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Regular monthly meetings of the ITHA are held at 7:30 P.M. on the third Thursday of each month, January, February, March, April, May, June, September and October, No regular meetings are scheduled for July, August, November, or December. Location is the St. Francis Episcopal Church, 399 San Fernando Way, and all Terraces residents are welcome.

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#### www.ithasf.org/email.html

Our new forum is now available for all neighbors: http://forum.ithasf.org. Members discuss topics such as local events, meetings, crime, schools, and gardening. The newsletter is available on the website: www.ithasf.org/sundial/ sundial.html

## President's Letter By Mark Scardina

#### Holiday 2017

Welcome to the holiday edition of our ITHA newsletter. As I am writing this, we have just held our annual meeting. It was a great event with informative guest speakers and a great Mexican complimentary lunch courtesy of our secretary, Sandy Gandolfo, and her company, Barbagelata Real Estate. Of particular note was our guest speaker from DPW, Alex Murillo. He provided us with status on our ongoing sewer and roadway projects. The variety of construction projects is due to the fact that there is now a City policy to notify all utility agencies of a pending re-pavement project and give them the opportunity to get work done. Once repaved, there is a 5 year moratorium on subsequent non-emergency street work. The sewer work should be completed by the time you read this though more curb ramps are scheduled. He noted that the areas missing temporary patches were due to lack of available paving companies as the City has many street projects going at this time. The good news is that the entire neighborhood north of Holloway and south of Ocean is scheduled to be repaved. This will be done in two phases - Urbano north-side to Holloway and then Ocean to Urbano. Completion of the entire project including repaying is scheduled for late March, 2018.

We also heard from fellow resident, Jen Low, of Supervisor's Yee's staff about the SF Participatory Budget process that is starting for 2018. There is a total of \$550,000 available partitioned into \$250K for pedestrian safety projects and the balance for general neighborhood ones. District 7 residents can submit their ideas via online application available from www.sfbos.org/ yee. The projects must be a onetime expenditure between \$5K and \$25K and benefit our district. The deadline is Dec 13th and voting will occur in March. Two projects that have been discussed are painting pedestrian crosswalks at all intersections that have circles and to provide our sundial with solar uplighting. I encourage you to brainstorm other ones and submit an application.

Speaking of the sundial, as reported last issue, we now have a restoration fund that is growing. The Landscape Committee, coordinated by John Stacey is seeking bids for re-painting the gnomon and the circle area plus having its

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dedication date of October 10, 2013 re-cut into the marble stone at the gnomon base. If you would like to donate please use the included envelope and note on it or your check, the amount for the fund.

Now that the drought is over, many of you are considering or have planned front landscape projects. If any of these involve digging up the front, I recommend you afford yourself of the PG&E service to show where your underground gas or electrical lines are. This is a free service you can access by calling 811 at least two business days before you start digging. Information as well as an online request form is available at www. usanorth811.org.

As illustrated by the pictures in this issue, our Sundial Picnic was a huge success with great weather, food, entertainment and neighbors. Thanks go out to Wendy Dwyer (coordinator), Sandy Gandolfo (food), Mark Goldstein (music), the Lawsons (BBQ) along with all the volunteers who helped make this year's a memorable one. Our final 2017 event is the Caroling Party on Dec. 10th starting at Sundial Park at 6:30 and ending up at 440 Urbano at 7:30 pm. On behalf of your board I hope everyone has a safe, healthy and enjoyable holiday season.

Mark Scardina President Ingleside Terraces Homes Association

## NERT is an important program

Our neighborhood needs to participate in the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT). Contact www.sfgov.org/sffdnert or 415.970.2022 for a schedule of free training offered in San Francisco neighborhoods. This training is a 20 hour comprehensive disaster preparedness class held over six sessions. The instructors are professional firefighters. No experience required. Learn about making a disaster supply kit for your home and more.

### The Case Against Short-Term Renting

We live in an incredible neighborhood, in an incredible city.

In fact, San Francisco is one of the major tourist locations in the U.S., and there is extraordinary demand for places to stay. Thus, it's understandable that some members of the Ingleside Terraces community would be interested in participating in the short-term rental system that has spawned from several websites.

However, it's important to note that short-term rentals are against the CC&Rs of our neighborhood, and for some very good reasons:

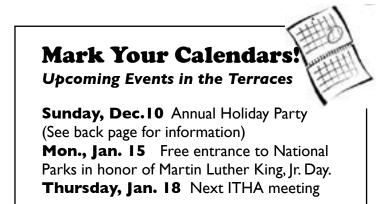
• Short-term rentals (defined as LESS than 30 days) can change the nature of our neighborhood from a tight-knit group of neighbors, to a group of strangers (to us and each other) who arrive and depart in days - adding nothing to our community except revenue in one homeowner's pocket.

• Short-term rentals create traffic and parking woes for our residents, bringing in more cars and traffic into a neighborhood of winding streets and somewhat restricted access than it was designed for.

• Short-term renters can range from completely law-abiding and quiet citizens, to the very opposite - which can be enormously disruptive in the neighborhood (and pit neighbors against each other)

Everyone who bought a house in Ingleside Terraces signed a copy of the CC&Rs - and we want to gently remind people that short-term rentals in the neighborhood are prohibited.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact John Stacey at ccrs@ithasf.org.







# The ITHA Annual Holiday Caroling Party will be on Sunday, December 10 at 7:30 pm.

The evening begins with sing-along caroling at the **Sundial** at **6:30 pm**. Afterwards, our gracious hostess Sandy Gandolfo will host a potluck party at **440 Urbano**.

Please bring sweets and treats, finger food, and wine to share. The multi-talented Mark Goldstein will provide the music. Please RSVP to Sandy at 415.706.5633 or gandolfo.sandy@gmail.com. Meet your neighbors and have fun!

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