Barbary Coast Neighborhood Association

Accomplishments (June,2013 -- June,2014)

Pursued Key Projects:

- Championed the new children's playground in Sue Bierman Park, which opened in July, 2013. It has been a great success.
- Engaged with key agencies on the Port's proposed **Affordable Housing project at Broadway and Front** streets. We seek a project that will benefit the neighborhood with housing for moderate-income households while addressing design, transportation and environmental concerns, among others.
- Continued our fight against inappropriate development at the **8 Washington Street/Seawall Lot 351** site.
- Upgraded **BCNA website** to be more relevant, informative, and interactive. Transitioned from a newsletter format to a model that provides articles to Geri Koeppel's **Barbary Coast News**.

Represented the Neighborhood:

- Continued our strong relationship with our District Supervisor and **President of the Board of Supervisors David Chiu**. Met with him on numerous issues including efforts to build a playground in our area, 8 Washington, affordable housing and more.
- Supported the proposed ordinance **to halt new liquor licenses** for non-restaurant businesses along Broadway for two years.
- Proposed new **lighting in Sue Bierman Park** with GGTA to improve quality of life in the area. This involved meeting (with GGTA) with the SF Recreation & Park Dept. and seeking District 3 funds.
- Opposed the large fare increase proposed for Muni's F-line.
- Participated in the **BCDC-Port Working Group**. This is an advisory group for planning strategies for enhanced public access to the waterfront.
- Served on the **Community Police Advisory Board CPAB** providing a formal channel for neighborhood concerns and feedback on crime and safety issues.
- Served on the Northeast Waterfront Advisory Group NEWAG which provides input to the Port on various activities and projects of interest to the neighborhood.
- Participated with the **Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods CSFN** to address issues common to the city's neighborhoods.

Sponsored Forums and Information

- Published four well-received **quarterly Newsletters** chronicling the issues that matter most to Barbary Coasters, including coverage of 8 Washington, SF Port happenings, the new Cruise Terminal, America's Cup and the Waterfront Playground
- Sponsored presentation by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority about **Congestion Pricing**. The presentation discussed both the status and elements of the concept.
- Hosted a walking tour explaining the history and sights of the legendary Barbary Coast.
- Co-sponsored a community forum last November with the Port and the Mayor's Office of Housing to brief the neighborhood and obtain feedback on plans for **affordable housing on Seawall Lot 322-1**.

Conducted Ongoing Activities:

- Held three neighborhood "Sunday Social" events, introducing Barbary Coasters to restaurants and lounges in our area, plus giving them a chance to meet and mingle.
- Continued our affiliate relationship with the **Golden Gateway Tenants Association** to broaden membership and expand the reach of BCNA representation and communications.
- Monitored and provided ongoing feedback on a number of developments affecting Barbary Coast residents including the SWL 322-1 Affordable Housing Project, Congestion Pricing, homelessness, Pier 27 Cruise Terminal, and the relocation of Teatro ZinZanni to Broadway and Embarcadero.