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San Mateo County Fair

The fair is coming! June 11 – 19th. Daily contests, performances, carnival rides, animals and many exhibits to see and participate in. Come and find entertainment, food and shopping all at the San Mateo Expo Center. Located at 1346 Saratoga Drive, San Mateo. Check the local paper to see daily specials. **Free Parking at the Fair? Annual Disaster Preparedness Day is June 11th** at the San Mateo County Fair from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Arrive before 11am on the 11th and admission and parking is free to the County Fair. Come learn what you should do and how to prepare for an emergency.

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If you picked up this newsletter at one of our neighborhood locations, and aren't yet a member, we encourage you to join and keep informed! Contact an officer above or visit our website at <http://www.beresfordhillsdale.org/>.

June General Meeting/Speaker Series
 Seeing all the dense development in our area can be concerning. This month, learn how Peninsula Open Space Trust tenaciously works to protect and care for precious open space, farms and parkland. POST's Project Manager, Neal Sharma, a Beresford neighborhood native, will talk about the organization and its efforts. Since 1977, POST has permanently protected 75,000 acres of land in San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties.

BHNA Speaker Series
Tuesday, June 21, 2016
7:30 PM

**Crime Updates,
 Open Space Preservation
 & Senior Center News**

At Beresford Recreation Center
 (28th & Alameda)

Also on tap is Angela Sakkos, Senior Services Supervisor, with the City of San Mateo Parks and Recreation Department. Angela will inform us about the programs offered at the Senior Center. Expanded programming of arts, crafts, finance, technology, history, and wellness for mind and body are not just for seniors but for adults of all ages!

We also welcome back Lieutenant Art Sanchez, our neighborhood community officer from the SMPD. Sanchez will keep us up to date on crime/safety issues & continue the lively Q & A from our February BHNA meeting.

Upcoming BHNA General Meetings

July 2016 – You're invited to BHNA's Annual Summer Celebration! (Date to be announced.) Great fun for the whole family with live music, sweet treats and refreshments, outdoor dancing and even a place for the kids to play. Come celebrate our community with your neighbors!

August 2016 – No meeting for the month of August.

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

BHNA Special Thank Yous!

We'd like to thank some wonderful folks who have supported the BHNA and its efforts over the years.

A giant, very grateful THANK YOU goes out to Diana, Heinz and Bobbi for your valuable contribution in getting our newsletters out each and every month for years! Though we have now changed the process, your time and dedication to our community will never be forgotten.

Also, many thanks to our outgoing newsletter editor, Monika, and our BHNA secretary, Jan. It takes a village to best serve our residents and we all truly appreciate your volunteerism! **(NOTE: If you know a student or other community member who would like to help us take minutes at our monthly meetings, please call 650-504-8181.)**

BHNA Report on the May San Mateo United Homeowners Assoc. Meeting

Sea Rise was on the agenda, but in the last moments, we instead heard about Measure AA, as fliers were passed out for both the pro and con sides of the Measure.

Eric Rodriguez, a SMUHA member and Planning Commissioner, discussed items from the most recent City Council meeting. He said redevelopment properties were on the table for discussion, including options for housing, parking, relocating City Hall – or even a mixture of all of the above. Eric also advised about the building going in at 4th and Claremont, which will include both residential and office use. A \$16,000 in lieu fee was paid by the developer in regard to creating parking spaces. One SMUHA member asked about that since parking spaces (below grade) cost about \$60K per space, wondering if in lieu fees shouldn't be higher.

City Manager Larry Patterson provided information which was forwarded at this meeting, including that FEMA will do a re-study of SM Village in hopes to remove some homes there from its list. In regard to the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project, Larry advised this project was slated to be finished by 2020. It will be an Overhead Catenary System. Discussion of city-wide or neighborhood events ensued since Patterson advised there was city funding for this. SMUHA voted to ask for \$100K to be aside so that various recreational events could be held for residents as an

important part of our city community feel.

The use of the Poplar Creek Golf Course is under scrutiny. Though it operates at a deficit (which is normal for recreational city spaces), it still takes in 10 times more money than any of the city's other recreational facilities. Many wish to see it remain recreational and open space. Stay tuned...

Hillsdale Mall Renovation Update

As you have likely seen, the refurbishment to the north end of Hillsdale shopping center is underway. When complete, the renovated area will include restaurants, shopping, and a plaza. The scheduled opening is the Spring of 2018.

Two of the most prominent venues will be Cinépolis and Pinstripes. Cinépolis offers an enhanced movie-going experience in an upscale, friendly, family-oriented environment. Pinstripes will provide a dining and entertainment combination that will include a restaurant, bocce ball and bowling. Both Cinépolis and Pinstripes have proven to be vibrant, dynamic attractions in other locations.

The project began with the closing of Sears and the food court. Critical internal work in those buildings is already taking place, and their demolition will begin in late June or early July. The Bohannon Real Estate offices, located in the building just west of Sears, will remain, although Outback Steakhouse restaurant has closed and will not reopen.

Reconstruction efforts on the Bridgeway over 31st Avenue will commence in the months immediately ahead. Its remodeled version will include a spectacular view looking eastbound towards the planned new train station and Bay Meadows development.

The area on which the Friday's restaurant sits is not part of the master plan. For the next 1½ - 2 years, that building will serve as construction offices. Additional information on the project can be found at www.hillsdale.com. (Click on the redevelopment tab under Current News.) Interested parties can also call 650-345- 8222 and ask to speak with the General Manager's office.

Mobile Food Market at Hillsdale Mall

Have you noticed the picnic tables and tents, at the south west lot of Hillsdale Mall? With the closing of the food court, Off the Grid trucks are coming to provide lunch 11-2, and dinner 5-9 daily, Monday – Saturday, and 11 – 3 p.m. on Sundays. Visit <https://offthegrid.com/events/> for an updated list of mobile truck lineup.

Submit newsletter articles, comments or questions to the BHNA Board at board@beresfordhillsdale.org