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WELCOME TODAY'S SPEAKER DAVID FRIDLEY

David Fridley, energy efficiency scientist, [Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory](#) and activist, [San Francisco Oil Awareness](#), concerned with the ramifications of petroleum depletion (peak oil) and surrounding issues. Peak oil is the idea that there is some year on earth at which production of oil peaks, after which increased production will not be possible at any price. The peak oil year may have already come, or it may be in the very near future. In December 2005, a group of SFOA members formed a committee with the goal of contacting the members of the board of supervisors in San Francisco to express concerns about peak oil, with the goal of the city working to mitigate the potential future effects of it on our city and region. After meeting with members of the San Francisco Department of the Environment, attended meetings of the Policy Committee of the Commission on the Environment, as well as the entire Commission on the Environment, and meeting with aides and supervisors, on April 10, 2006, The board of supervisors passed the SFOA resolution by a unanimous vote of 10-0. San Francisco became the first major city in the U.S. to pass such a resolution regarding peak oil.

***PHEW ! Are we in Death Valley yet?
Thank goodness for our cool, fog belt, clubhouse!***

NEXT WEEKS SPEAKER MARGI DUNLAP

Margi Dunlap, executive director, [International Institute of San Francisco](#), a nonprofit organization that provides a variety of services to immigrant communities in San Francisco and San Mateo counties. IISD's mission is to enable immigrants and refugees to become fully participating citizens in their new communities. Services include preparation for citizenship interviews and tests, administrative compliance assistance, youth job training, healthcare promotion, and neighborhood communication. IISF is an affiliate of the national partnership, the [U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants](#).



Margi accepted a three-month temporary assignment at IISD in November 1977, coordinating an English workshop for traumatized refugees. After studying anthropology as an undergraduate, she completed her Masters' in counseling, and earned her MFT license. A Cambodian man whose first English word was "nightmare" helped to put the inadequacy of Margi's formal education to the test, and set the course for her future. She served on a White House task force convened to respond to the Mariel refugee crisis in 1980 and has worked with the U.S. Committee for Refugees to develop programs for survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda. Off-duty, Margi writes, raises orchids, watches her family grow, and travels to places she's never been before.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO SARAH GROSKOPF--MONDAY

