



The Town of Cortes Madera's Newsletter for August 16, 2019

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Happening THIS TUESDAY: PG&E Presentation on Medical Baseline Program & Public Safety Power Shutoff Notifications

The following information is from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Please join us THIS TUESDAY for the upcoming presentation PG&E will be providing at the Tuesday, August 20th Town Council meeting. The following links will direct you to the information shared with the public for their presentation.

[PG&E Real-Time Monitoring](#)
[Community Wildfire Safety Program Fact Sheet](#)
[Community Wildfire Safety Program Overview](#)

Don't forget to read all of the information below.

The Medical Baseline Program, also known as Medical Baseline Allowance, is an assistance program for residential customers who have special energy needs due to qualifying medical conditions. The program is not based on income and includes two different kinds of help:

- A lower rate on your monthly energy bill.
- Extra notifications in advance of a Public Safety Power Shutoff.

During a Public Safety Power Shutoff, PG&E turns off electricity to customers and communities as a last resort for safety due to forecasted extreme fire danger conditions. Extreme weather threats can change quickly. Our goal is to send impacted customers notice between one hour and 48 hours in advance of turning off power when and where possible and if conditions allow. Notifications are sent by phone, text and email. Medical Baseline customers may receive extra notifications as part of this outreach which

may include additional phone calls or a door knock to ensure they're aware and can make preparations to stay safe.

These short videos help explain the Medical Baseline program:

[ENGLISH](#) / [SPANISH](#) / [CHINESE](#)

The program is not based on income and you can download the application form using these links [ENGLISH](#) / [SPANISH](#) / [CHINESE](#)

Please be prepared to have your PG&E account number. If you are not the direct customer on the PG&E account, to submit a medical baseline application, you will need to connect with the owner/customer of record to identify the account number.

Some examples of qualifying medical conditions include:

- Paraplegic, hemiplegic or quadriplegic condition
- Multiple sclerosis with special heating and/or cooling needs
- Scleroderma with special heating needs
- Life-threatening illness or compromised immune system, and special heating and/or cooling are needed to sustain life or prevent medical deterioration
- Asthma and/or sleep apnea

Some examples of qualifying medical devices include:

- Motorized wheelchair/scooter
- IPPB or CPAP machines
- Respirator (all types)
- Hemodialysis machine
- Iron lung

[Click here to review a more complete list of qualifying medical devices.](#)



Celebrate the Town's Nonagenarians and Centenarians

We invite you to join Age-Friendly Corte Madera which will honor the Town's Nonagenarians and Centenarians (those age 90 and better) Sunday, August 18th from 2:30pm to 4:00pm at the Corte Madera Community Center, 498 Tamalpais Drive.

Please join us in celebrating our very special neighbors. If you know someone who should be honored, please call

[Please view and share the flyer by clicking here.](#)



Pilot Parking Permit Program

At the August 20 meeting of the Corte Madera Town Council and the August 21 meeting of the Larkspur City Council, agenda items will be considered authorizing staff to implement a pilot parking permit program in portions of Madera Gardens, Heather Gardens, and the Larkspur Marina during the 2019-2020 school year. The purpose of this program is to deter Redwood High School students from using residential streets in these neighborhoods as an overflow parking option. The Town and City will bear

the costs of the program during the pilot year to determine how much it costs to administer. For the pilot year:

- on-street parking will be restricted to vehicles with permits from 7am to 3pm
- all vehicles registered to properties on the affected streets will be eligible for decals that allow them to park on the street
- limited-term visitor placards will be available from Town Hall and City Hall
- landscape maintenance companies and other businesses that visit residences may park on the restricted streets provided they display a valid business license in their vehicle.

The Town, City, and Central Marin Police Authority will be using a combination of police cadets and third-party code enforcement officers to periodically patrol the parking districts. Residents will also be able to call when there is a problem.

Agenda items with more details will be posted by the end of the week. ([Click here to view the agenda item for the Corte Madera Town Council](#)) If the program is approved by the Councils, there will be follow-up informational items with the affected neighborhoods.

You may see workers in these neighborhoods over the next few days marking locations with white paint. These locations are being marked as they are locations where signs will be posted with the parking restrictions. Utilities will be visiting the marked locations to make certain that installers will not hit any utilities.



The Third Wednesday Speaker Series: Driving As We Age

Age-Friendly Corte Madera, Twin Cities Village, Corte Madera Parks and Recreation and Age-Friendly Solutions, Sponsors of The Third Wednesday Speakers Series present... Driving As We Age

Worried about your driver's license renewal? Wondering if you should still be driving? Many people value driving as a mark of independence. The rules of the road and your

hearing, vision and reaction time have changed since you learned to drive. Learn how to tune up your driving skills and get helpful hints to pass the license renewal exam. This presentation will provide valuable information and help you continue to maintain your driving privilege as long as you are safe to do so.

Presenter: Jerrod Sieberg, DSM 1
Senior Driver Ombudsman
Northern California Region, DMV

Location: Corte Madera Community Center
498 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925

This event will be held on Wednesday, August 21st from 11am to 12:30pm. To view and share the event flyer, please click [here](#).



High Canal Embankment Repair Project: PLEASE BE ADVISED

Please be advised that the Public Works Department for the Town of Corte Madera will be starting a construction project on September 3rd through early November 2019 to repair four slope failures along the High Canal drainage channel. Normal working hours for the project are tentatively scheduled from 8am-5pm.

In general, when working in the vicinity of schools it is our goal to deliver projects while school is out of session. However, as part of the environmental compliance analysis for the project and coordination with resource permitting agencies (California Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Army Corp. of Engineers) several avoidance measures were identified that limited the construction window within the waterway to only the months of September and October.

In an effort to minimize public inconvenience, we have identified a pedestrian detour route ([click here to view it](#)) and we appreciate your cooperation through the duration of our project. At Doherty Drive and Lucky Drive, safe passage of pedestrians will be maintained at all times and construction-related deliveries will be scheduled to avoid school drop off and pick up, when possible. However, to ensure safety, it is likely that the High Canal path will be closed to the public for the duration of the project (including nights and weekends). Also, upon completion of the slope repairs the gravel and asphalt paths will be restored to pre-existing condition.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact Public Works at pwcounter@tcmmail.org or 415.927.5057.



Parks and Recreation Closures Coming Soon

We would like to inform you that the Corte Madera Community Center will be closed to the public the week of Monday, August 26th to Friday, August 30th.

The Community Center will be undergoing its annual maintenance work so all activities for that week have

been cancelled.

Additionally, the basketball courts are going to be repaved. Therefore, they will be closed starting on Thursday, August 22nd and will be usable starting Monday, August 26th. Please note that because we have to allow the pavement to have several weeks of cure time before the new surfacing is done, we will need to once again, close the basketball courts some time after September 13th (we will announce the official date once it is confirmed). After we announce the official date, the courts will be closed for two weeks while the work is being done.

If you have questions or concerns regarding these closures, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 415-927-5072.



FREE Summer Camp

Microsoft is offering FREE summer camps. These are *Stranger Things*-inspired STEM camps. Campers must be 13 and up and they will be able to take coding and movie making workshops, enter to win an Xbox One X and play

Stranger Things 3: The Game.

Camp will be held every Saturday at 10am now through September 28th at the Level 1 Microsoft Store at the Village, 1618 Redwood Highway. [Click here to register and attend](#).



Chili Cooks Needed for the Upcoming Chili Cook-Off

We are hoping you can help us spread the word on the upcoming chili cook-off. The cook-off will be held on Saturday, September 7th on the Day of Fun presented by the Corte Madera Chamber of Commerce, Town of Corte Madera and City of Larkspur.

The cook off will be from 12pm to 1:30pm at the Corte Madera Town Park. There are some things you need to make a note of prior to registering. Those are:

- You have to make your chili at your home or restaurant and transport it to the Corte Madera Community Center
- You must arrive by 11:30am because the tasting begins at 12pm.
- You must bring at least 1 gallon of chili
- There is no cost to register but all registrations are due by September 1st.

To download the registration [please click here](#). To register through our online portal, [please click here](#).



FREE Certified Comprehensive First Aid Training

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

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.)**, may sign-up by sending your full name and home address via

email to Lorena Barrera at 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)
- Questions regarding enrollment may be directed to Lorena Barrera at 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 date for the Corte Madera community is: **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 this class. Make sure to share the flyer with everyone you know.



Corte Madera Community Foundation's Summer Concert Series

The Foundation's free Summer Sunday Concerts at Piccolo Pavilion in Old Corte Madera Square began on June 9, 2019, and will continue on Sundays through August 25, from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. Here's the current

lineup of fine bands that are scheduled to perform during the 2019 season:

- **Aug 18: New Copasetics Band** (Rock/Pop/Americana/Little Bit of Soul) <http://www.newcopasetics.com>
- **Aug 25: Danny Click and the Heck Yeahs!** (Americana/Folk) <http://dannyclick.com>

To visit the Corte Madera Community Foundation's website, [please click here](#).

Town Center's Summer Music Series

Looking for something to do on Sundays? Town Center has entertainment for the entire family. Visit Town Center



every Sunday from 12pm to 2pm for live music and family fun. Below is the current line up for the entire summer.

- August 18th: Ken Husbands
- August 26th: Jessica Schaeffer



Senior Stroll: Exploring an Island

This small preserve, which is surrounded by the tidally influenced South Fork of Las Gallinas Creek, is an ideal spot for a relaxed summer walk. The oak-covered hill which rises in the center of the island is encircled by a short (.3 mile) loop trail that follows the edge of the salt marsh. You'll take advantage of this level, dirt pathway to discuss the plants and animals that can be found in each of these habitats. Remember to bring binoculars, if you have them.



High fire danger cancels: Call (415) 893-9527 after 8am on the morning of the event to hear a recorded message if cancelled. We request that no pets (except service animals) attend. No registration is required. If you have questions, please contact Shannon Burke at SBurke@marincounty.org or (415) 893-9520.

This event will be held on Sunday, August 25th from 10am to 11:30am at the Santa Margarita Preserve. Meet at the gate on at the end of Meadow Drive in San Rafael. For directions, and more, please click [here](#).



AGE-FRIENDLY CORTE MADERA INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER			
Activity	Day	Time	Location
Arts & Crafts	Monday	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Room 101
Yoga	Tuesday	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Room 102
Reading Club	Wednesday	2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Room 103
Board Games	Thursday	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Room 104
Music	Friday	10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Room 105
Technology	Saturday	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Room 106
Tea & Conversation	Sunday	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Room 107

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 [August 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 for more information.

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



Work Week of Monday, August 19th to Friday, August 23rd

- **Tuesday, August 20th: Town Council Meeting**
- Begins at 6:30pm in the Corte Madera Town Council Chambers, 300 Tamalpais Drive





- [Tuesday, August 20th: Sanitary District Board Meeting](#) - CANCELLED



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