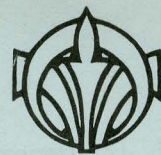


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* January 15 - 18th, film festival, "On Screen".

* Thursday, January 22 - Police Community Relations - Central Station, 766 Vallejo, 7:30 pm, open forum following special slide presentation on SFPD's Wilderness Adventure Youth Program.

* Thursday, January 15th, Broadway Barbary Coast Merchants' Assn. regular meeting. 3 pm, The Greek Taverna, 256 Columbus.

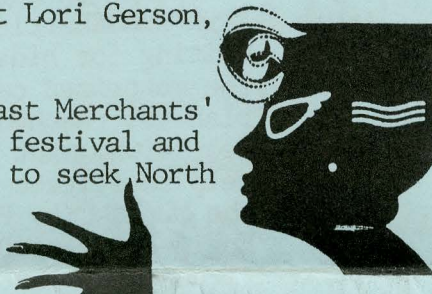
* Friday, January 16th at 11:30 am Mayor Feinstein will be present at the on site dedication of the San Francisco Brewing Co., which got its start up loans from the Mayor's Office of Housing & Development.

* On Screen: A Celebration of Women in Film, is a four day film festival opening in North Beach on January 15th and continuing through January 18th. On January 15th, the opening night party will take place at Wolfgang's at 901 Columbus. Friday's, Saturday's and Sunday's events (January 16, 17. & 18) will take place at the Pagoda Palace at 1741 Powell.

A Tribute to Kim Novak is featured for Saturday, January 17th at 8 pm with an on stage interview conducted by Mary Lou Manalli, followed by a screening of "Picnic" at 10:15 pm.

For further information about the rest of the schedule, contact Lori Gerson, 957-1205.

The Broadway Barbary Coast Merchants' Assn. welcomes the film festival and encourages other events to seek North Beach for their venue.



* Look for some dynamic changes at the Sirloin & Brew at 1040 Columbus. Formerly Skipper Kent's, this old establishment (and all the other Sirloin & Brews) has just been bought by a group of investors with revolutionary ideas about small chains. The name will be changed but the brand new owners are in the throes of grappling with the bureaucracy and fictitious business names statements. More on this in the next newsletter.

* Pasticci, 561 Columbus, will soon open. Pasticci replaces the short-lived Caffè Capri, which replaced the even shorter lived, Le Botteghe.

Liz Lufkin, freelance writer, who wrote the long article on Broadway for SF Focus in May, 1986, tendered a piece on Broadway's newest restaurant, Route 66, to the Chronicle. Ever curious and supportive, Liz also attended the Breakfast & Broadway meeting at the Cafe Americain in May, 1986, which eventually led to the formation of the BBCM. The Route 66 article (1/86) speaks favorably of Broadway: "While many restaurants have run into problems on Broadway in recent years, they (Route 66's owners Reilly and Kleiner) figure the area is on the way up, particularly the section of lower Broadway where they're located. Kleiner and Reilly refer to it as 'Lo Bro'". Obviously Liz Lufkin is interested in what we're doing. Let's give her lots of reasons to do a favorable story on Mid Bro and Upper Bro.

* Also receiving good reviews in the Examiner lately: Little City Antipasti Bar, Union & Powell, Via Pranzo, 579 Columbus and Tosca Cafe, 242 Columbus.

* Mail Box Etc., Inc. is an innovative business that recently opened at 210 Columbus. MBE, Inc. rents mail boxes, ships UPS, provides Telefax and Telex services, sells stamps, business cards and rubber stamps, provides passport photos, and prepares customized packaging. Open 10-6 Monday-Friday, 12-4 on Saturdays. The three partners are Sandy Wong, Clayton Yee and William Ricketts.

* North Beach bon vivant, Henri Lenoir, donated \$100 to the Chronicle's Sharing Fund for the Homeless in memory of Emerson Adams. It was Emerson who, through his newspaper "The Skylight" in the Thirties, was one of the first to promote North Beach as the Bohemian center of San Francisco.

* Welcome to our newest members:

The North Beach News
Finocchio's Inc.
Erotic Theatre
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The Flying Dutchman
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REFERENCE

* On December 28th, community activist and long time North Beach resident, Nan Becker, died unexpectedly. Nan, a founding member of North Beach Neighbors, worked very hard in recent years getting approximately \$90,000 of open space funds to improve the tot lot and library garden space at the North Beach Playground. Plans are being launched to name the soon to be improved tot lot after her.

* Henrik Jorgensen of NORDICA SCANDINAVIAN FURNITURE, 1228 Grant and the DARLING TRADING CO., 1230 Grant, have been granted a stay of execution as negotiations continue to determine the fate of the two businesses.

* The San Francisco Business Journal, formerly published under the auspices of the SF Chamber of Commerce, has merged with the San Francisco Business Times. The SF Business Times has been publishing since early September, 1986 and is part of a conglomerate of 38 business journals around the country. The SF Business Journal office has now become the Network of City Business Journals and functions as a regional sales office.

* Julius Castle's owner, Jeffrey Pollack, faces valet parking permit problems once again. His December 23rd hearing was continued to January 16th at the Hall of Justice.

A group of angry neighbors is seeking to have his valet parking permit revoked. The issue has divided residents on the hill. Telegraph Hill Dwellers has taken a philosophical, neutral stand and is cognizant of valet parking infractions but at the same time is supportive of neighborhood businesses. As a result, some THD members are outraged and have resigned their membership. While there is no doubt that Pollack's valets have broken the rules in the past (whose valets haven't?), Pollack has gone to great lengths to ensure that the problems don't recur. Valet parking is one of this city's conundrums.

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* The Cafe Fazio, at 841 Columbus, has suddenly disappeared from the Avenue. Reason: lease problems and differences of opinion with property owner, Lyle Tuttle. The residential neighborhood misses it tremendously.

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* The Greek Taverna, 256 Columbus, will feature traditional Dixieland jazz starting Wednesday, January 28th. The opening groups are "Natural Gas" (1/28) and "Black Diamond" (1/30). This new format will continue every Wednesday and Friday. The music can be enjoyed with or without meals. Looks like the Taverna's beautiful little dance floor is in for a real workout!

* New Restaurants on Broadway:

The King Yuet Seafood Restaurant at 434 Broadway has been operating for a couple of months. Brandy Ho's "On Broadway" project is under construction on the north side of the 400 block and construction work has started at 493 for a new Chinese restaurant to be called Misty City. Misty City will replace the former Little India, which replaced various other restaurants going back to the renowned Swiss Louis.

* Update on the Broadway/North Beach Park and Shuttle Plan --- we are still waiting for bids from the garage and the motorized cable car people. Our plan has reached the ears of various people who want to work with us and help facilitate the project including: the Muni, City Planning, Traffic Engineering of DPW and Chinatown Trip (Transportation Research and Improvement Project).

Fred Gorell and Arnold Gridley of Cable Car Charters are also talking about providing a shuttle for navy ships to bring sailors to the Broadway/North Beach area. Sounds great!!

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Kim Novak will appear at a tribute to her life and work on Saturday, January 17th at the Pagoda Palace. The tribute is part of ON SCREEN. A Celebration of Women in Film which runs January 15-18, 1987.

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