Join EVPA by sending us this completed membership application

Name: ____________________________ First Name ____________________________ Last Name ____________________________

Organization: ____________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________

City: San Francisco, CA Zip Code __________ Apt. __________

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

Renewing membership __ New membership.

Annual membership dues are $15 per calendar year for individuals or $24 for households, businesses or nonprofits in Castro, Upper Market, and Duboce Triangle (Eureka Valley). EVPA is a non-profit California corporation.

Please return this form with your check payable to EVPA to:

EVPA, P.O. Box 14137, San Francisco, CA 94114-0137.

HANDY RESOURCES FOR HOME

Report Litter 28-CLEAN
Report Graffiti 241-WASH
Police Non-Emergency 553-0223
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’s Office
Bevan Dufty 554-6968
Bevan.dufty@sfgov.org
Diana Parker, Chief of Staff
Diana.parker@sfgov.org

2003 EVPA OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

President: Joe Foster
Vice President: Drew Bertagnolli
Corresponding Secretary: Thomas Kocon
Recording Secretary: ____________________________

At-Large Board Members: Gerald Abbott, Adam Hagen, Judy Hispanic, Richard McRee, Gustavo Serina, Pauline Shaver and David Weiss

Next General Membership Meeting: Thursday, May 20th, 2004 @ 7:30pm

CASTRO MEETING ROOM

Above the Bank of America

President's Column

Corporate Goodwill and EVPA

The following letter was sent to congratulate our members, Gustavo Serina and Bob Melbourne on their recent marriage:

March 30, 2004

Mr. Robert William Melbourne
Mr. Gustavo Serina
216 Douglas St
San Francisco, CA 94114-0226

Dear Mr. Melbourne and Mr. Serina,

Congratulations on your wedding and your decision to join together in the celebration and commitment that encompasses such an important step toward a future you wish to enjoy, and that you choose to affirm for one another.

This special moment is one that we expect and cherish for your family and friends to share in your happiness. It is one we share in under the conditions that we do what we can to make sure that people who have come together to celebrate this event do not have any serious hardships.

In this spirit, we wish you all the very best and extend our congratulations and best wishes to you both.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Kathleen J. Galligan
Manager, Wellness and Cellular Registry
AMERICAN EXPRESS

As part of the Bay Area’s Make a Difference month activities, local Amex employees, led by EVPA member Jack Keating, conducted a Civil Rights hike and park clean-up in San Francisco on Sunday, April 18th. In honor of the violated civil rights of many people around the world, the group – along with EVPA members Diane Nutting and Justine del Vasareo – spent time cleaning up at the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial and then proceeded on a four-mile urban hike to the top of Mt. Davidson and the giant cross commemorating the Armenian genocide.

It appears that Gump’s has chosen to support those in our neighborhood who have taken advantage of an exciting new freedom. Local businesses like Gump’s are also ready to support San Francisco’s diverse neighborhoods with matching grant programs. Under such programs, employee contributions to neighborhood organizations (like EVPA) are matched by their employers. Such matching programs allow our members to double their financial support to EVPA. In addition, national corporations such as American Express support neighborhood groups with grants for specific projects such as Pink Triangle Park and Memorial. EVPA member Jack Keating organized and extraordinary day that started at PTPM for his American Express colleagues and you can read details of the event in this newsletter.

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It was a day of remembrance, education and camaraderie. The group had set a goal to raise $250 to support the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial. They reached their objective and American Express will match the effort. In addition, the park was mowed, raked, swept up, weeded and generally made ready for sightseers and neighbors to enjoy.

After working at the park, the team enjoyed a beautiful hike through the Eureka Valley, Upper Market, Twin Peaks, Miraloma Park, Westwood Highlands and West Portal neighborhoods. Along the way they reviewed historic photographs of the neighborhoods, including a photo taken of the City from Twin Peaks only days after the 1906 earthquake.

Minutes of EVPA Membership Meeting April 15, 2004

Community Meeting Room

President Joe Foster called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Introductions and a review of meeting protocols.

Minutes of March meeting. Approved with correction of spelling of name of member Jim Moran.

Committee Reports

UTNC

1. Market Street, Octavia Street to 1st. Project to address the discontinuity of bicycle lanes at Market Street. Seven options are proposed having various effects on parking and on pedestrian traffic. Chair David Weiss will invite a representative of the Bicycle Coalition to make an informational presentation at EVPA.

2. Business Transitions in the Neighborhood. Travel Trends on Castro Street has closed and will be replaced by a nail salon. A new permit is not needed. The Fairy Queen Chocolate Shop on Castro has closed. La Nouvelle Patisserie will open on Castro Street next door to Superstar Video Store.

Community Meeting Room

UTNC

1. Minutes to March meeting.

2. Motion to approve the San Francisco LGBT Community Center (“Center”) as fiscal agent for EVPA. Approve the use of the Center as Fiscal Agent for EVPA to handle receipt of donations from individuals, corporations, public agencies, and other parties to support the Pink Triangle Park, Seward Street Mini Park and Slide, and other EVPA activities. Approval is contingent upon reaching a satisfactory agreement with the Center regarding processing of donations. Membership authorizes Board Member Gustavo Serina to negotiate on its behalf with the Center to reach agreement regarding procedural, record keeping, disbursement, fees, and other relevant issues. Gustavo Serina will report back to the Board and General Membership regarding final agreement.

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Ed and Rec

Work has begun for the installation of lighting of the pylons in Pink Triangle Park. The lights themselves will be installed at a later date.

Planning

Regarding a Survey of Historic Properties in Eureka Valley and the Castro, Chair Adam Hagen will follow up on the issues involved and report to the Board.

Other Business

1. Strange de Jim will give a presentation on his book of photos on Castro Street at the Castro on April 17 at 7 pm.

2. The Castro Star is the new newspaper for our neighborhood.

3. Castro Renaissance update:

Dustin Blake, assistant to Supervisor Bevan Dufty, reported that 14 trees will be planted on Castro Street as part of the Castro Renaissance. The next component is to bring cultural arts to the neighborhood. The supervisor is trying to get additional funding for a theater in the Harvey Milk Recreation Center in Duboce Park.

Adjourned at 8:25 pm.

NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTIAL SALES DATA

1st Quarter 2004

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ADVERTISE IN THE EUREKA!

There is no better time to place and ad in the Eureka than now. Announcing our new incentive program – plan ahead and save some money while letting your neighbors know how best to support your business. Ad rates are as follows, to sign up please contact Gustavo Serina at gserina@aol.com.

1 month.................. $35
1.5 months.............. $40
3 months................. $90
6 months................ $165
9 months................ $225
12 months.............. $270

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