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For a photo recap of what happened in February, visit <https://goo.gl/2kW532>.
Past and current newsletters are available through www.sfbos.org/Tang

Message from the Supervisor: Funding a New Animal Shelter in San Francisco

In February, I introduced an amendment to the City's Ten Year Capital Plan to provide financing for a new animal shelter for San Francisco. The project to construct a new animal shelter was originally included in the proposed Public Health General Obligation Bond, slated for voter approval at the June 2016 ballot. The animal shelter project was removed from the bond proposal late in the process, and the amendment I introduced will allow the project to be funded through a different source (Certificates of Participation program), pending additional legislation to be voted on by the Board of Supervisors in the spring.

San Francisco Animal Care and Control (SFACC) accepts all animals in any condition, and they take in over 10,000 animals each year. Of that number, about 1,300 are pets who are briefly lost and eventually returned to their guardians. The services provided by SFACC are not limited to adoptions, but include providing veterinary services such as vaccinations and micro-chipping and sheltering animals for individuals displaced by a natural disaster or other unexpected circumstance such as hospitalization or

eviction. SFACC's Animal Control Officers are responsible for patrolling San Francisco and enforcing animal cruelty and neglect laws, responding to animal-related emergencies, and investigating reports of animal abuse. SFACC also provides 24-hour service for picking up seriously sick or injured strays and bringing them in for emergency treatment.

The current shelter does not meet animal welfare standards and would sustain major damage in the event of an earthquake. We now know, as evidenced by the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, that residents will not evacuate without knowing their animals will be safe. We need this new facility to ensure the safety of our residents and their pets during a natural disaster.

I have toured the shelter myself, and I have seen firsthand the outdated facility and equipment as well as the cramped quarters for the animals – and the employees. Veterinarians must use an oversized service elevator to bring animals to receive an x-ray, staff do not have proper space to quarantine animals when illness breaks out, and kennel spaces do not have adequate noise abatement measures to provide a calm place for animals who are already stressed.

It is estimated that the number of dogs rivals the number of children in San Francisco. This new shelter will go a long way to ensuring that SFACC can carry on providing these crucial services to our residents and their pets, and that the facility will remain open and operable after a major earthquake to continue providing animal control services and to prevent the spread of disease. For more information about SFACC, visit <http://www.sfgov.org/acc/>.

For photos from announcement of our legislation, visit: <https://goo.gl/naol4f>

Legislative Update

GGNRA Proposed Rule for Dog Management

In February, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) released its proposed rule for dog management. Despite years of review and public feedback, GGNRA decided to move forward with a proposed rule that would significantly restrict on and off-leash dog walking in areas such as Ocean Beach, Ft. Funston, Crissy Field, Sutro Heights Park, Lands End, and Baker Beach. If the proposed rule is finalized, about 75 percent of Ocean Beach would be off limits to both on and off-leash dog use.

At the March 1st Board of Supervisors meeting, Supervisor Tang introduced a resolution stating San Francisco's opposition to the proposed rule. Supervisors Wiener, Yee, Farrell, Breed, Campos, Avalos, and Cohen also co-sponsored the resolution. The GGNRA was established with a goal of making open space more available to a broader segment of the public and so that urban-dwelling families would not have to drive far to access open space. Yet, the proposed rule on dog management runs counter to this original mission.

The proposed rule is open for public comment through May 25, 2016. The public can provide feedback on these regulations via the web at www.regulations.gov (search: RIN 1024-AE16) or by letter to: Superintendent, GGNRA, Attn: Dog Management Proposed Rule, Building 201 Fort Mason, SF, CA 94123.

Maps are located online at <http://www.nps.gov/goga/getinvolved/prop-rule-maps.htm>. We have also created a side-by-side comparison of what the proposed rule would mean for Ocean Beach users [here](#).

We hope that GGNRA will take public input seriously on this matter and re-consider its proposed rule.

Affordable Housing Bonus Program

On February 25, the Planning Commission voted on recommendations regarding the Affordable Housing Bonus Program (AHBP) brought by the Planning Department. After several hours, the Commission voted to support amending the legislation in the following ways:

- Remove projects that propose to demolish any residential units from AHBP eligibility.
- Prohibit lot mergers until a design guideline about lot mergers is adopted.
- Allow the Planning Commission to require commercial uses or reduce commercial use sizes to protect neighborhood serving businesses.
- Require a Conditional Use permit with approval of all Local AHBP projects.
- Direct staff to look at Area Median Income (AMI) levels for the affordable housing units and have the option of creating a neighborhood specific index for affordability targets of units.

The legislation will next be heard at the Land Use & Transportation Committee on a date to be determined. For the latest update on the AHBP, please contact our office at (415) 554-7460.

More information on the AHBP can be found here: <http://www.sf-planning.org/index.aspx?page=4233>

Our office has also provided a factsheet here:

<http://www.sfbos.org/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=54111>

Accessibility Legislation

Last year, our office introduced legislation requiring that all places of public accommodation have entrances that are accessible to people with disabilities. One vital component of the legislation requires City departments to work together to ensure that property and business owners receive assistance in making the required improvements. In addition, those that can demonstrate that improvements are not possible can receive a determination from the City to show that the owners have made a reasonable effort.

This is groundbreaking legislation to ensure that everyone can access services in our city, while also addressing issues with many of the “[drive-by lawsuits](#)” that have plagued our small business community.

We are proud to receive support from the Mayor’s Disability Council, the Small Business Commission, the Building Inspection Commission, and the Council of District Merchants Associations. We would also like to thank the Mayor’s Office on Disability, the Office of Small Business, Department of Building Inspection, Planning Department, SF Public Works, Access Appeals Commission, and many small business owners for their work with our office on the legislation. The legislation will be heard at the Budget and Finance Committee in March. For more information on the legislation, contact our office at (415) 554-7460.

Resources:

Mayor’s Office on Disability: <http://www.sfgov.org/mod/>

Office of Small Business: <http://www.sfosb.org/ada-resources-your-small-business>

SFMTA Residential Parking Permit Evaluation & Reform Project

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is in the process of re-evaluating the Residential Parking Permit (RPP) program. For the past 39 years, the RPP program has provided residents with an exemption to parking time limits in their neighborhood. Over the past three decades, San Francisco has changed, and different challenges exist such as the growth of car-share programs and the growth of our weekday commuter population. SFMTA will be evaluating existing trends, reviewing best practices, and conducting public outreach including a citywide survey on residential parking. The program was established by the Board of Supervisors in 1976 as a way to mitigate commuter traffic in residential neighborhoods and the effects of proximity to major destinations such as colleges, tourist attractions and hospitals. Ultimately, the RPP program has resulted in residents not having to circle as much looking for parking near their homes.

The evaluation will have several components, including:

- identifying opportunities to improve customer service;
- public engagement to solicit input;
- collection and analysis of data related to existing conditions and trends;
- review of best practices in on-street parking management in residential areas;
- development and evaluation of policy options; and
- policy proposals to the SFMTA Board of Directors.

A full program evaluation, including ways to reform the program, will be presented at the SFMTA Board of Directors in fall 2016. Informational meetings were held throughout February, but SFMTA is still looking for input from the community. For more information, visit <https://www.sfmta.com/projects-planning/projects/residential-parking-permit-evaluation-reform-project> or email InfoRPP@sfmta.com.

Police Captain's Quarterly Meeting in March

Beginning in March, Captain Denise Flaherty of the Taraval Police Station will be holding quarterly community meetings on public safety and other issues throughout the Taraval Police District, which encompasses three Supervisorial Districts – 4, 7 and 11. The first meeting under the new format will be held on **Wednesday, March 23rd from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at Ortega Library (3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue)**. Representatives from the District Attorney's Office, the San Francisco Homeless Outreach Team, and the San Francisco Safety Awareness for Everyone organization. For more information, visit www.taraval.org.

Upcoming Discover Your District (DYD) Event – Pizza Making Workshop with Eagle Pizzeria

Ever think of making your own pizza? Although pizza is often seen as the quick go-to food, the world of pizza is complicated and diverse as can be. Our office is partnering with **Eagle Pizzeria** to learn how to make your own pizza as part of our Discover Your District (DYD) series. This class helps us sort it all out and teaches us the essentials of all the best pizza making methods. You will learn the sauces, the toppings and the art of crust making. And you can take home a pizza of your own! This event is free and will take place on **Saturday, March 12 from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm at Eagle Pizzeria (1712 Taraval Street**

at 27th Avenue). Space is limited so register today at <http://bit.ly/1JYWWy5>. You can also learn more about Eagle Pizzeria at <http://eaglepizzeria.com/>.

Come Join Us for Community Work Days at *Playland at 43rd Avenue!*

Playland at 43rd Avenue is a project aimed at transforming the Francis Scott Key Annex, an underutilized site at 1360 43rd Avenue (between Judah and Irving Streets) into a community resource for families. Since 2013, our office has been working with the community, the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD), and the Pavement to Parks program under the Planning Department to turn a largely unused administrative building and yard into a neighborhood gathering space.

During *Community Work Days* we welcome all residents to participate in the building of the new space under the leadership of our local contractors and fabricators. The work day will be located in the ***Playland yard, which you can enter on 43rd Avenue between Irving and Judah Streets.***

Work Weekend 1 - March 19th and March 20th from 10am to 4pm

This weekend we will work together to build a new community garden, a main feature of the new *Playland*. If you love plants, have a green thumb or you are just curious to see how this new green spot is developing, please come by to help. Our garden expert, Markos Major of Climate Action Now, will be here on site moving soil, selecting plants and planting a few new trees. Justin Marks, who will be designing the skating elements, will also be kicking off a week-long fabrication of 2 skate ramps and other elements. Come visit and help Justin create this resource for budding and experienced skateboarders!

This event will be available to RSVP on the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Playland-at-43rd-Avenue-FSK-Annex-SF-1656739604565797/timeline>

If you are interested in volunteering with our core team, want to offer tips or you would like to offer local resources to help us complete these projects, please visit the [Facebook Page](#), or email Sahiti Karempudi at sahiti@sfparksalliance.org

For general information about this project or about Pavement to Parks please visit: <http://pavementtoparks.org/plazas/plaza-projects/playland-at-43rd-avenue/>

Application for San Francisco Fellows Opens

By: Susie Gonzalez, District 4 Intern

The San Francisco Fellows program offers motivated and talented recent college graduates to develop leadership skills as they work full-time in public service. The City and County of San Francisco is offering 16 individuals who are enthusiastic, creative, and hard-working the chance to become full time City employees. The Fellowship offers a truly unique experience to learn about local government and how policies are put into action. If you are interested in the program, visit <http://sffellows.sfgov.org/> for more information and apply by **March 18th, 2016**. You can also contact Risa Sandler with the San Francisco Department of Human Resource at 415-557-4890 if you have any questions.

CleanPowerSF Launches

CleanPowerSF is San Francisco's Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program. CCA is a state policy that enables local governments to aggregate electricity demand within their jurisdictions in order to procure alternative energy supplies while maintaining the existing electricity provider for transmission and distribution services. CleanPowerSF is administered by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), and the goal behind establishing this program is to allow residents to access energy from cleaner sources.

There are two types of products under CleanPowerSF that residents can participate in: the Green and SuperGreen. Customers may switch between Green and SuperGreen at any time.

Green:

CleanPowerSF's Green product will contain 33-50% California-certified renewable energy (from sources such as solar and wind), starting at 0.25% below equivalent PG&E rates. The electricity PG&E provides San Francisco customers is currently about 27% renewable.

SuperGreen:

For a few dollars more each month (initially about \$6 for the average residential customer and \$25 for the average small commercial customer), you can receive 100% California-certified renewable energy with CleanPowerSF's SuperGreen product.

CleanPowerSF will begin automatically delivering energy to San Francisco neighborhoods in phases starting in early 2016. By law, CleanPowerSF is an opt-out program. This means that unless you opt out, you will automatically be enrolled in the program when it is offered in your area. If you are located in one of these areas, you will receive two notices from CleanPowerSF prior to your enrollment in the program. These notices will describe the program terms and conditions and your right to opt-out and stay with PG&E. After enrollment into CleanPowerSF, you will receive another two notices over a two month period reminding you of the terms and conditions and the opportunity to return to PG&E electric supply service. After this initial enrollment and opt-out period, you will be subject to additional charges and other limitations if you opt to return to PG&E service. Even if enrolled in CleanPowerSF, PG&E will still deliver your energy, maintain the grid, and respond to outages.

For more information or if you would like to enroll early, you can visit: www.cleanpowersf.org.

Sunset Artist & Framer Meetup and Open House

By Stephanie Chan, District 4 Intern

The **Artisans of San Francisco** is an excellent source for quality custom picture framing, prints, and historic images of San Francisco. With a variety of posters and photographs showing the City as it has developed throughout the years, the shop and the images on display are nothing less than remarkable. The Artisans of San Francisco is hosting a neighborhood event in celebration of its new location. Owner/manager **Joe Dellert** and his wife, artist **Nancy Buffum**, invite neighbors, friends and customers to the store to enjoy a "Second Saturday" wine & chocolate reception, meet neighbors and view art by local artist. Local artists are welcome to bring a piece of art to show off at the reception. The event will

take place on **March 12 (Saturday) from 5pm-7pm located at 2549 Irving Street (27th Ave)**. Stop by the shop and check out the works of local artists. For more information about the event, please contact Joe Dellert at 415-921-0456 or email Artisans2U@gmail.com. To learn more about The Artisans of San Francisco, visit www.artisansofsfsf.com.

Golden Gate Park Tennis Center Renovation Project

The San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department (RPD) is working together with the San Francisco Tennis Coalition (SFTC) to raise \$21 million to completely renovate the Golden Gate Park Tennis Center. Since 1894 players of every age have learned, played and competed in an iconic location in Golden Gate Park. Renovations will improve the cracked court surfaces, poor drainage and inadequate lighting and will make the space ADA compliant, create a larger clubhouse for youth tennis, and add new landscaping to the area.

The first public meeting about this project will be held on **Thursday, March 10 at the County Fair Building located at 1199 9th Avenue, just inside Golden Gate Park from 6:00pm to 8:00pm**. For more information, visit <http://www.tenniscoalitionsf.org/ggp-tennis-center-renovation/> or contact Julie Exley, TCSF Executive Director at julie@tenniscoalitionsf.org or (415) 710-6279.

Community Recaps

DBI/Planning Workshop

We held our third annual community workshop in February with the Department of Building Inspection (DBI) and the San Francisco Planning Department. Staff were available to answer questions about city codes, permits, home remodeling, home expansion, short-term rentals and in-law units. Residents asked questions about home expansions, liability during construction, permits, and design guidelines. After a general question and answer session, many residents were able to sit down for a one-on-one meeting with staff from DBI or Planning Department to discuss the details of their particular circumstance or project.

We would like to thank the Planning Department and the Department of Building Inspection for coming out to the Sunset District and meeting with individuals for personal residential questions. We would also like to thank Pastor Megan Rohrer of Grace Lutheran Church for hosting us for the second year. For more information about the Planning Department, visit www.sf-planning.org and for more information about the Department of Building Inspection, visit www.sfdbi.org. Photos from the event are available here: <https://goo.gl/oKkdLX>.

If you would like to see more of these workshops, please let us know!

February DYD - Learning the Art of Making Chinese Dumplings with Yummy Dumpling

Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate Lunar New Year by learning the art of making dumplings at Yummy Dumpling (1708 Irving Street at 18th Avenue)! We had a great time learning the art of making dumplings with Lulu. Yummy Dumpling is open 9am-7pm everyday (except Wednesdays) if

you ever want to buy fresh/frozen dumplings to cook at home. They supply dumplings for their sister restaurant, King of Noodles, at nearby 1639 Irving Street (18th & 17th Ave). If you want to know more about our future Discover Your District (DYD) events, please visit www.sfbos.org/DiscoverYourDistrict.

DYD is a series of events partnering with our local businesses and community organizations to help neighbors discover the Sunset District. These events give community members an opportunity to try a new business, learn a new skill and meet our local merchants and Supervisor Tang.

For photos from this DYD event, visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.1098675856823151.1073741851.554196161271126&type=3>

If you are a small business owner or community organization who would like to host a 2016 Discover Your District event or be part of our newsletter merchant spotlight, please contact our office at 415-554-7460 or email Ray.Law@sfgov.org.

Honoring Sanford Johnson of Sunset Pet Supply

It was an honor to recognize Sanford Johnson of Sunset Pet Supply and Tales of the City Dog Walking Service at the Board of Supervisors on February 23 for Black History Month. Sanford and his store have been an asset to the Outer Noriega merchant corridor and the Sunset District's furry, winged and scaled residents. Sanford helped co-found the popular Ocean Beach Music and Art Festival and has helped to revitalize the area. Thank you, Sanford, for providing vital services to our residents!

To see Sanford at City Hall receiving his award, visit: <http://on.fb.me/1VJ767c>

Human Trafficking's Teen Poster and Writing Contest

By Stephanie Chan, District 4 Intern

The San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking (SfCAHT) announced the winners of their annual Teen Poster and Writing Contest on February 10 at the San Francisco Main Public Library. Youth from across the Bay Area gathered to share experiences in anti-trafficking advocacy and prevention. The contest encourages youth to be a force in the fight against human trafficking. Winners of both the poster and writing contests received cash prizes and certificates of honor from the Board of Supervisors. These young participants have done an excellent job in expressing the importance of Human Trafficking awareness through art and words. For more information on SfCAHT, visit

<http://www.sfcaht.org/index.html>. To view photos from the event, visit: <http://on.fb.me/24tkAtL>

Merchant Spotlight: Mr. Bread

By: Susie Gonzalez, District 4 Intern

We are excited to welcome **Mr. Bread to 1018 Taraval Street!** A new Macanese bakery, Mr. Bread's owners are the family that previously owned Victor's Bakery at 719 Taraval Street. With over 30 years of experience and a long tradition of family baking, they have loyal supporters from their baking days in Macau as well as big fans here in San Francisco.

Mr. Bread specializes in baked goods from Macau, which differ slightly from the familiar Cantonese baked goods from Hong Kong. Their signature item is the Portuguese Custard Tart, which has a crispy crust and thick, creamy custard. Customers also love their fresh coconut strudels and cream puffs.

Mr. Bread is a true family business. Owners Sam Sam and Winzy Leong work side by side with their three daughters. Their daughter, Katie, helps run the shop. Their eldest, Cherrie, runs Sweet Dream Baking by Cherrie from their shop, and bakes cupcakes and cakes. Their youngest, Niki, is a graphic designer who created their menu and logo to look just like their father!

Stop by to welcome Mr. Bread to their brand new location on Taraval Street and enjoy all the fresh treats this family has to offer!

Mr. Bread

Located: 1018 Taraval St (20th – 21st Ave)

(415) 681-6814

Monday – Saturday: 6:30am - 6:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am - 5:30pm

<http://www.yelp.com/biz/mr-bread-san-francisco>

Disaster Tip of the Month:

Outdoor Safety Tips

By Aric Phuong, District 4 Intern

When outdoors for any activities, such as hiking and camping, make sure to travel with a companion. Be aware of your physical condition. Before engaging in outdoor activities, check the weather of the location and prepare accordingly (clothing and equipment). Learn basic first aid to properly identify and treat outdoor injuries in case of an emergency.

San Francisco Youth Works Hiring for Summer 2016

Application Release Date: March 14, 2016

Priority Application Deadline: April 8, 2016 @ 5pm

San Francisco YouthWorks is a high school internship program designed to expose youth to public service careers and build job readiness skills in a supportive environment. In order to apply, you must be entering the 11th or 12th grade for the 2016/2017 school year, live in San Francisco, and be able to work at least 16 hours per week Monday – Friday between 9am and 5pm. Visit www.sfyouthworks.org for more details or contact SF YouthWorks at (415) 202-7913 or email at info@sfyouthworks.org.

Upcoming Events

March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 | Wednesdays | 6:30pm – 10:00pm

Upcoming NERT Trainings

The Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) is a program to help the citizens of San Francisco be self-sufficient in a major disaster situation. NERT training helps citizens develop multi-functional

teams that are trained in basic emergency skills. Through this program, individuals learn how to prepare themselves and loved ones for a disaster while also creating a resilient community. All trainings are free.

Sunset Ministry | 3010 Noriega St. at 37th Ave

For more information and to register, visit bit.ly/1RMdWKG or call (415) 970-2024

March 1, 8, 15 | Tuesdays | 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Conversational English Language Group

The Conversational English Language Group is for adults who wish to strengthen their English conversational language skills. We focus on practical, everyday topics. If you are a non-native speaker who wants to practice your spoken English, then this group is the place for you!

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street, San Francisco, CA 94116

For more events at Parkside Library, visit <http://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401>

March 3 | Thursday | 7:00pm

People of Parkside Sunset (POPS) Monthly Meeting

(formerly Taraval Parkside Merchants Association)

POPS sponsors special events, advocates on behalf of the neighborhood, and works with residents and other merchants to improve the community.

Taraval Police Station | 2345 24th Avenue and Taraval Street

For more information, visit www.sf-pops.com

March 5, 6 | Saturday & Sunday | (Sat) 11:00am – 5:00pm (Sun) 11:00am – 4:00pm

San Francisco History Days

This weekend, the Old Mint becomes a series of pop-up museums of San Francisco history with dozens of organizations celebrating and telling the stories of the City's unique past. Join community historians, archivists, genealogists, archaeologists, researchers, educators, re-enactors and other history enthusiasts for a FREE Community Open House on Saturday and Sunday at this historic site.

The Old Mint | 88 5th Street and Mission Street

For more information, visit <http://sfhistorydays.org/>

March 5 | Saturday | 9:00am – 11:00am

Friends of Sunset Rec

Join the Friends of Sunset Recreation Center volunteers as they continue to maintain and look after the Sunset Recreation Center.

Sunset Recreation Center | 2201 Lawton Street

For more information or to get involved, contact recparkvolunteer@sfgov.org.

March 9 | Wednesday | 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Taste It @ Your Library: Cheese

Come learn all about cheese with Gordon Edgar, author of *Cheesemonger: A Life on the Wedge* and *Cheddar: A Journey to the Heart of America's Most Iconic Cheese*. Tastings will be provided. Please see librarian to sign up.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

For more events at the Ortega Library, visit <http://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601>

March 10 | Thursday | 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Golden Gate Park Tennis Center Renovation Project

Come learn more about the joint partnership between the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and the San Francisco Tennis Coalition to improve the historic tennis courts in Golden Gate Park. Plans include improving court surfaces, new landscaping, a larger clubhouse, and ADA improvements.

County Fair Building | 1199 9th Avenue just inside Golden Gate Park

For more information, visit <http://www.tenniscoalitionsf.org/ggp-tennis-center-renovation/>

March 12 | Saturday | 11:00am – 12:00pm

Pizza Making Workshop with Eagle Pizzeria

A Discover Your District (DYD) Event

This class will teach the essentials of all of the best pizza making methods. You will learn the sauces, the toppings and the art of crust making. And you can take home a pizza of your own! (Free; Limit 15)

Eagle Pizzeria | 1712 Taraval Street at 27th Avenue

For more information, call (415) 554-7460 or register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/discover-your-district-pizza-making-workshop-with-eagle-pizzeria-tickets-20932375298>.

March 12 | Saturday | 10:00am – 2:00pm

Citywide Summer Resource Fair

Discover more than 150 summer programs citywide for all ages that are FREE or affordable. There are opportunities for science, art, tech, dance, music, outdoors, service learning and more! The event will be fun for the whole family, with a Kids Zone, teen workshops and resources for parents.

Pier 70 | 420 22nd Street

For more information, visit www.sfkids.org or www.dcyf.org

March 12 | Saturday | 5:00pm – 7:00pm

Sunset Artist & Framer Meetup and Open House

The Artisans will host a neighborhood “Second Saturday” wine & chocolates reception. Owner/manager Joe Dellert and his wife, artist Nancy Buffum, invite neighbors, friends and customers to the store to enjoy a nibble, meet neighbors and view art by local artists. Attention Sunset artists: bring a piece of art to show off at the reception.

Artisans of San Francisco | 2549 Irving Street at 27th Avenue

For more information, visit www.artisansofsf.com.

March 13 | Sunday | 11:00am – 4:00pm

St. Patrick’s Day Block Party

Hosted by the United Irish Cultural Center, Java Beach Café and United Irish Societies, come out for some FREE family fun. There will be Irish bands, face painting, jumpy castles, food and more!

45th Avenue between Sloat Boulevard and Wawona Street

March 15 | Tuesday | 7:00 – 8:30pm

Make Your Own Stamp!

Carve your own stamp to print on cards!

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street, San Francisco, CA 94116

To register, call (415) 355-5770 or email psimgr@sfpl.org

For more events at Parkside Library, visit <http://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401>

March 19 | Saturday | 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Norcal Bats

Come learn all about our night time neighbors with presenter Corky Quirk and her rescued bats! Norcal Bats, located in the Central Valley of California, promotes the importance of bats through education of the public and wildlife rescue.

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street, San Francisco, CA 94116

For more events at Parkside Library, visit <http://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401>

March 19, 20 | Saturday and Sunday | 10:00am – 4:00pm

Playland at 43rd Avenue Community Work Weekend

Playland at 43rd Avenue is a project aimed at transforming the Francis Scott Key Annex, an underutilized site at 1360 43rd Avenue into a community resource for families. Stop by to help build a new community garden and assist in creating skating elements for the play space.

Playland at 43rd Avenue | 1360 43rd Avenue between Judah and Irving Streets

RSVP at <https://www.facebook.com/Playland-at-43rd-Avenue-FSK-Annex-SF-1656739604565797/timeline>

March 22 | Tuesday | 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Outer Sunset Merchants and Professionals Association (OSMPA)

The OSMPA fosters the trade and industrial interests of its membership; promotes the advancement of the Irving Street District; and provides a place for the open exchange of ideas, discussions and adoption of methods and policies for the good of the neighborhood and its members.

Lychee Cafe | 2333 Irving Street between 24th Avenue and 25th Avenue

For more information, contact Bill Barnickel at veteranbill@gmail.com

March 23 | Wednesday | 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Taraval Police Station Community Meeting

Learn about the latest crime updates and public safety issues from Taraval Police Station Captain Denise Flaherty and express your concerns and questions about public safety in the Sunset District.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

PLEASE NOTE LOCATION CHANGE

For more information, visit www.taraval.org

March 31 | Thursday | 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Outer Sunset Parkside Residents Association (OSPRA)

Join a cohort of residents from the Outer Sunset and Outer Parkside (representing the area west of Sunset Boulevard) to discuss key issues and opportunities in the neighborhood including public safety, land use, transportation and more.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

Contact Susan Pfeifer at mediasusan2@gmail.com

To subscribe/unsubscribe, email: Ashley.Summers@sfgov.org

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