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A WORD FROM THE TOWN MANAGER



Del Mar Utility Undergrounding Update

At long last, the Town is poised to re-start the overdue Del Mar undergrounding project. As reported in Tiburon Talk in March (all back issues are available on the Town's website), the project was tied up in litigation for over five years. After losing one of the three pending cases in December, the Town settled the remaining two in March, laying the groundwork for a reformed, geographically smaller undergrounding district to proceed if it passed the "majority protest" balloting process required by state law.

Following the requisite 45-day balloting period, envelopes were opened and ballots counted at a suspenseful July 21 Town Council meeting. Participation was sizable with 86% of district property owners casting ballots. The tally? An impressive 75% favored the project. The Town has held off on further action until the 30-day statute of limitation period for a challenge to the formation of the district passed. That time has now elapsed without challenge, so the path is clear for the project to proceed. The Town Council just this week approved resolutions necessary to assess the district properties. We are officially on our way.

It will take time to get in the ground as some re-engineering is necessary to reflect the new boundaries of the district and to re-bid the project, but we expect construction to start this spring. I am thrilled to have a successful conclusion to this long and arduous process, and delighted that the neighborhood will finally get the utility undergrounding it has sought since 2004. If it is true that "good things come to those who wait", this should be downright superb.

Neighborhood Association Summit

Every year the Tiburon Town Council, along with senior staff, holds a meeting for the express purpose of hearing from and talking with representatives of neighborhood groups in an informal, Saturday morning setting. This



"DID YOU KNOW?"

*Call 911 for
Emergency?*

*Calling " 911" for
emergencies works,
but unless you are
calling from a land
line, it may not be
the most direct
route for help.*

*911 calls made from
cell phones are
routed either to the
California Highway
Patrol, or another
jurisdiction.*

*The Tiburon Police
Department
recommends that
you program the
following number
into your cell phone
to report a local
emergency:
(415)472-0911.*

*This number goes
immediately to the
Central Dispatch
office for the
County of Marin and
will be routed to
local public safety
personnel for
response.*

*For more
information, read
the news article in
this issue....*

*Diane Crane Jacopi
Tiburon Town Clerk*

year's meeting, to which all interested parties are invited (you need not be affiliated with a neighborhood organization), will be at Town Hall on Saturday, October 23, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Please come to share your thoughts, ideas and questions. Mark your calendars and join us for this lively and informative occasion! Yes, there will be coffee and refreshments, too.

Art Festival

It's this weekend! Don't miss the opportunity to support a local event and check out some first rate art at the fourth annual Tiburon Art Festival on Ark Row. Because this show is juried, the quality of the art work is much higher than that found at non-juried shows. Jewelry and three-dimensional art will be represented along with paintings in various media. A youth tent with activities, music and, of course, art, rounds this out as a great experience for the whole family. It really is an enjoyable community event, and a great way to start or expand your art collection or get a jump on holiday shopping. Refreshments, including wine and beer, are available too. Make an afternoon of it, then have dinner in downtown Tiburon. A great late-summer day!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peggy Curran".

Peggy Curran

NEWS BRIEFS

Learn more about the new Food Waste Curbside Recycling Program September 9 at Town Hall



The Marin Food Scrap Recycling Task Force will host a community workshop regarding the new Food Waste Curbside Recycling Program on September 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Tiburon Town Hall. Everyone is invited to learn more about the program that started on August 1 in Tiburon and Belvedere. Featured speakers are: Carol Misseldine, Sustainability Director in Mill Valley, Jim Iavarone, Managing Partner, Mill Valley Refuse Service, Joan Irwin, Marin Master Gardener, and Jessica Jones, Manager, Redwood Landfill and Recycling Center.

In case you haven't heard about the program, Mill Valley Refuse Service customers in Tiburon and Belvedere can now add food waste to their "green cans" for curbside pickup. The yard and food waste will be transported to a

new Compost Recycling Center at the Redwood Sanitary Landfill to be made into soil amendments that can be put back into the earth.

How often will it be picked up?

When food waste is added to yard waste, the law requires it be picked up every week. Consequently, the current bi-weekly pickup schedule for yard (and now food) waste has been changed to weekly service.

What goes in the "Green Can"

Items included in the food waste program are significantly greater than those that backyard composting systems can accommodate: fruits, vegetables, meat, seafood, bones, dairy items, food soiled paper, paper cups and paper plates are all eligible "food waste". (But all clean, recyclable papers and cardboard can still go in your recycling can.)

Come hear the speakers at the workshop on September 9, and find out how you can best utilize the food waste recycling program in your household. For more information, contact Barbara Winter at 497-4678.

More details about the food waste and other recycling programs can be found on Mill Valley Refuse Service's website, www.millvalleyrefuse.com.

Diane Crane Iacopi
Town Clerk

Police Chief Discusses 911 Calls

The 911 system works best when you're calling from your home "land line" phone. Every land line phone number is attached to a physical address in the "old" (pre-cell phone) system of telephone and operators. The dispatcher on the other end of the line knows exactly where the call is coming from and will send emergency services even if you never speak a word into the receiver.



If you call 911 from your cell phone, something a little different occurs. The call is routed based on which cellular site picks up the call. If you are within a half mile of a freeway, the system will route your call to the California Highway Patrol Communications Center in Vallejo. This call center receives calls from all over the North Bay and delays in answering can stretch into several minutes because of the sheer volume of calls. After the dispatcher

answers your call, they will need more time to determine where you're calling from and where to transfer your call, further delaying emergency response. Unlike a call from your home phone, the Emergency Services Dispatcher who answers will not be able to determine your location unless you stay on the line and answer their questions.

What to do?

If you have an emergency and have ready access to a land line, use it rather than a cell phone. If that is not a timely option, realize that when you call 911 from your cell phone you will need to answer questions clearly and calmly to tell the dispatcher where you are located. As a backup plan, you may wish to program your cellular phone with the seven digit number for your local emergency services dispatch center. For Tiburon residents, this is the Marin Sheriff's Communication Center; the number is **(415) 472-0911**.

These numbers are answered by the same dispatch center that handles emergency calls for most of Marin and that answers any 911 call made from your home phone. You will still have to tell them your location, but you may avoid the extra routing a cell phone 911 might otherwise receive. Obviously, it only makes sense to call the local number if you are in Marin at the time of the emergency. The great advantage of 911 is that everyone can remember it in a time of crisis, so never hesitate to use it if any other option might take more time.

Cell Phones and Driver Safety

School started this week and the Tiburon Police Department will be focusing more attention than usual on unsafe driving behavior. Police will be especially vigilant for any traffic violations (including cellular phone use) near schools when children are in attendance.

Traffic will be heavy from 7:30 to 8:30 AM and again from around 1:30 to 3:30PM (varies by school), so add some extra time when planning any trips on Tiburon Boulevard or around any of our schools. Carpools (or "School Pools") are encouraged. Parents, we ask that you follow the pick-up and drop-off procedures set by the schools. These rules are for your child's safety.

Sincerely,
Michael Cronin, Chief of Police

Support for Local Businesses and Business Owners

Are you a small business owner or interested in starting a

business?

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) would like to inform current and future Tiburon business owners of its free and low cost services. The question is, "What can SBDC do to help your business?" [Click here](#) to find out more.

SBDC is funded in part by the Small Business Administration. While the main office is in Santa Rosa, there are outreach offices throughout Marin County. SBDC provides confidential counseling to business owners, and offers workshops and other low cost services. Call (707) 524-1770 or visit www.sbdcsantarosa.org for more information.

SHOP TIBURON



And Speaking of local businesses...click the icon to the left for the latest on the business scene in Tiburon. The [Shop Tiburon website](#) features real time business listings and special opportunities unique to our community.

Developed by local business owner and Chamber of Commerce volunteer Stephanie Ziegler, "ShopTiburon is dedicated to all things fun and fabulous in the idyllic waterfront community of Tiburon, California. From where to shop, eat, drink and stay to local events, news, merchant specials and more - it's easy to see why Tiburon, CA is the BEST little town on the San Francisco Bay!"

The "Shop Local" icon will be featured regularly here and on the Town's website. Just click on it!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Tiburon Art Festival is Tomorrow!



The Tiburon Art Festival returns for its fourth year on Ark Row tomorrow, Saturday, August 28 and runs through Sunday, August 29. Hours are 11 a.m. until 6 p.m.

In addition to the 64 juried artists, there will be live music, family entertainment, activities, wine, beer and champagne. And plan to visit the Youth Art Tent located on the west end of the Festival. It will feature facepainting, tattoos, a youth crafts table, and local youth musicians, as well as art!

See you at the festival!

Cathleen Andreucci, Director
Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation

"Art Talk" at Town Hall

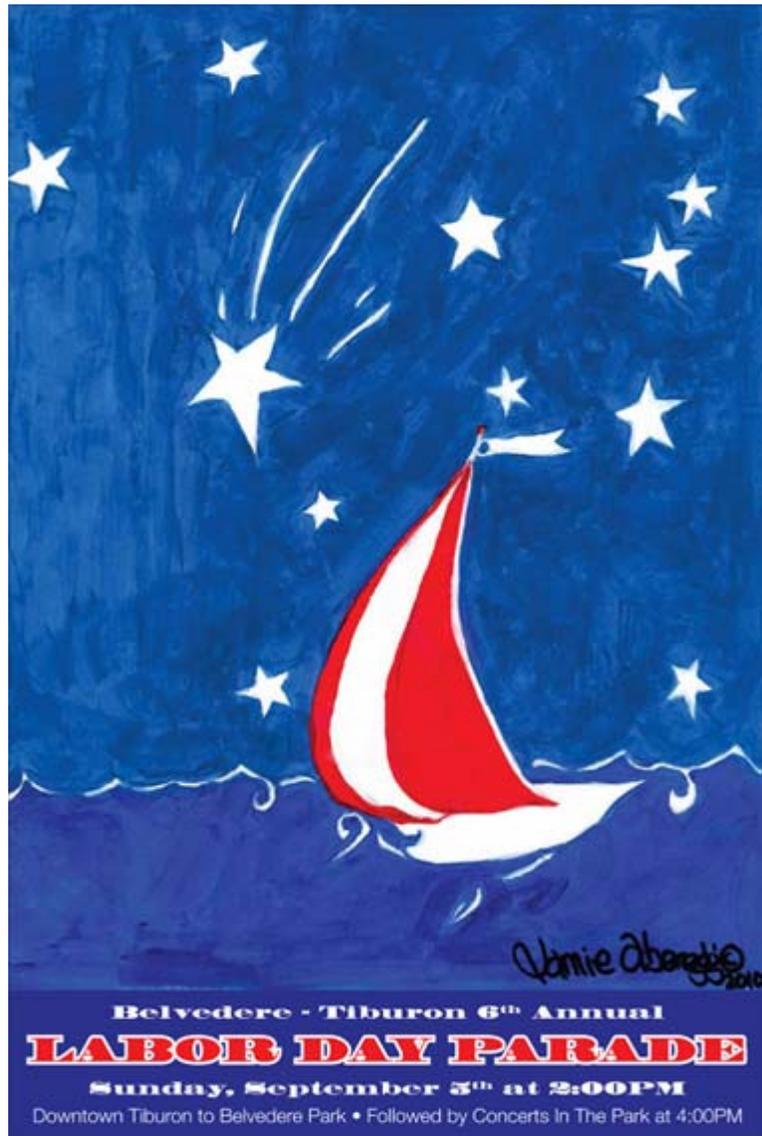
Tuesday, September 21, 7 - 8:30 p.m.
Town Hall Lobby

You are invited to join an informal exchange of ideas about art, starting this fall. It is for artists and people who just love art. The topic for the first evening will be: "What Does Art Mean to You?"

We will explore our thoughts in a lively discussion. All are welcome to come and participate in this conversation. So mark your calendars and invite your friends and we will embark on a new journey into the creative process.

Mary Musalo, Tiburon Artist Laureate, will moderate the evening. E-mail her at marymusalo@aol.com for more information.

Labor Day Parade



Sunday, September 5 - 2:00 p.m.

The parade starts at the corner of Mar West and Tiburon Boulevard and ends at Belvedere Park for the final Concert in the Park.

2010 Bel-Tib Open Golf Tournament



Blackie's Hay Day

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 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.

For more information, visit www.blackieshayday.com.

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. (September 1 and September 15).

Design Review Board: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, at 7 p.m. (September 2 and 16).

Planning Commission: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, at 7:30 p.m. (September 8 and 22).

Heritage & Arts Commission: 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m. (September 28) 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 September 21)

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

Sincerely,

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