



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT RAAD

The Telegraph Hill Dwellers as an organization was started twelve years ago by a handfull of people to save the number 39 bus. . In this time we have grown and prosperd and gained quite a reputation as a leading San Francisco neighborhood improvement association. We have coped with city-wide issues concerning us. We have also been the strongest single force in bringing about neighborhood improvements.

From a handful of people we have become an organization of over 700 members. The tasks and problems that we are called upon to cope with are also becoming more complex. The forces both from within our neighborhood and from outside, that threaten to change the best characteristics of Telegraph Hill life are becoming more intense.

The old informal methods of communicating with our membership or conducting our affairs are becoming increasingly difficult and awkward. There was a time when the President of the Telegraph Hill Dwellers knew every single member and could call on each one for assistance or to serve on one of our various committees.

Even though our membership is larger than it has ever been the number of people active on our committees has remained constant while the tasks they have to perform are becoming harder and more complex. We have even gained the reputation in some circles that "the same old gang is running things."

What we need is new blood and new faces on all our committees (this would include old members that have been inactive for a while). Every one interested in making their point of view known and their effort felt, is therefore urged to join our committees and task forces. A list of these and their chairmen follows.

A number of new committees and revived old ones are:

- 1. By-Law revisions - under Marion Evers - attempting to keep up with changes discussed above.
- 2. Planning - under Thomas Creighton - to articulate and document our long range goals as a neighborhood. If you have any thoughts on this drop Tom Creighton a note or join his committee.
- 3. Tree Planting - Sally Wilt agreed to take over the chairmanship of this committee. She has many good ideas, but unfortunately is leaving the Hill. We are looking for a new leader for this very important task.
- 4. Zoning - under Kenneth Evers - looks into variences etc  
New members are needed for this most important committee.

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Time- July 6, 1966 \*\*\*\*\* 8 P. M.

Place- Telegraph Hill Neighborhood House 660 Lombard St.  
Come and discuss our plans for the new year. Please bring your membership card.

Put this date on your calendar now.

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OFFICERS 1966:

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Thomas Creighton	4 Whiting Street	362-7162
Anne Davis	177 Pfeiffer Street	781-9132
Robert Katz	2 Whiting	986-1890
Morton Rader	17 Alta Street	392-0227
John D. Schick	1360 Montgomery Street	982-8130

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN 1966:

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Litter	Carol Hewitt	24 Edith Street	362-5773
Parking	Morton Rader	17 Alta Street	392-9028
Bulletin	Kenneth Evers	255 Chestnut Street	421-2671
Zoning	Kenneth Evers	255 Chestnut Street	421-2671
Government Relations	John D. Schick	1360 Montgomery Street	982-8130
Planning	Thomas Creighton	4 Whiting Street	362-7162
Tree Planting			
By-Laws	Marion Evers	255 Chestnut Street	421-2671

TASK FORCE CHAIRMEN 1966:

Memorials	Dorothy Erskine	233 Chestnut Street	986-0356
Washington Square	Nancy Katz	2 Whiting Street	986-1890
Freeway	Robert Katz	2 Whiting St.	986-1890

F O N T A N A   A P A R T M E N T S

An attempt is being made by the owners of the Fontana Apartments to rezone Fontana East to allow a roof top restaurant to be built. They ask for commercial zoning which would make it possible to go to a total height of 200 feet. Although this building is not adjacent to Telegraph Hill the issue is a vital one. If this rezoning is allowed it could set a precedent which could result in a complete breakdown of the 40 foot height limit on the North waterfront.

The matter was rejected by the planning commission by a 3 to 3 tie vote. On Monday June 27th the matter is to be brought before the Board of Supervisors. We should vigorously protest any effort to increase height limits at any point in the established 40 foot height area.

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T.H.D. BULLETIN

We need your help -- We aim to keep you informed of T.H.D. Committee actions, City Hall activities, news of the Hill, and of San Francisco. If you have any news, gossip, gripes, or comments, please contact the editor by phone, wire or pony express. If you like this bulletin let us know; if you don't like it let us know anyway.  
 Editor Kenneth Evers 421-2671

OUR MEMORIALS

BY - LAWS

Our treasurer is holding \$171.50 donated by our membership as a memorial to Fred Meyer, Silvio Catelli, and Charles Ince. One of the main purposes of our organization is to beautify Telegraph Hill. A fitting tribute to these men would be a tangible memorial which would carry out this objective. If a worthwhile memorial could be devised, it is this writer's belief that this fund could be implemented with additional donations. Dorothy Erskine chairmans this committee.  
 Dorothy's phone - 362-1737

Our by-laws are being revised. Our present by-laws were written when the Telegraph Hill Dwellers were first organized. Our immediate objective at that time was to preserve for posterity and future Hill Dwellers the 39 Bus which was scheduled for extermination by the muni. Now we find our by-laws are no longer adequate. Keeping in mind the objectives of this organization as outlined in the by-laws. "The object of this organization shall be to beautify and improve Telegraph Hill, to encourage a friendly association among the Hill residents, to perpetuate the historic traditions of the Hill's place in San Francisco history and to represent the property owners and residents in community problems which may arise." Suggestions by the membership will be welcomed and considered.  
 Chairman - Marion Evers 421-2671

DUES

President George Raad has officially declared the week of June 26 to July 2 as dues-paying-week. If you have not paid your dues for this year, or if you have changed your address call or send a check to Nancy Katz-2 Whiting St. 986-1890

I N T H E S H A D O W O F C O I T T O W E R

Patricia and Bob Major, who have been T. H. D's since early days, have just completed a three unit building on Filbert Street just above the Shadows Restaurant. The building designed by Henry Hester A. I. A. of La Jolla was constructed by the De Martini Bros., Elmo and Tac. also T. H. D. members from way back. There are two studio units and one two bedroom unit.


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## W H A T ' S   N

Congratulations to the consolidated Chinese Deane Wong, Miss San Francisco Chinatown dancing lion and girls in costumes of the at ribbon cutting ceremonies opening the Powell Street opposite the Marini Triangle will show films from Hong Kong and Taiwan. had dialogue in Mandarin with subtitles in

## M A T T E R   O F   L O N G   S T A N D I N G

After a year and a half the conflict in the matter of Rodriguez and Sterling ( Union and Montgomery ) continues with no hope of an immediate solution. In order to compensate for the deprivation of the full use of his property ( because of use permits granted to Mr. Sterling by the City ) Mr. Rodriguez has on file an application to vacate a portion of the side walk in order to build a garage in fulfillment of the 1 for 1 parking requirement for off street parking for a 6 unit apartment building. The T. H. D's have taken the position that any other solution would be preferable to the vacating of the side walk to build a structure that would block views, impede pedestrian traffic and change the facade of the originally established width of the street. It would establish a dangerous precedent that owners have already declared they would follow.

## S T I L L   A N O T H E R   Z O N I N G   M A T T E R

An attempt is being made by several improvement clubs at the request of the Cow Hollow Improvement Club to enlist the support of other organizations to initiate legislation to curb and define the powers of the Board of Permit Appeals.

The Board of Permit Appeals have constantly thwarted efforts of the planning department to enforce zoning requirements, and have constantly allowed variances that have been harmful to Telegraph Hill and harmful to San Francisco generally. This effort should be supported.

## M A N Y   T H A N K S   T O   O U R   A D V E R T I S E R S

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## WASHINGTON SQUARE GARAGE

Our Park's fate still hangs in the balance. Are the tax payers of San Francisco to build a 535 car garage in "not exactly the right place" ( as the Director of the Parking Authority admitted before the Board of Supervisors)

Just because it is "free land"? We don't think so, and many share our view

The City's Capital Improvement Advisory Committee is at present looking into possibilities of combining the Central Police Station, a relocated harbor Emergency Hospital and a parking garage on Vallejo between Stockton and Powell. In this location, a garage would be assured of financial success by the urgent need of evening parking on Broadway and North Beach business needs during the day. This would greatly relieve the illegal parking on the South side of the Hill. T. H. D's are supporting this idea vigorously. The Washington Square Garage proposal passed the planning commission and the Park and Recreation Committee and the Parking Authority, but was rejected by the Art Commission stating that it would "inevitably involve the destruction of the irreplaceable qualities of urban beauty and urban space" and recommended the "Renewal of efforts to find alternate solutions to the parking problem." Now it is up to the Board of Supervisors. The joint finance committee and streets and transportation committee heard 5 hours of testimony at which the T. H. D's were well represented particularly by Nancy Katz and Patricia Major. Final hearing of this committee is scheduled for July 13th. then to the full board. It is imperative that we have a good turn out for both these meetings. Contact Nancy Katz Yu 6- 1890.

## PARKING PROBLEMS

Morton Rader, Dr. Stanley Burton and Dr. Rudolph Dressel your parking committee has formulated a 5 point program to alleviate parking problems which plague the Hill.

1  
An early meeting with the owners of the two restaurants will take place in the early summer, to discuss illegal parking practices.

2  
It was noted that lack of enforcement of the 1 for 1 parking ordinance for both new buildings and remodel jobs has added to our problems. Your Zoning committee constantly opposes all such variances, unless extreme hardship can be proven by the applicant.

3  
The police department is requested to tag illegally parked cars.

4  
The committee intends to encourage use of private existing garages at the bottom of the Hill.

5  
The committee intends to re-evaluate the one way street pattern to produce a smoother movement of cars.

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS-

The T. H. D's are delighted to have so many new members. We need active and interested people for our committee work. Whatever your pet interest might be, there is a place for you. You will find real pleasure in active participation in Dweller's affairs. George Raad will be glad to hear from you.

Emily Heron who was the editor of last years bulletin has assisted me in getting this one to press. Without her assistance this Neophyte would still be struggling to go to press at Christmas time. Many thanks to Emily and to all the others who sent me outlines of Hill activities.