



**The Town of Cortes Madera's Newsletter for April 26, 2019**

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If you've had the chance to meet Jamie King (pictured in center photo), you probably know he's a hard-working individual who enjoys interacting with the community. Not only is he

knowledgeable on a lot of public works-related things, but also knowledgeable in fish hatchery subject matter. Yes you read that right: *fish hatchery*. King used to work for the Petaluma School District and during his time there, he had the privilege of working with students from Casa Grande High School who were part of "[The Adobe Creek Restoration Project](#)." This project was launched in order to save the then-endangered steelhead and restore the Adobe Creek habitat. The project led to extensive studies of creeks in Petaluma and the rescuing of the native steelhead species. This project has a long history and luckily, King was well informed on the project's timeline before he came to Corte Madera. Fortunately, several students in our area had the opportunity to learn about this project and get an idea of how they can contribute to projects like this one. After all, Corte Madera has plenty of land that is home to many different species. What better way to plan on protecting our habitats than by speaking to and teaching our youth of their importance through the example of a very successful project in one of our neighboring counties.



## REMINDER for Hidden Valley and Upper Chapman Park Neighborhood Residents

This is a reminder that you should be preparing for the scheduled green waste Chipper Days happening in your neighborhood. There are two days scheduled for each neighborhood.

- Hidden Valley is scheduled for April 29th and 30th
- Upper Chapman Park is scheduled for May 2nd and 3rd.
- Work will begin at 8AM each day until complete for that

day.

Please refer to the Town's website for more information about the scheduled green waste Chipper Days. Go to <https://www.townofcortemadera.org/830/Resilience-Program-Chipper-Days>

Remember that [defensible space](#) IS THE LAW! Get more information on the Town website by [clicking here](#).



\*\*\*\*\*HAPPENING TONIGHT\*\*\*\*\*

## Corte Madera Town Band Spring Concert

Spring is in the air and the Corte Madera Town Band is busy practicing for its Annual Spring Concert.

The concert will be held on Friday, April 26th at 7:30PM at the Corte Madera Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Drive.

Bring the whole family - **it's FREE!!!** The band will play great tunes, which you will recognize.

Refreshments will be served for all.

**About the band:** The Corte Madera Town Band is a volunteer organization made of folks with a passion for playing music. There are about 40 musicians from all walks of life, ranging from high school teens to 80+ years young, traveling from 17 communities in the San Francisco Bay Area. To learn more about the Corte Madera Town Band, please visit their website, [www.CorteMaderaTownBand.org](http://www.CorteMaderaTownBand.org)



**\*\*\* HAPPENING TOMORROW \*\*\*  
Prescription Take-back Day**

It's finally Spring - - and time to clean out your medicine cabinets and drawers of unwanted prescription drugs.

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day is Saturday, April 27th.

RX Take-Back Day is a safe, convenient, and responsible way to dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs.

The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

On the last Take-Back Day in October 2018, nearly 460 tons (more than 900,000 pounds) of unused or expired medications were collected nationwide.

You can drop off pills and patches at either of the Central Marin Police Authority (CMPA) stations between 10AM and 2PM on Saturday, April 27th. Please no liquids or sharps. The Larkspur station is located at 250 Doherty Drive, and the San Anselmo station is at 525 San Anselmo Avenue. [Click here to view and share the event flyer.](#)

**CERTIFIED COMPREHENSIVE  
FIRST AID TRAINING (CCFA)**



**FREE Certified Comprehensive First Aid Training**

ARE YOU SIGNED UP for one of the upcoming, Certified Comprehensive First Aid Trainings (CCFA)??? The training is **FREE**, yes, **FREE** to Corte Madera residents.

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In our continuing commitment to emergency preparedness, the Town of Corte Madera is sponsoring training classes for community members. This is one of the many ongoing efforts Town-wide to build community awareness, preparation and resilience.

- This 5-hour class will certify you for a period of 2 years
- It is certified by the American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI)
- The course material covers child & adult CPR, appropriate use of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs), how to manage blood borne pathogens, appropriate skilled first-aid training, and coordination and interaction with badged first-responders
- The course is hands-on, interactive and focused
- The course will give special attention to our local vulnerabilities of fire and earthquake response
- Beverages and snacks will be provided
- Please wear comfortable shoes and clothing and be prepared to be engaged
- Participants completing the course will receive a home first-aid kit
- **Individuals age 18 or older ONLY (we will not be able to accept anyone under the age of 18. If you are under age 18 and have already been registered by Lorena Barrera, please disregard this part of the message),** may sign-up

by sending your full name and home address via email to Lorena Barrera at [lbarrera@tcmmail.org](mailto:lbarrera@tcmmail.org) or by calling 415-927-5086. Early enrollment is highly encouraged. You will not be able to participate if you are not enrolled.

- Classes are offered on a first-come, first-served basis
- Questions regarding the course curriculum may be directed to Marla Orth ([dhsys@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dhsys@sbcglobal.net))
- Questions regarding enrollment may be directed to Lorena Barrera at [lbarrera@tcmmail.org](mailto:lbarrera@tcmmail.org)
- All classes will be held at the Corte Madera Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, and begin promptly at the specified time.
- The upcoming class dates for the Corte Madera community are:
  - Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 10:00 AM
  - Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 10:00 AM

Your skilled efforts can potentially save a life or prevent a disability. Giving you the skill sets will remove the fear and hesitation to act quickly and appropriately.

Thank you for your commitment to our Town's safety.

[Click here to view the flyer](#) on these classes. Make sure to share the flyer with everyone you know.

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### **Cannabis Ordinance: Town Council Public Hearing 5/7/19**

On Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 6:30pm, the Corte Madera Town Council will hold a public hearing to consider amending the Corte Madera Municipal Code regarding cannabis businesses and cultivation regulations. The meeting will take place at Town Hall Council Chambers,

300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera.

The public hearing notice is [linked here](#) for your review. If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please call the Town of Corte Madera Planning Department at 415-927-5067 or email Senior Planner Phil Boyle at [pboyle@tcmmail.org](mailto:pboyle@tcmmail.org).

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### **ARE YOU RECYCLING RIGHT? Free Seminar on Recycling and Home Composting**

The Corte Madera Community Center, in partnership with Zero Waste Marin, is hosting a free advanced recycling and home composting workshop.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, May 18th from 10:00AM to 12:00PM in the Corte Madera Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Drive.

Proper recycling and keeping organic materials onsite, as mulch and homemade compost, are some of the most important practices you can do for our environment. Wonder why some items are not wanted in the recycling bin? Confused about plastic recycling? Are you curious about worm composting? Come learn how proper recycling and composting are related. Come discover how this knowledge makes you an informed and empowered citizen in your community.

#### **Good Reason to Attend**

Preventing unnecessary waste is an important goal for all of us. Did you know that the number one single item in our garbage is food scraps? And a lot of the food is even edible when it is thrown away. Did you know that over 20% of what is in the average Marin County garbage can are recyclable bottles, cans, and paper? Combined yard trimmings, along with food scraps, and basic recyclable equal more than 79% of the total waste from

Marin County homes. Knowing this means there is a great opportunity to divert this material away from landfills, into a recycling and composting programs, or back into our landscape as homemade compost. Learning how to compost and properly recycle, are some of the most important endeavors one can do for our environment. The instructor, Todd Sutton, aka The Waste Sleuth, is a waste prevention expert with more than 27 years in the environmental field. He has appeared on national television, including Discovery and the History channels, and has educated thousands on sustainable materials management, zero waste concepts, waste prevention, reuse, recycling, and composting.

### **Be a Winner – Attend a Free Workshop**

By attending this free workshop you will have the opportunity to enter a drawing for the chance to win a free composting bin with a retail value of more than \$100. Everyone is a winner –by learning how to properly recycle at home and work, and by learning how to compost, we all win because we are part of the solution to help keep our environment healthy. Do Not Hesitate Register now to attend a free workshop and learn how to compost. The class is free and seats are limited. Registration is desired, but not necessary. Please RSVP via email [Todd@WasteSleuth.com](mailto:Todd@WasteSleuth.com) or call or text 925-787-8913.

Register now. If you would like additional information on this topic please contact Casey Poldino, Zero Waste Specialist, Zero Waste Marin (415) 473-6170. To contact the workshop instructor – Todd Sutton, aka the Waste Sleuth, (925) 787-8913 or [Todd@WasteSleuth.com](mailto:Todd@WasteSleuth.com) -- [www.WasteSleuth.com](http://www.WasteSleuth.com).

[Click here to view and share the event flyer.](#)



### **Community Electric Vehicle Test Drive Event**

Drive Clean Marin invites you to a Community Electric Vehicle Test Drive Event on Sunday, April 28th from 3PM to 5PM at the College of Marin parking lot (near the pool/gym), 700 College Avenue, Kentfield, CA.



This is a free community event to test drive electric vehicles (EVs) and learn how to make the switch to driving clean. You will learn about rebates and incentives, saving money, batteries and charging.

For more information, contact Drive Clean Marin by clicking [here](#).

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### **Gun Violence Prevention Town Hall**

Congressman Jared Huffman and special guest, Congressman Mike Thompson, invite you to a town hall on gun violence prevention. The conversation will focus on making our schools and public places safer for

everyone with participation from local students, as well as representatives from Moms Demand Action, the Brady Campaign, and others.

The town hall is scheduled to take place on Sunday, April 28th from 1PM to 2:30PM at Dominican University, Angelico Hall, 50 Acacia Avenue, San Rafael.

This event is free and open to the public, however, seating is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis up to capacity. To RSVP or for more information, [click here](#).



## Medicare Fundamentals

Are you confused about your Medicare benefits? Don't fully understand how to apply or what your benefits should be? Johanna Calkins of HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program) will help you understand your rights, timelines, and possible penalties. She will provide free, objective information, and counseling about Medicare.



California HICAP is part of a national network of State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIP). SHIP is a Federal Administration for Community Living (ACL) grant program that helps states enhance and support a network of local programs, staff, and volunteers. HICAP is supported by the California Department of Aging with financial assistance through a grant from the Administration for Community Living.

The event will be held on Friday, May 3rd from 12PM - 2PM at the Civic Center Library, 3501 Civic Center Drive, #427, San Rafael. If you have any questions about this free program, please call the Library at 415-473-6058

## A Spring Walk

This walk is for ages 18 and up. Abundant flowers, birds, and butterflies will surround you as you enjoy a spring day in this beautiful Fairfax preserve. This canyon is the upper reach of the San Anselmo Creek watershed and truly one of the jewels of Marin County. Parking is limited so give yourself time to find a spot. Remember to bring binoculars, if you have them.



Rain may cancel. If questionable weather, call (415) 893-9527 after 8AM on the morning of the event to hear a recorded message if cancelled. Marin County Parks requests that no pets (except service animals) attend.

No registration is required. If you have questions, contact Shannon Burke at [SBurke@marincounty.org](mailto:SBurke@marincounty.org) or (415) 893-9520.

The event will be held on Wednesday, May 1st from 10AM to 2PM at the Cascade Canyon Preserve in Fairfax. For directions, park entrance information and more, [please click here](#).

## Marin Wildfire Forum

Please join Marin County's municipalities and fire agencies on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 10AM at Embassy

Suites in San Rafael (101 McInnis Pkwy, San Rafael, CA 94903) for a FREE community presentation and panel discussion on wildfire preparedness, with an introduction to important new efforts that will help make Marin more wildfire resilient. There will be tables and booths representing a variety of stakeholders, contractors, and agency representatives of agencies and industries who play a role in Marin's wildfire readiness.



**What:** Opening with a special guest presentation from a Camp Fire evacuation survivor, the Marin Wildfire Forum will look at prevention and preparedness through a countywide lens. Representatives from local government, fire agencies, land managers, emergency services, law enforcement, community leaders and wildfire experts will update residents on progress to date, work to come, and future needs. Residents will learn what they can do to protect their homes and what we can do together to make Marin as wildfire safe and emergency ready as possible.

**Why:** Wildfire prevention and emergency preparedness are countywide priorities. Great work is being done in communities across Marin, but there is much more to do. Fire knows no boundaries. We must work together as one community to make all of Marin as wildfire safe and emergency ready as possible.

**When:** Saturday, May 4 from 10 AM to noon.

**Where:** Embassy Suites, San Rafael -101 McInnis Pkwy, San Rafael, CA 94903

**Contact:** Jennifer Gauna, 415.473.6159 or [jgauna@marincounty.org](mailto:jgauna@marincounty.org)

Registration: optional but encouraged.

**Event sponsors:**

FIRESafe MARIN, County of Marin, Firewise USA, Marin County Fire Chiefs Association.

[To register, click here.](#)

To view and share the event flyer, [please click here.](#)



### 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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April 1	April 2	April 3	April 4	April 5	April 6	April 7
April 8	April 9	April 10	April 11	April 12	April 13	April 14
April 15	April 16	April 17	April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21
April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28
April 29	April 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5

offers events and activities for all ages -- preschool to 100+.

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

Intergenerational Center programs are FREE for members. Membership cost for Corte Madera residents is \$25 and for non-residents it is \$40 for all of 2019.

The cost is a tax-deductible donation to *Age-Friendly Solutions*, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Please contact Pam at The Center at 415-991-4040 or via email at [pwaterstone@tcmmail.org](mailto:pwaterstone@tcmmail.org) for more information.

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



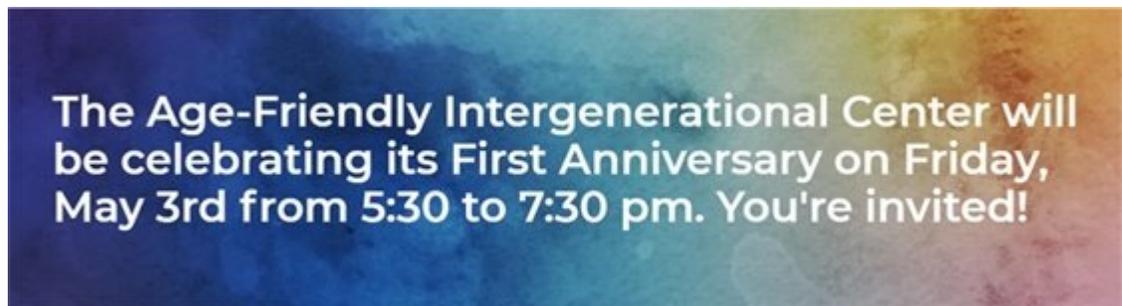
## "Paint and Sip" - A Fun, Social Painting Experience

Discover your inner artist and learn the secrets of creating your own fabulous paint of irises in the style of Vincent Van Gogh. Award-winning artist and educator, Debra Maddox will guide you in an informal, encouraging atmosphere to create your own van Gogh masterpiece.

No experience is necessary. This is for everyone! All art supplies will be provided. Just bring a thirst for creativity

and passion for a good time.

Paint and Sip will be held on Tuesday, April 30th from 6:30PM to 8:30PM at the Intergenerational Center, 498 Tamalpais Drive. For more details on this event and information on how to register, [please click here](#).



The Age-Friendly Intergenerational Center will be celebrating its First Anniversary on Friday, May 3rd from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. You're invited!

There will be food, drinks and entertainment along with a silent auction benefiting the Intergenerational Center.

Admission to this event is FREE. Bring the whole family!

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Pam Waterstone by email at [pwaterstone@tcmmail.org](mailto:pwaterstone@tcmmail.org) or via phone at 415-991-4040.

# Upcoming Town Council, Board and Commission Meetings



## Work Week of Monday, April 29th to Friday, May 3rd

- No Town Council, Board, Commission or Committee meetings are scheduled to take place this work week.

Thank you for checking.



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