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31st National Night Out



Paella, red rice casserole, and strawberry shortcake were just a few of the standout dishes at parties across Kensington at last month's National Night Out. Above, Lynn Wolter (top row, 7th from left, next to KPPCSD Director; Linda Lipscomb [in red sweater] and NNO Coordinator, Officer Doug Wilson) played host to one of the largest groups – a two-block combination party and delicious potluck in upper Kensington. KPPCSD Director, Chuck Toombs and wife, Nancy, were also present (2nd row, 2nd and 3rd from left), along with many other neighbors and not a few fabulous cooks among them!

Look to the Stars Sept. 13th!

September is always the best weather for star gazing in Kensington, and in that spirit, the Kensington Community Council will be showing Pixar's *Wall-E* on Saturday, September 13th on the big lawn by KCC's Building E. Thanks to generous help from Pixar Studios and two local sponsors, Kensington's Mechanics Bank and Marvin Gardens Real Estate, KCC will be sponsoring the second of its summer family movie

see Movie Night, Page 4...



KCC Fall Pledge Letter

Dear Neighbors,

To begin the Kensington Community Council Fall Pledge letter this year, I would like to say what a remarkable community we live in!

Earlier this year I was pleased to go before the KPPCSD board and announce that if Measure L passed, the KCC Board would pledge \$250,000 toward the renovation of the Community Center.

Unfortunately, Measure L did not pass. In many communities that would be the end of it, but not in Kensington. Being unincorporated, we are used to doing things for ourselves, and as so many times before, the resilient members of our community are stepping up to move the project forward. Recently, an anonymous donor from our community has started the ball rolling by donating \$1,000 towards an eventual renovation of the Community Center. As was expressed to me, a donation towards the renovation not only helps to make our Community Center safer, but ultimately benefits us all financially and reinforces the proud character of our community.

The KCC provides a number of
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• Coventry Road	\$895,000	\$1,100,000	4/3
• Yale Avenue	\$760,000	\$790,000	4/2
• Trinity Avenue	\$750,000	\$750,000	3/3
• Franciscan Way	\$739,000	\$747,000	3/1

• Pending Sales: 5
• Active Listings: 7

Source: EBRD-MLS Information deemed reliable but not guaranteed.
For each Kensington home I sell, I make a donation to the Kensington Education Fund.

I was very much pleased with the services you provided, your knowledge, and the ease with which you guided us through the process.
-P. Simack, Seller

“I’ll Take the Short One”

Walter and Gretchen Gillfillan Celebrate 60 Years of Marriage

It was a double blind date. As Walter and his friend approached the two young women, Walter said, “I’ll take the short one,” and the rest, as they say, is history.

Three daughters, four grandchildren, and sixty years of marriage later, Gretchen says, “My heart still skips a beat when Walter walks in the room.” (And that’s with a pacemaker!)

Loving, caring, supportive; everyday, Walter and Gretchen bring the word ‘marriage’ to life.

Join daughters Gayle Gillfillan, Alison Rose, and Catherine Ann Pacos in congratulating Gretchen and Walter on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.



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Letters to the Editor

Writ Attorneys’ Fees

The Gang That Couldn’t Shoot Straight...A Fitting Resolution (sic)

Editor:

Take the gang of nine’s properties through eminent domain and force their sale to pay the \$250,000. This amount represents grand larceny committed against the citizens of Kensington. If they don’t want to face criminal charges they need to pay up quickly. Their instigators knew what they were doing and need to cough up.

The gang of nine needs to search their collective souls and work out their clear financial responsibilities for this heinous attempt at subverting our local elected governments’ discretionary funds. The ringleaders knew what they were attempting was a reckless disregard for the community and did it anyway because they lost the last election fair and square and had to contrive this fools errand with a few critically challenged ducks to pad the complaint. Shame. Their idea all along was imposing the horror of making the citizens pay the price for voting them out of office decisively. Double shame.

The local bar for dirty politics against the 99% by the 1% has just been raised yet again.

Michael Jordan

What More Could One Ask?

To the Editor:

Since we Kensingtonians seem to tussle over nearly everything, I might as well add my two cents on this Colusa Circle question: as far as I’m concerned, the Circus Pub is as good as ever. I particularly like the monthly Bangers & Grass live shows, and it’s a fine place to watch a Giants game.

What more could one ask for from a pub?

Sincerely,
Rodney Paul

Huh?

Dear Editor,

There is no CPI increase this year, but after passing a deficit budget the KPPSCD is raising our property taxes under Measure G anyway, using the ‘depletion of reserves’ loophole.

The District recently lost that dragged out harassment case. It’s estimated fighting rather than settling added \$300,000 in legal expenses.

The directors won on appeal their suit against their own constituents, using the surprising claim the public had no right to know, ergo the motive had to have been intimidation, ergo free speech violation. (The constituents were routinely named/shamed/blamed in the *Outlook* – “Friends, tell them to stop!” so anyone may justly be amazed by the chutzpah.)

Gillette announced they will pay Hanson Bridgett even more to sue them yet again. (Ironically this appears to be another of those spending ‘decisions’ taken without public notice and without public debate.)

These ‘executive decision’ capers have

now traveled outside our community; the KPPSCD hired Hanson Bridgett to ‘defend’ the Court of Appeal ruling to the California Supreme Court, even though the decision isn’t being appealed. Seems the ACLU thinks it’s bad case law and put in a request to ‘depublish’ it, which would have no effect here, but would prevent other municipalities suing their constituents over supposed free speech violations from citing it.

In another deficit budget year and with a leaky youth hut roof to repair, our KPPSCD has doubled the legal limit recommended by their own finance committee from \$75,000 to \$150,000 so as to fund these ‘adventures.’

Wow?

Anna Shane

Where Have All the Library Materials Gone?

Answer: the Library’s Annual giveaway.

As a former employee and patron of the Kensington and El Cerrito libraries I am disheartened by the massive discarding of materials the library system does. No collection is spared. The only materials kept are those in mint condition and the most current. Recently I went to browse the Kensington Library’s books on CD and found that half had been withdrawn. Upon investigation I discovered that a deputy country librarian had removed these materials during the branch manager’s absence. She did not ask what patrons like or looked at circulation statistics to see that the Kensingtonians check out a lot of books on CD.

In another example of indiscriminate weeding, the children’s collection at the El Cerrito Library has been cut in half. Likewise many of their expensive, irreplaceable, and lovely coffee table books have been discarded.

Weeding used to be done by careful guidelines such as contemporary fiction that has not circulated in years, or removing non-

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KASEP

Kensington After-School Enrichment Program

Fall 2014 Session - Welcome Back to School!

What to Know About KASEP After-School Classes

- **Online Registration Start Date:** Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:30pm. Visa, MasterCard, and Discover cards accepted.
- **To view class schedule,** read course descriptions, and register, go to: www.KensingtonCommunityCouncil.org
- **Class enrollment is on a first-come basis** – there is no more lottery. To make online registration go smoothly, create one family account. Returning families, make the change to your child's grade so you can register for the correct classes.
- **This is a 14-week session. Classes start on Monday, September 15th and end on Friday, December 19th.**



A

EXCITING NEW CLASSES FOR FALL 2014

This spring, KCC asked families to complete an online survey. We asked your feedback about our classes and input about classes you'd like to see offered. Based on your request for additional sewing classes, Lynn Crook, our sewing instructor, is offering two more sewing classes on Tuesdays.

We heard your desire for children's dance classes, resulting in two new classes this fall: Master Movement on Fridays, and Zumba-Latin Dance on Thursdays.

KASEP Fall 2014 offers a wide range of classes, and we invite you to review the brochure and class descriptions. We're personally very excited about the class offerings, the creative and rich subject matter, and the quality of the instructors!

New Kindergarten Classes: 11:30am – 1pm

Zoo Art, Wednesdays
Banjo Sing Along, Wednesdays
Little Sprouts – Gardening, Fridays
Story Dancing (previously Jelly Jam), Fridays

New Classes, Grades 1-6 (As Below)

Jewelry Making, Monday, Grades 1-6
Wire Sculpture, Monday, Grades 2-6
Digital Photography, Monday, Grades 4-6
Puppet Craft Movie Club, Monday, Grades 3-6
Additional Sewing Classes, Tuesday, Grades 1-6
Beginning Mandarin, Tuesday, Grades 1-4
Chocolatier Creations, Wednesday, Grades 1-6
Late Circus Class, Wednesday, Grades 4-6
Zumba and Latin Dance, Thursday, Grades 1-6
Cartooning, Friday, Grades 3-6
Junior Gardener, Friday, Grades 1-3
Master of Movement/Dance, Grades 1-3



C



D



F



E

A) The summer flew by, and the ten weeks of KCC Summer Camp were the best! A special thanks to Ethan Houser and Emiliano Carrasco-Zanini, a dynamic counselor duo who provided a great summer of sports and games, art, tennis, and life-long friendships; B) Exercise instructor, Kevin Knickerbocker, and students; C) Stacy Jennings, Zumba Gold instructor; D) Paul Grunland, Maybeck Historian; E) Summer camp friendships; F) "Bubbles making fun."

ADULT EXERCISE CLASSES

Great for Kensington Seniors!



B

September Special Deal – Save \$98!

If you come to Jazzercise and/or Body Sculpting in September and sign up for one year, then the month of September is FREE; you will be charged a monthly fee of just \$40 per month, starting in October. The processing fee of \$49.00 is waived.

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BODY SCULPTING

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9-10am • Ongoing

Body sculpting is shaping your body to look leaner, more toned, and strengthened. Register at class. Come join the fun and get healthy. Just bring a mat and weights and we'll get started!

REGISTRATION

KCC/KASEP Office: 59 Arlington Ave., Bldg E (Across the grassy field above the tennis courts in Kensington Park), Kensington CA 94707. E-mail: kccrec@yahoo.com, or call 525-0292. M-F, 10am-4pm.

Tennis Court Reservations: For weekends and holidays only, beginning at 9am. Call the KCC office for information. Court Fees: 45-minute singles reservation: Residents: \$2; Nonresidents: \$5.

Community Ctr Rental Info: Please call Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District (KPPCSD) at 526-4141.

Maybeck Estates Historical Walk Sunday, October 26th, 3-5pm Admission \$15 per person

Walking tour of Bernard Maybeck Estates on Purdue Avenue returns with Paul Grunland, leader of various historic walks. On this walk Paul will share some history of the Maybeck family and of Bernard Maybeck, renowned architect of the Arts and Crafts style. Original and still current homeowner, Bob Shaner, will share personal experiences of building his own home and working with the Maybecks.

To reserve, call KCC at 525-0292. Limited to 30 participants. Parking is limited; carpools recommended. Meet at the corner of Kenyon and Grizzly Peak Blvd. Heavy rain cancels; if drizzling, we will walk.

Maybeck served as a mentor to other architects, including Julia Morgan. Most of his work was done in the first half of the 1900's; the First Church of Christ, built 1910 in Berkeley, is believed by some to be his finest work. He also designed SF's Palace of Fine Arts, and was famous for combining various architectural styles.

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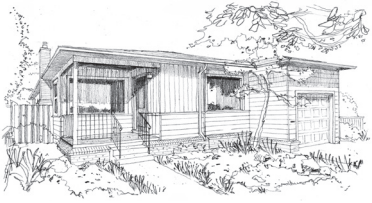
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More Info: Contact Stacey Jennings at staceysavage@msn.com.




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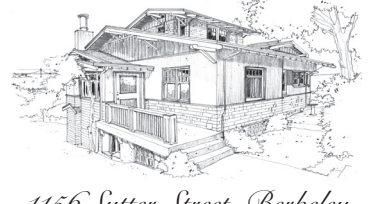
Market Update




1226 Lawrence St., El Cerrito Hills
PENDING: Petite 5BA/2BA
Originally offered at \$748,000
15 days on the market
Sold with multiple offers



825 Galvin Drive, El Cerrito Hills
SOLD: Mid-Century 5BR/3BA
Originally offered at \$1,198,000
Days on the market 14
Sold significantly over the asking price



1156 Sutter Street, Berkeley
SOLD: Craftsman 4BR/3.5BA.
Originally offered at \$1,595,000
Days on the market 15
Sold significantly over the asking price



8352 Kent Court, El Cerrito Hills
SOLD: 5BR3BA. Co-listed with Marcia Weske
Originally offered at \$998,000
Days on the market 14
Sold significantly over the asking price

KENSINGTON MARKET SNAPSHOT - JUNE, 1 2014 - PRESENT


• 7 Available Listings • Average List Price: \$478 per sq. ft. • Average days on the market: 44

• 5 Pending • Average List Price: \$400 per sq. ft. Average days on the market: 24


• 17 Sold • Average List Price: \$473 per sq. ft. • Average Sales Price: \$496 per sq. ft.

• Average days on the market: 29

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Neighborhood Notes

Remembering Joan Gallegos

Community members gathered at Inn Kensington on July 31st to remember our neighbor and good friend, Joan Gallegos, who died earlier this year. July 31st would have been Joan's 83rd birthday, and it seemed fitting that friends gathered to share ice tea and birthday cake and sing happy birthday. Drew Lehman did a wonderful job not only organizing the event but also arranging what everyone referred to as "Joan's table," with photos, flowers, her hat, a cold glass of ice tea, and of course, her crossword puzzles...The Kensington Community Council (KCC) will install a park bench to dedicate in memory of Joan, who was a KPPCSD Director for 12 years, served on the KCC Board for several years, and was an inveterate supporter of Kensington Park. The bench will be located by the upper lawn, across from Building E, and dedicated at the October Parade and Picnic. Thank you, Joan, for all the years you gave to your community.



Around Town This Summer and Fall...

Clockwise from right: New KPD Reserve Officer, Jefferson Rosete got his badge pinned by his fiancée, as his proud mother looks on, at August's KPPCSD meeting. • KCC honored KASEP teachers with a summer Appreciation Lunch at Building E. • Pastor Tony, M.Div., D.V.M., will offer a spiritual blessing for pets and owners at noon on Sept. 27th at Arlington Community Church's 4th Annual Blessing of the Animals – free, at the Kensington Community Ctr. (See back page.) • Contractor, Nick Beaucage, who has returned to Kensington to manage his civil engineering firm, says, "I believe if houses could be recalled, like cars, most of ours would be. I know we can do a lot to strengthen our homes during remodeling or retrofitting – the real plan is to have a livable habitat after 'The Big One.'" Call Nick at 685-2591 for more information. • Middle schooler, Vaidehi Dandekar, presented her study, Driver Behavior at Intersections at the August KPPCSD meeting, as Chief Harman assisted.





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Wall-E! Wall-E!
...Movie Night, from Page 1

nights out under the stars on a giant screen. The movie will start at 8pm (dusk), but families are encouraged to come at 7pm with a picnic dinner (or purchase a hot dog dinner) and join neighbors and friends for the fun. Bring everything you'll need to be comfortable in the evening air – especially jackets, blankets, and beach chairs.

The movie is free to everyone, but in the spirit of a fundraiser, the hope is that people will be generous with their dona-

tions. This year KCC will be selling hotdog or sausage dinners, popcorn, movie candy, bottled water, and coffee or hot chocolate as refreshments, and glow bracelets for the kids.

A raffle will be held before the movie with prizes including a free KASEP class, Nations pies, and Pixar memorabilia. Raffle tickets will be sold at the KCC office from September 8th through the night of the event. Raffle tickets can be purchased – 5 tickets for \$5, or 12 tickets for \$10. For more information, call Marty at the KCC office at 525-0292.

Vanessa Cordova and Others Vie for KPPCSD Seats

Vanessa Cordova, a 14-year resident of Kensington, who is enjoying a second appointment to the Kensington Municipal Advisory Council (currently in her sixth year on KMAC), has thrown her hat in the ring for one of the three KPPCSD board seats that will be in contention in this November’s election.



KPPCSD Candidate, Vanessa Cordova

Cordova said, “I’ve spent the last two months meeting with many residents and stakeholders, as well as a few electeds. I’ve listened and debated. And after much contemplation, and with broad and diverse community support, I’ve decided to throw my hat in the ring for a KPPCSD seat.”

Previously, Cordova served as public information officer/spokeswoman for the Alameda County Public Health Department and the Marin County Parks Department and Open Space District, where she reports having received commendation for service from both county boards of supes.

Cordova moved to Kensington in 2000, but was first introduced to the community, she says, while babysitting kids from Step One Nursery School during her days as a Cal student. “The moment I drove past its postcard gateway, I knew one day I’d call Kensington home.”

Should 41-year old Cordova prevail in the election, she says it’s likely she’d be the youngest resident to be elected in Kensington, as well as the first Hispanic. “While that prospect certainly excites me,” she said, “for now, I’m focused on becoming the most informed candidate with the broadest community support.”

Other candidates for the November election to fill the seats that will be vacated by directors Tony Lloyd and Linda Lipscomb, and for current Board President, Len Welsh’s seat (to which he was appointed 1-1/2 years ago to fill the vacancy left by Mari Metcalf’s abdication) include Len Welsh, safety/health consultant; Steven B. Bates, construction consultant; Simon Brafman; Peter Conrad, school construction inspector; Derek Suring, business-person/realtor; Rachelle Sherris-Watt; and Kim Zvik, IT professional and prior Board candidate.

All candidates will be invited to present brief statements for the October Outlook.

KCC Pledge Drive

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important services to our community at the Community Center, such as the after-school educational programs (KASEP), with over 45 classes for kids in Kindergarten through sixth grade, and the KCC Summer Day Camp, for a fun and educational summer experience. Like many in our community, KCC is anxious to see the necessary renovation be made to the Community Center. And, I might add, the KCC has been a financial sponsor of past renovations of the Center.

Let’s keep the ball rolling! Your contribution, of any amount, will be greatly appreciated. You have the option of earmarking your contribution for the renovation or for the continued success of our KCC programs.

KCC maintains a separate account for the Community Center renovation; if you would like your contribution committed to the renovation project, please note “Community Center Fund” on your check. Please use the envelope included in this paper to send us your donation today. (If the envelope is missing, please send your donation to Kensington Community Council, 59 Arlington Avenue, Kensington, CA, 94707.)

Thank you for your continued support!

Anne Forrest, President
Kensington Community Council

Library Books Missing?

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fiction, namely legal and medical material that no longer has accurate information. Ordering replacements is rarely done now. There is no interest in keeping historical or archival materials.

Last year I attended the annual giveaway, knowing I would find Spanish children’s books for impoverished schools in Mexico. While browsing the many aisles, I overheard two teachers decrying what a shame it was that the library was giving away such a valuation resource. Need I say more? Please write your county library, Jessica Hudson, if you feel the way I do.

Louise O’Dea,
El Cerrito

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The Kensington Public Safety Council (KPSC) and Kensington Fire Department will present a free class, Identifying Wildfire Risks, on Wednesday, Sept. 10th, 2-5pm at the Kensington Community Center, followed by field practice on Wednesday, Sept. 17th at the Arlington Community Church. (RSVP interest in attending to kensingtonpsc@gmail.com.)

Work sessions are planned on Thursdays from 2-5pm through September. Volunteers of any age are invited to help – your community needs you! (Signed release required.) Recommended reading: *The Homeowner’s Guide to Wildfire Prevention*, by Robert Sieben.

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Writ of Mandate – ‘Case Dismissed!’

UPDATE: On the writ of mandate case filed by seven Kensington residents against the Kensington Police Protection and Community Services District (KPPCSD) Board, and three individual directors, in October 2012 –

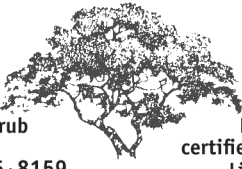
Subsequent to the April 30, 2014 Court of Appeal decision against the plaintiffs, on August 1st, the plaintiffs filed a request for dismissal of the case “without prejudice.” (This means they preserve the right to re-file the case at a future date. Such a re-filing would be subject to the April 2014 Court of Appeal opinion.)

As previously reported in these pages, the case against the three individual directors was dismissed by the Court of Appeal, and the case against the Board sent back to the trial court, “for proceeding consistent with (that) opinion” – along with a comment by the Court of Appeal that the probability of success on the merits as to the Board was “questionable at best.”

In 2012, plaintiffs Leonard Schwartzburd, Dairlyn Chelette, Mabry Benson, Catherine De Neergaard (removed on 10/20/13 but still listed as a plaintiff on the 8/1/14 dismissal), Cathie Kosel and Jeffrey Koe-hler (both removed 11/2/2012), Celia Concus, Eyleen Nadolny, and Llewellyn Stanton sued the KPPCSD and three of its five directors, individually: Chuck

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UUCB Explores Open Space Development

It’s been reported that the open space around the Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley (UUCB) – popular with many Kensington and El Cerrito residents for its view of the bay and park-like feel – may disappear if the church moves forward with its plan to sell that space to a developer. This may be necessary, according to church representatives, because of declining membership and revenues. However, a group of the church’s neighbors, having learned about the plan, is seeking alternative ways to help support the church and still keep the open space.


According to the UUCB’s FAQ’s, the land would be parceled as 11 plots for single-family residences located on Craft Ave. in El Cerrito, and Lawson Rd. and Highland Blvd. in Kensington. The fire road trail would be paved to provide automobile access to the new houses. This new street would connect Craft Ave. and Lawson Rd. The church says it plans to put profits from any land sale into an endowment to support upkeep of the church grounds and buildings. Plans for development have been under way for at least two years. The congregation is expected to vote on it this fall. If the plan is approved, formal hearings will probably begin, according to the church, in 2015.

After learning of the possible development, church neighbors met informally to discuss concerns about the plan’s impact on the community’s environment and quality of life. At that meeting, the neighbors agreed the best way to preserve the open space is to work with the church to find alternatives to development.



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Sept. 2 KASEP Online Registration, 7:30pm.

Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 Family Story-time. Picture books, songs, and rhymes. Stuffed animals & pajamas welcome. Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave. 6:30pm. Free. 524-3043

Sept. 2-4 Jazzercise & Body Sculpting Classes begin (8-9am & 9-10am respectively), Tues./Thurs., on-going.

Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Taizé meditation and brown bag lunch at Arlington Comm. Church, 52 Arlington. 9:45am.

Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24 Yoga at Arlington Community Church 52 Arlington Ave. All ages. 4:45-6pm. Drop-ins welcome, small fee. 525-1881.

Sept. 4 Women’s Fellowship at Arlington Community Church 52 Arlington Ave. 6:30-9pm. Monthly potluck supper and program. Open to all.

Sept. 5 “Zumba Gold” Demonstration and Free Trial Class. Adult exercise, 9:45am at the Community Center.

Sept. 5 Tee Off for Tuolumne. Golf tournament, dinner, and auction to benefit the ‘Rebuild Camp Tuolumne’ fund, www.Fobtc.com

Town Meetings

Kensington Community Center
59 Arlington Ave., Kensington
(Schedule Subject to Change – Call to Confirm.)

FKL - September 2nd
Friends of the Kensington Library, 7pm (at the Library, 61 Arlington Ave.) 1st Tuesdays

KCC - September 8th/Bldg. E*
Kensington Community Council
*Holiday Sched. 7:30pm. 525-0292

KPSC - September 8th
Kensington Public Safety Council
Earthquake/Disaster Preparedness
2nd Mondays, 6pm. 501-8165

KARO/ECHO - September 8th
Amateur Radio Operators
2nd Mondays of odd months, 7:30pm. 524-9815

KFPD - September 10th
Fire Protection District
2nd Wednesdays, 7pm. 527-8395

KPPCSD - September 11th
Police Protection and Community Services District
2nd Thursdays **7:30pm.** 526-4141

KIC - September 22nd
Kensington Improvement Club
4th Mondays, 7:30pm. 527-3062

KMAC (Tent.) - September 30th
Municipal Advisory Council
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Kensington Farmers’ Market
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Kensington Kalendar

Sept. 6 “Space & Astronaut Training.” presented by Chabot Space & Science Center. Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave. 11am. Free. 524-3043.

Sept. 7 David Richardson, “Are Comparisons Always Odious? Reflection on a Key Component of Well-Being.” 10-11am. Free. UUCB, 1 Lawson Rd., Kensington, 525-0302, www.uucb.org.

Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28 Kensington Farmers Market. Live produce & live music every Sunday, 10-2. Free. Colusa Cir.

Sept. 8 Jazzercise, on-going M-W-F 8:15-9:15am; Community Center.

Sept. 8 Kensington Library Knitting Club “The Castoffs.” All levels welcome. BYO needles and yarn. Kensington Library, 61 Arlington Ave., 6:30pm. Free. 524-3043.

Sept. 8 El Cerrito Art Association meets. www.elcerritoart.org.

Sept. 13 KCC Outdoor Family Movie Night. Free. 7:30pm. Kensington Park

Sept. 14 Knitting for Those in Need at Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave. 11:30am. 526-9146.

Sept. 14 “The Sufi Path: Beauty in the Service of Healing the World.” 10-11am. Free. UUCB. 525-0302

Sept. 15 First day of FALL KASEP classes (14-week session thru 12/19).

Sept. 15 Financial Planning Workshop. Kensington Library. 7pm. Free.

Sept. 17 Study Group on Personal Myth and the Sacred. \$60 suggested. UUCB, 1 Lawson Rd., Kensington.

Sept. 17 Berkeley Garden Club Lecture Program. berkeleygardenclub.org.

Sept. 18 Men’s Fellowship at Arlington Community Church 52 Arlington Ave. 6:30-9pm. Approx. \$5. 526-9146.

Sept. 18 & 25 Baby & Toddler Story-time. Stories, songs & action rhymes for young children and their caregivers. Kensington Library. Two identical sessions 10:15am & 11:15am. Free.

Sept. 20 Path Clean-up. Upper Ardmere Path, 10am-noon. Bring rakes/gloves/brooms/clippers, etc. Free cookies!

Sept. 21 Sam Keen, “On Being Born, Again and Again.” 10-11am. Free. UUCB, 1 Lawson Rd., Kensington, 525-0302, www.uucb.org

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Sept. 22 Kensington Library Book Club. Discussion of Willa Cather’s *My Antonia*. Kensington Library, 6:30pm. Free. 524-3043.

Sept. 27 The 4th Annual Blessing of the Animals at Kensington Community Ctr., 11am-3pm. Adoptions, K-9 police dogs, and Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Sept. 27 Introduction to the Gospel of Thomas, w/Carolyn West from 1-4pm. \$20/sliding scale. UUCB, 1 Lawson Rd., Kensington. Info: 559-9269.

Sept. 28 “Our 16th Century Roots: The Polish Brethren.” 10-11am. Free. UUCB, 1 Lawson Rd., Kensington.

Sept. 29 Memoir Writing Group at Arlington Community Church.

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Toombs, Linda Lipscomb, and Tony Lloyd.

The plaintiffs had asked the court to find that the Board 1) failed to give proper advance notice of business items discussed at the July 12, 2012 KPPCSD meeting; 2) that the Board impermissibly extended that meeting; and 3) that the merit bonus awarded to GM/COP Greg Harman at that meeting was actually a retroactive pay increase. (See *Director Pat Gillette on the Writ*, the *Outlook*, June 2014, Pg. 3; and *Writ of Mandate Timeline*, Pg. 8.).

Rather than pursue the case to the California State Supreme Court, as was their right, the plaintiffs decided instead to file a request for dismissal of the suit without prejudice, which the court granted.

Short of a re-filing of the claim by the plaintiffs, the only detail remaining is who will pay an estimated \$300,000 in attorney fees, spent by KPPCSD to defend the suit – which the Board has stated previously that it will seek from the plaintiffs, as is its statutory right. The Court has given permission to KPPCSD to file motions seeking reimbursement of those fees as late as October.

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Fair - 4th Annual

Blessing of the Animals
Pet Adoptions and Fostering

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There will be presentations from Guide Dogs for the Blind, Service Dogs, and the El Cerrito K-9 Police Dogs. Gretchen Gillfillan with Friends of the Library will let us pet her two land tortoises; Contra Costa Animal Control will provide low-cost inn-oculations, micro-chipping, and amnesty pet registration. Their veterinarian will be available to talk with you about the best health care for your pet. Also: snakes, lizards, chickens, and bees!

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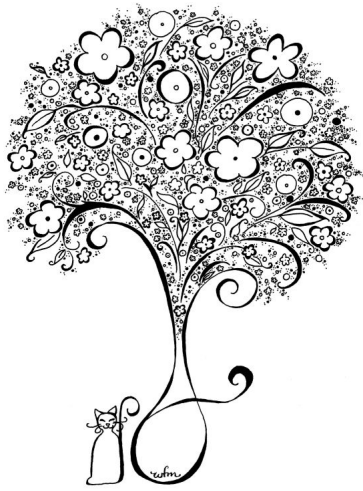
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