

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SPECIAL EVENTS

Free tax savings workshop for self-employed and small business owners, Tue., Oct. 13 4-6 p.m., 1850 Mission St. (between 14th and 15th streets). Sponsored by Tax-Aid and Mission Asset Fund. Info and reservations: 839-2118.

Volunteer cleanup, Compass Community Services' Tenderloin Childcare Center, Sat. Oct. 17, 144 Leavenworth, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Annual event to clean up center for 66 infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Details or to sign up: ldyas@compass-sf.org.

5K Fun Run/Walk for SAFEty, Sun. Oct. 25, Peacock Meadow, Golden Gate Park, 10 a.m. registration, 11 a.m. race, BBQ 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. SF SAFE's first event to promote awareness of personal and family safety, and to raise funds for community services. Registration: \$10 per person, children under 10 free. Info and registration: sfsafe5k.dojiggy.com.

Free walking tours of Tenderloin, Sun. Oct. 18, 9 a.m., meet at Market, Powell and Eddy (eastern Tenderloin), and Sun., Oct. 25, 9 a.m. at Leavenworth and McAllister (western Tenderloin). Led by Peter Field, tours highlight Tenderloin history from the 1920s on. Info: City Guides, sfcityguides.org, 557-4266.

ART EVENTS

Litquake, 10th annual Bay Area literary festival, Oct. 9-17, nearly 500 authors in venues citywide. Main Library Litquake events: Kidquake, Teenquake, Koret Reading Series. Info: litquake.org.

Wonderland, monthlong arts and performance events all over the Tenderloin, 13 projects, 53 artists. Kickoff is Oct. 17, through Nov. 14. Info: wonderlandshow.org.

"Zombie!" EXIT Theatre, 156 Eddy, Thu., Fri., Sat., Oct. 15-31, 8 p.m. Halloween rock, horror, tragicomedy by playwright and director Anthony R. Miller. Tickets: \$15. Info: sffringe.org

"My Blues," readings by Ron Hacker from his new book with accompanying music. EXIT Café, 156 Eddy, Fri., Oct. 16, 8:30 p.m. Free. Reservations: 673-3847.

COMMUNITY: REGULAR SCHEDULE HOUSING

Supportive Housing Network, 3rd 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.

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH

CBHS Consumer Council, 3rd Monday of the month, 5-7 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 Assoc., 870 Market, Suite 928. 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, Mental Health Association, 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 III-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

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

SoMa Police Community Relations Forum, 4th Monday of the month, 6-7:30 p.m. Location varies. To receive monthly e-mail info: 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 Susa 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. Information: 339-VOTE (8683) or centralcitydemocrats@yahoo.com.

Central Market Community Benefit District, board meets 2nd Tuesday of the month, Hotel Whitcomb, 1231 Market, 3 p.m. Information: 882-3088, <http://central-market.org>.

Community Leadership Alliance. Monthly meetings and informational forums, Tenderloin Police Station community room. 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/Tenderloin Community Benefit District. Call District Manager Elaine Zamora for times and dates, 292-4812.

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 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.

"Any Door Is the Right Door"

Mental health consumers and substance abusers can go to any Behavioral Health provider in the Tenderloin and be assured of being welcomed and helped.

All these service providers operate under a Harm Reduction policy, so you don't have to be straight to get help.

Office of Self Help is a Wellness and Recovery Center. All of our staff are consumers, peers with those we serve.

Drop in or call us. Check us out.

Other programs in the neighborhood also can be the Right Door for you:

Bay Area Addiction Research and Treatment
1111 Market St., 1st Fl., 863-3883

CATS (Community Awareness Treatment Services)
1446 Market St., 2nd Fl., 241-1199

Central City Hospitality House
290 Turk Street, 749-2110

Community Vocational Enterprises
1425 Folsom St., 544-0424

Family Service Agency — Tenderloin Family Program
1010 Gough St., 474-7310, Ext. 459

Hyde Street Community Services
134 Golden Gate Ave., 673-5700

Independent Living Resource Center
649 Mission St., 3rd Fl., 543-6222

Larkin Street Youth Services — Youth Clinic
1138 Sutter St., 673-0911 ext. 259

S.F. Mental Health Clients' Rights Advocates
1095 Market St., Suite 618
552-8100

SAGE (Standing Against Global Exploitation)
1385 Mission St., Suite 300
358-2719

Swords to Plowshares
1060 Howard St., 252-4788

Tenderloin Health
187 Golden Gate Ave., 437-2900

Westside Community Services
245 Eleventh St., 431-9000



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Office of Self-Help Drop-In Center, 1095 Market Street, Suite 202
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575-1400