

February 3, 2017

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BELMONT STATE OF THE CITY

WHEN

**February 9, 2017
11:30am - 1pm**

WHERE

Waterdog Tavern
1015 Alameda de las Pulgas
Belmont



TICKETS

\$32
RSVP REQUIRED BY:
February 2, 2017
(650) 595-8696

FEATURING • Mayor Charles Stone's Presentation • Lunch • (Includes • Beverage • Salad • Main • Side • Tax & Tip) • State of the City Address to be available by Video

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Belmont Mayor Charles Stone grew up in San Mateo County. Charles attended UC San Diego ('97) and Santa Clara University School of Law ('02.) He began his career as a litigator with the well respected Redwood City, firm of Roger, Scott & Helmer.

After moving his family from San Mateo to Belmont in 2004, Charles became active as a volunteer in the public school community and youth sports. In 2010, Charles began volunteering with the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District Education Foundation (SchoolForce!). In 2012, he was appointed to the School-Force! Board of Directors as Endowment Chair and helped lead an effort that resulted in new fundraising records.

In 2013, Charles was elected to the Belmont City Council and is currently serving as Belmont's Mayor. He was appointed to the San Mateo County Transit District ("SamTrans") Board of Directors in December, 2013, where he currently serves as the SamTrans Vice-Chair. In addition to the Belmont City Council and SamTrans, Charles currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the San Mateo County Library JPA, an alternate Board Member on the South Bay Waste Management Agency ("ReThink Waste.") and as Belmont's representative for the San Mateo County Jobs/Housing Imbalance Task Force. Recently, he was also appointed to serve on the Peninsula Clean Energy ("PCE") JPA Board. Additionally, the Belmont Chamber of Commerce is proud to have him as the primary municipal liason from the City of Belmont.

Park and Field Maintenance



Finishing touches were put on the irrigation system along Ralston Avenue in front of Barrett Community Center. A new irrigation clock was added to the existing system that waters the medians along Ralston Ave. A Climate Logic water module will also be installed that will adjust the irrigation cycle based on temperature and precipitation. This component, coupled with the newly installed drip system will help with water conservation.

The trees along the boulevard in front of Barrett Community Center were pruned for overall health and to allow sunlight to penetrate the landscape.



At the Sports Complex, pop-up sprinklers were retrofitted with drip irrigation. The installation will also help conserve water by minimizing evaporation from heat and wind drift.



Ballfield maintenance has begun in earnest as beneficial weather has allowed staff to access the fields. Weeds and grass ingrowth is being removed from the infields. Note the difference in the before and after photos. Base pegs, pitching rubbers and home plates have been inventoried and are being replaced where necessary.



Community and Recreation

Parks staff was pleased to have the Footsteps Childcare Interact Club; a partnership between Belmont Rotary and Footsteps Childcare participate in a cleanup at Twin Pines Park this past week. The group cleaned up litter and debris throughout Twin Pines Park.



Talent Show

The Youth Advisory Committee is excited about the upcoming talent show taking place this Friday night, February 3. We have 25 acts ready to show the Belmont community their special talent. The show will begin at 7 pm at the Barrett Community Center, Multi Use Room. It will be a free event, and all ages are welcome to attend. The YAC has been very busy with devoting time leading up to the event. We are all looking forward to a very special night where all of the hard work will finally pay off!

Belmont Loves Talent!
Free Talent Show For All Ages

Are you a Belmont resident who has talent? Do you have what it takes to steal the show? If so, then now is your chance to prove it!

Join The City of Belmont's Youth Advisory Committee at this free event for your chance to walk away with awesome prizes!

Open to all ages. Those interested must first submit an audition tape or idea proposal by Tuesday, January 31st.

Questions/video submissions - jgiacoletto@belmont.gov (650) 637-2927

DATE : Friday, February 3, 2017
TIME : The Show Begins At 7 pm
LOCATION : Barrett Community Center MU Room - 1835 Belburn Dr.

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"Enhancing the Quality of Life for the Community"

30th Anniversary

Last Friday, members of the public came together to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the construction of the Twin Pines Senior & Community Center. About a third of attendees were actually Belmont residents when the Center was built, and they got a chance to see this process through Belmont Historian Denny Lawhern's exhibit in the lobby. There were welcoming speeches by Parks & Recreation Director Jonathan Gervais, as well as Vice Mayor Doug Kim. City Manager Greg Scoles, City Clerk Terri Cook, Police Chief Dan DeSmidt and Councilmembers Eric Reed and Warren Lieberman were also in attendance. After that the community enjoyed another hour of music, dancing, delicious food and good company



Father Daughter Dance

VOICES is preparing for the upcoming Father Daughter Dance, which takes place February 10th from 7-9 at the Twin Pines Senior Community Center. We are excited to announce that the dance has sold out! New this year, is a photo booth from the San Mateo County Library System that will be operated by our volunteers. Participants can expect great music provided by the DJ that everyone enjoyed last year. The chocolate fountain will be back this year along with many tasty treats to enjoy.

Another group of volunteers will be joining in on the fun this year; the National Charity League- Belmont chapter (a mother-daughter volunteer organization) will be assisting at the dance. VOICES is looking forward to giving back to the community and all the fathers and daughters who attend this special event!

Father Daughter Sweetheart Dance

♥ Ages 3-12 ♥

♥ Friday, February 10 ♥
♥ 7-9 p.m. ♥

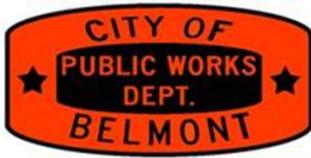
♥ Twin Pines Senior & Community Center ♥
♥ 20 Twin Pines Lane ♥

♥ Photo booth & live DJ! ♥

Don't wait, register now!
www.belmont.gov

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PUBLIC WORKS WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Streetlight Pole Replacement Project

The street light pole replacement project is in progress. The work to replace the wooden poles continues on Ralston Avenue between Hiller Street and Alameda de las Pulgas. Pole foundations have been installed at various locations on Ralston Avenue. Existing poles have not yet been removed and remain in working order. Next week, new pole installation on Ralston Avenue begins. Lane closure may be necessary between the hours of 9am – 3pm. Sidewalk and access to businesses shall remain open at all times. The contractor, St. Francis Electric has notified the businesses of the work schedule.



Fill-Your-Own Sand Bag Locations



The City of Belmont has designated "fill your own" sites for residents in need of sandbags. Sand and bags are available anytime 7-days a week (shovels provided) at the following locations:

- **One Twin Pines Lane** (Rear of City Hall parking lot)
- **110 Sem lane** (Belmont Corporation Yard)
- **Barrett Community Center** (Parking lot off Ralston Avenue)

Residents, particularly those who live in areas that regularly experience some flooding, are strongly encouraged to pick up sandbags to ensure they are prepared for possible flooding. Residents may obtain up to 10 bags per Belmont address.

For more information call Public Works at 650-595-7425



Message brought to you by the Public Works Storm Division



Sewer Division Weekly Highlights

- Preventative Maintenance on 11 sewer pump stations
- Hydro-cleaned 10,107 lineal feet of City sewer main
- Pre-storm maintenance and cleanup: Checked storm "hot spots" and cleaned storm drain inlets
- Monitored Water Dog Lake levels



For more information call Public Works at 650-595-7425



Message brought to you by the Public Works Sewer Division



For the latest Traffic Advisories in Belmont, click [here](#)



New Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Replaces In-pavement Lights

We have been experiencing continuing problems with our In-Roadway Lighting pedestrian crosswalk warning systems. The system presently deployed at various locations in Belmont is starting to break-down and require significant resources to keep operational.

Public Works Traffic Operations has replaced two of the five existing In-Roadway Lighting systems with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems.

Why Change Out Systems?

The in-roadway lighting systems degrade the roadway, are costly (upwards of \$700.00 each) and require replacement every couple of years. It can also be very disruptive of traffic and dangerous for staff. Approximately half of our present inventory of in-roadway light signs are no longer supported by the manufacturer and will require replacement in the foreseeable future (two currently require replacement at an estimated cost of approximately \$4,000.00 per location)

The Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems can be installed and serviced without need for staff to be in the roadway. Additionally, they do not degrade the street, and studies have shown they increase driver yield rates 73% over traditional beacon systems. These new systems are substantially less expensive than the current In-Roadway Lighting system we currently use.

Installation Complete (as of 02-02-17):

- Alameda De Las Pulgas @ The Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM)
- Ralston Avenue @ Villa ([Video](#))



The Public Works Traffic Operations staff will be removing the following in-roadway lighting systems with the new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems over the next several months:

Replacement by Summer of 2017

- Alameda De Las Pulgas @ Garden Court
- Ralston Avenue @ Maywood
- Middle Road @ Central Elementary School



SAVE THE DATE!

Belmont's 2017 Earth Day Celebration
Saturday, April 29th
9:00am-noon in Twin Pines Park



We are now accepting participation forms for the Belmont 2017 Earth Day Celebration! Be sure to submit your form early to assure a spot for your booth in this fun festivity.

Click to download the [participation form](#)

There is no fee to participate.

For inquiries, contact Diane Lynn via email: dlynn@belmont.gov or by phone: 650-595-7425.

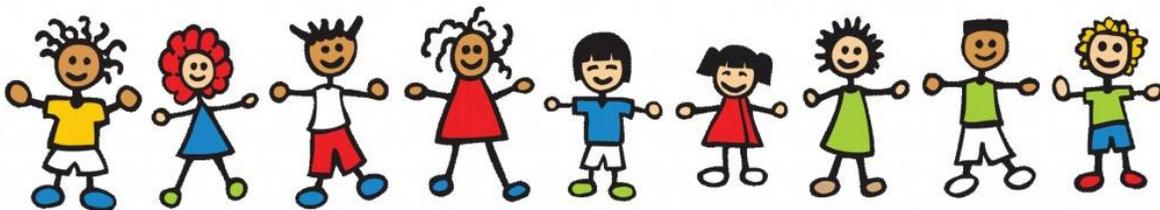
Other Agency Reports



February is Kindergarten Enrollment Month

We want all families in the community to know that February is enrollment month for prospective kindergarteners in the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District. This includes the Nesbit, Central, Cipriani, and Fox Elementary Schools in Belmont as well as the Redwood Shores and Sandpiper Elementary Schools in Redwood Shores. If you know a family with a child in preschool, please share this information.

The [online enrollment](#) portion of the process is already available for new students and existing TK students for the 2017-18 school year. The in-person portion of the process should happen between February 8 and 28. For additional information about enrollment, please refer to the [2017-2018 Enrollment Timeline](#) and the [Enrollment FAQs](#) available on our website.





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<http://www.brssd.org>

Dear Community Member,

The Belmont-Redwood Shores School District, in collaboration with the City of Belmont, invites you to the second of two Community Open House meetings where we will share the proposed improvements to the intersection at Tahoe Drive and Ralston Avenue. The improvements are intended to ease traffic congestion during school drop-off and pick-up, improve pedestrian walkways, and enhance public safety through signalization, signage and expanded turning lanes. All community members, of all ages, are invited and encouraged to participate!

About the Open House

What: Learn about the final proposed improvements to the intersection at Tahoe Drive and Ralston Avenue and along Ralston Middle School.

Where: Ralston Middle School, Gymnasium
2675 Ralston Ave, Belmont, CA 94002

When: Wednesday, February 15, 6:00-8:00 pm

Open House participants will be invited to visit exhibits of the final proposed improvements. Each exhibit will be staffed by a project team member to collect your feedback.

You may attend at any time from 6:00-8:00 PM to participate.

About the Project

This intersection improvement project will take place over four phases: (1) project kick-off, community input and draft plan, (2) draft plan refinement and engineering, (3) construction strategy and contractor selection and (4) construction. Improvements to the Tahoe/Ralston intersection are expected to be complete in Fall 2017.

For more information, please visit the [City's website](#) or the [District's website](#).

We look forward to seeing you on February 15th!

Warm regards,

Michael Milliken
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THE SUSTAINABILITY ACADEMY

The County of San Mateo's Sustainability Academy (Academy) is a *no-cost* education and outreach program designed to raise awareness around sustainability and empower our San Mateo County community members with the knowledge and skills to promote resource conservation in their communities. The Academy courses are taught by local experts and offer participants access to cutting-edge sustainability information and best practices. The courses are a great way for you to get involved with sustainability projects in your community, build leadership skills, and meet new people who share the same interest!

The Sustainability Academy is available to residents, business owners, employees, or students in San Mateo County.



5-Topic Webinar Series

Select Thursdays, 12:00 to 1:00 pm
January through May 2017

The Academy's webinar series is intended to introduce participants to important sustainability concepts through online classes that are accessible from your own computer during your lunchbreak!

These online classes are a convenient, interactive way to learn more about a sustainability topic that interests you.



Thursday January 12
Don't Pollute! How to Properly Dispose of Toxics In Your Community



Thursday February 9
Live Green and Save Green: Energy Programs that Save Money and the Planet



Thursday March 23
Adapt to Rising Tides: Take Action Now and Prepare for Sea Level Rise



Thursday April 6
Make Every Drop Count: Tapping into Local Water Conservation Programs



Thursday May 4
Don't be "Fuel"ish: Transportation Alternatives that Reduce Greenhouse Gas and Your Waistline!

Register for the webinars:
www.recycleworks.org/sustainability/rva_resource_101.html



Master Resource Conservation Course

8 consecutive Wednesdays,
February 8 through March 29, 2017
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Venue: County of San Mateo, 455 County Center,
4th Fl, Room 405, Redwood City

In this 8-week *Master Resource Conservation Course*, you'll learn the ins and outs of various sustainability topics – energy and water efficiency/conservation, pollution prevention, stormwater management, sustainable transportation and land-use, and sustainable waste management. The course will focus on ensuring that you are conversant in these topics, are aware of local resource conservation issues and efforts, and know what you can do to promote sustainability in your community.

A 40-hour volunteer commitment is required by all course participants.

Register for the Course:
https://master_resource_conservation.eventbrite.com

For more information about the Sustainability Academy, please visit
www.recycleworks.org/sustainability/rva.html
or contact Eun-Soo Lim at RecycleWorks@smcgov.org or 888.442.2666 / 650.599.1498.

Community Calendars

Twin Pines Community Center

| Twin Pines Senior & Community Center ~ February 2017~ | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| (S) = Activity requires Signing Up (R) = Activity requires Registration at Parks & Rec office (blank) = Activity is drop-in | | 1 8:45 Strength Training 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 New Movie | 2 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Harmony in Action: Belmont Choir 9:30 Rosen Method Movement (S) 9:30 Canasta 9:30 Diabetes Management (S) 11:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Bridge 12:30 Blockbuster Movie 1:00 Art Group | 3 9:30 Chair Yoga with Katherine! Mindful Meditation 9:30 Mandarin Conversation 11:00 BINGO 12:30 |
| | | 6 9:00 Bread Program 9:00 AARP Tax Assistance 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Italian Chat 10:00 Spanish Chat 1:00 Book Club (S) 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 Sit N' Be Fit Video 2:00 French Chat | 7 9:30 Walking Group 9:00 AARP Smart Driver (S) 10:00 Chinese Mahjong Class (S) 10:00 Music Appreciation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 Classic Movie 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group | 8 8:45 Strength Training 9:00 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 New Movie |
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| 20 Center closed for Federal Holiday | 21 8:30 Blood Pressure Clinic 9:30 Walking Group 10:00 Chinese Mahjong Class (S) 10:00 Senior Club Meeting 10:00 Music Appreciation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 Classic Movie 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group | 22 8:45 Strength Training 9:00 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 New Movie 1:00 Memory Loss Support Group (S) | 23 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Rosen Method Movement (S) 9:30 Canasta 9:30 Diabetes Management (S) 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Bridge 12:30 Blockbuster Movie 1:00 Art Group | 24 9:30 Chair Yoga with Katherine! Mindful Meditation 9:30 Mandarin Conversation 11:00 BINGO 1:00 Where Will Retirement Income Come From? 1:00 Table Tennis |
| 27 9:00 Bread Program 9:00 AARP Tax Assistance 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Opinion Exchange w/ Jim Dunbar 10:00 Stamp Collectors 10:00 Italian Chat 10:00 Spanish Chat 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 French Chat 2:30 Laughter Yoga | 28 9:30 Walking Group 10:00 Chinese Mahjong Class (S) 10:00 Music Appreciation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:00 Pedro card game 12:30 Foreign Film 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group | <i>*Activities are subject to change. Please call 595-7444 to confirm.</i> | | |