



NEW FOCUS ON GOLDEN GATE PARK

As it turned out, it was more than the Chronicle's crisis de jour. Columnist C.W. Nevius persisted with articles about the abuse of Golden Gate Park by indigent squatters for a period of a week and then revisited the topic a month later. City officials responded with the perfunctory, "I'm shocked, shocked..." and then, following a time-honored tradition, sent multi-departmental teams into the park to start rousting campers.

There were mixed feelings among residents of the neighborhoods that border the park. Some felt the new police sweeps pushed the problem out on to neighborhood streets, but most people, particularly those who regularly use the park, were very grateful. Once again, it took the press to prod City Hall into doing its job.

Loss of Hiking Trails

Visitors to the park who stay on the streets with car traffic don't experience the fear that hiking families do. It is simply no longer safe to use the myriad off-road walking trails interweaving the park because they have been taken over by indigent campers. This is a great loss of recreational open space to the people of San Francisco.



Needles Underfoot

Recurring in the articles was the disquieting impact of the city's so-called needle exchange program (HIV Prevention Project). Because of the shocking number of used hypodermic needles found in the park's campsites, Nevius

brought to light the downside of that program which, while originally demanding used needles in exchange for new ones, gradually eased up on the "exchange" aspect and simply became needle distribution sources.

City Agencies Claim Success

Since the new series of "sweeps" began on July 25, city officials report that there have been 7 felony arrests; 13 arrests for outstanding warrants; 236 infraction citations; 167 campsite cleanouts; 164 people who have accepted services (accompanied by some 30 dogs); and 25 people who have accepted bus tickets home.

Recycling Center Fingering

A progressive sacred cow came under fire when Nevius wrote that the HANC Recycling Center's policy of cash redemption for recyclables—mostly pilfered from Sunset Scavengers' blue bins—was supplying park campers with ready money. Located in a corner of the park near Kezar Stadium, the recycling center has defied the park's master plan for years.

Mayor Dips His Toe In

Under pressure, the mayor quickly proposed a modest amendment to the park code prohibiting anyone from "modifying the landscape in order to create shelter"—even in the daylight hours. In addition he would extend the "no-sleeping" hours from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. (currently they are 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.).

What Can Be Done?

- 1) Improve the city's shelters. Those that work there know what needs to be done. Security, storage, more professional staff. But it takes money. And until homeless advocates change their mantra of "permanent housing" as the only solution, there will be no (zero) constituency for improved public shelters.
- 2) Either enforce the like-number exchange of used needles for new or cease distributing them altogether. After all, needles can be purchased at any Walgreens at low cost with no questions asked.

NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT

Several hundred neighborhood activists gathered at the Bill Graham Civic Auditorium on Saturday, September 8 to share ideas and experiences on how to improve their communities. The Neighborhood Empowerment Network Summit brought together city agencies, nonprofits, and established and up-and-coming community leaders to discuss ways to make neighborhoods safer, greener, cleaner, and better prepared for natural disasters.

Keynote speaker Latoya Cantrell, President of the Broadmoor Improvement Association in New Orleans, talked about the importance of community when dealing with disasters such as Hurricane Katrina. She said that the Broadmoor neighborhood has been able to come back after Katrina because they had a strong neighborhood association before the hurricane hit. She suggested people plan how they will rebuild their neighborhood before a disaster occurs. Broadmoor now has Block Captains who check on who's returned and who has not. They've created online forms and a toll-free number so neighborhood residents can tell them where they are and what they need to return. They have surveyed the neighborhood so they know where people who may need more help during a disaster, e.g., senior citizens or people with pets or health problems, live. Put yourself and your community in a position to LIVE in the event of a disaster, she said.

A break-out session on "How to Build Stronger Communities Through Neighborhood Associations" featured CSFN's Judith Berkowitz, Marc Christensen from the Merced Extension Triangle Neighborhood Association, Leela Gill from the North of Panhandle Neighborhood Association, Sheryl Davis from Mo'Magic (Fillmore/Western Addition), Carol Mo from the Safety Network, and Oona Gilles-Weil from SF Safe. The panelists spoke about how their neighborhood groups began and offered tips to those hoping to form groups of their own.

All agreed that, in this internet age, paper newsletters still have an important role to play in getting information to neighbors. Special events, street fairs, BBQs, and parties help neighbors get to know each other. Christensen suggested that activists know the issues important to their community, but warned against bringing up the same issues over and over again at meetings if you want people to continue to attend.

The panelists pointed out that a neighborhood association doesn't have to be a 501(c)3 nonprofit to be effective. They can work with a fiscal sponsor to raise money or get small grants. Dues are important not just as a fundraiser, but because people who pay dues feel more invested in the neighborhood association.

When trying to establish a neighborhood association, Davis suggested activists start with small projects, e.g., getting an overgrown tree trimmed. When people see that you've had success addressing these smaller projects, they'll be more likely to join your association. The panel urged those starting neighborhood associations to start small, and stay positive.

Other break-out sessions addressed preparing for a disaster, making neighborhood streets greener, cleaner, and safer, how to revitalize a local park, how to write a Community Challenge Grant to fund neighborhood projects, and how to fight global warming.

...Sally Stephens (GGHNA)



Parliamentary Pointers: Majority Votes

Regarding the action taken at the August meeting to support the permanent halt to flyovers over populated areas by the Blue Angels—a vote of three in favor and two against, with twelve abstentions—was not in keeping with CSFN Bylaws, Article VII, Section F, 3, which states, "a majority vote of the member organization represented at a meeting shall determine any matter except as otherwise specified in these Bylaws." Therefore a majority of the organizations represented would have been nine, and the vote as taken must be declared null and void.

Robert's Rules indicates that usually the basis for voting is a majority of those voting, not a majority of those present, and abstentions are not votes.

If the maker of the motion wishes to do so, the motion may be re-introduced at the next meeting.

...Evelyn L. Wilson, PRP

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Land Use & Housing • Monday 5:30 pm October 8 • Northern Station • Chair Hiroshi Fukuda • ninersam@aol.com • 386-2632
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Lights Out San Francisco

Lights Out San Francisco invites the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods to join us for an historic citywide energy conservation event on Saturday, October 20, 2007, from 8 – 9 p.m. On this night, we ask the entire city of San Francisco — businesses, residences, churches, and government offices — to turn off all non-essential lighting and to install one energy-efficient compact fluorescent light bulb (CFL).

Our goal is to raise awareness and educate San Franciscans about the small changes they can make to protect our planet from the effects of the climate crisis.

We estimate that turning lights out in San Francisco for even one hour could save as much as 15 percent of the energy consumed on an average Saturday night. To promote long-term energy savings and to raise awareness of the event, we will distribute free CFLs throughout San Francisco.

We were inspired by a similar event recently held in Sydney, Australia, called Earth Hour. In Sydney, 2.2 million people participated, reducing carbon dioxide emissions by 24.86 tons — the equivalent of taking 48,613 cars off the road for one hour.

In addition to support from the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, Lights Out San Francisco has attracted significant support from local businesses, sponsors, the city of San Francisco, and the Golden Gate Bridge Authority.

We hope that the members of Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods will support our effort. During the month of October, help us distribute energy-efficient light bulbs and plan neighborhood celebrations, such as block parties or barbecues, to celebrate the October 20th event. On October 20th, turn off your lights from 8 – 9 p.m., and join the City of San Francisco in conserving energy and protecting the environment.

To pledge your support and learn more about Lights Out San Francisco, visit our website at www.lightsoutsf.org. If you would like to volunteer your time and distribute light bulbs or organize a neighborhood celebration, please email volunteer@lightsoutsf.org.

Thank you, and we appreciate your support!

...Rachel Ray (*Lights Out SF*)

Submitted by Judith Berkowitz (*EMIA*)



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SF Climate Challenge: Win a Prize in the Contest to Save Energy

Join us in the fight against climate change by signing up now for the SF Climate Challenge.

SF Climate Challenge is a unique San Francisco contest to save energy and win prizes. The City of San Francisco's Department of the Environment has partnered up with the Sierra Club and a local non-profit One Atmosphere to put on a contest in San Francisco aimed at inspiring individuals to reduce their residential energy consumption and help combat climate change.

All you have to do is join or form a team of five or more households, then compete for one month later this year to save energy. There are \$5,000 prizes for overall winners and additional prizes in various other categories, including a \$1,000 prize for best neighborhood organization. Fluorescent light bulbs will also be given away. The contest starts October 25, 2007.

People from all walks of life are participating in the contest — renters and owners, working men and women, artists and professionals, poets and politicians. Participants just have to be eighteen, responsible for their power bill, and a resident at the same location for at least one year prior to the contest period. Everyone is welcome to compete.

Forming a team is easy. Just go to www.sfclimatechallenge.org, then click on the link to sign up and select the option to Start a Team. It's all self-explanatory from there. Start a team for your own neighborhood organization or just a group of friends. To invite other folks to join the team you have created, you give them your team name and password, and they can then join your team. Alternatively, you can just sign up by yourself and switch to a team later, if that's what you want to do.

The main thing is to get involved! Take this chance to really make a difference in your neighborhood and maybe win some great prizes along the way. Join the SF Climate Challenge today!

...Paul Scott (*THD*)



Golden Gate Park (Cont'd from p 1 col. 2)

3) Enforce a zero-tolerance policy for sleeping in the park by picking up offenders and taking them to the shelters, just the way they do in every northern European country and, by the way, in many counties in these United States.

In the meantime, there is an almost naïve feeling of promise in the hearts of park users and Haight residents who feel that, finally, maybe someone has heard them. Oh, not at City Hall or Rec and Park, but at the San Francisco Chronicle.

...Karen Crommie (*CVIA*)

Executive Committee Report

AUGUST 29, 2007

The CSFN ExCom was called to order at 5:55PM at Northern Police Station by Chair Gary Noguera. Present were ExCom members Berkowitz, Noguera, Clark, Millet, Mahan, Cauthen, Girardot and Wilson. Jim Lew was excused absent. Guests were Mary Helen Briscoe, Newsletter Editor; Paul Scott of the SF Climate Challenge.

Reports: President Berkowitz attended a number of meetings. She will be leading a workshop at the "Neighborhood Empowerment Summit." Her topic will be "How to Build Stronger Communities Through Neighborhood Associations." She submitted the final version of our ballot argument in opposition to Proposition "A" [Transit/Parking] to the Department of Elections. ParkMerced Residents Organization (PRO) will submit an application for CSFN membership.

1st VP Noguera represented CSFN at the TEP CAC August meeting, and arranged the MTA presentation on the subject for our August General assembly meeting. He is coordinating a meeting between two members of the Planning Commission, President Berkowitz, and Land Use & Housing Committee Chairman Fukuda to stimulate discussions between CSFN and the Commission about the overall impacts that new highrises and skyscrapers have on the neighborhoods.

2nd VP Clark is preparing a letter to the appropriate parties relative to the vote taken on "proper noticing" by city agencies. She has also been attending hearings at DBI about how they and the Planning Department can better coordinate.

Treasurer Lew was absent, no Treasurer's report.

Secretary Millet has the revised minutes from the August GA meeting ready.

Program for Sept: Ballot Measures, Lights Out SF, SF Climate Challenge. Program for Oct: Candidates.

New Business: Newsletter Editor Mary Helen Briscoe presented written discussion of the NL issues which have come up. She has a very real concern about the NL's future. There was much discussion about the creation, editing and production of our monthly newsletter. There is an enormous amount of time being put into the newsletter by only a handful of people. The possibility of rotating some of the newsletter responsibilities among each of the member organizations was discussed. Should we have a production committee? Should paper copies be eliminated? We will discuss these and other options at the Sept and subsequent ExComm meetings.

Paul Scott of the SF Climate Challenge presented the program to us. The idea is that each San Francisco

household should be doing something about helping to stop global warming. The program operates at no public cost. They want CSFN's endorsement of the program; both the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors have endorsed it. ExCom needed a bit more info to recommend a stance to the GA. Noguera will investigate.

ExCom voted to recommend to the GA endorsement of Lights Out San Francisco.

ExCom voted to recommend to the GA reimbursement of monies expended for elections materials.

President Berkowitz introduced the Annual Dinner.

Unfinished Business: The vote taken at the August GA meeting on the Blue Angels was discussed. The call on that vote was determined to be null and void due to a conflict with CSFN Bylaws.

The time of the monthly ExCom meeting will likely change to 7:00PM to accommodate one of the members who has a conflict. The change is pending the availability of the room at Northern Station. Noguera checking.

The next ExCom meeting will be on September 26th at Northern Station. Check with the chair in advance for correct start time [likely to be 7:00].

The Aug ExCom meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

...Gary Noguera, Chair (MPIC)

Land Use and Housing Report

Land Use & Housing Committee — Report of September 10, 2007 Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the CSFN Land Use & Housing Committee was convened by Chair Hiroshi Fukuda on Monday, September 10, 2007 at 5:45 p.m. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station at Turk and Fillmore Streets.

The Committee considered the following matters:

1. Approved discussing with San Francisco Tomorrow and other like-minded organizations the seismic, safety and fire issues in high-rise buildings.
2. Voted to support resolution by Twin Peaks Council to oppose the demolition at 125 Crown Terrace pending the soundness report. Recommended changes (mainly setbacks) to plans as presented.
3. Voted to recommend to the General Assembly support of Proposition H, Regulation of Parking Space.
4. Hiroshi Fukuda gave a report on the JapanTown Better Neighborhood Area Plan.

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The next Land Use & Housing Committee meeting will be on October 8, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Northern Police Station located at Turk and Fillmore Streets.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m

...Hiroshi Fukuda (RCA) Chairman

August CSFN Meeting Featured Update on Transit Effectiveness Project



CSFN VP Gary Noguera with TEP Director, Julie Kirschbaum

Transit Effectiveness Project (TEP) research has shown that riders of public transportation most want reliability and on-time performance in their transit system.

Comfort and flexibility measured as less important as did cost and safety.

In the coming weeks, TEP will be conducting community workshops. See their website for more information: <http://www.sftep.com/>

Editor's Note: Ms Miller is on the Newsletter Committee which is currently discussing with the Executive Committee how the newsletter can be improved and how to get more people involved in it.

Please let us know your ideas. Email the editor at <mhbriscoe@pacbell.net>. This subject will be brought before the membership in the future for more discussion.

IDEAS FOR CHANGE in CSFN Communications & Newsletter Production

In the last issue, Mary Helen Briscoe voiced some thoughts about the future of the CSFN newsletter. Here are some thoughts from a member of the Newsletter Committee about improving communications among the member groups and the process for getting out the CSFN newsletter:

First, we should recognize the individual newsletters published by CSFN member groups and:

- a. Acquire latest copies of all member organization newsletters each month, beginning with the September 2007 issues. Create an incentive by awarding the Best Layout, Best Story, Best Graphics, etc. on an annual or semi-annual basis.
- b. Bring together the editors of these newsletters for a meeting of the Newsletter Committee. Add them as members of the NL Committee.
- c. Move toward the selection of of the CSFN Newsletter by talking with this expanded Newsletter Committee: The role of Editor-in-Chief is too time consuming to be the responsibility of our already heavily-tasked Officers.

Next, we need to broaden the reach of the on-line version of the newsletter:

- a. Member groups should sign up ALL members of their Boards for the electronic version. The Newsletter Committee could prepare a simple sign-up list for delegates from each group to take away from the next Assembly meeting and ask them to return with an e-mail list of their Board members for the CSFN Corresponding Secretary at the next meeting.
- b. Continue to ask member groups whether they would prefer to receive only the electronic version. Remind them that they should bring a printout of the newsletter to the General Assembly meeting.

Finally, we need to retain the print version of the newsletter and:

- a. Require that the CSFN Corresponding Secretary begin in September 2007 to take over production and dissemination of the print version as described in the Bylaws. Dick Millet is more than happy to do so, but his willingness to perform this service has not been acted upon.
- b. Tasks include: transmitting the newsletter content to the printer, folding, sealing, stamping and the finished newsletters to the Post Office so that they will be delivered by Friday before the monthly CSFN meeting.

...Mary Anne Miller (SPEAK)

CSFN Draft Minutes General Assembly Meeting August 21, 2007

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by President Judith Berkowitz at 7:05 pm at Northern Police Station, Tuesday, 21 August 2007 with introduction of Delegates and Guests.

QUORUM ASCERTAINED: 20 organizations and 11 guests attending.

PRESENTATION by HOST ORGANIZATIONS: Buena Vista Neighborhood Ass'n. (BVNA) and Sunset Parkside Education and Action Committee, (SPEAK) provided the refreshments.

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

- **President**, Judith Berkowitz: see President's Message p 2 of August '07 Newsletter
- **1st Vice President**, Gary Noguera (MPIC): see X-Com Report, p 4 of August 07 Newsletter.
- **2nd Vice President**, Penelope Clark (RHN): NONE
- **Recording Sec'y**, Position "O P E N": 17 July '07 General Meeting Minutes and 31 July '07 Special Meeting, p 6 of August '07 Newsletter, "APPROVED" by voice vote.
- **Treasurer**, Jim Lew (NBN): August written Report submitted.
- **Corresponding Sec'y**, Dick Millet (PBNA): Correspondence BINDER available at side table.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**, Gary Noguera (MPIC) 1st VP, chair: page 4, August 07 Newsletter.
- **BYLAWS COMMITTEE**, Evelyn Wilson (SPEAK) chair: page 2 August '07 Newsletter
- **LAND USE & HOUSING COMMITTEE**, Dick Millet (PBNA)/Penelope Clark (RHN) acting chair: p 4 of August 07 Newsletter.
- **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**: Gary Noguera (MPIC), chair: See Program.
- **GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE**: Melinda LaValle (CHNA) chair: p 4 & 5 of August '07 Newsletter.
- **OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**: Nancy Wuerfel (SPEAK) chair: NONE
- **WATER TASK FORCE**, Joan Girardot (MCIPOA) chair: the impact of Water/Sewer Rate raises will begin to show now. Water management credibility by the PUC is shot. Plans call for diverting more Hetch Hetchy water to suburbs, SF growth water requirements to be met by conservation and desalination. Mayoral workshops not well publicized. Lack of transparency. The Problem is can SF citizens prevent politicians from giving Hetch Hetchy water away.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **RESOLUTION: "Public Notice to Neighbors"** RESOLVED, That the CSFN urges the Board of Supervisors to require that all City policy-making bodies including commissions and boards withhold approval of a project until adequate Notice be provided, and public involvement and discussion take place between all nearby residents and stakeholders; and be it further RESOLVED, That notices be mailed and posted to all who are located within 4 blocks of the project in any direction, and discussions be held at least 30 days before the hearing at convenient times for the public; and be it further RESOLVED, That approval be contingent upon certification that appropriate and timely notification of stakeholders has occurred.
Moved (PROSF), 2nd, PASSED (18-0-2) by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **RESOLUTION: Be it resolved the CSFN supports the permanent halt of flyovers over populated areas by the "Blue Angels"**. Declared "Emergency" because City to hear Supervisor Daly's proposal on Sept 11th, before next CSFN GA meeting, 13-2 by hand count. Resolution Vote Moved by Ramona (TPCOSC). 2nd, PASSED (3-2-13) (Abstentions don't count.)

PROGRAM:

SFMTA & TEP (Transit Effectiveness Project)

presentation by Julie Kirschbaum, Project Mgr. First review in 25 years of Muni effectiveness. Will be conducting community workshops within the next 6 weeks for input and critique. Q & A.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:22pm

...Dick Millet (PBNA) Acting Recording Secretary

August Meeting Feature



James Keyes, Legislative Aide for Supervisor Daly made the case for banning the Blue Angels' flyover.

Staircases of San Francisco

The staircases of San Francisco are San Francisco Treasures that need to be preserved much like the Cable Cars were some years ago.

They are a unique part of San Francisco and are important for our tourism industry. I walk my dogs up the Harry St. Stairs (from Laidley to Beacon) every day and often see tourists with guidebooks to the staircases in hand.

The problem is that the City and County of San Francisco has no uniform policy for the preservation and upkeep of the staircases.

Some are City owned and maintained, some are adopted by the city and maintained, some are on private property, and some are in legal limbo like Harry St. stairs, built by the City in 1904, partially repaired by the City in 1992 and 1999, but the last 50 steps near Beacon were falling apart until a recent neighborhood action got the DPW to patch the stairs and replace the worst of the steps. The problem is that the underlying structure dates from 1904, and the recent repairs will last for a few years at most. Some of the replaced stairs are already loose and will soon fall off.

A classic example of the condition of some of the 630 staircases in San Francisco is the Iron Street stairs between Clayton and Corbett Street. The response of the City to the complaints of the residents of this staircase has been to put up a "Road Closed" sign at Corbett, place red cones over some of the more dangerous parts, and to put a staircase closed sign on the stairs at Clayton Street. This is not an acceptable response.

The City and County of San Francisco needs the Board of Supervisors to pass comprehensive legislation to take control and maintain all staircases in San Francisco.

Eminent Domain may need to be used to obtain some staircases on private property, but I think most property owners would gladly grant the City an easement in exchange for City maintenance of the Stairs.

A bond issue may also be required to fund the initial repair of the hundreds of staircases in the City, but I believe it would receive wide support from the voters.

Please contact your District Supervisor to sponsor such legislation at their next Board Meeting, and forever save the Staircases of San Francisco.

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...Submitted by Judith Berkowitz (EMIA)

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Hosting Schedule

Sep	• Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Assn — CHNA • Richmond Community Assn — RCA
Oct	• Barbary Coast Neighborhood Assn — BCNA • Cole Valley Improvement Assn — CVIA
Nov	• Cayuga Improvement Assn — CIA • Cow Hollow Assn — CHA
Jan	• Diamond Heights Community Assn — DHCA • Dolores Heights Improvement Club — DHIC

AGENDA	
General Assembly Meeting	
September 18, 2007	
6:30	I. Sign In and Refreshments
7:00	II. Call to Order/Ascertain Quorum A. Introduction of Delegates and Guests/Short Announcements B. Hosts 1. Cathedral Hill Neighborhood Assn — CHNA 2. Richmond Community Assn — RCA
7:15	III. Approval of August Minutes
7:20	IV. Officers' Reports A. President B. Vice-Presidents C. Secretaries D. Treasurer
7:35	V. Committee Action Items — written reports in Newsletter A. Land Use & Housing B. Open Space C. Water Task Force D. Transportation E. Bylaws
7:50	VI. Unfinished Business — Reconsideration of Prop H : Regulation of Parking
8:00	VII. New Business A. Lights Out SF — Rachel Ray B. SF Climate Challenge — Paul Scott
8:15	VIII. Program: Ballot Measures Props J & K Speakers J: Pro — Lisa Gruwell, Yes on J; Con — Doug Loranger, Snafu, Kimo Crossman Speakers K: Pro — Marcie Keever, SFBeautiful; Con — Michael Colbruno, ClearChannel Outdoor
9:15	X. Adjournment

CSFN meets the third Tuesday of the each month except for December at Northern Police Station, Turk & Fillmore Streets (Parking in rear offTurk) Public Transit: Muni #22 Fillmore, 31 Balboa & 38 Geary Lines

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Tuesday
September 18

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