

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



REMINDER - JEANETTE FRITZKY TRIBUTE WALK - OCTOBER 27

The 1.6 mile Tribute Walk to honor late Councilmember Jeanette Fritzky will take place Saturday, October 27 at the Commons Park. To learn more and/or donate go to: JeanetteFritzkyTributeWalk.



RECENT TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON OCTOBER 24

The October 24 Council meeting was recorded but due to technical difficulties it has not yet been posted to LiveStream.

STATUS OF THE ST. MARY'S ROAD ROUNDABOUTS

In 2016, The Town was awarded a grant to develop preliminary engineering plans for roundabouts on St. Mary's Road at the intersections of Rheem Boulevard and Bollinger Canyon Road. Based on community input, engineering plans are being developed for a full-roundabout at Rheem and a miniroundabout at Bollinger Canyon. Please visit the <u>St. Mary's Road Roundabouts project</u> webpage for more information, including the October 24 Town Council presentation.

STORM DRAIN O&M AND CLEANWATER PROGRAMS

The Fiscal Year 2018/19 budget included \$245,000 to fund a portion of the needed investment in the Town's storm drain system. The budget provides funding of \$170,000 for the start-up of a storm drain Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Program and \$75,000 for enhancement to the Cleanwater Program to address unfunded mandates. Please view the Town Council <u>presentation</u> to learn how these new program additions will be developed and implemented.

ANIMAL SERVICES PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

Town Council received a <u>presentation</u> regarding the Contra Costa County Animal Services Department and the services they provide to Moraga. The County is working to increase adoptions and assist pet owners in caring for their animals. The Town Council also adopted the County Animal Control Ordinance for use in Moraga. This will allow animal control officers to work with Moraga Police in addressing issues such as barking dogs, dangerous animals and unsafe conditions for animals. Go to the Animal Control Services website for more information.

ONLINE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)

Town Council authorized the Town Manager to execute a three-year contract with PlaceWorks to create and maintain an online Geographic Information System (GIS) for the Town. The online interactive GIS map will provide a quick reference for property related information, such as parcel size, zoning and easements. For more information, please view the <u>staff report</u>.

SWEARING IN OF NEW MYIC MEMBERS FOR 2018-19



The Town Clerk swore in seven new members of the Moraga Youth Involvement Committee (MYIC), increasing its membership to 19. The Committee serves as an advisory body to the Town Council on youth and teen issues and provides Moraga youth with the opportunity to engage in civic matters. The committee produces and assists with family-friendly events in Town (such as a free movie night in the park, breakfast with Santa and the Lamorinda Rock Band Showcase), and volunteers for park clean-ups, fundraisers, and other special events.



GREAT CALIFORNIA SHAKEOUT



October 18 marked the 10th Anniversary of the Great California Shakeout. Over 10.4 million people in California participated in this statewide drill that was created to test emergency preparedness and educate people about Earthquake safety. The Town, Moraga-Orinda Fire District, Saint Mary's College and Orinda all activated Emergency Operations Centers and conducted drills. Click Shakeout for more information about Earthquake safety.



HALLOWEEN SAFETY

As we prepare for Halloween, please consider these safety tips: 1) Costumes should fit properly, with masks that allow kids to see clearly, and be easily seen by motorists; 2) Consider reflective tape on costumes and their trick-or-treat bags and make sure they're equipped with a flashlight; 3) Motorists should drive with caution, reduce speed and use headlights; 4) Children should be supervised by an adult or older, trusted youth; 5) Children should never enter a garage or home of a stranger; and, 6) Children should only eat candy after it is inspected by an adult. Please be cautious on Tharp Drive, Ascot Drive and Crossbrook Drive due to the pavement being reconstructed. Moraga Police have scheduled extra officers for Halloween patrols, but need your help to make Moraga's Halloween a Happy and Safe event.



FREE SMOKE ALARMS

Did you know that the American Red Cross responds to assist victims of a house fire every 8 minutes? As a result, Red Cross has begun a campaign to "Sound the Alarm – Save a Life." They will install free smoke alarms in your home. The process takes about 15 minutes as volunteers install the alarm. To schedule an appointment, email your name, phone and address to Smoke Alarm Install.



AFC REVIEW OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR FY 2017/18

The Audit and Finance Committee (AFC) met on October 25 to review the <u>FY 2017/18 Year-end Unaudited Revenue and Expenditure Report</u>. The Committee reviewed and accepted the submitted report from the Town staff. Staff and the audit firm, Maze and Associates, will be presenting the audited financial statements and reports for FY 2017/18 at the next AFC meeting scheduled for December 5th at 5:30 pm.



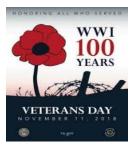
FOOD DRIVE OCTOBER 29 - NOVEMBER 29



From October 29 to November 29, the Town will host a food drive to benefit the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano. Although the winter holiday season has many canned food drive activities, during the fall, the Food Bank often has a very limited selection of food. Please drop off non-perishable and canned food during normal business hours, 9 am to 5 pm, at the Moraga Town Offices, 329 Rheem Boulevard. Labeled barrels will be prominently displayed. **Donation Ideas:** Canned Meat, Fish & Soups; Canned Vegetables & Tomato Products; Peanut Butter (plastic container); Canned Fruit (in juice); Enriched Rice or Pasta and Powdered Milk.



VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018



On Veterans Day, please join us to honor and remember the service and sacrifice many have made for our country. The annual Veterans Day Celebration will be held on Monday, November 12, from 9:00 to 10:00 am at the Commons Park Veterans Memorial Rock. The ceremony is hosted by local Boy Scout Troops 212, 234, 246, and 249; Cadette, and Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts from Orinda Moraga Service Unit #327. See flyer.



HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018



Moraga Police Officers' Association and the Moraga Police Department are proud to partner with the Marine Toys for Tots Program for their 2nd annual Toys for Tots event to be held on Friday, December 7th at the Hacienda de las Flores beginning at 6:00 pm. Donate a new, unwrapped toy or cash and enjoy refreshments and hors d'oeuvres. See flyer.



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Monday, November 5, 7:00 pm – <u>Planning Commission</u>, Council Chambers Tuesday, November 13, 7:00 pm – <u>Design Review Board</u>, Council Chambers Wednesday, November 14, 7:00 pm – <u>Town Council</u>, Council Chambers

The Town Council Chambers are located at <u>335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556.</u> The Hacienda de las Flores is located at <u>2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556.</u>

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the <u>Town's</u> website for updated agendas and packets.



FOLLOW US!

Follow the Town and "like" us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> @townofmoraga and <u>NextDoor</u>, and subscribe to Nixle.com for updates and urgent advisories. The Town will be posting updates, public service announcements, Town activities and lots more.





HELP SHARE THE TOWN NEWS

If you found this newsletter informative and interesting, please forward it to your neighbors and friends. Not subscribed yet? Sign up for *About Town* at moraga.ca.us.