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President's Column

An informed and engaged electorate is critical to the success of democratic governments. At our September meeting, EVPA will be hosting five candidates for District 8 Supervisor. Please take this opportunity to meet the people who are running and hoping to represent you on the Board. Listen to their goals and let them know what issues most concern you.

It should be a lively evening.

Gustavo

District 8 Hopefuls Converge on 19th; Will You?

The race is heating up for District 8 Supervisor, and hopefuls for that position will make their case at the next EVPA meeting on Thursday, September 19th. Candidates will make very brief presentations, provide written responses to previously submitted questions, and take questions from the floor.

The public is encouraged to attend. If you want a first-hand impression of the candidates, without enduring the cross-candidate bickering of debate formats, this gathering is your best opportunity to do so.

The normal business of the Association will be conducted in an abbreviated format at the start of the meeting, then devote the bulk of time to the candidate presentations. Candidates will have a few minutes to make introductory remarks, followed by 10 minutes of questions and answers from the audience. Scheduled to appear are Bevan Dufty, Eileen Hansen, Shawn O'Hearn, Tom Radulovich and Starchild. EVPA members developed a list of key questions: 1) Do you support or oppose Proposition N, Care Not Cash? Why? 2) Do you support or oppose Proposition O, Exits From Homelessness? Why? 3) Do you support or oppose Proposition R, HOPE? Why? 4) Do you think that the Castro Street area has a litter problem? If so, what would you, as Supervisor, do to clean the area up and keep it clean? 5) What do you think is the biggest problem facing District 8 residents and how, as Supervisor, would you help solve it? Each candidate has received these questions, and been asked to bring written replies for audience distribution.

Interested? Of course you are. Come to the EVPA meeting on Sept. 19th, at 7:30 pm in the auditorium of the Eureka Valley Recreation Center (100 Collingwood near 18th Street).

A candidate debate is planned by the Neighborhood Parks Council on October 2nd at the Harvey Milk Memorial Library at 3555 16th St. at Market, 6-8 p.m.



Bevan Dufty



Eileen Hansen



Tom Radulovich



Shawn O'Hearn



Starchild

Art Supports Art + Remembrance.

Blocks from Pink Triangle Park is an art gallery recently described in '7x7 Magazine' as "a true nirvana." On October 10th, Zedd Fine Art hosts an art exhibit and fundraiser for PTP+M. Gallery Owner Durwood Zedd, a noted photographer and collector, is donating a significant percentage of proceeds on sales of selected items to EVPA for PTP+M, the emerging civil rights park in remembrance of LGBT victims of the Nazi regime. Come to Zedd Fine Arts on October 10th from 5:30-7:30 for wine, music, eclectic items and images from around the world, and an opportunity to help create the first free-standing memorial of its kind in the United States. Zedd Fine Art is at 493 Sanchez at 18th; 621-4055; zeddfineart.com. Please invite your art appreciating friends and colleagues.

Crave a Hot Tuscan?

Drop into A.G. Ferrari Foods on Saturday, September 14 anytime from 4 to 7 pm and sample some Hot Tuscans, two white wines and two reds. Donations made at the sampling tale go directly to support PTP+M. Why not meet some friends there before going out to dinner?

The whites will be a Vernaccia di San Gimignano and the private label A.G. Ferrari Bianco di Annibale, a blend of Trebbiano and Chardonnay. The reds are both from Western Tuscany, the region's -- and perhaps all of Italy's -- hottest wine zone. They are a Sangiovese Capalbio and a Morellino di Scansano. Ciao!

Experience Personal Renewal Now.

Members, check the mailing label on your issue of Eureka! to see your membership expiration date. Renewing is easy; simply mail in \$15 for an individual membership or \$24 for a household/business/nonprofit membership to EVPA, P.O. Box 14137, SF, CA 94114-0137. Why wait to experience renewal when you can do it now!

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4063 18th ST
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2337 Market ST
863-BLUE

When Is It OK to Label People?

As part of the 'Dot Squad' you get to label people with big pink dots at the upcoming Castro Street Fair. Help with the volunteer gate next to PTP+M on 17th Street, collecting \$3 gate donations as people enter the street fair and 'dotting' those who donate. Two hours shifts available throughout the day, from 11 am until 6 pm. The more EVPA'ers who help, the greater the percentage of proceeds received by EVPA from the Fair. Contact Joe Foster at kaizrjoe@hotmail.com or 565-0629. The Castro Street Fair is Sunday, October 6.

Corbett Project Downsizes.

Resistance from neighbors and EVPA has prompted the developer of the property around 300 Corbett to reduce its scale. After failing to get support from EVPA at the last general meeting (see minutes) and a variance hearing at which EVPA President Gustavo Serina spoke, the developer announced plans to eliminate the proposed house to be 90 Mars. Additional changes include reducing the lot coverage for the portion that will be built on Deming Street near the top, and greater preservation of rock faces. Another Discretionary Review will occur before construction proceeds.

Welcome to the City's Oldest Neighborhood Association.

EVPA is pleased to welcome these new members:

Ed Allen

Jay Davidson

Charles W. Mader

Pornchai "Tom" Hutachinda (Khun Phoa Thai Cuisine)

Kara S. Swisher and Megan J. Smith

George Maumer (Superstar Video, 18th Street)

Allison Isaacs and Sara Lucas (ImagiKnit)

Membership is open to residents, businesses and nonprofits in the Castro, Upper Market, and Duboce Triangle areas (Eureka Valley).

Visit www.EVPA.org and www.PinkTrianglePark.org or join by using the application on the last page.

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Where He Played To Carry His Name.

Mark Bingham, who played basketball at the EVRC, is being honored by having that same gym named after him. Bingham was a leader as passengers derailed terrorists' plans on Flight 93. EVPA supporting the renaming and is delighted the Recreation & Parks Commission acted.

Minutes of August Meeting.

Call to Order: 7:30 PM. **Minutes from the July EVPA meeting was approved.**

300 Corbett Street Development

Bob Rickard, developer of the 300 Corbett Street project gave an overview of the project. The 3-lot area will be broken down into five separate, three bedroom single family homes, each having two car garage parking. A sixth existing structure at 26 Deming Street will be demolished and replaced. Each home will have a different façade to fit in with the surrounding construction. Tom Murphy and Gary Weiss presented for the opposition saying that they were concerned about the size of the homes and fitting that density of housing into the footprint of the three lots. They raised concerns about the rocky hillside being excavated and removed. While they are not opposed to the development of the lots, they would like the size reduced and more of the hillside preserved. The Planning Committee presented a motion that the EVPA General Membership vote to support a reduction in the size and scale of the project, oppose any variances for the project, and encourage the two sides to continue negotiations. The debate on the motion surrounded preservation of the hillside and the need for housing. While it was mentioned that six units of housing should be supported, it was also mentioned that it should not be Eureka Valley's responsibility to make up the housing shortage in SF. A motion was made to amend the motion to completely oppose the project. This amendment was debated, voted on and passed, and replaced the original motion made by the Planning Committee. The new motion was voted on and passed by a majority of EVPA members present. EVPA is on record as opposing the development at 300-308 Corbett, 90-96 Mars and 26 Deming Streets. A letter to this effect will be written by EVPA President Gustavo Serina, filling in for Corresponding Secretary Joe Foster. **Committee Reports (all available on request, not shown here for length considerations):**

Internal Affairs All officers & 4 Directors up for elections this November, anyone considering running for office please contact Tom Hanus. Questions? Contact Tom Hanus. **New Business:** Supervisor Ammiano has put forth Proposition O on the November ballot, called "Exits from Homelessness." A motion was made to reaffirm EVPA's support of Proposition N, "Care Not Cash" and to not support Prop. O. **The motion carried.** The membership raised a concern about the missing "17th/Market Street Split" sign that used to be located on the median as 17th peels off from Market. Lion Barnett volunteered to contact the sign department to advise them of this condition. **Adjourned at 9 pm.**

In The Shadow of 9/11/01.

This first anniversary brings mixed feelings to many. Some feel exhausted. Others are adamant they are "over it." Others look fragile as the telling of the thousands of personal tragedies of that day continues. Things in the country and in San Francisco have changed much, and little. The daily aspects of going about business is much the same, even if much less business is going on. Job losses. Sagging rents. A complete shift of conversation. A questionable Patriot Act. Increased, awkward security. Decreased resources at a time of increased need. A fragile government in Afghanistan brings the first moment of stability in the birthplace of the terror plot, although those behind it have yet to be captured. The people who died in New York, D.C. and Pennsylvania that day are still gone; their families remembering the loss in an intensely personal way this week. Psychologically, anything horrible seems possible -- even likely -- with the new color coded alert system showing 'caution' every day. As news coverage intensifies and you feel unsure of how to mark the 11th, here are some options:

Wednesday, 5:15 AM (Doors open at 4:30 AM)

San Francisco City Hall

Sign the commemorative book that will be sent to the New York Memorial on behalf of the citizens of San Francisco. The book will be available until 8 pm.

Wednesday, 3 pm Open Service

Mt. Davidson Mountaintop

Interfaith Memorial Service Commemorative Program
Interfaith memorial service and cultural program including choral and soloist performances with accompaniment, readings and recitations, and wreath laying at Mount Davidson.

Wednesday, All Day Meditation, 7pm Service

Metropolitan Community Church (150 Eureka)

Sanctuary opens 8 am for meditation and reflection.

7pm Vigil of Remembrance particularly focused on gay (GLBT) people who lost lives. Candle lighting, meditation, reflections, singing/chanting.

Wednesday, All Day Meditation, 7 pm Service

Bethany United Methodist, Garden Space

At the Garden Space at Noe/15th, day-long meditation and vigil. 7 pm Interfaith prayer and memorial service.

View a list of events around the City online at:

<http://www.sfvisitor.org/sept11/remembrance.htm>

Next Meeting Sept. 19, 7:30 pm

Members and visitors are welcome at the next EVPA General Meeting on Thursday, September 19th, 7:30 pm at the EVRC Auditorium, 100 Collingwood near 18th.