



under the dome

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A City Hall Building Management newsletter created specifically for City employees

Dear Tenants:

Welcome summer! With a few week's worth of sunshine and the passing of Memorial Day, we are now officially in Summer mode! This issue of "Under the Dome" will bring you exciting news and fun tips for enjoying your summer safely.

City Hall has been abuzz ever since the influx of same sex marriages has begun! The halls of our beautiful building have served as a venue for the now-legal unions and the excitement and energy generated by these joyous ceremonies can be felt throughout the building!

You may have noticed that Juma Ventures now occupies the North Light Court café selling coffee, pastries, sandwiches, and other delicious treats. Make sure to stop by for breakfast or lunch! Oh, and if you were wondering... the word "Juma" translates to "work" in Swahili.

Please enjoy this latest edition and remember that your suggestions and comments are always welcome!

Happy Summer!

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We Welcome your Feedback!

City employees can send
"under the dome" questions
and suggestions to
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CITY HALL: EPICENTER OF A CALIFORNIA MILESTONE



On May 15, 2008, the Supreme Court of California ruled limiting marriage to opposite-sex couples unconstitutional, making same-sex marriage legal in the State of California. This historic ruling was celebrated by Mayor Newsom, the City Attorney's Office, and thousands of ecstatic San Franciscans at a roaring press conference inside the rotunda of San Francisco City Hall.

Beginning on June 16th, the State of California began issuing marriage licenses and performing wedding ceremonies for same-sex couples. No venue has served a more significant setting for these marriages to take place than San Francisco City Hall. Close to 1,000 wedding ceremonies have taken place in City Hall over the last two weeks and over 1,500 marriage licenses have been issued within the same time.



The San Francisco County Clerk's office spent the month prior to June 16th preparing for a major increase of wedding ceremonies to take place during the first two weeks of legal same-sex marriages. During these historic two weeks, several hundred City employees attended lengthy training sessions to serve as volunteers and to take part in the momentous occasion. Volunteers have donated their time to process license

applications, issue marriage licenses, assist in the Recorder's office, and to serve as deputy marriage commissioners.



As couples from across the country have made their way to San Francisco to take their vows, City Hall has stood as not only a symbol of change but has served as a definitive venue in which the longtime hopes and dreams of same-sex couples has now become a reality.

WHAT I DID ON MY SUMMER *STAY-cation*

As we enter summer and start to outline our vacation plans, we are all feeling the strains of rising gas prices. Most people are re-thinking long road trips and, with the residual effects of increased airline fares, many families have scrapped air travel as well.



Alcatraz Island
SFCVB photo by P. Fuszard

Don't let record breaking gas prices ruin your summer vacation! Why make travel plans when you live and work in one of the greatest vacation destinations in the world? How many of you have never taken advantage of all the wonderful activities and adventures our great City has to offer? Sadly, many San Franciscans have never

walked or biked across the Golden Gate Bridge, have never had a picnic on Angel Island, have never collected shells on the beach at Fort Funston and probably don't even know what or where the Randall Museum is.

If you have yet to see the new de Young Museum or take a boat ride in Stowe Lake; if your kids have never ridden the Yerba Buena Gardens Merry Go Round or visited the sea

lions on Pier 39; and if you can't remember the last time you rode a cable car or ever saw a free summer concert in Stern Grove, then you've already found your ideal vacation spot!



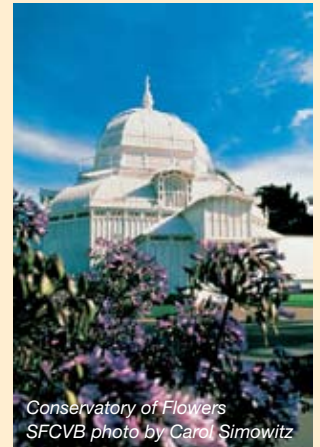
Legion of Honor
SFCVB photo by Jerry Lee Hayes

Check out these resources to help you plan your Summer Stay-cation:

Alcatraz Cruises	www.alcatrazcruises.com
Angel Island TramTours	www.angelisland.com
Aquarium of the Bay	www.aquariumofthebay.com
Bay City Bike Rentals and Tours	www.baycitybike.com
City Kayak	www.citykayak.com
City Search	www.citysearch.com
Conservatory of Flowers	www.conservatoryofflowers.org
Napa Valley Wine Train	www.winetrain.com
Old Faithful Geyser of California	www.oldfaithfulgeyser.com
Safari West	www.safariwest.com
San Francisco Seaplane Tours, Inc	www.seaplane.com
San Francisco Zoo	www.sfzoo.org
Stow Lake Boat House	www.citysearch.com/sfo/stowlakerentals
Randall Museum	www.randallmuseum.org
Yelp!	www.yelp.com
Yerba Buena Gardens	www.yerbabuenagardens.com

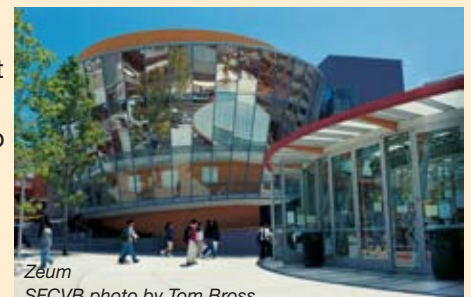


Sea Lions at the San Francisco waterfront
SFCVB photo by Jack Hollingsworth



Conservatory of Flowers
SFCVB photo by Carol Simowitz

The San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau is not just for tourists anymore! Make use of its website, www.onlyinsanfrancisco.com, or pick up a free travel guide from the 311 kiosk near the Goodlett entrance. You will be surprised at what ideas you'll find! Just by browsing the Yellow Pages, the Pink Section, or the local City Search and Yelp websites, you can put together a summer package so exciting that your family won't even know they didn't have to stand in long lines, take their shoes off, and pay \$15 per carry-on just to get there!



Zeum
SFCVB photo by Tom Bross

JUMA VENTURES CELEBRATES THE OPENING OF JUMA CAFÉ

New Café in City Hall Creates Opportunities for At-Risk Youth

On May 28th, Juma Ventures launched its first café in San Francisco City Hall's North Light Court. The festive Grand Opening ceremony was marked by the presence of City Hall employees, Juma supporters and staff, and San Francisco's District Attorney, Kamala Harris. Harris spoke about Juma's critical work of providing Bay Area youth with educational and professional services by employing youth at the new café as well as by providing jobs at local ballparks. Juma Café employs youth from San Francisco's low-income neighborhoods and juvenile justice system.

Juma Café serves great coffee, cappuccinos and lattes; a variety of teas and bagels; as well as healthy food



choices such as organic sandwiches, fresh fruit salad, and Greek and cranberry salads. Craving something sweet? Juma Café also offers a selection of muffins and pastries.

The café has an eat-in area available as well as take-away service. The café hours of operation are Monday through Friday, from 7am - 2pm.

We hope to see you there!



RECENT ADDITION

We have a recent addition to San Francisco City Hall. On May 22nd, the Harvey Milk City Hall Memorial Sculpture was unveiled to a crowd of supporters and members of the public. The unveiling took place seven years after the Board of Supervisors passed a resolution calling for the establishment of a sculpture in remembrance of Supervisor Harvey Milk, on what would have been Harvey Milk's 78th birthday. In a joint effort by the Harvey Milk Memorial Committee and the San Francisco Arts Commission, the Daub, Firmin, and Hendrickson Sculpture Group was commissioned to create the bust which is now on display in the Mini Rotunda at the top of the Grand Staircase.



"This tribute to Harvey Milk is long overdue... it is indeed time for his legacy to be commemorated with a place of honor and distinction in San Francisco's City Hall."
- Mayor Gavin Newsom

CITY HALL HAPPENINGS

CHALLENGE!!!

The Gauntlet has been dropped! After a friendly game of paintball came to a highly contested end, an official challenge has been issued by the SF Sheriff's Department, City Hall Unit, to the City Hall Building Management Department. On July 26th 2008, each team will assemble at American Canyon Paintball Jungle to settle the dispute once and for all to determine who really is "King of the Jungle."





GREEN CORNER

RECYCLING JUST GOT EASIER!

Great News! Less brain power is now required to prevent harmful substances from entering our environment. Recycling has gotten even easier!

San Francisco has expanded its recycling program to help take the guesswork out of plastic recycling. The days of looking for the arrow symbol to find the number which determines if the container is recyclable or not are over.

All of the following items, never before accepted in the recycle bin, are now allowed:

- ALL plastic
- Clear plastic cups and food containers (empty food in garbage first)
- Plastic utensils
- Coffee cup lids
- Plastic buckets
- Plastic desktop accessories
- Plastic toys
- VHS and cassette tapes (ribbon/tape must be removed and placed in garbage first)

- Cd's and cd cases (paper liners must be removed)
- Floppy and Zip Disks (stripped of metal and internal non-plastic parts)

Please remember that the following items are still NOT accepted in the recycle bins:

- ALL styrofoam
- Film plastics (shrink wrap, bubble wrap, ziplock bags, chip bags)
- Plastics labeled "compostable"
- Electronics

No more excuses when it comes to recycling... simply follow the list above!! Your participation will help San Francisco reach its zero waste goal.

For additional information, please call the Building Management department at 554-4933, or visit www.sfenvironment.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The 22nd Annual AIDS WALK is July 20th!



AIDS Walk San Francisco benefits the San Francisco AIDS Foundation and other HIV/AIDS organizations serving the six Bay Area counties.

Established in 1982, the San Francisco AIDS Foundation develops innovative solutions, combining evidence-based

strategies with community experience to fight HIV/AIDS and promote holistic good health. With the unrestricted funds raised by AIDS Walk San Francisco, the Foundation is able to provide direct services to thousands of people living with HIV/AIDS and focus intensive prevention programs to those most at risk of contracting the disease.

The San Francisco AIDS Foundation continues to lead the way in HIV/AIDS advocacy, lobbying for critical policy change in Sacramento and Washington, and working to ensure unfettered access to life-saving HIV treatment and care. Participating in the walk and raising funds enables the Foundation to realize its mission of ending the pandemic and

human suffering caused by HIV.

This year's AIDS Walk will take place on Sunday, July 20th. The walk begins and ends in Golden Gate Park at Sharon Meadow, is 10 kilometers (6.2 miles), and takes roughly 2-3 hours to complete.

AIDS Walk San Francisco does not require walkers to raise a minimum amount of money. However, everyone is encouraged to set a fundraising goal and to do their best to achieve it. Additionally, fundraising walkers for AIDS Walk San Francisco are eligible for several incentive awards, including AIDS Walk t-shirts, tote bags, and jackets!

You can help AIDS Walk San Francisco be environmentally friendly by participating in the new Green Walker program. The Green Walker program will not only save paper, but will save postage, which means that more money will go to the fight against AIDS.

Call AIDS Walk San Francisco at 415-615-9255 or visit www.aidswalk.net for registration information.

SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE CENTER OPENS IN CITY HALL

Effective with an official ribbon cutting that took place on Monday, May 12th, the voter-approved Small Business Assistance Center officially has opened in its 1st Floor location in Room 110 of City Hall. Treasurer José Cisneros has given over this space to house the new independent office. The official opening coincided with the kickoff of San Francisco's annual "Small Business Week".

The Small Business Assistance Center (SBAC) will be an immensely valuable resource to assist the small business community with the complex aspects of doing business in the City. The staff of five, lead by Director Brajah Norris, operates under the direction of the Office of Small Business and the Small Business Commission. The SBAC will be the community's main resource for information, referrals and case management for small business development issues – a true "one-stop shop" for small business. Staff will assist with permits, compliance with local laws, state and local tax credits, and offer relocation assistance among other functions. The SBAC staff can be contacted through its website www.sfgov.org/sbc or by calling 415-554-6134.



City Hall Jumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer.

Overheard on the rotunda steps on June 16, 2008:

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 " day we'd be married!

Answers on page 6



WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT?

Is your work area engulfed in a sea of bright yellow, orange, blue, and pink squares of paper? Do you go through notepads like they are going out of style? Are you addicted to placing post-it notes on every square inch of free space you have? Have you ever wanted to put a post-it on someone's forehead so they can remember something you have said 1,000 times? If you can answer "yes" to any of the above, you probably use too many post-its and notepads!

Luckily, a solution is here! Mini dry-erase white boards! Office Depot and other office suppliers sell desktop dry-erase boards which serve as an efficient and less wasteful method of keeping notes rather than using endless pages of notepad paper and post-its. As you complete each task, you can simply erase the board and start all over, with no addition to the amount of waste you produce! Dry-erase markers come in



a variety of colors and tip-sizes and some even have erasers attached to the cap for easy clean up.

Go ahead, give it a try. Stop ordering post-its and notepads and start making a difference! Order a reusable dry-erase white board and reduce the amount of trash you generate!

Answers from City Hall Jumble:

gavin
vows
dome
wedding

Overheard on the rotunda steps on June 16, 2008:
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SAFETY CORNER CITY HALL SECURITY



The San Francisco Sheriff's Department, City Hall Unit, would like to remind all building tenants to have the phone number to the Sheriff's control room nearby at all times during working hours. City Hall is a public building with over 1200 building tenants and hundreds of visitors each day. Building events and hearings can double the number of patrons inside City Hall within hours. For your own safety, keep the control room phone number in a visible location, such as on your phone or taped to a computer monitor.

415-554-7251

Or

Extension 47251



Fitness Fact

One full lap around the external walkways (those not overlooking the rotunda) inside City Hall is approximately 1,092 feet. A brisk walk five times around these halls equals about 1 mile and 180 feet. What a great way to take a break from your desk, enjoy some exercise, and take in the beauty of the building in which you work!

The San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery

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Paul Hayes: *Drawing from Another Dimension*

May 30 – July 5, 2008

Artist Talk: Thursday, June 26, 2008, 6:00PM to 7:30PM
155 Grove Street

The San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery is pleased to present *Drawing from Another Dimension*, by Bay Area artist Paul Hayes in our Grove Street window installation site. For *Drawing from Another Dimension*, Hayes continues to develop a concept that he has been exploring for the past few years—representing the qualities inherent to drawing in three dimensional space through line, form and mass. The site-specific installation at Grove Street consists of a vast cascade of crumpled and folded pieces of paper suspended on strands of wire that extend beyond the project space and into the rear of the building.

Paul Hayes received a BFA in Illustration from Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), and has been living in San Francisco since 2001. Recent examples of Hayes' works have been shown at the Exploratorium, Alcatraz, Red Ink Studios, Johansson Projects, as well as private commissions for collectors.

Eighteen Months: Taking the Pulse of Bay Area Photography

Presented by the San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery and PhotoAlliance

Opening reception: Thursday, July 17, 2008, 5:30PM to 7:30PM
City Hall

Selected Artists: Noah Beil, Victor J. Blue, Andres Carnalla, Grant Ernhart, Alex Fradkin, Hiroyo Kaneko, Michael Maggid, Vanessa Marsh, Sean McFarland, Julia Nelson-Gal, Elizabeth Pedinotti, Mimi Plumb, Kaycie Roberts, Joshua Smith, Susan Lynn Smith, Naomi Rae Vanderkindren, Serena Wellen, David L. Wilson, Jason Winshell, Sabrina Wong, Bijan Yashar, and Jim Zook.

The SFAC Gallery and PhotoAlliance are pleased to present *Eighteen Months: Taking the Pulse of Bay Area Photography*. This exhibition features over 100 photographs by local artists and is the result of an open call to artists. Over 250 regional photographers applied and 21 were chosen. The works presented in this exhibition take a broad look at what local photographers have been pointing their cameras at over the last eighteen months. An incredible range of styles can be seen, including landscapes, street photography, portraits, and conceptual works. *Eighteen Months* was juried by Makeda Best (Assistant Curator, Photography, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art), Ann M. Jastrab (Gallery Director, RayKo Photo Center and Gallery, SF), and Doreen Schmid, (PhotoAlliance Board Member, Curator, Editor and Writer).

The SFAC Gallery was founded in 1970 and is the exhibitions program of the San Francisco Arts Commission, the arts agency of the City and County of San Francisco.

BYO Brown Bag Lunch Conversation- July 23rd

A Complicated Dominion: Nature and New Political Narratives

Exhibition Dates: June 12 - August 16, 2008

Event: BYO Brown Bag Lunch Conversation with Tiffany Bozic, artist & John P. Dumbacher, Curator of Birds & Mammals at the California Academy of Sciences

Wednesday, July 23, 2008, 12 Noon to 1PM
- FREE

SFAC Gallery, 401 Van Ness Avenue



Paul Hayes
Drawing from Another Dimension,
2007
Installation View at 155 Grove Street



Eighteen Months: Taking the Pulse of Bay Area Photography
Hiroyo Kaneko
Picnics #01, 2007
C-print



SFAC Gallery Brown Bag Lunch