In Their Own Words

Question:

What is your vision for the neighborhood and why should EVPA members support you for District 8 Supervisor in the December 10 runoff?

Answer from Bevan Dufty:

District 8 residents want an accountable and effective Supervisor who can make our neighborhoods clean, safe and liveable. I have the skills, experience, passion and vision to do this job. My five years as Director of the Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services, in particular, allowed me to work in partnership with community leaders and concerned citizens throughout the city to solve problems. I understand how local government works, and I’ve seen it at its best and worst. I believe that my comprehensive knowledge of city departments and services, combined with my ability to build partnerships, distinguishes me in the race for District 8 Supervisor.

Since April, I have run a positive, issue-focused grassroots campaign. My campaign has registered 750 voters and involved dozens of young people. Meeting hundreds of District 8 residents has given me considerable insight into neighborhood concerns and hopes for the future of our City.

In particular, it is clear with the overwhelming passage of Proposition N that San Franciscans have lost faith in the City's ability to manage the problem of homelessness. I supported Care Not Cash, and I’m determined that as a Supervisor I will make sure San Francisco's reforms in addressing

Answer from Eileen Hansen:

My vision is based on a 14-year history of living and participating in District Eight. It is one of the most vibrant and culturally unique districts in the City. To address the diverse needs of our district involves three components:

1) Basic coordination of city services - Many thoroughfares in District Eight receive extensive traffic, which leads to increased litter. Our own neighborhood streets also receive insufficient attention. I will work with DPW to provide increased service to District Eight streets.

2) Resolution of district-specific issues - There are diverse opinions among District Eight residents on various district-specific issues. I will use my mediation and negotiation skills to bring diverse voices together to facilitate neighborhood-based resolutions.

3) Long-term citywide planning - There are no easy answers for complex social problems. With each year that we neglect these problems, they worsen, and their costs increase. Such is the case with issues such as homelessness, affordable housing, and many others. I will discourage quick fixes that only create additional problems. I will work to implement a planned budget process based on short- and long-term priorities, including
homelessness will be implemented with compassion and fairness. I want this to be a vital first step in changing our City and the lives of homeless people for the better.

Restoring San Francisco's economic vitality is another major priority. As Supervisor, I will work hard to keep businesses located in San Francisco. Without a vibrant economy and healthy tax bases, city services and quality of life suffer. One focus must be to restore our city as a travel destination, to reinvigorate our hospitality industry, which provides a substantial portion of the City's General Fund. In addition, creating opportunities to attract new businesses will grow San Francisco's economic stability. I strongly believe our commercial districts can flourish along with preservation of the unique character of our neighborhoods.

I am ready to go to work and fight for the vision we share in District 8 for our neighborhoods and for San Francisco as a whole. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at 415/355-9888 or bevan@bevandufty.com.

-- Bevan Dufty

**Art Gets Frame and Revised Name.**

Work has begun on a concrete retaining wall in the first step toward building a ‘frame’ for the 15-sierra white pylons at the center of Pink Triangle Park + Memorial. The concrete replaces a wooden wall that was deteriorating. Next year, the Association plans to surface the wall in granite to visually complement the sculptural centerpiece. The Park recognizes LGBT victims of the Nazi regime. Moving forward, the use of the ‘+’ sign which had been used in Pink Triangle Park + Memorial has been dropped in favor of the word ‘and’ for formal references. The usage will first appear on a plaque for the wall. And so it goes.

**Demolition on 20th Gets Attention.**

A proposal to demolish a house at 3925 20th is drawing a citizen request for discretionary review (not yet scheduled). EVPA’s Planning Committee is reviewing the matter to see if the Association wants to take any future position. Interested EVP members should contact Judy Hoyem at 552-1259 to learn more. This is not on the Nov. 21 agenda.

**Little Puppies & Kittens Need You.**

Animal Care and Control is hoping you can help out with some donations for cuddly clientele:

- Newspapers (for under the kennels)
- Blankets & Towels (for softer beds)
- Chicken and Turkey baby food (for really little kittens)
- Cat Toys & Dog Toys (for playtime)
- Heating Pads (for chilly paws and tummies)
- Canned Cat Food (for tender teeth or picky nibblers)
- Tennis or Ping-Pong Balls (boing, boing, boing!)

Drop items off at 1200 15th Street (near Harrison). Call 554-6364 if you aren’t already going ‘awwww.’
The Most Local of Elections.
EVPA holds its annual election of Officers and some Board seats at the Nov. 21 general meeting (7:30 pm at the EvRC, 100 Collingwood).

The list of declared candidates already has changed and may do so again. Please attend to vote. Currently candidates are:

For president, Gustavo Serina; For Vice President, Tom Hanus; For Corresponding Secretary, Jimmer Cassiol; For Recording Secretary, Mike Babitt; For Treasurer, Joe Foster. Candidates for the four board seats up for election are: Pauline Shaver, David Weiss, Rich McRee and Judy Hoyem. If races become contested, there will be an election by ballot. Any defeated member may then declare candidacy for one of the positions coming up for vote. Terms begin in January 2003.

The candidates provide continuity, with several officers hoping to return, as well as new faces from the membership. Mark your calendar for Nov. 21, 7:30 pm, 100 Collingwood, for the General Meeting. There is no December general meeting. So, this is the last one for 2002!

Donors Helping Build Park.
With gratitude EVPA acknowledges those who have given $100 or more recently to support Pink Triangle Park and Memorial (www.PinkTrianglePark.org) ☺

David Weiss
Ted Armstrong & Ray Dinnocenzio
Diane Nutting
Katie Hickox
Christopher Pallo

Tom Hanus & Michael Crawford

Please consider an end-of-year contribution (tax deductible) by making your check payable to “HMI” (non-profit fiscal sponsor) and note “PTP” in the memo section. Then mail to EVPA, P.O. Box 14137, SF, CA 94114-0137. You will receive an acknowledgement for tax purposes and be in the Eureka! If you don’t wish a tax deduction, you can make your check payable to EVPA, giving the organization 100% of your donation in support of the Park.

Please Renew; Yes This Means You!
Wintertime can be renewal time. Check your mailing label. Please send in your renewal promptly ($15 for individuals; $24 for households/businesses) to EVPA, P.O. Box 14137, SF, CA 94114-0137. Our goal is to achieve a record number of members by year’s end. Your renewal makes it possible! ☺

Newsy Neighborhood Nuggets.

Mix your modes of transportation using the new bike racks installed at Harvey Milk Plaza.

EVPA’s Board voted to donate $100 to the annual Holiday Tree near 18th/Castro. Note: This funding comes from dues and other proceeds, not donations to fund Pink Triangle Park efforts.

District 8’s Mark Leno easily wins CA Assembly seat. Congratulations! See election results at: www.ci.sf.ca.us/election/results1102/results.htm

U.S. House Democrats tap Pelosi to lead them. Pelosi has represented California’s 8th Congressional (SF area) since 1987. Congratulations! October 17, 2002
General Membership Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 7:30 PM. Minutes from the September EVPA meeting were approved. Committee Reports:

Treasurer’s Report: Valiantly battling to remain in the black! Dues from 5 new household memberships and two new individual memberships were received and deposited.

Planning Report: A written report was submitted briefly discussing the “Eastern Foothills Special Use District (EFSUD).” All EVPA members are encouraged to familiarize themselves with this important legislation as it effects the development of Eureka Valley and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Park and Ed Report: A generous donation in the name of the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial was received from Diesel, Inc. Thank you, Diesel!

UTNC Report: The committee met and discussed the changes proposed at the former “Hot & Hungry” restaurant (4039 18th). The committee recommends that the general membership approve of these changes (more in New Business).

Safety Report: No report filed as the committee did not meet.

Membership Report: Deadline for submissions for the November issue of “Eureka” is November 1st. Stories, ideas, columns or comments can be sent to Michael@sfchatcafe.com.

Internal Affairs Report: The first round of nominations were scheduled for this meeting. Nominations made were as follows:
EVPA President: Gustavo Serina (incumbent)
EVPA Vice President: Tom Hanus (incumbent)
Corresponding Secretary: Jimmer Cassiol
Recording Secretary: Mike Babitt (incumbent)
Treasurer: no nomination made
Board of Directors (2-year seats): Judy Hoyem (incumbent), Joe Foster, Pauline Shaver, Rich McCree
Board of Director (1-year seat): Lion Barnett

New Business

UTNC Motion: That EVPA express support for the changes proposed at 4039 18th Street (the former Hot ‘N Hungry site) with the following provisions:

- The final height of the building will not exceed that of the adjacent building;
- An agreement is reached with the current tenants;
- No pre-existing views or light wells are blocked.

The changes will include an expansion of the restaurant, addition of a third floor and a mezzanine, an owner’s living space and two rental units.

The motion passed.

Park and Ed Motion: That funds donated by Diesel, Inc. be used to partially repay PTP&M indebtedness.

The motion passed.

Park and Ed Motion: That the membership give the Board of Directors permission to approve wording on a plaque that the city will place at the PTP&M to acknowledge participation of city officials and groups in the creation of the park.

The motion passed.

The Second 2002 EVPA Candidate’s Night
Candidates for Assessor, Doris Ward (incumbent) and Mabel Teng (challenger) and candidate for State Assembly, District 13 Gall Neira each gave a two-minute presentation followed by a 10 minute question and answer session from the EVPA general membership.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm. Next meeting Nov. 21, 7:30 pm. NO DECEMBER MEETING.
Handy Resources for Home
Report Litter 28-CLEAN
Report Graffiti 241-WASH
Police Non-Emergency 553-0123
Police/Mission Station 558-5400
Help A Homeless Person 431-7400
(Mobile Assistance Patrol dispatched)
Street Cleaning 695-2017 or 695-2020

Where in the World is Eureka Valley?
EVPA encompasses neighborhoods commonly referred to as Castro, Upper Market, Twin Peaks and, of course, Eureka Valley. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works, owns property or business within the boundaries of Dolores, 22nd, Twin Peaks, and Duboce Avenue.

It's the heart of the City! Please join.

2002 EVPA Officers & Board Members
President Gustavo Serina
Vice President Tom Hanus
Corresponding Secretary Joe Foster
Recording Secretary Mike Babbitt
Treasurer Herb Cohn
At-Large Board Members
Gerald Abbott
Michael Crawford
Judy Hoyem
Lion Barnett (past president)

Membership Application
Or join online at www.EVPA.org

Name:______________________________________________________________
First Last
Name:______________________________________________________________
First Last
Address: ___________________________________________________________ Apt.
City: San Francisco, CA Zip Code ____________________________
Day Phone:(______)_________ Evening Phone:(_____)___________________
Email Address:_______________________________________________________
(EVPA does not share your contact information with other groups)
My concerns for the neighborhood include______________________________
_________________________________________________________________
I am interested in working on the following issues:
___ City Planning/Zoning ___ Transportation, Utilities & Neighborhood Commerce
___ Public Health/Safety ___ Education/Recreation ___ Membership & Promotion
___ Finance ___ Internal Affairs ___ Pink Triangle Park + M.
How did you hear about EVPA? _______________________________________

Annual Membership dues are $15 per calendar year for individuals or $24 for households and businesses. EVPA is a non-profit California corporation.
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Gov. Davis acknowledges recent EVPA event. Next wine tasting to benefit PTP on Sat. Nov. 23, 2-5 pm.