)
VIII. Adjourn

General meetings are at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center at 100 Collingwood at 7:30 pm. You do not have to be a member to attend (although you do have to be a member to vote on issues). See you there!

March with Da’ Mayor.
The Mayor’s Office invites EVPA’ers to join Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr. and the cast of the award-winning performance troupe STOMP to march down Market Street as part of the Pride Parade on June 30th. Every member of the Mayor’s contingent gets a free T-shirt, Mardi Gras necklace, and refreshments. All EVPA’ers are welcome. Contact Adam at 554-6148, or via e-mail at adam.benditsky@sf.gov.org with any questions or to confirm your spot in the parade.

Peek at Foto’s Past.
Stop by A Different Light Bookstore on Castro this month to see photos from Rink Foto’s collection of images from the late 60s Pride events! Foto’s photos are displayed over the bookshelves, and an index is posted near the back of the store. Rink’s work is well-known for documenting the “Castro.”

Photo Below: Gustavo Serina, EVPA President (l to r) chats with Bubble Bath participants at the Red Grill. Elizabeth Wadsworth, Josie Thompson, Annie Wadsworth, and Tom Hanus, EVPA VP.
May Meeting Minutes


Officers Absent:  Steve Clark Hall, Herb Cohn, Joe Foster, Mike Babbitt, Drew Bertagnolli.

Presiding:  Gustavo Serina

Call to Order:  7:30 PM

Gerald Abbott moved to approve the minutes as they appear in the Eureka! newsletter; seconded by Michael Crawford.  Motion carried without debate.

Presentation on Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP) was given by Rann Parker.

Presentation on the Proposed Entertainment Commission was given by Nathan Purkiss of Supervisor Leno’s Office.

Gerald Abbott moved to refer the Proposed Entertainment Commission to the UTNC Committee for a report to the Board for action by the board on behalf of the membership.  Seconded by Michael Crawford, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

UTNC - Reported status on several projects, Newsracks, Bike Racks, CUP application for 2185 & 2187 Market ST store exceeding 2,500 square feet.  Next meeting on June 3 5:30 PM at CHAT Café.  Next Bubble Bath June 9 at 18th & Hartford 8:00 am.  Specific thanks to Jim Cassiol for helping recruit merchant participants in last effort.  Reported on co-project with Safety Committee on “They’ve Got The Beat” police neighborhood open house on Sunday, May 19th from 2-4 pm.  Special thanks to Safety Committee for providing event funding.

Planning - Met May 16, 2002 at 6:30 and had nothing to report at this time.

Public Health & Safety - Reported on last meeting at Supervisor Leno’s office regarding Quality of Life Issues in the Neighborhood.  The group continues to search for funding for several QOL projects (Street Cleaning, Improved Street Lighting etc.)

Education & Recreation - PTP+M pylons should be installed 1st week of June, pending adjustments to the bases.  Additional funds have been secured from the Mayor’s office for the second year in a row, which is very unusual.

Membership & Promotion - Newsletter mailed and posted online at www.evpa.org.  Michael Crawford has “EVP Action Card” if you need one.  Specific thanks to Heidi Chipp and Jim Morse for assisting with newsletter mailing.  Next Eureka! Deadline is June 1 for ads and articles.

Finance - Committee has not met, but Treasurer has provided a written report.

Committee of the Whole Discussion took place regarding SF Parks & Rec questionnaire to rename a facility in honor of Mark Bingham.  The chair put forth three options as possible responses to the request:  A.  Not to name any facility in Honor of Mark Bingham.  B.  Name Recreation Center after Mark Bingham.  C.  Name the EVRC Gym after Mark Bingham.  Option C carried after discussion, along with a request to include the recommendation for a memorial plaque, display or informational kiosk as part of the Gym renaming.

A new member, Frank Weiss, introduced himself and reported on a database project to compile a list of area businesses.  He was referred to UTNC committee.

Adjourn at 9:30 pm.

Chris O’Connor Passes Away.

A long-time Eureka Valley resident, Annie “Chris” O’Connor, passed away on May 28th.  She enjoyed people-watching from her porch where many people became fond of her as the ‘gray haired lady in the sweater.’  A service was held at Most Holy Redeemer, followed by an Irish wake for the County Kerry, Ireland native.  Her son, Kevin, and daughter, Grace, live in Eureka Valley.  EVPA extends condolences to her family and many friends at Diamond Senior Center and Eureka Valley Seniors.

UCSF Brain Trauma Study.

UCSF representatives will be at the June 20th meeting to talk about a study for patients with brain trauma.  Hypothermia may be useful to slow trauma damage, but timely consent often is unobtainable from victim or family.  UCSF is informing groups to meet public notification requirements of such studies.

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- Senior Care: www.sfgetcare.com or http://BenefitsCheckUp.org

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__ Public Health/Safety    __ Education/Recreation  __ Membership/Promotion
__ Finance      __ Internal Affairs

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DPW’s Lolita Roberts and EVPA’er Bevan Dufty worked hard at the Castro Bubble Bath, and relaxed afterwards over omelets and crabcakes compliments of the Red Grill.