

Yellow tier again teed up as mask rules set to be relaxed

State, Marin yet to adopt CDC advice on coverings, travel for fully vaccinated

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As Marin once again anticipates moving this week to the less-restrictive yellow pandemic reopening tier, fully vaccinated people may soon be able to shed their masks in most outdoor settings and finally take a guilt-free vacation.

California and Marin last week separately announced they would update their COVID-19 public-health orders on face coverings and travel to reflect relaxed recommendations issued April 27 by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"If you're fully vaccinated, outdoors and not in a large crowd, you do not

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Survey: Town seeks feedback on future of downtown development

The team preparing the Tiburon's 20-year blueprint for growth has launched its latest survey, this time focusing on future development of the downtown housing, streets, public spaces and businesses.

The survey responses and public comments from the results of the group's April 27 workshop on the downtown area will be used to craft the elements that will become part of the draft General Plan update, scheduled for release in March 2022.

Find the survey, which closes May 24, at createtiburon2040.org.

— Deirdre McCrohan

Officers nix release of review into incident at Black merchants' shop

Tiburon cites employee-privacy laws as store owners' lawyer says he'll file \$2-mil civil-rights suit on claim of racial profiling

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The results of an outside investigation into an August incident of alleged racial profiling by three Tiburon Peninsula police officers won't be made public after the officers

declined to consent to the report's release, Tiburon officials say.

Town Attorney Ben Stock confirmed April 28 that the investigation had concluded but the results will remain confidential, as employee-privacy laws prevent the town from sharing the report with the public without the

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involved officers' permission.

Meanwhile, David C. Anderson, the attorney for Yema Khalif and Hawi Awash, the Tiburon residents and downtown business owners involved in the incident, said the couple plans file a civil-rights lawsuit in

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Tiburon resident Jessica O'Dwyer's first novel, 'Mother Mother,' comes about a decade after her memoir, 'Mamalita,' which traced her journey to adopt her daughter from Guatemala — the first of two children she and her husband adopted from the country in the early 2000s.

Tiburon resident's novel explores complexity of adoption, motherhood

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About a decade ago, Jessica O'Dwyer wrote a memoir that traced her complicated and emotional journey to adopt her daughter from Guatemala — the first of two children she and her husband adopted from the country in the early 2000s. After "Mamalita"

was published, O'Dwyer felt satisfied she had told the story she wanted to tell.

But over the past 10 years or so, as the Tiburon resident grew as a mother and connected with thousands of other adoptive parents, she realized she had more to say.

"There were so many stories to tell and so

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Cops: Man who claimed to be kidnap victim arrested in auto theft instead

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A man who allegedly borrowed a car from a Tiburon crossing guard then feigned a kidnapping was arrested more than 500 miles away — on Interstate 10 in Palm Desert — on suspicion of stealing the vehicle.

Mitchell C. Powell Jr., 49, of Tucson, Ariz., was arrested and booked into Riverside County's John J. Benoit Detention Center in Indio on April 27 on felony suspicion of taking a vehicle without the owner's consent and knowingly using stolen property. He was released on bail the same day and has a court hearing set for July 30 at Indio's Larson Justice Center.

About 2:30 p.m. April 26, the crossing guard flagged down Tiburon police Officer John Gomez and told Gomez that Powell had borrowed his car while he was at work and didn't arrive in Tiburon at their arranged pick-up time, according to police spokeswoman Laurie Nilsen. The crossing guard said he'd left his own phone in the car and had no way to

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Tiburon Town Council: 5 today, May 5, by Zoom teleconference. Members of the public may participate using meeting ID 951-6831-0744 or by calling 669-900-6833 and entering the meeting ID when prompted.

Tiburon Design Review Board: 6 p.m. May 6, by Zoom teleconference. Mem- bers of the public may participate using meeting ID 953-3273-9330 or by calling 669-900-6833 and entering the meeting ID when prompted.

Belvedere City Council: 6:30 p.m. May 10, by Zoom teleconference. Visit cityofbelvedere.org/95/City-Council ahead of the meeting for agenda and connection details.

Belvedere Historic Preservation Com- mittee: 6:30 p.m. May 11, by Zoom teleconference. Visit cityofbelvedere.org/95/City-Council ahead of the meet- ing for agenda and connection details.

Tiburon Diversity Inclusion Task Force: 5 p.m. May 12, by Zoom telecon- ference. Visit [townoftiburon.org/163/ Town-Council](http://townoftiburon.org/163/Town-Council) ahead of meeting for

agenda and connection details.
Tiburon Planning Commission: 6 p.m. May 12, by Zoom teleconference. Visit [townoftiburon.org/282/Agendas-Min- utes-Staff-Reports](http://townoftiburon.org/282/Agendas-Min-utes-Staff-Reports) ahead of the meeting for agenda and connection details.

Tiburon Fire Protection District board of directors: 6:30 p.m. May 12, by Zoom teleconference. Visit [tiburonfire.org/ board-of-directors](http://tiburonfire.org/board-of-directors) ahead of the meet- ing for agenda and connection details.

Belvedere Parks and Open Space Committee: 4 p.m. May 13, by Zoom teleconference. Visit cityofbelvedere.org/100/Parks-Open-Space ahead of the meeting for agenda and connec- tion details.

Richardson Bay Regional Agency board of directors: 5:30 p.m. May 13, by Zoom teleconference. Visit [rbra.ca.gov/ public-meetings](http://rbra.ca.gov/public-meetings) ahead of the meeting for agenda and connection details.

Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency board of trustees: 6:15 p.m. May 17, by Zoom teleconference. Visit beltibli- brary.org/about-us/governance ahead of the meeting for agenda and connec- tion details.

Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation Committee board of directors: 7 p.m. May 17, by Zoom teleconference. Visit theranchtoday.org/committee.aspx ahead of the meeting for agenda and connection details.

Strawberry Design Review Board: 7:35 p.m. May 17, by Zoom teleconference. Visit arkn.ws/StrawDRBAgendas ahead of the meeting for agenda and connection details.

Richardson Bay Sanitary District board of directors: 4 p.m. May 18, by Zoom teleconference. Visit rich- ardsonbaysd.org/Agendas ahead of the meeting for agenda and connec- tion details.

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Reed Union School District board of directors: 6 p.m. May 18, staff devel- opment center, Bel Aire Elementary

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Residents can help shape analysis of ex-seminary plans

By EMILY LAVIN

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Strawberry residents will soon have a chance to weigh in on issues they'd like to see analyzed in an environmental impact report for the planned development at the former seminary site.

The county's Community Development Department will host a virtual scoping session from 6 to 8 p.m. May 18 to solicit feedback from the community.

Developer North Coast Land Holdings wants to bring a 1,000-student commuter school, 336 units of housing, a 150-bed residential care facility, a fitness center and a day care to the 127-acre site, which is bordered by Ricardo Road to the north, Seminary Drive to the south and west and East Strawberry Drive to the east.

The project was cleared to proceed to environmental review last year, despite being widely panned by the Strawberry Design Review Board, which advises the county on local building projects. A group of neighbors also unsuccessfully appealed to the Marin Board of Supervisors in September in an attempt to halt the project from advancing to environmental review; those neighbors argued the plans as submitted by North Coast were too dense and lacked crucial details, particularly specifics about the planned school, to be properly analyzed.

The county is currently in the early stages of preparing the environmental-impact report, which would identify the potential environmental effects of the project and recommend mitigation measures where needed. The scoping session is intended to help shape what will be

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Diversity task force will focus on policing, hiring policies, engagement

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Tiburon's Diversity and Inclusion Task Force will focus its work for at least the rest of this year on issues of policing; community engagement and education; and a review of town hiring and talent-development policies through the lens of equity and inclusion.

The task force reached consensus on the priorities at its April 30 teleconference meeting; task-force member Karen Carrera and Town Councilmembers Jon Welner and David Kulik were absent.

Task-force members each brought

their own list of priorities to the meeting, and the group, formed last year to tackle issues of race and bias within the community, then worked together to whittle them down and reach consensus.

Member Anette Harris stressed the need for the group to have measurable goals. Her priorities included reform and accountability at the Tiburon Police Department, including community involvement by the police and recruitment of officers of color.

Member Noah Griffin said recruiting police officers of color "would go a long way to bring about sensitivity to day-to-day issues of concern to people of color."

Griffin said the task force should also seek out different racial groups and find out what their individual concerns are. "Grouping people as a mass disrespects who they are," Griffin said.

Member Leela Stake said she would like to see the task force set up working groups to study the individual issues so it can be "a little bit more nimble."

"Having one of those groups be focused on policing is very important to me," Stake said.

Stake also said that recruitment and talent development of people of color shouldn't just be limited to the Police Department but applied to all of

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Dead whale spotted in Tiburon among spate of Bay Area sightings this spring

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Two months after it was spotted swimming in San Francisco Bay, a gray whale washed up dead on the Tiburon shore last week — the sixth whale stranding reported in the Bay Area this spring.

The latest carcass was found on a private beach at 2900 Paradise Drive, just south of the Estuary & Ocean Science Center at San Francisco State University's Romberg Tiburon Campus. Paradise Drive residents Delaney Lynch and her father, Ray, spotted the whale shortly after sunrise April 27 from their home nearby and notified

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DELANEY LYNCH

The carcass of a malnourished gray whale washed up below Paradise Drive on Tiburon's northern shore last week. It was the sixth reported in the Bay Area this season.

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School, 277 Karen Way, Tiburon.

Environmental-impact report scoping session for The Seminary at Strawberry development: 6 p.m. May 18, by Zoom teleconference. Members of the public may participate using meeting ID 941-6082-6487 and passcode 506440 or by calling 669-900-6833 and entering the meeting ID and passcode when prompted.

Strawberry Recreation District board of directors: 6:30 p.m. May 18, first-floor meeting room, Strawberry Recreation Center, 118 E. Strawberry Drive.

Tiburon Town Council agenda

The Tiburon Town Council meets at 5 today, May 5, by Zoom teleconference. Members of the public may participating using meeting ID 951-6831-0744 or by calling 669-900-6833 and entering the meeting ID when prompted. The following items are on the agenda:

- Interview of Kindra Lee for vacancy on Heritage and Arts Commission.
- Update on American Rescue Plan Act funding.
- Adoption of minutes of March 31 meeting.
- Adoption of investment summary for March.
- Adoption of resolution amending procedure of appeals before the Town Council.
- Authorization for town manager to execute a professional services agreement with Apex Technology Management to provide managed information technology services for the town.
- Authorization for mayor's proclamation declaring May 16-22 "Public Works Week."
- Consideration of appointment to fill vacancy on Heritage and Arts Commission.
- Proposed adoption of formal "Resolution of Issuance" that would provide the necessary

authorizations to proceed with the sale of bonds to finance the Hawthorne utility undergrounding project.

- Proposed adoption of five formal "Resolutions of Necessity" that would initiate proceedings to acquire easements by eminent domain at five properties within the Hawthorne Utility Undergrounding District.

Tiburon Design Review Board agenda

The Tiburon Design Review Board meets at 6 p.m. May 6, by Zoom teleconference. Members of the public may participate using meeting ID 953-3273-9330 or by calling 669-900-6833 and entering the meeting ID when prompted. The following items are on the agenda:

- Consider adoption of minutes of April 15 meeting.
- Consideration of site plan and architectural review for construction of a 930-square-foot addition to an existing single-family home at 281 Karen Way. Plans call for a new spa, fire pit and an outdoor kitchen island with a barbecue. A variance is requested for reduced side setback. Owner: Lisa Evers.
- Consideration of site plan and architectural review for demolition of an existing single-family residence at 687 Hilary Drive and construction of a new single-family residence with two-car attached garage. The project includes new retaining walls, replacement of a portion of the perimeter fence, a hot tub, new exterior stairs and landing and landscape improvements. Owners: Basia and Chris Terrell.
- Consideration of site plan and architectural review for construction of about 996 square feet of additions to an existing single-family residence at 24 Apollo Road. The project includes a new trellis, outdoor grill, fence replacement and landscape improvements. Owners: Camille and Bradley Geddes.

Belvedere commission gets first look at new housing standards

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The Belvedere Planning Commission got an initial overview of a new set of design and development standards intended to help the city streamline future high-density and multifamily housing projects — but commissioners said the draft standards are still too general and need to be tweaked further to better align with Belvedere's current policies.

Commissioners at their April 28 meeting reviewed the first draft of the objective design and development standards, which are being rolled out in Belvedere, Tiburon and other communities across Marin. They're meant to provide a clear review and approval process that would eliminate discretionary reviews of multifamily and mixed-use projects in the future. They also allow communities to add standards about preferred architectural form, style, color and other design elements that would make a housing project more palatable in their area.

The countywide push to develop the objective standards was

prompted by SB 35, a 2018 law designed to increase the supply of affordable housing throughout the state and limit city governments' discretion regarding approval or denial of such projects.

Belvedere received the generalized version of the Marin County Objective Design and Development Standards packet in October 2020, after which it designated a board subcommittee to begin working with a Berkeley-based Opticos urban-planning group to help tailor the kit to Belvedere's own unique needs. The work to develop the toolkit is being funded through a \$150,000 grant under SB 2, the Building Homes and Jobs Act.

Belvedere has very few vacant or under-developed site options to build a new housing development. Irene Borba, the city's director of planning and building, previously identified a handful of properties that could be redeveloped for multifamily housing in the future and would be subject to the objective-design standards. Those sites include the Tiburon Boulevard

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property currently occupied by Ground nursery and home goods store and a strip of land between Belvedere City Hall and the Belvedere Lagoon that includes all the properties along Mallard Road and several properties along Community Road across from Belvedere Community Park.

"These objective standards may be one of the most important ways for local jurisdictions to help influence and direct some of these multifamily and mixed-use buildings," Borba told the commission April 28.

Out of seven potential Belvedere development zones surveyed by the firm, it zeroed in on three primarily residential areas with of mix of suburban and main-street-type buildings to use as models to troubleshoot existing objective standards and understand what scenarios could occur if the areas were developed.

Currently, Belvedere design standards regarding large sites allow for three acres of development. That threshold was dropped to two acres in the toolkit to protect against large-scale development, and a two-story maximum building height was added. The Planning Commission subcommittee also landed on an East Coast cottage architectural style for proposed projects, designed

to emulate the character elements included in Belvedere's older buildings. The standards toolkit, which is 12 chapters long, additionally lays out guidelines for fence and wall heights, screening requirements, landscaping, parking and public areas like sidewalks.

At the April 28 meeting, commissioners expressed concerns the new standards could potentially turn the city into a copy of the others participating in the project.

"It seems that the state is really forcing communities to all look alike and become generic," Commissioner Marsha Lasky said. "Cities are going to be acting as architects because if all of the codes and details are so strict ... there can be no specific cultural differences or individuality in a community."

Others said the standards might invite more development than is wanted.

"We don't want to discourage someone from coming in," Commissioner Pat Carapiet said. "But on the other hand, we don't want to make it super easy."

Carapiet also said she was uncomfortable with the fence heights listed in the draft, which allows a maximum height of 10 feet versus the city's current standard of a 6-foot maximum. She stated she was worried certain aspects of the toolkit were too different from the city's existing set of standards, and said she hopes the final draft

will keep the standards that are so important to the community.

Commission Chair Peter Mark echoed Carapiet's sentiments, stating when the new standards are integrated into the city's existing codes, he wants to tie them as closely to the current rules as possible.

No action was taken at the Planning Commission meeting, and the subcommittee will continue to work with Opticos to further refine the toolkit. A revised version of the document will be brought back to the commission at a future meeting for additional review. Eventually, the commission will vote on recommending the standards to the City Council for approval.

Consultants stressed the city can take its time finalizing the toolkit.

"The process of customization is over when you say it's over and you're ready to adopt it," Opticos Senior Design Associate Tony Perez said at the meeting.

Commissioners agreed there is more work to be done before the toolkit is finalized.

"This is a very complex, multifaceted process that we're going through, and it takes a lot of focus and involvement," Carapiet said in an interview after the meeting. "It's a lot of moving parts to understand it and make it into a whole."

Reach Belvedere and public-safety reporter Shayne Jones at 415-944-4627.

Safety element of town's growth blueprint focuses on mitigating sea rise, wildfire risk

By DEIRDRE McCROHAN
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Preliminary updates to the safety element of the Tiburon 20-year growth strategy aim to bulk up the town's fire-prevention efforts and better prepare the area to combat sea-level rise.

Consultant Christine O'Rourke of O'Rourke & Associates, the firm leading the General Plan update, shared an outline of proposed policies and programs that will become the framework for the plan's safety element with the Planning Commission at its April 28 meeting. The consulting firm will continue to tweak the safety-element policies as it develops the larger update to the plan, which serves as a blueprint for growth and development.

O'Rourke & Associates is currently working with the town to assess and update each section of the plan, with the goal of having a complete draft ready for release in March 2022.

The updates to the safety

element of the plan were made based in part on recent efforts to solicit public feedback on the topic. The consulting firm held a virtual public workshop on sea rise and safety in March and solicited responses from a survey posted online that same month.

The consulting team previewed the proposed changes at the Planning Commission meeting, giving commissioners the chance to weigh in on the proposed policies and programs and whether they hit the mark.

"We want to make sure what you're seeing are wise changes and reflect the community's desires," said Bob Brown, one of the consultants on O'Rourke's team.

The firm's presentation separately addressed sea rise due to climate change and other types of safety hazards, such as wildfire, earthquake, landslides and hazardous-materials spills.

For the fire-prevention

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planning, the consultants are proposing policies to reduce fire risk through code enforcement and coordination with fire agencies and that the town work with fire agencies to maintain emergency access routes.

To put these policies into practice, the General Plan would keep an existing program requiring that new development proposals be referred to the appropriate fire agency for review and have the fire agency recommend mitigation measures for home hardening and vegetation management.

Two new programs would be added to the safety element under fire risk and prevention:

- A recommendation that the town adopt an ordinance requiring maintenance of defensible space on properties where the fire hazard is significant.
- Implementation of the Open Space Management Plan adopted in 2010 to reduce fuel loads and maintain fire roads and evacuation routes.

Disaster plan considers earthquakes, landslides

The safety element of the plan also addresses preparing for other natural disasters, including earthquakes, which can lead to liquefaction, in which loosely packed, water-logged ground causes structures to collapse or sink.

Liquefaction has an interesting overlap with sea-level rise; in areas vulnerable to flooding from sea-level rise, the groundwater level tends to be high, which increases the danger of liquefaction from earthquakes.

The areas most vulnerable to liquefaction include downtown Tiburon from Belvedere-Tiburon Library to the waterfront, Blackie's Pasture, The Cove Shopping Center and the Belveron and Bel Aire neighborhoods.

Landslides are another form of land failure. They are triggered not just by ground saturation due to heavy rainfall events but also by construction activity due to road building, the consultants said.

To mitigate seismic and land-failure risks, the proposed policies recommend allowing development only in areas where risk can be avoided or adequately mitigated and will discourage development on slopes exceeding 40 percent.

Three programs are proposed for carrying out the policies designed to address earthquake risk:

- A requirement that developers continue to submit detailed geotechnical investigations.
- Preparation of a seismic-improvement program for public buildings and infrastructure.
- A requirement that the town advise residents on ways they can reduce geologic hazards.

Multiple policies for sea rise

The safety element deals separately with sea-level rise and adaptation strategies. According to data from Marin County's Bay Waterfront Adaptation and Vulnerability Evaluation, or BayWAVE, program, sea levels are expected to rise between 10 and 20 inches by 2040.

The safety element of the General Plan update proposes five policies to plan for and mitigate the effects of sea-level rise.

The first calls for flooding and sea-rise

projections to be integrated into town policies, regulations and public communications. That includes preparing and updating a flooding and sea-rise protection map and supporting the creation of a countywide agency or joint powers authority to oversee adaptation planning, financing and implementation, among other suggestions.

The second calls for increasing community awareness of the flooding and sea-rise hazards by participating in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's community rating system to notify residents of hazards in flood-prone areas and requiring disclosure of potential property risk due to flooding and sea rise in residential building resale inspections.

The third calls for the town to ensure it prepares its infrastructure, including streets, public spaces and buildings, for increased likelihood of flooding and sea rise. The consultants developed one program to carry out this policy — coordinating with Caltrans and utilities in protecting vulnerable infrastructure, including Tiburon Boulevard, Paradise Drive and Main Street.

The fourth proposed policy aims at ensuring new development is resilient in the face of flooding and sea rise. The consultants noted that an existing General Plan program uses the development-review process to study and mitigate potential development impacts and risk, but the consultants developed one new program. The town might consider increasing the minimum finished floor elevation of new development from 2 feet above finished grade to 3 feet above finished grade, the consultants said.

Brown noted the additional height may have an effect on views and that town officials will want to weigh that. He said that it

could also complicate remodeling plans. The fifth policy is designed to ensure new development mitigates storm-drainage impacts. Just one program was proposed to implement this policy, encouraging the use of green infrastructure in stormwater improvements.

Under the emergency-preparedness section of the safety element, the consultants proposed the town maintain current policies, calling for it to prepare for emergency response and continue essential public services after disasters and encourage neighborhood organization for disaster preparedness and recovery.

The companion programs urge the town to:

- Update the town's emergency-operations plan and provide training on it.
- Implement the adopted Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Support the fire agencies' educational and training programs and help engage neighborhood associations and similar organizations in disaster-preparedness efforts.
- Provide signs for evacuation routes and promote smartphone apps that identify emergency evacuation routes.
- Promote public-safety emergency-notification systems, which would be a new addition to the General Plan.

Implementation is the big question

Planning Commissioners generally expressed praise for the draft outline, though they acknowledged the town has its work cut out for it.

"The biggest issue here is not whether to

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do it but how to do it,” said Commissioner Daniel Amir. But he added the “how” won’t be the Planning Commission’s job.

“When the time comes, we can work with the policies to meet the goal, without changing the character of Blackie’s Pasture and downtown Tiburon,” he said.

Brown said that they want to make sure the town moves in a certain direction, but they don’t want to be so specific that it commits the town to a certain course of action.

Commissioner Erica Williams praised the consulting firm’s presentation.

“You’ve taken a really holistic and robust approach,” she said.

Williams recommended the policy section on wildfire hazard incorporate language encouraging the town to work with fire districts in educating people about hazards regarding vegetation management. She expressed concern about the idea of mandating homeowners to maintain defensible space by clearing vegetation near their homes.

She also suggested the consultants look at whether to preclude nonconforming structures from requirements to raise homes.

Commissioner Eric Woodward said the safety element document made for a “compelling read,” although he said, “it gets to feel a little like the sky is falling.”

Woodward said that, while the trade-off is cost, there were going to be “parts of Tiburon that don’t exist any longer if the town doesn’t take action.”

“We would be missing out on a huge opportunity if we were allowing new development to go in without taking into account what (Tiburon) might look like in 2100,” he said. “The expense of getting that wrong is going to be catastrophic.”

Reach Tiburon reporter Deirdre McCrohan at 415-944-4634.

GO-GETTERS



Gracelynn Rider is Miss Tiburon Teen USA.

Tiburon high-schooler to compete for Miss California Teen USA

Fifteen-year-old **Gracelynn Rider** of Tiburon has been selected to compete as Miss Tiburon Teen USA in the Miss California USA/Miss California Teen USA competition to be held in September.

Her selection was based on her academic and professional interests, involvement in her community and other criteria. The winners of the competition will advance to Miss USA or Miss Teen USA and will win more than

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VIA DENISE TRAN, NATIONAL CHARITY LEAGUE

Front row from left are June Bernstein, Ella Tribolet and Marin Catholic seniors Isabel Soja and Annika Carlson of Tiburon. Middle from left are Redwood High School senior Arabella Petrini of Tiburon, Kyla Gorham, Martha Fishburne, Redwood senior Ellie Bishop of Tiburon, Marin Catholic senior Kathryn Miller of Tiburon and Sophia Rocha. Rear from left are Redwood seniors Isabel Prentis and Louise Marlowe of Tiburon, Marin Catholic senior Grace Hovan of Belvedere, Marin Academy seniors Georgia Brown of Belvedere and Drew Stimson of Tiburon, and Ciara Tran.

10 high-school seniors honored for six-year service to local charities

The National Charity League’s Marin Chapter has honored 10 graduating high-school seniors from the Tiburon Peninsula for their work with county charities over the past six years — continuous service since the girls joined the mother-daughter nonprofit as seventh-graders.

Those honored are Redwood High School students **Ellie Bishop, Louise Marlowe, Arabella Petrini** and **Isabel Prentis**; Marin Catholic students **Annika Carlson, Grace Hovan, Kathryn Miller** and **Isabel Soja**; and Marin Academy

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students **Georgia Brown** and **Drew Stimson**.

The local students were among 17 Marin girls from the class of 2021 to be honored for more than 2,880 hours of service to charities, including Special Olympics, St. Vincent de Paul Society,

Adopt A Family of Marin, Bridge the Gap College Prep, SF-Marin Food Bank and ExtraFood.

The National Charity League was established in 1925 and has 256 chapters in 27 states serving more than 4,000 charities. For more information, visit nationalcharityleague.org.

— *Kevin Hessel*

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\$100,000 in cash, gifts and scholarships.

Gracelynn is a freshman at Tamiscal High School and previously attended Del Mar Middle and Bel Aire Elementary schools. This is the second time that Gracelynn has competed in a pageant, but the first time she's competed at the state level.

— *Deirdre McCrohan*

Resident recognized for service as volunteer Civic Center docent

Tiburon resident **Ted Kreines** is part of the Marin Civic Center docent team recognized recently by the Marin Board of Supervisors for "outstanding" volunteer service with the county.

The docent team was one of two volunteer teams and three individuals honored by the board at its April 20 meeting.

Kreines and his fellow docents lead tours of the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Civic Center for tourists, school groups and new county employees. The

group typically provides about 250 tours a year for more than 4,000 but was dormant most of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kreines has been a volunteer docent for about eight years.

— *Deirdre McCrohan*

See Belvedere artist's watercolor exhibit at Larkspur gallery

Belvedere's **Diana Bradley** is exhibiting her watercolor paintings at the Michael J. Lessner Gallery in Larkspur throughout the month of May.

Lessner, a Tiburon resident and photographer, opened the gallery, located at 501 Magnolia Ave., earlier this year. Hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sundays and Mondays.

— *Deirdre McCrohan*

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BIZ BUZZ

Vegan grocer backs out of plans to open on Tiburon's Main Street

Grocer **Green Taste Vegan Goods** has scrapped plans to open on Main Street.

Tom Purdy, who manages the property at 17 Main St., said store owners Sergey Karpukhin and Davier Mayes notified him on April 30 that they would not be moving forward with plans to open the Tiburon store, citing the cumulative effects of the pandemic on their finances.

Purdy allowed Karpukhin and Mayes to break their lease, he said.

Neither Karpukhin nor Mayes could be reached for comment.

The Tiburon Planning Commission approved the use permit for the Main Street outpost of the San Francisco-based grocery store in October; it was to be the store's

second location, joining the flagship at 775 Filbert St., which will remain open.

The market would have been the first on Main Street since September 1955, when Beyries Grocery closed after 40 years in business. For decades, the space has been occupied by retail stores, most recently by Madison boutique.

Purdy said he wasn't surprised by the decision, noting the owners had not moved any shelves or refrigerators into the space or started any improvements.

Purdy's family owns the two-story building, which also is home to two other commercial spaces, including Waypoint Pizza, and apartments. He said he has already begun to look for a replacement tenant. — *Deirdre McCrohan*

Free Chipper Day set for May 8 at Blackie's Pasture

Tiburon and Belvedere residents can take vegetation cuttings and clippings to Blackie's Pasture between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. May 8 for chipping and removal.

The Tiburon Fire Protection District and the town of Tiburon's Public Works Department are co-sponsoring the first free Chipper Day event of 2021 to encourage homeowners to create a defensible space around their homes that's free of overgrown and fire-prone vegetation in an effort to harden properties against wildfires.

When dropping off materials, residents will be asked for their address so the fire agency can better track vegetation management on the peninsula. All types of vegetation are welcome, however, no plastic bags or tarps will be accepted.

The event will be compliant with physical-distancing rules, and everyone is required to wear face coverings. Residents are to dump the cuttings in the assigned area in the front dirt lot at Blackie's under the supervision of fire agency staff. — *Emily Lavin*

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During the community discussion, Moulton-Peters will share her priorities for the year, discuss the planned development at the former seminary site and answer resident questions.

The former Mill Valley city councilmember won 80 percent of the vote in a three-way race for the open supervisor seat in March 2020, allowing her to secure the seat and avoid a November 2020 runoff with the second-place finisher.

She was sworn into office in January, replacing the retiring Kate Sears.

Members of the public can participate in the Zoom meeting using ID 929-9581-0288 and passcode 043528 or by calling 669-900-6833 and entering the meeting ID and passcode when prompted.

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— Emily Lavin

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POLICE & FIRE REPORTS April 21-27

Tiburon police log

Loud construction: 7:23 p.m. April 21, a Blackfield Drive caller reported after-hours construction and stated they want the crew educated. Officers contacted the construction workers and advised them that the city's municipal code prohibits construction work after 5 p.m. weekdays. The crew agreed to stop work.

Stop cutting my trees: 8:54 a.m. April 22, a Buckwheat Court caller reported his neighbor had been cutting down the trees on his property and said he had security-camera footage of the neighbor trespassing and sending workers onto the caller's property. Officers determined it was a civil issue and provided the caller with a lawyer's phone number.

Not her driveway: 4:15 p.m. April 22, a Lyford Drive caller reported a woman who does not live on the property walking in driveways with her dog. The caller wanted to report the woman for trespassing. Advice was given.

Tight fit: 10:47 a.m. April 23, a Taylor Road caller reported multiple construction vehicles were blocking the road so that only small cars could pass. Upon arrival, officers noted a vehicle with a tow on it was blocking half of the roadway, blocking emergency-vehicle access. The roadway was cleared.

Precious metals: 12:27 p.m. April 23, an Esperanza Street caller reported a catalytic converter was stolen

disaster preparedness tip

Attach tall or top-heavy furniture to the wall using L-shaped brackets or corner brackets to prevent tip-over accidents that can cause serious injuries or even death, particularly to small children.

— Laurie Nilsen, Tiburon-Belvedere emergency services coordinator. Get more tips and training at getready94920.org.

sometime within the previous 24 hours, though they did not have security-camera footage or suspect information. A report was taken.

Deer in duress: 12:35 p.m. April 23, a Tiburon Boulevard caller reported they had hit a deer with their car. The caller said the animal was injured but alive in the middle of traffic. Upon arrival, officers noted the driver was not at the scene and notified animal control.

Grab a piece: 4:20 p.m. April 23, a Centro West Street caller reported a catalytic converter was stolen within the previous 24 hours. They did not have video footage or a suspect description. A report was taken.

Bye-bye book: 5:23 p.m. April 23, a Howard Drive caller reported a package containing a \$25 book was taken from their residence and asked for extra patrols in the area. Advice and a lawyer's phone number were given.

Suspicious exchange: 3:36 p.m. April 24, a Tiburon Boulevard caller reported two men exchanging a plastic bag filled with something through their car windows. Officers were unable to

locate the vehicle.

All the news: 4:11 a.m. April 25, a Hilary Drive caller reported she was home alone and saw someone shine a flashlight into her bedroom before driving away. Officers did a perimeter check and determined the residence was secure. They noted a brand-new newspaper was in the driveway, and the car likely belonged to a delivery person.

Five-finger discount: 6:16 p.m. April 25, a Blackfield Drive caller reported they had detained a juvenile who had stolen an energy drink from their business. The caller said the teenager would not let them search his backpack, so they were not sure if he had taken anything else. Officers spoke with the store owner, who did not want to press charges. Officers advised the juvenile about shoplifting laws and released him to his parents.

The wanderer: 3:34 p.m. April 26, a Rancho Drive caller reported a man was wandering around the neighborhood looking at houses. The caller said the man was opening mailboxes but not taking anything. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate the man.

Stuck: 5:13 p.m. April 26, a Vistazo West Street caller reported cement trucks were parking in front of his home every day and blocking the roadway. He called back later and said another

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truck had arrived and he wanted a call back from an officer. An officer was advised.

Do not cross: 7:59 a.m. April 27, a Tiburon Boulevard caller reported a crosswalk sign had been out for three days and was upset because children use that crosswalk when they get off the school bus. Upon arrival, officers noted the sign pole was rotted, but there was no hazard. The Department of Public Works advised officers the sign belonged to Caltrans. Caltrans was advised.

Chalk it up to my rights: 10:29 a.m. April 27, a Tiburon Boulevard caller stated they would like a call back from an officer regarding the Police Department's practice of chalking tires to enforce parking time limits. The caller noted he believes the practice is a violation of rights according to the Supreme Court. Advice was given.

Parking problems: 9:01 p.m. April 27, a Circle Drive caller reported their neighbor, who they believed was on drugs, was playing loud music and taking more than 30 minutes to park her vehicle every night. The caller said multiple neighbors had offered to help her park, but she refused. No action was taken.

Belvedere police log

Weak battery: 11:07 p.m. April 23, an Acacia Avenue caller reported they could hear an alarm sounding at another residence. Upon arrival, officers performed a perimeter and interior check and noted they did not smell smoke or see anything suspicious. They determined the smoke alarm's battery was weak, and the resident had taken the alarm down but had not removed

the battery. The battery was taken out, and the residence was secured.

Deer vendetta: 5:30 p.m. April 24, a Madrona Avenue caller reported a deer had almost attacked his dog earlier that day. He wanted to know if he has any rights to "take action" against the deer if an incident happens again. Officers checked the area and were unable to locate the deer. They left a message for the caller.

I like speed: 6:11 p.m. April 24, a West Shore Road caller reported she saw someone going 100 mph and yelled at them to slow down. The caller noted she spoke to the young driver, and he stated he did not know whose car he was driving and then immediately got back into the vehicle and drove away. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate the driver.

Small dog, big bark: 10:34 p.m. April 24, a Bayview Avenue caller reported a dog barking for two hours outside a Buckeye Road residence. Officers located the dog but found it quiet. They noted they would contact the dog owners in the morning.

Evening visitor: 8:30 p.m. April 26, a West Short Road caller requested advice on how to handle their teenage daughter's male acquaintance who sneaks in at night. The caller stated she had communicated with the acquaintance that he is not allowed in her home. Advice was given.

Sheriff's log: Tiburon Peninsula

Keyed: 3:21 p.m. April 21, a Redwood Highway frontage road caller reported their car had been keyed between 12:45 p.m. and 2 p.m., and it appeared that two other vehicles were keyed on the passenger doors. The caller noted the damage to their vehicle was approximately \$700. A report was taken.

She's pooped: 7:43 a.m. April 22, a Redwood Highway frontage road caller reported a woman who frequents the area was defecating next to the sidewalk in front of a building. The caller stated they would contact the business and noted they had video footage of the incident. The caller also stated the woman lives in her vehicle with four cats and this was an ongoing problem. Advice for a citizen's arrest and restraining order were given.

Speed racer: 11:17 a.m. April 22, an East Strawberry Drive caller requested extra patrols for drag racing they noted goes on every morning from 6 to 8 a.m. The caller stated they have only been able to hear the races and have not seen the vehicles. No further action was taken.

Hazards on: 11:45 a.m. April 23, a Tiburon Boulevard caller reported a vehicle with its hazard lights on and no one inside was in the middle of the left lane of the road in front of a gas station. Several minutes later, a passerby reported a two-vehicle accident with no injuries or airbag deployment. The California Highway Patrol was advised, and the Sheriff's Office determined one of the cars involved in the accident was the vehicle that had been left at the gas station.

Move it: 2:02 p.m. April 24, a Paradise Drive caller reported a vehicle had been parked on the street for four days. The caller noted there was a comforter in the back seat, and they did not know if someone was sleeping there. The vehicle was tagged for 72-hour parking abatement.

Graffiti: 12:09 p.m. April 25, a Paradise Drive caller reported graffiti on a utility box and stated they had questions about the types of tags to see if it was gang-related or from juveniles.

Causing a ruckus: 9:41 a.m. April 26, a North Knoll Road caller reported their neighbor was banging around in their apartment and causing a disturbance. The caller stated the mirror and lamps in their own apartment have fallen over in the past when their neighbor hits the walls. They noted they would like to take out a restraining order against the person. Advice was given.

Bicycle chase: 4:32 p.m. April 26, a St. Thomas Way caller reported a man bicycled up to a vehicle, threw the bike into the trunk, got in the car and sped away. Deputies noted the incident could be associated with other bike thefts in the area; that same day, a Shepherd Way caller reported their \$12,000 bike was taken from inside their garage, and he chased after the suspects. Deputies conducted a neighborhood canvas but didn't find anything. A report was taken.

Warrant arrest: 1:57 a.m. April 27, deputies were notified by an alarm company that a Greenwood Bay Drive resident had told the company her intoxicated daughter had walked out of the house with the dog. Upon arrival, the deputy spoke to the resident, who noted there was a warrant out of Solano County for their daughter's arrest. The deputy confirmed the warrant with Solano officials, and the woman was arrested for the outstanding warrant.

Stare down: 9:03 a.m. April 27, a Greenwood Cove Drive caller reported a woman holding a jug of water was walking in and out of driveways looking at cars. The caller noted when the woman passed her, she "stared her down." No further action was taken.

Early bird: 11:51 a.m. April 27, a Richardson

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Drive caller reported they were setting up an estate sale when they noticed the house had been burgled. Upon arrival, deputies noted someone had kicked in a rear wood door and ransacked the house, taking \$17 and an unknown amount of jewelry before exiting through the side door. A report was taken.

Poof: 3:34 p.m. April 27, a Strawberry Village Shopping Center caller reported a couple of men in a parked car were smoking with the car's doors open. The caller stated she was upset because she had to walk through the smoke. She noted when she asked them to stop smoking there, they laughed at her. The call was disconnected.

Mask switch-a-roo: 7:35 p.m. April 27, a Strawberry Village caller reported someone she does not know has keyless access to her vehicle and that day as well as in the past had removed items from inside. She stated the person would switch around her masks and move other items, but deputies noted she was unable to articulate how she knew someone was entering her vehicle or explain where the alleged thefts occurred. The deputy determined no crime occurred.

Stay away: 10:35 p.m. April 27, a

Trinidad Drive caller reported a man entered a tool shed at a nearby marina. The caller said the man was not supposed to be there and had fled on a skateboard when confronted by the caller. The caller stated they had personal history with the man, who the caller said had previously hit him with his car. The caller noted they did not know if anything was removed from the shed. Deputies determined the caller was not the harbor master nor owner of the property and advised the harbor master to seek a stay-away order against the man.

Tequila trouble: 11:05 p.m. April 27, a Strawberry Village caller reported they believed someone had a key to the store's liquor cabinet because approximately 10 bottles of tequila totaling \$500 were missing from a locked glass cabinet. The caller noted they had video surveillance on site, and it appeared someone opened the cabinet with a key, though that person was not on site anymore. A report was taken.

Tiburon fire district log

Uprooted: 9 a.m. April 22, personnel responded to a report of tree branches falling into power lines at a Paradise Drive property. Upon arrival, crews found a 4-inch-wide tree uprooted with branches touching high-tension power lines. The power company arrived and

shut down power to the lines so crews could clear the roadway of remaining debris.

Rube Goldberg: 4:07 p.m. April 24, personnel responded to a report of a natural-gas line break at a Paradise Drive property. Upon arrival, crews found a 1-inch residential gas line bent over by a collapsed fence at an unoccupied residence. The crew noted no audible hiss of gas but did detect a faint odor of natural gas in the area. They removed the fence from the gas line and secured it to a tree with wire. The gas company was notified and arrived to locate the leak and shut down gas service to the residence.

Southern Marin fire district log

Leaked: 1: 58 p.m. April 25, personnel responded to a report of a water problem at a Greenwood Court home. Upon arrival, crews met with a resident who stated they had a water leak in their bathroom that had been since been stopped. The crew noted extensive water damage in the basement below the leak and advised the resident to notify their insurance company.

Compiled from public records by Shayne Jones. Items do not reflect all activity and should not be construed as findings of guilt.

100 YEARS AGO ...

Sausalito News, May 7, 1921

University of California to Graduate Largest Class in History

The largest class in the history of the University of California will be graduated on Commencement day, Wednesday, May 11, in the Greek theater, when approximately 1714 candidates for bachelor's and higher degrees will assemble for the final time as students prior to graduation from their alma mater.

Every seat below the diazoma will be occupied by the candidates and it is expected that their parents and relatives will fill the seats above the diazoma to overflowing.

According to preliminary figures announced today by Recorder James Sutton there will be 1,335 candidates for bachelors' degrees, 186 for masters', 39 for the Juris Doctor, 26 for the Doctor of Philosophy, 30 for Doctor of Medicine, 41 for Doctor of Dental Surgery, 50 for the Graduate in Pharmacy, 7 for the Bachelor of Laws.

Last year the total number graduated was 1,291 students.

In the 2019-2020 school year, the University of California at Berkeley awarded 8,842 bachelor's degrees, 3,663 master's or professional degrees and 807 doctoral degrees.

Alumni Program at M. T. Academy

The big yearly event in the lives of the boys of Mount Tamalpais Academy is scheduled for today, when they will take part in the program of the Annual Alumni Day

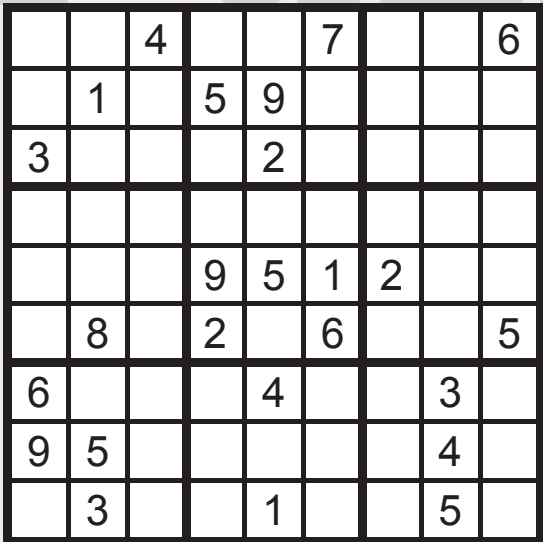
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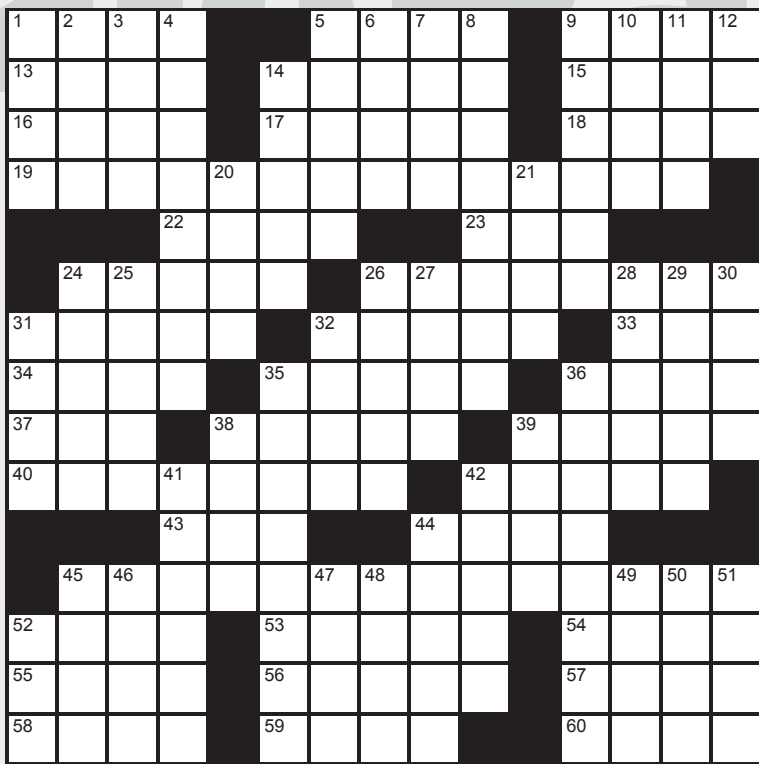
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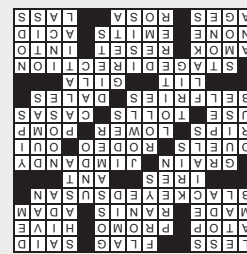
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exercises at the Academy. Hundreds of visitors are expected from all parts of the bay region in answer to the general invitation issued to the public.

The program commences at 10:15 o'clock with the military maneuvers. The schedule of this part of the day's events is as follows:

Cavalry — Troop drill, Roman riding and monkey drill.

Artillery — Battery drill.

Infantry — Battalion Company and Squad drills; rifle exercises; calisthenics; extended order; wall scaling; escort of the colors and parade.

Luncheon will be served to out-of-town guests about 1 o'clock and there will be dancing in the gymnasium at 2 o'clock.

The Mount Tamalpais Military Academy, located at Fourth and E streets in San Rafael, opened its doors to boys in 1890. The Rev. Arthur Crosby, pastor of San Rafael's First Presbyterian Church, was instrumental in raising funds for the school, and the Rev. J. E. Wheeler was its first principal. Annual tuition costs were \$320 for boarding and tuition and an additional \$55-\$75 for two academic programs. By 1893, the school had moved up to Fifth Avenue, occupying the Tamalpais Hotel and cottages donated by local businessman Arthur Foster.

By 1925, decreasing enrollment

resulted in the sale of the school to A. L. Stewart, an administrator at the school who renamed it the San Rafael Military Academy. In 1959, the Episcopal Diocese of California purchased the school, and it remained a military-style academy well into the 1960s. By the end of the decade, military and single-sex schools were facing falling enrollment. The diocese decided to close the school and dissolved its board of directors. A new board of directors was elected with a vision of establishing a progressive co-educational high school. Marin Academy opened its doors in 1971 with 16 faculty and 440 students.

Like Old Time at San Francisco Yacht Club

The opening jinks of the San Francisco Yacht Club, held in the clubhouse on last Saturday evening, by get together spirit and sociability, was one of the best jinks held by the club since the commencement of the war. Nearly a hundred were present, many of them prominent and active yachtsmen.

The clam chowder feed with its usual accessories, prepared under the direct supervision of genial Bill Morrow, the clam chowder wizard, was tasty and in most instances, there were repeat orders for the chowder. Webb H. Mahaffy, the silver-tongued yachtsman, attired in his conspicuous outing shirt, was feed captain and also officiated as master of ceremonies at

the feed. Ex-Commodore Bill Morrow, on behalf of the members of the club, presented a handsome ship clock to Ex-Commodore Wilfred Page who recently finished serving two terms as commodore of the club.

Morrow said it was only a very slight appreciation of the great work accomplished by Page.

Great Victory For Marin County Women's Clubs

Marin county will be the scene of the next convention of the District Federation of Women's Clubs, it was announced by Mrs. A. W. Pierson, retiring president of the Sausalito Woman's Club on her return from the last convention held last week at Salinas. With so many counties vying for the honor, great praise is due the Marin county delegation for securing the convention. Napa county ran a close second, but persistent and unflinching efforts of our Marin women won out. The convention will be held in San Rafael, with excursions to the various clubs in the county. The increasing importance of the Federation as a power for social and political development makes the convention a very important one.

Contributor Hillary Don, a Tiburon-Belvedere historian, began writing this column May 7, 1992 — and he hopes to one day include history from his birth year, 1932. Contact him at hdon@thearknewspaper.com.

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need to wear a mask," Gov. Gavin Newsom said on Twitter that day. Dr. Matt Willis, Marin's public-health officer, said Marin would change its rules to reflect California's.

However, as of The Ark's press time May 3, neither California nor Marin had updated their official public-health orders, meaning outdoor masking is, at least technically, still required.

In practicality, the CDC's revised outdoor-masking guidance was reported widely last week, and with health officials embracing the change, Marin and Tiburon Peninsula law-enforcement officials have stated they won't be seeking proof of vaccination from those without masks outdoors.

Despite grabbing headlines, much of the CDC advice was already in effect though in Marin and California, regardless of vaccination status: People walking, running, hiking or biking alone or with a household member don't need to wear a face covering outdoors, and masks aren't needed while actively eating and drinking in small groups at outdoor restaurants.

Under the new rules for the fully vaccinated, masking requirements are eliminated in smaller settings, even when physical distancing of at least 6 feet can't be maintained. While the CDC still cautions against vaccinated people shedding masks in medium-sized groups, the agency recommends, and public-health orders likely will require, masks in larger crowded settings and venues.

Willis has stressed that the new rules will apply only to the fully vaccinated, meaning two weeks have passed since those people have completed their vaccine series — two doses for the Pfizer and Moderna shots, one for Johnson & Johnson.

Although more than 82 percent of Marin adults have received at least one vaccine dose and some 62 percent have completed their full vaccine series, only about 44 percent of all residents are fully immunized, according to county statistics. Willis has said he's seeking 90-percent immunization

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for effective herd immunity to stop chains of transmission and protect vulnerable populations that can't be vaccinated.

Face-covering guidance for the unvaccinated is effectively unchanged. Coverings are still required in any public outdoor setting in which physical distancing from those outside your household can't be maintained. In small outdoor gatherings with family and friends, the unvaccinated can remove their masks only if everyone else is vaccinated.

In every other public outdoor or indoor setting, face coverings are still required for everyone.

The new guidance also allows for the fully vaccinated to resume all domestic and international travel, without the need to test beforehand — unless required by the destination — nor to test again and self-quarantine upon return.

Unvaccinated people should still refrain from all nonessential travel outside the Bay Area and get tested before and after travel.

Everyone should still get tested and self-quarantine if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, as the vaccine is not 100-percent effective. As of April 20, the CDC reported some 7,175 breakthrough cases among the 87 million Americans who have been fully vaccinated, a rate of about 8 per 100,000.

The CDC's revised recommendation was cautious, frequently noting there remains a low potential risk of spreading SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, outdoors.

A systematic review of peer-reviewed studies published in February in the Oxford University Press' Journal of Infectious Diseases concluded the evidence supports beliefs that outdoor-transmission risk is significantly lower than indoors, is often fueled by prolonged exposure to aerosols from talking, shouting or singing rather than brief and casual encounters, but that there are still gaps in understanding.

The caution created a degree of complexity: It's the first time since the start of the pandemic that different groups have been given different rules in uncontrolled settings like public streets, trails and parks, raising questions about the practical application of the health order, public adherence and enforcement.

Just days before the CDC announcement, Willis had said it was "premature" to change masking rules, though he told the Marin Independent Journal that "the reality is if we're picking our battles, covering your face when you're indoors is far more important to have 100-percent vigilance around than the minor risk associated with chance encounters in open spaces."

Since then, he's reiterated his concerns about the broader behavioral impression the new guidelines might leave.

"If this leads to a general sense that facial covering is no longer important, we're in trouble," he told the IJ. "It's still one of the most important tools available to us."

covid-19 in marin

Marin is under orange tier-3 restrictions for moderate transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, under the state's four-tier blueprint for reopening the economy. It is expected to move to yellow tier-4 status this week.

The following data is per the county Department of Health and Human Services as of 4 p.m. May 3, unless otherwise noted.

Vaccine status

Everyone 16 and older is eligible to be vaccinated. Only the two-dose Pfizer vaccine is authorized for those ages 16-17; no vaccine is authorized for those younger than 16.

For details and appointments, visit getvaccinated-marin.org. Residents may also call 833-641-1988, Marin's live-assistance hotline, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays for help with registration, transportation and communication.

Immunization progress: 44.4 percent of Marin residents are at least two weeks past receiving the complete vaccine series, up from about 40 percent the prior week, leaving 55.6 percent of residents not fully immunized.

By the numbers: 82.9 percent of Marin residents 16 and older have received at least one dose of vaccine, with 62.3 percent completing their vaccine series, up from 75.5 percent with at least one dose and 51.6 percent completing the series the week prior.

94920: 59.1 percent of Belvedere-Tiburon's 10,470 adults older than 16 have completed their vaccine series, 22.8 percent have not finished the series and 18.1 percent are fully unvaccinated as of April 28, per the California Department of Public Health.

Virus status

Tiburon: 215 cumulative

diagnosed cases, three active, versus 214 cases, five active the week prior. The town has an overall rate of 2,351 cumulative cases per 100,000 residents.

Belvedere: 53 cumulative diagnosed cases, zero active, versus 52 cases, one active the week prior. The city has an overall rate of 2,484 cumulative cases per 100,000 residents.

Strawberry: 113 cumulative diagnosed cases, three active, versus 113 cases, five active the week prior. The community has an overall rate of 1,841 cumulative cases per 100,000 residents.

Marin: 11,748 diagnosed cases, 115 active, 181 deaths and one COVID-positive patient in intensive-care-unit beds. There were 11,659 total cases, 82 active, 180 deaths and two COVID ICU patients the week prior.

Marin case metrics: The adjusted seven-day average daily new-case rate was 1.5 per 100,000 residents and

seven-day test positivity was 0.5 percent as of May 3. Marin's R-eff was 0.82, indicating decreasing spread, as of May 1, according to the California COVID Assessment Tool.

California: 3,643,992 diagnosed cases, 60,763 deaths, with 40.4 percent completing their vaccine series, per the California Department of Public Health as of May 2. Up from 3,631,740 diagnosed cases, 60,203 deaths the week prior.

U.S.: 32.2 million cases, 574,220 deaths, with 31.8 percent completing their vaccine series, per the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as of noon May 3. Up from 31.9 million cases, 569,272 deaths the week prior.

World: 152.5 million cases, 3.2 million deaths, with about 7 percent of people receiving at least one vaccine dose, per the World Health Organization as of 7 a.m. May 3. Up from 146.8 million cases, 3.1 million deaths the week prior.

Willis continues to express concern about the potential spread of variants and that lax masking and distancing while engaging in nonessential travel — as variants continue to spread in the eastern U.S. and overseas — are a potential recipe for a fourth surge.

County officials did not respond to requests for comment about whether guidelines have been or will be issued to law-enforcement agencies for outdoor mask compliance.

Tiburon and Belvedere police, for instance, have been lax about citations, instead seeking an educational approach to remind people to wear face coverings while handing out masks for free to those who may not be carrying one.

Under the new health orders, it will be less clear to officers — and to vulnerable members of the public — whether those nearby without masks outdoors are vaccinated or are flouting the law.

Respective Tiburon and Belvedere police chiefs Ryan Monaghan and Jason Wu, as well as Marin sheriff's spokesman Sgt. Brenton Schneider, each said they wouldn't require proof of vaccination for those seen maskless outdoors, as their jurisdictions have had high mask-compliance and successful education efforts with minimal complaints.

"We will continue to monitor the situation and adjust as

necessary to meet the interests of our community as a whole and Marin County Public Health," Monaghan said, echoing similar comments by Wu.

Willis has also expressed concern about nonessential travel among the unvaccinated, pointing to spring-break travelers as the likely reason Marin on April 20 did not move from orange tier-3 status to yellow tier-4 status under the state's four-tier, color-coded blueprint for reopening the economy.

Marin had earned its first week of credit toward the yellow tier under the state's weekly assessment of April 12, when the county's seven-day adjusted new-case rate was 1.7 per 100,000 residents, where fewer than two per 100,000 qualifies. But for the April 19 assessment, seven-day-average new cases rose to 2.6 per 100,000 residents, putting Marin squarely back in the orange tier when assignments were announced the next day.

Willis said the case-rate spike aligned with testing that took place after residents returned from travel during spring break, which ran April 3-11.

Because a county must qualify for the next tier for two weeks before it can advance, the spike also meant Marin had

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to start over and couldn't enter the yellow tier until May 4 at the earliest.

However, as of the April 26 assessment, Marin was back on track, re-earning its first week of credit toward moving to the yellow tier, with a seven-day adjusted average of 1.5 new daily cases per 100,000 residents. Its test-positivity rate was 0.5 percent, where less than 2 percent is required, and its test-positivity rate among its highest-risk populations was 0.6 percent, where less than 2.2 percent qualifies for the yellow tier.

In his April 27 report to the county Board of Supervisors, Willis said he expects the figures to hold and for the county to enter the yellow tier this week; the state's weekly Monday assessment and Tuesday tier assignment took place after The Ark's press deadline.

In the yellow tier, Marin bars without food would be able to reopen indoors for the first time in more than a year, at 25-percent capacity or 100 total people, or at 37.5-percent capacity with proof of a negative test or full vaccination.

For restaurants, movie theaters, gyms, family-entertainment centers, cardrooms and breweries, wineries and distilleries that don't serve food, indoor capacity would either remain at or increase to 50-percent capacity — but individual businesses could increase capacity to 75 percent if they require all patrons prove they're either fully vaccinated or have had a recent negative test result.

Live-event capacity would increase to 67 percent outdoors. Indoors, maximum capacity would be 25 percent at small venues and remain 10 percent at large venues, though both would be able to increase to 35 percent if the venue requires proof of a negative test result or full vaccination.

Gov. Gavin Newsom has said he hopes to allow all sectors to reopen without capacity restrictions by June 15, though masking and distancing requirements would remain in place, with venue-specific requirements for proof of negative tests or vaccination. President Joe Biden has said he hopes all willing Americans are fully vaccinated by July 4, to celebrate Independence Day.

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many people shared their truths with me," says O'Dwyer, 62. "I felt almost a responsibility to expand the understanding of what this experience is."

This time, instead of drawing from her firsthand experience as an adoptive parent, O'Dwyer pivoted to fiction. Her novel, "Mother Mother," published last October, focuses on two moms: Julie, a curator at a contemporary-art museum in California who adopts a young son, Juan, from a Guatemalan orphanage, and Rosalba, an indigenous Mayan and Juan's birth mother. The story alternates narratives between Julie and Rosalba as both women grapple with issues of social status, race, deception and love.

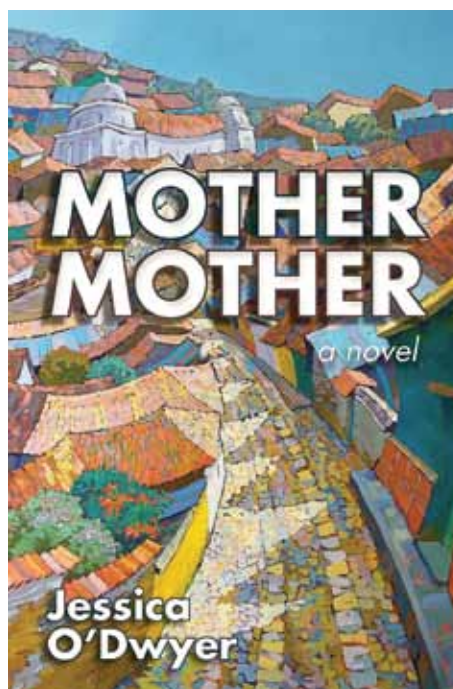
"Really, the novel is about family," O'Dwyer says, "and it's about the joys and challenges of families."

O'Dwyer's own preconceived notion of how she would build her family was turned upside down when she was in her early 30s. She got divorced and also underwent early menopause.

O'Dwyer, a New Jersey native who has built a career in the publishing and public-relations fields, said once she got over the initial shock of being told she wouldn't be able to conceive children, her mind immediately pivoted to adoption.

"There was definitely mourning and sadness. It was a loss of a future that I always assumed would be mine to have," she says. "I think most people who think about procreating or having children have this idea of passing on your history, and all of that was taken away. But once I accepted that, it was no turning back for me."

O'Dwyer was living in San Diego when she met her current husband, Tim Berger, as they both participated in a 500-mile bike ride along the California coast. She eventually relocated to Marin, where he was based; the couple has now been living in Tiburon for about 21 years. Tim was on board with adoption, and the couple focused their search on Guatemala. O'Dwyer had known many Guatemalan natives while living in San Diego. In addition, she says, she's Catholic, and a large percentage of Guatemala's population practices Catholicism. She notes she already had a familiarity with the country and its culture that she felt would be relatively easy to expand.



learn more

To learn more about O'Dwyer or to purchase a copy of her novel, "Mother Mother," visit jessicaodwyer.com.

She was browsing a Guatemalan adoption website when she saw a photo of a 2-month-old girl and knew immediately the child was meant to be her daughter.

"It was really one of those magical moments that's hard to describe to other people who are not adoptive parents," O'Dwyer says of the instant connection she felt.

She and Tim initiated the adoption process with a Los Angeles-based agency. She notes they expected it to be fairly straightforward.

"Once we started, we saw how naive we were," she says.

The adoption process dragged on for more than a year, as the couple encountered numerous issues both with their adoption agency and bureaucratic red tape imposed by the Guatemalan government. Meanwhile, O'Dwyer says, she worried the situation was confusing for the baby, who was placed with a foster family she was growing attached to and would have to leave for a week or so to stay with O'Dwyer when she came to Guatemala for periodic visits.

Eventually, O'Dwyer quit her job and moved to Antigua, Guatemala, located about an hour outside of Guatemala City. She obtained primary custody of the baby,

and the two lived together for six months while O'Dwyer finalized the adoption. She brought the child, who she and Tim named Olivia, home to Marin in 2004.

However, she and Tim quickly realized their family was not yet complete.

"I realized I did not want Olivia to be the only Guatemalan in our family. I didn't want her to be the only Guatemalan in our house," O'Dwyer says. "I wanted her to have someone who looked like her in our house. I said to my husband, 'I think we need to adopt another child, and I think it should be a son.'"

They did just that, and their son, Mateo, joined the family soon after at 6 months old.

Though she acknowledges adoptive parents have differing opinions on the topic, O'Dwyer says she's always strongly believed that openness is critical in adoptions, noting many people who are adopted have lingering questions about who they are and where they come from. She worked to track down both of her children's birth mothers, and the family typically visits Guatemala for at least a month each summer so Olivia and Mateo, now 19 and 16, respectively, and students at Redwood High School, can maintain that connection to their biological mothers and their native country.

"It helps with their identity," she says. "They feel attached to their Guatemalan heritage, and they know who they look like. It's been a powerful experience."

The idea for her memoir formed naturally out of her experience adopting Olivia and, later, Mateo, O'Dwyer says. When she was living in Antigua with Olivia, she knew about eight other American women who were also living in the city and trying to finalize adoptions. The women would often connect and trade stories at a local internet cafe.

"Everybody would say, 'Somebody needs to write a book about this. Somebody needs to tell the world about what's going on, someone needs to tell this story,'" O'Dwyer recalls. "I was thinking to myself, 'That might be me.'"

Upon returning to Marin with Olivia, O'Dwyer joined a writing group for mothers at Book Passage in Corte Madera. A piece she wrote on her experience with adoption was published in the San Francisco Chronicle Magazine.

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federal court seeking \$2 million in damages from Tiburon and Belvedere; Anderson previously said the couple was waiting for the report to be released before initiating a suit. The renewed threat of litigation comes after he filed \$2 million administrative claims with the municipalities on behalf of Khalif and Awash, which Tiburon and Belvedere each rejected by simply taking no action. Because those claims were filed separately, the towns’ lawyers said they had to treat the

claims individually, or as \$4 million total, though Anderson said in an interview at the time that he intended to name Tiburon and Belvedere collectively for \$2 million total. Stock declined to comment further on the outcome of the report or its scope, such as whether it focused on only the single incident or reviewed department-wide practices with recommendations for policy changes or training, or whether any issues addressed in the report will be taken to the Town Council for further review. “The contents of the report are confidential and cannot be released,” he said.

Anderson, however, said he is confident that once litigation begins, his clients will be able to obtain the report through a court order. He speculated that the officers’ lack of consent implies the report finds fault with their behavior. “When information that is reasonable to expect will be produced and then is not, it strongly suggests that the findings are not favorable to the town or the involved officers, because if they were, they would release it,” Anderson said. “The officers would not object to it being released if it were favorable

to them. It’s common sense.” The town last fall hired Oppenheimer Investigations Group to conduct a third-party investigation into the late-night August exchange between the three officers and Khalif, who was talking with Awash and a friend and business associate after restocking inside Yema, the downtown clothing store the couple owns. The incident was captured on cellphone and police body cameras that show the officers noting late-night activity in downtown Tiburon is

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contact Powell. Nilsen said Gomez lent the guard his phone to try to contact Powell, who didn’t pick up, but Gomez then began receiving text messages with statements that suggested Powell may have been kidnapped, including, “We’re

making Mitchell drive west.” Tiburon police officers put out an alert to local agencies to be on the lookout for the car while they launched an investigation. With suspicion that Powell may have been the victim of a kidnapping, Tiburon police worked with the California Highway Patrol to obtain cell-tower ping data for Powell’s cellphone, which placed him somewhere on

Interstate 10 between Banning and Indio, in the Palm Springs area; I-10 continues into Arizona, ultimately heading through Phoenix to Tucson. Shortly after midnight, an officer from the CHP’s Indio office spotted and stopped the car on the freeway in Palm Desert, near the Indio border. He identified the driver — the lone occupant — as Powell and arrested him

at the scene without incident. Further investigation found no evidence of kidnapping. The vehicle is being stored until the crossing guard can retrieve it, and Tiburon police have offered to make arrangements to bring it back.

Reach Belvedere and public-safety reporter Shayne Jones at 415-944-4627.

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the Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito. “It’s devastating,” Lynch said, adding she had also noticed a number of dead sea birds in the area. “I’m growing more and more concerned.” Bill Keener, who heads the Marine Mammal Center’s Cetacean Field Research Group, said the whale was one of several he had photographed swimming in the bay in early March. Belvedere and Tiburon residents have reported a number of whale sightings off the Tiburon Peninsula this spring. Keener said the whale’s body was on a rocky, inaccessible stretch of coast and could not be retrieved for necropsy, but even from a distance the animal looked malnourished. “We saw that it was extremely emaciated,” he said.

may be coming into the bay for a different reason, he said. “(Gray) whales seem to come into the bay to rest or look for a little bit of food, but there’s not much food for them,” Keener said. “Our best guess is a lot of them are weak and tired, and they’re taking a rest from the long journey from Mexico to Alaska.” Keener said there may be many reasons why gray whales are malnourished, including changing ocean conditions in their feeding grounds. Whale populations have rebounded since whaling was outlawed in the 1980s, and there is some speculation that the species reached their environmental carrying capacity and then began a die off. The latest population figures show the gray whale population is down about 24 percent since 2016, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. In 2019, 214 dead gray whales were reported from Mexico to Alaska, and NOAA declared an “Unusual Mortality Event” for the species. That year, in San Francisco, the Marine Mammal Center responded to 13 whale carcasses found in or around the Bay Area. In 2020, there was a decline in the number of deaths reported, but this year numbers are again on the rise. The gray whale discovered in Tiburon was the fifth gray whale to wash up in or near San Francisco Bay since April 1. Carcasses have been found in Berkeley, Muir Beach, San Mateo and floating in open water on the bay. On April 24, an endangered fin

whale washed up near Fort Funston, according to a Giancarlo Rulli, spokesman for the Marine Mammal Center. Because whales are staying longer in the bay, sometimes for months, they are in more danger of being struck by ships. Three of the whales discovered so far are thought to have been killed by ship strikes, based on an observation of blunt-force trauma on the whales’ bodies, Rulli said. Keener’s team monitors the bay from the tops of hills and out on the water for whale activity. When a whale is spotted in the bay, Keener notifies the U.S. Coast Guard, which then puts out a radio call to mariners on their vessel traffic service notifying them there is a whale in the vicinity. Studies on the East Coast have shown that reducing vessel speed reduces ship strikes by allowing whales time to maneuver out of the way. Environmentalists have been working with government officials and shipping companies to establish a voluntary 10-knot speed limit in California marine sanctuary waters, but, so far, there are no regulations enforcing vessel speed in San Francisco Bay. “There are little to no speed limits protecting animals in and around the bay,” said Ellen Hines, San Francisco State University professor of geography and environment at the Estuary & Ocean Science Center. “This needs to be looked at right away.” On April 28, the nonprofit Center for Biological Diversity filed a formal petition with

the Biden administration requesting mandatory 10-knot speed limits for vessels 40 feet or longer in Southern California and in San Francisco Bay. “Too many whales die from ship strikes off California, and the solution is mandatory speed limits,” said Catherine Kilduff, an attorney at the center. “We know that slowing vessels down gives whales a fighting chance to avoid getting hit. And we know voluntary speed limits just aren’t working.” Keener said that once the unusual mortality event abates, gray whales might not need to come into San Francisco Bay to rest, but until that time more should be done to protect them. “I just saw another two grays and a humpback in the last few days,” he said “They’re here now. San Francisco Bay is crowded with commercial activity, but it is also a wildlife area and we’ve got large charismatic animals here. We need to learn to live with them responsibly.” To report a dead, injured or stranded marine mammal, call the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s West Coast Marine Mammal Stranding Network at 866-767-6114 or the Marine Mammal Center at 415-289-7325.

Contributing writer Gretchen Lang of Belvedere covers the environment. She spent 15 years abroad writing for newspapers including the Boston Globe and the International Herald Tribune.

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“I realized when that happened that yeah, this is a story, this is a book,” she says. “This is a story I need to tell. This is a story only I can tell.” However, when inspiration struck to write a second book, she realized she wanted to do something completely different. “I came to understand that there’s at least three points of view involved in adoption: the adoptive mother, the child who is adopted and then there is the birth mother,” O’Dwyer says. “And then there’s a whole constellation of other people who are involved in that relationship.” The story she told in her memoir, she notes, was limited to her own point of view. “I wasn’t showing that 360-degree view of

what the experience is,” she says. As a result, she says, she wanted to tell a fictional story centered around the viewpoints of two mothers involved in an adoption. While “Mother Mother” isn’t based on her own experience or that of her children, it is based on years of her own relationships with adoptive mothers and Guatemalans and on extensive research she has done on the country’s history, politics and culture. The process of writing the novel was in many ways similar to writing her memoir, O’Dwyer notes. Both formats require similar elements, such as a narrative arc, obstacles and a transformation, to be compelling. The biggest difference, she says, is that the narrative of a memoir is already laid out based on real-life events. For “Mother Mother,” she had to make those plot choices herself.

“With a novel, you really have to come up with the stakes, you really have to figure out the beats, figure out how to get a person in a room, have them do something, change in some way and get out of the room,” she says. Her primary goal with the novel, she says, was to tell a story that keeps readers hooked until the final page. However, she says, she also hopes readers connect with the novel on another level. She notes many books and movies tend to use adoption simply as a plot device but don’t take time to explore the range of challenges and emotions that come along with it. “What I hope people take away is a deeper understanding of the complexity of what adoption is and what adoption means to the people involved,” she says. She says she believes the book will resonate with a wide audience, noting many

families are touched by adoption in some way. Some of the core questions of identity that are at the heart of adoption are actually universal issues, O’Dwyer notes. “This is really a compelling story, and it’s the frame for an exploration of family and identity and love and choices,” she says. O’Dwyer says she has no immediate plans to write another book, though she hasn’t ruled it out — particularly as she keeps sharing her own family’s adoption story and continues to hear the stories of others. “I thought I had said everything I wanted to say in this book, but now I’m not so sure,” she says. “I keep trying to back away from the subject, but it keeps finding me.”

Reach Assistant Editor Emily Lavin, The Ark’s youth and Strawberry reporter, at 415-944-3841.

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unusual and repeatedly telling Khalif he was required to provide proof of his identity and store ownership before they would leave. Khalif repeatedly declines, saying he doesn’t have to explain his presence or produce identification if the officers can’t articulate suspicion that a crime may be occurring; those assertions accurately reflect federal and California law, respectively. The officers left, without the proof they said was required, after a neighbor who overheard the commotion shouted out that Khalif was the owner.

Khalif and Awash, who are both Black, have asserted the incident was racially motivated. They have noted the store was fully lighted, with no signs of forced entry and no signs it was ransacked, that no one attempted to flee, no alarms had sounded, no one called in a report of suspicious activity, and that as models of their own designs, several life-sized posters of the couple were visible on the walls from outside the store and from the officers’ vantage point during the encounter; Khalif was also wearing the same clothing as the mannequin in the window just a few feet away. They claim the officers only left because a white neighbor vouched for them, though it’s unclear whether the officers ever saw the neighbor who shouted out.

At minimum, the Oppenheimer-led investigation was to review the conduct of the officers — Tiburon Officer Isaac Madfes and Sgt. Michael Blasi, who resigned soon after the incident, and Belvedere Officer Jeremy Clark — to determine what, if any, town policies

were violated. It’s unclear whether it examined other race-related issues, including the department’s earlier warning about a Black Lives Matter protest in predominantly Black Marin City when such warnings weren’t issued for nearby protests in predominantly white cities elsewhere.

Town officials said last fall they had hoped to be able to release all or part of the report when it was completed. However, earlier this year, Town Manager Greg Chanis warned that employee-privacy laws could prevent that from happening.

The August incident prompted a range of reactions from the community, with many decrying the officers’ behavior and calling for police reforms. Others expressed support for the officers, saying they were just doing their jobs and blaming Khalif for not simply identifying himself.

The fallout prompted Tiburon to form a 10-member Diversity and Inclusion Task Force to develop recommendations for addressing those issues within town government, the police force and the greater community. Both the Tiburon and Belvedere police departments also changed their policies to partially align with the “8 Can’t Wait” initiative, which provides quick-to-implement guidelines aimed at drastically reducing the number of deaths in police custody. Those policy changes included banning the use of a chokehold known as the carotid restraint, which was later prohibited statewide. However, both departments still leave considerable room for officer discretion in their use-of-force policies.

The Tiburon Police Department

announced that as of late April, every officer now has 40 hours of crisis-intervention training, which “teaches officers more effective ways to respond to people in crisis or suffering from mental illness,” including de-escalation techniques and ways to identify signs that someone “may need the assistance of a mental-health professional instead of a trip to jail.”

Stock also said the department in December participated in a half-day in-person training focused on restorative justice and unconscious bias. He said the town’s new police chief, Ryan Monaghan, is currently in the process of planning additional training opportunities.

On April 22, Monaghan and Officers William Condit and Sean Christopher joined Tiburon Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Executive Director DeAnn Biss to walk downtown Main Street and Tiburon Boulevard to meet local business owners. Among critics’ complaints had been that local officers prior to the August incident weren’t familiar with Khalif and Awash as the owners and frequent staffers of the shop, which sits in a prominent location at the corner of Tiburon Boulevard and Main Street.

Monaghan stepped into the job last month, replacing longtime Chief Michael Cronin, who retired last year. Though Cronin’s retirement was announced shortly after the incident at Yema amid public criticism of his leadership of the department, town officials noted his retirement had been in the works for a long time.

Reach Tiburon reporter Deirdre McCrohan at 415-944-4634.

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Tiburon Town Hall. Member Ruben Kalra brought up the need to survey a wide variety of residents “to get a pulse of where we’re at and where we want to go.”

“Overall, the community wants to be more diverse,” Kalra said. “There’s a desire to bring ethnic diversity, financial diversity (and) gender diversity into the community.”

He also suggested an analysis of hiring practices for people at the top in town government.

“Systematic racism starts at the top,” he said.

Kalra noted it’s important to build an appreciation for diversity throughout the community. He said he would start with holding an annual celebration of Juneteenth, which marks the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas, in 1865 to take control of the state and ensure that all enslaved people be freed. The event came nearly three years after President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation.

During the public-comment portion of the task force’s meeting, Tiburon resident Bronia Hill again requested the task force name a working group to study bias-free policing.

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Fellow Tiburon resident Lynn Feinerman noted the police officers’ labor contract is coming up for renewal and said one of her priorities would be to create a working group to look at whether the terms should be revised.

Reach Tiburon reporter Deirdre McCrohan at 415-944-4634.

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and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$687,151.31 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website www.insourcelogic.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000440-20-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 702-659-7766, or visit this internet website www.insourcelogic.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA08000440-20-1 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: April 19, 2021 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000440-20-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Dalaysia Ramirez, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Order Number 74566, Ark Legal 3759 April 28, May 5, 12, 2021

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THE PETITION request authority to administer the estate under the independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on MAY 24, 2021 at 9:00am in Department J, located at 3501 Civic Center Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903 Mailing address 3501 Civic Center Drive, San Rafael, Ca 94903 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate you may file with the court a Request For Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate of assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner: James M.

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Allen Esq. Leland Parachini 199 Fremont Street, 21st Floor San Francisco, CA 94105 Filed: April 2, 2021 James M. Kim Court Executive Officer By: C. Lucchesi, Deputy Ark Legal 3762 Apr 28, May 5, 12, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202150868

Notice: This statement expires on 3/18/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

SLATE 84 S KNOLL RD. MILL VALLEY, CA 94941 SLATE STUDIO, LLC 662 BAY STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133 This business is conducted by a limited liability company /s/Brian Steele/Founder & CCO 84 S Knoll Rd. Mill Valley, CA 94941 FILED: March 18, 2021 Shelly Scott Marin County Clerk By: J. Gilardi

Ark Legal 3763 Apr 28, May 5, 12, 19, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202151017

Notice: This statement expires on 4/12/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

FORTUNATELY 1 BLACKFIELD DR. #130 TIBURON, CA 94920 GUIDED METRICS, INC. 1 BLACKFIELD DR. #130 TIBURON, CA 94920 This business is conducted by a corporation /s/Seth Burstein 1 Blackfield Dr. #130 Tiburon, CA 94920 FILED: April 12, 2021 Shelly Scott Marin County Clerk By: J. Mannion

Ark Legal 3764 Apr 28, May 5, 12, 19, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202150866

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The following person is doing business as:

CLAIR UP YOUR BOOKS 58 EUCALYPTUS KNOLL STREET MILL VALLEY, CA 94941 CLAIRE AUSLEN 58 EUCALYPTUS KNOLL STREET MILL VALLEY, CA 94941 This business is conducted by an individual /s/Claire Auslen, Owner 58 Eucalyptus Knoll Strret Mill Valley, CA 94941 FILED: March 18, 2021 Shelly Scott Marin County Clerk By: J. Gilardi

Ark Legal 3765 Apr 28, May 5, 12, 19, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING RE THE COLLECTION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE MARIN TAX ROLL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

RICHARDSON BAY SANITARY DISTRICT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Sections 5470 through 5473.11 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California, the Board of Directors of the Richardson Bay Sanitary District has elected to collect certain charges for services and facilities furnished by it which have become delinquent and its charges for sanitary sewer services

for the fiscal year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$826.00 per EDU for Single-Family residency, \$565.00 for Multi-family residential units and \$826.00 for Non-residential units, plus a \$2 collection charge, on the tax roll in the same manner as its general taxes, and has directed to be filed with its Secretary a written report containing a description of each parcel of real property receiving sanitary sewer service from said District and the amount of the charge for each such parcel.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on Tuesday, the 18th day of May, 2021, at the hour of 4:00 p.m., at the regular meeting place or teleconference of said District, said Board will hear and consider all protests and objections to said report.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Richardson Bay Sanitary District.

Dated: April 27, 2021 Sue Benvenuti

Secretary Richardson Bay Sanitary District (SEAL)

Ark Legal 3766 May 5, 12, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tiburon Design Review Board Thursday, May 20, 2021, 6:00 P.M. Teleconference Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Design Review Board of the Town of Tiburon will hold a public meeting to consider, among others, the request of:

546 Silverado Drive; Assessor's Parcel No. 055-082-14; File No. DR2021-015; Chris and Lyndsey Child, Owners; Consideration of Site Plan and Architectural Review for exterior alterations and construction of approximately 1,329 square foot additions to an existing single-family residence in the R-1 zone. The project includes new decks, hot tub, fence replacement and landscape improvements. The proposed house and improvements would contain approximately 2,761 square feet of floor area and cover 2,629 square feet (26.1%) of the lot. [Note: An approximately 315 square foot attached accessory dwelling unit will be located on the northeast corner of the proposed building, which is not subject to design review under TMC Chapter 16-52.100 (B)(7)].

Consistent with the Marin County Public Health Officer's April 29, 2020 legal order to shelter at home until May 31, 2020, and Executive Orders No. N-25-20 and N-29-20 from the Executive Department of the State of California, the Design Review Board meeting will not be physically open to the public and all Board Members will be teleconferencing into the meeting. To maximize public safety while still maintaining transparency and public access, members of the public can access the meeting by following live at a video link or conference call number that will be provided on the agenda in advance of each meeting. Information on the application is available for review in the Tiburon Community Development Department, Tiburon Town Hall, 1505 Tiburon Boulevard, Tiburon, CA 94920 by scheduling an appointment at 415-435-7390 and/or on the Tiburon Community Development Department's website at <http://www.townoftiburon.org/357/Projects-Under-Review>. Written comments are welcome and must be received by the Planning Division on or before the Monday prior to the meeting date. Questions should be directed to Christy Fong, Senior Planner, at 415-435-7397 or at cfong@townoftiburon.org.

Public comment is invited. If you cannot attend the meetings, you may send a letter to the Planning Division at 1505 Tiburon Boulevard, Tiburon CA 94920 or email your comments to the Kris Bernard at kbernard@townoftiburon.org.

IF YOU CHALLENGE IN COURT ANY MATTER DESCRIBED ABOVE, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES RAISED AT THE PUBLIC MEETING, DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED AT, OR PRIOR TO, THE ABOVE REFERENCED PUBLIC MEETING (Government Code Section 65009 (b) (2).)

Ark Legal 3767 May 5, 2021

CITY OF BELVEDERE SUMMARY OF PROPOSED

ORDINANCE

NOTE: This is not an agenda.

The agenda will be available at least 72 hours before the meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 10, 2021, at 6:30 PM, the City Council of the City of Belvedere will meet via video conference on Zoom to vote on the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELVEDERE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 10.36.200 OF CHAPTER 10.36 "STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING" OF THE BELVEDERE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING 72-HOUR PARKING RULE.

In order to increase compliance with the 72-hour parking rule, maintain availability of on-street parking for the community, and provide for emergency vehicle access, the City wishes to repeal and replace Belvedere Municipal Code section 10.36.200 to require substantive compliance and prevent avoidance by moving vehicles a short distance, while also providing that Belvedere residents may receive a temporary residential parking permit allowing on-street parking in excess of 72-hours for a total of 6 weeks per year (the "Ordinance Amendment") and State of California Vehicle Code section 22651(K) allows a police officer to remove a vehicle parked upon a public street for 72 or more consecutive hours in violation of a local ordinance. The ordinance will become effective thirty days after adoption.

A certified copy of the full text of the proposed ordinances are available for public review in the Office of the City Clerk, 450 San Rafael Avenue, Belvedere, CA 94920-2336, (415) 435-3838.

/s/Beth Haener

City Clerk

Because of possible changes or extenuating conditions, this item will not necessarily be on the actual agenda. For additional information, please contact City Hall.

Ark Legal 3768 May 5, 2021

CERTIFICATE OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME NO. 304944

As of April 26, 2021 the following person:

CAROL BORNSTEIN 151 PETALUMA BLVD

SOUTH APT 210

PETALUMA, CA 94952

Is no longer doing business as:

CRYSTAL CLEAR POOLS 122 HAMLITON DRIVE SUITE D NOVATO, CA 94949

/s/ Carol Bornstein, Owner

151 Petaluma Blvd. South Apt. 210

Petaluma, CA 94975

FILED: April 26, 2021

Shelly Scott

Marin County Clerk

By: J. Gilardi

Ark Legal 3769 May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202151116

Notice: This statement expires on 4/26/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

CRYSTAL CLEAR POOLS 122 HAMLITON DRIVE SUITE D NOVATO, CA 94949 FRANKLIN DELEON 1 MUROC LAKE DRIVE #111 NOVATO, CA 94949 ROGEL GARCIA 1005 GREEN OAK DRIVE #13 NOVATO, CA 94949

This business is conducted by a general partnership

/s/Franklin Deleon

1 Muroc Lake Drive #111

Novato, CA 94949

FILED: April 26, 2021

Shelly Scott

Marin County Clerk

By: J. Gilardi

Ark Legal 3770 May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202151045

Notice: This statement expires on 4/16/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

LADYBUG SALON 1001 LOOTENS PL. SUITE 300 SAN RAFAEL, CA 94901 NASRIN GHAZZAGH 505 ALAMEDA DE LA LOMA NOVATO, CA 94949

This business is conducted by an individual

/s/Nasrin Ghazzagh, Owner

505 Alameda de la Loma

Novato, CA 94949

FILED: April 16, 2021

Shelly Scott

Marin County Clerk

By: L. Vawter

Ark Legal 3771 May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202151090

Notice: This statement expires on 4/22/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

MARIN FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHY 810 BUTTERNUT DR. SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903 HILARY C. KNIGHT 810 BUTTERNUT DR. SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903 This business is conducted by an individual

/s/Hilary Knight

810 Butternut Dr.

San Rafael, CA 94903

FILED: April 22, 2021

Shelly Scott

Marin County Clerk

By: J. Mannion

Ark Legal 3772 May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202151057

Notice: This statement expires on 4/19/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

SCRY PUBLISHING, LLC 106 MOUNT TIBURON RD. TIBURON, CA 94920 SCRY PUBLISHING, LLC 106 MOUNT TIBURON RD. TIBURON, CA 94920 This business is conducted by a a limited liability company

/s/Jennifer Niles, CEO

106 Mount Tiburon Rd.

Tiburon, CA 94920

FILED: April 19, 2021

Shelly Scott

Marin County Clerk

By: L. Vawter

Ark Legal 3773 May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NO. 202151050

Notice: This statement expires on 4/16/2026. A new FBN statement must be filed no more than 40 days from expiration.

The following person is doing business as:

THELLO 82 SAINT THOMAS WAY TIBURON, CA 94920 OLIVER RALPH 82 SAINT THOMAS WAY TIBURON, CA 94920 BEN PHAM 516 CHAPMAN DRIVE CORTE MADERA, CA 94925

This business is conducted by a a general partnership

/s/Oliver Ralph, Co-Founder

82 Saint Thomas Way

Tiburon, CA 94920

FILED: April 16, 2021

Shelly Scott

Marin County Clerk

By: L. Vawter

Ark Legal 3774 May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2021

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May 5, 2021

Garden Plot

Take action now to make garden drought, fire resilient

By **DIANE LYNCH**

dlynch@thearknewspaper.com

Amid record-low rainfall that now registers as a severe drought in Marin County, local water officials have implemented a host of mandatory conservation measures for the first since 1988. Among the new rules: No watering between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. At The Ark's press deadline, a second set of stricter rules were being considered, including limiting freshwater landscaping irrigation to two to three days a week.

On top of that, we're getting ready to usher in the hot, dry summer and fall, and with it another fire season.

The good news is that you can do something about wild-fire risk at the same time you transition some of the garden to low-water-use plants.

In a word: Succulents.

Recommendations from FireSafe Marin include removing foliage next to the house and not using wood mulch there, either. If you absolutely have to use a wood mulch — and there are good reasons to do so, including that it enriches the soil when it breaks down — never use shredded bark, often called gorilla hair. Before it was removed from the median strip along the stretch of Tiburon Boulevard running from Blackie's Pasture to the freeway, there were multiple fires from hot cigarettes being tossed out car windows; those fires damaged the irrigation system, necessitating costly repairs. If you must, use the large wood mulch, as smaller pieces can ignite more easily. A buffer of 3-5 feet is recommended, and mulch could be gravel, available in multiple colors, shapes and sizes. Gravel will help retain moisture in the soil and won't break down like bark.

One of my favorite fireproof mulches is river rock, available in many sizes and colors. Its serene look is beautiful in both traditional and modern settings.

Mulching is one of the best ways to conserve moisture in soil, which translates to needing less water to support your plantings. The Marin Municipal Water District has some good common tips on its website, marinwater.org. You've likely heard them before. Use a broom to clean up outdoors. Take your car to a carwash that recycles water — both Mill Valley Car Wash on East Blithedale Avenue and Shineology on the Redwood Highway frontage road are close by. Fix leaks as soon as you detect them. Take shorter showers and turn off the faucet when brushing teeth. Fill the dishwasher and washing machine all the way. I know someone who takes the family clothes to the Laundromat all summer to justify more water for her large garden.

Check your water meter occasionally to determine if you might have a hidden leak — open the lid and observe whether the triangle is moving around slowly when you're



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This Crassula has a different leaf than the more common jade plant and has grown slowly into an almost bonsai form.

sure nothing in the household is drawing water. Turn the irrigation system off and hand water. This can be a contemplative time in your day and allows you to keep track of what's going on in the garden as you observe which plants need water and which can skip a day. If you can't face hand watering the entire garden, experiment with cutting the run times on your stations. Try cutting back 2 minutes for every 10, and observe how everything is doing. You may find you can cut back more over time. Watering before 9 a.m. and after 7 p.m. is required during drought, and lower evaporation during these hours will make your landscaping water go further.

Let's get to the plants. Lawns are definitely a luxury in California, and every drought focuses attention on the idea of shrinking them. The best reason to have a lawn is as a play space for children. And, yes, a lawn certainly goes with the modern design in favor today. If you're up for a labor- and resource-intensive landscape, a lawn meets that

criteria. Factor in water use, fertilizer and labor, and a lawn costs more to maintain than just about any other landscape. There are some pretty good-looking artificial lawns out there, but they come at an environmental cost. Consider shrinking the lawn by expanding beds around it.

There are natives that can be great choices for bordering lawns. Manzanita comes in many sizes and is beautiful in the spring with its nodding little flowers that then mature to red apple-shaped seeds favored by birds. Is there a happier flower than our state flower, the golden poppy? They bloom a good part of the year. The California Native Plant Society's website, cnpsmarin.org, explores more than you'll need to know about natives, which are best planted in the fall in anticipation of winter rain. They will need watering for the first few years to get established, but many can be on their own after that. There are dozens of books about

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6:18 am	6:30 am	6:38 am	6:53 am	7:43 am	7:59 am	8:06 am	8:18 am
7:19 am	7:45 am	7:54 am	8:12 am	8:18 am	8:34 am	8:41 am	8:53 am
7:45 am	8:05 am	8:27 am	8:46 am	8:53 am	9:09 am	9:16 am	9:28 am
8:26 am	8:55 am	8:59 am	9:18 am	9:28 am	9:44 am	9:51 am	10:03 am
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11:30 am	11:46 pm	11:53 am	12:05 pm	12:58 pm	1:14 pm	1:21 pm	1:33 pm
12:05 pm	12:21 pm	12:34 pm	12:46 pm	1:33 pm	1:49 pm	1:56 pm	2:08 pm
12:46 pm	1:02 pm	1:08 pm	1:20 pm	2:08 pm	2:24 pm	2:31 pm	2:43 pm
1:20 pm	1:36 pm	1:38 pm	1:54 pm	2:43 pm	2:59 pm	3:06 pm	3:18 pm
1:54 pm	2:10 pm	2:14 pm	2:30 pm	3:18 pm	3:34 pm	3:41 pm	3:53 pm
2:30 pm	2:46 pm	2:56 pm	3:18 pm	3:53 pm	4:09 pm	4:16 pm	4:28 pm
3:18 pm	3:38 pm	3:47 pm	4:08 pm	4:28 pm	4:44 pm	4:51 pm	5:03 pm
3:38 pm	3:58 pm	4:19 pm	4:40 pm	5:03 pm	5:19 pm	5:26 pm	5:38 pm
4:08 pm	4:28 pm	5:00 pm	5:28 pm	5:38 pm	5:54 pm	6:01 pm	6:13 pm
4:40 pm	5:00 pm	5:27 pm	5:48 pm	6:13 pm	6:29 pm	6:36 pm	6:48 pm
5:28 pm	5:48 pm	5:57 pm	6:18 pm	6:48 pm	7:04 pm	7:11 pm	7:23 pm
5:48 pm	6:08 pm	6:20 pm	6:43 pm	7:23 pm	7:39 pm	7:46 pm	7:58 pm
6:18 pm	6:38 pm	6:52 pm	7:10 pm	* = Most routes continue to the Redwood Highway frontage road at the Highway 101 north ramps. For a complete schedule, with map and times for other major stops, visit marintransit.org/routes/219.html.			
7:10 pm	7:26 pm	7:30 pm	7:55 pm				
7:55 pm	8:11 pm	8:14 pm	8:26 pm				
8:26 pm	8:42 pm	8:40 pm	9:00 pm				
Trips in bold type are timed to the weekday Golden Gate Ferry commuter ferry and make neighborhood stops. Look for buses marked "219F."							

Weekday Route 8 commuter bus: S.F. Financial District (effective July 13)					
Tiburon & Main	Beach & San Rafael	Reed & Belvedere	Seminary & frontage	Battery & Pine	Perry & 4th
(suspended)					
Perry & 3rd	Pine & Battery	Seminary & frontage	Reed & Belvedere	Beach & San Rafael	Tiburon & Main
(suspended)					

MARIN & GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT HOLIDAYS: Use the weekend schedule on New Year’s Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

GOLDEN GATE FERRY

goldengateferry.org

Commuter ferry: S.F. Ferry Building (effective May 12)			
Depart Tiburon	Arrive Ferry Bldg.	Depart Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Tiburon
7:55 am	8:25 am	---	---
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5:25 pm	5:50 pm	6:00 pm	6:30 pm
(addt'l service suspended)			
Trips in bold type are timed to Marin Transit shuttles. Look for buses marked "219F."			

NO SERVICE: Weekends, New Year’s Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

BLUE & GOLD FLEET

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Weekday ferry: Pier 41 (effective March 23)			
		*Fridays only	^Via Sausalito ^Via Angel Island
Depart Pier 41	Arrive Tiburon	Depart Tiburon	Arrive Pier 41
(suspended)			

Weekend/holiday ferry: Pier 41 (Fridays-Sundays)			
		^Via Sausalito ^Via Angel Island	
Depart Pier 41	Arrive Tiburon	Depart Tiburon	Arrive Pier 41
11:00 am	11:45 am^	12:00 pm	12:30 pm
1:30 pm	2:30 pm^	2:45 pm	3:15 pm
3:30 pm	4:30 pm^	4:45 pm	5:15 pm
(addt'l service suspended)			

BLUE & GOLD HOLIDAYS: No service Thanksgiving or Christmas days. Holiday schedule Labor Day, Thanksgiving Friday, New Year’s Day or Presidents Day.

MOON & TIDES

TIDES AT THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

DATE	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH
Wed, May 5	2:01 am 2.3	7:29 am 4.5	2:02 pm 0.1	9:13 pm 5.2
Thu, May 6	2:59 am 1.7	8:41 am 4.4	2:50 pm 0.4	9:48 pm 5.3
Fri, May 7	3:47 am 1.2	9:44 am 4.4	3:31 pm 0.7	10:19 pm 5.5
Sat, May 8	4:29 am 0.7	10:40 am 4.4	4:08 pm 1.1	10:45 pm 5.5
Sun, May 9	5:06 am 0.3	11:31 am 4.4	4:43 pm 1.5	11:09 pm 5.6
Mon, May 10	5:39 am 0.0	12:19 pm 4.3	5:15 pm 1.9	11:33 pm 5.7
Tue, May 11	6:11 am -0.2	1:0 pm 4.3	5:48 pm 2.3	11:57 pm 5.7
Wed, May 12	6:43 am -0.4	1:51 pm 4.3	6:21 pm 2.6	- - -

May 5: Sunrise: 6:09 am, Sunset: 8:04 pm | NEXT FULL MOON: May 26 | NEXT EXTREME TIDE: May 23

Robin’s Recipes

by Robin Scott Wray

Steak salad

This is a dinner salad for hot nights. You can use romaine or butter lettuce, which-ever you like.

Ingredients

- ¼ cup red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons Dijon
- ½ cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons fresh tarragon
- 1 head butter lettuce
- ½ red onion, grilled and sliced
- ½ pound green beans
- ½ pound snap peas
- 1 bunch watercress
- 4 radishes, thinly sliced
- ½ cup cherry tomatoes
- 1 grilled flank steak, cut into pieces
- ¼ cup bleu cheese
- 2 tablespoons chives

Directions

In a bowl, mix the red wine vinegar, Dijon, olive oil and tarragon. Lay the lettuce and the rest of the vegetables down on a platter or in a large shallow bowl. Add the steak. Sprinkle with the bleu cheese and chives. Drizzle the dressing over and serve straight away. Enjoy!



ROBIN SCOTT WRAY / FOR THE ARK

Tiburon native Robin Scott Wray operates a local catering company; reach her at rscott@thearknewspaper.com or 415-297-6991. Her recipes can be found in the Belvedere-Tiburon Landmarks Society cookbook.

What’s Happening at The Ranch

The Ranch, Tiburon and Belvedere’s joint recreation agency, is housed at the Dairy Knoll recreation center at 600 Ned’s Way, Tiburon. Classes are held there, at the Tiburon Community Room in Tiburon Town Hall at 1505 Tiburon Blvd. and at the Belvedere Community Center at 450 San Rafael Ave., unless otherwise noted. For details or to enroll, visit theranchtoday.org or contact the agency at 415-435-4355.

Note: The Ranch has closed its Dairy Knoll recreation center until further notice due to concerns about the potential spread of the coronavirus. In-person classes will follow coronavirus guidelines, including wearing face masks and limiting class sizes. The agency is posting updates on its website, theranchtoday.org.

Youth

Kindergarten Boot Camp with Dr. Nancy Cappelloni: 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 2-6 at Dairy Knoll; \$385. A class to prepare children entering kindergarten in the fall.

Love2Dance Camp with Miss Tara: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 2-5 outdoors at Reed Elementary School; \$385. Kids ages 6-9 can learn high-energy dances to popular music with a focus on rhythm, personality and choreography.

Art and Literacy Camp with Dr. Nancy Cappelloni: 1-4 p.m. Aug. 2-6 at Dairy Knoll;

\$385. For kids entering kindergarten or first grade in the fall, a week of books and art to stimulate children’s learning and creativity.

Adults

In-Person Painting with Graciela Placak: Oil Painting 10-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Acrylic Painting 10:30 a.m.-noon Thursdays at the Belvedere Community Center; \$140 for four classes. Step-by-step instruction so you may ask questions, get one-on-one attention and fully learn how to master the joy of oil and acrylic painting. Please bring your own brushes, all other supplies will be included. No experience needed.

Full Body Movement for Seniors with Beth Zamichow: Live via Zoom 10:10-11:10 a.m. Tuesdays and 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Fridays; \$100 for 10 classes or \$12 drop-in. A class designed to promote movement for mature adults and strengthen the body as well as promote joint mobility and flexibility.

Zoom into Travel Spanish with Molly Malone: Live via Zoom 5-6:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays beginning May 10; \$200 for three weeks. An interactive Spanish course focused around travel open to learners of any level.

Submitted by The Ranch office manager Michelle Barsky.



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The library is open for curbside pickups 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesdays and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays. Holds can be placed by logging into your account, searching the book and clicking the green “Place Hold” button. To place a hold on a best-seller or a seven-day movie, email refdesk@beltiblibrary.org or call 415-789-2665 ex. 2222.

Call the library at 415-789-2665 to arrange pickup. Once outside, text your name to 415-969-4153 and the items will be brought to your car. Face coverings are required and physical distancing will be observed.

Books can be returned anytime in the open bins outside the library. Materials will be quarantined for 24 hours then checked in; the library does not charge late fees.

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The library is also offering several virtual services to the community.

- **Virtual children’s storytimes:** Preschool storytime Wednesdays, toddler storytime Mondays via the library’s YouTube channel; follow the links at beltiblibrary.org/kids.
- **Crafts for teens and children:** Call 415-789-2665 to reserve a craft kit for teens or children for curbside pickup.
- **Go digital:** The library has increased e-book and streaming-media items. Download and listen to e-audio-books, check out current issues of popular magazines and watch movies for free with your library card at beltiblibrary.org/go-digital. Those who don’t have a library card can sign up for one at marinet.lib.ca.us.
- **Do research:** Under the “Do Research” tab on the library’s website, you’ll find online resources such as Morningstar and Value Line for financial information, LinkedIn Learning and O’Reilly Learning for classes on

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For more information, including updates on the closure, visit beltiblibrary.org. Follow the library on Facebook and Instagram by searching @beltiblibrary.

Submitted by Belvedere-Tiburon Library Director Deborah Mazzolini. Reach the library, located at 1501 Tiburon Blvd., at beltiblibrary.org or 415-789-2665.

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natives, but “California Native Plants for the Garden” by Carol Bornstein is a great resource to get a feel for natives; it has good photos.

My front deck is the hottest spot I have, and keeping annuals and other flowers happy was challenging out there. I was resistant to succulents until I started looking at the extensive variety available and brought a few home to try. Because succulents store water so efficiently, they are a good choice for drought conditions as well as areas that are at risk of wildfires. Aeoniums are among my favorite succulents. I call them Dr. Seuss plants because of their comical mop-like heads. They range in size from statuesque rosettes that can exceed 20 inches across to diminutive forms. Colors vary from almost black to very light. The bright yellow flowers will get your attention, and with luck you may get some of the seeds to sprout so you have more to give away or plant.

The Crassula family of succulents

includes the ubiquitous jade plant. There’s hardly a plant that needs less care or water. If you find them a little too common, poke around nurseries for other cultivars in that family. Interesting leaves are the hallmark of many of these cultivars. Most are slow growing and won’t demand much in the way of care. There are also some nice variegated versions of the common jade plant.

The Kalanchoe family includes those plants you see at the grocery store with scalloped leaves and little orange, pink or yellow blossoms that last quite a while indoors. You’ll be surprised at what else is in that family; some come in very fuzzy varieties with funny names like felt brush, panda plant, pussy ears or chocolate soldier. The fat fuzzy leaves are typically rimmed in dark red or brown, which makes them very interesting. They are slow-growing and come in a range of colors, from mint green to brown and gray tones. Then there’s *Kalanchoe daigremontiana*, or mother of thousands. These produce a row of tiny plantlets along the leaf edges. They will drop onto the ground and take root and you’ll have more plants. It’s a fascinating



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This Aeonium has an interesting brownish color and holds its leaves longer than many other succulents.

type of reproduction.

That’s one of the best things about succulents: easy propagation means free plants.

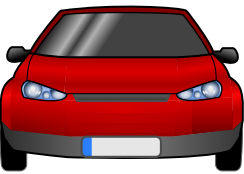



All you need to do is take cuttings and leave them out in the sun for a few days until the ends dry out completely. Then just stick them in the ground or in a pot, and you’ll have new plants shortly. Many will root from a single leaf left in contact with soil — though this method takes a while, so you’ll need to be patient. This is a nice easy way to share with friends or fill your own beds.

If you want to check out the extensive range of succulents available and how gorgeous they can be, look at some of Debra Lee Baldwin’s books, available at your local library. The Marin Master Gardeners have a lot of information on their website, marinmg.ucanr.edu, and will even come out and walk your garden with you to explore how to save water. Have fun envisioning some changes that will make your garden more resilient in the long run.

Contributing columnist Diane Lynch has gardened in Tiburon for more than 25 years and has contributed to The Ark since 2002.

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