



Happy New Year and Best Wishes for a Wonderful 2014! With all the difficulties in the world we continue to live in a great community. Let's work to spread our good fortune throughout our own community and greater Richmond.

A number of individuals have expressed concerns about some of our newer two-footed neighbors—wild turkeys! In the beginning we thought they were cool, but as they've multiplied they have become quite a nuisance, foraging in gardens, blocking streets. They really seem to think this is their town! The California Fish and Game website gives the following suggestions to decrease turkey nuisance:

- If turkeys begin feeding under hanging bird feeders, remove the feeders until the turkeys leave the area.
- If turkeys are causing problems in your yard, install motion-detecting sprinklers.
- Wild turkeys typically will not enter yards with dogs.
- If confronted by a wild turkey that has lost its fear of humans, an open umbrella may help steer it out of your path.

If the turkeys are becoming an unbearable nuisance:

- Depredation permits are required to kill wild turkeys that are causing property damage. To get a depredation permit, contact your local Department of Fish and Game office.

Join us at the first PRNC Meeting of 2014, January 29 7:30P, Point Richmond Community Center. As usual there is a lot going on in Point Richmond, and we have a full agenda. Come to have your voice heard. See the agenda for additional items.

- I will be giving a brief overview of PRNC activities in 2013. The Board is very interested in your thoughts on how we've been functioning as well as thoughts on how we should move forward.
- The LUDRC will be reviewing plans for a public garden by the tennis courts behind the Plunge. A group of community members have been working on this project for over a year. We look forward to your observations and thoughts. We will also have an opportunity to discuss a proposed new construction at 70 Belvedere, as well as conceptual plans for a coffee kiosk on Tewskbury.
- The Farmers Market is coming up. A volunteer group is meeting this week and will discuss what will be needed from the community to make the Market a success. Again, we welcome your input, and, hopefully, a willingness to participate at a reasonable level to keep the Market in Point Richmond.
- Discussions around the development of the Bottoms Property below Seacliff continue. In particular, there is concern about a possible precedent-setting decision to define "height limits" in the General Plan as the "average" of the heights of buildings in a development, instead of a "maximum" height for any building in the development. While the PRNC has already voted to support the "absolute" height limit, we will hear about the most recent discussions with city staff.

Join or renew your membership at our monthly meeting or by mail at PRNC, POB 70386, Pt. Richmond, 94807 (\$10/individual, \$15/family; waived for need).

Margaret Jordan, President
Point Richmond Neighborhood Council



AGENDA

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council
Wednesday, January 29, 2014
Point Richmond Community Center

- 7:30 **Call to order**
Approval of Minutes from December 4, 2013 2 minutes
- 7:32 **Police Report, Sgt. Armando Moreno, and PRNC Safety and Crime Prevention Report, Jon Sutinen, jsutinen@yahoo.com** 12 minutes
- 7:44 **President's Report: PRNC in 2013, Margaret Jordan (510) 412-3673** 10 minutes
- 7:54 **Report on Membership, Charmain Tyler (510) 334-7267** 2 minutes
- 7:56 **Treasurer's Report, Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111** 2 minutes
- 7:58 **Report from Land Use/Design Review Committee** 25 minutes
- Garden next to future tennis court, behind the Plunge (Dornan Drive)
 - 70 Belvedere: New Construction. Brant Fetter, Architect
 - Coffee Kiosk 227-249 Tewskbury, James Jacobs, Owner

Items to be considered at the Committee's meeting for February 26, 2014, must be submitted to Rod Satre, Committee Chair by February 4, 2014. Contact Rod at rdsatre@live.com or (510) 232-5059. The LUDRC Committee meets monthly prior to the PRNC Meeting at 6 p.m. at Interactive Resources, 117 Park Place. Please attend if your project is being considered.

- 8:23 **Programming at Richmond Community Center (Sharolyn Babb, Center Supervisor)** 5 minutes
- 8:28 **Update on Farmers Market (Gail Eierweiss, Margaret Jordan)** 10 minutes
- 8:38 **Update on Formula Restaurant Ordinance** 5 minutes
- 8:43 **Update on Shea Homes Project (Kathryn Dienst)** 10 minutes
- 8:53 **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, dbschoen@hotmail.com
 - Knit and Such, Terri Phillips, (510) 237-6865
 - Arts of Point Richmond, Altha Humphrey, (510) 232-2934
 - Red Oak Victory, George Coles, (510) 234-1045
 - Women's Westside Improvement Club, Norma Jean Wallace, (510) 439-8360
 - Richmond Tennis, Garry Hurlbut, (510) 547-8111
 - Point Richmond History Association, Mid Dornan, (510) 234-5334
 - Masquers Playhouse, Kathe Kiehn, www.masquers.org
 - TRAC, Richmond Bay Trail, Bruce Beyaert

- 9:08 **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 February 3, 2014.

- 9:18 **In Remembrance/Adjourn**



Point Richmond Neighborhood Council
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 4, 2013

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:44 pm at Hotel Mac.**
- 2. The minutes of October 30, 2013 meeting were approved.**
- 3. Police Report (Sergeant Armando Moreno amoreno@richmondpd.net, (510) 965-4916) (Non-emergency number for police assistance 510-233-1214):** Sergeant Moreno reported that property crimes during the day are up in Point Richmond. Two stolen cars and two recovered cars (mostly Hondas) were reported. There were two burglary entries using property owners' tools and entering through a small window. License plate reader cars are now in Richmond. They will continually scan moving and parked vehicles to recover lost vehicles.
- 4. President's Report (Margaret Jordan, President (510) 412-3673):** 0 Montana passed through the Planning Commission with a few changes. Bottom's Property, Developer Shea Homes, Richard Mitchell, Richmond Planning Director, interpreted the general plan that the average building height be 35 feet. This is contradictory to the PRNC motion. Terminal One Project showed four concept drawings at the City Council meeting. We asked the City Council 1) Developer needs to review this with the LUDRC, TRAC and PRNC, and 2) That the concept drawing have no legal standing. The membership cards are ready. Please help us recruit new members! Farmer's Market is still looking for volunteers. Margaret will spearhead an organization meeting. Milo is looking for donors, volunteers and foster parents.
- 5. Membership Report (Charmain Tyler (510) 334-7267):** Membership is at 168.
- 6. Treasurer's Report (Garry Hurlbut (510) 547-8111):** General Fund \$9149.03, Bishop Alley Fund \$711.06, and WigWag Fund \$2,970.94. Total Balance: \$12,831.03.
- 7. Acceptance of Toys for Tots (Bob Connolly, Mechanics Bank)**
- 8. Report from Land Use Design Review Committee:**

Two projects were deferred to a later meeting.

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- 9. Point Richmond Business (Lara Choe, Hotel Mac)** Lara is the new proprietor of Hotel Mac. She has owned/operated 15 restaurants. After early retirement, she decided to get back into the business. The Hotel Mac graciously hosted the December PRNC meeting after a mishap with the community center key. Thank You!

10. Update on Point Molate (Jim Hite) The beach is open after 11 years! If you are interested in joining the committee, please call 510-232-0457 or email PointMolateCAC@gmail.com Wine Haven and 25 Craftmans have great potential for historic preservation but the land needs clean up from naval depot fuel spills. There is \$19 million for clean up activities, but this is not enough.

11. Report on the Police Commission (Glen Stephenson)

Deferred until later due to schedule conflict.

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. Visit Kristina's Nails. Great Turkey Shoot and Tree Lighting events.

Safety and Crime Prevention: (Jon Sutinen, jsutinen@yahoo.com) Richmond Post Master, mail theft is a big issue. The thieves take the big blue boxes. 1) Avoid leaving packages on the porch. 2) When out of town stop mail or get neighbors to pick up. 3) Don't get blank checks mailed to you. Pick them up at the bank. 4) Call the Postal Inspector for mail theft not the police.

Women's Westside Improvement Club: (Norma Jean Wallace (510) 439-8360). Meetings are 11:30 a.m. on the 1st Tuesday each month at the Methodist Church. Holiday party was Dec. 3. Latina Fusion catering is a recommendation.

Knit and Such: (Terri Phillips (510) 237-6865) The next meeting will be January 8th.

Arts of Point Richmond: (Altha Humphrey (510) 232-2934) The next event is Dec. 7 from 11am - 4pm at the Community Center.

Red Oak Victory: (George Coles (510) 234-1045) Volunteers are needed. Tours and activities continue to be held on the ship. Potential sailing before Veteran's Day 2014.

Friends of Richmond Tennis: (Garry Hurlbut, glh@tai.org, (510) 547-8111) Mixed team is playing against Albany for championship. The Men's team is also in the running. Tennis is great for a healthy lifestyle. 72 people are playing.

Point Richmond History Association: (Mid Dornan (510) 234-5334) Postage arrived in Point Richmond that was post marked in 1946. We are looking for the owner: Agnes Smith.

TRAC (Bruce Beyaert) New Bay Trail section work has begun and should be completed in January 2014.

Masquers Playhouse: (Kathe Kiehn, www.masquers.org) A Year With Frog and Toad ends this weekend. New Year's Eve two shows...piano, singers and drinking! 8pm and 10:30pm \$25.

10. Public Forum

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11. In Remembrance/Adjourn: 9:00 pm meeting adjourned.

*Notes taken by Megan Bleckinger, written by Becky Garcia,
PRNC Secretary (510-237-1752 or bgonthego@gmail.com)*

CALENDAR

Date	Event	For more information
January 24 – February 22	Masquers Playhouse The Laramie Project	www.masquers.org for tickets and reservations
Friday, January 24 7:30 p.m.	Point Richmond Jazz The Joe Craven Trio First United Methodist Church	www.pointrichmond.com
January 24 – 26	The Magick Lantern Film: The Great Beauty	www.themagicklantern.com
Monday, January 27 9 a.m. - Noon	Bay Trail Birding with EBRP Naturalist Landfill Loop	www.pointrichmond.com
Wednesday, January 29 7:30 p.m.	Pt. Richmond Neighborhood Council General Meeting Point Richmond Community Center	Margaret Jordan, (510) 412-3673
Thursday, January 30 7:30 p.m.	The Magick Lantern Classic Film: Chase a Crooked Shadow (free admission)	www.themagicklantern.com
Saturday, February 1 10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Bay Trail Native Plant Restoration	www.pointrichmond.com
Monday, February 3	Pt. Richmond Neighborhood Council Board Meeting	Margaret Jordan, (510) 412-3673
Friday, February 7 6:30 - 9 p.m.	Craneway Pavilion Lunafest, short films about women	www.craneway.com
Saturday, February 8 6:00 p.m.	Craneway Pavilion Fundraising gala for local charities Music, dance, arts	www.craneway.com

Regularly Scheduled Events:

- **Knit and Such:** 1st Wednesday, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m., Community Center.
- **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 a.m. and we’ll provide dessert and beverages.
- **City Council Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m., 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 UNTIL 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 _____

What should you do about our increasing population of wild turkeys?

Read what California Department of Fish and Game says in this newsletter.

***Next PRNC meeting:
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