Dear Tiburon Residents,

It is hard to believe that August 1 is here and we are officially on the home stretch of summer. School starts up again on August 24, and that means there are just over three weeks to fit in that last summer camp or plan that last family vacation or outing. It also means only three more weeks to enjoy relatively low traffic on Tiburon Boulevard.

As many of you know, the Town, along with our partners in Belvedere and the Reed Union School District, have been operating the Yellow Bus Challenge Program (YBCP) for four years now. The program, which is widely credited with significantly reducing traffic on Tiburon Boulevard during school bell times, has improved and grown each year, with a total of 1,457 one-way passes sold last year. This means approximately 47% of RUSD students are 'riding the bus'. Some of the program improvements we implemented in the past year include:

- Contracting with Marin Transit to provide day to day operational oversight of the YBCP, particularly when buses are on the road.
- Hiring a part time contract 'Program Manager' to assist in administering the YBCP and acting as a liaison with Marin Transit, parents and Reed Union School District.
- Introduction of a new web based platform for providing information on the program and purchasing of bus passes ([www.buschallenge.org](http://www.buschallenge.org))
- Development and introduction of a mobile Find My Bus 'app' which allows users to see real time information on the location of buses on their routes.

We are proud, not only of the YBCP's success, but also that, in part, it has provided the stimulus for a broader discussion about yellow school bus programs county wide. Looking ahead to the upcoming school year, we are working hard with Marin Transit and our service provider First Student, to implement changes that will make the service even more reliable and efficient. Passes for the upcoming school year are priced at $295 per one-way pass and went on sale
this past May. Several of the routes are close to selling out, so if you have not already done so, please take a few minutes and go to www.buschallenge.org to purchase your passes for the new school year.

Pass sales are predicted to cover only half of the cost of running the buses. So even if you do not use the program, but absolutely love the positive effect it has on traffic reduction, you can also support the effort by making a tax-deductible donation to help the program succeed. If interested in donating, please go to www.buschallenge.org and click on the 'Donate' link. Here you will find information on how to make donations either by credit card or by check.

Finally, I would like to thank you for your support of this important program, and hope you all enjoy these final few weeks of Summer with friends and family.

Sincerely,
Greg Chanis
Town Manager

NEWS BRIEFS

WOOF WOOF!
A Must Read for those Walking Dogs for a Business in Tiburon

Do you need a Business License?
Yes! While working on the few professional Dog Walking Business Licenses I administered this year for Tiburon it came to light that there appears to be a great number of people walking dogs in Tiburon who are probably unaware of the Tiburon Ordinance governing the walking of dogs as a business (Chapter 20 - Animals). Even if you are walking your own dogs for their exercise (and yours!), you should familiarize yourself with the rules covering the number of dogs allowable in certain public spaces, as well as the responsibilities of the owner. While a hand full of residents and out of town dog walkers have both licenses and the requisite Town Open Space Dog Walking Permit, if applicable, there is a far greater number of people who are operating without these required permits.

As more and more residents are opening their homes to dogs; the need for walking them, overnight services, etc. is proliferating. For
the comfort of all residents, who own a dog or not, we appreciate your understanding of the Town requirements in the handling of multiple dogs in order to avoid complaints.

- Why a Business License? Anyone running any type of business for profit is required to hold a valid business license in Tiburon. The fee schedule is the same as any other business, dictated by location; in town, residential, and out of town.

- In addition, you may need a Home Occupation Permit: If you are working out of your home, either running your dog walking business, and/or actually boarding dogs overnight, you will need to fill out the Home Occupation Permit for review by our Planning Division. Numerous ads for doggie day-care (and overnight) types of facilities have been spotted, however, to date; no licenses are on the records here at Town Hall. Once approved by Planning, this will become part of your Business License Renewal.

- If you are walking four (4) or more dogs on Tiburon Open Space: The Town's Municipal Code prohibits walking more than three dogs in most public places in the Town. However, with a permit, you can walk up to six (6) dogs at any one time on specified Fire Roads located on Town Open Space. The permit will require you to provide written proof demonstrating you have completed a class in dog obedience from the Marin Humane Society or equivalent, as well as a valid Business License and a General Insurance Liability Certificate. There have been multiple complaints by licensed-permitted Dog Walking companies, reporting that they see people walking more than four dogs at a time, who do not hold a license-permit, and do not often adhere to any Town guidelines.

- Marin County Open Space: If you are a commercial dog walker and are using Marin County Open Space; you will be subject the rules and requirements of Marin County - information can be found on their site: www.marincounty.org

For the Business License Application, Home Occupation Permit Application, and General Information, click here.

The Town Open Space Dog Walking Permit is found here.

For questions, please contact me: Patti Pickett - Business License Administration: 415.435.7373 or via email at ppickett@townoftiburon.org

Bel-Tib Landmarks is Looking for a New Director

Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks is looking for a part time Director to oversee the non-profit's operations. Activities include fundraising events, marketing communications, community outreach, acting as primary spokesperson for Landmarks, budget forecasting and fiscal reporting, maintenance and management of Landmarks historic
Qualified applicant will have nonprofit management experience; strong written and oral communication skills including social media; budget management skills; knowledge and skill in fundraising strategies unique to the nonprofit sector.

The Landmarks Society manages and maintains the Old St. Hilary’s Landmark and the surrounding wildflower preserve, the China Cabin, the Railroad Ferry & Depot Museum, and the Landmarks Art and Garden Center. These sites are all on the Tiburon Peninsula in Marin County. The Landmarks History Collections include photographs, fine art, artifacts, maps, documents, and a reference library. The Society’s activities include historic publications, botanical and historic tours, concerts, lectures, exhibits and fundraising events.

Send resume and cover letter to lmsalan@sbcglobal.net or mail to Alan Brune, Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks, 1550 Tiburon Boulevard Suite M, Tiburon, CA 94920.

Tiburon Heritage & Arts Commission 21st Annual Award for Historic Preservation Call for Nominations

The Heritage & Arts Commission of the Town of Tiburon wishes to recognize excellence in safeguarding yesterday’s treasures for Tiburon Peninsula residents of today and tomorrow. We invite you to submit your nominations for the 21st presentation of the Town’s Award for Historic Preservation. The award is made in recognition of outstanding achievement in preserving the Tiburon Peninsula’s prehistoric and historic properties. The purpose of the award is to promote public awareness in historic preservation; to laud significant contributions and exceptional commitment in historic stewardship and to recognize projects of excellent quality.

Nominations for the 2017 Award must be returned by August 10, 2017

The Award Ceremony and Reception will be held on
Wednesday, September 20, 2017
Tiburon Town Hall

For more information or to request a Nomination Packet, please contact:
Patti Pickett - Liaison to Heritage & Arts Commission
415.435.7373 or ppickett@townoftiburon.org

COMMUNITY EVENTS
Local Artist Reception - August 5
This is the first exhibition by Pablo Castro, one of our residents. He is showing his unique and beautiful pieces in various mediums, among them: oil paints, acrylics, water colors, drawings, pastels and more. Pablo chooses what to paint by the challenges the project presents.

Please join the Tiburon Heritage & Arts Commission for a free reception honoring Pablo Castro Jr. at Town Hall on Saturday, August 5.
Friday Nights on Main on August 25!

Tiburon's community tradition continues! Come down to Main Street to enjoy food booths set up by your favorite local restaurants and live music. Friday Nights on Main takes place on the last Friday of May, June, July, August and September from 6 - 9 p.m. Come have some fun downtown on:

**August 25 - Back To School**
**September 29 - Firefighters' Dance**

*Tom Benoit's Photography Exhibition*

*Continues through August 31, 2017 at Tiburon Town Hall*
Labor Day Parade

Sunday, September 3, 2017
Lineup: 1:00 p.m.
Parade: 2:00 p.m.

Join us for the 2017 Annual Labor Day Parade! This old-fashioned, home town parade boasts live bands with a fantastic and fun variety of music, antique cars, and creative floats and entries from your favorite local organizations. Bring the family and enjoy the fun! The parade route starts at the corner of Tiburon Boulevard and Lagoon, continues down Main Street and Beach Road, and ends at the pocket lawn between the San Francisco Yacht Club and the Belvedere Land Company.

Get involved! If your organization would like to join the parade or if you have an antique car you want to show off, please contact Parade Chair Jessica Hotchkiss for an entry form at jhotchkiss@theranchtoday.org or (415)435-4355.

The Ranch needs volunteers! If you are available on the day of the parade, or in the weeks before the parade, we need both adult and teen volunteers to be parade marshals, help decorate floats, or hand out supplies. Please contact Volunteer Coordinator Cathleen Andreucci at director@theranchtoday.com for more information.

Concerts at Old St. Hilary's
September 17 at 4 p.m.
Presented by the Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks Society and Tiburon Heritage & Arts, with generous support from Bank of Marin.

Advance Tickets: $15 and $20
Advance tickets available at the Landmarks Office, Tiburon Town Hall and online here.

Remaining tickets will be sold at the door ($20 and $25).

There is no parking at Old St. Hilary's. Please park at the Boardwalk Shopping Center, 1550 Tiburon Boulevard, and take a shuttle to the concert.

For more information, please visit www.landmarks-society.org or call (415)435-1853.

Blackie's Hay Day - September 23

This eagerly awaited event, an old-fashioned country fair for the
whole community is held every fall at Blackie's Pasture. Blackie's Hay Day attracts over 2,500 people from all over Marin County. The funds raised and good will engendered all support the Belvedere Tiburon Library’s Children and teen programs and services.

Come out with your family to enjoy pony rides, a petting zoo (featuring mini pigs, mini cow, a champion mini horse, and an alpaca!), Tot Town, carnival games, jumpies, extreme air bungee, T-Ball Inflatable, entertainment from DJ JD, food and drink.

And don't forget about Blackie's Bake Off Contest! Kids can bake a sweet treat for Blackie to be judged by a special panel of Tiburon notables!

Tiburon Taps Beer Festival Tickets are on Sale

Bike, walk or ferry to downtown Tiburon on Saturday, September 23 for the annual Tiburon Taps Beer Festival hosted by The Ranch at Dairy Knoll!

Enjoy an afternoon downtown by the Bay tasting over 70 craft brews, local restaurant food samplings and enjoy a full concert from cover band Neon Velvet. Take home some great memories and a souvenir tasting glass.

This event sold out last year, so get your tickets in advance here!

When: Saturday, September 23
Time: 1 - 4 p.m.
Where: Shoreline Park, Tiburon

Must be 21+ with valid identification to attend. Sorry, no pets.

Belvedere-Tiburon Golf Tournament - Sept. 24!

The 22nd annual Belvedere-Tiburon Open Golf Tournament will be held at the beautiful San Geronimo Golf Course. Proceeds from the tournament are shared by the Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks Society and The Ranch.

Fee includes green fee, barbecue lunch before the shotgun start, appetizers, post-play drinks, raffle and lots of prizes!

Player Fee: $140
Foresome: $500
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. - August 16 and September 6, 2017.

**Design Review Board:** First and third Thursdays at 7 p.m. - August 3 and 17, 2017.

**Planning Commission:** Second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. - August 23, 2017.

**Heritage & Arts Commission:** Fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. - August 22, 2017.

**Parks, Open Space and Trails Commission:** Third Tuesday every other month at 6 p.m. - September 19, 2017.

**Disaster Advisory Council:** Meetings Quarterly.

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

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