



# NEWSLETTER

## Mid-October 2022

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Dear MAX Members and Friends,

We have some interesting events coming up and hope to see you there.

### **Member Appreciation Day - Free for members**

Saturday, November 12 from 3pm-6pm. MAX will host a social with wine and hors d'oeuvres to show appreciation to our members for being a part of the MAX community and helping it thrive. This social is for dues-paying members only.

Attendance is limited and requires registration at <https://maxsf.org/event-4895393>. Event information follows below in this newsletter.

Go to [www.maxsf.org](http://www.maxsf.org) to become as a dues-paying member and join us at this social! Please contact Jim Tom at [jim.tom@maxsf.org](mailto:jim.tom@maxsf.org) if you have questions or difficulty with registration.

### **Upcoming Events**

[October 20 - Third Thursday at Beaux](#)

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### **Other Planned Events**

Other events already scheduled or in the planning stages include the following plus our usual bi-monthly gatherings at Beaux.

December 4 - White Elephant Exchange and Social

December 21/22 - Holiday Cheers

January 10, 2023 - Forum: Living Trusts

January 21/22, 2023 - Bowling

January 28 - Chinese New Year Banquet

### **Recap of Recent Events**

#### **Third Thursday**

Come socialize with old friends and make some new friends at Third Thursday on **October 20<sup>th</sup>** at Beaux Bar, 2344 Market Street. The event goes from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. There is no entry or cover charge for this event. Happy hour prices apply as mixed drinks are buy one, get one free until 7pm. We hope to see you there!

#### **Dim Sum Brunch - Lai Hong Lounge in Chinatown - 1 spot left**

**Sunday, October 23. 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.** Join event champions, Dennis Lam, and Bruce Cecil, for Dim Sum, a popular and longstanding style of Chinese cuisine served for brunch. Dim Sum consists of a series of small, bite-sized portions of food served in small steamer baskets or on a small plate. It is generally considered Cantonese, from southern China, although other varieties exist.



Lai Hong Lounge is located at 1416 Powell Street at the edge of San Francisco's Chinatown. The restaurant is considered one of the best dim sum restaurants in the area and recently reopened with a new interior.

Our meal will be pre-fixed with a variety of dim sum that could include Shrimp Dumplings, BBQ Pork Buns, Roast Pork Rice Noodle, Siu Mai, Sticky Rice in Lotus Leaf, Egg Yolk Buns, Steamed Pork Buns, Pork Ribs and Custard Tart.

Price is \$40/person for members and \$45/person for nonmembers, including tax and tip. NO REFUNDS after October 10. Tea is included. Other beverages such as alcohol, soda and special drinks will be charged individually to the person ordering.

We currently have reserved two tables for 18 people. This event is expected to be popular. If sold out, be put on a wait list for cancellations or a possible a third table. To register, please go to <https://maxsf.org/event-4974514>.

Street parking sometimes can be challenging. Two public parking garages are located mid-block on opposite sides of Vallejo Street between Powell and Stockton Streets, less than a block from the restaurant.

For additional information, contact [dennis.lam@maxsf.org](mailto:dennis.lam@maxsf.org) or [bruce.cecil@maxsf.org](mailto:bruce.cecil@maxsf.org)

### **Camron-Stanford House Tour and Lunch - Wait List**

**Saturday, October 29. 11:00 am - 1:00 pm.** MAX heads to Oakland for a tour of the historic Camron-Stanford House followed by sandwiches and tea on the veranda overlooking the lake. The Camron-Stanford House is the last of the beautiful 19th century mansions that once surrounded Lake Merritt. It was home to five influential families before becoming the first museum in the City of Oakland. The restored home helps visitors take a step back in time to the 1880s and enter meticulously recreated living spaces. For more information click [here](#).



MAX attendees will receive an hour-long private guided tour. Learn about what it was like to live in the house during the 19th century, about some of the people

was like to live in the house during the 19th century, about some of the people who called Camron-Stanford House home, and about life in Oakland and California during the 19th century.

After the tour, enjoy a brown-bag lunch and self-serve tea service on the veranda. Lunch will include a sandwich of your choice, with a bag of chips, fruit, and dessert. The \$25 fee includes both the tour and lunch. Choose your sandwich when you register on the left. No Refunds after October 20.

Read details and sign up at: <https://maxsf.org/event-4981820>. For additional information, contact event champion, Paul Munro, at [Paul.munro@members.maxsf.org](mailto:Paul.munro@members.maxsf.org)

### **First Friday**

Come socialize with old friends and make some new friends at First Friday on **November 4<sup>th</sup>** at Beaux Bar, 2344 Market Street. The event goes from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. There is no entry or cover charge for this event. Happy hour prices apply as mixed drinks are buy one, get one free until 7pm. We hope to see you there!

### **Member Appreciation Day - Free for members**

**Saturday, November 12. 3:00 – 6:00 pm.** MAX will host a social with wine and hors d'oeuvres to show appreciation to our members for being a part of the MAX community and helping it thrive. We hope the camaraderie within MAX is helping enhance our social bonds for a fuller life with fun and socialization. This FREE event is for dues-paying members only, so sign up and pay your dues today.

Location is at a Pacific Heights historical area (Gough and Clay Streets). Address will be emailed to registered members prior to the event. You must sign up so we know how much food and wine to purchase. We must limit reservations to the first 75 members. Deadline is November 5.

To register, please go to <https://maxsf.org/event-4895393>. If you register and cannot make it, please cancel so others can go. For additional information, contact Jerry Tusan at [Jerry.tusan@maxsf.org](mailto:Jerry.tusan@maxsf.org).

### **New Conservatory Theater - A Picture of Two Boys**

**Saturday, November 19. 6 pm for optional dinner / 8 pm for show.** Join event champion Bruce Cecil as we go see "A Picture of Two Boys" at the New Conservatory Theater at 25 Van Ness, just off Market Street in San Francisco. This is a world premiere play by Nick Malakhov. In it, two friends want to escape their mostly white, not-so-secretly racist town in rural Pennsylvania. One dreams



of college and big cities, while the other just wants to be next to Kurt Cobain.



MAX has secured 10 tickets, all together in a group, in premier seating. Tickets are \$45 for MAX members and \$50 for non-MAX members (this discounted price includes all service fees). A wait list will be available for possible additional discounted tickets. To reserve and pay for the show, go to <https://maxsf.org/event-4915206>. Deadline to register is Nov. 6. No refunds will be allowed after Nov. 6.

**Optional Pre-show Dinner:** We also will meet at 6:00pm for dinner and drinks beforehand at Max's Opera Cafe (601 Van Ness at Opera Plaza). If you wish to join us for dinner, please pay \$10 to reserve your spot. This helps us arrange the correct number of seats at the restaurant. At the restaurant, we will return the \$10 to you in cash, and everyone will pay individually for what they choose to eat or drink. To pay to reserve a spot for the dinner, go to: <https://maxsf.org/event-4975148> Deadline for the dinner reservation is Nov 16, and no refunds will be allowed after Nov. 16.

For additional information, contact Bruce at [bruce.cecil@maxsf.org](mailto:bruce.cecil@maxsf.org).

### **Volunteer for Project Open Hand**

**Monday, November, 9:00 am to 12 pm.** Join MAX in volunteering at Project Open Hand, a non-profit social services organization that initially prepared meals for people with HIV/AIDS. It has expanded to feed seniors and people fighting cancer, heart disease, diabetes and many other serious illnesses. For more information, go to: <http://www.openhand.org/>

Project Open Hand relies on volunteers to fulfill its mission. Mondays is the one day of the week designated for groups. MAX volunteers will work together on tasks such as packaging and sorting bulk items into individual portions, culling produce, stocking perishable items, and assembling grocery bags for Project Open Hand clients.

The group size is limited to 20 people. Go to: <https://maxsf.org/event-4896457> to register for this event with MAX. Volunteers will complete the individual registration process later with Open Hand. Location is 730 Polk Street at Ellis Street.

After our shift, we can go for an optional lunch at the nearby La Cocina Municipal Marketplace that opened in 2021 as the nation's first women-led food hall. Contact event organizer, Jim Tom, at [jim.tom@maxsf.org](mailto:jim.tom@maxsf.org) for more information.

## **Recap of Recent Events**

***Presidio Walk*** – Hikers enjoyed a refreshing walk through the Presidio traversing by the Yoda fountain, Bay Trail, Pet Cemetery, Korean War Memorial, Battery Bluffs, Tunnel Tops and the Officer's Club.



***Thai Cooking Class*** – Our energetic Thai chef, Ranida "Sunshine" Thammarin, taught us how to cook Tom Yum soup, Pad Thai and Kanom Krook. This fun class enabled socializing while cooking and drinking wine. We ate what we cooked and were stuffed! The food was delicious!



