

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SPECIAL EVENTS

2008 San Francisco Pedestrian Safety Summit, April 8, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., North Light Court, City Hall. Municipal Transportation Agency-sponsored panel presentations and discussions of pedestrian safety initiatives. Information: sfmta.com/cms/whome/PedestrianSafetySummit2008.htm

Central City Democrats annual meeting, April 16, 6:30 p.m., 201 Turk, election of officers and endorsements of June 3 primary candidates and ballot propositions. Information: 339-8683.

Neighborhood Arts Festival, celebrating 40 years, April 21–May 3. April 21, 7–9 p.m., Mapping Survival: Arts organizations discuss strategies on creating something out of nothing, S.F. State University, Cesar Chavez Student Center, Rigoberta Menchu Hall, 1600 Holloway. April 23, 7–9 p.m., The Money and the Madness: Individual artists discuss pros and cons of accepting public and private funds, International Hotel Manilatown Center, 868 Kearny St. May 2, 7–10 p.m., Poetry Potluck: A reading by Neighborhood Arts poets, San Francisco's poet laureates, and today's poet activists, Glide Memorial Church, 330 Ellis. May 3, 1–5 p.m., 40th Anniversary Bash: A half-day celebration featuring the 40th anniversary reunion with founding members of the program, SomArts Cultural Center, 934 Brannan St. All events are free. More information at <http://sfartscommission.org>.

Community Justice Center forum, April 24, 6 p.m., 180 Turk St., Antonia Manor Community Room, first quarterly meeting to track the progress of the new center, sponsored by Community Leadership Alliance. Information: admin@CommunityLeadershipAlliance.net

Free 2-hour walking tours of the Tenderloin by City Guides' Peter Fields in two parts: May 4, TL's early days (meet at 9 a.m. at Powell, Eddy and Market), and May 11, the 1920s to the present (meet at 9 a.m. at McAllister and Leavenworth). Information: www.sfcityguides.org or 557-4266.

COMMUNITY: REGULAR SCHEDULE HOUSING

Supportive Housing Network, 2nd Thursday of the month, 3–5 p.m., location TBA. Contact: Kendra Fuller, 421-2926 x304.

Tenant Associations Coalition of San Francisco, 1st Wednesday of the month, noon, 201 Turk Community Room. Contact Michael Nulty, 339-8327. Resident unity, leadership training, facilitate communication.

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH

CBHS Consumer Council, 3rd Monday of the month, 5:30–7:30 p.m., CBHS, 1380 Howard, Rm. 537. Call: 255-3428. Advisory group of consumers from self-help organizations and other mental health consumer advocates. Open to the public.

Health & Wellness Action Advocates, 1st Tuesday of the month,

5–7 p.m., Mental Health Association, 870 Market, Suite 928. Call: 421-2926 x306.

Healthcare Action Team, 2nd Wednesday of the month, Quaker Center, 65 Ninth St., noon–1:30 p.m. Focus on increasing supportive home and community-based services, expanded eligibility for home care and improved discharge planning. Light lunch served. Call James Chionsini, 703-0188 x304.

Hoarders and Clutterers Support Group, 870 Market, Suite 928. Call for dates and times: 421-2926 x306.

Mental Health Board, 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30–8:30 p.m., City Hall, room 278. CBHS advisory committee, open to the public. Call: 255-3474.

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill-S.F., 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30–8:30 p.m., Family Service Agency, 1010 Gough, 5th Fl. Call 905-6264. Family member group, open to consumers and the public.

SAFETY

Safety for Women in the Tenderloin, every 3rd Wednesday, Central City SRO Collaborative, 259 Hyde St., 4–6 p.m. Informal, friendly environment, refreshments, gender sensitive to LGBTQ community and sex workers. Discuss how to make Tenderloin SROs safer for women. Information: Leanne Edwards, volunteer campaign coordinator, 775-7110 x102.

Neighborhood Emergency Response Team Training (NERT). Central city residents can take the S.F. Fire Department's free disaster preparedness and response training at any neighborhood location. See Website for schedule and training locations, www.sfgov.org/sffdnert, or call Lt. Arteseros, 970-2022.

SoMa Police Community Relations Forum, 4th Monday of the month, 6–7:30 p.m. Location changes monthly. To receive monthly information by e-mail, contact Meital Amitai, 538-8100 x202 or mamitai@iisf.org.

Tenderloin Police Station Community Meeting, last Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., police station Community Room, 301 Eddy. Call Susan Black, 345-7300. Neighborhood safety.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

Alliance for a Better District 6, 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., 301 Eddy. Contact Michael Nulty, 820-1560 or sf_district6@yahoo.com, a districtwide improvement association.

Boeddeker Park cleanup, 3rd Saturday of the month, 9–noon, organized by the Friends of Boeddeker Park. To RSVP to work or for information, Call Betty Traynor, 931-1126.

Central City Democrats, meets four times a year, 301 Eddy St. Community Room. Addresses District 6 residential and business concerns, voter education forums. Information: 339-VOTE (8683) or centralcitydemocrats@yahoo.com.

Central Market Community Benefit District, board meets 2nd Tuesday of the month, 989 Market St., 3rd Fl., 3 p.m. Information: 882-3088, <http://central-market.org>.

Community Leadership Alliance. CLA Community Advocacy Commission monthly meeting, City Hall, Room 034. Subcommittee meetings and informational forums held monthly at the Tenderloin Police Station Community Room. Information: David Villa-Lobos, admin@CommunityLeadershipAlliance.net

Friends of Boeddeker Park, 2nd Thursday of the month, 3:30 p.m., Boeddeker Rec Center, 240 Eddy. Plan park events, activities and improvements. Contact Betty Traynor, 931-1126.

Gene Friend Recreation Center Advisory Board, 3rd Thursday of the month, 5 p.m. Board works to protect SoMa resources for children, youth, families and adults. Gene Friend Recreation Center, 270 Sixth St. Information: 538-8100 x202

North of Market Planning Coalition, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m., 301 Eddy. Call: 820-1412. Neighborhood planning.

North of Market/Tenderloin Community Benefit District. Call Elaine Zamora for times and dates, 440-7570.

SoMa Leadership Council, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m., The Arc, 1500 Howard St. at 11th. Emphasizes good planning and good government to maintain a diverse, vibrant, complete neighborhood. Contact: Jim Meko, 624-4309 or jim.meko@comcast.net.

South of Market Project Area Committee, 3rd Monday of the month, 6 p.m., 1035 Folsom, between 6th & 7th. Health, Safety and Human Services Committee meets monthly on the first Tuesday after the first Monday, 1035 Folsom, noon. Information: 487-2166 or www.sompac.com.

Tenderloin Futures Collaborative, 2nd Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., Tenderloin Police community room, 301 Eddy. Call at 358-3956 for information. Network of residents, nonprofits and businesses sharing information and taking on neighborhood development issues.

SENIORS AND DISABLED

Mayor's Disability Council, 3rd Friday of the month, 1–3 p.m., City Hall, Rm. 400. Call: 554-6789. Open to the public.

Senior Action Network, general meeting, second Thursday, 10 a.m.–noon, St. Mary's Cathedral. Monthly committee meetings, 965 Mission #700: Pedestrian Safety, third Wednesday, 10 a.m.; Senior Housing Action, third Wednesday, 1:30; Information: 546-1333 and www.senioractionnetwork.org.

SUPERVISORS' COMMITTEES

 City Hall, Room 263

Budget and Finance Committee Daly, Duffy, Ammiano, Mirkarimi, Elsbernd, Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Land Use Committee Maxwell, Sandoval, McGoldrick, Monday, 1 p.m.

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Office of Self Help

Proudly serving San Francisco and Central City Mental Health Clients for more than 15 years.

We help mental health clients enhance their quality of life by explaining how to get the community resources they need.

We help clients find services that respect their perspectives. We advocate avoiding facilities that restrict client freedom.

Peer Support Line: 575-1400

Lonely? Depressed? Sad? Just need someone to talk to? We're here to listen and support you.

This is not a suicide line, but we can support you by listening and giving feedback.

All support line counselors are trained to listen and get you the information you need.

The Peer Support Line operates Wednesday-Sunday 9 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

English — Spanish — Tagalog — Cantonese

Drop In Center, daily

1095 Market Street, Suite 202 to learn more about all our services

Shuttle Service: Visit loved ones in Napa Hospital, Crestwood Vallejo, Canyon Manor-Novato and elsewhere

Support Groups Monday through Friday

Dual Diagnosis, 2 days a week

GLTBI – General Support – Art Group – African American – Asian Pacific Islander

Men & Women's Group – Light Lunch Served – Games & Movies, Movies, Movies

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