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DTNA PUBLIC MEETING

Harvey Milk Center for Recreational Arts

MEETING AGENDA

- Meet Your Neighbors! Social time begins at 6:30, formal meeting at 7:00.
- Supervisor Rafael Mandelman: Beyond the Doom Loop.
- Vision 2030 – Slow Noe, Slow Steiner, Wiggle Fest, Bulb-out repairs, and Tree Planting – Discover how you can get involved!
- The Housing Element – Land Use Committee Chair Dennis Richards on balancing dense development and neighborhood character.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Farmers' Market Grand Re-opening - Wednesday April 3rd, 3 pm to 7 pm, Noe at Market St. Join in the fun with a ribbon cutting ceremony, great music, and kids' activities.

McKinley School's Dogfest - Saturday April 27, Duboce Park. Start getting those costumes ready!

Volunteer Day in Duboce Park - Saturday April 13, and May 11, info at friendsofdubocepark.org.

Castro Art Mart - Saturday May 5th, Noe Commons at Market St.

Free Movie in Duboce Park – Saturday May 4th, 8 pm, *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*.

Growing up on Church Street



Eli has lived on Church Street since he was born (in 2006). He is a senior at Gateway High School. Go San Francisco public schools!

By Eli Phawn

Growing up in Duboce Triangle will always be a memorable experience that has impacted my life. This neighborhood, situated at the heart of San Francisco, holds a special charm.

One of many standout features is the accessibility and well-connected public transportation system. With multiple Muni lines in my area, navigating the city has always been incredibly convenient. My high school is nearby, and the transit in my area makes getting there every day extremely convenient.

The culinary options in the Duboce Triangle add another layer of appeal for me. Growing up, I was exposed to the diverse array of restaurants and cafes that line the streets, reflecting the

cultural richness of the community. From trendy brunch spots to authentic international eateries like El Castillito, the neighborhood's culinary diversity not only caters to various tastes but also promotes inclusivity.

In addition to its connectivity and culinary offerings, Duboce Triangle boasts proximity to several local parks, including Dolores Park, Duboce Park, and Alamo Square. These green spaces provide a welcome escape into nature, offering diverse settings for recreational activities. Whether enjoying the iconic views of the city skyline from Dolores Park, savoring the intimate atmosphere of Duboce Park, or experiencing the Victorian charm of Alamo Square, these parks contribute to the area's overall appeal.

Growing up in Duboce Triangle has been an enriching experience, shaped by its accessibility, culinary diversity, and proximity to beautiful parks. To me, this has been second to none. Others I meet from outside of the city are always surprised to learn that I'm from here, as the neighborhood has become more attractive to move into over time. This neighborhood has not only been a backdrop to my formative years but has also instilled in me an appreciation for community, diversity, and the unique blend of urban and natural elements that define this corner of San Francisco.

Is San Francisco Still a Progressive City?



Rafael Mandelman represents District 8 on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

Dear Duboce Triangle Neighbors,

The March primary elections have come and gone. Some have suggested that the results represent the City shifting toward the

center or even the right. I look at those results a little differently. The strong support for an affordable housing bond suggests that "San Francisco values" are alive and well. To me, the passage of Propositions C, E and F reflect a still-progressive electorate's frustration with the status quo and desire to see the City more effectively tackle the hollowing out of our downtown, public safety and substance use disorder in our SROs.

At City Hall the Mayor's budget folks are hard at work trying to close a projected two-year budget deficit of nearly \$800 million, and the members of the Board's Budget Committee (where I serve as Vice-Chair) are getting ourselves ready to engage with

her proposed budget when she delivers it to us by June 1.

The ongoing weakness of the City's revenue collection underscores the need to ensure a sustainable business tax structure for our new post-pandemic economic reality. Last year, at my request, the City Controller and Treasurer completed an analysis which showed that the City's 5 largest taxpayers pay more than 25% of all the City's business taxes, and that remote work changes by top tax paying companies had reduced SF tax revenue by \$484 million in 2021. On February 2nd, the Controller, Treasurer, and Chief Economist issued recommendations for a potential measure on the November 2024 election that

would address the weaknesses identified in the analysis. Conversations are ongoing, but I am hopeful that stakeholders will be able to negotiate a consensus proposal to simplify our business tax structure, support small business, adapt to changing economic conditions, and stabilize the City budget.

If you have any questions, concerns, or want to sign up for time with me at our regular virtual or in-person office hours, please contact my office at Mandelman-staff@sfgov.org, or by calling (415) 554-6968. For periodic updates on my office's work, please call or email and ask to be added to our newsletter list.

By Rose Linke

By the time you read this, spring will be in full swing in our neighborhood. Even now, there are plum blossoms budding in the backyard and the neighbor's buckeye tree is sending out bright new leaves. After another very rainy season, here's a glimpse into another wet winter from San Francisco's past. With hills in nearly all directions, our neighborhood is no stranger to flooding, as heavy rains can cause flash creeks to form. Looking at this image from over 70 years ago, the church spires and old Mint help situate us—as does George's market in the foreground! You can tell this photo predates the construction of Safeway and its giant parking lot. The Safeway site continues to be a topic of conversation as neighbors envision the Triangle of the near future. If we were to take this same photo in 20 or 50 years from now, what might we see? What might we hope to see?

Historic Photo



A very rainy day at the intersection of Church Street, Market Street, and 14th Street, 1941. Photo via OpenSFHistory.org

Neighborhood Gem: Ebrahim Alqublani of Sanchez & 14th Street Market



Rocket and Savannah have lived on Sanchez Street since for the last 8 and 9 years, respectively (in other words, their entire lives). This is their first foray into journalism. Go San Francisco public schools!

By Rocket and Savannah

It was a wet day because of the rain BUT there was sunlight. The trees were still very wet. We walked to the end of our street to interview our friends at our favorite bodega on the corner of Sanchez and 14th Street.

Savannah: Hi! We're here to interview you for the newsletter.
Rocket: Yeah!

As a cat lover Savannah went straight to the cat:
Savannah: What is your cat's name and why did you decide on that name?
Ebrahim: The cat's name is Alex and I named him after a building engineer I work with downtown that is a really nice guy.
Rocket: What is it like having a bodega cat?
Ebrahim: It's like having a companion, it's like having a friend. He is super friendly with all the customers and has been here for about six months. He's getting chubby because we overfeed him.

Savannah: Of all the places in the Bay Area, why did you pick San Francisco as a good place to live?
Ebrahim: Good question. We moved to San

Francisco from Alameda when my father bought the store in 2003.

At the time the store had a different name. Ebrahim's father, Sadiq, and his then partner changed the name to S&A Liquor. Now Sadiq and Thayer Kobaree co-own the store. Also, they have changed the name to Sanchez & 14th Street Market.

Savannah: What is your favorite part about Duboce Triangle?
Ebrahim: Good question. I love the community and the diversity of people who live here. I love walking to the top of Corona Heights as my workout.

Savannah: Do you

have a message for the neighbors?
Ebrahim: We gotta look out for each other. There's petty crime but we know each other's faces so if you see someone who doesn't look familiar, pay attention.

And speaking of paying attention, if you see our roving journalists in the neighborhood with a microphone, step up to the mic! We want to hear from you too.

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Projects, Progress and Possibilities



Frank Tizedes is the President of DTNA. He lives on Noe Street.

By Frank Tizedes

The importance of individual participation in community building cannot be overstated; it is the lifeblood that sustains the vitality of our shared spaces and fosters a sense of belonging among residents. It's what makes a neighborhood a "community."

As President of the Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association, I have witnessed firsthand the transformative power of community involvement. Our achievements - from revitalizing public spaces to advocating for safer streets - are the direct results of the dedication and passion exhibited by our residents. Each individual contribution,

whether it's advocating for green initiatives or addressing local noise concerns, enriches the fabric of our community and strengthens the bonds that unite us.

At the heart of successful community development lies the active participation of its members. By engaging with your neighbors, voicing your concerns and collaborating on projects, you play a pivotal role in shaping the future of our neighborhood. Your ideas, energy and support are invaluable assets that propel us forward on our collective journey towards a thriving community.

Please join us at our upcoming General Public Meeting on Tues-

day, April 6th, to get updates on our ongoing projects and how you can contribute. Together, let's continue the important work of building a community that we can all take pride in - a community where every voice is heard and every individual is empowered to make a difference.

We also need your membership/donations to keep strong and keep working with you.



Thank you, Frank

New DTNA Board Member on the Heart of San Francisco

I moved to San Francisco from the Northeast in 2010, and immediately fell in love with the city's vistas, access to the outdoors, and a history of free-thinking liberalism. Living near Alamo Square I was enraptured by the moodiness of the city, where mornings of thick fog might turn into a beautiful sunset lighting up the Oakland Hills.

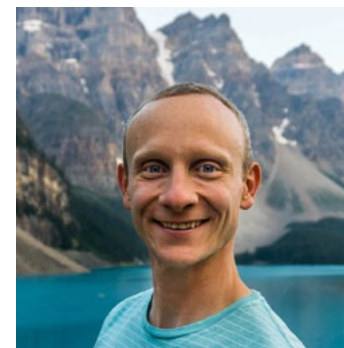
My friends and I loved SF, but as we were establishing our careers we felt squeezed by the high cost of living and the difficulty of being able to save up enough for a down payment on a home - a pain

shared by anyone who has rented in the city. Like many of my friends, I moved out of SF, hoping to find somewhere with the same beauty and imagination.

Try though I might, I couldn't get the city out of my heart, and a few years later I moved back, committed to making San Francisco my forever home - to embrace the beautiful parts, and work to improve the city's challenges. I dove into volunteering, first with the Civic Joy Fund and now with the DTNA. I feel incredibly lucky to live in Duboce Triangle, with its beautiful tree-

lined streets, central location, and easy transit. I want to use my time with DTNA to make sure that the neighborhood can welcome new and diverse neighbors from all walks of life.

When I'm not volunteering or organizing social gatherings, you're likely to find me bicycling up to Marin, jogging in the Panhandle, watching the sunset from Corona Heights Park, or grabbing coffee at Café de Casa. I live with my roommate on 16th Street between Market and Castro - if you see me around, say hi!



Eric Munsing joined the DTNA Board this year. He has lived on 16th Street with his roommate Kiel since 2022.

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Family and Fun at McKinley After-school: An Interview with Jack



Jack is in first grade at McKinley Elementary. Jack's family has lived on Scott Street since the 1960s. This is a continuation of an interview from our last issue, available at dtna.org.

I know you do fun activities with your McKinley classmates. What are some of the activities you like most? The afterschool program (ASEP) is the best. I get to play with my friends in the afternoon. "Play-sep" is a fun part of ASEP where we play games like "Sharks and Minnows". I also like Karate because I learned how to kick and punch. I was also on the McKinley Allstar Soccer team, playing soccer with my friends was the best.

Do you have a favorite field trip you've taken with your school somewhere in the city? If so, where did you go and what did you do there? We get to go on fun field trips at McKinley, like when we walked up to Randall Museum. We got to meet a hawk with a broken wing.

How do you feel about the diversity of McKinley? What have you learned from classmates and teachers or administrators that have had different lives and backgrounds than you? I have friends with lots of different types of families. I like to learn about my friends' family traditions and talk about my family traditions too.

Are some of your neighbors now your friends since you've started going to school with them? If so, what has it been like to meet more friends in your neighborhood? I like having friends in my neighborhood because we can see each other all the time. We can walk to each other's homes, meet at the park, and sometimes I run into friends at the library or at restaurants. Running into a friend in the neighborhood is awesome and always makes me smile.

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Celebrate Dogfest with McKinley Elementary



Kelly is currently serving as VP of Communications on the McKinley PTA, and her son is a third-grader at McKinley.

By Kelly Gillease

This month we are all about the community events at McKinley Elementary!

In February McKinley held its annual Winter Dance and Talent Showcase. Dance is one of the regular arts enrichment programs at McKinley, and the students love an opportunity to show off their skills! Other talents on display were impressive vocal stylings, gymnastic tricks, jokes, and even cup stacking - it was an evening to remember.

Our beloved annual read-a-thon kicked off in February and wraps up mid-March. Students col-

lected pledges for reading every day for a month. At the time of writing, we are up to nearly \$12,000 raised for our beloved library - thank you to all who have donated so far! The funds raised go towards the purchase of engaging and thought-provoking books, as well supporting literacy programs at McKinley.

DogFest planning is already underway! Don't miss out and mark your calendar for Saturday, April 27th now! The day will be filled with fun activities for all ages; carnival food and games for the kids, delicious snacks from Señor Sisig and Bacon Bacon food trucks, local restaurants such as Canela, and the bake sale, the doggie adoption zone, and of course, the main event - the celebrity-judged dog show!

If you're looking for ways to get involved to support McKinley and DogFest, consider becoming a sponsor, signing up as a vendor, or donating directly to McKinley. You can also bid on some wonderful items at the silent auction or sign up your furry friend for the dog show. To learn more about any of these opportunities to support DogFest you can visit the DogFest website at mckinleyschool.org/dogfest or, for volunteer opportunities, you can contact the PTA at pta@mckinleyschool.org.

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CPMC and DTNA: Partners in Progress for a Healthier, Quieter Duboce Triangle



By Hans Galland, co-chair of DTNA's Vision 2030 projects. Hans lives with his family on Divisadero Street. Focused on traffic safety, accessibility, greening and neighborhood identity, DTNA Vision 2030 is a road-map for community-led projects improving the public realm in Duboce Triangle.

In an effort to tackle neighborhood noise pollution, the

Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association has been relentless in addressing neighbor complaints of noise emanating from the California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) Davis campus. DTNA focused on noise from CPMC's HVAC systems which, as measured by the San Francisco's Department of Public Health, was found to be up to 50% above World Health Organization Guidelines to prevent adverse health effects.

DTNA's efforts included raising awareness about the issue through multiple channels of private communication with CPMC personnel, articles in the DTNA News, and by compiling a collection of videos from neighbors that demonstrated the very wide-reaching



From Castro and 14th CPMC's noisy HVAC units are visible on the roof.

impact of the noise, with complaints spanning as far north as Waller Street and as far south as Noe and Henry. Thanks to the videos we were able to pinpoint noise sources, culminating in a collaborative campus walk-through with CPMC management and DTNA on October 12, 2023.

During our DTNA General Meeting on February 13, 2024, CPMC's site manager Tami Chin and Melissa White announced two significant actions in the presence of neighbors and District Supervisor Rafael Mandelman and his team. Firstly, CPMC agreed to improve soundproofing around the Noe Street-facing ventilation and work toward rescheduling noisy

medical gas deliveries. More importantly, CPMC staff had secured internal budget approval for a \$7 million upgrade to the HVAC equipment on the North Tower.

CPMC's significant investment not only addresses the immediate issue of noise pollution but also demonstrates the company's long-term commitment to the health of our community, showcasing the power of collaboration and communication between our residents and our corporate neighbors. We are excited to see this promise become a reality and look forward to continue to work together on matters that are of deep concern to our neighbors.

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DTNA Input Helps Shape Housing Element



Former DTNA President and Planning Commissioner Dennis Richards is currently the chair of the DTNA Land Use Committee. He lives with his husband on Beaver Street.

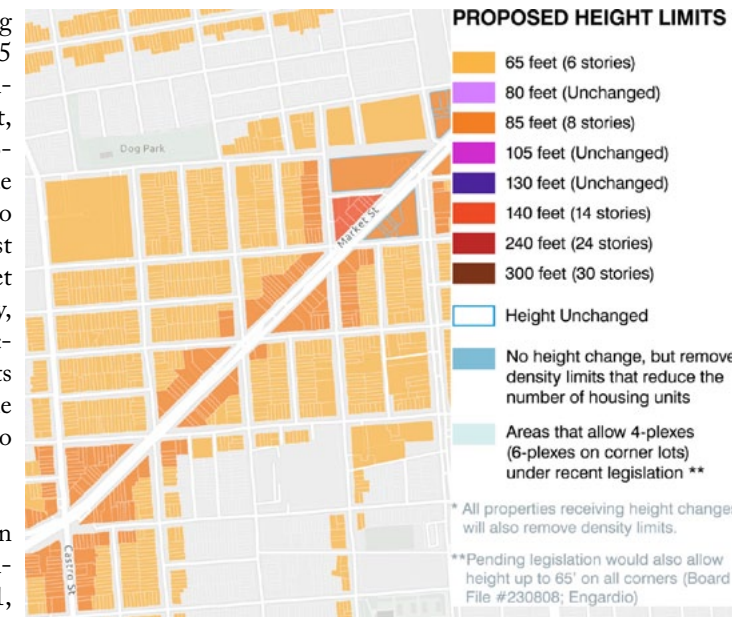
By Dennis Richards

Your DTNA Land Use Committee has been busy since we last reported in the November 2023 DTNA News. The rezoning process and conversation with the SF Planning department has been evolving not only in terms of the feedback that we have given to Planning, but also new rezoning bills and ordinances that have been passed by the SF Board of Supervisors, as well as new state laws that went into effect on January 1, 2024. Much of what appeared to be a certainty in the rezoning landscape unfortunately is anything but certain.

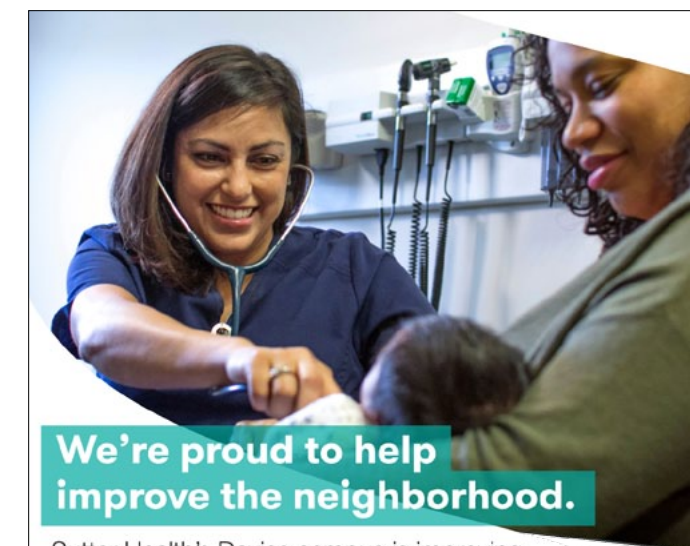
DTNA's recommendations were submitted to both the Director of Planning and the Supervisor's office on January 12, 2024. We are happy to report that the SF Planning Department took most of our recommendations and incorporated them into the new revised rezoning map. As you can see from the map, nearly all of Duboce Triangle is recommended to be rezoned uniform-

ly at 65 feet, or six stories. Along Market Street heights rise to 85 feet or eight stories, and the entire block bounded by Market, Castro and 16th Streets is proposed for a uniform 85 feet due to its proximity to the Castro MUNI Station. Perhaps most importantly, we may finally get a redevelopment of Safeway, with the higher heights we recommended! The height limits on the southern portion of the Safeway lot have been raised to 140 feet or 14 stories.

Outstanding items remain however. The new State Density Bonus effective January 1, 2024 adds a possible application of "form-based zoning" which may affect the final height limits, and DTNA is working with SF Planning to understand those changes. DTNA and the Planning Commission are also both concerned about small business displacement when the business must be closed due to the demolition and construction of new buildings, and we are working with SF Planning to determine what the next steps are with regard to listing our Duboce Triangle California Eligible Register District to the State Register of Historic Resources. Keep in mind that nothing will change tomorrow – any new buildings will only emerge over a number of years, even decades, and it will take ongoing vigilance to protect cherished amenities like our mid-block open spaces, and cherished cultural attributes like our LGBTQ+ character. DTNA will continue to keep you informed at our General Meetings as well as in this newsletter and on our website at dtna.org. Let's all embrace change and celebrate community together!



Most of Duboce Triangle would be limited to six-story buildings. Along Market Street buildings could rise to eight stories, and the Safeway parking lot could (hopefully soon!) be replaced by 14 stories of much-needed housing.



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DTNA General Meeting Plots Path to Cover Parking Lots with Flowers



Erik Honda is the editor of the DTNA News. He has lived with his family and housemates on Henry Street since 1992.

by Erik Honda

After a fun community social with delicious food and tasty drink, an engaged crowd and supervisor Rafael Mandelman turned out for our February General Meet-

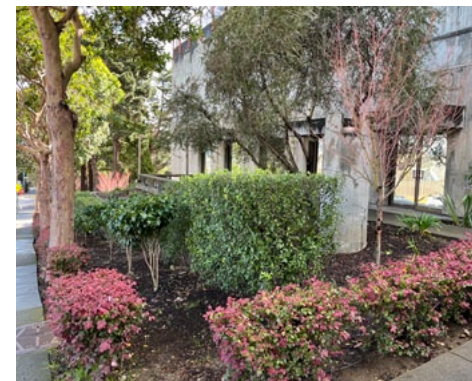
ing at Harvey Milk Community Center. Supervisor Mandelman thanked DTNA leadership and other neighbors for being engaged in holding the Department of Public Works to account for their long-promised and now-being-implemented restoration of the bulb-outs on Noe Street, an overdue freshening of what the earliest iteration of DTNA accomplished in the 1970s. The Supervisor also warned of rough budget sailing ahead with a decline in tax revenues due to the exodus of workers from downtown. On the bright side Mandelman is working toward the installation of speed cameras for pedestrian safety, police oversight to address SFPD's abysmal lack of traffic enforcement, and the extension of Caltrain to the Transbay Terminal.

Our main presentation was from Shalaco, the founder of SFinBloom <https://www.sfinbloom.art/about>; they celebrate the magic of

planting plants by spreading seeds for native plants – Shalaco says that 1600 species of native bees depend on these, and suggests that we should always add native flowers around the base of the new trees when we put them in, or in “temporary” pots around the hardscape of new projects. SFinBloom’s mission is to democratize gardening by sharing knowledge and passion about sustainable garden design and landscaping. Shalaco reports that 60% of our food is dependent on beneficial pollinator insects which are under threat due to encroachment on their habitats, pesticides, and erratic weather caused by climate change. People who are looking for ways to make



The CPMC campus perimeter on Castro is cut off from the neighborhood by unattractive chain link fencing.



Upgraded stretches of the CPMC campus perimeter on Duboce offer native plants and blend seamlessly with the neighborhood.

a positive impact can go to their website to get a Parmesan cheese shaker filled with native wildflower seeds to make gardening fun and accessible. Start blooming today!

We closed the meeting with a presentation from Tami Chin, the site administrator at the CPMC Davies campus, who laid out

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Check out the DTNA Instagram



Leela is a DTNA News columnist and helps run the DTNA Instagram. She moved to the neighborhood earlier this year.

By Leela Sarukkai

If you're reading this, you already know that the DTNA News is a key source of information about neighborhood happenings. You know that each newsletter starts with the Supervisor and President's messages. Then, as you flip further, you get access to the DTNA general meeting report from the prior month, the DTNA board report, and oftentimes a community calendar of events. You'll get the stories of key neighborhood gems (such as S&A liquors in this is-

sue) and voices of neighborhood stars (check out 'Growing Up on Church Street').

What you may not know is that DTNA (@dubocetriangleneighborhood) also has an Instagram account where you can stay up to do without waiting for the bi-monthly letter. We share events that are coming up and feature our local restaurants, cafés, pets, and neighbors. Our stories are often filled with shots of our gorgeous Victorian homes and resharing key posts from our

local communities. We aim to use Instagram as a medium to showcase our neighborhood in a variety of forms - including calling out where trees have fallen during the storms, highlighting trash and litter pick-up days in partnership with Refuse Refuse, and promoting the Castro Sunday Art Marts featuring artwork created by people in our neighborhood.

If you have questions to ask us or have suggestions on what you would like to see on Instagram,

don't be afraid to send us a quick DM! Through Instagram, we can communicate directly with you and direct you to the appropriate people who can thoroughly answer your questions and concerns. If there are special neighbors or neighborhood establishments that you would like to see featured, we would also love to know! Your neighborhood gems are our neighborhood gems as well, and we want to give them the social media shoutout they deserve.



DTNA Insta is a place to find fun images much like this one, where young and old alike show off jumping, eating, sitting, and waving athletic skills at a Henry Street Super Bowl party in January.

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March into Spring with Greens!

by Debra Morris, Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association

After a winter of dense stews and carb-heavy recipes, it's time to lighten up your meals with fresh and delicious spring green. Find these delicious but unusual greens at the farmers' market because you will seldom find them anywhere else.



- **Amaranth leaves:** Grown and harvested in the summer months. The leaves taste a bit like spinach. Best when simply sautéed, but good in salads, soups,

and casseroles or with eggs.

- **Green garlic and Spring onions:** Best in the early spring. It has a mild garlic flavor and smaller bulb. The entire plant, from greens to bulb, can be consumed.
- **Yam (sweet potato) leaves:** Grown year-round, but

good in spring. Brightly colored green with heart shaped leaves, they taste similar to spinach and can be eaten raw or cooked. Try in soups, salads, or sandwiches.

- **Mustard greens:** These grow year-round. This peppery and spicy green has ruffled small leaves and can be used in a variety of ways, from salads to soups. Used in both traditional Southern dishes as well as Asian recipes.

- **Mâche:** Good in late winter to early spring. This tender salad green grows in bunches and has small, delicate leaves. They have a nutty taste and can be eaten raw in

salads or cooked, steamed or sautéed and served as a vegetable.

Lighten up your meals this spring and add some exciting new tastes to your recipes! They're full of healthy nutrients, offer interesting textures, and fill your plate with flavor! Find them at your local farmers' market!

The Castro Farmers' Market is set to open for the season on Wednesday April 3rd, 3 pm to 7 pm, Noe at Market St. Join in the fun with a ribbon cutting ceremony, great music, and kids' activities.

Flashback: DTNA News 1979

By Corbin Muraro

Did you know that this very newsletter has been continuously published since the early 1970s? While digging through DTNA's website recently, I came across

this image of the Duboce Triangle News cover from September 1979. Just looking at this one page, it's interesting to observe what was of note in 1979 Duboce Triangle. While some things have changed (the newsletter's



formatting, for one!), other topics remain surprisingly topical in 2024 — housing affordability, gentrification, and community building to name a few.

Although DTNA's online newsletter archive on dtna.org only currently extends back to 2007,

thankfully a full print archive has been maintained, stretching back to the first issue in the early 1970s. For those who are curious to learn more about our neighborhood's past, there are plans to digitize and publish the full set on our website.

Join us for Spring Activities at Duboce Park



Helene is President of Friends of Duboce Park. She has lived on Pierce Street since 2004.

By Helene Kocher

April and May will be busy months in the Park!

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT returns to the Park on Saturday, May 4 with *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story* (2016, PG-13). This is the first installment of the *Star Wars* anthology series and an immediate prequel to *Star Wars* (1977). Wearing *Star Wars* costumes is encouraged! Stormtroopers are welcome.

The movie begins at 8 p.m. on the upper lawn and we will have local musicians playing beforehand. The event is free to attend but [donations](#) to Friends of Duboce Park are welcome. May the Fourth Be With You!

DOGFEST, a celebration of dogs, families, community, and spring in San Francisco, returns to Duboce Park on Saturday, April 27. It's also a charitable event that raises funds for McKinley Elementary – a small public school in the neighborhood. Starting 17 years ago as a small, grassroots event, DogFest has grown into a beloved San Francisco tradition with thousands of supporters and hundreds of businesses participating.

DogFest attendees can expect nonstop fun and games. The park fills with carnival-style games staffed by McKinley students, while at the top end jumping castles keep the little ones busy. Dogs are the star of the event, of course, with a daylong show and contest. Food trucks ensure that everyone is well fed, while the book fair, merchant stalls, and the doggie adoption zone provide wonderful ways to support the community.

The Dog Play/Multi-Use Area has its annual field closure January 1 through March with a fence surrounding the closed area for turf renovations and rest from overuse. Michelle Pallavicini, Park Services Manager said, "the goal is to get the field looking its best for DogFest '24."

Playground resurfacing has been completed in the Children's Playground. The new surface is green artificial turf that has a lot of bounce. The old surface was 23 years old and was installed as part of the playground renovation completed in 2000. See you in the park!

DTNA Board Reports – February and March

By Bob Bush, DTNA Vice-President

The Board supports continuing the monthly first Sunday Art Marts on Noe Street. We reviewed the status of various initiatives in the Triangle including tree plantings, Noe Street bulb-out repairs, Vision 2030 and CPMC perimeter improvements. We discussed the need to expand membership and review newsletter printing costs, and had a detailed discussion of improving Board communication.

DTNA General Meeting, continued

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CPMC's plans to address dangerous levels of noise coming from medical gas deliveries and hospital cooling infrastructure. DTNA is also dedicating new energy to our ongoing project to

soften the edges of the CPMC campus with increased tree and garden plantings, as well as the removal of pass-through obstructions. Thanks to all the neighbors who attended the General Meeting to support our work!

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