



ON POINT *August 2013*



School has started. Summer is over. But not in Point Richmond! We still have two more concerts in our Point Richmond Music Summer Series. Be there Friday, September 13 and Friday, September 27 (see calendar). And the Farmers' Market will continue through Thursday, September 26 every Thursday from 4 to 7 pm — excellent produce and prepared foods, a beer and wine garden, and a Jumpy House! Good for the whole family! To volunteer contact Dave Schoenthal at dschoen@hotmail.com.

“Final” Tunnel Update (hopefully). Work on the “void” on the tunnel ceiling is scheduled to be completed during the week of August 19, followed by new striping and signage the week of August 26. The City Engineering Department is projecting that the tunnel will be opening sometime during the week of September 9.

Interesting Topics at the Next PRNC Meeting: Wednesday, August 28, 7:30 pm, Pt. Richmond Community Center

- We will discuss what information we would like in the monthly police report.
- The LUDRC will provide an overview of the basic program for plans at Terminal One. At this time, no formal drawings or exact layouts are expected. The PRNC can expect a multiple number of meetings with the developer over time. The negotiations with the City of Richmond (Property Owner) are still a work in progress but the developer has an exclusive relationship (contingent on a meeting of the minds and acceptance of their proposed project) at this time.
- Julie Wedge, Public Relations Director of Campus California, will describe this excellent program that promotes recycling of useable items. We plan to make this program available at periodic membership meetings.
- What lives beneath the bay's briny waters? Much more than you can ever imagine! Chris Lim, from the Watershed Project's Living Shoreline Program will talk about his oyster restoration work along the San Francisco Bay shoreline. Chris needs volunteers and will entice you to help out with some photos of the project.
- Richmond has received national press as the first city in the country to adopt a new program to keep families in their homes and reduce blight in neighborhoods. The city is offering to buy specific underwater mortgages from banks and other mortgage lenders at prices reflecting near current market value of the houses. If the offers are refused, the City will use the power of “*eminent domain*” to avoid blight by taking over the mortgages at current market value and refinancing the revalued mortgages with the current homeowners. The banks are very concerned about this approach to avoiding blight by keeping homeowners in their homes. Come to hear more and discuss the program.

Join or renew your membership at our monthly meeting, by mail at PRNC, POB 70386, Pt. Richmond, 94807, or at the PRNC table when we are at the Farmers' Market on Thursdays (\$10/individual, \$15/family; waived for need).

President, Point Richmond Neighborhood Council



AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council
Wednesday, August 28, 2013
Point Richmond Community Center

7:30	Call to Order	
	Approval of Minutes from July 31, 2013	2 minutes
7:32	Police Report	10 minutes
7:42	President's Report, Margaret Jordan (510) 412-3673	5 minutes
7:47	Report on Membership, Charmain Tyler (510) 334-7267	2 minutes
7:49	Treasurer's Report, Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111	2 minutes
7:51	Report from Land Use/Design Review Committee:	15 minutes

- 1. Overview of the basic program of development plans at Terminal One.**
- 2. 0 Montana – Carla Del Carpio, Applicant, Review of Revised Plans**

Items to be considered at the Committee's meeting must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair, by **September 10**. Contact Rod at rdsatre@live.com or (510)232-5059. The LUDRC Committee meets monthly prior to the PRNC Meeting, at 6 pm, at Interactive Resources, 117 Park Place. Please attend if your project is being considered.

8:06	What Would You Like In a Police Report? (Jeff Lee, Charmain Tyler)	5 minutes
8:11	Non-Profit: Campus California (Julie Wedge, Public Relations Director)	5 minutes
8:16	Restoring Native Oysters to SF Bay, (Christopher Lim, Living Shoreline Program Manager, The Watershed Project)	10 minutes
8:26	Richmond's Mortgage Relief Efforts (TBA)	10/10
8:46	Committee Reports and Announcements from Non-profit Groups (Regularly scheduled meetings are listed in the Calendar)	

2 minutes each (up to 15 minutes)

- Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal, db schoen@hotmail.com
- Farmers' Market, Dave Schoenthal, db schoen@hotmail.com
- Safety and Crime Prevention, Jon Sutinen, jsutinen@yahoo.com
- Knit and Such, Terri Phillips, (510) 237-6865
- Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey, (510) 232-2934
- Red Oak Victory Ship, George Coles, (510) 234-1045
- Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut, (510) 547-8111
- Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan, (510) 234-5334
- Masquers Playhouse, Kathie Kiehn, www.masquers.org
- Women's Westside Improvement Club, Norma Jean Wallace, (510) 439-8360

9:01	Public Forum: Please sign up. As many as 5 speakers—2 minutes each. Issues brought to the attention of the Council in the Public Forum cannot result in Council action at this meeting. Instead, submit issues to Margaret Jordan at 510-412-3673, mjordan00@gmail.com or http://www.pointrichmond.org/contact.cfm prior to the next PRNC Board Meeting—scheduled for September 5, 2013.	
9:11	In Remembrance/Adjourn	



Point Richmond Neighborhood Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 31, 2013

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:33pm

2. Minutes of June 26, 2013 meeting were approved.

3. Police Report (Officer Yesinia Rogers yrogers@richmondpd.net or 510-621-1212 x-1715) (Non-emergency number for police assistance 510-233-1214). Officer Dave Longacre reporting for Officer Rogers. In July there were 22 crimes reported. Auto thefts and auto burglaries appear to have increased recently. Officer Longacre reminded us to call if we see anything suspicious and also mentioned that there is a Predictive Policing program being implemented to help officers focus on predicted areas of where and when crimes are likely to occur.

4. President's Report (Margaret Jordan, President 510-412-3673) Margaret mentioned that PRNC Board is planning a retreat in September or October to discuss the direction of the PRNC and ways of continuing to contribute to our community. She reported that the clean up day was a success bringing in \$288.75 and disposing of 11.53 tons of debris! Margaret reminded members to attend the Planning Commission meeting to support the Formula Restaurant Ordinance. She mentioned the National Night Out that will be on August 5. The tunnel is now slated to be opening in 6 to 8 weeks. August 23 will be a march for Operation Ceasefire. She will post further information on Nextdoor.com.

5. Membership Report (Charmain Tyler 510-334-7267) Currently there are 153 paid members. Membership drive continues and we will soon have postcards for members to hand out to other Point Richmond residents to encourage joining the PRNC. We are only as strong as our membership!

6. Treasurer's Report (Garry Hurlbut 510-547-8111) General Fund \$8708.09, Bishop Alley Fund \$711.06 and WigWag Fund \$2,970.94(for which we are custodians) **Total Balance: \$12,390.09**

7. Report from Land Use Design Review Committee No report.

****Items to be considered at the Committee's August 28, 2013 meeting must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair by Tuesday, August 13, 2013. Contact Rod at rdsatre@live.com or (510)232-5059. The LUDRC meets monthly prior to the PRNC Meeting at 6pm at Interactive Resources, 117 Park Place. Please attend if your project is being considered.**

8. Environmentally Friendly Garden Pest Control (Lynne Scarpa, Manager, Richmond Stormwater Control) Lynne announced that there will be a clean up at Keller Beach on September 21st. She went on to talk to us about environmentally friendly pest control and stressed that their focus is to have residents be careful about the pesticides that they put in their gardens and lawns as to reduce the run off into our waterways. She discussed safer ways to maintain homes and gardens without affecting other plants, animals, and waterways. Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is the acronym she used, and she provided us with handouts on natural pesticides, as well as tips for dealing with gophers, skunks and raccoons. These can be found on the UCIPM website out of UC Davis. She said that reducing food, water and shelter areas for these pests helps to make your home less appealing to them.

9. Meet Kory Judd, New General Manager at Chevron Refinery Mr. Judd has been an employee of Chevron for 27 years, 9 of them here in Richmond. He is happy to be in Richmond and reports that the refinery is back to normal operation following the fire in 2012. He was asked if anything has changed since the fire and he mentioned significant changes in inspections are in place. He was asked about the air quality monitors, which are operational on the fence line, but not in the community. Placement of the monitors continues to be in the works. October 5 is the Community Day, and he encouraged members to visit Chevron then. When asked about future plans, he stated that being the best company, offering the best product to customers, is what he strives for.

10. Richmond Public Library Foundation – Book Van Campaign (Sandi Genser-Mack) The Foundation has set a goal of raising \$100,000 for a book van and associated costs. A bookmobile already exists and needs help. A book van is more agile, and can get to places the bookmobile cannot. Truly bringing the library to the community. To learn more and donate go to ww.rplf.org. It was mentioned that this might be something the PRNC would be interested in helping out with.

11. Update on Formula Restaurant Ordinance (Linda Newton) Draft of the ordinance has been completed and the PRNC Committee and the PRBA have met and come to an agreement on the draft of the ordinance that will go to the Planning Commission August 1. Members are encouraged to attend the meeting and speak on its' behalf. Margaret emphasized that this is not a given and that community support is needed to move this through.

12. Committee Reports and Announcements from Non-Profit Groups (*Regularly scheduled meetings are listed in the monthly newsletter)

Point Richmond Business Association (David Schoenthal dbschoen@hotmail.com) PRBA meetings are the 2nd Wednesday each month. August 14th at Aky's from 11:30 to 1.

Farmer's Market (David Schoenthal dschoen@hotmail.com) Market on Thursdays 4-7. Please come. Safety and Crime Prevention (Jon Sutinen, jsutinen@yahoo.com) No report.

Women's Westside Improvement Club (Norma Jean Wallace 510-439-8360) August 24th there will be a clean up to improve the Miller Knox Park entrance area. Please contact Norma Jean Wallace to register to help at either the 8 am or 10 am work group.

Knit and Such (Terri Phillips 510-237-6865) Altha asked for attendees.

Arts of Point Richmond (Altha Humphrey 510-232-2934) Art walk is the 3rd Thursday each month.

Red Oak Victory Ship (George Coles 510-234-1045) Pancake breakfast August 11. Need volunteers.

Friends of Richmond Tennis (Garry Hurlbut glh@tai.org or 510-547-8111) Richmond Tennis Assoc. has formed. 6 courts are being resurfaced in Richmond. Call if interested in tennis clinics.

TRAC (Bruce Beyaert) Bruce announced the good news that the City Council approved three important gap closures measures for the Bay Trail.

Point Richmond History Association (Mid Dornan 510-234-5334) No report.

Masquers Playhouse (Kathe Kiehn www.masquers.org) No report.

14. Public Forum

Mike mentioned a march on August 3, which is a national demonstration on Global Warming. Walk is from BART to Chevron.

PLEASE NOTE - Issues brought to the attention of the Council in the Public Forum cannot result in Council action at this meeting. Instead, the issue should be presented to Council for consideration before the next PRNC board meeting to Margaret Jordan (510) 412-3673 or <http://www.pointrichmond.org/contact.cfm>

15. In Remembrance/Adjourn Remembering Barney Dietz, a childrens' dentist and long time resident. 9:25pm meeting adjourned.

Becky Garcia, PRNC Secretary (510-237-1752 or bgonthego@gmail.com)

CALENDAR

Date	Event	For more information
August 23-September 28, Thursdays and Weekends	Masquers Playhouse: The Lieutenant Of Inishmore	Masquers.org for tickets and reservations
Saturday, August 24, 8 am and 10 am	Women's Westside Improvement Club Clean up. Miller Knox Park Entrance	Norma Jean Wallace 510-439-8360
Wednesday, August 28, 7:30 pm	Point Richmond Neighborhood Council General Meeting, Point Richmond Community Center, 339 Washington Ave	Call Margaret Jordan 510-412-3673
Thursday, September 5, 6:30 pm	PRNC Board Meeting	Call Margaret Jordan, 412-3673, for location
Friday, September 13, 5:30	Point Richmond Music Festival, Orquesta Dharma, 5:30, Viento y Marea, 6:45, Washington Ave.	Go to pointrichmondmusic.com

Regularly Scheduled Events:

- **Point Richmond Farmers' Market:** Every Thursday, 4-7 pm. Volunteers Needed! Contact Dave Schoenfeld (dschoen@hotmail.com) if you can give an hour or two on a Thursday from 3-7 pm.
- **Knit and Such:** 1st Wednesday, 12:30-2:30, Point Richmond Community Center.
- **Point Richmond Art Walk:** 3rd Thursday, 6-9 pm.
- **Point Richmond Business Association:** 2nd Wednesday, 12 noon. Go to www.prba.us/ to view the program and make reservation.
- **Westside Women's Improvement Club:** 1st Tuesday, from September through June, Point Richmond Methodist Church Hall. Bring your lunch at 11:30 am and we'll provide dessert and beverages. The program and meetings begin around 12:15 pm.
- **City Council Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 6 pm, City Council Chambers.

Be sure to visit www.pointrichmond.com for the most up-to-date "goings-on" around the Point.

PAY DUES NOW AND YOU'RE COVERED TILL MAY 2014. The dues help cover our administrative expenses and are minimal: \$10 for individuals and \$15 for a household. If this is a financial hardship, a waiver is gladly granted. Lifetime memberships are available for \$500. Bring dues to next meeting or mail check and application to: **PRNC; P.O. Box 70386; Point Richmond, CA 94807 – DO NOT mail membership to PRNCC address in front of mailer – delivery will be delayed.**

☐ New

☐ Renewal

☐ Individual

☐ Household

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____ e-mail _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Women's Westside
Improvement Club,
Miller Knox Walkway
Volunteer Clean Up:
Saturday, August 24
8 am and 10 am
Miller Knox Park



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