THE SUNDIAL

Newsletter of the Ingleside Terraces Homes Association — Summer 1998

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President's Letter

In recent months, the Ingleside Terraces Homes Association Board of Directors has had discussions on a variety of topics. High on the list was the issue of security. It was emphasized that, where possible, residents be encouraged to establish and maintain contact with a person and/or family on either side of their house. By so doing, a network will be created that will help us be aware and informed. Eyes and ears are important to report any unusual activity. Showing interest in our neighborhood could pay big dividends should an emergency arise.

May I take this opportunity to welcome the *Nakahara* family as new neighbors and as members of the Association. (Please see Welcome Wagon news on Page 2 for the locations of other new neighbors.)

The ITHA Social Committee is small and would appreciate your help and input. We are always glad to welcome new families. Please call *Wendy Dwyer* at 239-5455 to inform her of new neighbors moving into the Terraces so that the Social Committee can greet them in a timely manner.

The ITHA all-volunteer Board of Directors has been hard at work to complete plans for: a) tree planting at the sundial; b) planted traffic control circles at various locations on Urbano; c) the neighborhood festival that is scheduled for Sunday, September 13, 1998 at the sundial (Please see Sundial Festival item on Page 3); and d) increase membership to well above the 200 present households. Any further ideas? Let us hear from you. The Board is here to serve you. However, its effectiveness is only as strong as the support received from you.

Security
New Neighbors
Trees
Traffic Circles
New HAM

The ITHA Board always encourages and welcomes your participation and/or suggestions as an effort to make the Terraces an ideal place in which to live.

I am proud to inform you that I owe a debt of gratitude to *Harmon Hallett* for conducting HAM radio classes in recent months. Your president passed the required tests and has been granted *KF6RFU* as his call sign from the FCC.

Lonnie Lawson
President

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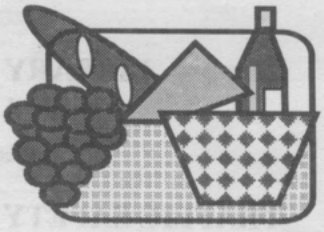
SUNDIAL FESTIVAL & BAR-B-Q
Sunday
September 13, 1998
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Entrada Court Sundial

BOARD And COMMITTEE Members Are Needed !

Call President *Lonnie Lawson* at 586-2808 and get involved in solving those neighborhood issues of concern.

HAM Radio

Our neighbor, *Harmon Hallett*, continues to offer a basic class in HAM radio. All ages qualify. Call him at: 334-2102.



WELCOME WAGON

Join the Ingleside Terraces Welcome Wagon Committee!

Call if you are interested in welcoming new neighbors to the Terraces with a basket of treats and the latest issue of the *Sundial*. Many of you remember how good it felt to be welcomed by neighbors after just moving into your new home.

Wendy Dwyer 239-5455.

Welcome Wagon

Seven neighbors bought homes in the Terraces between March 1 and July 1, 1998. Call *Wendy Dwyer* at 239-5455 if you can help deliver baked goods, our latest newsletter, and a welcome card to our new neighbors!

35 Cerritos	415 Junipero Serra
45 De Soto	385 Urbano
1385 Holloway	701 Urbano
	899 Urbano

Home sales are monitored regularly and we try to welcome new neighbors promptly. If we have missed anyone, please call me at 239-5455.

Wendy Dwyer
Welcome Wagon Committee

All San Francisco Concert

Friday, September 11,1998
Davies Symphony Hall
8:00 p.m.
$10 per person

Ingleside Terraces homeowners and residents are invited to the Nineteenth Annual All San Francisco Concert, performed by the world acclaimed San Francisco Symphony. Mark your calendars for September 11, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. and reserve your seats now.

Wells Fargo, for nineteen years, has generously funded this concert, enabling residents of the City's diverse communities to assemble and enjoy the resonating sounds of the San Francisco Symphony.

Gala All-Gershwin Tribute

The All San Francisco Concert is part of the Symphony's Gala Opening Week. The program will be an All-Gershwin tribute conducted by Maestro Michael Tilson Thomas, Music Director of the San Francisco Symphony. The evening will feature the overture from *Of Thee I Sing*, the *Second Rhapsody* (featuring Maestro Tilson Thomas on piano), and selections from *Porgy and Bess* and *An American in Paris*.

This event is sure to be a sellout. We are purchasing a limited number of tickets now for resale to Association members. Tickets will be sold for $10.00 each on a first-come, first-served basis, **with an initial two-ticket per household limit**.

To reserve seats, send a check payable to the Ingleside Terraces Homes Association in care of *Bob Mosher* at 170 Paloma Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94127. Please send your check as soon as possible.

Normally, we receive tickets from the Symphony in time to distribute them to you over Labor Day weekend. If you need to find out the status of your reservation, call *Bob* at 333- 5626.

ITHA Presents ...

Inaugural
SUNDIAL FESTIVAL & BAR-B-Q
Sunday, September 13, 1998
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Entrada Court Sundial

Did you know the sundial was constructed 85 years ago and it appears in the Guinness Book of World Records? If you have information regarding Sundial history, call *Wendy Dwyer* at 239-5455. Thanks!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

1:00 p.m. ITHA will provide Bar-B-Q entrée, paper goods, utensils, condiments & drinks. For the potluck, please bring dishes to share based on your last name:

A-G Appetizer (hors d' oeuvres, dips)
H-N Salad (tossed, potato, macaroni)
O-T Fruits &Vegetables (berries, grapes, corn)
U-Z Dessert (cakes, pies, cookies)

2:00 p.m. Official Mini-Parade of decorated tricycles, bicycles, skateboards, strollers, scooters, wagons, wheelchairs, and canes for the celebration at Entrada Court.

Please Note: All children must be accompanied by an adult!

RSVP! Your immediate response is very important. Please call Wendy at 239-5455. Or, return this form **ASAP** to Wendy Dwyer, 350 Urbano Street.

❑ **Yes!** I am interested in attending the Sundial Festival and Bar-B-Q on Sunday, September 13. I will be sharing the following **potluck item:** _____ . We will have ____ **persons attending**.

❑ **Yes!** I can **help with the children's fair** by blowing up balloons and helping with face painting, puppet show, bean bag toss, and children's art table.

We are urging Ocean Avenue merchants to participate by setting up tables and signs advertising their businesses. We are also soliciting restaurant donations and product demonstrations and displays. We have contacted businesses on Ocean Avenue from 19th Avenue to City College.

❑ **Yes!** I can help with **publicity** and help create a Festival brochure with the **history and photographs** of the Sundial and a listing of participating merchants (please call Wendy on this one at 239-5455.)

❑ **Yes!** I will help with **setup** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

❑ **Yes!** I will help with **cleanup** from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

❑ **Yes!** My children will be participating in the **parade**. **Names and ages of children**: _____ , _____ , _____ . Please note: they all get ribbons!

Your Name: _____ **Phone Number**: _____

Address: _____

San Francisco Public Library

INGLESIDE BRANCH

387 Ashton Avenue
Phone: 337-4745
Hours: Tue 10-6, Wed 12-8, Thu/Fri 1-6, Sat 12-6

During July and August, the Summer Reading Club (ages thru 13) and the Teen Summer Reading Program (ages 14-19) at the Ingleside Branch will be in full swing. Programs are scheduled and prizes will be awarded to participants who complete the required hours of reading. As always, look for new books and a full schedule of programs. Following is the listing of our special programs:

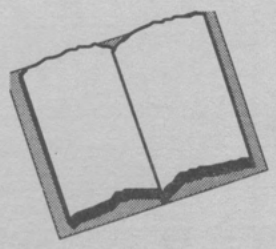
Robert Carlson
Branch Manager

CHILDREN

August 1 at 3:30 p.m.	Japanese American internment tales with *Megumi*
August 6 at 2:30 p.m.	Family sing-along with *Lisa Atkinson*
August 8 at 2:30 p.m.	Starko the Clown. Learn to clown at this clowning workshop.
August 8 at 3:30 p.m.	Our annual end of the Summer Reading Club Pizza Party.

ADULTS

August 15 at 2:30 p.m.	Internet Basics: Learn the Web
September 26 at 3:00 p.m.	Lecture entitled: *How California got its name: the First Irishmen to Head to California.* Presented by *Peter Garland*

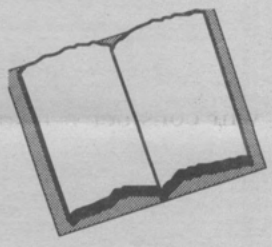


Friends of the Library 34th Annual Book Sale

September 10-13
Herbst Pavilion at Fort Mason Center
Preview: Thursday Sept. 10, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. $15
Sale: Friday, Sept. 11 thru Sunday Sept. 13, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Admission is free.
For more information call 557-4257

Civil Liberties Act of 1988

Commemorating the Tenth Anniversary of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, the Library presents *A More Perfect Union: Japanese Americans and the U.S. Constitution*, an exhibition and program series at the Main Library. The exhibit runs through August 6.



New Feature
Recently Recommended Books
By Members of Terraces Book Clubs

The God of Small Things, Arundhati Roy
A Civil Action, K. Harr
Corelli's Mandolin, Louis de Bernières
Cold Mountain, Charles Frazier

Your suggestions for good titles are welcome.

REAL ESTATE

Higher prices resulted from frenzied activity in the San Francisco real estate market this spring. Twelve homes sold in Ingleside Terraces in the first half of 1998, and three more are in escrow at this moment. The median (middle) sales price in our neighborhood was $407,500, up a scant and misleading 1% from calendar 1997. Lack of sales of larger homes held the median down.

Two-bedroom homes showed a solid gain. The median sale price in this category was $379,000, up a healthy 7% over last year.

Even stronger was demand for the bellwether three bedroom homes. Following last year's 18% rise, the median price for this larger size home was up another 22% to $481,000.

Rising home prices are still in the news and Ingleside Terraces has certainly participated in the price surge. In the last few weeks, market activity appears to have slowed. This suggests at least a pause in the buying frenzy, with the possibility that the market needs time to digest the rapid price increases experienced over the last eighteen months.

Ingleside Terraces residents Miko & Bob Mosher are both full- time Realtors at Prudential California Realty's Franciscan Properties office on Portola Drive. They are available at 664-9400 or 333-5626.

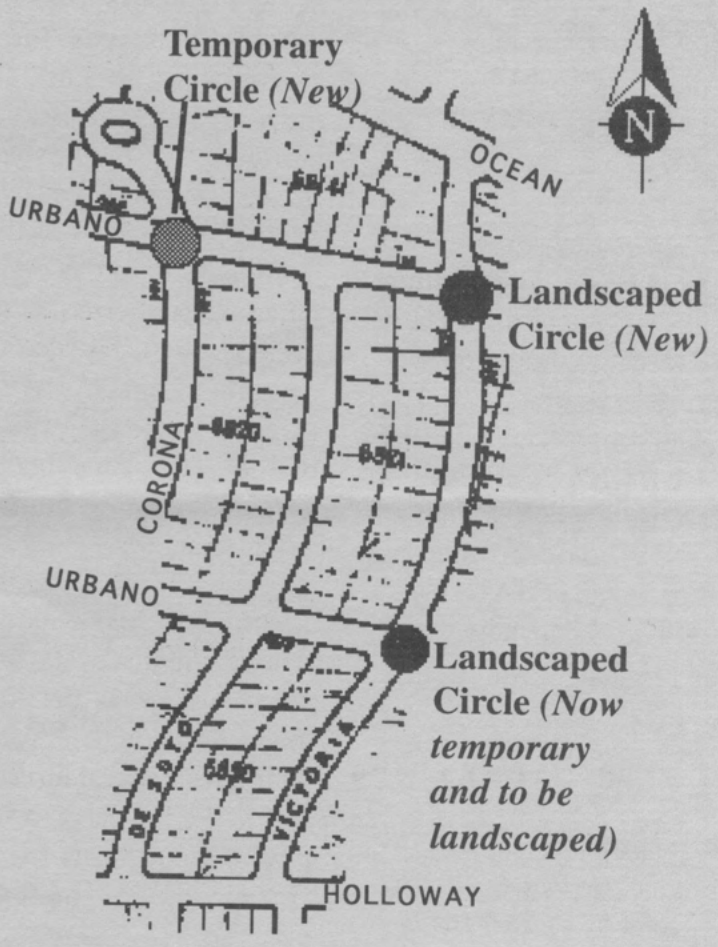
TRAFFIC SAFETY

Are you ready for the Street Circles?

After extended negotiations with city officials, we have finally decided on a cost effective design that will not only make our streets safer, but at the same time enhance the beautiful character of our neighborhood. More importantly, we have accomplished this goal without having to utilize your homeowner dues for funding the project installation. However, it is conceivable that the Board will consider a resolution to utilize homeowner dues for the maintenance of drought-tolerant plants used at the street circles.

Project funding has been transferred from the Department of Parking and Traffic to the Department of Public Works and a commencement date scheduled. If all goes as planned, work on the two circles (north and south sides of Urbano and Victoria) will start during July.

Jose Mendoza
Traffic and Safety Committee



ITHA MEETINGS

September 13
Sundial Festival

September 17
Regular Meeting

October 15
Regular Meeting

October 17
NERT Drill

November 7
Annual Meeting

November 19
Regular Meeting

NOTE: Regular meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month except for July and August at 7:00 p.m. at **GLENDALE FEDERAL BANK** at Ocean Avenue & Junipero Serra Boulevard and are open to all ITHA residents. *Al Laos* is the host.

HAM Local Operators

WD6FAG - *Harmon Hallett*
W6MDZ - *Jim Barry*
KF6MOU - *Patrick Gargan*
KF6RFU - *Lonnie Lawson*
KE6UII - *Barney Johnson*
KE6UPG - *Patricia Hallett*
WB6WAS - *Harold Hoogasian*
KE6WER - *Noel Commins*

NEIGHBORHOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM NERT

FALL DRILL

Please save Saturday, October 17, 1998 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at our neighborhood site, Junipero Serra Boulevard and Mercedes, for some refresher activities. You are welcome to attend any of the neighborhood classes that are being scheduled for the fall.

All you have to do is call NERT headquarters at 558-3456 to find the class location nearest your home. These classes are for folks new to the NERT program and for those previously trained to get a refresher.

I need your ideas for activities on October 17. Please call me at 333-5615.

Phyllis Gomez
NERT Coordinator

The Garage Sale

Many thanks to all of the residents who braved the wind-swept Pacific Coast weather patterns on the morning of Saturday, May 9, to participate in the annual garage sale. *Barney Johnson* and *Noel Commins* courageously affixed the banner and many posters to the Ingleside Terraces pillars to publicize this money-making event. *Rudy Cook* also did his best to make his Lunado and Junipero Serra garage a welcoming site with signs and balloons to bring the San Francisco bargain-seeking community into the neighborhood!

Twenty-five residents enthusiastically took part in this event, and even though the weather was not too cooperative, many homeowners successfully sold their treasures and turned a good profit. It is never too early to start sorting and pricing your items for the May 1999 Garage Sale! Thanks again to all participants.

Wendy Dwyer
Social Committee Chair

Green Thumb Awards

In spite of El Niño, many homes show particular attention being paid to a well-landscaped appearance. Special Green Thumb Recognition is given to:

142 Cerritos	435 Monticello
105 Corona	35 Paloma
151 Corona	101 Paloma
220 Corona	90 Urbano
70 Mercedes	128 Urbano
78 Mercedes	315 Urbano
100 Moncada	735 Urbano
300 Moncada	875 Urbano

Thanks to these many homeowners for maintaining lovely gardens! Please notice the *xeriscapes* that offer such variety in plants and help to conserve water (see Sunset's *Western Garden Book)*. Does anyone have further nominations that we can recognize in the next newsletter?

Filerie Greenleaf
Roving Gardener

BEST of the NEIGHBORHOOD

The following is a compilation of your neighbors' votes for the "Best Of" new and trusted business establishments in our area. **(Check out these folks!)**

BEST	Bakery (a tie!)	ZANZE's Cheesecake and AMBROSIA, Ocean
	Bank	GLENDALE FEDERAL (See Al Laos), Ocean
	Coffee House	JAVA OF OCEAN, Ocean at Faxon
	Contractor	MANNON CONSTRUCTION, 300 Foerster
	Haircut	INGLESIDE BARBER SHOP, 393 Ashton
	Library	INGLESIDE BRANCH, 387 Ashton
	Locksmith	PITTS LOCK AND KEY SERVICE, 1439 Ocean
	Photography	THE CAMERABUG SHOP, 2560 Ocean
	Produce	THE FRUIT BARN, 1616 Ocean

Ocean Avenue Reconstruction

*A notice from the **Merchants and Residents Association Along Ocean Avenue** has generated the following response.*

Beginning in about August 1999, the S.F. Muni Railway will replace streetcar tracks and PG&E will install underground wiring along Ocean Avenue from San Jose Avenue to Junipero Serra Boulevard. As the project is completed, the existing horrible pavement conditions will give way to a totally new street surface. This work will take over a year to complete.

The disruption to traffic flow and property access will be significant and the traffic control plan needs special attention in order to minimize disruption to local merchants, customer access, and residents. Ocean Avenue traffic access will be restricted and detours through adjacent neighborhoods will be required.

The Ocean Avenue Merchants and Residents Association needs your support in requesting a traffic control plan that will minimize adverse impacts and assure reasonable property access during this stressful period. Readers are encouraged to request adequate public hearings with technical presentations that cover neighborhood concerns.

We all know that street construction takes time and causes disruptions. The operational and safety improvement is worth the cost assuming that merchants and residents are given the maximum feasible access during the project.

Those interested should call the Merchants and Residents Association at 621-8071 or via facsimile at 621-2129. The contact person is Jim Grim, Coordinator.

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O.M.I. FOUNDERS DAY - Sunday, October 4, 1998

Join in commemorating the opening of Ocean Avenue as a toll road in the 1860s. Let's all help in celebrating the natural scenic beauty and proud history of one of San Francisco's most diverse and illustrious communities. This will be a celebration for the whole family with events, entertainment, and a grand parade.

For further information contact the Oceanview Merced Ingleside Business League (OMIBL), 1607 Ocean Avenue, S.F., CA 94112; Phone: 415-586-8000; FAX: 415-586-1059.

Mark your calendars!

The ITHA 1998 Annual Meeting is scheduled from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on ***Saturday, November 7*** at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 399 San Fernando, at Ocean Avenue across from Commodore Sloat School.