



BURLINGAME  
E NEWS

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## Please Slow Down! Back to School Means Sharing the Road

After over a year of distance learning, kids are excited to go back to school! This big change in routine will require some changes for students and drivers alike. **Please slow down and pay attention when kids are present** – especially before and after school.



Please review the following safety tips offered by the Burlingame Police Department to help keep our children safe!

- Stop and yield to pedestrians crossing marked **or unmarked** crosswalks at an intersection.
- **Do not block** any marked or unmarked crosswalks at an intersection, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic.
- **Never pass** a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.
- When turning left, and a bicyclist is approaching in the opposite direction, **wait for the cyclist** to pass.
- When turning right, and a bicyclist is approaching from behind on the right, **let the cyclist go through the intersection first**, and always use your turn signals.
- Be extra vigilant in school zones and residential neighborhoods.
- **Do not text and drive!** Only use the hands free option for your phone and avoid being distracted while driving.

Remember, a few seconds of carelessness can impact lives forever. If you need extra time in the morning, plan to leave a little earlier to avoid the rush.

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## In Memoriam

The Burlingame City Council and staff are sad to announce the passing of five-time Burlingame Mayor and 20-year Councilmember Rosalie O'Mahony on Saturday, August 14.

Ms. O'Mahony was born in Ireland and lived in the Irish Republic, the Netherlands, Germany, and Oregon before settling in Burlingame in 1965. That year, she started teaching in the Math Department at the College of San Mateo and taught thousands of students over the years, including current Vice Mayor Ricardo Ortiz.

In 1986, Ms. O'Mahony was appointed to the Burlingame Beautification Commission, paving the way for her future political life in Burlingame, which began in 1989 when the

voters of Burlingame elected her to her first term on the City Council.

Current Mayor Ann O'Brien Keighran, who served with Ms. O'Mahony for several years, referred to her as the Queen of infrastructure. Said Mayor O'Brien Keighran, "Rosalie would rather balance finances and fix sewers than make headlines." She was well respected by every Councilmember she worked with as well as the Burlingame City staff, and always made her decisions based on principle rather than political expediency.

Even after dedicating 20 years of service to the City through her time on the City Council, Ms. O'Mahony remained involved by serving on the City's Storm Drain Citizens Oversight Committee and representing Burlingame on the Board of the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency.

The City of Burlingame and everyone who calls Burlingame home was very lucky to benefit from Ms. O'Mahony's dedication, intelligence, and overall love for the community. She will be missed.

*Pictured below from left to right: Councilmembers Ricardo Ortiz and Donna Colson, five-time Mayor Rosalie O'Mahony, Mayor Ann O'Brien Keighran, City Manager Lisa Goldman, and Director of Public Works Syed Murtuza at a 2017 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Broadway Interchange.*





# PARKING LOT E CLOSURE NOTIFICATION



**Parking Lot E will be closed to make way for the new Town Square & Mixed Use Development at the former Post Office.**

**POST OFFICE PROJECT – 220 PARK ROAD**

- Redevelopment & restoration of portions of former Post Office
- New office development with ground floor retail
- 280 below-grade parking spaces (public use evenings & weekends)
- Includes removal of magnolia street trees along Lorton Avenue and Primrose Road

**Town Square Project – Parking Lot E**

- The City of Burlingame will be developing a town square/community open space on Lot E, envisioned to be the heart of Downtown

**Parking Lot E will close on September 7<sup>th</sup>**

The new City of Burlingame Parking Structure at 161 Highland Avenue (just south of Howard) will provide 366 parking spaces – please visit [www.burlingame.org/downtownconstruction](http://www.burlingame.org/downtownconstruction) for more information and updates.



## **Beautification Commission Announces 2021 Residential Sustainable Landscape Award Winner: 217 Chapin Lane**

The Beautification Commission has named 217 Chapin Lane as the recipient of its Residential Sustainable Landscape Award. Congratulations to the home's owners! This property was selected for its sustainable, attractive, and well-maintained landscape design! An attractive arbor welcomes you onto the property with a mixture of succulents, fruit bearing trees, and decorative trees.

The Burlingame Beautification Commission would like to recognize the fact that the owners of this home have taken the time and care to enhance their property and create a lovely, drought-tolerant alternative landscape that can act as a model of sustainability for

other Burlingame residences.

The award will be presented at the Burlingame City Council meeting on Monday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. At that time, the owner of the home will receive a yard sign that is made from recycled wood. Additionally, a tree will be planted in their honor at the Arbor Day ceremony in March 2022.

Anyone wishing to nominate a local home for next year's award is encouraged to contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (650) 558-7330. The deadline for nominations is June 1, 2022.



## **Beautification Commission Announces 2021 Business Landscape Award Winner: Stacks Restaurant**

The Beautification Commission recently selected Stacks Restaurant at 361 California Drive as the winner of the 2021 Business Landscape Award. Stacks' landscape is always well maintained and helps brighten up the local surroundings, contributing to the enjoyment of all who pass by the property in downtown Burlingame. Attractive pots around the restaurant and along the sidewalk are full of beautiful flowers, succulents, and palms.

Stacks was opened 25 years ago by co-founders Geoffrey Swenson and Tom Duffy and serves classic American comfort food in a family friendly environment. Burlingame was their first location. Congratulations and thank you, Stacks!

The award will be presented at the Burlingame City Council meeting on Monday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. Stacks will receive an award plaque and an original watercolor of their business landscape created by local artist Dale Perkins.

Anyone wishing to nominate a local business for next year's Award in 2022 is encouraged to contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (650) 558-7330. The deadline for nominations is June 1, 2022



**BURLINGAME**  
**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YAC)**

7TH-12TH GRADERS WELCOME TO APPLY, STUDENTS MUST LIVE OR GO TO SCHOOL IN BURLINGAME.  
APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE ACCEPTED JULY- AUGUST.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO VOLUNTEER,  
(650)558-7300

## Deadline Tomorrow for Burlingame YAC 2021-2022 Applications!

The Burlingame Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) is seeking motivated and responsible 7th -12th graders to help coordinate activities for teens, assist with community events, take action on community issues, and help with fundraising. **Applicants must live or go to school in Burlingame.** YAC provides youth with a great opportunity to gain valuable leadership skills, make new friends, and have a lot of fun! This is a great opportunity to apply your creativity, experience, initiative, and community spirit to make a difference in Burlingame.

**Members are required to attend official business meetings once a month from approximately 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** YAC hours count towards school community service requirements. All applicants will be interviewed in early September. Please note that the Committee is limited to 13 committee members and member serve a **two-year term**. Those who are not selected for YAC can still be added to the Youth Advisory Board mailing list to be kept in the loop on upcoming events and programs.

[Click here to access the form and apply!](#) The **deadline to apply is Friday, August 27** . For more information, contact Claudia Vega at [cvega@burlingame.org](mailto:cvega@burlingame.org), or call 650-558-7315.

## Commission Application Deadlines Extended for Beautification Commission and Parks & Recreation Commission

At this time, the City is seeking to fill three seats each on the Beautification Commission and Parks & Recreation Commission, both of which have Commissioners who are not reapplying. All applicants are welcome. The new application deadline is **Friday, September 17, 2021**. Applications and supplemental questionnaires are available on the City's website at [www.burlingame.org](http://www.burlingame.org) (under the Government/Commissions page).

If you have any questions, please contact Ana Silva in the City Manager's Office at 650-558-7204.

## Calling Young Artists!

[HIP Housing](#) is looking to fill its 2022 calendar with artwork from children who live in San Mateo County and are in Kindergarten through 5th grade.

[Click here](#) to print out an entry form. **The deadline for entries is Monday, September 20.**

## Events Around Town

### The Fresh Market!

Thursdays, 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sundays, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Park Road at Burlingame Avenue

Please continue to follow these important tips for shopping the Fresh Market:



- **Leave your pets at home, please.** By order of the San Mateo County Health Department, **no dogs are allowed** in Burlingame's Fresh Market.
- Come to the market in good health; please stay home if unwell.
- Wash hands/ refrain from touching your face.
- Wash all produce before consumption.

For more information, visit [burlingamechamber.org](http://burlingamechamber.org).

## Buy In Burlingame!

### Thank You and Congratulations to Dave W. Wilson, Shuji Igushi, and Sandra Chung

#### Our Week Ten Pledge to Choose Burlingame Winners!

This past week's [Pledge to Choose Burlingame](#) highlighted local "sweets and treats" businesses! **Dave W. Wilson** won **\$50 in gifts** from his favorite store, [Preston's Candy & Ice Cream](#) on 1170 Broadway! Runners up **Shuji Igushi** and **Sandra Chung** listed the [Boba Guys](#) on 1212 Donnelly Avenue and [See's Candy](#) on 1843 El Camino Real. Shuji and Sandra will receive promotional tote bags and water bottles.

Where else do Burlingamers go for their favorite sweets & treats?

- Oak Grove Market
- Busy Lizzie's Baked Goods
- Preston's Candy & Ice Cream
- Nuts for Candy
- Lefty's
- Boba Guys
- The Cakery
- See's Candy
- Salt & Straw
- Copenhagen Bakery & Cafe
- Baskin Robbins

**Thank you to everyone who stepped up to take the pledge to support our local business community these past 10 weeks! The City and business community appreciate your commitment to sustaining and supporting our local businesses that contribute so much to Burlingame's unique character and identity.**

## Economic Development & Recovery



**SAMCEDA**  
San Mateo County Economic Development Association

**SAN MATEO COUNTY**  
**STRONG**

**SMALL BUSINESS**  
**GRANT PROGRAM**

**ROUND 6**

**GRANTS UP TO**  
**\$10,000**

**APPLICATION OPENS**

**MONDAY**  
**AUGUST 16**  
**8:00AM**

**APPLICATION CLOSES**

**TUESDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 7**  
**5:00PM**

**SMCSTRONG.ORG**



For questions, please email: [sbgrant@smcgov.org](mailto:sbgrant@smcgov.org)

[San Mateo County Strong's](#) latest [Small Business Grant Program](#) is open now until Tuesday, September 7 at 5:00 p.m. [Click here for a list of FAQs in multiple languages.](#) If you have additional questions, please email [sbgrant@smcgov.org](mailto:sbgrant@smcgov.org).

## Community Updates (events not sponsored by the City of Burlingame)

### San Mateo Union High School District to Draw Maps to Transition to By-Trustee Area Board Elections

Board members in the San Mateo Union High School District (SMUHSD) are currently elected in “at-large” elections, where all board members are elected by voters throughout the entire school district. On February 25, the Board adopted Resolution No. 20-21-12, in response to a letter threatening to sue the District under the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

SMUHSD intends to transition from at-large to by-trustee area board elections, where each board member must reside within the designated trustee area boundary **and** is elected only by the voters in that trustee area. Voters would only vote for one seat on the school board.

The District will hold the following **public hearings at its regular board meetings. The public is invited to attend and make public comments on proposed maps** and determine how boundaries are created:

[Click here for agendas and Zoom login information.](#)

#### **Pre-Map Public Hearing #1** **August 26 at 7 p.m**

The District will hold the first public hearing in this process. Maps will not be drawn at this meeting.

#### **Pre-Map Public Hearing #2** **September 9 at 7 p.m.**

The District will hold the second public hearing. Maps will not be drawn at this meeting. However, the Board will be asked to adopt a resolution selecting the criteria for the demographer to consider when drafting trustee maps.

### Map Review Hearing #1

January 20 at 7 p.m.

The demographer will present proposed maps, and the District will hold a hearing for public consideration.

### Map Review Hearing #2

February 10 at 7 p.m.

The District will hold a second hearing to allow the public to consider the proposed maps.

### Final Map Adoption Hearing

February 24 at 7 p.m.

The District will hold a public hearing to adopt the final resolution.

Please note: By-trustee area boundaries **will not affect existing school attendance boundaries.**

## 50% Off Caltrain Tickets & Passes in September

In case you haven't heard, Caltrain will implement a new, 104-train schedule with more trains than ever before, and offer 50% off all tickets and passes for September.

Hop on board with the return of the Baby Bullet express train and check out Caltrain's coordinated BART transfer at Millbrae. Whether going to work, school or traveling for fun, check out what's going on at Caltrain! [Click here for more details.](#)



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A message from the Burlingame/SFO Chamber of Commerce



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