

ON POINT June 2013



Summer in Point Richmond: Summer is here and the fun in Point

Richmond heats up! The Farmers' Market and Street Festival on Thursdays

is really a treat with great music, activities for children, a beer garden and a growing number of produce and prepared foods booths. At the monthly Point Richmond Art Walk held on the 3rd Thursday of the month galleries will be open from 6 to 9 and The Arts of Point Richmond will have exhibits in the Community Center. Point Richmond Music Festival concerts will add to our summer fun in the Point on the second Friday of each month on Park Place (across from the Community Center) from 5:30-8 p.m.

Formula Restaurant Ordinance: The Formula Restaurant Ordinance is nearly complete and is scheduled to go before the Planning Commission on Thursday, July 11. Assuming it is approved by the Commission, it will be sent to the City Council for approval. The draft ordinance will be available at the June PRNC meeting for discussion and strategizing to assure that the ordinance passes the Planning Commission and Council. Thanks to Marsha Tomassi, Jeff Lee, and Linda Newton who have worked on this issue for several years.

Crop Swaps in Richmond: The Citywide garden swap is in swing again every Monday from 5-6 p.m. in the courtyard next to the Main Library at 325 Civic Center Plaza. Bring your extra garden produce to swap with your neighbors – lemons for chard, lettuce for herbs etc. You don't need to have a lot of excess produce to come and swap. You can also bring plant starts, flowers, gardening books and tools - anything related to gardening. Come and meet with your neighbors, trade gardening tips, recipes and help out your community. Excess produce will be donated to a local food pantry. BYOB (bring your own bags).

Membership: Neighborhood Councils are a truly democratic institution in Richmond that provide a venue for all residents to have input into community issues and give to the community. The more residents who join, the more completely our activities and actions represent the residents. *We Need You!* Our fiscal year begins May 1. Many of you receiving the newsletter have not renewed your membership. You can join or renew your membership at our monthly meeting, by mail at PRNC, PO Box 70386, Pt. Richmond, 94807, and at the PRNC table at the Farmers' Market on Thursdays (\$10/individual, \$15/family; waived for need).

Important Items at the Next Meeting, June 26, 7:30 at the Community Center:

- Discussion of Formula Restaurant Ban Ordinance
- Report from BART representative on Safety at Richmond BART Station with focus on the new garage
- Report on Upgrading of Chevron Rifle Range by Mark Piersante of Chevron.

Our goal is to schedule meetings that meet your needs. Go to <u>www.pointrichmond.org</u> to e-mail us issues that you would like to learn about and/or discuss at meetings.

Hope to see you there!

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Margaret Jordan, President Point Richmond Neighborhood Council



AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council Wednesday, June 26, 2013 **Point Richmond Community Center**

7:30	Call to Order	
	Approval of Minutes from May 29, 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) 237-6880	2 minutes
7:51	Report from Land Use/Design Review Committee	1 minute

Items to be considered at the Committee's July 31, 2013 meeting must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair by Tuesday, July 9, 2013. 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.

- 7:52 Update on Chevron Gun Range Project, Mark Piersante, Chevron 10 minutes
- Safety at the Richmond BART Station/Garage, Rep from BART 8:02 10 minutes 5 minutes
- 8:12 Neighborhood Cleanup, Margaret Jordan
- 8:17 Formula Restaurant Ordinance—Update, Strategizing 10 minutes
- 8:27 Committee Reports and Announcements from non-profit groups 2 minutes each (up to15 minutes)
 - -Point Richmond Business Association, Dave Schoenthal, dbschoen@hotmail.com
 - -Farmers' Market, Dave Schoenthal, dbschoen@hotmail.com
 - -Safety and Crime Prevention, Jon Sutinen, jsutinen@yahoo.com
 - -Westside Women's Club, Norma Jean Wallace, (510) 439-8360
 - -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) 237-6880
 - -Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan, (510) 234-5334

-Masquers Playhouse, Kathe Kiehn, www.masquers.org

8:42 **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 or http://www.pointrichmond.org/contact.cfm prior to the next PRNC Board Meeting —scheduled for July 1, 2013

8:52 In Remembrance/Adjourn



Point Richmond Neighborhood Council General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 29, 2013

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

2. Minutes of April 24, 2013 meeting were approved with corrections. Spelling and name corrected to Kathe Kiehn and Masquers Playhouse.

3. Police Report (Officer Yesinia Rogers <u>yrogers@richmondpd.net</u> or 510-621-1212 x-1715) (Non-emergency number for police assistance 510-233-1214). Officer Rogers reported that the system was down, so she could not get numbers for us, but did report that she has not had any reports of burglary in the past month for Point Richmond. She continues to remind us to call if we see anything suspicious. The topic of security came up at the new Richmond BART station and she agreed to ask about that and report back to us next month.

4. Report on City Budget (Andrea Miller, Finance Budget Administrator) Andrea reviewed the City of Richmond budget plan, which will be a 2 year operational budget. It will be presented to the city council and finalized by the end of June. The plan can be reviewed on the city website.

5. President's Report (Margaret Jordan, President 510-412-3673) Margaret mentioned a program called Friendly Visitors that is looking for volunteers. She also mentioned the Formula Restaurant issue, and that the ordinance draft has not been completed by the city yet. It should be done on June 7, and she hopes to have it for review after that. Anyone wanting to review it should contact her. She reminded us that the Farmer's Market is on Thursdays and is doing well. We are working on increasing membership. She highlighted the Walk in the Park at Miller Knox Park June 8, 9 am to 4 pm. The 10 am tour begins at the Sea Gull Group Picnic area. The next meeting is June 26, 2013.

6. Membership Report (Charmain Tyler 510-334-7267) May 1st is the membership renewal date each year. Membership drive will be at the June meeting. Currently there are 101 paid members.

7. Treasurer's Report (Garry Hurlbut 510-237-6880) Ferry Point Fund is now \$0! Mural is complete and paid in full! General Fund: \$7925.82, Bishop Alley Fund \$711.06 and Wig Wag Fund \$2,970.94 (for which we are custodians). **Total Balance: \$11,607.82.**

8. Report from Land Use Design Review Committee 0 Montana – Carla Del Cario, Applicant. LUDRC voted to approve plan with the addition of a 6 foot fence between the property to the east. Due to objections from PRNC members, this matter was moved to consent calendar. After presentation to the group, an amendment was proposed and passed 16-9 that the windows should be wood and the home moved up the hillside. The vote to approve the plan with the amendment failed with a vote of 14-11, which determined that PRNC is not in favor of the recommendation of LUDRC. This matter will now move on to the City.

**Items to be considered at the Committee's June 26, 2013 meeting must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair by Tuesday, June 4. Contact Rod at <u>rdsatre@live.com</u> 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.

9. New Point Richmond Businesses SeaGeeks – Kim Hampton. SeaGeeks provides computer repair and maintenance for home, business and mobile customers. Their goal is to help computers work for their customers. They work on Macs and PCs. Call 800-709-1940 or <u>SOS@seageeks.com</u>

10. Update on 580 Scofield/Western Drive Overpass Construction (Allyn Amsk and Dina El

Nakhal) A crossover will be constructed to shift westbound traffic onto eastbound lanes, and eastbound entrance to 580 at Pt. Molate will be closed for approximately 90 days. Expect delays and allow extra time in daily commute. For lane and ramp closure information call (510)286-5820 or go to <u>www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/580scofieldave/</u>. Each month during this project, we have asked that a Caltrans representative attend our PRNC meetings to provide updates.

11. EBRPD Wildfire Hazard Reduction & Resource Management Plan (Ken Blonski, EBRPD

Fire Chief) Ken explained to the group that the fire management at the parks is going on as it always has. The only difference is that they are getting FEMA grant funds to fund some of the projects. The projects are to cut back on the threat of fire by trimming and removing some of the vegetation, while maintaining the aesthetics of the areas. He pointed out that nothing new is being done. The only difference is how the work is funded. Ken also encouraged the community to attend the Walk in the Park on June 8th. It is our opportunity to express what we our vision is for our park!

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

<u>-Point Richmond Business Association</u> (David Schoenthal dbschoen@hotmail.com) PRBA meetings are the 2nd Wednesday each month at varying locations. They are working on a grant for a sign pointing to local businesses.

<u>-Farmer's Market</u> (David Schoenthal <u>dschoen@hotmail.com</u>) Members are encouraged to check out the Market Passport Program. Visit the PRBA booth for information.

<u>-Women's Westside Improvement Club (contact Norma Jean Wallace 510-439-8360 for information)</u> Linda Newton reported that the next meeting is June 4, 11:30 am at the Methodist Church.

<u>-Knit and Such</u> (Altha Humphrey 510-232-2934) Next meeting is June 5, 12:30 pm-2:30 pm at the Community Center.

<u>-Arts of Point Richmond</u> (Altha Humphrey) Art walk is the 3rd Thursday each month.

<u>-Red Oak Victory Ship (George Coles)</u> Pancake Breakfasts continue! June 16 Fathers' Day Pancake Breakfast is from 9 am-1 pm.

<u>-Friends of Richmond Tennis</u> (Garry Hurlbut <u>glh@tai.org</u>) Over 120 adults involved in Richmond Tennis and all levels of skill are welcome to come out and give tennis a try. Contact Garry for info. <u>-Point Richmond History Association</u> (Mid Dornan 510-234-5334) Newsletter will be coming out. Volunteers needed!

<u>-Masquers Playhouse</u> (Kathe Kiehn <u>www.masquers.org</u>) Closer Than Ever is the new production at Masquers. Summer Theater Program for Youth called Stage One, is from July 8-26. For more information on this program please contact Suzan Lorraine at 925-429-1184.

<u>-Safety and Crime Prevention</u> (Jon Sutinen, jsutinen@yahoo.com) Jon has agreed to represent the PRNC with this issue.

13. Public Forum

- Jeff Lee brought a couple of things to our attention. A Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser for the Santa Fe Neighborhood Council is June 6. For info call 510-236-8386. Also, he brought to our attention that the Richmond Police Department has a form called a Neighborhood Council Meeting Concern Sheet. Will try to put info on nextdoor.com.

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 by June 3, 2013 to Margaret Jordan (510) 412-3673 or <u>http://www.pointrichmond.org/contact.cfm</u>

14. In Remembrance/Adjourn 9:33 pm meeting adjourned.

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

CALENDAR

Date	Event	For more information
Friday, May 31- Saturday, July 6	Masquers Playhouse: Closer Than Ever	Go to masquers.org for tickets, reservations
Wednesday, June 26, 7:30 pm	Point Richmond Neighborhood Council General Meeting, Point Richmond Community Center, 339 Washington Ave	Call Margaret Jordan 412-3673
Monday, July 1, 6:30 pm	PRNC Board Meeting	Call Margaret Jordan (412-3673) for location
Wednesday, July 3, 6: pm-9:30 pm (parking opens at 5 pm)	Third of July Celebration, Oakland Eas Bay Symphony and City of Richmond Fireworks Display, Craneway Pavilion	Go to craneway.com
Thursday, July 4, 9:00 am	Point Richmond Farmer's Market and Street Festival	David Schoenthal (dschoen@hotmail.com)
Friday, July 12, 5:30-8 pm	Point Richmond Music Festival, Twice as Good 5:30 pm, Willie G. 6:45 pm	Go to pointrichmondmusic.com
Saturday, July 27, 7-11 am	Point Richmond Neighborhood Clean-Up, in front of Washington Elementary School	
1 st and 3 rd Tuesday, 6: pm	City Council Meetings , City Council Chambers	

Regularly Scheduled Events:

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

Be sure to visit <u>www.pointrichmond.com</u> 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.

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Point Richmond Farmer's Market and Street Festival Thursday,July 4 9 am



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