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Dedicating An American First.
Pink Triangle Park Event Involves Mayor, WWII Veterans, Concentration Camp Survivors.

Pink Triangle Park is alive with activity in preparation for the Official Dedication of America’s first permanent freestanding memorial to LGBT experiences during the Nazi regime.

Three years of hard work from inspired volunteers, artists, and diverse membership of EVPA culminate in the Monday, June 23rd dedication, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. The ceremony will include several Jewish survivors of the concentration camp system (there are no LGBT survivors in the Bay Area from this era), World War II veterans who served in Europe, clergy from neighborhood churches and synagogues, members of the Shoah Foundation who record verbal histories of Holocaust survivors, San Francisco Mayor Willie L. Brown, Jr., Board of Supervisors President Matt Gonzales, Board of Equalization Chairwoman Carole Migden, Supervisor Bevan Dufty whose District 8 includes the Castro and Supervisor Tom Ammiano. Music will be provided by the internationally recognized San Francisco Concert Chorale.

The DPW will close the base of 17th street during the event to accommodate the expected overflow crowd. A special thanks to EVPA members Ed Allen, Lion Barnett, Mike Babbitt, Jimmer Cassiol, Erin Day, Joe Foster, Dianne Nutting, Gustavo Serina and Carlos Vasconcelos who have volunteered to assist attendees at the dedication event. More volunteers are still needed so please take a moment to send an email to joinevpa@aol.com if you can help prior to, during or after the event.

The Official Dedication takes place one year after the installation of the sculptural centerpiece by artists Susan Martin and Robert Bruce. Since then, the crumbling wooden retaining wall has been replaced, informational posts installed, and now lush landscaping evokes an environment of mediation and contemplation on civil rights. Peek inside for an overview of the textured landscaping now embracing the 15 sierra white granite pylons.

Please visit www.PinktrianglePark.org for links to historical references on LGBT experiences during the Nazi regime, maps and background on the Park, as well as the ability to donate online via PayPal to support ongoing efforts.

The dedication of PTP&M fits in well with District 8 Supervisor Bevan Dufty’s Castro Renaissance Program and we will be hearing more about that at our June General Membership Meeting, when a representative from the Department of Public Works will talk to us about it. This program will result in cleaner sidewalks and more trees, among many other things. Supervisor Dufty is introducing legislation that will make Halloween an official city sponsored event, a crucial first step in ensuring that

Next Meeting: June 19, 7:30 PM
Dedication: June 23, 11:30—12:30
Overview of the Park’s Landscape and Design
—Sculpture by: Robert Bruce and Susan Martin
—Landmark landscaping by: Jason Rowe
—Roses by: Vintage Gardens, Gregg Lowery & Phillip Robinson

Minutes of May 15 EVPA Meeting.

Minutes of April 17 as recorded in Eureka were approved.

New Business
1. Allison Mickels, DPW Clean City Coordinator and Tim Dewey Matea, Clean City Team, presented details of the Community Day for District 8 on Saturday, June 7th at Harvey Milk Plaza and Volunteer in the Park on Saturday, June 24 at Dolores Park. Volunteers are needed to pick up litter, tend to trees, paint out graffiti, etc. For more information or to volunteer call 508-0050 or go to www.sfcleancity.com. 2. Steve Gibson and Kevin Rowe gave details on the opening of Magnet, on 18th Street near Castro. This gay men’s health center will offer integrated health services including HIV testing, screening and treatment for STDs, substance use and mental health services - open July 2nd. Hours of operation will be W-F: 3 pm to 9pm and Sat: Noon to 6 pm. They will host a Town Meeting with Supervisor Dufty on July 19th.
3. Steve Ferrario, a volunteer in Supervisor Dufty’s office, explained that the recent trimming of the palm trees along Market Street coincided with the demolition of the freeway across Market Street. In future Suq. Dufty and his staff will work to dedicate funds for regular routine maintenance of the palms, every 2 to 3 years. 4. Gustavo led a discussion regarding the current situation with the Care Not Cash legislation approved by voters. It was approved by a majority vote that the EVPA corresponding secretary send a letter to the Board of Supervisors stating: Although EVPA does not endorse candidates for office, the organization may take a stand on legislation and ballot initiatives. In 2002, EVPA supported Position N, Care Not Cash, and at its May 15, 2003 meeting, endorsed the legislative version of that initiative being introduced at the Board of Supervisors. We urge all the supervisors to pass Care Not Cash and thereby honor the mandate of the voters. 5. Justin Del Versano announced a donation to PTPM of ~$750 in funds remaining from the planning appeals and mitigation efforts relating to the Eureka Gardens housing construction project. 6. Gustavo presented information regarding the Castro Renaissance, a program planned by Sup. Dufty which may encompass: replacing faded rainbow banners, regular steam cleaning of sidewalks, removing flyers, outreach to prevent littering, planting trees, etc. DPW has ~$50,000 to dedicate to the Castro Renaissance. Gustavo and Herb Cohn, President of MUMC, have filmed a segment regarding the Castro Renaissance with Carolyn Tyler of KGO 7.

Committee Reports: Finance
Joe Foster, Treasurer, announced $25,000 in funds from the Mayor’s Neighborhood Beautification Fund to complete the landscaping project at Pink Triangle Park. He also reported that income and expenses are both slightly behind projections and EVPA remains financially healthy.

Education and Recreation
Pauline Shaver, chairperson, announced that the Dedication Ceremony will take place on Monday June 23rd at 11:30 am. with Mayor Brown and other officials invited. Pauline said that completion of this work is scheduled for June 28th. Planning Gustavo Serina reported that the proposed legislation on demolitions goes to City Planning Commission on July 10th for a hearing. Membership and Promotion Gustavo Serina reported that EVPA membership is now 202 members. Membership has doubled in the last 2 years. UTNC no report. Internal Affairs no report. Safety Gustavo Serina reported that the police have announced that there will be a ban on open alcohol containers on the streets during Halloween this year. He also reported that Suq. Dufty continues to develop plans to make Halloween a City sponsored event. Motion to adjourn made, seconded and approved. Meeting adjourned at 9 pm. Look for new member announcements next issue.

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