

The Town of Corte Madera's Newsletter for September 27, 2019

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Public Hearing on the Town's Noise Ordinance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Corte Madera Town Council will hold a public hearing to consider introduction of an Ordinance that would repeal and replace Chapter 9.36 (Noise) of the Municipal Code to update and clarify the regulation of excessive and offensive noise. The purpose of the Ordinance is to update, modernize and clarify the existing noise ordinance to implement the General Plan and to alleviate challenges currently faced

by the Town in the implementation and enforcement of its existing noise ordinance regulations of community noise arising from diverse sources such as transportation, construction, mechanical equipment, entertainment, and human behavior.

All persons interested in the foregoing are invited to appear before the Corte Madera Town Council at the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 6:30pm in the Town Council Chambers. To read and share the complete notice published by the Town Clerk, please click on the following

link: <https://www.townofcortemadera.org/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/3027>

The staff report for this item can be viewed on the Town's website: https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/442353/5.A_Staff_Report_and_Attachments.pdf



Discussion and Possible Approval of Location For A Dog Park

At the October 1, 2019 Town Council meeting, the Corte Madera Town Council will review the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding the proposed location for a dog park and associated amenities in Town Park, adjacent to the rear of Park Madera Center, which is located at 510 Tamalpais Drive.

Temporary fencing denoting the proposed dog park perimeter has been installed at the location under consideration, as indicated in the photos and map that can be viewed in the complete Notice by [clicking here](#). The community is encouraged to visit the site and provide any comments and feedback to the Town Council. Comments can be provided to the Corte Madera Town Clerk via email to rvaughn@tcmmail.org, or in person during public comment when the item is heard at the October 1, 2019 Town Council meeting.

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Supervisor Dennis Rodoni Fall Office Hours

4th District Supervisor Dennis Rodoni invites you to attend his 2019 Fall Office Hours on Friday, October 4th, 2019 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at the Corte Madera Community Center, located at 498 Tamalpais Drive.

Please join Supervisor Rodoni, along with Corte Madera Town Councilmembers and Senior Staff, for a causal one-on-one conversation about issues important to you. For more information, please contact Rhonda Kutter via email, rkutter@marincounty.org or 415-473-3246.

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



Central Marin Fire Department Open House

The Central Marin Fire Department will hold its annual open house on Saturday, October 12, 2019, from 10am-2pm at Fire Station 14 located at 342 Tamalpais Drive.

Come meet the firefighters and tour the station and the fire apparatus. Other activities include: a jumpy house, an opportunity to squirt the fire hose, and appearances by Sparky the Fire Dog and Freddie the Robot.

Please contact the Fire Department at 415-927-5077 with any questions.

FREE Chipper Weekend



The Town of Corte Madera is offering a FREE Chipper Weekend for Corte Madera residents.

This is an opportunity to create Defensible Space around your home and neighborhoods and overall, make our community safer. We want to be able to provide a "Fire-Safe" Community.

Chipper Weekend will be held at the Cove School, 330 Golden Hind Passage, on the following days and times:

- Saturday, October 19th from 9am to 4pm
- Sunday, October 20th from 12pm to 4pm

For the safety of our workers, here are some regulations:

- Collection is for "GREEN" waste only. No lumber, appliances, trash, metal objects, batteries, hazardous waste, etc. will be accepted.
- Waste must be segregated by chippable versus non-chippable materials (French and Scotch broom, bamboo, vines and grasses are not chippable material).
- NO GARBAGE is allowed.
- Proof of Corte Madera residency is required. Anyone without an ID will be turned away. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Please note that if rain is predicted for this weekend, the event will be cancelled. Questions? Call the Town's Resilience Coordinator at 415-924-6362

[Please make sure to share the event flyer with your friends and neighbors.](#)



High Canal Embankment Repair Project: PLEASE BE ADVISED OF PATHWAY CLOSURES

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@tcmail.org or 415.927.5057.



DO YOU KNOW that your home is one of 2000 homes in the Town of Corte Madera located in the Wildland Interface (WUI)?

DO YOU KNOW that this means your home is in a neighborhood that is designated as a High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone? This is due to pervasive unmitigated fuel loads, inadequate ingress and egress, steep terrain, strong prevailing wind patterns, and wood construction.

DO YOU KNOW that a recent study listed Corte Madera among the Bay Area's most problematic areas when it comes to safely evacuating its residents from the WUI?

DO YOU KNOW that many of your neighbors have lost their home insurance, had their deductibles tripled, and had insurance premiums spike to some of the highest levels in the State of California?

DO YOU KNOW that the State mandates you to maintain 100 feet of defensible space or to the property line, whichever is greater, around your home? Failure to comply with abatement requirements can result in a special assessment or lien against your property.

DO YOU KNOW that the Town of Corte Madera offers programs designed to build community disaster preparedness and resilience by increasing fire danger awareness, by reducing vegetation and designating feasible evacuation routes thereby making our community safer? Visit <https://www.townofcortemadera.org/830/Neighborhood-Chipper-Program> to learn more.

DO YOU KNOW that the Town of Corte Madera sponsors green waste chipper days to as few as 20 households in particularly high-risk fire areas? This service is provided at no cost to you and your neighbors. We can also help you get organized!

For more information on how you can take action to protect your family, your home and your community, please call Marla Orth, Town Resilience Coordinator at 415-924-6362.



WINEPEX 2019 Stamp Show

Stamp collecting returns to the Marin Center in celebration of National Stamp Collecting month.

The 26th annual WINEPEX stamp show sponsored by the Redwood Empire Collectors Club, will feature 18 collector single frame exhibits and 12 leading dealers from Arizona, California, Washington, Oregon, Texas, New York and Colorado. There will be free stamps for kids. For more information email Kurt Schau at kurtschau@comcast.net.



This event will be held from Friday, October 4th to Sunday, October 6th, 10am to 5pm at the Marin Center Exhibit Hall, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, CA 94903.

Kent Island Restoration Team

Be a part of the team working to restore the unique ecosystem on Kent Island in Bolinas Lagoon! You'll learn the value of protecting this little oasis, and how to identify and remove the invasive species that threaten it. Participation requires a short rowboat ride to the island. Volunteer work is mildly strenuous and involves bending, pulling, kneeling, and usually requires a short hike to the site.



It is possible for volunteers as young as 5 years old to join if teamed with a parent or guardian. Dress in layers you can get dirty, wear sturdy shoes and bring water. Rubber boots strongly recommended, although not required. Snacks and extra water will be provided but bring a lunch.

High fire danger or heavy smoke cancels: Call (415) 473-7191 to get an update on fire danger status and land closures. If a "Red Flag" warning is in effect, all walks and events on Open Space District preserves are cancelled. RSVP required; space is limited. Questions or to RSVP Contact Volunteer Coordinator Greg Reza at GReza@marincounty.org or (415) 473-3778.

This event will be held on Friday, October 4th from 10am to 2pm at Bolinas Lagoon Preserve. For directions, and more, please click [here](#).



Activity	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Senior Yoga							
Arts & Crafts							
Lunch & Learn							
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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 [October 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, September 30th to Friday, October 4th

- [Tuesday, October 1st: Town Council Meeting](#) - Begins at 6:30pm in the Corte Madera Town Council Chambers, 300 Tamalpais Drive
- [Tuesday, October 1st: Sanitary District No. 2 Board Meeting](#) - CANCELLED




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