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Synagogue Reopens

Congregation Kol Shofar affixed the traditional Mezuzah and opened the doors at its newly refurbished home on Blackfield Drive this past month. This project was the subject of great controversy in 2006 and 2007. After litigation and many lengthy, heavily-attended meetings, it was finally approved through a compromise spearheaded by a committee of then-Councilmembers Tom Gram and Paul Smith. Modifications were made to the size of the building as well as some operations (special events, etc.) to address neighborhood concerns about noise, traffic and parking. Apart from the grand opening, which produced some snags due to a larger than expected turnout, the Synagogue and the neighborhood seem to be getting along. The building truly is well done (the interior in particular is spectacular) and a credit to the community. We here at Town Hall extend our heartiest congratulations to CKS. May all who go there do so in peace and may harmony reign in the neighborhood!

Calling all Neighborhood Associations

Mark your calendars - the annual Neighborhood Association Summit will be on October 23, a Saturday, here in Town Hall from 10:00 a.m. to noon. While geared to associations (heads of those organizations are particularly encouraged to attend) it's open to any interested resident. It's a great opportunity to hear what's going on and share with the Town Council and staff any opinions or ideas you may have. It's very informal and coffee will be served!

Note on the City of Bell Scandal

If you regularly open a newspaper, the mere mention of the City of Bell may cause your back to stiffen and your teeth to clench. The exorbitant salaries, including for Councilmembers, coupled with rampant self-dealing with the city's coffers, are truly appalling and an extraordinary

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"DID YOU KNOW?"

ShopTiburon is giving away a \$200 shopping spree!

What's the occasion?

Local merchants recently launched the campaign, "ShopTiburon". The goal of the initiative is to help support local businesses and promote Tiburon as "the best little town on the SF Bay!"

From where to shop, eat and drink to local people, events and exclusive merchant specials, subscribe to ShopTiburon, its Facebook page or twitter account to stay in the loop on the most buzz-worthy happenings in town. Need even more reasons to shop

breach of the public trust. I can assure you that all salaries here in Tiburon are set through a public process. As the saying goes, "sunlight is the best antiseptic". In particular I want to emphasize that, contrary to the practice in many cities and towns, Tiburon's elected officials and appointed board members receive no compensation. While elected officials in Bell received \$100,000 annually for part-time work, our Council members put in hundreds of hours every year for ... not one cent.

Sincerely,

Peggy Curran

NEWS BRIEFS

Street Paving Projects Begin

It's that time of year again when the Town of Tiburon invests resources in improving neighborhood roads. The Town is commencing its annual street resurfacing project at the end of September.

The type and complexity of the resurfacing work will vary depending on the nature and condition of the particular street. Street segments that will be worked on include the following (grouped by area or neighborhood):

Palmer Court: Tiburon Boulevard to end

Beach Road: Main Street to Marsh Road

Lyford Drive: Round Hill Road to Acela Drive

Marinero Circle: All

Blackfield Drive: Cecilia Avenue to Karen Way

Blackfield Drive: Karen Way to Reedland Woods Way

Paradise Drive: Main Street to Mar West Street

Hilary Drive: 425 Feet East Of Rock Hill Drive to Rock Hill Drive

Hilary Drive: Rock Hill Drive to Mara Vista Court

Taylor Road: Cibrian Drive to cul de sac

Benton Court: Hacienda Drive to cul de sac

Pine Terrace: Tiburon Boulevard to end

Virginia Drive: Stewart Drive to west end

Paseo Mirasol: Upper and lower portions

Warren Court: Hacienda Drive to cul de sac

Washington Court: Jefferson Drive to cul de sac

Irving Court: Jefferson Drive to cul de sac

Jefferson Drive: Tiburon Boulevard to end

Stewart Drive: Silverado Drive to Tenaya Drive

Park Place: South end to Cibrian Drive

The project contractor is Ghilotti Bros., Inc. They will provide further notices through the use of door tags and

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Diane Crane Iacopi
Tiburon Town Clerk

flyers as they mobilize in the affected neighborhoods. Although the entire project will last up to 2 months, the work on any particular street may take only one to two weeks. During work hours, all emergency and special-needs access to and from your residences or businesses will be maintained and coordinated. Please call us if you need to coordinate special access.

Temporary lane closures, road closures, construction noise, and dust and debris are anticipated, but we will work with the contractor to mitigate these impacts as much as reasonably possible. Your patience and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Ghilotti Bros. Superintendent, Rob White, at 760-1209, or Town field contact, Al Petrie, at 707-974-9193.

Nicholas Nguyen, Director
Department of Public Works/
Town Engineer

Homeowners and Contractors: It's Time to Winterize Your Projects!



With the onset of the rainy season, it is important for homeowners and their contractors to "winterize" unfinished projects.

The Town requires all contractors to employ Best Management Practices (BMP's) in order to prevent the discharge of construction wastes or other contaminants into the Town's storm drain system.

"Contaminants" are construed to be any discharge not entirely composed of storm water, so it is especially important to have good housekeeping at construction sites in order to prevent storm water pollution. Allowing such pollution from your project site is not only illegal, it is often very expensive to remedy after a storm has occurred!

What can YOU do to prevent storm water pollution and bring your job site into compliance with the Town's code?

Here are some suggestions:

1. Schedule grading/excavation activities for dry weather periods only.

2. Protect storm drain structures with berms or approved filters, and downstream drainage courses with drainage swales and/or silt fences.
3. Control run-off amounts and velocities with appropriate use of temporary or permanent ditches, berms and check dams.
4. Cover stockpiles of materials and excavated soils with secured tarps or plastic sheeting.
5. Sweep paved surfaces that drain to storm drains, creeks or channels.
6. Remove existing vegetation ONLY where absolutely necessary, and seed or re-vegetate slopes where construction is not immediately planned. Areas seeded after September 20 should also be treated with erosion blankets, straw, netting or other appropriate means.
7. Make your employees and subcontractors aware of the Town's requirements and of their responsibilities to comply with BMP's.
8. Employ other measures in accordance with published BMP's.

Here's what **YOU MUST DO** in order to comply with the Town Code if your project is currently underway or planned **between October 1 and April 30**:

- **INSTALL** erosion and siltation control by October 1
- **INSPECT** on-site erosion and siltation control facilities immediately before each storm, allowing sufficient time to make needed corrections or improvements.
- **INSPECT** on-site erosion and siltation control facilities after each storm to correct any damaged or failed measures.
- **MAINTAIN** erosion and siltation control facilities on a regular basis, including silt removal at silt fences and sediment ponds, replacement of worn silt fence fabric, and seeding and mulching of areas which become denuded over time.

Additional erosion control measures to be aware of (and be aware that there are **PENALTIES** for **NON-COMPLIANCE**) are outlined in the Town's Winterization and Site Management Notice, available at the Building Division's public counter.

Random site inspections are made and failure to comply with the above requirements could result in an immediate job shutdown until appropriate measures are in place. If you are unsure if your site complies, schedule an

inspection with the Town of Tiburon Building Division.

You are urged to implement these measures as quickly as possible to avoid unnecessary delays to your project. Remember, proper site winterization and adherence to BMP's is in everyone's best interest!

If you have any questions, please call the Town's Building Division at 435-7380.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Coastal Clean-Up



Saturday, September 25, 9 a.m. - 12 noon
Meet at Tiburon Audubon, 376 Greenwood Beach Rd.

Come join the more than 80,000 Californians that come together annually to "take back" our beaches and inland waterways.

Please bring a refillable bottle for water and wear close-toed shoes. And to help reduce trash even more, bring your own bucket and gloves.

Afterwards, there is a FREE BBQ at the Bay Model Visitor Center in Sausalito from 12 - 3 p.m., with awards and prizes. (You might even visit Blackie's Hay Day before you go!)

For more information, contact Erin Blackwood at erinb@rtc.sfsu.edu.

Blackie's Hay Day Is Tomorrow!

Saturday, September 25
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.



Designed for kids of all ages, Blackie's Hay Day is reminiscent of an old-fashioned country fair that includes pony rides, relay races, toy tractor rides, and much more.

General admission is \$10; children under the age of 2 are admitted free, as are children age 12 and under who bring a gently used book.

Proceeds benefit Children and Youth Programs at the Belvedere-Tiburon Library.

Parking is limited; a shuttle is available if the lot is full. For more information, visit the [website here](#).

Oktoberfest - OOMPAH!



Friday, October 1, 6 - 9 p.m.
Downtown Main Street

Come enjoy the last "Friday Night on Main" for the year at the annual Oktoberfest.

Food, wine, and beer (of course!), along with an Oompah band will be available for your entertainment.

Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and local

businesses for another great season of *Friday Nights on Main*.

Come to a "Hot Time in Rail Town"

**Saturday, October 9,
6 p.m.
Tiburon Fire House**

"A Hot Time in the Rail Town Tonight" is the theme of the annual fundraiser for the Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks Society. The dinner dance will be 1940s style, with live music by "Doozy", playing those golden oldies. There will be door prizes, gourmet barbeque, and flaming drinks. Attire for a 1940s summertime dance is encouraged.



For reservations, call the Landmarks office at 435-1853, or visit the [Landmarks website](http://www.landmarks-society.org).

Artist Laureate Program - Upcoming Workshop



**Saturday, October 16, 10:30 a.m. -
1 p.m.
Town Hall Community Room - 2nd
Floor**

You are invited to the next in this series of vibrant workshops, hosted by Tiburon Artist Laureate, Mary Musalo.

In this workshop, *Cristina Marcu* will be returning as a guest artist. Cristina will introduce participants to painting in a new and wonderful way, through mind, body and spirit. Come be a part of a vibrant art community comprised of a cross-section of ages and experience!

Beginners are always welcome. As always, this is a free workshop but please bring your own supplies.

Contact Mary Musalo at marymusalo@aol.com to register.

Space is limited.

Bel-Tib Library Community Calendar

For the scoop on events and meetings sponsored by local not-for-profit community and government organizations on the Tiburon Peninsula, visit the Belvedere-Tiburon Library's excellent [community calendar](#).



Council and Commission Meetings



Town Council: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, at 7:30 p.m. (October 6 and October 20).

Design Review Board: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, at 7 p.m. (October 7 and October 21).

Planning Commission: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, at 7:30 p.m. (October 13 and October 27).

Heritage & Arts Commission: 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m. (October 26) in the Town Hall Conference Room.

Parks, Open Space and Trails Commission: 3rd Tuesday every other month, at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall Conference Room (the next meeting is October 29 which is a continuation of the September 21 meeting)

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings listed above are in the Council Chambers at Tiburon Town Hall, 1505 Tiburon Boulevard.

Sincerely,

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