



FOREST HILL WELCOMES
THE YEAR OF THE SNAKE (4710)

PLEASE JOIN OUR FIFTH ANNUAL

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH
2:00—4:00 P.M.
AT THE CLUBHOUSE,
381 MAGELLAN AVENUE

DIM SUM, ROAST PIG,
LION DANCE, AND FUN!

(FOREST HILL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS ONLY)

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AND THE FOREST HILL GARDEN CLUB
CO-CHAired BY ROBERT WONG,
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Board of Directors

President: Diane Wara
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Paul Cooper
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Activities: Dan McHugh (liaison),
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Arch. Review: Paul Cooper (liaison),
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Finance: Sally Kipper (liaison),
Eric Buonassisi (chair)
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Clubhouse Rental

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Board's Corner

Board of Directors Election Notice

The annual election of the Board of Directors will take place at the 96th Annual Shareholders' Meeting, at **7:00 PM on April 1, 2013** at the clubhouse, 381 Magellan Avenue, San Francisco. We hope you will join us. Refreshments will be served.

Candidate's Statement

All seven seats are elected each year for a one year term.

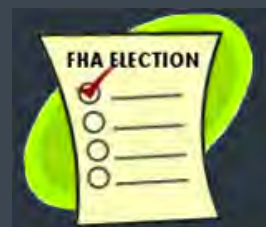
- Any member in good standing may become a candidate by submitting a Candidate's Statement, up to 200 words indicating his/her qualifications and interest in the position. The statement must be received at the Forest Hill Office, 381 Magellan Avenue by **5:00 PM on Friday, March 1**.
- Ballots and Candidates' Statements will be mailed to Association members in good standing during the second week of March.
- A Candidates' Forum will be held in the Clubhouse at **7:00 PM on Monday, March 18**.

Election Inspectors

Pending their appointment at the February FHA Board meeting, **Jutta Lammerts** (Juttal@foresthill-sf.org) and **John Palmer** (johnp@hanoverpartners.com) and will act as the Inspectors of Election and will oversee the process. Governance by the FHA Board of directors requires a high participation standard (35% presence in person or by proxy). It is important that you look for your mailed ballot, review the enclosed Candidates' Statements, complete your ballot and return it to the FHA Office in the enclosed envelope in time for the Shareholders' Meeting on April 1.

Thank you for participating in our neighborhood governance.

-Diane Wara, President



Get Involved! Please consider running for the **FHA Board**. The time commitment is modest and an FHA Board with diverse talent, skills and ideas benefits the Community. New Board members keep the board fresh and dynamic, and the work is satisfying and rewarding.

During 2013, the Board will assume responsibility for beginning and completing the Clubhouse renovation as well as our standard responsibilities to organize festivities, maintain neighborhood greenery, publish our newsletter, and work with our City to maintain and improve our infrastructure. Please consider running for our Board.

-The Forest Hill Association
Board of Directors

Architectural Review Chair Wanted

The Board is looking to fill the position of Architectural Review Chair.

The ideal candidate would have a professional knowledge (Architect, Engineer) of the San Francisco Planning and Building codes and a willingness to learn the Forest Hill Association's Agreement and by-laws as they pertain to the review process.

The Architectural Chair advises our neighbors on the FHA review process and directs them to the correct agency SF Planning or Building department.

The Chair oversees a committee that meets from 6 to 10 times a year to review drawings that have been submitted for compliance with the Forest Hill Agreement and environmental considerations for the community.

The reviews can lead to meetings with City Planning and FHA residents.

Doing these tasks supports the goals of our Forest Hill Association.

The committee reviews plans and may make suggestions to the home owner that are in line with the SF agency regulations prior to their submission for City approvals.

After the committee reviews the project they make a recommendation to the board for its approval/non-approval.

If you are interested please e-mail Paul Cooper, AIA. pccooper@pacbell.net

Around the Neighborhood

Clubhouse Renovation

We wanted to update you on the clubhouse project. The Forest Hill Board hired a contractor, Moroso Construction, to review the preliminary design drawings to put together a pre-construction cost estimate.



The main components of the project are listed below:

1. Coat the existing brick walkway with non-skid product up to front door to comply with Accessibility friction requirements (reduce slipperiness).
2. Replace the roof that is beyond its useful life
3. Provide 2 restrooms on the ground level that meet Accessibility requirements (One Men's and one Women's per request from Community Meeting)
4. Updates to the Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing systems
5. Seismic work- reinforcing of the unreinforced brick wall
6. Update kitchen

The pre-construction estimate of \$630,000.00 breaks out approximately into the following categories:

30% Accessibility Scope including ADA requirements
15% Deferred Maintenance Scope
11% Kitchen Scope
6% Life Safety Scope including Seismic
5% Building Systems Scope
3% Assembly Hall Scope
30% General Requirements and Contractors Fee

The next step is to complete the Construction Documents and distribute the documents to contractors for competitive bids. If you would like to suggest a contractor from whom we could request a bid please e-mail Juttal@foresthill-sf.org with your recommendation please include the contractors e-mail, general contractors license number and contact name.

Thank you for supporting the renovation of the clubhouse

-The Forest Hill Association Board

A Message from Bonnie Jones

Dear Voting Neighbors (and that covers most of you!)

Thank you for the many cards, notes, and even flowers that arrived on my doorstep election week.

Many of you read "Red White, and Very Blue as Site Shuts" on the cover of the SF Chronicle to learn about the Department of Elections decision to close the 235 Magellan polling site after 19 years because our driveway is out of ADA compliance.

Over the years I knew this and offered an alternative, curbside voting, but the DOE was correct in deciding that this was not equal access.

If you read the story you know that my complaint was that they didn't notify me (until they learned of the impending Chronicle article) and I wasn't given the opportunity to hold one last - pull out all the stops - election day for my Forest Hill neighbors.

FYI, Forest Hill has always ranked at the top (numbers wise) of polling sites in our city so we should be proud. Looking back, election day was always work but also a fun day, twice a year.

For me, it was an opportunity to dress the house with banners, flags and mix and mingle with neighbors. My husband Rene cleaned the garage, a big bonus, and Mary and Rich Wong over the years donated and delivered thousands of fresh pastries. I enjoyed shooting pictures of babies who grew up to become first time voters (another picture opt) and then there was my "Voting Dogs" pictures.

We all live in a great neighborhood and, thanks to the DOE, I had the opportunity to learn first hand, how we take our right to vote seriously. And so I thank you once more for your kind words and good wishes.

One last helpful hint: Though I requested a "Vote by Mail" absentee ballot following my fall from grace, I walked it to the Clubhouse election night, turned it in and voted in person feeding my ballots into the machine. This is truly the only way you will know that your ballot has been accepted and counted. If you can make the time, vote in person.

Best Wishes,

Bonnie Jones



Musical Events at the Clubhouse

Kids' Holiday Party

About 100 neighbors enjoyed food, crafts, reindeer games, menorah demonstration and music together at the Kids' Holiday Party on December 6th.

The children were treated to a visit from Mrs. Claus who was kind enough to leave her board chair to meet and greet the children of Forest Hill, make a list and check it twice, and bring it back to the North Pole to be reviewed by Santa. The partygoers were treated to "goodies" brought by families attending and to pizza provided and partially underwritten by Goat Hill Pizza.

Many thanks to FHA volunteers Tessa O'Leary and Mira Foster, and to their teams for organizing this fun event again this year. Thanks also to Boy Scout Troop 88 for providing set-up and clean-up services, and for assisting with the children's activities.

Finally, thanks and welcome to Goat Hill Pizza.



Reindeer Games



Making music together



At the craft table

Pocket Opera

Donald Pippin's Pocket Opera will again be using our Clubhouse for rehearsals this year. Forest Hill residents will have a chance to take a first peak at the final dress rehearsals.

Free to Forest Hill members.

No reservation is required but seating is limited. Please come on time to avoid disrupting the performance.

**Thursday, February 28
7:00 PM
Mozart's
Don Giovanni**

A comic opera (Mozart's characterization) leading to the climactic (and final) day of a spectacular career. Don Giovanni, the irresistible, irrepressible master of seduction, after an unprecedented series of mishaps, makes the drastic mistake of inviting a statue to supper.



Winter Tree Pruning

Valley Crest will begin pruning trees throughout the neighborhood on Monday, January 22.

The pruning plan is posted on the FHA Website at <http://www.foresthill-sf.org/association/FHA-treeCare.html>.

Please check the site to determine whether we plan to prune your sidewalk strip tree(s) this cycle.

Please contact Diane Wara by phone (564-4887) or email if you have questions and be prepared to discuss your tree by its number, tagged on the trunk approximately 5' from the ground.

Thank you to all the homeowners who have already paid their 2013 assessments.

If you haven't done so, please make your payment by the January 31, 2013 due date to avoid penalty.

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar for the following community activities at the clubhouse:

-Thursday, February 28
7:00 PM
Pocket Opera
Mozart's Don Giovanni

-Sunday, March 10
2:00-4:00 PM
Lunar New Year Celebration

-Saturday, March 23
10:00-12:00 PM
Children's Egg Hunt

-Monday, April 1
7:00 PM
FHA Annual meeting