

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SPECIAL EVENTS

TL Block Party and Get Out the Vote, Sat., Sept. 20, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Boeddeker Park. Food, games, music, voter registration tables manned by various organizations, sponsored by TNDC. Info: Monique, 928-1072.

Community Health and Safety Fair, Sat., Sept. 27, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Tenderloin Community Playground, 570 Ellis. Free health screenings and information about MediCal, food stamps, emergency preparedness and more. Children's games, raffle, entertainment, free lunch bag for first 500 attendees. Seven languages spoken. Sponsored by S.F. Hilton, St. Francis Memorial Hospital, Calif. Pacific Medical Center; support from NOM/TL CBD, TNDC, Calif. Transplant Donor Network. Info: Katy Broner, 592-2714.

Ballot measure forum, Wed., Oct. 1, noon, 201 Turk St. Hosted by Tenants Associations Coalition. League of Women Voters will discuss S.F. and statewide ballot measures, and Department of Elections will talk about hiring precinct workers. Info: 339-8327.

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 Tuesday of the month, 3-5 p.m., CBHS, 1380 Howard, room 537. Call: 255-3695. 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 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: Alexandra Goldman, 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., 230 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 34. 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 District Manager 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 Sts. 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 Station community room, 301 Eddy. Call 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, room 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

Budget and Finance Committee McGoldrick, Elsbernd, Mirkarimi, Daly, Chu, Wednesday, 1 p.m.

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

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Outreach and Community Events September 2008

Health Promotion Forum

Topic: "Curb the Butt," TLHealth's Smoking Cessation Program

Speaker: Eileen Norman of TLHealth, and others

Date/Time: Tuesday, September 23, 12 pm - 1:30 pm

HIV Treatment Forum

Topic: Keys to Success — Part 2

Speaker: Jennie Vanderlaag, Gilead Sciences

Date/Time: Monday, September 15, 3 pm - 4 pm

Client Advisory Panel

Come talk with Tenderloin Health's Board Client Representative(s) and program managers about plans for Tenderloin Health.

Also provide input on new services and how we can improve.

Date/Time: Wednesday, September 10, 11:30 am - 1 pm;

Wednesday, September 24, 11:30 am - 1 pm

Volunteer and Intern for Tenderloin Health

Orientation: Sunday, September 14, 12 pm - 6:30 pm

240 Golden Gate Ave., 3rd Floor

lunch provided

You must register for volunteer trainings.

Stop in/call Emilie (415) 437-2900 ext. 234.

For a schedule of our current groups or for more information call 415.431.7476 or go to www.tenderloinhealth.org



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Teaching assistant Alexandria Hollett (second from left) joins her fourth-grade De Marillac Academy students for a workout at the Salvation Army's gymnasium.

PE program finds Salvation

SALVATION Army's fancy new facility on Turk Street has turned out to be a physical-fitness boon for students at the De Marillac Academy just around the corner. The school is renting Sally Ann's new pool, dance studio and gymnasium, allowing it to amp up its physical education program. Previously, fourth- through eighth-graders at the tuition-free school had to exercise at the school's handkerchief-size playground or schlep up the street to the YMCA. "We were grateful for the opportunity," says president Michael Daniels, but scheduling constraints made the Y's facilities available only 10 hours a week. At Salvation Army, De Marillac students will be able to focus on fitness 30 hours a week. Nearly half the school's 106 students live in the Tenderloin; roughly 20 come from SoMa. More than 1 in 4 central city children is overweight, according to a 2002 report by the Davis-based California Center for Public Health Advocacy. "The impact on families in the neighborhood will be tremendously positive," says Daniels. ■

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