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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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President's Letter

By Mark Scardina

Welcome to the 2013 portion of our centennial celebration! As you should be aware, we began this last year in recognition of the first homeowners taking possession and will culminate our festivities with our Annual Picnic this year at the location of the inauguration of our sundial in 1913. Stay tuned!

Your hard-working board of volunteers have seen fit to re-elect all of last years officers, and we now have our previously vacant secretary position once again capably filled by Sandy Gandolfo. Most of you know Sandy and her hardworking co-chair, Wendy Dwyer, from their work on leading the events committee managing our annual garage sale, picnic, and holiday events over the years. Even though they love doing it, they need to take a break and have offered to mentor their replacements during this year. Therefore, I am reaching out to find a few "socially oriented" neighbors who have some time to volunteer to keep these wonderful activities going. Please contact Sandy or me, as we would love to hear from you!

Your ITHA Board of Directors and committee chairs meet monthly most months on the third Thursday, and of course you have a standing invitation to attend. To provide you with an additional incentive we have started to have pre-announced guest speakers of neighborhood interest for a Q&A session. By the time you read this, we will have had our new District 7 supervisor, Norman Yee, at our February meeting along with Doug Lybeck from the Friends of the Urban Forest. I welcome your suggestions of speakers for future meetings.

This year looks like it is going to be a pivotal one as many issues are beginning to boil that will have a major impact on our neighborhood. The Parkmerced projects are moving forward as is the 19th Avenue Traffic Corridor project. Meetings have been and are being scheduled to get your feedback. Please make your opinions known. The most critical initiative that is resurfacing is an effort to eliminate single-family zoning throughout the City. The usual arguments about the lack of affordable housing and "legalizing" in-law units to ensure safety are being made in support of this. While I will not use this column as a bully pulpit, we as homeowners need to consider that we are a distinct minority in a city where 2/3's of its residents are renters which is double the national rate. Once again, please don't be shy about expressing your viewpoints at every opportunity.

On a positive note, on behalf of the ITHA Board, I would like to thank the 200+ of you who responded to last year's membership drive with generosity. We were able to fully cover our expenses and begin building back up our reserve. However, this is

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a new year and this newsletter serves as your reminder. We still make it convenient to renew either by check using included form or online at www.ithasf.org. To those of you who have not joined, please read Norman Meunier's article in this issue covering all of last year's activities and hard work our volunteers have put into making Ingleside Terraces a special place to live.

Mark Scardina
 President@ithasf.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Upcoming Events in the Terraces

Garage Sale: Saturday May 4
 Annual Picnic: Sunday, September 29
 Annual Meeting: Saturday, November 16
 St. Francis Church, 399 San Fernando Way
 Holiday Caroling: Sunday, December 22



A good time was had at the annual holiday party at the home of Bob and Carolyn Karis.

Ingleside Terraces –100 Years

The year 1912 proved to be an important year in the history of Ingleside Terraces, the City of San Francisco, the United States of America, and perhaps even the world.

In 2012, Woody LaBounty published the book celebrating the 100-year history of Ingleside Terraces. Introduced at a book signing party held in one of the original Arts and Crafts homes on Moncada, the book provides IT residents with new insights into the events shaping our neighborhood. The annual picnic celebrated the many ethnicities found within the Terraces. The December holiday party on Victoria Street featured several residents in period costume, a fantastic musical combo of Mark Goldstein on keyboards, Cory Weinstein on clarinet, Gerald Villegas on guitar, and Maxim Massenkoff on bass, and a framed board displaying news articles from the 1912 *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Back to events of 1912. Ingleside Terraces, the 148-acre development of URICO (Urban Realty Improvement Company) led by Joseph Leonard, saw the completion of its first homes on Cedro in June of 1912. By December, thirty-eight residences had been built or were under construction. In 1912 newspapers, URICO published glowing advertisements and articles about the new "Restricted Exclusive Home Park," known to current residents as Ingleside Terraces. The modern improvements touted included large lots, high-grade residences, unobstructed marine views, water, sewer, gas, electricity and telephone utilities, and bituminized pavement on the streets. The developers promised car service from 4th & Market to the Terraces every 10 minutes on the Ellis Street Line, without the need for a transfer. And even greater service once the Twin Peaks Tunnel opened in 1918.

The Residential Development Company (Mason McDuffie) announced another City Beautiful development with the purchase in October of 175 acres from the Adolph Sutro estate. This property became Saint Francis Wood.

Muni celebrated 100 years of operation in 2012. Mayor Rolph inaugurated car #1 on December 29, 1912. That same day 15,000 San Francisco citizens traveled on the Geary Street Railway line that Rolph declared the "nucleus of a mighty system of streetcar lines, which will some day encompass this entire city." Despite the large number riding the ten cars of the line, the schedule of the 7 1/2 minutes headway was met, and the 5-cent

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Membership Report February 2013

Dear Neighbors,

Can you believe that another year is well under way already! And it is looking like it will be an improvement over the last one. We should keep our collective fingers crossed and see what happens.

The last year was one to remember, Ingleside Terraces Centennial began in October and will continue through next October! I am very pleased to say how happy I am with the results of the sales of the sweatshirts and tees! Many thanks to **Karen Mar** for her help making up the great looking logo that she gave us to use! And, to **Woody LaBounty**, a huge THANKS for allowing us to use his custom font. The two of them really helped to make something very special. Speaking of Woody, if you have not already purchased his wonderful history of Ingleside Terraces (IT) I encourage you to do so soon. The book has been very well received. I have some ideas for something different to help with fundraising this year. News of that will be coming soon.

Our cost cutting efforts are paying off very nicely, and your Board of Directors continues to keep our pencils sharp! One major item we are saving on quite a lot is the delivery of this newsletter! **Wendy Dwyer** and her team of volunteers have done a wonderful and efficient job of getting this to you with a smile that saves us hundreds of dollars each edition! Other expenses continue as usual. **Linda McGilvray**, our editor, does a wonderful job at what might be a thankless chore, and she is a champ! We strive to keep our mailing list up to date.

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Ingleside Terraces Homes Association
You are invited to share in the betterment of our neighborhood.
Will you help with any of the following activities?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Helping elderly & disabled neighbors with special needs | <input type="checkbox"/> Gateway pillar preservation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political/planning/zoning needs | <input type="checkbox"/> Local HAM radio net |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Graffiti/tagging removal | <input type="checkbox"/> Mini-park beautification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome wagon for new residents | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical documentatin |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special/social events | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency response in case of disaster |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter publication | |

ITHA Annual Dues Notice

Enclosed is my/our membership contribution of:

- Benefactor \$250
- Patron \$120
- Supporting \$80
- Regular \$40
- Special/Senior \$ _____

Name _____
(As it should appear on mailing list)

Address: _____
(Terraces home for which you are paying)

Mailing address, if different than above:

_____ Phone: _____

Please put your Terraces address on your check.

e-mail: _____

*Thank you! Please make checks payable to Ingleside Terraces Homes Association
Please use enclosed envelope & mail to ITHA, P.O. Box 27304,
San Francisco, CA 94127-0304.*

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There have been a lot of changes recently. Several very long-time neighbors have moved on. We wish them good luck and welcome our new families with open arms. Our neighbor **Rose Ann Anderson** took on the task of the Welcome Wagon this year and has made some nice changes to the system. If you are one of the new neighbors and have not heard from her, please contact her. You will find all the contact information in this news.

At the January meeting your Board voted to elect **Mark Scardina** once again as our President. This is Mark's third term, and we appreciate his leadership very much. The organization he brings to the table is wonderful and has been needed for some time. **Paul Conroy** accepted his second term as Vice President and continues his valuable membership with the West of Twin Peaks Central Council (WOTPC) as the representative from IT. Please contact Paul if you have any concerns about the West Side of our city. He is a valuable member of our board and is very active with WOTPC and ITHA. For several years our neighbor and good friend **David Supan** has kept a tight eye on the money. David owns a business and frankly he is doing a GREAT job for us. What would we do without our faithful and most loyal **Sandy Gandolfo** who has brought her computer tablet to our meeting to keep minutes for many years? These four make up the leadership of our Board of Directors; each brings a very special voice to our meetings; they are special neighbors. The number of At Large members of the Board has been reduced slightly. Although this is not a bad thing, we must have a quorum at our meetings. When a few members cannot attend regularly, we find ourselves in a bind, and no official business can be done. We feel that the current Board membership is strong and that we can affect the business at hand. Of course we welcome any neighbor to attend our regular meetings, which are always open to all. We encourage your participation in any way that you feel comfortable – everyone is a volunteer, and as such any help is appreciated. Of course, that just might result in a new Board Member – a good thing. Your Board welcomed a new member this year. Long time neighbor **Dr. Les Plack** stepped up and offered to take one of the At Large seats. We look forward to working with Les very much. **Irene Carter**, a native Ingleside Terraces neighbor continues to offer her input to the Board as well. **Mark Goldstein** has asked to not stand for re-election after serving his three years, as he has an unavoidable business conflict. Despite this he will continue to be our webmaster and the monitor of our electronic systems, which is great news! We will miss Mark at our meetings, but understand and appreciate his continued help. **Paul Kameny** is a quiet member who has a lot to say, we like that. Paul is responsible for our

NERT team, which will prove how valuable it is when an emergency arrives. It is with sadness that we had to say goodbye to our great and very loyal **Budd Weed** passed on this past year. We really miss Budd; he was so sincere and wonderful. You will find other words about him in the news. Budd was so influential in so many ways, it will be very hard to replace him. I am happy to continue my work as Membership Chair, and will hopefully be successful with yet another fund-raising plan. Last year's sweatshirt idea really paid off in a big way. I was told that the funds raised were equal and more than the expenses of the fabulous picnic that **Wendy Dwyer** and **Sandy Gandolfo** organized last September. I missed the holiday SING ALONG, but have heard that **Bob** and **Carolyn Karis**, once again, went out of their way to open their home to a large crowd of neighbors, who all reported they had a very nice time and enjoyed each others' company very much. **Rory Camp** has taken on the chore of the Landscaping Committee! Rory brings a very nice vitality to our group. **Suzanne McDonnell** works diligently to keep the Design Review Group together. The members of that committee, including me, are working as fast as we can to write 'standards' that will help neighbors who are planning changes to their homes understand the value of our part of the city and how to keep that value in place.

If I have missed any special neighbors please accept my sincere apologies. We are a wonderful community of loyal neighbors who value the special quality of our area of San Francisco very much. As always, if you see something of concern, I encourage you to speak up, as your Board tries very hard to make sure that all voices are heard. And last, please don't forget to send your memberships in. We cannot continue to keep Ingleside Terraces the lovely community it has been without them. And THANK YOU VERY MUCH to our neighbors who have contributed so generously – many have actually contributed two or more times during the year! OUTSTANDING!!!! This is exactly why I keep on doing this work. And the 'high value' donations are stunning. I get the envelopes and keep track of the donations over the course of the year and am simply amazed at the LOVE we get from you.

Thank you very much,
Norman Meunier

Ingleside Terraces celebrates 100 years with Woody Labounty's new book documenting the history of the Terraces' journey from racetrack to admired residence park. Get your copy at Bookshop West Portal and at inglesidebook.com.

Chester C. "Budd" Weed

Budd Weed passed away in San Francisco on August 30, 2012, at 81 years old. He is survived by his daughters Jennifer Lambert Weed and Claudia Lee Haas, as well as a grandson, sister and several nieces and nephews.

He was a veteran of the Korean War, on active duty from 1952–1954, and in the Reserves until 1961. Budd was in Human Resources for over 40 years.

Budd loved antique cars, auto touring, people, animals and music. He served on the Board of the Ingleside Terraces Homes Association for many years, most recently welcoming new residents with the Welcome Wagon.

Dog Incident on Urbano

A City Hall meeting was held Dec. 17 with Officer Denny concerning the vicious dog at 21 Urbano. The dog has had five episodes chasing adults into the street. The last one resulted in biting the mail man. The dog, Puna, a brown pit bull, is reputedly now living in Pacifica where Animal Control will check on the dog's expired shots, access to the public, obedience classes, and licensing. If Puna should visit San Francisco, she is to be muzzled and on leash at all times. If seen without these restrictions, a call to 911 is in order. 911 is to be advised that Officer Denny said to call and to respond.

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fares added \$750 to the city coffers.

Rounding out events, Democratic Woodrow Wilson carried the House and Senate with his Presidential election over Teddy Roosevelt and William H. Taft. San Francisco newspapers pronounce the Panama Canal near completion. Ingleside Terraces dedicated its Sundial with a stone marble marker at the base on the same day as the Canal's "Kiss of the Oceans," the meeting of the Atlantic and Pacific Ocean waters, on October 10, 1913. Want more information?

- Check out the Then and Now photos www.sfog.us/homes/
- Western Neighborhoods Project www.outsidelands.org/ingleterr.php
- *Ingleside Terraces: San Francisco Racetrack to Residence Park* by Woody LaBounty www.inglesidebook.com/?wnp



Living Guide to Butterflies by Maya Winshell

ITHA Resident Wins Design Award for Public Library Cards

The Mayor's Office and San Francisco Public Library presented the five winning artwork designs in the Library Card Design Contest. The winning card designs feature penguins, butterflies, rays of sunshine, a fox, and the transformative joy of reading books. Some 3,500 designs were submitted to the ImproveSF contest in September and October, then winnowed to ten in each of five age/grade categories by a panel of judges. The judges included author Lemony Snicket, illustrator/author Ashley Wolff, artist Sirron Norris, library graphic designer Barbara McMahan, Suzee Barrabee with the advertising firm Goodby Silverstein & Partners, City Librarian Luis Herrera, and San Francisco School Board member Hydra Mendoza, the education advisor to Mayor Ed Lee. The finalists were then subject to public voting. After tallying more than 14,000 interactions, five creative, colorful and powerful designs received the most votes. First place for middle school went to **Maya Winshell** of Live Oak School. The design is a representation of how books bring stories to life.

"ImproveSF challenges allow San Franciscans of all ages and from every corner of the City to collaborate and innovate with City government," said Mayor Ed Lee. "We are harnessing the passion and creativity of our residents to improve city services for everyone."

The five winning designs will be featured on new San Francisco library cards issued in 2013. There are more than 400,000 San Francisco library cards in active circulation. San Francisco Public Library issues about 60,000 new cards each year.

Spring Fling Garage Sale

Saturday, May 4, 2013 • 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

All neighbors in Ingleside Terraces are invited to open their garage doors for the sale. Publicity, courtesy of ITHA, will be placed in local classified sections.

Take advantage of this great money-making event!

Last Name _____ Phone _____
(Name will not be printed on map)

Address for map _____

Yes, I will be participating. I will offer items in the following 3 categories:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Yes, I will help distribute publicity flyers and hang posters and banners the week of the event.

Please fill out this form and return to Wendy Dwyer, 350 Urbano Dr., SF, CA 94127 by April 25. For more information call Wendy @ 706-0549 or email her at hairnetw@hotmail.com There's a suggested donation of \$20. per household participating to support ITHA. Thanks.

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See inside for upcoming events, centennial celebration and ITHA information!