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=== INFORMATION ===

Public Safety Update



The safety and security of our community remains the top priority for the Town of Hillsborough.

Like most jurisdictions within the Bay Area, we have seen an increase in reported property crime within Hillsborough. According to Town crime statistics, 79% of our burglaries in 2016 have occurred at homes that either have no alarms installed, or have alarms installed but not activated prior to residents leaving the home. We urge residents to dissuade thieves by "hardening the target" through easily achieved home security measures. This is accomplished by locking your home, using alarms and or video surveillance equipment, and not leaving valuables in your vehicle. We encourage residents to be vigilant and report suspicious activity. Suspects who are responsible for these crimes tend to drive slowly in an effort to identify potential target homes. In many cases, the suspect will knock on the front door to see if anyone is home. If there is no answer, the suspect will walk to the rear of the home and attempt entry.

The Hillsborough Police Department has taken active measures to prevent and investigate these crimes through the use of automatic license plate reader (ALPR) technology, increased marked patrols, unmarked patrols with undercover units in all areas of Town and hiring of an additional police officer. We continue to collaborate with investigators from allied agencies, and participate in regional task forces that focus on the identification of responsible suspect(s). In each case, we conduct a thorough scene evaluation and our crime scene investigators collect physical evidence which is sent to the San Mateo County Forensic Laboratory for examination with the goal of identifying the responsible suspects. In recent cases, suspects have been identified by DNA, fingerprint, and electronic forensic evidence resulting in successful prosecutions.

Crime prevention tips and our crime statistics will be discussed in greater detail at the November 14, 2016 City Council meeting. Council meetings are held at the Hillsborough Town Hall, 1600 Floribunda Avenue and begin at 6:00 p.m.

The Hillsborough Police Department offers free home security evaluations by appointment. Please contact Officer Dana Tandy at (650) 375-7470. For residential alarm system questions, please contact our alarm specialists at 650-375-7472. We continue to work with our community through the Hillsborough Neighborhood Network (HNN) presentations. If you wish to have an officer speak with you and your neighbors on topics of public safety, please contact Captain Doug Davis at (650) 375-7553.

SMC Alert System

SMC Alert is the Town's primary notification system to reach residents and volunteer responders during a disaster, emergency or other significant event affecting the Town. If you do not currently receive SMC alerts on your mobile device or by email, the Town is advising each household adult to create an account.



SMCAAlert.info
San Mateo County's Alert System

Please register today at: www.smcalert.info

Mobile Voting Center for Voters with Disabilities

For the November 8, 2016 Presidential General Election, voters with disabilities who are not able to vote at polling places or at established voting centers can take advantage of a Mobile Voting Center (a mobile electronic voting system that allows a voter to independently and in private cast a ballot away from traditional polling locations).

The service is available now through November 8th, 7:00 am to 8:00 pm, 7 days a week. Special accommodations can be made for service outside established hours.

Please call the San Mateo County Elections Office at 650.312.5222 or email registrar@smcare.org at least 24 hours ahead of time to schedule an appointment.

Keep An Eye On What You Fry

By Fire Inspector Kim Giuliacci

Cooking Safety

The kitchen is the heart of the home, especially during Thanksgiving when there is a lot of activity and people at home; safety in the kitchen is important.



Cooking is often a relaxing and fun task that brings family and friends together, and it provides a great way to showcase your creativity and love of good food.

But cooking is also the number one cause of home fires and home injuries. Being mindful while you cook, however, can go a long way to helping prevent these fires.

Cook With Caution

Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.

- Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, boiling, or broiling food.
- If you are simmering, baking or roasting food, check it regularly and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire like oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtain away from your stovetop.

Safety Considerations for Cooking with Oil

Oil is a key ingredient found in the majority of today's kitchens. Whether a recipe calls for frying or sautéing, we include oil in almost all of our daily cooking. When using any of the many oils to prepare your meals like olive, canola, corn or soybean, consider the following safety tips when cooking:

- Always stay in the kitchen when frying on the stovetop.
- Keep an eye on what you fry. If you see wisps of smoke or the oil smells, immediately turn off the burner and carefully remove the pan from the burner. Smoke is a danger sign that the oil is too hot.
- Heat the oil slowly to the temperature you need for frying or sautéing.
- Always cook with a lid beside your pan. If you have a fire, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner. Do not remove the cover because the fire could start again. Let the pan cool for a long time.
- If the fire does not go out or you don't feel comfortable sliding a lid over the pan, get everyone out of your home and dial 9-1-1.
- Lastly, make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.



Central County Fire Department wishes you all a Fire Safe Thanksgiving

HILLSBOROUGH RECREATION PROGRAM

For details on classes offered, check www.hillsboroughrecreation.com or call 650-342-5439.

Peninsula Clean Energy Launch

Peninsula Clean Energy (PCE) launched its program to electricity customers in October 2016. Residents and businesses will be automatically enrolled in PCE in phases. Enrollment groups have been randomly selected by neighborhood to ensure an equitable county-wide process. For more information, see below:

<http://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com/>

1-866-966-0110

HERO (Home Energy Renovation Opportunity) Program



The HERO (Home Energy Renovation Opportunity) Program is now available to Hillsborough residents to make energy-efficient, water-efficient, and renewable energy upgrades to your home with no upfront costs. Payments are made through your property taxes with fixed interest rates and flexible payment terms of up to 25 years. There are over 60 different types of approved projects for every part of your home, including solar panels, high-efficiency heating and AC systems, windows, doors, and artificial turf. HERO can also help you find a licensed, verified contractor. To get started or learn more, call the HERO Hotline at 855-HERO-411 (855-437-6411) or visit www.heroprogram.com/ca/Hillsborough

Bolt & Brace



HOMEOWNERS MAY RECEIVE UP TO \$3,000 TOWARD A SEISMIC RETROFIT - REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 25, 2017

The Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) program may be available to Hillsborough residents with qualifying homes in 2017. Launched in 2014 by the California Earthquake Authority and California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, the EBB program is committed to helping homeowners strengthen older homes throughout California. The EBB program drive will run January 25th through February 27, 2017 with funds to complete 2,000 seismic retrofits throughout California. The program may provide up to \$3,000 toward a code complying seismic retrofit to make houses more resistant to earthquake damage. Typical retrofits cost between \$3,000 and \$5,000 and involve bolting a house to its foundation and adding bracing around the perimeter of the crawl space. Examples of homes eligible for the program are those constructed pre-1979 and have a raised continuous perimeter concrete foundation, sit on level ground or a low-slope site, and/or have wood framed walls (cripple walls) in the crawl space. Not all homes will qualify and opportunities are limited. For more information please visit EarthquakeBraceBolt.com.

Coats for Kids Collection

Recology San Mateo County has launched its annual Coats for Kids Program to collect new and gently used coats to donate to those in need of a warm coat during the cold weather season.



A collection bin is now located in the Town Hall lobby for dropping off new or gently used coats for both children and adults. Town Hall is open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The collection bin will remain until Wednesday, November 30th.

Sweets for Soldiers

Too much Halloween candy or snack bars in your house? Just drop it off to Hillsborough Police Department. We will send it to the Town's Adopt-a-Unit -- U.S. Army Soldiers serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Candy is a remembrance of home and soldiers cannot be home on Halloween. Snack bars are a frequently requested item that soldiers can take along during their multi-day missions. We have not forgotten them. The troops may also be sharing the candy with local children as a way to foster relationships. Many thanks for your generosity.



=== COMMUNITY EVENTS ===

Water Rate Study Session

The Town of Hillsborough is holding a water rate study session to review preliminary analysis and findings for the proposed water rates. The public is encouraged to attend.

The meeting will be held
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd at 3:00 p.m.
HILLSBOROUGH TOWN HALL
1600 FLORIBUNDA AVENUE



Hillsborough
NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK



**HNN Cordially Invites You to Our Annual
Exercise and Training Session**
*"Don't be a victim" Learn with our HNN team to be a
"FORCE MULTIPLIER"*

Wednesday, November 9th, 2016, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Town Hall
1600 Floribunda Avenue Hillsborough

In our peaceful community it is easy to forget the realities of the dangers that are present in the world around us. This year's program will focus on an active shooting scenario and what you should do if you are involved or nearby. The program will also include a live presentation from members of the San Mateo County Terrorism Counter Assault Team (TCAT).

Program:

6:00 - 6:15 Learn more about the HNN program.

John Mullins with the Hillsborough City Manager's Office will be outlining what you should do in the event of a local or regional emergency. The discussion will also outline the structure and processes of the HNN program.

6:15 - 6:45 Learn more about the San Mateo County (SMC) Alert notification system.

Lieutenant Nelson Corteway with the Hillsborough Police Department will be running a live exercise using the SMC ALERT notification system. The SMC Alert program is an alert notification system used to immediately contact you during urgent or emergency situations. You can set alerts to receive emergency and non-emergency text and voice messages to your email accounts, cell phones, smartphones, tablets and landline phones.

6:45 - 8:00 Learn more about being prepared for the dangers around us in the world today.

Captain Doug Davis with the Hillsborough Police Department and the Commander of the San Mateo County Terrorism Counter Assault Team will be presenting information on a Run-Hide-Fight scenario to better prepare yourself and your families for emergency situations. We will be having a frank discussion on the topic of surviving an active shooter situation. Members of the counter terrorism unit will discuss the facts and mindset required to survive a dynamic event as well as a live demonstration on key factors associated with an active shooter incident.

The event will also include:

- A great time to meet your neighbors, CERT graduates, HNN Neighborhood Leads and HAM radio operators.
- PRIZE DRAWING - At the end of the event we will be giving away two 2-Person, 3-Day Emergency Kits.
- Refreshments will be provided.

We can't reach you if you don't register - Register today at: <http://hsd.smcsheriff.com/smcalert>

[Click here to view the flyer](#)

Please visit our website at www.hillsborough.net

RSVP for this event and/or contact us at: hnn@hillsborough.net or call (650) 375-7454

Veterans Day Ceremony

Friday, November 11th, 11am

Town Hall, 1600 Floribunda Ave

Hillsborough Beautification Foundation (HBF)

Invites Residents of All Ages

To a Ceremony at Town Hall

TO HONOR OUR VETERANS



VETERANS DAY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11th

CEREMONY BEGINS AT 11:00AM

Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts, Veterans,
and local talent will take part in a short program

You'll be able to pay your respect at the new
Veterans Memorial in Centennial Garden

Light refreshments will be served
Please note that in case of pouring rain, the event
will be held inside Town Hall in the Council Chambers

For more information, please visit
www.hillsboroughbeautificationfoundation.org
[Click here to view the flyer](#)

CPR Adult, Child & Infant AED Training

Tuesday, November 15th, 6pm - 9pm

Fire Station 34, 799 California Dr., Burlingame



Central County Fire Department offers CPR Training to prepare residents who may need to:

- Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in the workplace or home
- Use an automated external defibrillator (AED)
- Help someone who is choking
- Receive a course completion card

You will be trained by a CPR instructor who is an experienced staff member of the Central County Fire Department. You will learn how to administer CPR in a safe, timely and effective manner to an adult, child and infant. You will also be trained on using an AED. To register for this training, please go to **[CPR Class Registration](#)**



[Calling all Crocker Alumni!!!](#)



Rally your classmates and [sign up](#) today to participate in the 3rd Annual Viking Alumni Turkey Trot Race!!!

- Wednesday, November 23rd, 2016
- 10am (plan to arrive early as parking will be limited on this special day)
- Crocker Middle School Blacktop (2600 Ralston Avenue)

[Associated Parents' Group of Hillsborough](#)



The Associated Parents' Groups of Hillsborough (APG) is currently seeking nominations from the entire Hillsborough community for the following two awards:

- **Hillsborough Schools' Citizen of the Year (COY)** -Honors a resident who has made a sustained and significant contribution to Hillsborough, especially to the education and well being of our children. **For more information or to submit your nomination, click [here](#).**
- **The Hillsborough Schools' Community Care Award (CCA)** Honors a non-resident, typically in a salaried position with the School District or Town of Hillsborough or other vital community role. **For more information or to submit your nomination, click [here](#).**

Deadline is December 6th, 2016. Final recipients will be selected by APG Board Members and will be honored at a reception at Town Hall. Thank you for helping us continue this time-honored tradition of recognizing those whose exceptional efforts have dramatically improved the lives of Hillsborough's children!