



ABOUT TOWN - JULY 26, 2018 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF

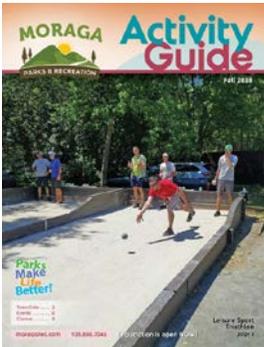


JEANETTE FRITZKY TO RESIGN FROM TOWN COUNCIL

On July 26, Councilmember Fritzky submitted her [resignation](#) from the Town Council, effective August 22, 2018, due to health issues. The Town appreciates Jeanette's years of service and commitment to the community and wishes her and her family the best. According to [California Government Code 36512\(b\)](#) "if a vacancy occurs in an elective office provided for in this chapter, the Council shall, within 60 days from the commencement of the vacancy, either fill the vacancy by appointment or call a special election to fill the vacancy." Contra Costa County Elections Division confirmed that it is not an option to add a third seat to the November election. A discussion regarding the filling of the vacated Council seat for the remaining two plus years of Jeanette's term is scheduled for the August 22 Town Council meeting. The numerous issues surrounding the process and options will be included in the staff report for this agenda item.



PARKS & REC ACTIVITY GUIDE TO ARRIVE SOON



The Fall Activity Guide will hit Moraga mailboxes this week! The Town is pleased to resume mailing the Activity Guide to all Moraga residents. As a cost reduction measure in FY 2017/18, activity guides via U.S. mail were discontinued. This action created a negative impact on recreation programs and savings realized were less than half of those anticipated. Please check out [Fall activities](#), classes, and events and [sign-up now](#).

- Pear & Wine Festival
- Leisure Sport Triathlon
- Breakfast with Santa and Santa Visits



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

National Night Out, held on Tuesday, August 7, is a community-building event to promote police and community cooperation and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer and better places to live. Now in its 35th year, over 16,000 communities and 38 million people participate every year. Join your neighbors and organize a National Night Out block party, ice cream social, potluck or other outdoor event to build neighborhood spirit and unity, which is the first defense against crime. Contact the Moraga Police at 925-888-7055 or the Moraga-Orinda Fire District at 925-258-4599 for more information and to register. Police and Fire units will visit each of the planned neighborhood events to help celebrate this important night.



TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2018

On November 6, 2018, Moraga voters will elect two Councilmembers. The nomination period for the election will remain open through Friday, August 10 at 5:00 pm. If one of the incumbent officeholders does not file by the August 10 deadline, the nomination period will be extended (for any qualified person other than the incumbent) until Wednesday, August 15 at 5:00 pm. Nomination papers must be obtained from the Town Clerk's office, by appointment only, 329 Rheem Boulevard, during the nomination period. Contact the Town Clerk at 925-888-7022 for election details. The November election will not include the Town Council position created by Councilmember Fritzky's resignation.



CONTRA COSTA LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY



The Town's Associate Planner, Brian Horn, recently graduated from the Contra Costa Local Government Leadership Academy. The goals of the Leadership Academy are to create a cost-effective personnel development program for the participating jurisdictions; enhance the leadership skills of the participants; assist participating agencies with succession planning; and offer employees positive development opportunities and motivating experiences. For their project, Brian and his team-mates developed a Countywide Readiness report on best practices for emergency preparedness and non-public safety mutual aid needs. Photo from left to right: Derek Farmer, Brian Horn and Cynthia Battenberg.



SUMMER CONCERTS - JULY 26 AND AUGUST 2

The [Moraga Park Foundation](#) will continue the annual [Summer Concert Series](#) with concerts held at the Moraga Commons Park from 6:30 to 8:30 pm each Thursday through August 16. On July 26 (tonight) enjoy [Kings of 88](#) for classic piano rock hits and catch [Moonalice](#) on August 2 for Bay Area 60's music. Bring blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy this unique community experience. Food service begins at 6:00 pm.



2018 STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT

Full Depth Reclamation (FDR), a proven and innovative method to reduce pavement costs, recycles existing pavement structure by pulverizing it in place and mixing in cement stabilizers to create a new pavement base. The Town of Moraga and the City of Orinda are jointly participating in the 2018 FDR project, which includes reconstructing portions of three streets: 1) Crossbrook Drive (Greenfield Drive to the end); 2) Tharp Avenue (Camino Pablo to the end); and 3) Ascot Drive (Ascot Court to 2084 Ascot Drive). A final pavement overlay will be added to the streets utilizing the Town's rubberized asphalt grant funds.



HACIENDA NIGHTS FOOD TRUCKS

Thanks to all the neighbors and friends who attended the First Hacienda Nights event and enjoyed an evening of great food trucks and craft brew. The second [Hacienda Nights](#) event will be held on Friday, August 10, at the Hacienda de las Flores, 2100 Donald Drive, from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Come out to enjoy a fun night for the whole family at the Hacienda! Food trucks scheduled for August 10 are: [Yummy BBQ](#), [Cosa Nostra](#), [Flavors of Cali](#), [Sip & Slide](#), [Golden Gate Gyro](#), and [IzzyA's Frozen Custard](#). Canyon Club Brewery will have beer and wine for sale benefiting the Moraga Chamber of Commerce. Sponsored in part by the [Hacienda Foundation of Moraga](#) and [Moraga Park Foundation](#).



PG&E ST. MARY'S ROAD GAS PIPELINE PROJECT UPDATE

PG&E's Gas Pipeline Replacement project to replace a gas transmission pipe along St. Mary's Road from S. Lucille Lane in Lafayette to Rheem Boulevard in Moraga is on schedule. St. Mary's Road continues to be closed to through traffic Monday through Saturday from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm, barring any unexpected construction and safety issues. PG&E's goal is to complete all of the major pipeline installation work and reopen St. Mary's Road by August 14. Some temporary and/or partial closures of small segments of the roadway may be necessary to accommodate the remaining work, including: minor gas line tie-ins; testing of installed facilities; and pavement restoration.



WHAT NEXT WHEN YOU FIND A DEAD BIRD?

The Contra Costa Mosquito & Vector Control District (CCMVCD) recommends the following actions when finding a dead bird: 1. Call 1-877-WNV-BIRD or go [online](#) to report the bird to the California West Nile Virus Dead Bird Hotline; 2. CCMVCD picks up ravens, crows, jays and magpies, on weekdays, for testing at U.C. Davis; 3. If test results are positive, CCMVCD looks for mosquito sources nearby and lets the caller know the bird had West Nile virus. CCMVCD does not call back if the bird was not suitable for testing or did not have West Nile virus. All reports are valuable as CCMVCD works to prevent West Nile virus.



COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE RECESS

The Town Council meeting on August 8 has been cancelled to provide a legislative break. The break occurs annually and was approved by the Council in January. The Council will resume their regular meeting schedule on Wednesday, August 22.



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Monday, August 6 – Planning Commission, **CANCELLED**
Wednesday, August 22 – [Town Council](#), Council Chambers

The Town Council Chambers are located at [335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556](#).
The Hacienda de las Flores is located at [2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556](#).

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the [Town's](#) website for updated agendas and packets.



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