



**EXCELSIOR DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT
ASSOCIATION**

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District 11 Council,
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Awareness*

To: All Members, Neighborhood Leaders, and City Officials
From: Rebecca Silverberg, President (sfrebecca@aol.com)
Subject: **Next Meeting Tuesday, June 24, 2003**
7:00 p.m. at 45 Santa Rosa

SPECIAL GUESTS

Mayoral Candidate, Supervisor Tom Ammiano

*At our April meeting, members asked to have one Mayoral or District
Attorney candidate at each meeting until the November election*

Tim Dewey-Mattia

Clean City Coalition

If you need a ride, call Lucia Paulazzo at 584-0852
or Rebecca Silverberg at 584-0535.
Refreshments by Grace D'Anca



Terry Gwiazdowski, Branch Manager
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or current resident

*If you would like to be on our email list to receive neighborhood notices,
send me a message at sfRebecca@aol.com*

District 11 Loses One of Its Own

On a Sunday evening earlier this month, I joined friends from the Cayuga Improvement Association (The CIA) at Foley's Irish Club to see their president Jo-Carol Davidson compete as a finalist in a cabaret competition. We waited expectantly for Jo to show up, but she never did. About 10:00 p.m. it was announced that she was at Calif. Pacific Hospital. We later learned that she had collapsed on the sidewalk leaving her hairdresser's en-route to Foley's. She was dead at 47 of a cerebral aneurysm.

Friends and family gathered the next weekend for a memorial at Ft. Funston, where Jo often walked her beloved pooch Romeo, and tried to make sense of the loss of such a vital person. In District 11 she was known as a hard-working neighborhood leader, devoted to her community. But she was also a talented songstress and entertainer, and that's how I'll remember her. I couldn't take my eyes off her when she performed. It was like magic seeing a fellow neighborhood activist turned into a glamorous star. And, indeed, she sparkled when she was performing. Jo managed to give something of herself to everyone she met. She gave me a glimpse of the exciting world of cabaret and musical theater, something I never hoped to experience in my life.

In the end, Jo-Carol kept on giving as her husband and life-mate, Tyler, made the decision to donate her organs to help others. (Link to Chronicle article below.)

Thank you dear Jo for allowing me to be a part of your all too-brief life.

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/chronicle/archive/2003/06/05/BA280073.DTL>

PHONE NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

28CLEAN - Dept of Public Works
553-0123 - Police Dispatch
553-9755 - Crime Stoppers (anonymous)
404-4000 - Ingleside Police Station
553-1200 - Parking Enforcement
(blocked sidewalk, driveways, etc)
553-9817 - Abandoned Cars on Street
252-3806 - Non-operating cars on private property
554-0730 - Streetlights burned out

It is very important that we all take time to report trash and crime. The number of calls to both 28CLEAN and Police Dispatch are tracked. Funding for services in our neighborhood are based partly on the number of calls placed. Don't just complain, do your bit—CALL!

Geneva Office Building Update

Under the able leadership of Dan Weaver of the OMI, the restoration and seismic upgrade of the old MUNI car barn sailed through approval this week at the Landmarks Board.

By the end of the year the corrugated steel roof will be replaced and the northeast wall stabilized. A skylight will be repaired and years of accumulated pigeon droppings removed. Plywood painted to look like sashes will cover the windows and the building will be weather and pigeon proof.

Then the fundraising will begin. It is anticipated the building will remain in the current "mothballed" state for approximately five years.

"The Excelsior Youth Center is having a banner year for youth. Our first week we signed up 200 new members, and our high attendance was Friday, with 270 kids signed in.

Our staff is working hard, but we are having fun too, and feeling our impact in the community."

Jane Zimmerman, EYC Director

Read about District 11 issues

(and some good gossip too):

"A View from Inner Siberia"

www.sanfranciscosentinel.com

IMPORTANT DATES

District 11 Clean-Team

Excelsior Youth Center

Saturday, July 12

9:00 to Noon

BYOT (bring your own trash)

Crocker-Amazon

Playground Dedication

Tuesday, July 1, Noon

**with Mayor Willie L. Brown,
corner of Moscow & Geneva**



DUES ARE DUE for 2003

For those of you who renewed or joined the Excelsior District Improvement Association, thank you for your commitment to the Excelsior. If anyone else would like to join or contribute, please do. Dues are only \$5 a year unless you'd like to chip in a little extra to cover the cost of postage for 12 of these enlightened epistles a year!

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