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President's Message

John Farrell

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

We live in a very special neighborhood and ensuring our quality of life starts with each and every one of us. As neighbors it is important to work together and to follow the rules of our Forest Hill Association (FHA) which are on our website www.foresthill-association.com.

Let your Board of Directors know if you are planning new construction such as a deck, addition, new fence, etc. We can help you through the process and ensure it meets FHA requirements. If you have a dead tree and need advice on a replacement let us know. We can assist you. Short term rentals, such as AirBnB, are not allowed and a violation of our Association.

As you might be aware, the prior and current Board of Directors have been successful in working with the Planning Department to reduce a potentially substantial fine against our Association for the prior noncompliant use of the Clubhouse. The Planning Department is requesting to receive four Quarterly Reports confirming that the operation of the Clubhouse is in compliance. To date two reports have been submitted and once the Planning Department has received the four consecutive Quarterly Reports showing compliance with the Planning Code they will close the enforcement case.

The Planning Department staff has agreed to reduce the daily penalty rate from \$250 to \$100 per day for the time that the Clubhouse operated in violation of the Planning Code. At this time the Planning Department has estimated the time in violation of the Planning Code to be 142 days, from October 4, 2016 (the date the Board of Appeals upheld the Notice of Violation) to February 22, 2017 (the date the FHA submitted a complete Quarterly Report, rental agreement, and noise plan). Therefore, the fee for 142 days at \$100 per day is \$14,200, which represents a significant reduction in the potential amount of levied fines on our community.

We will continue to work closely with the Planning Department to foster goodwill and hopefully resolve this matter in a timely manner.

If you are planning an event consider your FHA Clubhouse. Our rate is very reasonable. Contact Janette at 415-664-0542 to reserve a date. We hope to see you at one of our upcoming holiday events. Our Board wishes you and your family all the best this holiday season.

Sincerely,

John Farrell

Forest Hill Musical Days

Forest Hill celebrated its tenth Musical Days festival this July and it was by all accounts the most exciting yet! We were treated to spectacular musical programs and world class artists, several returning for a second or third time. The festival explored the "Colors of Sound" and featured a harp for the first time alongside strings, horns, flutes and piano. We heard two world premieres, one written by Venezuelan composer Gonzalo Grau for returning artists violinist Veronika Eberle and double bassist Edicson Ruiz, the other composed expressly for our festival by Sir John Manduell at the request of Maestro Kent Nagano.



Forest Hill residents and friends flocked to Musical Days. Tickets were quickly sold out for every concert.

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Garden and Social Club

The Garden and Social Club kicked off the new year with the traditional Chicken Salad Luncheon, but this time with a delightful homemade tiramisu for dessert.

The former was prepared by several members using the 90+ year old recipe, hence the term, traditional; and the latter by a member whose name has been withheld so she can get some rest from recipe seekers.

Next on the schedule is a trip to the S.F. Botanical Garden on October 16, and the Fall evening party celebrating Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 21. November 13 features the popular Bookfest and Food Drive featuring Bookshop West Portal (and a 20% discount!) and a charity supporting the SF-Marin Food Drive.

Make your own front door wreath or centerpiece on December 1 at 10AM; then attend our premier holiday party on Saturday, December 2. This is only a few of our activities, so, if you've forgotten to join the Club...it's not too late! Send your membership fee of \$40 to our financial secretary, Yen Bachmeier at 240 Montalvo Avenue.

Boy Scouts Troop 88

The Forest Hill Association Board of Directors October 9, 1922 meeting minutes note that the newly built Clubhouse can be used by the Boy Scouts. Officially, Boy Scout Troop 88 has been continuously sponsored by FHA since 1923. We will proudly wear our "95 years" patch on our uniforms in January!

We are one of ten Troops in San Francisco. Boy Scouts are 11 - 18 year old boys who are learning life-long skills, citizenship and fitness. We have an outdoor focus of camping, hiking and backpacking. Each year 3 - 5 Troop 88 Scouts earn their Eagle rank, which is the highest and most recognized rank in Scouting.

In November, we will be participating in a national Scouting event, "Scouting for Food." We will join Scouts of all ages across the country collecting canned and dry goods and cash. Our collection goes entirely to our local San Francisco-Marin Food Bank. We will be at the FHA Pancake breakfast on Sunday, November 12 with a collection bin and also will pick up any donations left out front of your house at 9:00 AM on Saturday, November 18th. We would love to deliver the largest donation of all the troops in the city!

Forest Hill Service Day

On Saturday, September 30th, Janette Najar, our Clubhouse Manager, organized a Forest Hill Service Day. Boy Scout Troop 88 was out in force with their leaders and parents along with FHA Board members, residents and even former residents who returned to help beautify our lovely neighborhood. Thanks to the efforts of these amazing volunteers you will see a sparkling clean patio and brick walls adorning the clubhouse, and you will see many shiny, moss-free street and parking signs around the neighborhood...no more excuses for overtime parking!



Activities Committee

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On Sunday, August 27th, the Forest Hill Association held the annual picnic at the Clubhouse. It was an afternoon of enjoying great food, wonderful friends, and a warm sunny day. The event was well attended by over 230 residents. Janette Najar, our Clubhouse Manager, was present to greet everyone with a warm welcome. Our event chair, Mark Watts, enlisted an expert team of Jim Earhart and Alan Li to man the grills and prepare an endless buffet of hamburgers, hot dogs and salmon. We are all thankful for the bartending talent of Eric Buonassisi, who single-handedly managed the bar all afternoon. Eric should have had a tip jar; it would have been over-flowing! The children had a ball, too, with the jump house and face painting. The Boy Scouts managed the flow of kids in and out of the jump house...no accidents and no tears...great job!!! And, in case you are wondering who won the drawing for the gift card to Squat and Gobble, donated by the team of Kathy White and Mary Sangiacomo from Barbagelata Real Estate, it was Stephanie Farrell! The winning ticket was drawn by our special assistant Ai-Lien's son, Vincent.

This picnic would not have been a success without the hard work of our Activities Committee, Andreliz Bautista and Ai-Lien Li; and our volunteers Mark, Jim, Alan, Eric, Vincent, Lauren Najar, Michelle Sangiacomo, and the Boy Scouts. Thank you all!

Upcoming Events

- Halloween Party - October 29th 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- Forest Hill Pancake Breakfast - November 12th
- Yoga Classes- TBD (Still searching for low cost instructors)
- Virtual Reality Event - Details to be announced...Stay Tuned!

250 Laguna Honda Project

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The preliminary environmental review stage with the Planning Department of San Francisco has been completed and an Environmental Impact Review (EIR) is underway, triggered by the Historic Resource Evaluation (HRE):

"Based on research and analysis completed for this HRE, the church building at 250 Laguna Boulevard is eligible for the CRHR under Criterion 3 (Design/Construction), because it embodies the distinctive characteristics of Expressionist design."

Currently the 250 Laguna Honda committee is interviewing geotechnical firms and consultants to perform a peer review of the geotechnical report of the hillside provided by Langan, the geotechnical firm commissioned by Christian Church Homes.

COMMITTEE CORNER

2017 FHA Committees

Activities	Mary Sangiacomo (chair) Ai-Lien Li (liaison)
Arch. Review	Paul Bessières (co-chair) Mark Watts (co-chair) Mary Sangiacomo (liaison)
Communications	Dave Yoo (chair)
Finance	Anthony Woolf (chair)
Infrastructure	Dan Kelly (chair) Stephanie Adams Ryan (liaison)
Legal & Governance	Stephanie Adams Ryan (chair)
Trees & Landscapes	Diane Wara (chair) Andrew Sparks (liaison)
Club House 250 Laguna Honda	John Farrell (chair) Dave Yoo (chair)