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City Manager's Weekly Update



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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



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



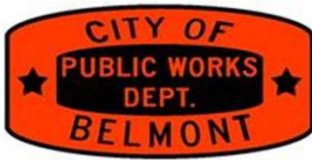
DEADLINE FOR HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING PICKUP

Christmas tree recycling - Recology San Mateo County will collect trees on your regular collection day **up until January 31st.**

Preparation tips

- Do not bag your tree. If you do, it will not be recycled.
- Place trees at the curbside on your regular yard waste or compost service day.
- Remove stands, lights, tinsel, ornaments and other decorations (flocked trees are accepted).
- Trees may be up to 8 feet in length. **If your tree is taller than 8 feet, please cut the tree before placing the pieces next to, or in your compost cart.**
- Please note that trees may be collected by a different truck and at a different service time than your regular collection.
- Please have trees curbside and visible for the driver.
- Multi-family residents must call Customer Service to arrange a location on site for tree pick up.





PUBLIC WORKS WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Crosswalk In-Pavement Lights soon to be replaced with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon

We have been experiencing continuing problems with our In-Roadway Lighting pedestrian crosswalk warning systems. The system presently deployed at 5 locations in Belmont is starting to break-down and require significant resources to keep operational. We have problems with 2 of the 5 locations right now with estimated repair costs of more than \$4,000.00 per location.

The City of Belmont is planning to replace the existing In-Roadway Lighting systems with Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems as failures occur rather than spend our resources repairing our outdated systems. We recently installed one at a mid-block location on Shoreway and are confident that it is a superior system.

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 upcoming 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.

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

Replacement by March 2017:

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

Replacement summer of 2017

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



Water Dog Lake Road to close February 7-8 for Storm Drain Repair Work

The Storm Division was notified of water flowing underneath a drain pipe on Water Dog Lake Road. Staff performed a video inspection in the storm line and found the bottom of the corrugated pipe had decayed.

Public Works Storm crew will be repairing two 15" storm pipes, approximately 25 feet in length on Tuesday, February 7th and 8th.

Water dog lake road will be closed 1/3 of the way down from the upper gate at Hallmark. There will be NO through-access.



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



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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.

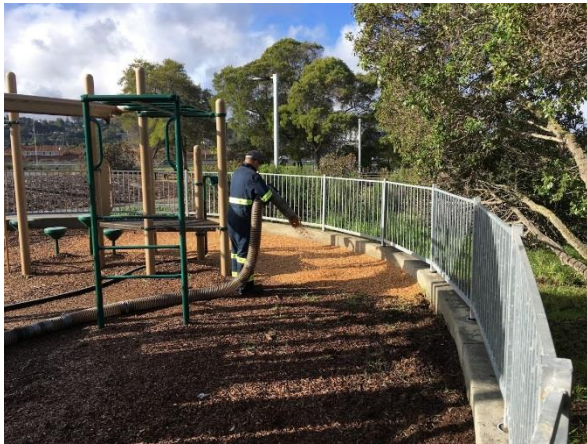
For inquiries, contact Diane Lynn via email: dlynn@belmont.gov or by phone: 650-595-7425.



Parks and Recreation

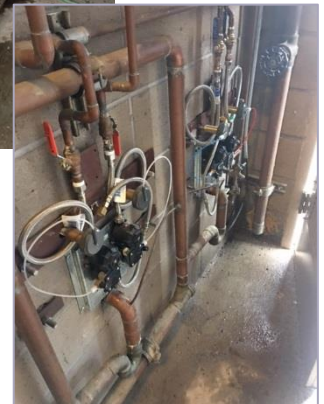
Parks

Parks crews responded to several tree related calls due to both storm and maintenance issues. Along Lyall Way several tree toppled into the road, crews removed the tree limbs and cleared the roadway. A portion of an acacia tree fell due to wind damage at the Sports Complex. An oak tree in front of Fire Station 15 was also removed.



The playground at the Sports Complex received a new topping of play fiber. Engineered Wood Fiber (EWF) playground chips are knitted together and engineered to soften falls. Engineered wood fiber is softer than wood chips and aesthetically more attractive.

The plumbing for three sinks was also replaced at the Complex. Replacement parts for the old faucets were discontinued. The discontinued components were replaced with new, water efficient parts that will last many years. And at the Barrett Community Center the water fountain was repaired and the inner plumbing components were replaced.



Recreation

Belmont Community Learning Center



Katherine from Nandi Yoga was on site for a yoga class for all the children. Thank you to our PTO for sponsoring this enrichment activity.



Youth Advisory Committee (YAC)

The Youth Advisory Committee is hard at work planning the upcoming Friday, February 3rd "Belmont Loves Talent" special event, at the Barrett Community Center Multi Use Room. Doors open at 6:50 pm, the show begins at 7 pm. The event is free and all ages are welcome to attend. A free raffle will take place, for those in attendance. The performers will receive prizes for their volunteer efforts in showcasing their talents. A special thank you to the many local agencies who donated gift cards for the event including; Hillsdale Shopping Center, Toto's, Village Host, FARE, and Godfather's. The Youth Advisory Committee is excited to welcome the Belmont community for a night of fun and unforgettable talent! *(see flyer attached below)*



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.

 **BelmontParksRec**
 **belmontyac**

www.belmont.gov


"Enhancing the Quality of Life for the Community"

Twin Pines Senior & Community Center

The Center is starting off the New Year with new activities free to the community. In addition to all our current activities, we now offer:

- Free chair yoga class on Friday mornings
- Weekly Chinese Mahjong class
- A monthly adult coloring group
- A Better Choices, Better Health Workshop
- An end-of-life workshop
- A new Belmont Choir

All are provided free to the community thanks to certified and caring volunteers and partner agencies.

The Center also offers two free clinics this week, sponsored by Sequoia Hospital Dignity Health. The first, a Blood Pressure Clinic, is scheduled every month on the 3rd Tuesday from 8:30am-10am. Every quarter there is also a free Blood Glucose/Diabetes screening on Wednesdays from 8:30am-10am. Both clinics are open to the public and there are no age or address requirements. Participants, including city staff, are welcome to drop in, no appointment needed.





30th
ANNIVERSARY
PARTY

Twin Pines Senior & Community Center

Friday, January 27, 2017
1-3 pm

RSVP (650) 595-7444

EXHIBITS

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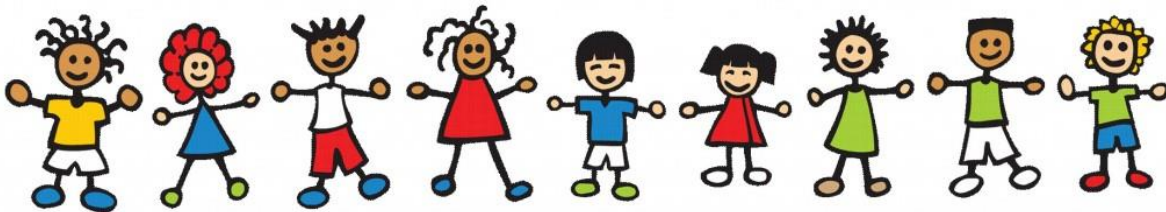
Other Agency Reports



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.





CLEAR THE AIR

F I L M F E S T

Create your own short film
for your chance to win up to \$1,000!



NEW THIS YEAR
for Middle/High School Students
(30-60 second short films)



Short Film submissions are being accepted in
Middle School, High School and General Public categories.
Learn more at www.cleartheairfilmfest.org.



MARK RUFFALO, 2015 JUDGE:

"I was pleasantly surprised by these film makers and all the ways they chose to express themselves. From very high tech pans and low light photography to making a film on an iPhone, animation, pristine editing, moving interviews and personal stories were all used to great effect."

Submit films, PSAs and learn more at www.cleartheairfilmfest.org



(650) 994-5868



#cleartheair2017

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 30, 2017 - 5:00 p.m. PST

Screening & Awards: March 4, 2017 - 7:00 pm • New People Cinema, SF



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COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

www.recycleworks.org/sustainability/rva.html
RecycleWorks@smcgov.org
888.442.2666 / 650.599.1498

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.



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



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

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 ~ January 2017~					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
2 Center closed in for New Year's Holiday 	3 9:30 Walking Group 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:00 Canasta 12:30 Classic Movie 12:30 Crafts Group 1:00 Sewing & Quilting Group	4 8:45 Strength Training 9:00 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Spanish Class 11:30 German Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:30 New Movie 12:30 Pinochle	5 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Harmony in Action: Belmont Choir 9:30 Rosen Method Movement (S) 9:30 Canasta 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Bridge 12:30 Blockbuster Movie 1:00 Art Group	6 9:30 Chair Yoga with Katherine! 9:30 Mindful Meditation 11:00 Mandarin Conversation 1:00 BINGO	
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Belmont Public Library

January 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Library Closed	2 Library Closed	3 10:30a Musical Story Time 2p Woodpecker Wants a Waffle 3:30p Kid's Craft Club 7p Lawyers in the Library 7p Mindfulness and Meditation	4 10:30a Computer Class: 3D Printing 12:30p 3D Printing (Regs Req.) 1-5p 3D Printint Extravaganza 2p Fly Guy Party 7p First Wed. Book Group: My Name is Lucy Barton 7p Inclusive Story Time	5 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time	6 10a Coloring for Adults 10a 3D Reservations 10:30a Preschool Story Time 2p Make Oobleck and Flarp 7p 1st Friday Flicks: <i>The BFG</i>	7 10:30a Family Story Time
8 2p Danny Lyon: Message to the Future	9 Last Day to turn in Winter Learning Challenge! 10:30a Signs & Rhymes Story Time 1p Twin Pines Book Club <i>Girl on a Train</i> 3:30p Lego Club	10 10:30a Musical Story Time 3:30p Kid's Craft Club 6:30p Documentary Club: <i>Something Ventured</i>	11 10:30a Computer Coach 12:30p 3D Printing (Regs Req.) 1:30p Middle School Coding Club 3:30p Drop-In Buttons 7p Inclusive Story Time	12 10a Imagination Playground 10:30a ESL Conversation Group 10:30a Toddler Story Time 2p Mystery Book Club: <i>Broken Promise</i> 4p Middle School Book Club 6:30p Pub Trivia (ages 21+)	13 10a Coloring for Adults 10a 3D Reservations 10:30a Preschool Story Time 4p Science Club	14 10:30a Family Story Time 3p Mindfulness and Meditation
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BELMONT

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Story Times

Signs and Rhymes--Monday at 10:30am
 Musical--Tuesday at 10:30am
 Inclusive--Wednesday at 7:00pm
 Toddler--Thursday at 10:30am
 Preschool--Friday at 10:30am
 Family--Saturday at 10:30am

After School Activities

Mondays - Lego Club at 3:30pm
 Tuesdays - Craft Club at 3:30pm
 Wednesday - 3D Printing (Registration Required)
 Thursday - Imagination Playground All Day
 Friday - Science Club at 4pm

Woodpecker Wants a Waffle

Tuesday, Jan 3 at 2pm
 Woodpecker wants a waffle and will do anything to get one! Come listen to this wonderful tale and see if Woodpecker can get that waffle! Waffles will be available!

Fly Guy Party

Wednesday, Jan 4 at 2pm
 Celebrate Fly Guy with trivia, a relay, puzzles and snack. Come dressed as Fly Guy if you dare!

Make Oobleck and Flarp

Friday, Jan 6 at 2pm
 Is Oobleck a liquid or a solid? Compare these two substances and find out!

Paws for Tales

Tuesday, Jan 17, at 6:30pm - 3rd Tues of every month
 Have a reluctant reader? Children can gain confidence and improve their reading skills by reading aloud to a therapy dog. Trained therapy dogs and their handlers from the Peninsula Humane Society and the SPCA visit. To make 10 minute appointment, please call the Belmont Library at (650) 591-8286 or ask at the Library's information desk.

Lunar New Year Celebration with Challenge School

Saturday Jan 28 at 2:30pm
 Join us in celebrating the Lunar New Year with performances by Challenge School students.

Lunar New Years Lantern Riddles

Friday Jan 27- Saturday Feb 4
 Celebrate Lunar New Years with Lantern Riddles. We will have riddles for kids to solve throughout the week. Solve them to win a red envelope!

Winter Learning

Monday, Jan 9
 It's the last day to turn in your reading logs and claim your prize! Logs will be entered into a raffle for a family pass to the California Academy of Science and teen logs will be entered to win an Instax camera. We will collect completed logs all day.

Mindfulness and Meditation

Tuesday, Jan 3, and Saturday Jan 14 at 7:00pm
 The elections are over. The holidays are over. Now it is time to de-stress.

Danny Lyon: Message to the Future

Sunday, Jan 8 at 2pm
 The first comprehensive retrospective of the career of Danny Lyon, the exhibition highlights Lyon's concern with the welfare of individuals considered by many to be on the margins of society.

Computer Class: Don't be Duped: Distinguishing Real News from Fake News

Wednesday, Jan 18 at 10:30am
 This workshop's purpose is to raise awareness for the rising amount of inaccurate news threads being posted on the Internet.

Maturing Gracefully: Seventy Strong

Monday, Jan 23 at 12pm
 Connecting seniors to support groups, enrichment classes, hospitals, home care, housing, volunteer opportunities, transportation, community clinics, social groups, and food services. A light lunch will be served, courtesy of the Belmont Library.

Miggi's Kitchen Cooking Demonstration

Tuesday, Jan 31 at 7pm
 To celebrate Lunar New Year, Chef Miggi Demeyer will prepare food samples. She will demonstrate: spring rolls with plum sauce, braised beef shank, cold cuts with master sauce, three cup chicken.

Middle School Book Club

Thursday, Jan 12 at 4pm
 Come to our first ever Middle School Book Club! We'll meet in the Taube room to discuss our favorite books and pick a book to read for next month's meeting. We'll meet ever second Thursday of the month. Email ng@smcl.org if you're interested in joining!

MCCTV Movie Making Workshop

Wednesday, Jan 18 at 4pm
 Want to learn how to make a short video for fun, Youtube, school, or the SMCL Teen Film Festival contest? Staff from Millbrae Community Television will teach you how to use video cameras or cell phones and free software to create and edit high quality videos. Grades 6-12.

Murder Mystery Afternoon

Wednesday, Jan 25 at 3:30pm
 Ever wanted to be a part of a murder mystery novel? Here's your chance! Pick a character from a hat and act your part while trying to solve the mystery! Snacks will be provided. Grades 6-12.

Life Hacks: How-To-Life

Thursday, Jan 26 at 3:30pm
 Are you confused about how-to-life? Us too! Learn how to budget & pay bills, do taxes, make home repairs, and do laundry without anything shrinking! Snacks will be served. Grades 6-12.

YaNovCon @ Millbrae Library

Saturday, Jan 28 at 1pm
 Our second annual Young Adult Novelist Convention (YANovCon) at the Millbrae Library! YANovCon is your exclusive connection to some of today's top authors of books for middle and high school youth (and everyone else who can appreciate these amazing talents). This free half-day celebration includes panel discussions, author hangouts, and book signings with the following YA novelists: Neal Shusterman, Andrew Smith, Jessica Brody, Mariko Tamaki, Alexis Bass, Martha Brockenbrough, I.W. Gregorio, Ann Jacobus, Stephanie Kuehn, and Gretchen McNeil. Stay in touch with us and receive the latest author updates by following #YANovCon on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Vine. RSVP to attend YANovCon 2017 and be entered for a chance to win free books! We encourage carpooling and using public transit. All those who do so will have an additional chance to get free books.