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Notes from Kerry

Summertime..and the livin' is easy.... As summer rolls around everyone is feeling like taking off on vacations. Don't forget to wear your sunscreen, don't play ball in the street, stay away from poison oak, be careful when lighting the bar-b-que, and enjoy those 4th of July fireworks. See you when you get back!

"Do as I say, not as I do." How many times has your mother told you that? Well, I'm guilty of doing the very same thing. After printing numerous articles telling everyone to lock up their personal belongings, and to lock their offices when unattended, I ignored the warnings, left out my wallet laying on my totebag, and sure enough...it's gone. There was \$120.00 in it, and the inconvenience is so much more than that. So, don't be like you mother. Do, as we say and use caution with your belongings; it's an important lesson.

We're proud to announce our three Assistant Custodial Supervisors starting on July 3rd. You probably already know Wilbur Alvites, who scored second on the citywide supervisor exam. (We're so proud of him!) Our two new employees are Patricia Yuan from City College and Richard O'Neil from DPT. They're excited about being here, and you'll see them walking around learning about City Hall and its tenants. Take a moment to introduce yourself.

One Carlton B. Goodlett: One Man - Many Journeys

Born on July 23, 1914 in Chipley, Florida, Carlton B. Goodlett was educated in the public schools of Omaha, Nebraska, and earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C. in 1935; a Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley in 1938; and a medical degree from Meharry Medical College in Tennessee in 1944.

Dr. Goodlett established his medical practice in San Francisco in 1945. His family practice made him an important addition to the medical profession and the emerging Black community, which had migrated to the Bay Area to work in the wartime shipyards. He was an advocate for comprehensive healthcare for everyone.

He capitalized on his interest in journalism by acquiring the Sun Reporter newspaper, and building it into a crusading newspaper for civil rights and civil liberties in post-war America. The paper supported fair employment and housing laws; challenged school segregation; and denounced the assault of civil liberties by Senator McCarthy in the early days of the Cold War.

Dr. Goodlett was a tireless worker for international peace, traveling throughout the world to promote multicultural understanding and cooperation. As a member of the Presidium of the World Council of Peace, he journeyed to Europe, Africa, the Soviet Union, the Middle East, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. He was an early opponent of the United States involvement in Vietnam.

During the civil unrest of the 1960s in America, he led efforts to get universities and colleges to create Urban and Ethnic Studies programs, and supported the use of affirmative action in the public and private sectors of business. In 1966 he entered the California Democratic primary as a candidate for Governor and came in third from a field of six candidates. He was a spellbinding orator who used his position and authority to remind the nation of its unfulfilled promises to deliver equity and justice to all people.

He died in 1997.

A man of vision and courage, Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett leaves a legacy of scholarship, activism and humanism that provides a worthy model for future generations.

To learn more about Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett, please join the Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Institute and City Hall in the North Light Court on Friday, July 21, 2000 from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

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Art in City Hall

Rupert Jenkins, Gallery Director

Thanks for all your positive comments about the lower level art displays. Above the City, aerial photographs by Robert Cameron, continues through July 16.

New exhibitions will appear soon. Join us Thursday, July 27, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for receptions honoring Lisa Kristine (Migration Photography, now on display in the cafe corridor), painter James Gleeson, and a group show by Russian artists living in the Bay Area. Find us by the art. Food and drinks will be served. Always free.

Hope to see you on the 27th! rupert_jenkins@ci.sf.ca.us

Off to Harvard

Tony Irons, San Francisco's City Architect, is going to take a one-year educational leave of absence from the City to study in a fellowship program at Harvard University. He will be following Marcia Rosen, the Mayor's Director of Housing, who spent the last year at Harvard in the same program.

This program, the Loeb Fellowship, is the only one of its kind in the nation. Founded in 1970, it provides a year of independent study at Harvard for outstanding mid-career professionals in fields related to the built and natural environment. The focus is on architects, landscape architects, urban planners, and urban designers, but others in related fields such as filmmaking, journalism, non-profit administration, the arts and government service have been Fellows in the past.

While Tony is gone, Yomi Agunbiade, who has worked with Tony for a number of years, will be the acting director of the Office of the City Architect and will continue assisting departments in their capital programs as requested by the Mayor.

We wish Tony the best of luck as a Loeb Fellow, class of 2000-2001. His presence will be greatly missed, but we look forward to his return and the nifty T-shirts he'll bring back with him. And, he can teach us the words to the Tom Lehrer classic, "Fight Fiercely, Harvard."

And The Winners Are!

Winners have been selected in the City Department Recycling Competition.

After carefully evaluating thirty-seven participating departments and sites the following are the top ten recycling offices in the City (listed alphabetically):

Bill Graham Civic Auditorium
99 Grove Street

Child Protection Center
2200 Post Street

Clean Water Program
1800 Oakdale, Suite B, Room 4

Controller City Hall
Room 300

Department of the Environment

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1540 Market, Suite 160

Health Department
20 29th Street

Public Health
759 South Van Ness

Public Works
2323 Cesar Chavez

Recreation & Park
300 Stonecrest

Water Pollution Control
750 Phelps Street

Winners were selected after evaluating recycling, waste prevention and reuse, and procurement of recycled content products in each participating department.

The winners will be honored at a ceremony on Thursday August 3rd, in Room 201 of City Hall, and given awards by Mayor Willie L. Brown, Jr. and Mr. Paul Horcher, Director of the Solid Waste Management Program. In addition to recognition, the top ten winners will receive environmental prizes for their offices.

A number of other departments are also doing an excellent job of recycling. While not in the top ten, the following City Hall departments are helping the City reach the 50% diversion requirement by recycling and reducing waste:

Purchasing
Room 430

Mayor's Office
Room 288

With more than one third of the City's Departments signing up for the competition, the program has been a resounding success, and the Solid Waste Management Program is now considering making this an annual competition. If you would like any additional information about the program, or about recycling, please call the City Government Recycling Coordinator at (415) 554-3403 or email us at sfrecycle@ci.sf.ca.us