

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's Office
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**Next General Membership
Meeting: Thursday
July 15, 2004
@ 7:30pm
Castro Meeting Room
Castro @ 18th Street
Above the Bank of America**

Join EVPA by Sending Us This Completed Membership Application

Name: _____
First Last

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Organization: _____

Address: _____ Apt. _____

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Day Phone: (____) _____ Evening Phone: (____) _____

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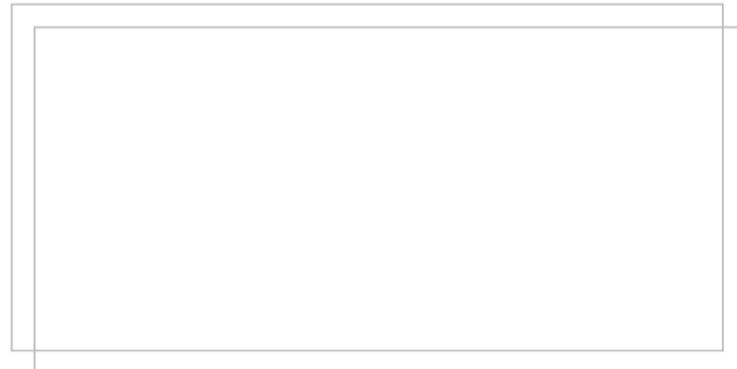
(EVPA does not share your contact information with other groups)

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



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Eureka!

News for Eureka Valley, Upper Market,
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Miller-Joost House

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP IN EUREKA VALLEY

EVPA member, **Gary Weiss** is spear-heading an effort to form a new neighborhood group in the vicinity around Corbett Avenue in Eureka Valley. The group will concentrate on specific issues such as the utility under-grounding on Corbett and traffic calming on upper 17th Street.

EVPA supports its members in forming specific-issue neighborhood groups within Eureka Valley. In the past, our members on Collingwood Hill, Sanchez Hill and Dolores Heights have found a strong ally in EVPA. Recently, our organization has stood with neighbors in negotiations on specific development projects as well as broader policy issues such as "Monster Home" legislation. Together we have advanced our shared goals of an enhanced quality of life in the heart of San Francisco.

"Corbett Heights Neighbors" are scheduled to meet at the Castro Community Meeting Room at 501 Castro Street on Thursday, July 22 at 7:30pm.

If you have questions, please call Gary Weiss at **861-8288** or email Gary@ixia.com.

WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT EUREKA VALLEY?

Richard McRee

After living in Eureka Valley more than thirty years, the geology and history of our neighborhood is as fascinating to me now as it was in the beginning. We are surrounded by many wonderful Victorian buildings, including landmarks that could tell stories for days if they could talk. These form a low-key and friendly architectural fabric for our community. As I walk around, I am often reminded that some of these relatively "new" structures have been standing in sun rain and fog - day after day, for 100 years before I arrived. Ensuing years have seen many changes - generally for the better. We have people who care about their community, each other, and issues that extend far beyond themselves. The people of Eureka Valley are and remain a generally upbeat, fair-minded, and progressive lot.

Eureka Valley is one of San Francisco's better-defined geologic valley structures. It extends about one mile from north to south, and about two miles to the east from Twin Peaks. With Mission Delores defining the northeast corner of the watershed area and 18th Street defining the former stream bed, it includes whole and partial sub-communities such as the East of Twin Peaks neighborhood and Duboce Triangle, which extends toward the famous Haight-Ashbury. Eureka Valley also includes the world-famous and important Castro scene focused on the outstanding and historical Castro Theatre and its lively activity along Castro Street and on Market between 15th and 17th.

Geologically, the defining ridges on the north and south sides of the valley are each unique. The southern ridge defines the southern border shared with neighboring Noe Valley, and meanders through the street grid while ranging from 300-feet to 400-feet above sea level. Consequently, the streets take corresponding ups and downs, providing interesting and surprising glimpses of Sutro Tower and Twin Peaks that can stop a driver in the middle of the road when seen in crisp sunlight or in our own special wild-blowing high fog.

The northern ridge of Eureka Valley's watershed is distinctive in its own right, and defines the border of the neighboring Cole Valley watershed and Buena Vista. The prominent Corona Heights green space - popularly known as "Rocky Mountain" - reaches an elevation of 505 feet and has some of the finest outcroppings of Northern California's "Chert" rock - the undulating formations of brown- and ochre-colored strata that echo the Herculean forces that are still at work after millions of years.

Just west of Corona Heights along the northern ridge is the defining 555-foot high Mount Olympus with its secret grand monument with parking all around it. Further west and south as the ridge winds up to Twin Peaks is the 600-foot high Tank Hill with its inspiring mass of chert cliffs and spectacular views of St.

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What's So Special...(con't)

Ignatius, the Golden Gate Bridge, and the Marin headlands beyond. The foundation of the tank is still there.

Very quickly after gold was discovered, California was founded and the state motto was chosen. Soon after, city fathers laid out Market Street and focused its alignment on Twin Peaks, naming the northern 908-foot peak and the valley in front of it after the motto: "Eureka" - Greek for "I found it". The phrase can mean as much today as when gold was discovered and when Archimedes used it when he determined the density of gold. Did I forget to mention Eureka Street?

Eureka Valley is a special place that still means much to thousands of people who have called it "home" over the years. The "Promotion" in EVPA's name is not about marketing. It is about advancing appreciation and betterment of our community for the benefit of everyone - regardless whether gay or straight, old or young. EVPA provides a forum where we can all meet face-to-face, accept our differences, and speak our minds with respect for each other. It's not always easy, but it is worthwhile. Consider participating in the history of our community. You make a difference. While you're at it, you might mention EVPA to a neighbor!

"Cruisin' the Castro" is Back

EVPA member, **Trevor Hailey** has returned to Eureka Valley with her famous "Cruisin the Castro" walking tours. Our Pink Triangle Park and Memorial is now an important stop on Trevor's strolls through the neighborhood. You can treat your visitors to this novel look at our history by contacting Trevor at **415-550-8110** or visit <http://www.webcastro.com/castrotour/>



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

On Sunday, October 3, 2004 EVPA will participate in the Castro Street Fair. EVPA Board Member, **Adam Hagen** will once again lead a team of dedicated volunteers in collecting donations at the fair-gate. In past years, proceeds from the Castro Street Fair have provided "seed money" for important EVPA projects including the Pink Triangle Park and Memorial and our "Castro Bubble Bath" street cleaning events. To volunteer this year, please **contact Adam Hagen through our website at www.evpa.org**



EVPA MINUTES GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING JUNE 17, 2004

Brought to order at 7:30pm. 19 voting EVPA members in attendance.
 Motion: To select one of the three proclamations submitted by Mike Babbitt as the official EVPA Proclamation.
 Motion Carried
 Motion: To select Version "C" as the official EVPA Proclamation Document.
 Motion Carried
 Motion: To award three (3) EVPA Proclamations on a quarterly basis beginning at the July General Membership Meeting.
 Motion Carried
 Presentation from the owner of "The Café" regarding extending the hours of business from 3pm-2am to 3pm-5am.
 Motion: To table any EVPA recommendation and send the matter to the UTNC Committee for review.
 Motion Carried
 To do: Alert Supervisor Duffy's office to the presence of needles and other drug paraphernalia at the "closed" EVRC during its reconstruction.
 Request from DPW and SFPD barriers to protect the PTP+M during Pride Week festivities.
 Motion: To adjourn at 9pm.
 Motion Carried

Neighborhood Residential Sales Data 2nd Quarter 2004

Property Type	Number Sold	Average Selling Price
Single-Family	34	\$1,151,794
Condo		
1 Bedroom	9	\$561,042
2 Bedroom	22	\$815,084
3 Bedroom	5	\$895,600
Multi-unit Building		
2-unit	15	\$1,214,126
3-unit	6	\$1,141,500
4-unit	1	\$1,015,000

Provided by Adam Hagen, McGuire Real Estate | Data source: SFAR MLS

ADVERTISE IN THE EUREKA!

There is no better time to place an 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
 3 months, \$90
 6 months, \$165
 9 months, \$225
 12 months, \$270

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