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East Palo Alto Citizens' Committee on Incorporation

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## POLITICIANS ENDORSE INCORPORATION

Prompted by a motion from Councilwoman Gertrude Wilks back in 1979, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors endorsed East Palo Alto's Incorporation efforts. Today they still advocate our cityhood. And fortunately, the momentum is finally escalating. This month, Congressman Pete McCloskey, and State Senator Marz Garcia, have likewise pledged their assistance to EPACCI.

Commitments such as these, and the accompanying "clout" that backs it, are vital if EPA is to build the tax and economic base necessary for Incorporation. We must continue to solicit supporters at every level of government to make our goal a reality in 1981.

## SUB-COMMITTEE'S REPORT...

Our Voter Registration Committee reports that no more registration of voters can occur until after the June Primary election. To date, that tiny committee, led by core leaders Arnetta Oakes and Dorothy Romes, have worked their 'shoes' off, registering more than 500 residents in the process!

The Education Committee has coordinated a slew of activities for June. A great slide show of EPA's history and politics has been produced, and a pertinent little fact sheet as well. Additionally, their Speaker's Bureau is available to all interested groups—contact members of that Committee for more information. Hardworking brother, Mwezo Kudumu, is the new co-convenor of that Committee, and he along with the rest of the EPACCI volunteers, thank former convenors Cynthia and Felix Hawkins, who will be leaving the area soon for Fresno, for their many efforts in behalf of Incorporation.

The <u>Incorporation Application</u> Committee, though still in its planning stages, has acquired Mavis Knox as its new convenor, and setup a master plan. This plan is scheduled for implementation once a commitment from Stanford Research Institute is given. SRI has been asked to write the application report that is required by LAFCo before Incorporation proceedings can advance to the Board of Supervisors for action.

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The Finance Committee happily reports that an additional \$500 was made at the Ming's Fundraising Dinner in May. The dynamics of that small sub-committee have played an important role in generating what funds we are now using to operate. With members like Helen Moore, Cecil Reeves, Roy Adger, Omowale Satterwhite, Don Smothers, Hank Organ and Jim Crawford, the long term goal of raising \$60,000 will yet be realized. Several local foundations are considering major donations because of the persistent efforts of these EPACCI workers. The next scheduled fundraiser is a \$\$\$\$ raffle on June 22nd. Let's each of us do are part in this affair by buying at least one ticket!

Have you seen evidence of the <u>Publicity Committee's</u> work yet this month? Look for billboards along Embarcadero Rd., banners hanging over the streets endorsing Incorporation, and posters on poles and fences. EPACCI members are also being asked at this time to sign up for front lawn posters. Encouraging your neighbors to stick one in their yard would be helpful too. Contact Tikisa Anderson if you can do it.

At long last the Committee's Spanish translation brochure of "How Do You Spell Relief" is out. We sure appreciate Barbara Mouton and Santos Ortiz's bi-lingualism on that. And while we're passing out thanks, leave us not forget to salute publicity workers Norman Fontaine, Diane Otterby, Jeanne Cuffey Brad Stamper, Eva Zirker, and Ekundayo Smith for their assistance with press releases, art work and printed materials.

## COMING EVENTS....

Press onference on Incorporation Friday, June 6th, 9:00 a.m. Municipal Council Building

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Merchant's Day at Crescent Cleaners
Bob Peco—Owner

Monday, June 16th, ALL DAY
1930 University Avenue, EPA
Telephone 323-7781 for info.

JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL
E. Palo Alto Recreation Center
Bell Street at University
Weekend of June 20,21 &22

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+++Entertainment--Speakers--Booths--Crafts+++

EPACCI \$\$\$\$Raffle
Sunday, June 22nd, 5:00 p.m.
Ravenswood Recreation Center
PRIZES: \$100 - \$50 - \$25
(see Finance Committee
Members for tickets)

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Town Meeting on INCORPORATION

Monday, June 23rd, 7:00 p.m.

Municipal Council Building

The East Palo Alto Citizens'
Committee (EPACCI), meets every
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the
Municipal Council Building,
2415 University Ave., East Palo
Alto. Each resident of our
community is needed to make cityhood a possibility. Come and be
a part of our future.

The East Palo Alto Citizens Committee on Incorporation has designated the month of June as "Incorporation EPA Kickoff Month." The following lists a series of events scheduled during June.

## INCORPORATE EPA KICKOFF MONTH, June 1980

	DATE		EVENT	COMMITTEE
Masz 31	l-June 1		Election Bull-Horn Caravan	Voter Registration
_			"Incorporate EPA"Banners	Publicity
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_	l-June 3		Billboard ADS go up	Publicity
June 2	2-June 6	1-1-1	"Getting the word out", Speakers	Education
June 5	5		EPACCI Video Taping Session	Publicity
June 6	6		PRESS CONFERENCE	Publicity
June 7	7		News AD	Publicity
June 1	10		EPACCI Newsletter	Publicity
June 1	10		News AD	Publicity
June 1	16		Merchants Day	Publicity
June 1	16-June	20	Information Bull-Horn Caravan	Voter Registration
June 1	17	a local	News AD	Publicity
June 1	17-June	19	KSOL Public Service Announcements	Publicity
June !	19		Slide Presentation	Education
June 2	20		Fund Raising Event	Fund Raising
June 2	20-June	22	"Incorporate EPA" Blimp goes up	Publicity
June 2	21-June	22	JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL	A11
June 2	21-June	22	Incorporation Fact Sheet	Education
June 2	23		TOWN MEETING on Incorporation	
			at 7:00 PM, Municipal Council Bldg	A11
June 2	23		Agency Day	Publicity
June 2	23-June	27	"Getting out the word", Speakers	Education
June 2	24		News AD	Publicity

EPACCI is working conscientiously to Incorporate our Community, to start a new city with our own City Council. We'll have our own City Planning Department, our own Police Department, and all the other vital services.

How often does one have the opportunity to plan the future and build a new community? We need your help. Come out, and share in the pleasure and promise of working toward Incorporating this Community. Let your neighbors and others know that you care about what happens in East Palo Alto.

How Do You Spell Relief? I.N.C.O.R.P.O.R.A.T.I.O.N.

-For more information, call 327-5846-