



Beresford/Hillsdale Neighborhood Association

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February 2013

History of Peninsula Golf and Country Club: Mike Jamieson

Tuesday, February 19th
7:30 PM

Beresford Recreation Center
(28th & Alameda)

note: member votes may be taken

February General Meeting – History of Peninsula Golf and Country Club

Just half a mile up the street from the Beresford Recreation Center is the Peninsula Golf and Country Club. Everyone knows where it is, but most do not know about its famous history. At the February meeting, speaker Mike Jamieson, historian of the Peninsula Golf and Country Club, will present an overview of the fascinating chronicles of the club.

Mike Jamieson will discuss the general history of the Country Club and the land around it, and touch on a number of topics and interesting anecdotes involving the Peninsula Golf and

Country Club. For example, he will tell us the story of the set of "Monkey Bars" that used to sit at the eleventh hole, and what the Cross Country Horse Race Derby has to do with golf. We will also learn why the Leslie Salt Company was considered to help with the construction of the club's swimming pool, and why the Master's Tournament Trophy of 1969 is housed in the Peninsula Golf and Country Club's club house.

Come, and bring your friends, for a special evening in which you will learn about the history of the Peninsula Golf and Country Club.

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

Upcoming BHNA General Meetings

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

April 16th, 2013 – Linda Burnside, History of San Mateo Garden Center

January Meeting Recap

In January, San Mateo Mayor David Lim joined our monthly meeting and informed us about issues of interest for the upcoming year. He explained that the paving on most of the streets in San Mateo is over sixty years old, and while the City would love to repave the streets, there is only enough money for minimal repairs at this time. The City would need money from a state or federal grant in order to make more substantial repairs. Another topic Mayor Lim brought up was the El Camino Real Grand Boulevard Initiative, which is a plan to beautify El Camino from Daly City to San Jose. However, Mayor Lim explained that there are three problems with implementing this plan: Property owners along El Camino would have to make and pay for certain changes, there is not much money for this project, and it is hard to get the project started because it involves so many different players.

Mayor Lim also brought up the plan to move Peninsula High School to either the Hillsdale High School campus or the San Mateo High School campus. The San Mateo City council has passed a resolution against the move to either school, stating that PHS needs its own facility. Finally, Mayor Lim told us that the city was meeting with gardener's associations to discuss a ban on gas powered leaf blowers, and discussing a ban on single use plastic bags and Styrofoam containers.

Welcome 2013 Board

A glance at the back page of this newsletter shows that we have some new Directors and Officers. Our Web Administrator, Monika Lee, has joined the board and also volunteered to become our Newsletter Editor. Longtime member Ellen Wang is now our Treasurer, and recent member Stephanie Alley is a new Director. President Sue Rowinski continues to serve, as does Secretary Stan Shogren. Diana Mongini, Juliette Najjar, Heinz Plischke and Kaye Sharma are also continuing as Directors. Many thanks to all who have volunteered to serve as BHNA leadership for the upcoming year.

Au Revoir

Kitty Van Beckum, 2012 Vice President and former Director, as well as Karen Herrel, 2012 Treasurer, interim Newsletter Editor and former Secretary and Director, have both stepped down from their positions on the Board this year. Many thanks to Kitty for her businesslike approach to serving BHNA, and to Karen for her vast knowledge of our city and the countless hours she has spent on the behalf of BHNA.

The good news is that both Kitty and Karen will continue to provide behind the scenes support that is essential to keeping BHNA going. Please express your thanks for Kitty and Karen at one of our meetings or send an email to secretary@beresfordhillsdale.org, as Stan will forward it.

Third Call for 2013 Dues

We still have not received renewal slips and checks from some of our 2012 members. If you have not yet renewed your dues, you will find a reminder slip enclosed in this month's newsletter. Every membership makes us more effective for our neighborhood. Please help us complete the renewal process by responding this month.

No reminder slip enclosed, or you only receive an email newsletter? Your dues are paid for 2013! Please call the Treasurer with any questions.

Upcoming Events

In February and March, the San Mateo City Event Center holds the Peninsula Spring Show and the Quilt, Craft, and Sewing Festival, plus Lunar New Year Celebrations!

February 8th – 10th: Peninsula Spring Show at the SMC Event Center. Admission is free and they offer special discounts on home remodeling, contractors, and more!

February 10th: Lunar New Year Celebration at the SMC and Belmont Libraries.

February 21st – 23rd: Quilt, Craft, and Sewing Festival at the SMC Event Center.

March 2nd: 11 AM at the US Bank Parking Lot (2nd Ave and San Mateo Drive.) Lunar New Year Lion Dance Festival – fun for the whole family!

San Mateo Adopts New Ordinance on Plastic Bags and Styrofoam

On Earth Day, April 22, San Mateo will be adopting a countywide ban on single use plastic bags and Styrofoam. According to estimates, over one million plastic bags enter the Bay each year. Single use plastic bags are not biodegradable and are dangerous to many species worldwide. Plastic bags often end up as litter along our beautiful San Mateo county coastline. Styrofoam also is an environmental pollutant, given its non-biodegradable nature.

The City will discuss the new Plastic Bag and Styrofoam ordinance at a meeting in City Hall on March 4 at 7 PM.

The County will also start a program entitled "Bring Your Own Bag San Mateo" on Earth Day. BYOB will encourage citizens to bring their own reusable bags in order to reduce the amount of non-biodegradable waste that goes into landfills in our area. As an extra incentive the City of San Mateo will be giving out "BYOB San Mateo!" reusable bags on Earth Day. Supplies are limited. Visit www.cityofsanmateo.org for more details.

Members Ask

At the January meeting, members asked about the rough pavement on Alameda north of 26th where the sewer line work was done last summer. Public Works says that the street resurfacing has been delayed because of the probability of additional work in those trenches. Resurfacing of the street should be completed "soon" (this summer). In the meantime, please drive carefully when travelling in that area.

Favorite Merchant

The US Post Office on 25th Avenue has the friendliest, most helpful personnel in town! I would certainly miss them if they were not there. I use this location for my Post Office trips and value it as an important part of our neighborhood. Karen, Hillsdale Blvd.

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

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