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
S.F. Supervisor Bevan Dufty  554-6968
       bevan.dufty@sfgov.org
Diana Parker, Dufty's Chief of Staff
       diana.parker@sfgov.org
Steven Aronowitz, Dufty's Deputy Chief
       steven.aronowitz@sfgov.org

2003 EVPA Officers & Board Members

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Treasurer  Joe Foster
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Gerald Abbott  Drew Bertagnolli
Michael Crawford  Judy Hoyem
Rich McRee  Pauline Shaver
       David Weiss

ALIEN CAT INVASION!

HA! Made you look. Now please look at your mailing label and send in renewals promptly. P.S. If you have a cat, you know it could happen. 😊

Membership Application

Or join online at www.EVPA.org

Name:______________________________________________________________
   First   Last

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   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

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.
Please return this form with your check payable to EVPA to:
EVPA, PO Box 14137, San Francisco, CA 94114-0137.
Questions? Email us at info@evpa.org.

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Princess Diana models her newly muffled dog tags
(see handy tip inside for your pet!)
How Can the City Cut Costs?

The City is facing a steep budget shortfall. Send in your best suggestions on how the City can save money.

We’ll send them to the Supervisor. Email your cost-cutting suggestions to joinevpa@aol.com Since budget cuts are unavoidable, make suggestions now rather than complaints later!

Ark House Move Delayed.

The transitional youth shelter at 2500 Market will remain at its premises until late June as a result of delays in permits for its permanent home. EVPA supported the extension request, made at the last meeting. (see minutes inside)

Jingle Jangle No More.

Those required dog tags can be a source of noise irritation as each nighttime scratch or daytime walk sounds like a off-tune sleigh ride. A moment of Eureka came when Tom Hanus discovered that the plastic caps you can buy at any hardware store to identify keys also slide easily over dog tags creating a muffler. And since the key caps already come in different colors, you can decorate your dog! (see photo)

Other Goings On To Go To.

• Harvey Milk Civil Rights Academy holds its annual silent auction on March 15th, Noon – 4 pm. Bid on great items with proceeds benefitting their playground.

• Witness 75 same-sex couples tying the knot in City Hall’s rotunda as the Mayor leads his last Domestic Partners’ Ceremony from 5 – 7:30 pm, March 25.

• Petchitecture auctions off the most stylish pet beds and accessories on March 28, 7-10 pm at the Design Center. Proceeds benefit Pets Are Wonderful Support (PAWS). Call 677-8688 for tickets.

Dates for Discerning Neighbors.

Clip this updated list of Association events. All EVPA General Meetings are at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center (100 Collingwood near 18th).

Wine tasting benefits for the Park are at A.G. Ferrari Foods at 468 Castro:

March 20 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
April 12 Wine Tasting, 3 - 6 pm
April 17 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
May 10 Wine Tasting, 3 - 6 pm
May 15 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
June 19 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
July 17 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
August 21 General Meeting, 7:30 pm

District Attorney’s Race Candidates Night
September 18 General Meeting, 7:30 pm
Mayor’s Race Candidates Night
October 16 General Meeting, 7:30 pm

EVPA annual elections
November 20 General Meeting, 7:30 pm

Captain Corrales Indicted, Charged by Hallinan.

The captain of the Mission Station, Greg Corrales, has been indicted by a grand jury and charged by District Attorney Hallinan with spreading misinformation related to an alleged assault. Corrales is one of five officers charged in the case in which three are accused of beating up two citizens while Corrales and one other ranking officer hindered the resulting investigation. Mission Station’s leadership duties are being handled by Lieutenant Roger Battaglia at Eureka’s press time. The D.A. dropped conspiracy charges against Chief of Police Earl Sanders and Assistant Chief Alex Fagan Sr.

All of the remaining accused officers are suspended until resolution. Alex Fagan Sr. now leads the SFPD pending Chief Sanders return from medical leave.
Why Not Join A Committee?
You can become more involved in your Association by joining one of seven permanent committees. Each handles specific matters, usually meeting once monthly. Several committees have openings now and others may from time to time. If you would like to participate, please tell us at joinevpa@aol.com and we’ll route it to the appropriate chairperson for followup with you. The committees are:

- Membership & Promotion
- Utilities, Transportation & Neighborhood Commerce
- Planning
- Education & Recreation
- Internal Affairs
- Safety
- Finance

(Note: Members can not serve on both Planning and UTNC at same time.)

More & More EVPA Than Ever.
EVPA membership continues to grow to record numbers. Please extend a warm welcome to February’s new members:

- Michael Bruno, Michael Bruno Luggage
- Don Czerkies and Chris Czerkies
- Traci Hollander, State Farm Insurance/Castro
- Scott Mishing and Adrea Cwynour, JungleRed Salon
- Robert Sandler and Jesse Jacobs, PJR LLC
- James Nixon

Renewed & Refreshed!
Our thanks also to renewing members such as these in February. Don’t see your name here? Hmm. Check your mailing label and send in your renewal promptly. Thank you:

- Paul F. Baumann
- Thomas Kocon
- Erwin Kelly
- Patty Moran

So Long, Mr. Rogers.
As a neighborhood association we would be remiss to not comment on the passing of Mr. Rogers. From the late 1960s through the 80s, “Mr. Rogers Neighborhood” on TV showed kids and adults how respect and nondiscrimination could make any neighborhood a better place to live. We extend our appreciation for all he did.

Health Clinic Hopes to Attract.
Magnet is the new name of a health clinic to open at 4122 18th Street near Collingwood in late April. The clinic will provide STD testing and counseling to gay men. More information at www.CastroGuys.org or by dropping in at the regular meetings planning space and services for the new facility. Next meeting is March 18th 5:30 pm at the Castro Meeting Room above the Sunglass Hut or call 502-5704.

PTP Changes Short-term Goal.
Pink Triangle Park and Memorial will refocus its available funds for improved landscaping and irrigation, rather than a granite wall to surround the Park. Funds raised to date or pledged covered only 1/3 of the projected wall estimates. (See minutes) The landscaping is expected to be in place for a June ceremony with the Mayor. The Park recognizes LGBT experiences during the Nazi regime. Online at www.PinkTrianglePark.org

Discover Your Home’s History.
When was it built? Who lived there?

The Main Library can help you find your home’s or building’s provenance using four resources:

- Block Books detail the partitioning of San Francisco as it expanded from a small town on the shore of the Bay. District 8 was once part of “Horner's Addition.” Most of the main thoroughfares can be seen, as well as property lines and owner names.
- The San Francisco Directories are like phone books and date back to pre-1900. Using the name of the property owner found in the SF Block Book, you can then find the owner’s occupation and work address.
- You can find the age of your home and possibly the original owner’s signature on records from the Spring Valley Water Company which provided water service in the 1800s.
- To get a sense of how the neighborhood developed over time, check out the Sanborn Fire Company records. They went out every 8 – 10 years and documented structures, parcel by parcel, beginning in the late 1800’s. Enjoy the research!
February 2003 Minutes

Call to Order: 7:40 PM

Minutes from the January 2003 EVPA meeting were approved.

Presentations

Eric Politzer from Ark of Refuge and Margot Antonetty from DPH gave a brief overview of the Ark House program located at 2500 Market Street and their planned move. City budget constraints and other issues have forced them to abandon their previous alternative sites and look for more affordable locations. The lease for the Ark House program is up at the end of March, and because of these unforeseen issues, they would like EVPA to support an extension to their original agreement to move at the end of March 2003. They request an extension through June 30, 2003, at which time they believe that the new site for the program at 1038 Howard Street will be ready for occupancy. Eric has committed to maintaining staff levels at the Ark House during this extension, and that he would not return to ask for a new extension when this one comes to a close. A motion was made to support an extension for the program through June 30, 2003. The motion carried.

Committee Reports

Park and Ed Report: The Committee has received two quotes to reface the new retaining wall at the Pink Triangle Park & Memorial. Both quotes were for around $66,000, much more than the Committee had foreseen. Committee Chair Pauline Shaver has spoken with Wendy Nelder asking for the grant to be rewritten to allow the use of these grant funds to ready the Park for the dedication ceremony, proposed for sometime during Pride Week. The funds will be used for landscaping, an irrigation system and for other pressing needs. While the granite wall will most likely not be done in time for the dedication, the official plaque commemorating the PTP&M as a memorial for the gay and lesbian victims of the Holocaust will be ready. The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Beautification authorized repayment of debt from restricted PTP&M balances currently held by EVPA. As soon as practical, the Treasurer will issue checks to repay the EVPA General Membership Fund, Herb Cohn, and Gustavo Serina for loans made to PTP&M. A motion was made to direct up to $1000 of EVPA funds towards the dedication ceremony and creation of an ad-hoc committee to expend the funds. The motion carried.

Drew Bertagnolli gave an update on the EVRC remodel. Bad news: someone has stepped forward to complain about the reduced open space that the new design calls for. Because of this complaint, the start date for the remodel will be pushed back to December 2003. The good news is that an artist was selected and approved for the public art component of the remodel. The remodel is expected to take 18 months. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Joe Foster presented the EVPA 2003 budget. Details of the budget are available for EVPA members. A motion was made to approve the budget as presented. The motion carried. Planning Report: No Planning Committee report was given. UTNC Report: EVPA Board Member David Weiss was announced as the new Chair of the UTNC Committee. Interested EVPA members are encouraged to contact David. Safety Report: Discussions on how to handle the annual Halloween gathering are on hold after an unfortunate public statement from organizers of the Gay Pride Parade. Committee Chair Drew Bertagnolli is working with MUMC and other neighborhood groups to jump start these talks. A motion was made to write a letter thanking Captain Corrales and the officers of Mission Station for their efforts that lead to the arrest of a suspect in several burglaries in Eureka and Noe Valley. The motion carried.

Membership Report: No report was given, but members are continually encouraged to report neighborhood nuggets and gossip for inclusion in the EVPA monthly newsletter, “Eureka!” Internal Affairs Report: Nothing to report.

New Business

EVPA Board Member Rich McCree proposed a July date for the Seward Street Mini Park 30th birthday party. Rich will work with the Membership Committee to work out a plan for EVPA participation in this event. EVPA member Gary Weiss mentioned the hazards presented by the untrimmed palm trees in the center of Market Street. EVPA President Gustavo Serina pledged to mention this issue during his meeting with Supervisor Bevan Dufty.

The meeting adjourned at 9pm.

THE NEXT MEETING IS

THURSDAY, MARCH 20 AT 7:30 PM
@ 100 COLLINGWOOD (EVRC).