



Beresford/Hillsdale Neighborhood Association

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January 2013

City of San Mateo - 2013 Mayor David Lim

Tuesday, January 15th
7:30 PM

Beresford Recreation Center
(28th & Alameda)

note: member votes may be taken

January General Meeting – City of San Mateo Issues and Opportunities

Mayor David Lim will kick off the new year as our January speaker. Mayor Lim was sworn in for a one year term in December 2012. He was elected to the City Council in 2008. And, he's a BHNA member! At the January meeting, he will speak about current and future issues pending before the San Mateo City Council and, of course, answer questions that you raise.

Mayor Lim will discuss issues facing our city, including the possible relocation of Peninsula High School to either Hillsdale or San Mateo High School. He will update us on the latest efforts to create sustainability for our communities, the upcoming city wide goal setting session in February and ways in which our neighborhoods can continue to stay engaged in our community. Come, bring your neighbors, and bring your questions for Mayor David Lim.

BHNA general membership meetings are every 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm-9pm

BHNA Elections This Month

This January we will elect Officers and Directors for 2013. We need a good turnout to be able to hold the vote. Please come and support our 2013 Board. We had a good response to the call for volunteers to help lead BHNA, but still have room for one more. If this could be you, please contact an officer right away.

Upcoming BHNA General Meetings

February 19th, 2013 – History of the Peninsula Golf and Country Club

March 19th, 2013 – Darcy Forsell, City of San Mateo Associate Planner

November Meeting Recap

At the November meeting, we welcomed Bob Merwin, CEO of Mills-Peninsula Health Services, who spoke about changes at the Mills location, and Crispin Delgado, who educated us on the program Get Healthy San Mateo. Bob Merwin explained that, as of December 1st, 2012, the Standby Emergency room at Mills Hospital was closing. After that date, all Mills Peninsula emergency services are being provided at the new Peninsula Hospital in Burlingame. The ERs at the San Mateo Medical Center and Sequoia Hospital in Redwood City continue to be available to the community. \$5.5 million dollars will be spent to convert the old ER space into an outpatient urgent care center, scheduled to open in October 2013. This center will be open 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM, every day, to all patients, regardless of insurance.

Crispin Delgado spoke about the Get Healthy San Mateo program, which is dedicated to fighting childhood obesity, encouraging people to get active and to eat healthier. Mr. Delgado told us that in California, 38% of all 5th to 8th graders are obese, and 75% of them will go on to become obese adults. If this continues, he says, our children will become the first generation that will not live as long as their parents. Get Healthy San Mateo is doing its best to combat obesity in California. You can email Get Healthy San Mateo at www.gethealthysmc.org or call them at 650.573.2496.

Board Makes Charitable Donations on Behalf of BHNA

At the end of each year, the BHNA board selects local charities for our support. This year the Board chose the same two local non-profit charities as in 2011: Samaritan House and the Crockett Fund at Pets In Need. Samaritan House, which can be contacted at 650.341.4081 or www.samaritanhouse.com, provides services for low-income people within San Mateo County. They can receive food, shelter, clothing, worker resources, and counseling services. The Crockett Fund at Pets In Need, at 650.367.1405 or www.petsinneed.org, is dedicated to assisting low-income seniors

with the cost of medical care for their pets. For many seniors, pets may be their only "family". Pets In Need is a local no-kill shelter, whose work is made possible by donations from the community.

SMPD Lieutenant Visits

Lt. Dave Peruzzaro, who was recently put in charge of our neighborhood, introduced himself at our November BHNA meeting. He cautioned members about recent "door knock" burglaries. The burglar knocks to see if anyone will answer. If not, he forces entry through a side or rear door or window. **Do not** open your door to strangers, but do speak up to let them know that you are there. If they seem suspicious or do not leave your property, call SMPD (911) immediately. For non-emergency issues, Lt. Peruzzaro can be contacted at 650.522.7684.

Have You Sent in Your 2013 Dues?

Congratulations to our members who responded so quickly to the call for 2013 dues. Over half responded in the first 3 weeks! If you have yet to renew, you will find a reminder slip enclosed in this month's newsletter. Please help keep BHNA strong by renewing for 2013. If you only received this newsletter by email, your dues are paid for 2013. If you received it by USPS, look at the "paid thru" year in the upper right hand corner of the label. If it says 2013 or later, you are paid up - no action is necessary. Please call the Treasurer with any questions.

Upcoming Events

January includes the annual Martin Luther King Jr. birthday celebrations. All are welcome at these free events! Call 650.678.6615 for questions.

January 19th: 1 PM at the King Center – celebration and announcement of the winners of the poetry and essay contest (K-12th grade).

January 19th: 3 PM at the Unitarian Universalists of San Mateo, Santa Inez and Ellsworth – Community reception.

January 21st: 9 AM – 9:45 AM at the SM Train Depot on 1st & B St. Program honoring Dr. King.

Thank You

January is a time for "thank you's". One member has volunteered to help print the newsletter labels. Another has come forward to work with our intern, Claire Jensen, to edit the newsletter. With this month's annual election of Board members, we say a big "thank you" to all who serve as BHNA leaders. There will be new faces, some familiar faces, and others who leave the Board entirely. Find out who's who at the January 15th meeting, and watch these pages for more details.

Holiday Drawing Results

Two happy BHNA members won holiday gift certificates at our November meeting. One will be savoring a meal at Tannourine, the popular Mediterranean restaurant at 120 W. 25th Avenue. The other will enjoy Piazza's Fine Foods in the Laurelwood Shopping Center, which has supported BHNA for many years. Our appreciation goes to both local businesses.

Did You Know?

True waxed paper and waxed cartons are not recyclable (put them in the garbage). But virtually all cartons we used to think of as "waxed" (milk, juice, etc.) are now coated in plastic, which is recyclable. Just put them in the blue bin.

Favorite Merchant

Golden One Credit Union, located at 1328 W. Hillsdale Blvd., is a customer friendly option that satisfies all of your banking needs. As soon as you walk in, the staff warmly greet you by name – imagine that! The bank offers an outdoor ATM, offices throughout California, and the opportunity for online banking. Kaye, Del Ray St.

If you have a favorite shop or business in our neighborhood, let us know. Call or email the newsletter editor (see below).

2012 BHNA Officers & Directors

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If you picked up this newsletter at one of our neighborhood locations, or a member shared this with you, we invite you to contact an officer to join our association.