



Eureka!

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✂ To Put on Your Calendar, & Clip for Your 'Fridge.

(Questions? Want to help or join? Email us at info@evpa.org)

August 15, 7:30 pm

EVPA General Meeting (Next ones: 9/19, 10/17, 11/21)
Eureka Valley Recreation Cntr., Collingwood/18th

August 24, 4 – 7 pm (drop in and out)

Wine Tasting benefiting Pink Triangle Park
A.G. Ferrari Foods, 468 Castro Street

Aug. 28, Noon

Sail San Francisco! (www.sailsanfrancisco.org)
35 Tall Ships parade into the Bay for 6 days.

Sept. 1 & 2, 1:30 pm music; 2 pm free show.

San Francisco Mime Troupe
"Mr. Smith Goes to Obscuristan" in Dolores Park.

Sept. 29, 11 am – 6 pm

Folsom Street Fair

October 6, 11am – 6 pm

Castro Street Fair ('Dot Squad' people needed)
Fair covers area; EVPA 'dot squad' near PTP+M.

October 10, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Art Sale benefiting Pink Triangle Park
Zedd Fine Arts @ Sanchez/18th (details to come).

Pink Triangle Park Goes Online!

Pink Triangle Park, the emerging civil rights park in remembrance of LGBT victims of the Nazi regime, now is online at www.PinkTrianglePark.org

Click it for an overview, photos, research links or to make a donation online via PayPal.

PayPal Donations made the good old-fashioned way are happily accepted at EVPA, P.O. Box 14137, SF, CA 94114-0137. For tax donation, make payable to "HMI", write PTP+M in the memo section, and mail it in. Donations of \$100 or more made by Sept 3rd receive recognition in the next issue! **Please tell your friends about www.PinkTrianglePark.org** ☺



Bethany UMC leadership at the Garden Party celebrating plans for a new church at the 'hole.' Pictured, (l to r), John Nelson, Rev. Karen Oliveto and Jeff Ellis.

Residential & Church Construction Big on August Meeting Agenda.

One project to build residential units and another to build a new church will be on the August 15th general meeting agenda. Members will be asked to take a position on the residential project, while the presentation on Bethany United's plans for construction are preliminary and the presentation for information purposes only.

The proposed residential project at 300 Corbett at Mars consists of six condominiums to be built on a hillside that displays the chert rock characteristic of Eureka Valley's geology. The steep hillside property consists of three lots, each zoned RH-2 for a maximum of two units.

Each of the proposed condos would have three bedrooms.

The condos would replace one deteriorated house located at the top of the property. Existing



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nearby houses consist of a mixture of older single-family homes on Mars, a large newer home next door, and a multi-unit apartment building across Corbett. The EVPA Planning Committee has heard from some neighbors who say the density of the proposal is out of scale with the homes along Mars Street.

These neighbors would like to see a smaller development to preserve some of the native features of the hillside. The property owner/developer has met with EVPA's Planning Committee to describe the project and its requested variances for rear yard setback. The developer proposes replacing a small area with material fabricated to resemble the original rock, has varied the garage door setbacks to break up the visual line, and proposes a slight separation between the buildings above the garage level. However, some neighbors remain unsatisfied with the density of the project.

On August 15, both sides will make brief presentations, the Planning Committee will make a recommendation, and the membership will decide what position EVPA should take. Interested members are advised to take a look at the property or call Planning Committee Chair Judith Hoyem at 552-1259 for more information.

Also on the agenda is a presentation from Reverend Karen P. Oliveto of Bethany United Methodist Church on the congregation's plans for the 'hole' at Noe and 16th. The church is in the early stages of planning the new facility. Bethany UMC is an EVPA member.

One Was Killed; Another Injured.

The accident that killed SFPD Officer Jon Cook also seriously injured Officer Nick Ferrando. Donations are being accepted to help cover bills that insurance won't as he begins a long, difficult rehabilitation. Mail your contribution to SF Police Officers Association, 510 7th Street, SF, CA 94103 with "Nick Ferrando" on the memo line. Thank you!

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4063 18th ST
255-2RED

WHISKEY LOUNGE
4063 18th ST
255-2RED

BLUE
2337 Market ST
863-BLUE

Next Meeting is Aug 15, 7:30pm.

Come to the Eureka Valley Recreation Center (18th/Collingwood) at 7:30 pm. On the agenda are:

- I. Call to Order/Introductions
- II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes
- III. Presentations: **BethanyUMC
300 Corbett**
- IV. Committee Reports
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
- VII. Adjourn

You do not have to be a member to attend, although you do have to be a member to vote on issues. A membership application is on last page.

"Call for Questions" to D8 Hopefuls.

District 8 Supervisor candidates may make a very brief presentation to membership in September or October. Candidates will be encouraged to respond in writing to submitted questions. If you have suggestions on what candidates should be asked, please email your question to info@evpa.org or send to EVPA, P.O. Box 14137, SF, CA 94114 before Step. 1. A selection will be compiled and sent to candidates who have contacted EVPA President Gustavo Serina, at Gserina@aol.com or 552-9625, to schedule a presentation.

The Last Frontiers...in SF

Frontiers Newsmagazine, the glossy tabloid for the gay community, is ceasing its San Francisco edition this month. The magazine will continue to publish its Southern California edition. Frontiers had been in San Francisco for 8 years. The declining economy and resulting slump in advertising sales were cited as reasons.

Milestones Noted

Congratulations Congregation Sha'ar Zahav on your 25th Anniversary!

Condolences to family and friends of pharmacist Lori Barr who died while base jumping. Well-respected, well-liked, an athlete and a personable touch at Walgreen's.

Ammiano Offers Competing Plan.

Supervisor Ammiano has a plan for the November ballot to compete with Supervisor Newsom's petition-backed plan called "Care Not Cash." The Ammiano plan is called "Exit from Homelessness" and calls for 1,000 new housing units and new treatment services. His plan caps the maximum amount of time a person would spend in a shelter to 180 days. If housing is not located within 180 days, the original cash grant would be restored. Look for both plans sparring in November elections.

EVPA: Giving & Growing!

A grateful "Thank You" to those who gave \$100 or more recently to support continued development and operation of Pink Triangle Park + Memorial:

**Tom Hanus & Michael Crawford
Michael & Judith Hurley
Alan Pardini and Ken Noyes**

Put your name up there in the September issue by sending your contribution in by 9/3!

And we welcome these new members:

Kathleen Connell & Jaye Whittaker
Suzanne Fanger
Neil Gelineau (Does Your Mother Know)
William Gravitt & Caridad Gravitt
Trevor Hailey (Cruisin the Castro)
Adam Hagan
Jim Hammer
Steve Jones & Nancy Stamm
Mitchell Katz
John Keating
Tom Lucas
Amy Meadows or Willie Garcia (A. G. Ferrari Foods)
Tom Murphy
Diane Nutting
Anthony Rhody
Dennis Richards
Josephine Thompson
Justin del Versano
Jane Warner (San Francisco Patrol Special Police)
David Weiss (Catch Resturant)
Gary Weiss (Ixia)
Frank Weiss (CastroSF.org)
Sharon Woo (Walgreens)
Durwood Zedd (Zedd Fine Art and Design)



plaque remains, the trees have grown and partly shade PTP+M. EVPA has been and remains active in the neighborhood. Encourage others to join.

**We've
Been
Here
Before.**

**This
plaque was
- literally -
uncovered
while
clearing
weeds
from the
site of Pink
Triangle
Park. The**

Minutes of EVPA's July 18, 2002

Call to order: 7:30 pm Introductions of attendees.

Minutes from last meeting approved (unanimous).

Committee Reports

UTNC. Committee met on Monday, July 15. Discussed property owner, Bill Gravitz CUP to lease roof and basement space for antennas to Verizon Wireless. Update on the news rack issue. Committee is putting together a list of locations for placement and will have a recommendation in the Fall. Next Castro Bubble Bath (street cleaning event) is being planned for the area around Pink Triangle Park (PTP). A date has not yet been determined. Next meeting 8/12 at CHAT café.

Internal Affairs. Officer and Board Member elections will be held in November. Anyone interested in running should contact Tom Hanus.

Membership. Wine tasting event was held as a fundraiser for the PTP project on Saturday, July 13 at A.G. Ferrari on Castro Street. The next wine tasting will be held at the same location on Saturday, August 3 from 4 until 7pm. A similar event is being planned in association with Zedd Fine Art at 18th Street and Sanchez for Thursday, 10/10. Donors of \$100 or more to the PTP project will receive mention in the EVPA Newsletter, Eureka! A website for the PTP project has been created. The address is www.PinkTrianglePark.org. Ideas for fundraising events were solicited and the submission deadline for the next issue of Eureka was identified as August 2.

Finance. June Financial condition and 6-month budget to actual statement were presented. Motion was offered to allow addition of wording to the Finance Committee Mission Statement. Motion was tabled to the Board of Directors. Next meeting Aug 13 at Herb's.

Ed & Rec. EVRC renovation remains in the planning stages at the SF Ed and Rec Department. The committee has an open position for a member and will consider any applicants. Recruitment for volunteers to tend the entrance at the Castro Street Fair (October 6, 2002) was announced. Report on the committee's assigned to task develop text to tell the "Pink Triangle Story". The following goals of the project were stated: 1.) to increase awareness of LGBT victims of the Nazi regime 2.) to preserve the memory of these individuals 3.) to encourage visitors to reflect upon the moral and spiritual questions raised by this history 4.) to remind visitors of their individual responsibilities as citizens of a democracy. Ideas for the text are welcome all interested parties and can submit them via the PTP website at www.PinkTrianglePark.org

Safety. Vagrancy at Pink Triangle Park has been a problem. Captain Corrales at Mission Station has been notified.

Planning. Update on the 300 Corbett street project. The committee has thoroughly reviewed the issue and has spoken with both sides of the project. The committee is trying to identify a middle ground between development and saving the topography of that area. A decision has been made to postpone presentation to the general membership until the August meeting so that both the developer and opposing neighbors can be heard. SF Planning Commission is in limbo as the mayor has pulled his appointments.

Old Business --None. New Business:

Bill Gravitz, the owner of a mixed use building at 15th Street and Sanchez has applied to the Planning Commission to allow installation of roof antennas and basement equipment by Verizon Wireless Company. Jennifer Donnelly of Verizon also attended to answer questions. Bill used simulated photographs to show the aesthetic effect of the roof antennas. Membership raised questions regarding the health impact of the microwave technology and expressed concerns that the site would accommodate a single user (Verizon) rather than multiple users. Bill and Jennifer responded that the health effects met all regulations and were not a subject of the CUP in question. A motion was made to send a letter of support for the CUP. The motion carried.

A motion was made to send a letter to the advisory committee responsible for planning the installation of new newsracks in the neighborhood. The letter will indicate that EVPA is currently identifying preferred locations in the Upper Market/Castro area and will submit these findings shortly. The motion carried.

A motion was made to send a letter to Captain Corrales of Mission Station indicating support of the Police Department's proposal for a night-time closing of the public toilet located in front of the Chevron Station at Castro and Market Street. The motion carried.

Adjourned: 9:05pm

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 You own a home in the neighborhood, or
 You own a business in the neighborhood, or
 You work in the neighborhood, or
 You're a nonprofit in the neighborhood.

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Gerald Abbott	Drew Bertagnolli
Michael Crawford	Steve Clark Hall
Judy Hoyem	Rich McRee
Lion Barnett (past president)	

Advertise for \$12-35. Contact Michael at 701-9455 or Michael@sfchatcafe.com.

Membership Application

Or join online at www.EVPA.org

Name: _____
First Last

Name: _____
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 + M.

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.
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Jimmer Cassiol (center) and partner Chris Perry (r) sip wine while helping Pink Triangle Park. Drop a few bucks in the jar; sample Italian wines; help PTP+M raise funds. Join us again on 8/24, 4-7 pm at A.G. Ferrari on Castro.

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