

EVPA News

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Dues Increase Proposed

Be sure to attend the July 19 EVPA membership meeting, to join the discussion about a proposed dues increase.

EVPA is growing! In recent months, EVPA has filled out its committee structure with actively involved members. These committees are taking on projects like a joint effort with MUMC to address crime and homelessness in our neighborhood, the beautification of Pink Triangle Park, a drive to increase membership by 50%, work to expand and improve this newsletter, development of a neighborhood resource guide, and increased communication with elected officials.

These and other expanded activities will require added resources. Proposed paid advertising in the newsletter can provide some new income, but the rest must come from our membership in the form of a dues increase.

EVPA dues have been extremely low for some time. Most comparable neighborhood groups in San Francisco have higher dues than EVPA. Please come to the July meeting and express your thoughts about a dues increase. If you can't attend, send your thoughts on the dues increase by email to <u>herbcohn@pacbell.net</u>.

Don't Park On The Sidewalk – PLEASE!!!

But If You Do.....

Legislation to increase fines to as much as \$100 will be considered by the SF Board of Supervisors this month, for the illegal (and inconsiderate!) parking of vehicles on city sidewalks. Provisions are included to increase SFPD's priority for sidewalk parking enforcement to equal that for blocked driveways. Parking in front of one's own driveway would be allowed, as long as the sidewalk is not blocked. Public education is emphasized, to help everyone know what is and isn't legal when parking in the city. For more information contact Walk San Francisco at 415.358-5545 or www.walkSF.org

Chill Out Some "Hot Spots"!!

Local "Hot Spots" are being discussed by EVPA's Safety Committee in cooperation with MUMC and other neighborhood organizations, along with ways to address these problem areas. "Hot Spots" are areas of heavy pedestrian congestion, illegal activity, etc. As Hot Spots are identified, plans of action will be formulated. Interested EVPA members can contact Safety Committee chair, Mike Babbitt, at <u>mgb@dolby.com</u> to join in the discussion.

Davies Medical Center Expansion Plans

Planning continues for major changes at Davies Medical Center at Castro & Duboce Streets, though no final decisions have been announced yet. Expect significant increases in the amount and type of hospital and other healthcare services provided at Davies in the years ahead. New construction and/or seismic retrofit of Davies buildings and a significant increase in activity and area traffic are anticipated. These changes could have both positive and negative impacts on our neighborhood. Davies management expects to announce its "preferred alternative plan" this summer, followed by public meetings to provide details and to obtain community input. EVPA's Planning Committee is following the project. For more information, contact EVPA member Richard Magary at 415.431-2359 or magaryr@ix.netcom.com for further information.

Pink Triangle Park Work Continues

A new wooden model of the Pink Triangle Memorial has been erected – 15 triangular pylons in the rose garden at 17th & Market Streets. The model was placed by artists Robert Bruce and Susan Martin, working with SF Dept. of Public Works staff and neighborhood volunteers. The model will help guide final decisions for the color, scale and placement of the permanent Memorial, which is scheduled for installation in October this year. Pink Triangle Park & Memorial honors the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered victims of Hitler's concentration camps.

The public is encouraged to visit the park (especially those in our neighborhood and community) and to send comments, as well as donations, to Pink Triangle Park & Memorial Committee, Box 326, 584 Castro St., San Francisco 94114. Checks can be made payable to "EVPA," or if you want a tax deduction for your donation, contact PTPM as above for further details.

Supporters of the PTPM project include the following neighborhood businesses and organizations: BayView Bank, Bank of America, Blue Restaurant, Regan's Nursery, Hortica, SF Mayor's Neighborhood Beautification Fund, Harvey Milk Institute, Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, and Chat Café.

Summary Minutes

EVPA General Meeting June 21 2001

- EVPA supports Tower Records' application for a Conditional Use Permit to expand into an adjacent ground-level space at 2280 Market, on the conditions that the combined space be returned to two separate storefronts should Tower vacate in the future, and that Tower will discourage customer double-parking in front of the store and will encourage MUNI and other non-driving trips to the store by customers and employees.
- EVPA supports the proposed "March of Light" on Halloween night from Castro & Noe, past the new LGBT Community Center at Market & Octavia, to Civic Center. The march would memorialize victims of AIDS. New Heritage Foundation hopes its plans for the march will begin a new tradition, as an alternative to the troubleprone Halloween activities in the Castro in past years.
- EVPA urged Mayor Brown to veto Sup. McGoldrick's "TIC" legislation, which the Mayor did. However, the Board of Supervisors overrode the Mayor's veto on July 9.

Complete Minutes are available at www.EVPA.org

Meeting Agenda for July 19th

Chow Restaurant Presentation by Joe Conte. Conditional Use Permit Application for a rear patio at their Church & Market location.

"March of Light" Halloween Parade

Guest, Jim Lightsey of New Heritage Foundation. Update on meetings with SFPD and DPT.

EVPA Budget Review and approval of EVPA's budget for July 2001-June 2002, including a proposed dues increase. (See article in this

EVPA News Goes Email

EVPA News will be distributed by Email only, starting with our next issue (August), if we have your email address. Using email, you'll get the news faster. EVPA also will save substantial printing and postage costs nearly \$1 per copy.

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Don't have an email address? Don't worry! We'll continue to mail your copy of EVPA News as soon as it's published. The Newsletter also will continue to be posted at www.EVPA.org, but only after the delay required to load it on the website.

Tell a Friend

Help strengthen and diversify EVPA's membership by telling neighbors and friends about EVPA.

- Urge them to visit www.EVPA.org. Along with EVPA history and information they'll find a Membership Form ready to print out and send in. If they don't have Internet access, call Magary at 415.431-2359 Richard or email magaryr@ix.netcom.com, leave the name and address, and we'll send materials to them, or
- Invite them to join you at our next Membership Meeting on Thursday, July 19 at 7:30 pm, and
- Volunteer to help us "Cover Your Block" by distributing sample newsletters and other membership information to every resident on your block. Contact Richard (see above).

YOU know EVPA is working to make our community better! **HELP SPREAD THE WORD!!!**

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EVPA July Meeting Thursday, July 19 7:30 PM **Eureka Valley Recreation Center 100 Collingwood**

Simplify Your Life – Share a Car!

Sometimes you need a car. even if the best way to get around San Francisco is usually by foot, bike or transit.

Picnic in the country? Big shopping run? A special occasion? City Car Share is a network of cars parked around San Francisco (including at Davies Medical Center, right in our neighborhood). You can check a car out for an hour, day or week. Members pay based on how much they drive - \$2.50/hour (capped at 10 hours/day) and \$.45/mile. Gas, insurance - everything is included.

For more information on this exciting alternative to having your own car, visit the website at www.CityCarShare.org or call the City Car Share office at 415.995-8588.

EVPA MEETING SCHEDULE - 2001	
July 19	General Membership Meeting
July 31	Board of Directors
August 16	General Membership Meeting
September 4	Board of Directors
September 20	General Membership Meeting
October 2	Board of Directors
October 18	General Membership Meeting
	Board & Officer Nominations
October 30	Board of Directors
November 15	General Membership Meeting
	Elections!!!
December 4	Board of Directors

If your address label below indicates your membership is expiring (the code is yyyy mm), please renew now! OR If you'd like to be a part of EVPA's work in your neighborhood, please join EVPA today!

Send a check for \$8.00 for an individual, \$12.00 for couples, to EVPA Membership; PO Box 14137; San Francisco, CA 94114-0137.

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