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Cole Valley Mansion Victim of Volatile Real Estate Market

Last year, the historic mansion at 199 Carl Street at Stanyan appeared on the market sporting dated wall-to-wall carpeting, a kitchen out of the 1950s, and a shabby backyard. It went into contract for \$3.15 million after just a few weeks on the market and sold in April. At the time, one commenter pleaded, “Please



Photo: SFARMLS

One of Cole Valley’s preeminent Queen Anne homes got a quick fix.

do not let the interior of this house become yet another sterile, white-painted cardboard condo-mansion that could be in Walnut Creek,” which, sadly, seems to have given the new owners some ideas. The mansion definitely needed some updating, but the renovation that it received is bewilderingly bad. Everything—practically everything—is white. The period details—from the mahogany paneling to the decorative ceilings, the built-ins, and the fireplaces—have all been covered in a heavy coat of white paint. The sight of the painted-over mahogany is devastating. It isn’t enough of a high-end renovation to be a big fancy flip, and, indeed the manse has not been put back up for sale. Instead, it’s being listed on Craigslist as a five-bedroom, \$21,500-per-month rental. The biggest question we have is why anyone would buy a \$3 million-plus mansion, give it a cheap renovation, and then try to rent it out?

Excerpted from Tracy Elsen’s article in Sfcurbed.com

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Summer Social August 15 at 1 pm Kezar Bar & Restaurant

Years ago, CVIA used to hold monthly membership meetings. But unless there was raging controversy (Walgreens’s on Parnasus was the last one), members stayed home on meeting nights. Eventually, only the board members attended and well, it’s a big effort to build agendas, bring in speakers, set up refreshments and so, dispirited, we decided to stop the meetings. As an alternative, any member has a standing invitation to attend our monthly board meetings, which are held in rotation at the homes of board members. Approximately 25 members avail themselves of this opportunity each year.



However, as a California nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation, CVIA is required to hold an Annual Meeting and elect officers. We have chosen to make this a party and charge a small fee (\$10 a head) to cover a portion of the food and drink. For the fifth year this will be held at the Kezar Bar and Restaurant (900 Cole St.). Owner Steve Schick is a gracious host and we appreciate his opening early for CVIA members one day a year.

Massive Haight Street Project

Yes, we’ve noticed. Haight Street is being torn up. Starting with the replacement of both sewer and water mains, work will address the transit and infrastructure upgrades that are preparatory (and integral) to the city’s Muni Forward and Public Realm plans.

The problem is, that this would be the perfect time to install the pedestrian-level lighting so long needed on Haight Street. But the city is balking. Too much money, it says. Even though it was



The city is combining needed sewer and water main replacement with long planned transit upgrades including bulb-outs, curb ramps and bus pads.

number 1 on the polling of Haight residents when the long series of “workshops” were conducted. In contrast, the “bulb-outs,” costing \$128,000 each, are all going through, although few want them.

It is a joint project of DPW, MTA and SFPUC. The extensive project, which includes Haight Street (from Ashbury to Laguna) and Hayes Street (from Clayton to Market), will not be completely finished until November 2016. Street cleaning restrictions will remain in effect. For more information contact Alex Murillo (DPW) at (415) 437-7009.

—Karen Crommie

BREAKING NEWS

District Attorney Prepares Lawsuit Against McDonald's

San Francisco City Attorney Dennis Herrera sent a letter on May 13 to McDonald's Corporation CEO Steve Easterbrook in Oak Brook, Illinois, owner of the property at the corner of Haight and Stanyan. Herrera told the multinational fast-food chain that, under California's Drug Abatement Act (DAA), it is responsible for drug dealing and other illegal activity at the restaurant site. A copy was



Park District Police Station's Captain John Sanford was interviewed by Bay City News soon after the announcement.

sent to store owner C.C. Yin, who has been unresponsive to police requests to cure the situation.

According to the letter, the police have received 1,100 calls since January, 2012 for everything from drug sales, fights, assaults and auto burglaries at the store—more calls than for any other business in the area.

The drugs confiscated by police at the property include LSD, psychedelic mushrooms, hashish and marijuana. Drug use around McDonald's and the east end of Golden Gate Park (Alvord Lake) has long been a problem.

Under the DAA, the District Attorney has the authority to 1) shut down the restaurant for a year 2) require certain security measures (lighting, fencing, guard) 3) levy a penalty of \$25,000 4)

disgorgement of all profits from illegal activities and 5) payment of all attorney fees—including costs of the investigation.

On May 9, shortly before 7 p.m., a man was stabbed in the abdomen and taken to SF General Hospital. The wounds were described as non life-threatening, and the male suspect fled on foot. As of this writing, no arrest has been made.

The previous week, Beat Patrol officer Lilly Prillinger was bitten by a dog in the parking lot. The individuals were issued a citation and released on scene.

C.W. Nevius to Speak at CVIA Summer Social

Popular San Francisco Chronicle columnist "Chuck" Nevius will be coming to the Summer Social at the Kezar Bar and Restaurant on August 15 to receive an award for "Outstanding Neighborhood Reporting," and to say a few words. As you may recall, Nevius wrote several columns on the inappropriate location of the HANC recycling center in Golden Gate Park and gave a voice to neighborhood opposition that resulted in the eviction of the center and its conversion into a community garden.



Don't miss this opportunity to meet one of San Francisco's outstanding journalists.

Correction

In the article on page 5 describing the aftermath of the Four-Twenty smoke-in at Sharon Meadow, the cost of the cleanup by Rec and Park, taking over 564 staff hours, has since then been estimated at \$33,000, not \$10,000 as originally reported.

General Manager Phil Ginsburg, at the Park Police Community Meeting on May 12 put it succinctly "For the health and well-being of the Park, this unpermitted event sucks."

Football Legend Bob St. Clair dies at 84

Former 49ers offensive tackle Bob St. Clair, a hulking Hall of Famer and colorful San Francisco native, died Monday, April 20 at 84 in Santa Rosa.

St. Clair played almost his entire football career at Kezar Stadium. First with Polytechnic High School, then with USF and finally with



Photo courtesy San Francisco 49ers

Bob St. Clair, second from left, gathers with his former San Francisco 49ers teammates on Jan. 19, 2001, for a ceremony naming the field at Kezar Stadium "Bob St. Clair Field." From left: quarterback Y.A. Tittle, St. Clair, defensive tackle Charlie Krueger, running back Joe Perry and defensive end Dan Colchico.

the 49ers before Candlestick Park was built. Kezar Stadium's field was named Bob St. Clair Field in January of 2001.

At 6 foot 9 and 270 pounds, St. Clair played 12 years as an offensive tackle with the 49ers. He was a five time Pro-Bowl selection and was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1990.

But it was his time with the 1951 USF undefeated football team that may be the most memorable. The "Dons" were probably the best college team in the nation that year but were not invited to any bowl games because their roster included two African-American players – Ollie Matson and Burt Toler. Author Kristine Clark documented the event in her 2002 book, "Undefeated, Untied and Uninvited."

Before he was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1990, he was asked if the players of his era could have competed in the modern NFL. "I don't think the question should be 'Could we play today?'" he said. "The question is, 'Could these candy-asses have played with us?'" Probably not, Bob, probably not.

—David Crommie



Would you like a copy of this newsletter sent to a neighbor? Send an email to cviasf@aol.com or Leave a message at 431-1414 with their name and address and consider it done.

Run or Watch, Bay to Breakers is Sunday, May 17

UCSF Finally Implements Long Range Plan on Parnassus

At the last two meetings of UCSF's Community Advisory Group, the university's Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) was presented in detail. The university plans to renovate five floors in the Health Sciences Building. The work is to be completed by July 15, 2015.

What the university terms "Phase One" of the LRDP involves the conversion of the Clinical Sciences building into classrooms and office space and also the renovation of five floors in the Health Sciences Building. Work will begin with the demolition of two small buildings on Koret Way: Medical Research #4 and the Laboratory of Radiobiology. The area will then be paved and used as parking and staging for the construction crews and materials—accessed from Kirkham St. to minimize impact on busy Parnassus Avenue.

The work commences this month from Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with weekend work from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A tower crane will be placed on the south side of the Clinical Sciences building during the renovation. Because major patient services have been reduced at Moffitt/Long Hospitals, pediatric beds on four floors have become adult beds. Three floors have been reassigned to orthopedic, spine, bone, and marrow patients.

Implementation of the plan's streetscape component will start later in the year in the Clinical Sciences building area and involves increasing pedestrian safety with bulb-outs that shorten crossing distances as well as better provision for delivery vehicles. This means a loss of significant parking on Parnassus. Pedestrian level lighting will also be included as well as trees to make the area more welcoming and reduce the wind



In 1976, UCSF neighbors forced the regents to put limits on its maximum square footage. For that reason, UCSF is demolishing smaller buildings to convert office space into housing, which doesn't count against its limit.

factor. (Good luck with that.) There are an estimated 20,000 pedestrian crossings per day as well as 200 bicycles and 10,000 vehicles. The daily people count was stated as approximately 18,000. That number is expected to remain stable into the foreseeable future. Phase One of the LRDP is expected to last from five to six years.

The Kirkham Heights project (a private development) is currently at the Planning Department. It is a six-acre site proposed to go from an existing 86 units to 460 units. Site has single access point at 5th and Kirkham. The city has assigned a traffic engineer to work with UCSF on calming measures.

Other topics covered at the earlier meeting were as follows: 1) The Parnassus campus has had to increase shuttle volume and frequency as a result of hospital move to Mission Bay, 2) UC is planning to build a new research facility on the current surface parking lot at SF General Hospital. Building will employ about 700 persons. Parking issues there are already increasing, 3) the generator project at Parnassus is now under construction, 4) an arborist is on site at Sutro Forest checking and addressing the trimming and cutting of unsafe trees.

—Chuck Canepa, LRPD Community Advisory Group
(with updates by Lena Emmery)



Thank You For Your Support



It certainly isn't expected, but when a member sends in an extra contribution, we appreciate it greatly. Only nine Cole Valley merchants contributed to the daily cleaning of Cole Street's business district this year, which costs CVIA \$936 each month. We make up the deficit with member contributions, a sizeable discount from CleanScapes and proceeds from the "Santa on Cole" photo shoot. So we would like to take this opportunity to thank the following members for their generosity during the period June 1, 2014 to May 1, 2015. Please notify us if your name has inadvertently been omitted.

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Ready or not, the Haight Street Fair is coming on Sunday, June 14

A CLEAN COLE STREET



Our Neighborhood Heroes 2015 Merchant Participants

Bambinos	BurgerMeister
Cole Cleaners	Cole Hardware
Crêpes on Cole	Lavande
Mane Attraction	Padrecito
	Postal Chase

Kezar Track Reopens

It took two years of meetings, budget battles and bids, but the track at Kezar Stadium was finally replaced after 23 years of wear and tear. How big a deal was this? On March 13 Mayor Ed Lee, along with Rec and Park's Phil Ginsburg, Supervisor London Breed, School District officials and scores of middle-school track athletes attended a celebration of the reopening of the Mondo rubberized running track that had been closed for many months. Said the mayor,



Supervisor London Breed addresses a group of recreation professionals, city officials and enthusiastic student athletes. Far right: Mayor Ed Lee.

"We have a world-class track-and-field stadium for anybody and everybody to use. The 90-year old stadium was famously home to the Forty Niners until 1970.

The entry walks are freshly paved, there are new goal posts, an upgraded sound system, and improved long jump and pole vault areas. A new drainage system was installed to add to the longevity of the new track. There is also a touch of nostalgia, as a thousand seats reclaimed from Candlestick Park have been installed in the grandstand.

CVIA wants to wholeheartedly thank the community groups and activists who pushed for the track's \$3.2 million renovation, particularly Coach Marc Christensen and our long-serving representatives to the Kezar Advisory Committee, Lena Emmery and Chuck Canepa.

—Karen Crommie

Haight Farmers' Market: Don't Go Away Mad

In spite of lackluster patronage last year, the Upper Haight Farmers' Market bravely reopened last month—or at least made an attempt with only five vendors. They called it a “soft opening.”

The Wednesday afternoon market at Stanyan and Waller, was supposed to have been modified this year after feedback



The Wednesday Market had a slow start this year.

from a survey of Haight residents indicated a preference for more vendors, and greater choice of fresh fruits, flowers, vegetables and sustainably-raised meats.

The Pacific Coast Farmers Market Association warned neighbors that the first Wednesday would be sparse, but a spokesperson promises more action in upcoming weeks.

The market is the result of the efforts of activists Mary Helen Briscoe and Cheryl Brodie from the North of Panhandle Organization who wanted a market in the Panhandle as a community-building activity. The Stanyan/Waller location, was a poor compromise after Rec and Park nixed their first choice. Nevertheless, for five years there has been enough business to bring it back every April.

This week will see the addition of Kettle Pop, Schletewitz Family Farms, Tomatero Organic Farms, Roli Roti (rotisserie meats) and Fraternite Notre Dame. (Wait, isn't that the group of French nuns who operate a soup kitchen in the Tenderloin?) There will also be live music and children's events so, please give it another try.

The Upper Haight Farmers' Market is open every Wednesday through the end of October, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

—Karen Crommie

Park Station Monthly Meeting

The Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB) met for the first time with Captain John Sanford, the new commanding officer at Park Police District Station. Most of the discussion revolved around the National Night Out, scheduled for Tuesday August 4th. In the past, the Boys and Girls Club has been the venue, but since they are no longer in our neighborhood, a new site will be selected. We will be letting CVIA members know so they can participate in this event that strengthens our community.

As regular readers know, Park Station has been at the forefront of the city's bicycle registration program and is pleased with its success. To date there are 8,000 bicycles registered in San Francisco.

Since inception of the registry the theft of bicycles has decrease by 8.5 percent.

More important, 20 registered bicycles that were stolen have been reunited with their owners. Another 100 bicycles that were in the evidence locker of the SFPD were returned to their owners due to the efforts of Morgan St. Clair of SF SAFE (Safety Awareness for Everyone). She, along with an SFPD officer went through the bicycles one by one and, from bike shop identification stickers, were able to call the shops and identify the owners—a lot of effort, but with great results. There is no reason **not** to register your bicycles. It is free and easy. Go to safebikes.org and register today.

—Lena Emmery

CVIA representative to Park Station's CPAB

McDonald's: Asset or Liability to Haight Street?

At the first community meeting held by the new commanding officer of Park Station, Captain John Sanford, residents raised questions about the activity at the corner of Haight and Stanyan (McDonald's).

Vallie Brown, legislative aide to Supervisor London Breed, said that during Capt. Raj Vaswani's tenure, he had been working with the owner of McDonald's, C. C. Yin. Breed was focusing on Yin



Increasing problems around McDonald's prompts neighbors to ask for a security guard.

particularly because he also owns the nearby McDonald's franchise at Fillmore and Golden Gate, which also sees its share of action.

The Haight and Stanyan McDonald's, according to employees, does not currently retain a private security service. It keeps only one exterior door unlocked at a time:

the parking lot entrance until 9 p.m. and the Haight Street entrance from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Yin was vague regarding whether a private security service has been or would be in the works, “The safety and security of our employees and customers are our highest priority,” he said in an email, “and we continue to work closely with the staff, the SF police, and outside security to assure that we always provide a welcoming environment that is safe, friendly, and secure for everyone in our community.”

Regarding when the last time the restaurant had employed private security, the manager on duty told us, “I have no idea.” Whole Foods, across the street, does employ a private security service: a security guard was memorably stabbed in the arm by a would-be shoplifter.

Asked if additional security force on the McDonald's corner would help the Park Station, Captain Sanford said, “Security is always helpful to reinforce general ‘Good Neighbors’ policies and practices.”

(excerpted from article by Camden Avery in Hoodline.com 4/23/15)

Jay Johnson 1954-2015

Club Deluxe owner Jay Johnson died on March 21 after fighting a long battle with cancer. He was 61 years old. Johnson opened Club Deluxe in 1989, after which it became quickly known as a secret spot for great live music, cocktails, and pizza. Near the corner of Haight and Ashbury, Johnson attracted a subculture of fifties fans who loved watching Doris Day movies and anything Frank Sinatra. And there may have been a reason. An accomplished pop singer himself, the SF Examiner described him in 1994 as a “smooth face Sinatra clone.” Today that would be considered a compliment. Club Deluxe presented a constant flow of swing, jazz, and blues artists on its tiny stage. The local music scene is feeling Johnson’s loss.



Photo: Dennis Hearn

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Mayor: “What Do You Want?”

Mayor Ed Lee held a District 5 “Budget Town Hall” on April 29 to give neighborhood groups an opportunity to tell him and his budget director, Kate Howard, what their priorities are for needed projects in their communities. Supervisor London Breed who was hosting the event, called on representatives from twelve different D-5 groups, each of whom tried to impress the importance of his or her case.



The Buena Vista Park representative asked for a pilot irrigation program called “water-wise” for the city’s parks, but specifically Buena Vista Park; A student from Mo’ Magic asked for help with summer jobs for kids in the Western Addition; the North of Panhandle folks asked for help in promoting pedestrian safety; Japan Town reps asked for funding for marketing, beat cops and the repair of water leakage in the JT parking garage. They were followed by Hayes Valley, Inner Sunset, and so forth.

Closer to home, HANC asked the Mayor for improvements in



The Tank Hill steps to Belgrave present increasing danger to walkers.

the Panhandle, the Haight Ashbury Merchants Association (HAMA) asked for pedestrian-level street lighting on Haight Street, “Taking it to the Streets,” the Haight sidewalk-cleaning service managed by Christian Calinsky, asked for rent money to keep the program’s street kids housed for a year—part of their work agreement.

CVIA asked for three things. First, that the steps linking Tank Hill with Belgrave Street be rebuilt; second, that the lighting be improved in the Muni-owned park linking Carl (at Cole) with Clayton Street, and third, that the Mayor support HAMA’s request for better lighting of Haight Street. Rec and Park General Manager Phil Ginsburg acknowledged that the first project (Tank Hill steps) was in the works. But there was no comment from Muni on the other two requests, both of which, for different reasons, fall under their jurisdiction.

—Karen Crommie

Four-Twenty: Still Out of Control

Those who thought the Haight Street Fair was an intrusion into the life of neighborhood residents have gotten a rude awakening as 4/20 (April 20), the traditional marijuana smoke-in, has captured the interest of Bay Area potheads, and is now reaching a critical mass. They flock into Golden Gate Park’s Sharon Meadow (“Hippie Hill”) to smoke, schmooze and, increasingly, shop among a wide array of pot-related food and merchandise.

Anticipating an early crowd, Park District Police officers arrived early to set up posts. Captain John Sanford issued a press release at noon: “As suspected, there were people arriving as early as 5:00 a.m. and many of them had already started bringing in large pits, containers, couches, and tents. SFPD quickly teamed up with the Park Rangers, the HOT Team,* and Rec and Park to contain potential problems. As of 0900 hours we have already admonished over 100 people and had tents, tables, pits, commercial popcorn machines, large



Rec and Park bore the cost of the cleanup after the invasion of Sharon Meadow and Hippie Hill on Monday, April 20.

stereo systems and speakers taken down and removed from the Park.”

Hoodline reporter Steve Conover wrote, “Despite Park Station’s attempts at keeping things peaceful, there were a handful of violent incidents. SFGate reported a couple of robberies, and one attack on a park ranger, while ABC noted bottle throwing and (yes) truancy. There was also apparently a fire set in the middle of Clayton Street. Both news services reported that police arrested five people: one (assault with a deadly weapon) for hitting a Park Ranger on the head with a bottle, two more for outstanding warrants and two for intoxication.

“With news helicopters circling overhead all day long, KGO-TV transmitted a livestream of the action at Hippie Hill. Between the sirens, the choppers, traffic backed up for miles, and the crowds, the neighborhood sounded like a war zone.

“Rec and Park mounted its annual post-4/20 cleanup effort, with help from local cannabis dispensary Green Cross, which added 40 volunteers to the effort, and collected 200 bags of garbage.”

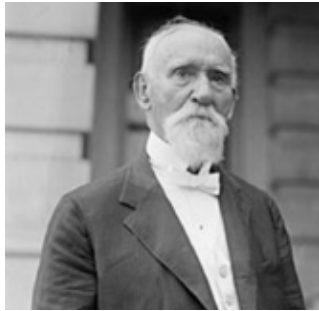
The estimated 10,000 people, most out-of-towners, left behind mountains of garbage costing an estimated \$10,000 to remove.

Haight Street was left filthy. Christian Calinsky, organizer of Taking it to the Streets, said he never saw more litter, human waste and tagging in the neighborhood. Steve Conover described “Vomit and urine in doorways and bus shelters, garbage overflowing from trash bins, jam-packed sidewalks, and a cloud of smoke hovering over all of it.”

*The San Francisco Homeless Outreach Team (SFHOT) is a collaboration between the Community Awareness and Treatment Services (CATS), the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH), and the Human Services Agency (HSA), targeting chronically homeless adults on the streets of San Francisco that are high-risk, hard-to-reach and typically do not seek services.

Who Exactly Was Mr. Cole?

Born in 1867, Cornelius Cole practiced law in his adopted state of California—first in San Francisco, then in Sacramento. On March 8, 1856, Cole organized the California branch of the Republican Party, acting as secretary and writing the manifesto. He served a single term in the United States House of Representatives as a Republican representing California from 1863 to 1865, and another term in the United States Senate from 1867 to 1873. After returning to California following his retirement from national politics



Cornelius Cole in 1922 at age 92.

he practiced law in San Francisco again and finally in Los Angeles with his eldest son Willoughby.

Attention: Artists, Vendors, Musicians, Unique Car Owners

The Cole Valley Fair will be back again for its 13th year on Sunday, September 27, 2015. The Cole Valley Fair continues to be a charming and well-attended event sponsored by local merchants and organizations with an outstanding record of community support. The fair features local art, jewelry and handmade crafts, great food, live music, a display of historical Cole Valley photographs, a full block of vintage automobiles owned by neighborhood residents, events for children including a jumpy house and obstacle course, and more!

If you are an artist with unique handcrafted work, we hope you'll apply for a booth space. The deadline is July 1, 2015. Priority will be



The Cole Valley Fair is the most family friendly of any in the city. This year's event will be held on Sunday, September 27. Mark your calendar.

given to Cole Valley residents, returning vendors, and promising new applicants. (Imported merchandise will not be considered). We will be accepting some applicants before the deadline date. We're also seeking musicians from all genres and styles for one-hour performance slots. The Cole Valley Fair is a small and intimate street fair where the right sound will attract a lot of attention. And, yes, Cars on Cole will be back again this year. Never been to the event? We look for interesting neighborhood vehicles—whatever that may mean. It need not be a "show queen" or vintage or rare. The range of vehicles in past years has been from a gaggle of Citroen 2CVs; British, German, French, Japanese, and Italian sports and touring cars; heavy 30s–60s American Iron; Model A to modern hot rods, bicycles to motorcycles.

To download a vendor, musician or Cars on Cole application visit the website at: www.midlinestudio.com/colevalleyfair.html or email colevalleyfair@gmail.com.

—Erica Kajdasz
Cole Valley Fair Organizer
Co-owner MIDLINE

Neighbors Miffed: But Don't Blame Captain Sanford

Enough already. After Captain Denis O'Leary left we had Captain John Feeney, two months later we had Greg Corrales. Then came the affable Captain Raj Vaswani. But before even a year passed, he was moved to Bayview and we are assigned Captain John Sanford. The problem for the neighborhood is that it takes months for a new commanding officer to learn the district, its problems, people, businesses and trouble spots. Captains who are busy playing catch-up are less effective and must spend extra time gaining the confidence of the rank and file as well as the public. But don't take it out on Captain Sanford. He understands our frustration. Read his letter below.

Greetings:

My name is John Sanford, Jr. and it is a great honor to serve as the new Commanding Officer of the Park Police district. I am humbled by the opportunity to serve with the women and men of the Park Police District. Park Police station is a very iconic station, filled with outstanding officers and a great history.

I am equally elated to serve the Park District community and the various members of the Board of Supervisors who represent this fine police district. I am fully aware that many members of the community are frustrated with the transition of yet another commanding officer here at Park Station. I truly understand the frustration, but promise to bring full dedication and commitment to the post.

I personally know both Captain Greg Corrales and Captain Raj Vaswani and, despite two different styles, both are highly intelligent and dedicated to duty. I understand both have served recently with overwhelming commitment. Personally, I am glad these fine captains have raised the bar; I believe they have set an expectation that will only benefit this deserving community. To this end, I will serve with professional integrity. I will encourage and embrace collaboration and partnership with the community. My goal is to foster a sustainable process with continuity, which will assist us in reducing crime and improving the quality of life for those who dwell within our borders. Please feel free to e-mail me: John.sanford@sfgov.org

In the spirit of community policing, I look forward to the task ahead!

Captain John Sanford, Jr.
Commanding Officer
Park Police District Station

POLICE COMMUNITY FORUM

Captain John Sanford holds community forums the second Tuesday of every month (except December) from 6 to 7:00 p.m. He gives briefings on upcoming permitted events, reviews neighborhood criminal activity, and addresses the safety concerns of residents. It's a good way to stay in touch with what's going on. The meetings are held at Park Station's Community Room (1899 Waller).



June 9, July 14, August 11
Mark Your Calendars

Haight Riders Lose as Muni Strives to Improve Service

As part of an effort to speed up service, some Haight Street bus stops have been discontinued:

- The inbound stop at Buena Vista West
- The outbound stop at Central
- Both inbound and outbound stops at Cole Street

It's hard to believe that Muni would cut the Cole Street stops, but their research has found they are underutilized. This means that



Photo: Andrew Dudley, Hoodline

Reduction in stops is one of many “streamlining” steps in increasing transit effectiveness.

there will be no bus stops on Haight between Clayton and Stanyan streets. This is supposed to shave off three minutes or about 20 percent of the time it takes buses to get from Stanyan to Laguna.

Former Son Loy Laundry Finds New Use As Gym

Mien Luong, Jason Kajdasz and Erica Kajdasz, the owners of Midline, the personal training and pilates studio at 515 Frederick Street, have leased the former Son Loy Laundry location at 784 Stanyan Street. They are currently doing construction to transform the space for group fitness classes. Just as the owners transformed 515 Frederick from Stumasa to Midline, extensive renovation is being done at the Stanyan Street site to ensure, not only that the building is brought up to code, but to create a dynamic workout environment for the indoor cycling and circuit training classes to come.

Erica Kajdasz is well known in Cole Valley as the person who stepped up to the plate when CVIA's Joan Downey decided to “retire” from producing the Cole Valley Fair. This is the third year Erica will orchestrate the myriad details of the event. Mark your calendars - the 13th annual fair is on Sunday September 27. More information about vendor booths can be found at: midlinestudio.com/colevalleyfair.html. Volunteers are always welcome, please email: colevalleyfair@gmail.com. (See article on page 6.)

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Waller Plaza: Keep it Usable for Everyone

The Skateboard Association wants to add more “obstacles” to the paved area that once was the last block of Waller Street. This is a problem because the designated “hard-surface recreational space” is also supposed to be 1) an overflow parking area for Kezar Pavilion events, 2) an emergency route for Park District Police seeking access to Stanyan Street, 3) a space for bike riding instruction by the SFBC, 4) the weekly farmers’ market and, most notably, 5) the Thursday night Off the Grid food trucks.

But that isn't even the main objection neighbors have to these enhancements. It's the noise. There has been an agreement that the skate park would concentrate in the west side of the space, closest



Off the Grid on Thursday evenings draws the largest crowds to the Waller Street Plaza. More permanent concrete skateboard structures are incompatible with this neighborhood multi-use space.

to Kezar Drive. The new plan is to place curved bulwarks at the Stanyan Street entrance and a large 12' x 24' stepped stone bulk in the center of the western half. These are designed for skateboarders who love to glide and bounce from one obstacle to another. Skateboard Association representative Justin Marks figures that the large object can double as a seating area for Off the Grid patrons and that the entrance bulwarks can have plants in front of them facing Stanyan, making a pleasing definition to the recreational space. All this is true. But, since “everything will be skated on,” it also sends the crash-bang of metal wheels on concrete and its reverberation through the boards screeching all over the adjoining residential streets.

Marks is a mild mannered young man who is doggedly plugging away at getting these changes made. He answers letters, holds meetings, and tries the patience of Rec and Park officials who must attend these evening presentations. He also wants a water fountain, which is reasonable. But the question is whether all parties concerned will sign off to these specialized features on what is clearly a multi-use space or if Marks will simply wear them out with niceness.

—Karen Crommie

Parking Lost, Little By Little

Thanks to Bruce Wolfe, writing in the *Haight Ashbury Voice*, we learned that three car and five motorcycle spaces were removed for permanent tour bus white zones. Another space was converted to an all-inclusive Getaround.com red zone; two more spaces were removed from the front of Whole Foods; the school at the former Boys and Girls Club has asked for 88 feet of white zone; coffee house Flywheel has petitioned for two spaces. Adios, parking.

CVIA Board Minutes

The following is a summary of what took place at the CVIA board meetings the last three months. Those wishing to bring a neighborhood issue before the Board are welcome to do so. Meetings take place on the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the home of a member. There is no meeting in December. Call 431-1414 to learn the location.

Every meeting begins with a reading of the minutes of the last meeting and reports from delegates to the Kezar Stadium Advisory Committee, SFMTA Citizens Advisory Council, the Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB), the UCSF Community Advisory Group (CAG) and the Coalition for S.F. Neighborhoods (CSFN).

March

Location: Home of Shannon Cooper and Chris Hock -March 2, 2015

■ Treasurer Joan Downey reported a total of \$17,419.01, out of which \$5,187.19 is being presently held in the Clean Cole Street fund.

■ Decided to invite Aaron Kahn, aid to Assembly member David Chiu, to attend our next board meeting.

■ Discussed possible service events for neighborhood: How to maneuver the enrollment system of the SF School District (involve Grattan PTA); ballot night with beer and pizza (at Pizzetta); family game night at Waller Center; Cole Valley history night with slides.

■ Discussed logo: Chris Hock said that our logo lacked a strong image. David and Karen said they would submit sketches.

■ Doug Hall suggested paying for architectural lighting of the Kezar Stadium arch and use that as a graphic symbol in a logo.

■ Chuck Canepa said that the UCSF long range plan citizens advisory council will hold its first off-Parnassus meeting at Mission Bay next week. He will present report at next board meeting.

■ Lena Emmery said that it was announced at the last Kezar Advisory that the Kezar track, under replacement was going to be completed on March 13. There will be some kind of festivities with the mayor etc. Discarded red seats from demolished Candlestick Park are being repurposed in the stadium thanks to the efforts of Dana Ketchum.

■ She also reported that the Park Police Station was celebrating the first year anniversary of Safe Bike Program. In that time over 7,000 San Francisco bikes have been registered.

■ Joan Downey reported on Vision Zero, a city project to eliminate pedestrian deaths using engineering, enforcement, and education. SFPD is focusing on enforcing the five violations that are most frequently cited in collisions with walkers. The MTA Citizens' Advisory Council asked the MTA board to encourage SFPD to add distracted driving to their top priorities for enforcement.

■ Several members expressed the feeling that members of the community were mixing up the activities of the social blog Colevalleysf.com with those of CVIA. Joan suggested an article in CVIA News on the blog written by content manager Ellen Holderman.

Adjournment: 8:30 p.m.

April

Location: Home of Douglas Hall — April 6, 2015

■ Treasurer Joan Downey reported total of \$17,746.59, out of which \$2,740.41 is being presently held in the Clean Cole Street fund. She also presented the budget for fiscal 2015-16 (4/1-15 to 3/31/16) projecting an approximate deficit of \$283.00 with (no charity donations). The Board was satisfied that this amount could be subsumed through various fundraising activities during the next

12 months. Joan also said that all the annual letters asking merchants to pay their share for the daily cleaning of Cole Street have gone out.

■ Lena Emmery reported that new Park Station Captain, John Sanford, was unable to attend the last Community Police Advisory Board and that the strategy for dealing with the "Four-Twenty" mobs could not be discussed. Later in the meeting, guest Christin Evans (Haight Ashbury Merchants Association) said she believed closure of Haight Street on April 20 is being seriously considered in light of last year's crowds.

■ Motion approved to write a letter to Chief Greg Suhr asking him to explain why Park Station has had a rotation of captains in less than one year.

■ In her report on the March 17 meeting of the Coalition for SF Neighborhoods, of which CVIA is a member, Karen Crommie reported that 1) The Academy of Art has submitted its plans to increase students from 17,000 to 23,000 and hire 1220 additional faculty by 2020. 2) City approved removing all parking from Polk Street from McAllister east to Pine St. 3) Supervisor Weiner is moving ahead with legislation to restrict citizen initiatives, but not those introduced by supervisors. 4) CSFN has merged its Transportation and Land Use committees. 5) Motion approved to oppose the proposed increase in height limits of projects at 75 Howard and 160 Folsom. 6) Pete Cohen of the Council of Community Housing pitched legislation to monitor housing balance (market v. affordable) by requiring Planning Dept. to produce a twice-yearly report. The legislation would also compel the city to use all public land (disposable) for affordable housing.

■ Chuck Canepa reported that UCSF's Community Advisory Group was presented on March 4 with the university's expansion plans (see article on page 2)

■ Guests Christin Evans (Haight Ashbury Merchants Association) and Ted Loewenberg (Haight Ashbury Improvement Association) discussed issues around the city's \$10 million Haight Ashbury Public Realm Plan, which will reconfigure Haight Street's sidewalks to improve public transit flow and make other so-called enhancements. Although CVIA has been disillusioned with the disingenuous "outreach" by both SFMTA and Planning Department, this discussion confirmed the astonishing absence of upgraded pedestrian-scale lighting in the plan. CVIA has written to heads of key city departments requesting that this be added to the Public Realm project and intends to keep writing and emailing to impress them with its importance.

Adjournment 9:00 p.m.

May

Location: Home of Lena Emmery and Chuck Canepa-May 4, 2015

■ Treasurer Joan Downey reported a total of \$18,414.37, out of which \$3,648.41 is being presently held in the Clean Cole Street fund

■ Joan Downey again reported on Segway tour groups using hiking trails in Golden Gate Park and pedestrian sidewalks instead of the street, as do other motorized vehicles. Their lease with Rec and Park ends in January 2016 and board voted to oppose the renewal. Agreed that she would draft a letter to RPD officials, commissioners, park/open space advocates and organizations in neighborhoods adjacent to Golden Gate Park. Karen Crommie, delegate to CSFN, will submit resolution to their May newsletter. Motion approved that, in Karen's absence, Chuck Canepa will serve as alternate delegate to CSFN's May 19th meeting. Karen to fully brief him and Lena Emmery beforehand and write to president Berkowitz informing her of the CVIA board's authorization for providing voting privileges to alternate.

■ Decided on Saturday, August 15 as date of CVIA's annual Summer Social. Karen to contact Steve Schick, owner of Kezar Bar & Restaurant to see if date is acceptable. If not, August 1 will be considered.

■ Lena Emmery, representative to the Community Police Advisory Board, stressed the importance of supporting the new Park Station commanding officer, Captain John Sanford in the National Night Out celebration, which they will host, scheduled on August 4th.

■ Joan Downey reminded board that in her absence, the raffle proposed for the Cole Valley Fair must be discussed at the June Board meeting. She is willing to contact merchants about contributions.

■ Marianne Hesse to arrange the CVIA member tour of the Waller Center in June or July. Board will let her know when they will be available before she makes contact with program manager. Ideal time would be 5:30 to 6:30 p.m on a weekday.

■ Karen Crommie to explore possible speakers for the Summer Social: Supervisor London Breed, C.W. Nevius; Rachel Gordon; Leah Garchik, Matthew O'Grady, Ed Reiskin.

■ Joan will provide David Crommie with membership renewals and contributions, both merchants and members, to the cleaning of Cole Street for publication in Summer CVIA newsletter.

■ Joan reported that she and Jessica Justino were interviewed by a reporter from the Sacramento Bee for a story they are doing on Cole Valley. Lena added that the Wall Street Journal had just done a story on the Cole Valley home of Apple's creative director Lane Foad.

■ Discussed and agreed on a position on skateboard park, currently utilizing the end of Waller Street: We agreed that the pilot program has been unsuccessful and do not want any additional permanent structures on the Waller Street Multi-Use Plaza because it will impede, not only the activities currently sharing the space (Off the Grid, farmers' market, bike riding instruction, overflow parking for Kezar, police emergency access to Stanyan Street) but that it is basically ill-advised to have a skateboard park sharing a multi-use community space. Currently, the Skateboard Association is asking for four more concrete structures in the precise area where these other activities take place. Karen, Marianne will work on a letter expressing this, circulate it to the board for comments and then send it to all concerned.

■ Motion passed to have Joan to speak to Maryo Mogannam regarding details of t-shirts he would like to sell at Postal Chase. Need to determine if it is a sound investment for CVIA and what upside is. The Board agreed that CVIA could invest up to \$2,000 on this project so long as there is reasonable possibility of profit. Passed 7-1

■ Motion passed to vote 'no' on CSFN's resolution against Supervisor Weiner's proposed legislation changing the citizen initiative process in the city. Board felt that, even if it increases the number of signatures required, it levels the bar for all election cycles, gives public and officials a chance to tweak a measure before going to the ballot, and requires real-time reporting of contributions, both for and against initiative. (7-1)

■ Karen gave report on Mayor's budget meeting in which she asked that the renovation of the Tank Hill steps leading to Belgrave be implemented; that better pedestrian-level lighting in the Muni park from Carl/Cole to Clayton be installed; and supported HAMA in their request for same on Haight Street.

Adjourned 9:00 p.m

CVIA Executive Board: Amy Blakeley, Chuck Canepa, Shannon Cooper Hock, David Crommie, Karen Crommie, Joan Downey, Lena Emmery, Carole Glosenger, Douglas Hall, Marianne Hesse, Chris Hock.

Tour Bus Fire on Haight Street

Senait Weldentensae, owner of Sunshine Liquors on Haight Street, was parking her car on Sunday morning, May 3 when she spotted a Big Bus tour bus driving by with smoke coming out of the engine compartment in the rear. She and a homeless man chased the bus down the street to alert the driver to stop as the engine compartment burst into flames. "I was yelling to get their attention" she said. "It was smoking and then fire started coming out. That's when I thought I have to run. I was yelling 'Stop.'" The driver stopped and the bus was safely evacuated just before it was engulfed in flames. Happily, there were no injuries but the bus was a total loss.

What was remarkable about this frightening incident was the speed by which it was chronicled both in text and pictures on social media by Haight residents who just happened to be there. Moiz Syed, who lives at Haight and Cole took a series of pictures (and posted



Photo: Katherine B.

A spokesperson for Big Bus Tours says that the fire is under investigation. them) as fire crews arrived on the scene. Katherine B. took pictures and commented on social media. Network news carried the story on Sunday but by then it was old news in the 'hood.

Investigators are working to determine the cause of the fire and Big Bus Tours has replacement busses on the job.

Earlier, on April 29, the crew of Ghilotti construction company, under contract with the city, inadvertently hit a gas main while in the process of replacing it. The thick stench of gas drifted over the neighborhood as workers quickly cordoned off Haight Street. A PG and E team responded immediately and within hours, the main was repaired and the normal life of Haight Street resumed.

San Francisco Values

Did you know, more street trees die every year than we are able to plant? Sure, we have a whole Department of the Environment, but it receives no general fund dollars. We have an amazing world-class park system, but raises more in leasing and fees than it gets from the general fund.

Please recycle, compost, and take public transportation, but consider taking a stand for our San Francisco values - add your voice to ours this year as we ask for more public funding for parks and trees and all the things that make this place so special.

—Kearstin Krehbiel, Executive Director
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Please contact us by email if you have an issue to raise, a newsletter article, address change, or an update to your membership information. Send us *your* email address if you want to be notified of upcoming meetings and events of importance to our neighborhood.

Postscripts

The beautification continues of the stairway from Buena Vista Ave East down to the corner of Broderick and Waller Streets. Recently a majestic stone balustrade (railing) was put up at the top of the stairs, named in honor of **Adah Bakalinsky**, beloved author of Stairway Walks. Buena Vista Park neighbors ask that we all work to protect it from vandals.

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Well, it looks as though he's really going to do it this time. **Carlos Lopez**, the personable cobbler at 1614 Haight will finally retire in Columbia, his wife's home country. But don't say your goodbyes yet, he's not on a tight schedule. It came as a surprise to learn that he began as an apprentice only 20 years ago. His absence will leave a hole in the Haight's dwindling neighborhood-serving businesses. We can only hope some young man or woman might take up the trade in that spot. However, with the monthly rent of \$4,000, likely to increase significantly, it would not be easy.

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Popular Park Station beat cop, **Elizabeth (Lilly) Prillinger**, has won the Haight Street Fair poster contest this year. But it was no fluke. Unknown to most, Officer Prillinger has an undergraduate degree in art history from Princeton University and an MA in fine arts from the San Francisco Art Institute. The winner receives a \$500 award, as well as a \$100 gift certificate from Mendel's FarOut Fabrics. The Haight Street Fair will be on Sunday, June 14.



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We saw it first in San Francisco Magazine last year, but when a Cole Valley home makes the Wall Street Journal, well, we just can't let it pass unnoticed. In its April 17 edition, the innovative home of Apple Creative Director **Lane Foard** and his physician wife Nicole Rimpel commanded a feature story. Aided by architects Tai Ichegami and Jonathan Feldman, the house is a creative statement about open space and

the needs of the modern family.

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Unlike the raft of new Haight Street clothing shops, **Buyers Best Friend** closed its doors last week. It was unusual for a artisan foods broker to have a retail store. I never quite got the concept, maybe because everything was processed and packaged in the middle of this neighborhood awash in fresh foods. Apparently neither did a lot of other people. Anyhow, they are still have a store in Ferry Plaza and we wish them good luck there.



Elizabeth Danechild, a long-time CVIA member, passed away on March 10. She was a founding member of the California Print Fair and a specialist in Japanese art, owning the Ukiyo-e Gallery. She had a double connection to Cole Valley in that her daughter Belinda Kerr was a police officer at Park Station and accompanied her mother

to CVIA's Summer Social several years ago. A cultured person and accomplished musician who generously supported the arts and parks, Elizabeth is sorely missed by everyone who knew her.

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The officers of Park Police Station will be enthusiastically participating in the annual National Night Out, a program started in 1984 to bring neighbors together to learn about police programs in their community. The brand new commander at Park Station, **Captain John Sanford**, is going to go all out on August 4. Please put it in your calendar. We'll be getting out information to members as to time and place by email.

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Cole Valley's own **Craig Newmark** (accompanied by wife **Eileen**) was among the tech luminaries at a Market Street party celebrating the new season of HBO's *Silicon Valley* on April 11. One wonders how the actors, who portray the staff of a fictitious startup called Pied Piper, feel mixing with real techies like Craig and Mark Pincus (founder of Zynga and also former resident of Cole Valley).



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Speaking of Cole Valley celebs, the Chron in its Datebook section did a cover story (2/18/15) on artist **Mark Ulriksen**, whose whimsical work I first saw on a New Yorker cover. He has just published his first book called "Dogs Rule Nonchalantly."

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Those of you who are drawn to the display of historic San Francisco photos assembled for the Cole Valley Fair each year by CVIA member **Jessica Justino**, might be interested in a new collection recently donated to the SF Public Library's History Center. Over 700 photographers and studios are represented in the Marilyn Blaisdell Photograph Collection. From 1972 to 1984 Blaisdell operated San Francisciana, the gift shop at the Cliff House. She has published six books of these rare photographs, which she thinks of as her "children."

—Karen Crommie

“Rapid” is the New “Limited”

The following Haight Ashbury Muni busses have been re-named, including replacing the term “Limited” (L) with the word “Rapid” (R) for routes stopping only at major intersections. When you come to think of it, Limited does imply something that is meager or deficient. It refers, of course, to limited stops. But, hey, why emphasize the negative when a more positive message can be sent? Here’s the skinny:

- The 71 and 71L will change to the 7 and 7R
- The 6 Parnassus will change to the 6 Haight-Parnassus
- The 33 Stanyan will change to the 33 Ashbury-18th

CVIA Board Slate for 2015-16

The following CVIA board members have been nominated to hold offices in 2015-16. Voting will be held on August 15 during the annual meeting at Kezar Bar and Restaurant (900 Cole St.). Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

- President Chuck Canepa
- Vice President Amy Blakeley
- Treasurer Joan Downey
- Secretary Karen Crommie

Nominees need to have been a member of the CVIA Board of Directors for one year. There is one place available on the Board at the present time. Any person living in the Greater Haight Ashbury who has been a CVIA member for over a year is eligible to apply. Please contact CVIASF@aol.com.

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We need news items, articles, letters, opinion pieces. Please tell us what you know about Cole Valley and the greater Haight Ashbury: handwritten, type-written, e-mailed or scrawled on a cocktail napkin. We want to hear from you! CVIA News: 628 Ashbury St. or cviasf@aol.com



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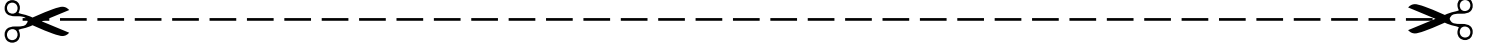
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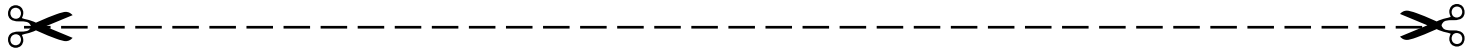
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