



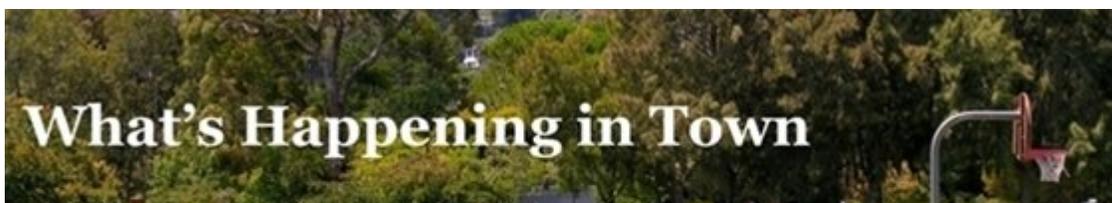
The Town of Corte Madera's Newsletter for December 21, 2018

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Happy Holidays
from all of us at Town Hall



The Town of Corte Madera wishes you and all of your loved ones very happy holidays!!!

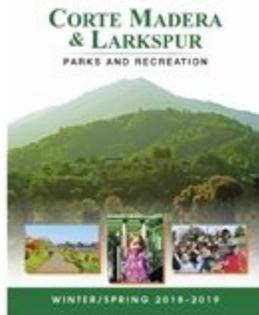




Town Hall Holiday Office Closure 12/24/18-1/02/19

Town Hall offices will be closed for the holidays from Monday, December 24, 2018 through Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Offices will reopen on Wednesday, January 2, 2019. All emergency services will remain available during this time.



The Recreation Winter-Spring Brochure is Out!

The Winter/Spring 2018-19 Recreation Brochure Features Programs, Classes and Events for Youth, Adults and Seniors.

[Click here to read the Brochure.](#)

[Click here to sign up for classes and/or programs.](#)



Celebrate Computer Science Week

Join the Microsoft Store to celebrate Computer Science Week and the holiday season!

They have three new workshops focused on creativity and coding through the month of December:

Minecraft Hour of Code 2018

Using the power of code, students aged 8 and up will explore aquatic worlds and uncover hidden treasure with the new Minecraft Voyage Aquatic tutorial.

Harry Potter Kano Kit

Participants will follow simple steps with drag-and-drop code blocks and create Harry Potter spell motions, magical creatures, and artefacts, all with the coding wand and a Surface device.

Create Cool 3D Holiday Art

Students ages 8+ will bring their imagination to life by creating cool holiday art with 3D in Windows 10.

Workshops are held at the Microsoft Store located at The Village, 1640 Redwood Highway, Space D001 (across from Williams-Sonoma and Gap). Contact Alyssa at

alyssa.surges@microsoft.com if you have questions or concerns.
To register for one of the upcoming workshops, [please click here](#).



Free GIFT WRAPPING

11 AM TO 4 PM

NOVEMBER 23-25 | DECEMBER 1-2
DECEMBER 8-23 (EXTENDED TO 6 PM)
DECEMBER 24

770 Office Building Lobby (next to Barnes & Noble)

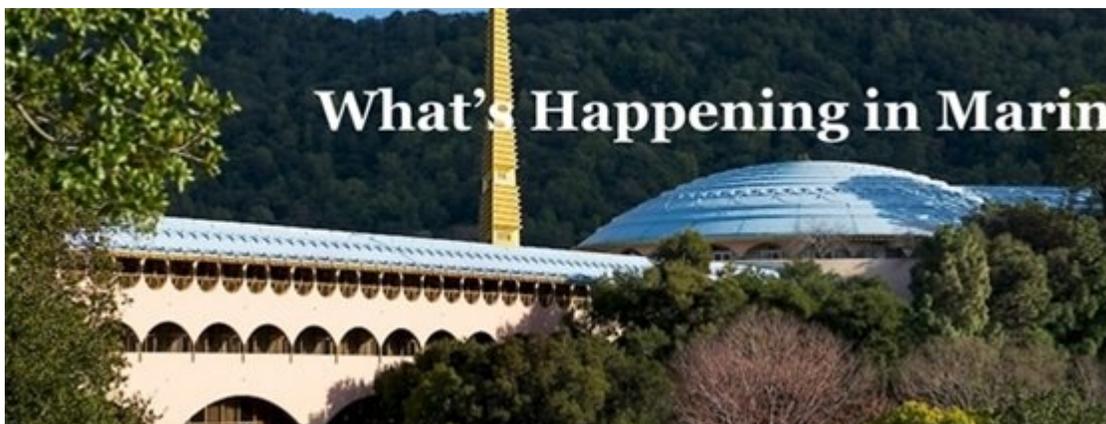


Free SANTA PHOTOS

11 AM TO 4 PM

NOVEMBER 23-25 | DECEMBER 1-2
DECEMBER 8-9 | DECEMBER 15-24

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Steve's Machine & Santa at the Marin Country Mart Farmers Market

Marin Country Mart invites you to bring your kids to the Farmers Market for [Steve's Machine Empire](#). Chock full of things with springs and drawing machines. Flocks of bots and mechanical props.



Don't miss the contraption fun at the Marin Country Mart and all the fun things you can take apart!

Snowman cupcake decorating too!

This is a rain-or-shine market, operating year-round on Saturdays from 9 am - 2 pm.

Plus, Santa will be at the Mart. He will be in Copperfield's from 10:30am until 1:30pm every Saturday of December until Christmas, listening to your little ones' Christmas wishes and taking complimentary photos.

The event will be held on Saturday, December 22nd from 9AM to 2PM at the Marin Country Mart, 2257 Larkspur Landing Circle in Larkspur. For more information, [please click here](#).

Sunrise Solstice Hike at Deer Island

Marin County Parks invites you to hike the 2 mile deer island loop trail with a ranger and watch the sunrise. This event is ideal for all ages.

Degree of difficulty: Moderate. Dress in layers and wear sturdy shoes. Don't forget to bring binoculars if you have them. Friendly dogs are welcome but must be leashed. Rain or heavy winds will cancel.



For questions, please contact Ranger Luke Bishop at LkBishop@marincounty.org.

The hike will take place on Saturday, December 22, 2018 from 7AM to 10:30AM at Deer Island Preserve.

Meet at the gate on Deer Island Lane in Novato.

From Highway 101 in Novato, take the exit for Atherton Avenue east 1.7 miles. Turn right onto Olive Avenue and left onto Deer Island Lane. The gate is on your right. For more information, [please click here](#).

Participate in Marin County's Online Resident Survey

A message from the County of Marin: Results from anonymous poll will guide future service considerations

San Rafael, CA – Is the County of Marin government providing the services you want and need? It's time to ask a few questions, gather the answers, and put them to good use. The [2018 Resident Survey](#) is now featured on www.marincounty.org, and answers will be anonymous.

Why conduct a survey? The County is eager to receive a report card from its residents as a measure of customer service and to compare results to those from counties nationwide. Survey results will be available in spring 2019 via the County's website and will be discussed during a public workshop with the Board of Supervisors. The results will provide data with which the



The County's resident survey includes questions about general quality of life, local policies, demographics, a rating of local government services, and if the resident's needs are being met.

County can dive deeper in some areas using other tools, like focus groups or listening sessions, in 2019. The survey, which takes about 15 minutes to complete, includes questions about general quality of life, local policies, demographics, a rating of local government services, and if the resident's needs are being met. In addition, residents can provide perspectives about the Board of Supervisors' current areas of focus. At the end, there is an open-ended question asking residents to share the top issue they believe the County should focus on over the next two years.

The online survey was launched about a month after the County mailed 3,200 [printed surveys](#) to randomly selected households. The online opt-in survey is expected to be open through January 31, 2019, and is available at www.bit.ly/countyofmarin.

"The surveys mailed in November were the scientific portion of the process so we can ensure that we reach a variety of residents and gather viewpoints from people from different locations, age groups, racial and socio-economic backgrounds," said Dan Eilerman, Assistant County Administrator. "But we also think it's critical to open it up to the public so residents who were not randomly selected to participate in the mailed survey can also have their opinions heard."

The County has formed a working group to reach out to the community to confirm that every voice has an opportunity to be heard.

"We anticipate that some residents may have some reluctance or even fear in providing their opinion, or have concerns about online access," Eilerman said. "To safeguard against that, we are emphasizing that the survey is completely anonymous and that it's available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese."

The County contracted with the National Research Center to conduct the comprehensive, scientific survey and mailed 3,200 surveys to randomly selected residents in mid-November. The scientific survey is expected to have less than a 5 percent margin of error. Recipients had an option to return the scientific surveys in a postage-paid envelope, or to complete it online. Those residents who received one of the original mail surveys are encouraged to complete those instead of the newly opened online survey.



Intergenerational Center

The Intergenerational Center is a gathering place for seniors, children and young adults, featuring programs in art, games, yoga, literature, technology and more. AFIC offers events and activities for all ages -- preschool to 100+.

For information or to view the [December program schedule](#), please visit the Intergenerational Center website: <https://agefriendlycenter.org> or call 415-991-4040

Intergenerational Center Members are FREE. Membership cost for Corte Madera residents is \$15; for those outside of Corte Madera, \$25.

This is a tax-deductible donation to *Age-Friendly Solutions*, a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization. Membership entitles you to **ALL** Intergenerational Center activities at **NO CHARGE** for the rest of 2018.

Please contact Pam at The Center at 415.991.4040 to reserve space for your child or email pwaterstone@tcmmail.org.

The Intergenerational Center is located by the "pencil bench" at 498 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera CA 94925



POKER (ALL ARE WELCOME)

Every Tuesday, 2:30-4:30PM

Enjoy an afternoon of cards and camaraderie. The Intergenerational Center will provide the poker chips, cards and snacks. We invite YOU!

To view the description flyer, [please click here](#).

Please call Pam (415-991-4040) at the Intergenerational Center or email pwaterstone@tcmmail.org to save

yourself a place at the table. We want to make sure there are enough sign-ups for a good game.



KidsArt and MakerSpace

KidsArt with Debra

Classes are scheduled every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM

For students, 2nd to 8th grade.

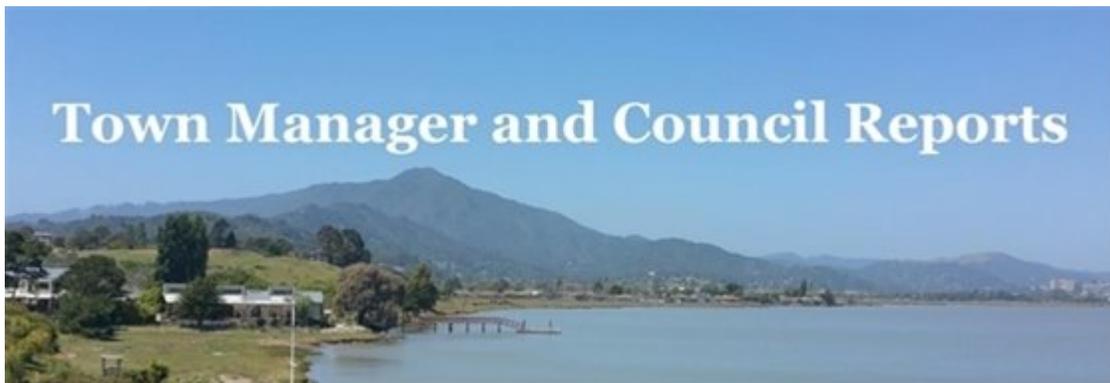
MakerSpace with Charles

Every Thursday, 3:30-5:30PM

For ages 10 to 110.

December activity: Make your own light show. Space is limited. Call in advance to reserve a spot.

To view the description flyer, [please click here](#). Please call Pam (415-991-4040) at the [Intergenerational Center](#) or email pwaterstone@tcmmail.org with any questions or get more details about MakerSpace.



Councilmember Kunhardt: He reported that the LRAD (long range acoustic device) testing was very clear and he was very pleased to have been able to hear it on Christmas Tree Hill.

Councilmember Beckman: He reported attending the Chamber of Commerce meeting where the board discussed its new budget. He mentioned that the Larkspur-Corte Madera School District has installed its new trustees and lastly, he reported that CMSA (Central Marin Sanitation Agency) has approved its sewer use ordinance.

Councilmember Bailey: He reported that Senator McGuire called an emergency meeting for the legislative committee to inform the committee members about upcoming legislation that will allow for density near major transit stops (SB 50). McGuire added that SB 50 is a "one size fits all" type of bill and therefore, he and other legislators will be co-sponsoring a separate bill that will allow for a more "tailored process" depending on the size of the municipality. McGuire emphasized this is important to know because if SB 50 passes, local municipalities may lose the ability to exercise plan review at the local level.



**Work Week of Monday, December 24th to
Friday, December 28th**

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Town Hall is closed all week. Enjoy the holidays!!!



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