

Outer Mission Residents Association Newsletter

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REMEMBERING OUR PAST - FIGHTING FOR OUR FUTURE Happy New Year from OMRA

Update on the Playground Campaign

By now, you should have received an invitation to the "Brunch with Mayor Willie Brown" taking place at the Patio Espanol, on Sunday, January 13, 2002, 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., with guest appearance by Joel Bartlett, weekend weather anchor, ABC 7 News.

Unfortunately, the invitation's prices were not right. The actual donation is \$50.00 and not \$100.00. If you would like to and can donate more, please do not hesitate to do so.

By the time this Newsletter gets in your mailbox, the RSVP date will have passed. However, you can call the Neighborhood Parks Council at 621.3260 or OMRA at 587.9150 if you want to attend.

We hope that you can attend this event and support our "Playground Campaign."

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From the President

It was the Best of Times, It was the Worst of Times, and Now we Look for the Best of Times

Happy New Year to all of you. I want to preface this message by saying this is going to be a long message and I am also going to make my predictions for 2002 in the form of requests.

First of all, this was a terrible year. 2001 will go down in history as being one of the most abysmal that I can remember. On a personal note, (and I do not do this often on paper) my Mother passed away a year ago (January 28), one of my best friends passed away in October, my Brother-in-Law last December, and my Father-in-Law in September of 2000. We also had the tragic events of September 11th, where I and so many other people lost friends and loved ones and our innocence. All and all, what have we learned from all of this. Family. Hope. Diligence. Resurgence. Love of our neighbors.

As most of you know, I am a very emotional person. I try to put my emotions on the back burner when it comes to our neighborhood issues, but you know sometimes I cannot do that. I feel very passionately about our concerns and our issues. I hope you can rally around me and

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OMRA regarding these issue and applaud our accomplishments of the past year.

Hear are the my predictions for 2002 and hope that you will help make these changes happen:

A Safer Neighborhood: We need better watch from our community. Look out for one another. Keep your porch lights on and let someone know when you are visited by a stranger. Do not let anyone into your home if you do not know them.

A Safer Park: As you know, we are working to build a new playground at Crocker Amazon Park. All your efforts in helping us do this would be encouraged by donating your soda cans and being part of the process. This will only make our park safer for children and all who participate in the activities in Crocker Amazon Park.

Vigilance: If you see problems in the neighborhood, call someone. Call the police; call Parking and Traffic Officials; call OMRA and we will deal with the problems.

Come to Meetings: Our meetings are on the second Monday of every month. Come and express yourself. Become involved if only for one evening a month. Listen to the issues and get involved.

Ask Your Neighbor to Join: Ask a neighbor to join the OMRA. It is a great and powerful Association.

September 11th has taught us that we must be resilient and on the lookout for our fellow man and woman. Be kind and Happy New Year!!

teven R Currier, President

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, January 7, 2002, 7:00 p.m.: OMRA Executive Board Meeting, Claddagh Coffee, 951 Geneva Avenue

Saturday, January 12, 2002, 10:00 a.m.: District 11 Council, Ingleside Police Community Room

Sunday, January 13, 2002, 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.: Brunch with Mayor Willie Brown, Patio Espanol

Monday, January 14, 2002, 7:00 p.m.: Outer Mission Residents Association monthly meeting, Crocker Amazon Park Rec Center, Moscow and Italy Streets

Saturday, February 2, 2002, 9:00 a.m.: Crocker Amazon Playground Campaign, Monroe Elementary School

1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.: Crocker Community Club, Crocker-Amazon Park Recreation Center

3rd Tuesday of every month, at 7:00 p.m.: Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, Northern Police Station, Fillmore & Turk Streets

3rd Tuesday of every month, at 7:00 p.m.: Police Community Relations Meeting, Ingleside Police Station, Community Room adjacent to Balboa Park

Every Thursday, 1:30 p.m.: *Planning Commission Meeting*, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 400, City Hall

Every Monday, 2:00 p.m.: *Board of Supervisors*, #1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Legislative Chambers, Second Floor, City Hall

Neighborhood News

If you have neighborhood news that you want reported, events, actions, dates, or just want to write an article, please call 587.9150 or email your ideas to steven.currier@sfdistricts.org and we will print your stories.

We need all the input from you that we can get to let our neighbors know what is going on or

OMI-NIA/OMRA's Pedestrian Safety and Sidewalk Parking Campaign What you can do to help!

An insert with this *Newsletter* is an article from OMI-NIA's Newsletter. With permission, we are inserting this important program to let you know how to get involved.

If you find illegally parked vehicles in your neighborhood, please fill out one of the tags and mail them directly to OMRA, P.O. Box 34099, S.F., CA 94134. For more information, please call 587.9150. With your help, we can take back our sidewalks.

NEWS FROM INGLESIDE POLICE STATION

There has been an individual in the Crocker Amazon District that has been painting out and re-painting the house number on the curb in front of people's houses. We have alerted the Police Department because this person has been harassing people for money. If you see this person or you are being harassed for or asked for money, please call the Police Department immediately.

Capt. Marsha Ashe has been relocated to the Richmond Police Station as of the first weekend of January. Her replacement will be Capt. Kevin Dillon. We have had good working relations with Capt. Dillon and we welcome him to the community.

It seems that our homeless problem in and around Crocker Amazon Park has been abated for the moment. Thanks is due to the Mayor, Chief Fred Lau and his officers and rec and park officials. We thank them for their due diligence. If you see suspected individuals, please call 911.

Let's all be conscientious neighbors all the time.

Business Pick of the Month

In the past several months, we have been delighted to welcome several new businesses to our community. We also want to make sure we take note of our long-standing businesses that have made wonderful contributions to our neighborhood.

This month's choice is: The Granada Café. This Outer Mission business is one of the oldest and one of the best. For over 60 years, this Italian restaurant located at 4753 Mission St. has been in continuous operation, under the same ownership. (I understand that for the first 10 years it was across the street from it's present location). Hours of operation are: Monday thru Friday, lunch is from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m., dinner from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sundays, dinner only 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Reservations are recommended for parties of ten or more.

The restaurant also offers a full bar. The décor is original and takes one back to a less hurried time of life. It has great booths and a warm cozy feeling with wood paneling. The extensive menu offers full dinners as well as a la carte items. Come hungry, because big portions are the rule. The menu features full Italian dinners but it is also a place you can get Liver and Onions or the Meatloaf Special. In addition to the regular dinning room, the Granada also has a large dinning room area for groups and banquets.

I'm very fond of the Granada, it has been a family favorite, long before I even moved to this neighborhood. It's style and foods are famous around the City. I'm glad that now it is within walking distance.

Linda Harte

Linda Harte is Co-1st Vice President of OMRA

UPDATES and NEW ISSUES

To those of you who have donated to our Outer Mission Residents
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If you received this *Newsletter* at your local business or was handed this *Newsletter*, you are not a member. We'd like to invite you to become a member. Help us make our community a better place. If you are a member, let others know about us by giving your neighbors/friends a copy of this *Newsletter*.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday January 14, 2002
7:00 p.m.

CROCKER-AMAZON PARK
RECREATION CENTER

Limousine Law Passes at the Board of Supervisors

At the Monday, December 3, 2001 meeting of the Board of Supervisors, the Board voted unanimously to support the limousine law pushed by the Outer Mission Residents Association and some of its members.

Ordinance adding Section 63.2 to the San Francisco Traffic Code prohibiting the parking of certain vehicles for hire in residential areas.

Note: This entire section is new.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. The San Francisco Traffic Code is hereby amended by adding Section 63.2, to read as follows:

Sec. 63.2 Vehicles For Hire; Parking Prohibited in Certain Use Districts.

It shall be unlawful for any vehicle for hire that is required to be registered with the California Public Utilities Commission to park or leave standing, unless attended by the driver, any such vehicle in any street in a RH-1(D), RH-1, RH-2, RH-3, RH-4, RM-1, RM-2, RM-3, RM-4, or P Use District. Any person violating the provisions of the Section shall be guilty of an infraction and upon conviction thereon shall be punished by a fine not less than \$100.00.

We want to especially thank Mike Pacicca and other neighbors on Pope Street, as well as other members of our community and Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval for sponsoring this ordinance.

If you see limousines parked on your block, please call the San Francisco Police Department, they will be ticketed.

E-Mail Address Reminder

Please send us your e-mail address if you want to be a part of our e-mail tree. Send your e-mail address to:

OMRATree@SFDistricts.org

OUTER MISSION RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED AGENDA
When: Monday January 14, 2002

Where: Crocker-Amazon Park Rec. Ctr.

Moscow and Italy Streets

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Agenda: 1) Call to order

- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Approval of agenda
- 4) Approval of the Minutes of 11/13/01
- 5) Looking forward 2002
- 6) 5199 Mission Street update
- 7) Apollo Theatre project
- 8) 1828 Geneva and Carter Street
- Guest Speakers: Jeff Adachi and Kimiko Burton Cruz, candidates for Public Defender have been invited
- 10) Possible endorsement for Public Defender
- 11) New/old business
- 8:30 p.m. adjourn meeting

Next meeting: Monday, Feburary 11, 2002, 7:00 p.m. Crocker Amazon Park Rec Center

Supervisor Leland Yee and School Board Member Dan Kelly, candidates for the 12th Assembly District

Crocker Amazon Playground Campaign

Brunch with Mayor Willie Brown

Date:

Sunday, Jan 13th 2002

Time:

11:00am - 1:00pm

Location:

Patio Español

2850 Alemany Blvd. San Francisco, CA

- Door Prizes

Please respond via the enclosed envelope by January 5, 2002

Ticket prices begin at \$50.00. Please RSVP to the Outer Mission Residents Association with your check made payable to the Neighborhood Parks Council, Crocker Amazon Park Playground or call them directly at 621.3260

Join the Crocker Amazon Playground Campaign!

There are many ways you can help in this playground campaign. You can join us at the *Brunch with Mayor Willie Brown*. You can participate in the *second playground design day* on Saturday, February 2nd, at Monroe Elementary School. Come and dance the night away at our *Swing for Swings Party*, Saturday, February 9th, at the Crocker Amazon Rec Center. You can collect aluminum cans and donate them to the Outer Mission Residents Association, and in return, OMRA will donate the proceeds to the Neighborhood Parks Council for this project. You can donate money. (Make checks payable to the Neighborhood Parks Council, Crocker Amazon Playground Campaign.) Your donation is tax deductible. Lastly, make plans to help build the playground some time this spring.

CLASSIFIED ADS

We are now accepting classified ads in our Newsletter. If you have a business or know of a business that would like to place an ad, please contact:

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