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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](http://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](http://www.ithasf.org/sundial/sundial.html)

## President's Letter

By Mark Scardina

Welcome to our Fall newsletter. I thought I would be writing about how we can resume our normal social lives and events by now, but it is not to be. We will however; be having our Annual Meeting, albeit virtually via Zoom. Since we don't have to rent a hall, we decided to schedule it for an evening. Please reserve a couple of hours on Thursday, Dec. 3rd from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. We will be sending out computer, tablet and telephone connection details closer to the event and posting them on our website, [www.ithasf.org](http://www.ithasf.org). As usual, it will be a business meeting with annual reports, special guests, and election of a third of our board. We hope you can join us.

As expected the election was tumultuous no matter who or even what you voted for; however, we have a very notable result in that our new District 7 supervisor will be our neighbor, Myrna Melgar! Our association has enjoyed a close, supportive relationship with President Yee and his staff, and it is wonderful to see this continue. One of the recurring issues we've been dealing with is affordable housing and especially how we can meet the needs of our elderly residents in being able to safely stay in the area as well as bringing in young families to sustain us. Fortunately, Myrna has had extensive experience as Planning Commissioner and Commission President to continue the initiative started by President Yee. I am pleased to say that I have already engaged with her and hope to see it come to fruition during her term.

On another housing note, some of you may have participated in the Stonestown Development outreach program run by Brookfield Properties. I have also participated in their steering committee for this engagement not only as ITHA representative but Land Use and Planning Committed Chair for the WTPCC. Due to COVID-19, they have now adopted an online engagement model that is hosted on the Neighborland platform at <https://neighborland.com/stonestown> as well as having drop-in Q&A every Friday. I am pleased to report that they are interested in exploring designating part of their housing for seniors in

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support of our program. We hope to have them present their initial vision for a "town center" at our Annual Meeting on Dec. 3rd.

On a hopeful note and a result of our working with President Yee, our Sundial and Park circle has been submitted to the San Francisco Historic Preservation Commission for landmark status. Your board has already submitted a letter in support. If you haven't been already, we'll be asking for your individual letters for the public hearing. Details of the process are also available on our website.

At this point, I would be encouraging you to join our strolling Holiday Caroling event. Our neighborhood concertmaster, Mark Goldstein, has informed me that this too can be hosted virtually using Zoom, and he may even have some minstrels join him! We'll be announcing the date and time at our Annual Meeting as well as posting it on our website.

Stay Safe and Happy Holidays!

*Mark Scardina, President*



Historic photo circa 1912 of the mini-park on Moncada.



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## Stonestown Introducing Neighborland

Since in-person gatherings are limited due to the pandemic, we are launching Neighborland, our virtual community engagement platform, as a way to keep you informed and seek your input. Additionally, we are holding virtual office hours every Friday from 11 am – 12:30 pm, beginning Friday, October 30, 2020. We will keep you updated with our periodic newsletters and emails.

Visit <https://neighborland.com/stonestown>

After careful consideration and approval from the San Francisco Health Department, the mall has reopened. Hours of operation are: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday - Saturday and 11 am - 6 p.m. on Sunday. Visit the Stonestown Galleria website for up-to-the-minute information related to your favorite stores and restaurant stops. Visit our website here: [Stonestowngalleria.com](http://Stonestowngalleria.com).

### Mark Your Calendars!

#### Upcoming Events in the Terraces

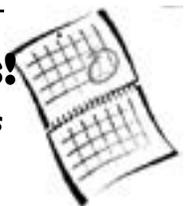
#### Virtual Annual Meeting:

Thursday, Dec. 3, 7:30 – 9:30 pm, [ithasf.org](http://ithasf.org)

Garage Sale & Picnic are POSTPONED

Holiday Decorating Contest, see back page.

Holiday Caroling via Zoom TBA Dec. 3.



## What to Do During an Emergency

Remain calm and **dial 911**

WHEN to dial 911

- If a crime is posing an immediate threat to you or others
- If there is a medical emergency
- If the incident is in progress
- If the incident just occurred and you know where suspect is

State the following information

- WHERE the incident is happening; WHAT is occurring
- Tell the operator if you are in immediate danger or being threatened
- Be brief, clear and accurate

As long as it is safe, stay on the line and answer the operator's questions

Describe each suspect separately from head to toe

### Other Methods of Reporting

To file a report online, visit [sanfranciscopolice.org/reports](http://sanfranciscopolice.org/reports)

For non-emergency reporting, dial 311 or 415-553-0123 within SF or 415-701-2311 outside SF

To call SFPD dispatch directly, dial 415-553-8090 (Taraval station)

## H. Jesse Arnelle

H. Jesse Arnelle, a longtime resident of Urbano Drive, died October 21, 2020 at age 86. Born in New Rochelle, New York, Mr. Arnelle graduated from Penn State University where he excelled in football and basketball while earning his bachelor's degree in political science. He was elected Penn's first Black student body president in 1954 and, in 1969, elected to Penn's Board of Trustees on which he served for 45 years.

Mr. Arnelle earned a law degree at Penn's Dickinson Law School and later served with the Peace Corps in Turkey and India. He eventually found his way to San Francisco where he was a trial lawyer with the Federal Public Defender's Office, a sole practitioner in civil and criminal law, then at the law firm of Arnelle & Hastie. Mr. Arnelle was an enthusiastic walker, often seen heading across Ocean Avenue to wend through Balboa Terrace and St. Francis Wood. He is survived by his spouse, Carolyn Block-Arnelle, and a daughter and son.

## Nikolai Massenkoff

Nov. 28, 1938–Oct. 13, 2020

On October 13th, cherished singer, star, father, husband, family man, and friend, Nikolai Massenkoff, peacefully passed away in his home following a decade-long battle with cancer.

Born to Ivan Romanoff and Maria Massenkoff in Tientsin, China, Nikolai was raised in the Russian Orthodox Saint Tikhon's orphanage (along with his brother and sister) by his spiritual father, Saint John of Shanghai and San Francisco, first in Tientsin, then in Tubabao, Philippines, and then in San Francisco, where he finally settled in 1951. During his time as an altar boy in the orphanage, Nikolai developed his love of music, a love that inspired him to bring joy and Russian culture to audiences around the world through singing.

After founding the Massenkoff Russian Folk Festival in 1975, Nikolai performed worldwide for forty-five years, singing in twelve countries, forty states, and with seventeen symphony orchestras. Venues included Carnegie Hall, Stanford Stadium, Seoul Olympic Stadium for the 1988 Olympic Games, the Walt Disney Concert Hall, the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts in Moscow, and the Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day Telethon. Closer to home, he was a choir director and singer at numerous Russian Orthodox churches. He loved an audience, and, amidst the ongoing lockdown in San Francisco and despite his declining health, played accordion from his veranda for the many walkers of Ingleside Terraces almost every afternoon.

Our deepest condolences to his wife, Douce, who was his strongest caregiver during these difficult times, and to his two sons, Andrei and Maxim, his dear sister, Tamara Bordokoff (George), and many nieces and nephews. Nikolai was laid to rest in the Serbian Cemetery, Colma, CA on October 19, 2020.

*Sullivan's Funeral Home*

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<https://api.pico.tools/pn/theinglesidelight>

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## **Ingleside Terraces Homes Association Annual Meeting**

This year we are having a virtual meeting Thursday, December 3, 2020, 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM PST. Look for connection details closer to this date on our website [www.ithasf.org](http://www.ithasf.org).

In addition we will have a Zoom holiday caroling event to be announced at the Annual Meeting.



## **Holiday Decorating Contest!**

ITHA and Sandy Gandolfo are sponsoring a holiday decorating contest. It will run from December 10 through January 1 and the prize is a \$100 gift certificate to Spiazzo in West Portal for yourself or nominate a neighbor. Send photos or at least an address to Sandy – [Sandyg@realestatesf.com](mailto:Sandyg@realestatesf.com). Sponsored by Sandy Gandolfo and Anna Barbagelata, BarbCo Real Estate.

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