



# BURLINGAME NEWS

## **BURLINGAME DELIVERED A VAN FILLED WITH CLOTHES & FOOD!**

December 13, a full van plus \$355 arrived at the Uptown Faith Community Service Center at 4101 30th St. Bags and boxes were happily unloaded by both staff and clients. Earlier, a computer and printer had been donated by a Burlingame resident. The CSC Director called later to thank us for a fantastic and much needed donation!



If you wish to contribute anything in the future just call Tony at 252-5841 to arrange pick-up or delivery. The center provides limited services Mon.-Fri. 9am-3pm, but they are in our immediate neighborhood and know where to send someone for more help.



## **BURLINGAME CLUB also needs donations!**

To fill 50 Valentine bags for ElderHelp clients, drop off your hotel sized soaps, shampoos, conditioners and lotions at Valerie Lake's at 2526 San Marcos Ave. by February 9!



## **BHA ANNUAL MEETING -- March 9, 2011**

Mark your calendars now for the Burlingame Homeowners Association *Annual Meeting* to be held at 7 pm on Wednesday March 9 at Mazara Trattoria!

The meeting agenda includes electing the 2011 - 2012 Board of Directors. Members will have the opportunity to meet the nominees for the Board before the voting begins.

*It is important that all members attend to ensure we have a quorum for the election.*

We also plan to discuss events of the past year, the upcoming Centennial, other initiatives, and the 2011 events calendar. Members will also have the opportunity to discuss specific neighborhood issues/concerns directly with the Board during the Membership Feedback Forum.

A reminder "Notice" of the meeting location and a sample ballot will be mailed to all Burlingame residents prior to the meeting. To be eligible to vote in the BHA elections, you must be a current member as of Tuesday, February 22, 2011. If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact Michael King at 619-787-6153 or email at [mwking@earthlink.net](mailto:mwking@earthlink.net).

## **BHA BOARD NOMINATIONS**

Help make a difference! BHA, like all volunteer organizations, relies heavily on the energy and skills of its dedicated volunteers to 'make things happen' and ensure the continued success of the organization. If you're looking to be more involved in the neighborhood, we would encourage you to consider running for a position on the Board. The only eligibility requirement is to be a current BHA Member. Please contact Grant Merkel at 619.501.4483 or [inquire@burlingamesd.com](mailto:inquire@burlingamesd.com) for more information.

**BHA Monthly Meetings**

**January 12**

**February 9**

**March 9 Annual Meeting**

**BHA Board of Directors**

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**BURLINGAME CLUB**

**January 12**

**February 17**

**March 17**



**Editor's note...**

I'm your new newsletter editor, Ginny Sherwood, and I wish I looked like the beautiful girl above.

Thanks to everyone for articles and photos! Keep them coming. The next issue will be April 1, so please contact me with anything you wish included. Drop it by my home at 2403 San Marcos Ave. or email me at [vjsherwood@yahoo.com](mailto:vjsherwood@yahoo.com).

I hope everyone will become involved in our **2012 Centennial** activities. If you don't see anything you want to participate in, suggest something to the BHA Board and help organize your neighbors to do it.

With this issue, I'll start an **ALERT** segment of "Editor's note..." that will provide information that I feel Burlingame residents would be interested in, beyond our immediate community.

**ALERT:** I expect that you are aware of the proposal for eliminating traffic in the center of Balboa Park and restoring the Plaza de Panama and adjacent promenades to pedestrian spaces. I attended a meeting of the Balboa Park Committee where there was very lively discussion of the plan. *No decision has been made yet, so you can become informed and express yourself on the proposal.* Go to [www.balboapark.org/plaza-de-panama/committee](http://www.balboapark.org/plaza-de-panama/committee) for detailed information about the proposal and comments. SOHO (Save Our Heritage Organization) has significant objections to parts of the proposal at [www.sohosandiego.org/main/paaplazadepanama.htm](http://www.sohosandiego.org/main/paaplazadepanama.htm). There will be future public meetings where you can express your opinion.

This Newsletter is proudly sponsored by our neighbor Lynn Scelfo.

*Let's talk real estate...  
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**Lynne Scelfo, Keller Williams  
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**BURLINGAME HOLIDAY CELEBRATION and CAROLING**

This year’s Burlingame Holiday Party was December 19th. Due to the heavy rain, there were only about 13 people of various ages and vocal abilities who showed up. But all were willing to brave the downpour to spread Burlingame holiday cheer. The indoor party was graciously hosted at Maureen Ostrich’s wonderfully decorated house again this year. The caroling was led by Grant Merkel. Once again Santa made an appearance, and passed out candy canes to the delight of all! Santa even came along for the caroling. Thanks Santa!!



After everyone filled up on holiday goodies for energy, we headed out to make the rounds. There were eight households that requested carolers, plus a couple ‘spontaneous’ stops, spread throughout Burlingame. The carolers had their work cut out for them with the rain, but they stuck it out until the last house had been visited. The wonderful caroling books were provided by Kim Hawley (with Ascent Realtors –619-890-3447/ [kim.hawley@cox.net](mailto:kim.hawley@cox.net)/ [www.kimhawley.net](http://www.kimhawley.net) ) this year so everyone could easily share and read the words. The BHA hopes each of you has had a memorable holiday season!

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**THE STATE OF THE COUNCIL DISTRICT 3**

**Tuesday, January 25 6:30-7:30**

**Birch North Park Theater**

Join Councilmember Todd Gloria for a report on accomplishments in 2010 and the road ahead for our district in 2011.

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**BURLINGAME CLUB SPEAKER JAN. 20 IS JANE KENEALY, Archivist for the San Diego History Center Library**

In October, the Burlingame Club met at the home of Dee McQuaide, whose home has been beautifully restored by her and her husband David. It was a joy to meet in such a charming and historic home! It was a perfect setting for viewing SOHO’s video history.

We were excited to learn that the Club collection at the San Diego History Center has been completely archived. We thank Valerie Fritz, Alice Saare, Judy Brown, Valerie Lake and Ginny Sherwood for their efforts toward this successful completion. Jane Kenealy from the San Diego History Center, who expedited the cataloging of the Club’s archives, will be the speaker at the January 20th meeting to be held at Valerie Lake’s home, 2526 San Marcos Ave at 7pm. Mark your calendar to join us then.

In November we met at Lynn Scelfo’s home. The committee to plan the 100th anniversary of the Club was announced. Alice Saare, Jenny Nunnink, Cory Smith and Judy Taylor will coordinate the Fall 2013 celebration.

The December meeting was held at the home of Ginny Sherwood for the cookie exchange. We were pleased that three new neighbors joined us and experienced this annual tradition and fellowship. Valerie Lake asked for volunteers to organize the 2012 home tour and three Club members stepped right up! Two of the five homes have already been selected. Ginny donated a membership to the Mingei International Museum, which was raffled and won by Colleen Townend, President of the Burlingame Club.

In early February we will continue the Club tradition of packing 50 Valentine bags for ElderHelp clients. Needed: hotel sized small soaps, shampoos, conditioners and lotions. These can be dropped off at Valerie Lake’s house any time and you don’t have to be a Club member to participate.

**BURLINGAME REAL ESTATE ADVERTISEMENT 1988**

This 1988 ad was mentioned by Dee in her "Editor's note" in the Fall *Burlingame News*. I enjoyed it so much I asked her to share it with all of us. Dee and David's home at 3001 Kalmia Ave, **was built in 1923**. Of all the advertising hyperbole in the flyer, only "opulent wood-work," "pink sidewalks" and "active Burlingame Homeowners Association" were accurate.

Dee was given this sheet by one of our neighbors, Marty McDaniel. Thank you Marty for saving it!

*As we move towards Burlingame's 2012 Centennial, let me know about your house stories. I'd like to print them in future newsletters. This flyer is one example and "The Bawdy Old House" by Carol Estes in the Fall issue is another. If you don't want to write the story, we can interview you.*

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BUY A PIECE OF HISTORY.....  
THE YEAR 1910..... THE EVENT.....THE PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION  
The home at 3001 Kalmia was built in preparation for the up-coming Pan American Exposition, and its first occupant was a woodcraftsman, working on the exposition buildings. Upon completion of the exposition buildings, it became an Ambassadors home, for the duration of the Exposition. The opulent wood-work gives testimony to its temporary occupant., a skilled craftsman.

Burlingame can be identified by its pink sidewalks. The neighborhood is contemporary with the Exposition, since it was built as housing for delegates from all over the world. This small area, rich in the history of San Diego, is now deemed a Historical Area, and its strict CC & R's are intended to preserve its ambiance. Its quality is jealously guarded by the active Burlingame Homeowners Association.

The Association has been exceptionally active in Zoning affairs, Neighborhood Cleanup, the "Greening of Burlingame", Newsletters, Block Parties, and Christmas Caroling.

Stan & Marion Schultz  
Tag Realty



for appointments to view call Marion or Stan **458-98**

## BHA WEBSITE

As I've talked to folks in our neighborhood, it's come to my attention that while we've mentioned the BHA website [www.burlingamesd.com](http://www.burlingamesd.com) several times, many of our neighbors are unaware of it. So I'd like to highlight just some of the information available on it:

Updates on events & happenings

Historical references and resource information

A map of the neighborhood

A useful links & phone number pamphlet

Disaster supplies checklist

Police & Safety links

Local government official links

ALL Elected Officials affecting our area (President Barack Obama to Councilmember Todd Gloria)

We'll also be posting information about the Centennial celebration as it approaches, so check back often!

~Grant Merkel, BHA President

## KEEPING IN E-TOUCH

If you have received this Newsletter, but aren't receiving the email announcements about Neighborhood Watch, neighborhood events, items of community interest, etc., please email us at [inquire@burlingamesd.com](mailto:inquire@burlingamesd.com) with your residential address and we'll add you to the distribution list. Email addresses are never shared with third parties. We also try to keep emails to a minimum, focused on topics regarding neighborhood events or that are of interest to the whole community. It's a great and easy way to keep up with what's happening in the neighborhood. You can always request to be removed from the email list as well. You may also reach the BHA Board President at the email address above for any topic or concern.

# HI KIDS!

Let me know what you would like to see in this newsletter. If you don't talk to me I'll never know. (See Editor's note section for info on contacting me.)

In the meantime, I want you to know about a wonderful place for you to have fun---the New Children's Museum. You can read all about it on the internet at [www.thinkplaycreate.org](http://www.thinkplaycreate.org).



**NEW YEAR’S RESOLUTIONS--MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS BENEFITS**

You can easily make and keep at least one New Year’s resolution by JOINING or RENEWING your BHA membership! Here’s what you get:

- The tangible: BHA Website, Annual Block Party, Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale, Dumpster Day, Holiday Party and Caroling, a way to directly reach City and State representatives, a police presence for trouble areas, the Email service, notification about community events and of course this Newsletter. If you enjoy these items--become a member. All these efforts cost money, and are paid for by membership dues. Additionally, we will be ramping up for the 2012 Centennial Celebration events.
- The intangible: An organization made up of people from YOUR neighborhood that supports your needs and interests. The BHA needs your support to ensure our neighborhood continues to improve. It is not just the financial support of the \$25, *but as a member you are supporting your Burlingame community and will have a voice in the work of BHA.* A large membership for BHA will have greater influence with officials of the city of San Diego.
- The only membership requirement is to either be an adult living within the boundaries of Burlingame (homeowner, renter or lessee), or own a home in Burlingame. The \$25 annual fee covers an entire household, i.e. all adults living in the residence.

**BURLINGAME HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION (BHA)**

2011 Membership Application

Make your \$25 check payable to BHA and send it with this application to:

Michael King, Treasurer  
 Burlingame Homeowners Association  
 P.O. Box 4013  
 San Diego CA 92164

Name (Adults)	Last	First
Address		
Other & Family Members		
Phone	Please do not publish my name & address in the <i>Burlingame Resident Directory</i> [ ] Initial	
Email	Not published in the <i>Burlingame Resident Directory</i>	

Joining at this time of year gives you the most ‘bang for your buck’ since membership fees are paid annually per calendar year, regardless of when you join. Although community members are welcome to join at any time, why not do it right now, when it’s most equitable?! If you enjoy having a social welfare organization (BHA) represent and guide our community efforts, and all the benefits *then please join now.* Show your support. Please fill out a short membership form attached in this Newsletter and mail it today. You can also bring cash or a check to any BHA meeting. If you’d like you can also add a donation amount to the same check. **EVEN IF YOU CAN’T JOIN RIGHT NOW, a donation will help.** With your support, we will accomplish great things!

***If you’ve already joined we thank you!!***