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Regular monthly meetings of the ITHA are held at 7:30 PM 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. **Now meeting online until further notice.**

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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

Google group: terraces@googlegroups.com

President's Letter

By Mark Scardina

Since 2010 ITHA has benefited from the expertise David Supan has contributed as our treasurer and board member. That's over a decade of reliable service for which he has our sincere thanks and appreciation. Unfortunately, his job and increasing travel demands have forced him to resign from both positions. When you see him next please offer your thanks. We can also announce two new board members who have been long-time residents. Donna Howe has joined us and will be assisting with our SAFE, NERT, landscaping and social committees. Robert Ho will be taking over the Membership committee and backing up Stace on Landscaping.

If you weren't at Sundial Park on Sunday, Oct. 1st, you really missed out on a truly wonderful community event! Our ITHA Annual Picnic with its Oktoberfest theme has been getting better year after year. As usual, even the "weather gods" smiled down on us which given the very brief summer we had was notable. And notable was the number of volunteers that saw to the planning, setup, participation and cleanup. This picnic and neighbor gathering doesn't get off the ground without Wendy Dwyer, Sandy Gandolfo, Donna Howe, and Colleen Carrigan, our social committee. Besides the planning, shopping, and acquiring volunteers, they worked our event from start to finish. Mark Goldstein, our music maestro, put together a band of great musicians and vocalists that gave the day a festive vibe in keeping with our theme. Speaking of which, such a harvest celebration does not work without appropriate beverages. We again have Sandy and BARBco Real Estate generously donating the libations enjoyed by all of an age. Of course, we needed to provide a close-at-hand facility for those imbibing as well as the dozens of kids who brought their energy and appetites. We thank Arman Bashi for his kind donation and hope he's able to attend next year.

This year was the second that we registered our party with NeighboFest which is a program offered by the SF Neighborhood Empowerment Network. This was coordinated by Donna Howe, Amy Lin of LiveableCity and our City supervisor and neighbor Myrna Melgar, who along with her husband Sean, gave space in her garage for our rentals and the band's power. We also had some great informational tables on NERT, MAP Your Neighborhood and SF Village Senior Services staffed by Sue Brown, Yvonne Keene and Luanne. Over the last few picnics, we've had a raffle. This year was rather unique as it included ITHA memorabilia donated by the Hank Gomez family. Linda and Les Plack spent the afternoon giving out tickets and congratulating the winners.

Besides all of the delicious salads, finger food, side dishes and desserts brought, many enjoyed the dozens of hot dogs, hamburgers, and veggie burgers cooked

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by our grillmasters, Darrick Ly, Dimitri Stamatis and Robert Ho. Just as with the setup, we needed many volunteers to tear down as well as assist with the kid's crafts and activities. While I'm sure I've missed a few, big thank you's to Kelly Schryver, Eileen Embre, Sharon Meakin, Olin Johanssen, Rose Ann Anderson, Kelly Collins, Linda Yip, Gerri and Randy Kies, Vicki and Larry Oppenheim, Aimee Huang, Amy Peterson, Mary Lewis, Eric Johnson and the guys - Corky, Michael, Fergus, Gustavo and Greg. We even had a couple of kid helpers in Sawyer and Tommy. Whew!

Finally, the entire day was documented by our talented neighborhood photographer, Judy Reynolds which you can see in full color along with this year's other events on our website.

While we don't have our 2024 date yet, stay tuned as you won't want to miss it!

Next up is our Caroling and Holiday Party on Sunday, Dec. 10th. Bring your fine voices and a holiday treat to share. (Info on back page)

NERT and MYN Information

Those who expressed interest in participating in Neighborhood Emergency Response Team and Map your Neighborhood trainings, will be contacted directly via email by Donna Howe in late December/early January. If you are interested, but didn't have the opportunity to sign up at Oktoberfest, please email Donna at donna.howe@comcast.net to be added to the list or ask questions.

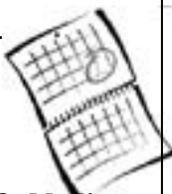
Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Events in the Terraces

Holiday Caroling at the Sundial & Holiday Party: Sunday, Dec. 10, 6:30 (See back page for more info)

Holiday Decorating Contest: (See back page)

Next ITHA Board Meeting: Jan. 18, 7:30 pm



Fall Landscape Day / SF Beautiful Grant Award

Fall Landscape Day (11/4) was a measurable success thanks to the efforts of John, Thom, Robert, Olin, Carole, Carissa and Donna. Graffiti was removed from the Sundial. A bench was repaired, the park urns were weeded, and some progress was made to remove spent vegetation and make room for new plants. Some painting will follow as Halloween revelers did do some damage. Part of the team then moved up to the oval at the portal entrance on Mercedes at Junipero Serra where new plants and more mulch was added. Thanks to all who regularly water over there.

A \$3,200 grant from SF Beautiful for the purchase of cleaning equipment, safety equipment, mulch, plants, and paint has been awarded to ITHA. Once received, these funds will enable beautification work to continue in 3 phases - taking place primarily on Urbano Drive and extending to other areas as time and manpower permits. The goal would be to equip 4 teams of 4 volunteers- each ready to activate and move the plan forward.

Annual Neighborhood Holiday Turkey Drive Continues

Local resident and outreach volunteer, Pierre Smit, began collecting Turkeys for St. Anthony Dining Room out of his home in 2012. Each year participation has continued to grow; over the last three years alone, contributions of cash, online donations, and drop-off donations of hams, turkeys and boxes of fresh produce provided enough food to prepare over 160,000 meals for the hungry locally. This year the San Francisco-Marin Food Bank has stepped in to process donations, 100% of which provide food to needy individuals, families and low income seniors in San Francisco. As in past years, the parking lot at St. Emydius Church (350 De Montford at Jules), just one block off Ocean Avenue, is the collection point for the Christmas Drive on Saturday, December 16, from 9am to noon. Volunteers will be present to receive your donations and offer donation receipts. If you cannot donate, you may mail a check made payable to: SFM Food Bank to SF Turkey Drive, St. Emydius Church 286 Ashton Ave., SF, CA 94112 or take advantage of online giving SFTurkeyDrive.com



Photos from the ITHA
Oktoberfest Picnic
at the Sundial.
Photos: Judy Reynolds



Landscaping Day Volunteers



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See inside for new ITHA information!



Caroling and Holiday Party Sunday, December 10

Join your neighbors at the Sundial on Sunday (12/10) at **6:30 pm for caroling** and then the **holiday party from 7–9 pm at 25 Cerritos**. Small finger foods or desserts are welcome but not required.



ITHA Holiday Decorating Contest

Start your decorating engines for a chance to win Ingleside Terraces Homes Association's 2023 Holiday Decorating Contest.

The prize is a \$100 gift certificate for Little Original Joe's in West Portal. Judging occurs Dec. 23 through Dec. 27 and the winner will be announced in the next ITHA newsletter.

Sponsored by Sandy Gandolfo and Anna Barbagelata, BarbCo Real Estate.