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YELLOW BUS CHALLENGE UPDATE

Greetings from Town Hall. With Spring in full bloom on the Tiburon Peninsula, many of our residents, particularly those with school-aged children, are beginning to think about the upcoming Summer.



Before that however, I would like to encourage you to spend a few minutes thinking about the beginning of the next school year.

As you know, traffic congestion, particularly along Tiburon Boulevard, is an important focus for our community. The Yellow Bus Challenge - a collaborative effort between Tiburon, Belvedere, Reed Union School District (RUSD) along with many, many parents - led to a significant increase in bus ridership this year. In fact, 44% of RUSD students rode a bus to or from school in the 2015-16 school year, leading to a dramatic reduction in traffic on Tiburon Boulevard. We should be proud our community has blazed a trail other communities in Marin are beginning to follow.

However, we know from our parent survey results the pilot program was not perfect. Delays and inconsistent communication have been too frequent. We share your concerns and have been working hard to make improvements for 2016-17, including the following:

1. Tiburon, Belvedere and RUSD have formed a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to more efficiently manage the program in the future.
2. The JPA will be partnering with Marin Transit, who will oversee day-to-day operations and act as the conduit between the bus provider and parents.
3. We are working to develop a tracking app, which will allow parents to track buses in real time and receive push notifications about delays. We are planning to test the app on select routes in May and June and have it fully operational by the beginning of the 2016-17 school year.
4. We continue to optimize routes to minimize travel times, and improve on-time arrivals in both the morning and afternoon. Notably, we are taking steps to improve the departure time of the

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ELECTION DAY POLL WORKERS NEEDED

Want to earn money while serving your community?

Be a poll worker for the June 7 Presidential Primary Election.

People you can speak both English and one of the following languages are needed: Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, and Spanish.

Del Mar afternoon buses.

5. Routes remain campus-specific so that students can ride along with others from their school.

Bus passes for the 2016-17 school year will be on sale Monday, May 2 at 9:00 AM. Passes can be purchased on line at www.buschallenge.org.

Here you will also find detailed information on the available routes as well as answers to frequently asked questions. Seats will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, and some routes will likely sell out, so please do not delay in making your bus pass purchase.

The cost for a *one-way* annual pass is \$275.00. This is an increase in cost from the current year, but still significantly less than the cost of passes prior to the Yellow Bus Challenge. Contributions from Tiburon, Belvedere and RUSD continue to make this subsidized rate available.

In addition, this year we have received generous grants from both the Belvedere Community Foundation and the Tiburon Peninsula Foundation, and we continue to explore funding sources from a variety of other sources.

Thank you for supporting the Yellow Bus Challenge, and we look forward to an even more successful program in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Greg Chanis
Town Manager

NEWS BRIEFS

JUNE 7 ELECTION - ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

The June 7 election, most widely known as the Presidential Primary, is almost here.

Some important information about voter registration and voting in the election follows.



Voter Registration Deadline

May 23 is the last day to register to vote. You must be 18 years of age or older on Election Day to vote in this election. You can register to vote [online](#) or by obtaining a voter registration form at the Marin County Elections Department, 3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 121, San Rafael, CA 94903. We also have forms here at Town Hall.

How do I Vote for my Candidate of Choice?

Contact Colleen
Ksanda at Marin
County Elections,
415-473-6439, or
Norleen Kocen,
415-473-6438.

All registered voters can vote in a primary election. But voting for a presidential candidate depends on the party with which you are registered. If you are registered with a political party, you can vote for a candidate running for President in that party. The political parties are: American Independent, Democratic, Green, Libertarian, Peace and Freedom, and Republican.

If you are registered as "No Party Preference", you can vote in this election for one of the following parties:

- American Independent
- Democratic
- Libertarian

If you are registered as "No Party Preference" and want to vote for one of the following political parties:

- Republican
- Peace & Freedom
- Green

You must re-register to vote for that party by May 23, 2016.

"Absentee" voting: Vote-by-Mail ballots

If you want to obtain a Vote-by-Mail Ballot, contact the Marin County Elections Department at 415-473-6456 or [online](#). May 31 is the last day the Elections office can mail a vote-by-mail ballot to you. After this day, voters wishing to vote by mail must get a ballot in person at the elections office.

Voting Early

Some counties (including Marin County) offer early voting the Marin County Elections office at the Civic Center, Room 121. Early voting starts on May 9.

Election Day Voting

On June 7, Election Day, polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Check your sample ballot for the location of your polling place (or go [online](#) to view your sample ballot).

Vote-by-mail ballot envelopes must be signed and postmarked on or before this day. However, voters can drop their vote-by-mail ballots (in their signed envelopes) at the Elections Office - or any polling place - on Election Day.

Sincerely,

Diane Crane Iacopi
Town Clerk

**PUBLIC WORKS SUMMER PROJECTS: STREET
CLOSURES AFTER JUNE 13**

This summer there will be two Town construction projects that will affect traffic in various locations, starting in June.



Mariner Way Storm Drain

This project will affect traffic on Mariner Way and on Tiburon Boulevard between Mar West and Lyford Drive. The work on Tiburon Boulevard will not begin until after the end of the school year.

Slurry Seal Project

Last year there was a project to repair potholes and failing sections of roadway on 30 roadway segments around the Town. We noted then that a different contractor would be returning this year to slurry seal those road segments*.

What is a Slurry Seal?

Slurry seal is applied in a thin coat and takes time to dry. Affected roadway segments need to be closed during the slurry process until the slurry has dried. This operation can take a few hours and is weather dependent.

If you drive across slurry before it has set you will (1) Damage the slurry, (2) Splatter your car with asphalt and (3) Track it onto your driveway.

It is important that you obey all flaggers, for the above reasons, and for the safety of the workers.

The major slurry work is currently planned to start June 13 and last two weeks. Work on any one road segment will take between a half day and two days, depending on the segment size, and whether the road needs to be slurred on one side and then the other.

Notices will go out in advance of the slurry work. Roads will also be posted for "No Parking" for the day the slurry will occur. As in every construction project, schedules are subject to change.

Please remove your cars from the roadway early in the day to avoid delaying the contractor, as this will impact the schedule, as well as your neighbors.

Finally, if you have vegetation that extends into the street please cut it in back of the curb prior to June 13th.

Thanks for your cooperation in both of these important projects that both enhance and maintain our community's infrastructure.

*Download a complete list of the 30 street segments slated for this year's slurry seal project [here](#) .

Sincerely,

Patrick Barnes, Director of Public Works/
Town Engineer

MMWD GRAYWATER ORDINANCE



New regulations adopted by the the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD) will help further reduce the demand on our water supply during the current drought and beyond.

On November 3, 2015, the Marin Municipal Water District adopted an ordinance amending Title 13 of its Code to add a section on "Graywater Recycling Systems". The ordinance went into effect on February 1, 2016.

What is Graywater?

Graywater includes wastewater from bathtubs, showers, bathroom sinks, and clothes washers. Instead of sending this water down the drain, graywater systems divert water from these sources for reuse on site, most commonly for landscape irrigation.

In addition to saving water, graywater reuse can provide other benefits for customers, including a reliable source of irrigation water during drought and greater awareness of water use. Keeping graywater on site also lessens the burden on local sewer systems.

MMWD's ordinance targets new construction and remodels because installation of graywater plumbing and irrigation systems is most cost effective at these times. The additional costs to connect drain lines from showers, bathroom sinks, and laundry facilities is realitively small compared to overall construction costs.

Graywater systems are governed by California Plumbing Code as well as Marin County and local jurisdictional codes. Under state code, graywater does not include wastewater from kitchen sinks or dishwashers, or water contaminated by any toilet discharge.

Rebates for Laundry Systems

MMWD is promoting graywater reuse for all customers via rebates of up to \$50 for laundry-to-landscape graywater systems. Basic

laundry-to-landscape systems typically don't require permits and require minimal alteration to existing plumbing, making them one of the simplest, least expensive ways to "go gray."

New Buildings and Remodel Projects Need On-Site Systems

Applicants requesting water service for a new residential or commercial structure, or an enlarged water service for a "substantial remodel" to an existing residential or commercial structure, are required to install a graywater recycling system on site.

If you are looking into building a new home or planning a major remodel, please contact MMWD during the beginning stages of your development to make sure you comply with these new regulations.

For more detailed information, please contact the Marin Municipal Water District at 415-945-1455, or visit the District's [website](#).

COMMUNITY EVENTS

FAMILY EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE RANCH

FAMILY FUN DAY

**Saturday, April 30 - 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.
Belvedere Community Park**

FAMILY FUN DAY is a FREE community event for kids and grownups alike at Belvedere Park.

Featuring two or three new games per hour, games designers will create an inclusive experience that offers new and unique fun, giving participants the opportunity to experience play through a new lens. All games last 10-15 minutes, with little to no set-up. They can be played over and over again.

So come and play, listen to live music, eat and drink, win prizes, and have the best Saturday ever!

Please [RSVP](#) on The Ranch's Facebook page, or call 415-435-4355.

ANGEL ISLAND ADVENTURE RACE

**Sunday, May 1 - 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.
Angel Island State Park**

If adventure and surprises get your adrenaline pumping, then come and test your skills and see if you and a partner can complete our 8K Junior Team Race, 10K Family Team Race, or 15K Adult Team Race on Angel Island.

Tickets are on sale now on our [website](#). (Check out the great prizes

for our winners, too!)

Adult Racer (ages 13+) = \$90 per person

Jnior Racer (ages 8-12) = \$70 per person

Adult & Youth Racers (ages 10+) = \$140 per person

(prices include ferry ride, bib and finisher shirt)

DISCOVERY DAY AT ROMBERG CENTER

Sunday, May 1 - 1 to 5 p.m.

3150 Paradise Drive

Tiburon, CA 94920



The 26th annual Discovery Day Open House at the Romberg Tiburon Center for Environmental Studies will be held this year on Sunday, May 1, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Admission is free.

Here's a sample of the activities you can participate in:

- Explore a working marine lab and become a marine scientist for the afternoon
- Learn about the research Romberg does to understand, restore and conserve the plants, animals and habitats of San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Coast
- Collect data to find answers to questions about plankton, crabs, eelgrass, porpoises, and more
- Enjoy live marine organism touch tanks
- Create a marine-themed community mural
- Ignite your curiosity with bite-sized science talks from our scientists

Bring the whole family and visit the marine lab on the Bay and experience marine science in action.

An R.S.V.P. will give you a chance to win a door prize.

For more information, call Erin Blackwood at 415-338-3757 or visit our [website](#).

HEALTHY AGING SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, May 5 -

9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Embassy Suites
McInness Parkway,
San Rafael, CA

MARIN COUNTY
COMMISSION ON
AGING

*"Trail Blazers in a Changing
World"*

features Keynote Speaker Spencer Michels, Correspondent and
Producer of the PBS Newshour.

Tickets are \$20 and includes lunch. The deadline to register is April
29. For more information, or to inquire about scholarships, please
call 415-473-2980.

Sponsored by the Marin County Commission on Aging, under the
auspices of Marin County Aging & Adult Services, 10 North San
Pedro Road, San Rafael, CA 94903.



NEW EVENT - TIBURON WINE CRUISE!
Friday, May 13 - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Angel Island Ferry



Friday, May 13, 2016
6:30 to 8:30 pm

**GRAND
CRUISE**
a VIP wine tasting sunset cruise

premium wines | gourmet hors d'oeuvres
live music from acclaimed guitarist Eric Schoenberg
angel island tiburon ferry

Participating wineries:
Brocardo | Champagne Charles de Cazanove | Couloir Wines
Gondeau Wines | Frank Family Vineyards | Hartford Court Winery | Poderi Marini
Romeo Vineyards & Cellars Sempre Vive | Tenuta Montemagno
info & tickets 415 435 6633 | www.tiburonwinefestival.org

Make a Little History!

Get on board the Tiburon Wine Festival's first ever VIP Wine Tasting Sunset Cruise.

Enjoy the golden glow of sunset over Tiburon, the Golden Gate Bridge, and Angel Island on a ferry cruise around the San Francisco Bay, while lingering over ultra premium wines from some of the world's most accomplished wineries.

Servino Ristorante will offer up some of its tasty hors d'oeuvres, and Sam's Anchor Cafe will introduce offerings from its new Chef Robert Taylor, who will be there in person to share his culinary vision.

Entertainment will be provided by acclaimed local guitarist, Eric Schoenberg.

Participating wineries:

Broccardo

Champagne Charles de Cazanove

Couloir Wines

Couteau Wines

Frank Family Vineyards

Hartford Court Wines

Poderi Marini

Romeo Vineyards & Cellars Sempre Vive

Tenuta Montemagno

Considered one of the "Top Ferry Rides" by Sunset Magazine, the Angel Island Tiburon Ferry's Sunset Cruise is an experience not to be missed. Boarding begins at 6:10 pm from the Angel Island Ferry dock. Departure is promptly at 6:30 pm.

Purchase your VIP Wine Cruise tickets [here](#) now. For more information, contact the Tiburon Chamber at 415-435-5655.

TIBURON WINE FESTIVAL
Saturday, May 14 - 1 to 4 p.m.
Point Tiburon Plaza

The Tiburon Wine Festival returns to Point Tiburon Plaza on May 14.

One of the Bay Area's premier wine events, the Tiburon Wine Festival showcases established and small production wineries, providing a rare opportunity to experience new wines (and savor old favorites), while meeting the wine makers behind them.

At the same time, experience the harmony of fine wine and culinary talent as some of the area's most popular restaurants and food purveyors provide delicious appetizers and gourmet food samples, such as artisan breads and cheeses.

Enjoy live music and a spectacular silent auction featuring one of kind experiences and special wines from participating wineries.

Tickets are \$75 and include unlimited wine & food tasting. Buy your tickets in advance [online](#).

For more information, call the Tiburon Chamber at 415-435-5633, or visit our [website](#).



FRIDAY NIGHTS ON MAIN Friday, May 27 - 6-9 p.m.

A community favorite returns to Main Street at the end of May, and will continue once a month through September. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

May 27 Welcome Aboard!

Mustache Harbor delights you with classic renditions of hits from the 1970s and 80s.

June 24 A Whale of a Time

We'll be jamming to calypso music and hunting for buried treasure!

July 29 La Dolce Vita

Jonathan Poretz with a swingin' tribute to Frank Sinatra and the

fabulous music of the Rat Pack era.

August 26 Neon Velvet on Main

Neon Velvet, the ultimate modern rock dance band.

September 30 Firefighter's Diamond Jubilee

The Fundamentals return to provide their trademark brand of red hot rockin' soul.

For more information, call the Tiburon Chamber at 415-435-5633, or visit our [website](#).

We hope you will come downtown and enjoy our local events. See you there!

Sincerely,

Melanie Haddad, Executive Director
Tiburon Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

CONCERTS AT OLD ST. HILARY'S LANDMARK



MUSAE: Bridge of Song Sunday, May 15 - 4 p.m.

"Bridge of Song" features music from the Baltics. Rautavaara, Tormis, Ligeti, Pärt, Kodály and some lesser-known (though they shouldn't be!) composers' works will be sung.

[Musae](#) will also premiere a new choral work from Karin Kuulpak, the most recent winner of Chanticleer's student composer competition. Karin is a

longtime singer with the Estonian TV Girls' Choir and studies at the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre in Tallinn.

These local concerts are presented by the Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks Society and Tiburon Heritage & Arts Commission, with generous support from Bank of Marin.

Tickets are \$20 (\$15 for under-18 and seniors).

Advance purchase is available at the Landmarks Office, Tiburon Town Hall, and Brown Paper [Tickets](#). Tickets are also available at the door if not sold out in advance, starting at 3:30 p.m.

There is no parking at Old St. Hilary's.

Please park at the Boardwalk Shopping Center, 1550 Tiburon Blvd. and take a shuttle to the concert. Shuttle service begins at 3:30 p.m.

More information is available at our [website](#) or by calling 415-435-1853.

Sincerely,

Dave Gotz,
Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks Society



Community Calendar

For the scoop on events and meetings sponsored by local nonprofit community and government organizations on the Tiburon Peninsula, visit the Belvedere-Tiburon Library's excellent [community calendar](#).



Council and Commission Meetings

Town Council: First and third Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. - May 4 and May 18, 2016.

Design Review Board: First and third Thursdays at 7 p.m. - May 5 and May 19, 2016.

Planning Commission: Second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. - May 11 and May 25, 2016.

Heritage & Arts Commission: Fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (Town Hall Conference Room) - May 24, 2016.

Parks, Open Space and Trails Commission: Third Tuesday

every other month at 6 p.m. - May 17, 2016.

Disaster Advisory Council: Quarterly meetings at 4 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 19, 2016.

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings are held in the Town Council Chambers located at 1505 Tiburon Boulevard, Tiburon CA 94920.

Tiburon Talk

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