



# Eureka!

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## Looking Ahead in the 'Hood. Events to Mark on Your Calendar.

**General Meeting** May 16, 2002, 7:30-8:45 pm Eureka Valley Rec. Cntr., 100 Collingwood

### "They've Got The Beat" Open House

Meet Eureka Valley's beat and patrol officers. Sunday May 19, 2-4 pm, drop-in-n-out, Rogue Art Space, 19<sup>th</sup> @ Eureka, Free refreshments. Cool Art. Hot Cops. ☺

**June Castro Bubble Bath**, Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 8-10 am. Meet at 8am at 18<sup>th</sup>/Hartford Free coffee to start, free brunch at the end Open to all who like things *clean*. ●

**26<sup>th</sup> Annual S.F. International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival**, June 13-30<sup>th</sup>  
**"Pink Saturday"**, June 29<sup>th</sup>  
**Pride Parade**, June 30<sup>th</sup>



## EVPA Everywhere!

Spring's warm weather brings a burst of EVPA action. **Pink Triangle Park** co-artist Susan Martin (left) eyes alignment of wood pylons as the permanent granite and marble ones near completion. The heavy columns require a strong base, and if you stop by you'll see the round concrete foundations. Watch for a December dedication event.

The April 28<sup>th</sup> **Castro Bubble Bath** cleaned sidewalks from the Castro Theater, around 17<sup>th</sup>, and on Hartford. An estimated 35 people from EVPA, neighbors, the City's DPW, and Supervisor Leno pulled weeds, swept, scrubbed and enjoyed munchies from Red Grill and CHAT Café.



David Weiss, Lion Barnett quickly grab a coffee before starting. Heidi Chipp bags a huge amount of trash. Hartford residents pluck weeds. A team soaped and scrubbed heavily traveled sidewalks. The next Bubble Bath is June 9<sup>th</sup> at 18<sup>th</sup> St. and Hartford.

## **Helping Homeless Off Sidewalks.**

### **Mobile Assistance Patrol Talks to EVPA.**

When a call comes in reporting someone camping in a doorway or passed out on the sidewalk, it's the Mobile Assistance Patrol that can help. Come to the May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:30 pm at 100 Collingwood to hear what MAPS can do, and what you can do to help. MAPS will give a brief presentation and answer questions.

## **"They've Got the Beat."**

### **Do You Know Your S.F.P.D. Officers?**

They walk the beat. They bike the streets. They patrol in cars. The police officers who cover the Castro and Eureka Valley will be at Rogue Art Space on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm to mix and mingle with neighborhood residents. It's an Open House sponsored by EVPA as a chance to become a familiar face to those who keep you safe. Rogue Art Space is an EVPA member, located at the corner of 19<sup>th</sup> and Eureka, featuring various new artists. Refreshments are provided and you do not have to be an EVPA member to attend. "They've Got the Beat" event information at [www.evpa.org](http://www.evpa.org). Gallery information at [www.rogueartgallery.com](http://www.rogueartgallery.com)

## **Members Hear of H.O.P.E.**

### **Home Ownership Proposal on Ballot?**

The next City election may include a ballot proposal on Home Ownership Program for Equity (HOPE), an effort to expand the number of owners by enabling 1% of housing stock to subdivide and sell to existing occupants. Attendees at the April membership meeting heard about the proposal as informational background. Proponents of the concept believe it will increase the number of moderate income residents able to purchase their unit and are hoping to get the matter on the November ballot. Information on the program is at [www.affordable-homeownership.org](http://www.affordable-homeownership.org). EVPA has not taken a position on the proposal.

### **Larger Space for Wireless Store?**

2185-2187 Market has applied for a CUP for exceeding 2,500 square feet. Bill Gravitt, property owner, and AT&T Wireless representative Tran Cutherell will be meeting with EVPA's UTNC committee on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at CHAT Café (18<sup>th</sup>/Sanchez). Gravitt is a longtime Castro resident and his property has had cellular retail stores since the early 90's. A recommendation may be made to the membership on May 16 after review via the "5 Qualities of a Good Neighborhood Business" guidelines (see prior issue).

## **Agenda for May 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting.**

- I. Call to Order/Introductions
- II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes
- III. Presentation on M.A.P. — Rann Parker
- IV. Committee Reports
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
- VII. Adjourn

General meetings are at the Eureka Valley Recreation Center at 100 Collingwood. You do not have to be a member to attend (although you do have to be a member to vote on issues). See you there!

## **Community Garden Gets New Kiosk.**

Stop by Corwin Street Community Garden to check out the new informational kiosk that helps visitors identify its wide variety of plant life. The community garden is adjacent to a small pocket park, featuring a unique stone slide. EVPA is pleased to have part of the groundbreaking on the park in the 60s, and congratulates the hard-working volunteers of Corwin Street Community Garden on their latest accomplishment. See it all near 20<sup>th</sup> Street and Douglass. Kiosk dedication is May 19<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 1pm.

## **Meeting Space Available.**

Non-profits needing a space to meet can do so in the Castro Meeting Room at 18<sup>th</sup> and Castro. Located above the Sunglass Hut, the room accommodates up to 30 people and has elevator access. The Castro Meeting Room is available for a very low usage fee. Groups interested in reserving the space should call Lion Barnett at 255-3624.

## **Vincent Callan, Jr. Passes Away**

The gardener at the EVRC and Duboce Triangle Park, Vincent J. Callan, Jr., died unexpectedly at age 54 on April 30, 2002. He was a third generation "Eureka Valley-ite" or Eurekaean and known as "Mr. Eureka Valley." He was a highly regarded and respected gardener and well liked by people living near the EVRC. Our condolences to his loved ones and friends, and our appreciation for his long-time dedicated service to Eureka Valley.

## **Where Should A Bike Rack Go?**

The City is offering the neighborhood a bike rack that can hold up to 6 bicycles. The UTNC Committee will be looking for spaces that might benefit from a large new bike rack. Do you have suggestions? Email [Michael@sfchatcafe.com](mailto:Michael@sfchatcafe.com)

## April Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Vice President Tom Hanus, and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Sarush Kumana from Home Ownership Program for Equity (HOPE) gave a 15 minute presentation on the purpose and goals of the HOPE program. In a nutshell, HOPE is advocating for the ability of renters to purchase their rental units from building owners, and lobbying the Board of Supervisors to sponsor legislation to allow this. Mr. Kumana stated that this would benefit renters by providing an opportunity for home ownership, owners by providing a built-in buyer for their property should they want to sell, and the city in increasing property tax and transfer tax revenues. HOPE is proposing that yearly a limited number of rental units (1% of the rental stock) be allowed to be sold under this legislation. For more information on HOPE, interested EVPA members can log on to [www.affordable-homeownership.org](http://www.affordable-homeownership.org).

The Park and Education Committee report presented by Corresponding Secretary Joe Foster updated the membership on the PTP memorial. Additionally, EVPA member Brian Chu of LYRIC announced that he is leaving as Executive Director of LYRIC to move down the street to the new LGBTQ Community Center in a new capacity there. The EVPA congratulates Brian in his new position.

The Treasurer's Report given by Treasurer Herb Cohn stated that EVPA has received some money and spent some money.

The Safety Committee report given by Board Member Drew Bertagnolli gave an update on Neighborhood Emergency Response Training (NERT). If any EVPA member is interested in attending a NERT course, contact Mike Babbitt at [mgb@dolby.com](mailto:mgb@dolby.com) or Drew at [andrewbertagnolli@hotmail.com](mailto:andrewbertagnolli@hotmail.com). A follow up to previous meetings with Supervisor Leno on quality of life issues will be held on Friday, April 19th.

The Membership Committee report given by Board Member Michael Crawford made a general request for ads, leads, ideas for columns and any other info regarding neighborhood interest items including garage sales, community meetings, etc. Michael handed out a small info card containing important phone numbers to all EVPA members in attendance. The card contains phone numbers for police dispatch, Mobile Assistance Patrol, and other important contacts.

The Utilities, Transportation and Neighborhood Commerce Committee report, given by Board Member Michael Crawford announced the next Castro Bubble Bath on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 8am. The sidewalks starting in front of the Castro Theater, moving up to 17<sup>th</sup> Street, down 17<sup>th</sup> to Hartford and down Hartford to 18<sup>th</sup> will be scrubbed by EVPA volunteers. Interested EVPA members are encouraged to contact Tom Hanus at [tom@sfchatcafe.com](mailto:tom@sfchatcafe.com) to register. The last one was a lot of fun, and bagels and coffee will be provided by The CHAT Café, and brunch will be provided to participants by our pals at the Red Grill.

No Planning Committee member was present to give a report.

Drew Bertagnolli gave an update on the planned EVRC remodel. A photocopy of the preliminary building layout was handed out. The most recent preliminary start date for construction is January 2003, with construction estimated to last about 18 months. More information will be available at a community meeting at EVRC May 2.

Bill Murphy from the Corwin Street Community Garden gave a short presentation on their project. The Garden is something that EVPA has been involved in since the early 70's, and Bill invited EVPA members to the unveiling of their new "Interpretive Kiosk", paid for by a grant from the Parks Department. The kiosk informs visitors of the plant and animal life found in the garden as well as the history of the area. The unveiling is planned for May 19<sup>th</sup> from 11a to 1p.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.



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