

**CORTE MADERA & LARKSPUR FALL 2016**



**THE TOWN OF  
CORTE MADERA**

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MARIN COUNTY CALIFORNIA

**JUNE 10, 1916 - JUNE 10, 2016**

## CORTE MADERA

# Honors Its Elders



In recognition of their spirit, inspiration and endurance, Age-Friendly Corte Madera will celebrate all those town residents who are 90 or more years old at "Corte Madera Honors 2016" on Sunday afternoon, August 28 from 2:30 until 4:30 pm at the Corte Madera Community Center. As we commemorate Corte Madera's own 100th birthday, our nonagenarians and centenarians hold a special place of honor as a living connection to our past. Be sure to come tip your hat to our notable Corte Maderans! Complimentary cake and coffee. No fee for attendance.

## AFCM/CM Park and Recreation Marin Villages Speaker Series

### **Wed., September 14, 2016**

**How to Avoid Falling!**  
Come learn about falls! About one-third of the population over 65 fall each year. The risk of falls increases proportionately with age. What may contribute to causing them? What can you do to prevent them?

Time : 1:00 - 2:30pm  
Where: CMPA - Community Room  
Speaker: Carol Zeller, RN, MSN

### **Wed., October 12, 2016**

**Pole Walking for Exercise, Mobility and Maintaining Independence:** Not just for hikers, using poles for walking improves balance, endurance and posture - feel taller! Reduce stress on knee and hips by strengthening core muscles that support your spine. Walk with youthful attitude. Learn how to select poles that help you achieve your goals. Demo of top quality poles and special balance tips.

Time: 1:00 - 2:30 pm  
Where: CMPA - Community Room  
Speaker: Jayah Faye Paley

### **Wed., November 9, 2016**

**Getting Around: Marin Transit Systems** Mobility is the key to independence for everyone. Come learn about transit options available in Marin County. They include public bus systems, ferries, paratransit services, transportation programs, Smart Train and a trip planning personalized "Travel Navigator" assistance program.

Time: 1:00 - 2:30 pm  
Where: CMPA - Community Room  
Speaker: Joe Gaffney: Senior Mobility Analyst for Marin Transit



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**Hours**

Monday-Thursday  
 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-5:00pm  
 Closed Friday (appointments available)  
 Closed Saturday and Sunday

**Address**

Larkspur Recreation Department  
 240 Doherty Drive, Larkspur CA  
 (across from the Central Marin  
 Police Authority, next to Hall Middle  
 School Gym)

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# Message from the Director:

My name is Dick Whitley and I am your City of Larkspur Recreation Director. I am very pleased to be working with our employees Nick, Toni, Erin, Beth, Aaron and Bruce in providing you our outstanding recreational activities.

Another Super Cool Summer School season has come and gone. After all of the dust settled, we found that more than 1,100 children had been served on the Neil Cummins and Bacich Elementary School campuses. Our thanks and appreciation go out to our two Summer School Directors, Erin Duggan and Beth Suess.

Our Twin Cities Children's Center continues to offer amazing experiences for children in grades TK – 5th. The employees there combine lots of experience with an innate sense of fun and produce one of the best ventures available. The website is <http://www.twincitieschildrenscenter.com>

We are working very closely with our Public Works Department to get new amenities for our local parks and gathering places. Keep a sharp eye open! Changes are happening all around you...

Many of our programs operate with an exceptional amount of volunteer labor. I would like to recognize and thank Stephen Conner, who has been the volunteer leader for our Larkspur Community Garden for decades. Stephen organizes work days, pot luck lunches and helps the garden look beautiful. Thank you, Stephen, for all you do.



If you'd like to get a "then-and-now" look at Larkspur, look no further than Page #11-12. We have some amazing Historic Walks led by some amazing volunteers. Our thanks go out to Helen Heitkamp and Dick & Susan Cunningham for offering these walks through our City.

Very best regards,

*Dick Whitley*, Director  
Larkspur Recreation Department



## Mission

The City of Larkspur is committed to providing the best possible service to the community, preserving the City's unique historic character, and maintaining its total environmental balance.

## Parks & Recreation Commission

Sandy Bluvelt, Chair  
Richard Cimino, Vice Chair  
Jeanne Friedel  
Michael Koeppel  
Lisbet Sunshine

## Park & Recreation Department Staff

Dick Whitley, Director  
Nick Stone, Supervisor  
Toni DeFrancis  
Administrative Assistant

## Online Registration

Larkspur Recreation has a convenient registration system that allows online registration. Program participants can create their own personal registration account and expedite the registration process right from home. If you have not already registered and created your own account, click on “create account” and follow the prompts. Make sure you add your children to your household by clicking on “add members”. Once you have your account you can register, look up past registrations and current registrations. Visit our website to create your account at [www.cityoflarkspur.org/recreation](http://www.cityoflarkspur.org/recreation)

## Program Registrations

Pre-Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise listed. Drop in classes require payment to the instructor before the start of class. Larkspur Recreation cannot hold space in any class or activity unless you have registered and paid. PLEASE REGISTER EARLY- All programs have a minimum registration number and if we don't reach that pre-registration number we have to cancel the class. Some programs may already be full. Please check our website or call our office for program availability.

## How to Register

Online at [www.cityoflarkspur.org/recreation](http://www.cityoflarkspur.org/recreation)

**In Person** at the Larkspur Recreation Department located at 240 Doherty Drive Larkspur, CA 94939. Office hours are from 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-5:00pm Monday- Thursday, closed Friday Saturday and Sunday to the public.

**By Fax** (415) 927-6758

**By Mail** Mail your registration form to 240 Doherty Drive, Larkspur, CA 94939.

**Drop Box** For your convenience, there is a secure drop box to the left of our front door for after hours use.

**By Phone** (415) 927-6746 A current liability waiver must be on file at the recreation department to register by phone. Please have the class code number and your credit card ready before calling.

## Method of Payment

Larkspur Recreation accepts Visa, MasterCard, cash and checks. There is a \$20 charge for returned checks.

## Program Cancellations/Modifications

Larkspur Recreation reserves the right to cancel or modify a program due to low registrations or other unforeseen circumstances. Registrants will be notified by email if changes occur to their programs.

## Refunds

A request for a refund due to withdrawal from a program must be made to the recreation office a week prior to the start of the first class. Refunds are subject to a \$10.00 service charge. If a program is cancelled by Larkspur Recreation, a full refund will be issued. Some programs such as Super Cool Summer School have separate refund policies.

## Program Instructors

We're always on the lookout for instructors to teach classes on new and exciting subjects. If you have a speciality you would like to share, we want to work with you to develop new programs. Contact Nick Stone at (415) 927-6746 for more information.

## Americans with Disabilities Act

Larkspur Recreation welcomes all individuals and families from our community to participate and enjoy our programs and facilities. If you or your child require special assistance call (415) 927-6746.



## Nothing Kills A Program Quicker...

than everyone waiting until the last minute to register for it. If you would like to participate in one of our classes please REGISTER WELL IN ADVANCE of the start date. At some point, we must determine if enrollment is sufficient to hold the activity. By registering early you are assisting us in providing the best service possible.

## Bacich Classes

Bacich Elementary has given Larkspur Recreation the opportunity to provide after school enrichment classes for their students. These classes are not part of Bacich school. We ask if you have any questions about classes, instructors or registration that you not ask the office staff. Please contact Larkspur Recreation. Once you are registered in a class we will send you an email before the start of the class with the room number. Please make sure you remind your child to go to the correct classroom after school. [www.cityoflarkspur.org/recreation](http://www.cityoflarkspur.org/recreation) • (415) 927-6746.

**Registration opens online Monday, August 22nd**

### Checkmate Chess at Bacich

Develop your critical thinking and problem-solving skills while having fun! Learn how to move the various pieces and basic and intermediate strategy of this fascinating game. The class period generally consists of instruction and supervised play. Competitive matches and tournaments will take place near session's end. For Bacich Elementary students only. Class Location: Bacich Elementary

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
601	Monday	9/19-12/5	2:20pm-3:10pm	\$199	1-2
602	Monday	9/19-12/5	2:55pm-3:45pm	\$199	3-4

### Sew Much Fun

Sewing Sally is back from Indonesia and can't wait to see her older sewers and meet new ones. She has a variety of projects- felt shapes, embroidery, Valentines, shamrocks and spring specials, felt food complete with shopping bag. New items include animal habitats- A bear in the forest- Duck, frog and snake in the marsh- An alligator in the Everglades- Tropical fish on the reef and A coyote in the desert. Come and perfect your stitches. It's always "sew much fun" to make your very unique and creative project. Sally Palmer has taught at Bacich for many years. She is patient, a great story teller and her teaching methods work like a charm. Please wash your hands before class. Avid sewers please.

Class Location: Bacich Elementary

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
603	Thursday	9/22-10/27	1:10pm-2:10pm	\$130	K
604	Thursday	9/22-10/27	2:20pm-3:20pm	\$130	1-2
605	Thursday	9/22-10/27	3:00pm-4:00pm	\$130	3-4
606	Thursday	11/3-12/15	1:10pm-2:10pm	\$110	K
607	Thursday	11/3-12/15	2:20pm-3:20pm	\$110	1-2
608	Thursday	11/3-12/15	3:00pm-4:00pm	\$110	3-4

**Classes fill quickly. Register Early.**

### Jewelry with Nikki Contini: Get your bling on!

In this creative and fun class, students will use traditional and non- traditional materials and methods to create their own jewelry! The class will be making some of their own beads from fused glass and upcycled treasures and will also have lots of beautiful new and vintage beads to choose from to create their own one-of-a-kind jewelry masterpieces; Necklaces, bracelets, earrings, pins, and more...Students will develop awesome jewelry making skills and come away with lots of wearable art to wear and share with their family and friends. ALL materials are included in this class and healthy snacks are provided.

Nikki Contini is a local glass, eco-artist and educator. She teaches glass fusing, jewelry and eco-art to children in after school enrichment programs throughout the school year. Her art parties and workshops are also very popular for both children and adults. Check out her blog at [fusedglassoriginals.blogspot.com](http://fusedglassoriginals.blogspot.com) Nikki brings her enthusiasm for crafts of all kinds to her classes and is committed to helping her students joyfully explore their creativity. Her art work is colorful and whimsical and has been exhibited in many shows over the last 15 years.

Class Location: Bacich Elementary

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
609	Monday	9/19-10/31	2:55pm-4:15pm	\$224	3-4

### Glass Fusing with Nikki

In this unique class, the ancient art of kiln formed glass will be explored. Students will learn how to safely cut and layer glass into creative and functional forms which will then be kiln fired. Students come away from the class with lots of beautiful glass work and will be amazed at what they can make with glass. New projects/techniques will be introduced each week and students will develop a firm understanding of the craft of fusing. This is a great opportunity to one-of-a-kind hand-made gifts for the holidays! Class fee covers all glass, firings and materials. . \*( optional \$7 materials fee for clocks or nightlights ) Healthy snacks provided.

Class Location: Bacich Elementary

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
610	Monday	11/7-12/12	2:55pm-4:15pm	\$234	3-4

## Drawing, Painting, Sculpting at Bacich

Students will explore art basics in several media, including watercolor, pencil, charcoal, and clay. Learn to draw landscapes, portraiture, still life, and bring imagined subjects to life. All levels of skill and experience welcome. Classes for Bacich Elementary students only.

Class Location: Bacich Elementary

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
611	Tuesday	9/20-12/13	2:25pm-3:25pm	\$195	1-2
612	Wednesday	9/21-12/21	12:30pm-2:00pm	\$235	3-4

## Amazing Science at Bacich

ALL NEW topics for new school year! Join us for a wide variety of kid-pleasing science topics, demonstrations, experiments, and hands-on activities, including chemistry, physics, geology, biology, paleontology, and many others! Light your way with animals that glow in Bioluminescence, dig the depths for Ocean Fossils, see how Strange Bugs can be, tune in to your Five Senses, explore the attractions of Magnetism, find your way to Animal Tracks, watch out for Slimy Science, and more! (Lessons subject to change.) All experiments are kid safe and fully supervised. All materials are included. Curriculum is age appropriate: older students lessons are more advanced and complex. Amazing Science is a program of Watershed Preservation Network, a California non-profit environmental education organization. Please visit our website for more information on classes.

[www.AMAZINGSCI.org](http://www.AMAZINGSCI.org)

Class Location: Bacich Elementary

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
613	Wednesday	9/21-12/14	12:15pm-1:30pm	\$247	1-2

## Rafia Coding Club

Rafiakids coding and maker classes are expanding to include a NEW MAKER CLASS for grades 3-4 at Bacich. Join us on Tuesday afternoons to tinker with electric circuits, animation and more. Sample project each week using the latest young inventors tools including littleBits, lectrify engineering kits, makey makey with Scratch and stop motion.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
614	Tuesday	9/20-12/13	2:55pm-4:00pm	\$325	3-4



## Songbirds (ages 0-5)

Songbirds is an interactive musical performance including sing-along, play-along, and dance-along participation. Nicole Forester, a Board-Certified Music Therapist, has been playing music all her life and providing music and therapeutic services for the last 10 years. Come find your voice, your rhythm, and your enthusiasm for the joy of experiencing music. Children ages 6 months to 5 years are welcome with caregivers, parents, grandparents and siblings. Drop ins for this class can be paid on arrival to class for \$15. A Class punch card is also available for \$88 for 6 classes. There is no online registration for this class.

Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Ages
Mon	9/12-12/19	9:30-10:00am	\$15 drop in	6mo-5 years

## Kids Night Out

Larkspur Recreation is teaming up with the Leadership Students at Hall Middle School to throw a Kids Night Out party for 4th and 5th grade students. This student planned night of fun will include inflatables, games, music and food! This night will be chaperoned by teachers and adults in the Hall Middle School Gym. Register soon before it fills up!

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
615	Friday	9/23	6:00-9:00 PM	\$20

## Fused Glass Holiday Workshop

This fun workshop will focus on making fused glass ornaments for the holidays. Perfect for a Mom and daughter outing or a family holiday experience of any combination! Try something new and creative- This is great introduction to the art of kiln formed glass. All attendees will learn the process of cutting and layering glass to make unique ornaments which will then be fired in the kiln. No experience necessary. Light holiday snacks will be offered. Projects can be picked up the following week. Come get your holiday cheer on! Fee covers Parent and Child Pair as well as materials.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
616	Saturday	12/10	10:30am-12:30pm	\$80/pair





### Junior Tennis 11-14 year olds (Beginners/Semi-Beginners)

This class offers girls and boys age 11 to 14 the opportunity to learn sound fundamentals of the game, including groundstrokes, serves, returns, net play techniques, basic strategy and rules of tennis with the goal of preparing them to eventually join the Junior Tennis Team.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1160	Monday	9/12-11/28	4:00pm-5:00pm	\$269

Fall Session: Monday 4:00-5:00pm.  
September 12th-November 28th  
12 weeks: \$269

### USTA Junior Tennis Team Practice (11-14 year old)

USTA Junior Tennis Team offers girls and boys age 11 to 14 the opportunity to play on teams in local leagues that emphasize fun, fitness and friends. Teams have the opportunity to advance to Area, Section, State and National Championships!

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1161	Tues & Fri	9/6-11/18	4:00pm-5:30pm	\$395

### Quickstart#1 (5-6 year olds)

Children will enjoy the experience of hitting balls back and forth in a safe environment. Emphasis is on passing, rolling, tossing or throwing the ball. Students will learn how to rally a ball over low net using a red foam or red low compression felt ball that moves slower, bounces lower and travels less distance for immediate enjoyment of real tennis.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1162	Wednesday	9/7-10/12	1:45pm-2:15pm	\$95
1163	Wednesday	10/19-11/30	1:45pm-2:15pm	\$95

### Quickstart#2 (7-8 year olds)

Emphasis for this age group is on rally skills using both forehand and backhand ground strokes. Students will be taught other skills needed to play a complete game of tennis including serves and returns of serve as well as learn simple tactics and introduction to rules of tennis. Red low compression felt ball will be used for adjusted striking zone adapted to their height in order to hit over the net with consistency.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1164	Wednesday	9/7-11/30	2:15pm-3:15pm	\$269

### Quickstart#3 (9-10 year olds)

Students will learn the basics of a rally by using forehand and backhand ground strokes. Overhand serve will be introduced and the return of serve is emphasized as well as volley, approach shot and overhead skill. Understanding singles and doubles play, develop the tactics for different playing situations, shot selection and court positioning will be covered as well. Orange low compression felt ball that moves a little faster and travels farther but still has a lower bounce than the yellow ball will be used for adapted development of the students' tennis skills.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1165	Wednesday	9/7-11/30	3:15pm-4:15pm	\$269

### USTA Junior Tennis Team Practice (U12 green ball)

Class description: USTA Junior Tennis Team offers girls and boys age 11 to 12 the opportunity to play on teams in local leagues that emphasize fun, fitness and friends. Teams have the opportunity to advance to Area, Section, State and National Championships!

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1166	Wednesday	9/7-11/16	4:15pm-5:15pm	\$345
1166	Friday	9/9-11/18	4:00pm-5:30pm	\$345



All tennis classes are taught by Leo Giraldi and Dan Hiddleston of Leo Giraldi Tennis.



## Katia & Company Presents: High School Musical

Wildcats, everywhere wave your hands up in the air! Katia & Company presents this fun, upbeat hit that everyone can relate to. Everyone registered will receive a role in the production. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays and/or Fridays at Hall Middle School

Actors may select a day preference at auditions. Audition materials will be provided at auditions, no advanced preparation is necessary. Questions, email the director: [katia.mchaney@gmail.com](mailto:katia.mchaney@gmail.com)  
Auditions Friday, August 26, 3:30-5:30pm  
Show week: Oct. 12-15th  
Class Location: Hall Middle School

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
2095	Wednesday	8/31-10/12	2:00pm-4:30pm	\$210	6-8
2095	Friday	8/26-10/14	3:30pm-5:30pm		

## Katia & Company Presents: Willy Wonka

Katia & Company brings the timeless "sweet" classic story to life on stage. Five golden ticket winners and their parents get to tour the chocolate factory of the mysterious Mr. Willy Wonka. Their tour is filled with magic, sweets, songs and life lessons as they journey through the factory. All registered actors will receive a role in the production. Rehearsals on Wednesdays and/or Fridays. Actors may indicate their day preference at auditions. Expect additional rehearsal days the week of the show, January 16-22nd at the San Anselmo Playhouse. Download the audition packet at: [www.katiaandcompany.com](http://www.katiaandcompany.com)

Show week: January 16-22nd  
Auditions: Wednesday, October 19th, 2-4pm followed by 15 minute parent and student meeting.  
Class Location: Hall Middle School

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
2096	Wednesday	10/19-11/30	2:00pm-4:00pm	\$235	5-7
2096	Friday	10/21-1/13	3:30pm-5:30pm		

## Willy Wonka: Oompa Loompas

Young actors will get to play the adorable Oompa Loompa factory workers alongside older actors in this main stage production of Charlie & The Chocolate Factory. Oompa Loompas will have their own rehearsals where they will learn songs, lines and choreography. Then, they will join the older actors on stage in a delightful, fully costumed production. A fun way to gain confidence and performance skills on stage! Additional rehearsal days and times the week of performance, January 16-22 at the San Anselmo Playhouse. Questions? Go to: [www.katiaandcompany.com](http://www.katiaandcompany.com)

Rehearsals: Fridays, 3:30-5pm, 10/14-1/27  
Show week: January 16-22  
Class Location: Hall Middle School

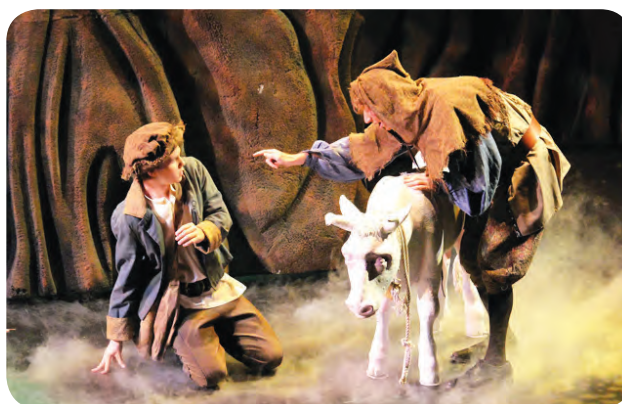
Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
2097	Friday	10/14-1/27	3:30pm-5:00pm	\$175	2-4

## Katia & Company Advanced Presents: Into the Woods

For seasoned actors or teens looking for a challenge, Katia and Company presents this Soundheim musical that intertwines the plots of several Brothers Grimm and Charles Perrault fairy tales, exploring the consequences of the characters' wishes and quests. The main characters are taken from "Little Red Riding Hood", "Jack and the Beanstalk", "Rapunzel", and "Cinderella", as well as several others. Rehearsals Wednesdays and/or Fridays. Actors may select day preference or list conflicts at auditions. Performance week: January 9-15th at the San Anselmo Playhouse. Download the audition packet at: [www.katiaandcompany.com](http://www.katiaandcompany.com)

Auditions: Friday, October 21st, 3:30-6pm  
Class Location: Hall Middle School

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
2098	Wednesday	10/26-11/30	2:00pm-4:00pm	\$245	7-10
2098	Friday	10/21-1/6	3:30pm-5:30pm		



### Dance with E.N.A.!

Join Elite Naach Academy for 10 weeks of dance, culture, and music! Covering techniques from Hip Hop, Jazz, Contemporary, Bollywood, Zuma West African and more, this introductory session is the perfect way to get your feet moving to the world's funkier dance forms. This session will end with a short in class performance of the various styles we cover and is a perfect introduction to our academy's regular session classes. [www.dancewithena.com](http://www.dancewithena.com)  
[info@dancewithena.com](mailto:info@dancewithena.com)  
 Class Location: Hall Middle School Gym

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
801	Tuesday	9/13-11/15	3:30pm - 4:30pm	\$150	???

### Archery

Learn Olympic-Style Archery from a highly ranked shooter and the Director of "Cupids Gate Archery" in San Francisco. Instructors Joseph Arnaldo & Tony Ng will focus on shooting form, stance, and safety. Archery is great exercise, utilizing the largest collection of muscles in your back. Tony Ng is seeking out hidden talents, trying to determine who has what it takes to be the next junior state/national/world champion at their age group. Tournament-grade equipment is provided for each student to use.  
 Class Location: Hall Soccer Field

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
800	Wednesday	9/28-11/2	2:00pm-3:15pm	\$345	5-8

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
802	Wednesday	9/14-11/2	2:00pm-2:55pm	\$128	5-8

### Future Filmmakers

Learn to direct, act, shoot, and create videos of all kinds. Students will learn all aspects of creating videos from the process of storyboard making to the editing process in post-production. No prior knowledge of filmmaking is required.  
 Class Location: Recreation Department Community Room

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
803	Monday	9/14-11/2	3:30pm-5:00pm	\$144	6-8

### Mountain Biking Club

In this program, we will concentrate on building our bicycle handling skills, building up our fitness, and appreciation for our local natural ecosystems, while we prepare for high school team level riding. We will also learn the basics of bicycle maintenance and trailside repair. We will ride on surrounding land that is managed by the MMWD and the Marin County Open Space District.  
 Class Location: Larkspur Recreation Dept.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
804	Wednesday	9/14-11/16	2:00pm - 4:30pm	\$175	6-8

### Rafia Coding Club

Learn to make and code in this great club at Kent Middle School on Wednesday afternoons. Each week, you'll make a fun project, learn coding skills and program robots in this small group class in the Room 10 maker space at Kent Middle School. What will you make: a superhero gadget, littleBits game, or a magical cape? Bring a friend, share your ideas, have fun making stuff together! There is a \$40 materials fee due to the instructor on the first day. Location: Kent Middle School.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
806	Wednesday	9/21-11/2	1:30pm - 3:00pm	\$240	5-7

### Fine Art and Beyond!

Students will explore fine art in several media, including watercolor, drawing, acrylics, oil painting, and sculpture. Subjects will include still lifes, landscape, and portraiture. A brief lesson integrating examples from the history of art will be followed by individual help. Students may continue the lesson or receive guided instruction for their own projects. Instruction is designed to benefit all levels of skill and experience. Includes materials. Location: Kent Middle School.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost	Grade
805	Thursday	9/22-12/1	3:30pm-4:30pm	\$215	5-8

### Babysitting Class

Learn how to be a role model for children! Discover how to be a great babysitter! You will learn how to create safe play and how to respond to emergencies in this course. Games, activities, basic care giving, age appropriate play and accident prevention will be covered. We will also touch on First Aid which will make you a marketable babysitter! Please bring pen/pencil to class. Course fee includes babysitter handbook and certificate. Class Location: Larkspur Recreation.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
617	Saturday	10/29	10:00am-2:00pm	\$95



# TWIN CITIES CHILDREN'S CENTER

- \* Established in 1975
- \* A year round childcare program run by dedicated & licensed professionals
- \* Located at Neil Cummins
- \* Serving local K- 5th Graders
- \* Affordable experienced care
- \* Providing quality care on a regular scheduled basis & convenient drop-in
- \* Small safe 1 to 12 ratio
- \* Summer & Holiday Camps open to all Marin Residents

Ca State License # 210106797

**Tecckids@gmail.com For more information call 924-6622**

**WWW.TWINCITIESCHILDRENSCENTER.COM**

Art

Sports

Cooking

Games

Friends

Fun

### Swimming – Tidalwaves

The Tidalwaves Swim Team is dedicated to providing access to the sport of swimming and a high quality competitive experience



for members of our community to develop self-esteem, swimming skills, sportsmanship, and a strong sense of team spirit and achievement. We are open to swimmers of ALL ABILITIES ages 5-18 and are part of the Marin Swim League (a league of 10 community teams within Marin County). The Spring/Summer program is run primarily at Redwood High School from late February through mid July, (an 8 & Under practice group is run at College of Marin, Kentfield as well). All practices are run by professional coaches. Parent volunteer commitment is required to run team events and meets. Its fun for the whole family! There's no better way for kids to become strong, competent swimmers and build lifelong friendships in the process. More details for our 2017 Spring season, as well as our Fall and Winter swim programs are available online at [www.gowaves.com](http://www.gowaves.com) Head Coach Marie McSweeney is also available to answer questions about your child's readiness for the team at [mariemcswim@yahoo.com](mailto:mariemcswim@yahoo.com) or 415-453-9563.

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## Tennis Classes

### Tennis Level 3 (3.0+/3.5 NTRP Level)

For the player with competitive experience working on consistency, consolidating fundamentals and strategy. A different topic will be covered each week, including technique adjustments, shot selection and effective patterns for social or early competitive context. Last half-hour is singles and/or doubles match play. Coach: Dan Hiddleston

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1153	Mondays	9/12-12/5	9:00am-10:30am	\$305

### Tennis Level 2 (3.0 NTRP Level)

For players with moderate tennis experience, early stage competition or who have not played in a long time and wish to get back into the game. Emphasis is on proper technique, basic strategy, getting to serve and return serves for immediate game enjoyment. Different sets of shots will be presented each week with review as well. By the end of the session student will be able to play singles and doubles games in a social context and early competitive level. Coach: Dan Hiddleston

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1155	Mondays	9/12-12/5	10:30am-12:00pm	\$305

### Tennis Level 1 Beginners Tennis (2.0/2.5 NTRP Level)

Introductory class for players with little or no tennis experience. Emphasis is on proper technique, basic strategy, getting to serve and return serves for immediate game enjoyment. Different sets of shots will be presented each week with review as well. By the end of the session student will be able to play singles and doubles games in a social context. Coach: Dan Hiddleston

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1151	Tuesdays	9/13-12/6	10:30am-12:00pm	\$305

### Tennis Level 5 (3.5 NTRP Level)

For the player with match experience seeking help with consistency, more effective patterns and strategy. A different topic will be covered each week, such as singles and doubles technique adjustments, shot selection and positioning for social, early or more advanced competitive context. Last half-hour is match play. Coach: Leo Giraldi

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1155	Wednesdays	9/14-12/7	9:00am-10:30am	\$305

### Tennis Level 4 (3.0+/3.5NTRP Level)

For the player with match experience seeking help with consistency, more effective patterns and strategy. A different topic will be covered each week, such as singles and doubles technique adjustments, shot selection and positioning for social, early or more advanced competitive context. Last half-hour is match play. Coach Leo Giraldi

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1154	Wednesdays	9/14-12/7	10:30am-12:00pm	\$305

### Tennis Level 6 (4.0 NTRP Level)

Designed for the regular competitive player looking for technical pointers, more advanced drills and practice games in a social yet competitive environment. Students will be challenged with different patterns each week, specialty shots, taught creativity and encouraged to fine tune their style according to skills. Coach: Dan Hiddleston.

Code	Day	Dates	Time	Cost
1156	Thursdays	9/15-11/3	5:00pm-6:30pm	\$205



## Larkspur's Historic Downtown-Old North Central

Larkspur's downtown was developed in the late 1880s by about a dozen families who settled here and founded small businesses. Much of that activity centered in the area between Doherty Drive and Ward St. Within decades the dirt roads and wooden railroad station had been joined by a variety of homes, services and shops. Join us to discover the remaining vestiges of that early history!

Richard Cunningham will guide walkers on a two-hour tour through areas he researched and explained in the 2010 book Larkspur Past and Present. For more information, call Richard at 415-924-6976.

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 15, at 10:00 am - Noon.

**WHERE:** Meet in front of the 1929 railroad station ("King of the Roll" Restaurant) at 552 Magnolia Ave. Ample parking nearby.

**GUIDE:** Richard Cunningham.



## Historic Larkspur Walking Tours

Larkspur's Heritage Preservation Board sponsors free walking tours each year. Our fall offerings include a foray into historic Baltimore Canyon, the trees of Downtown, and the history of Downtown's northern portion. Walks are cancelled in the event of steady rain.



## History of Larkspur's Baltimore (Don't call it "Madrone") Canyon

Baltimore Canyon's recorded history began with a lumber mill and lively logging camp established during the 1849 Gold Rush. The Canyon later was settled by farmers, summer vacationers, and numerous colorful residents. A special feature of this walk will be the recent restoration of the prominent little "Honeymoon Cottage" at 143 Madrone Ave. Other elements include a visit to the lumber mill's location, stories of pioneer families, and the unique redwood forest setting that has made "Larkspur Canyon" a popular destination and residential neighborhood for more than a century. For more information, call Sue Cunningham at 415-924-6976.

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 17, 2016, at 10:00 AM.

**WHERE:** Meet two blocks south of downtown at the landmark oak tree standing in the center of West Baltimore Ave., at its intersection with Magnolia Ave. Ample parking nearby on West Baltimore Ave.

**COST:** Free

**GUIDE:** Sue Cunningham



## Trees of Historic Downtown

Larkspur's historic Downtown contains a variety of unusual trees. Join tree expert Katherine Jones for a one-hour tour that will reveal some special trees that might otherwise escape your notice. She will explain their features and provide some memorable anecdotes. For more information, call Katherine at 415-927-7647.

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and lasting about one hour.

**WHERE:** Meet at the NE corner of Magnolia Ave. and Ward St. near the city's parking lot. Ample parking is available on nearby streets.

**GUIDE:** Katherine Jones.



### For Fitness' Sake- Low-Impact Aerobics

Fitness is a gift that only you can give yourself. Make scheduling time for fitness a priority. Study after study concludes that regular, moderate exercise is beneficial for optimal health. This proven program has been offered in Marin since 1985. In our non-competitive, supportive atmosphere, we welcome you at your current fitness level, whatever that is. This is a professional, complete program from warm-up, aerobic and toning, through stretch and relaxation. For questions or to register, call Cindy Leroux at (415) 454-6801. Register for these classes directly with the instructor. \$6 drop-in.

*Class Location: Hall Middle School PE Portable*

Days	Dates	Time	Cost
Mon,Wed,Fri	Ongoing	5:30pm-6:35pm	\$40/8 classes
Mon,Wed,Fri	Ongoing	5:30pm-6:35pm	\$50/12 classes
Mon,Wed,Fri	Ongoing	5:30pm-6:35pm	\$60/month

### Larkspur Walkers

The Larkspur Walkers would like to invite you to join them on one of their morning walks. Walks start and finish at Piper Park. You have probably seen us walking along the bike paths, trails, and climbing the easement staircases around Larkspur. On the first Wednesday of each month we carpool from Piper Park to take a walk at a location within the county or in San Francisco. Walks are held every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 9:00am-10:00am. Come and walk with us, and decide if this is a fitness program that meets your needs. \$20 yearly membership is good until June 2015. *Location: Meet at Piper Park*

### Larkspur Community Garden

The Larkspur Community Garden has been in Piper Park since 1982. We work together to learn about mulching, watering, other gardeners' techniques, sharing harvests, and building community in an ongoing year-round opportunity. We participate in community garden projects, which keep our garden looking nice. We share good old garden know-how and receive recreation and therapeutic hands-in-the-soil benefits. To sign up for the waiting list call (415) 927-6746.



### "Expressions" A Writers' Workshop

Join us for a six-session, lighthearted creative writing seminar in different genres, and for all ages and stages of writers! You will be given handouts, prompts, and writing techniques, along with editing tips in a fun, relaxing, "non-threatening" environment. Facilitated by award-winning teacher and author Sue Sommer, founder of the Creative Writing program at Marin School of the Arts.

Code	Dates	Time	Cost	Ages
501	9/19-10/31	10:30am-1:00pm	\$150	Adult



### CLASSIC MOVIE DAYS at Larkspur Recreation

Join us for Classic Movie Days at the Recreation Center. Come enjoy a classic movie on the 2nd Friday of the month at 10am on our beautiful 70 inch hi definition TV. Please call the week of the showing to find out which movie we'll be showing. The cost is \$2 and please bring your own snacks. Requests will be taken for future showings. **Dates: September 9th, October 14th, November 4th & December 9th**

## Program for Adults with Special Needs

Larkspur Recreation offers a variety of programs at Larkspur Recreation in conjunction with Rec. Inc. for Adults with developmental disabilities. Programs vary from art classes, healthy eating, 3rd Friday dances, wiffleball, movie nights, basketball, world beat, and Lions Club. We always welcomes new participants, for more information about one of the programs visit the website at [www.recinc.org](http://www.recinc.org). Questions? Email [info@recinc.org](mailto:info@recinc.org) or call (415) 453-4847.

### Larkspur Champions Lions Club

Members of this special chapter of the international charitable organization: perform community service, act as officers, plan special events, and visit other Lions Clubs.

**Dates:** Check Rec Inc. website for session dates  
**Class Day:** 2nd & 4th Thursday of the Month  
**Time:** 6:00-7:30pm

### World Beat Circle

Music & dance everything happens here! It's a circle of personal sharing, stretching, African influenced dancing, and sometimes drumming.

**Dates:** 1/12-2/23  
**Class Day:** Tuesday  
**Time:** 6:10-7:10pm

### Be Healthy

Almost all our members have lost weight and are keeping it off! Dixie James with her weekly charismatic, inspirational talks, workout challenges, and healthy food discussions. Lose weight with the support of friends. Learn about nutrition and getting fit.

**Dates:** Check Rec Inc. website for session dates  
**Class Day:** Tuesday  
**Time:** 4:30-6:00pm

### Wiffleball with the Wildcats!

REC Inc has produced another undefeated sports team! Come play with Coach Karen Carlson while we slaughter teams from all over the community. Our players have made up an entirely new list of wacky rules so anyone can play this highly adaptable game. Ever play with no "outs", a zillion pitches, or 3 runners on one base?

**Dates:** Check Rec Inc. website for session dates  
**Class Day:** Tuesday  
**Time:** 6:15-7:30pm

### Third Friday Dance

This is an excellent opportunity to meet some new folks, catch up with friends, and have a great time. With the wild music of Ebony Slam by Feeve you'll want to dance! A different theme every month!

**Dates:** Check Rec Inc. website for session dates  
**Class Day:** 3rd Friday of Every Month  
**Time:** 7:00-9:30pm

### Basketball for Winners

Be a member of the Seals. Everyone plays - we adapt the game to our players' abilities. The Seals play community members, families, police & fire departments, community service groups, and celebrities like comedian Michael Pritchard.

**Dates:** Check Rec Inc. website for session dates  
**Class Day:** Monday  
**Time:** 6:35-8:00pm



## Mini Parks in Larkspur

### Bon Air Landing Park

South Eliseo Drive (next to 557 S. Eliseo)  
Fishing dock, sitting and picnic area greenbelt

### Centennial Park

Magnolia at Alexander Avenue  
Picnic tables, tennis courts, benches, drinking fountain, greenbelt, baseball fields.

### Doherty Park

Between Lucky's parking lot and Magnolia Avenue  
Benches, historical marker, greenbelt

### Dolliver Park

Magnolia Avenue at Madrone Avenue  
Play equipment, restroom, picnic area

### Greenbrae School Park

Eliseo to Parkside Way  
Tot lot, basketball court, greenbelt

### Hamilton Park

South Eliseo Drive (next to 1251 S. Eliseo)  
Sitting and picnic area, greenbelt

### Heatherwood Park

Midway at Diane Lane  
Play equipment, basketball hoop, picnic area, greenbelt

### Neighborhood Park

North side of Larkspur Landing Shopping Center  
Greenbelt, picnic area.

### Niven Park

Barry Way at Drakes Landing  
Benches, picnic tables, play equipment, greenbelt

### Remillard Park

East Sir Francis Drake Blvd.  
Freshwater marsh, wildlife sanctuary, bay fishing from levee.



## Piper Park

Located At 250 Doherty Drive (behind police station)  
Facilities are available to rent.

**Picnic Tables:** 30 tables and 14 BBQ grills  
\$41.00 per table or \$780.00 entire area

**Softball Fields:** 2 fields (price per field)  
Adult: \$46.00/hour Youth: \$41.00/hour

**Sand Volleyball Courts:** 2 courts (price per court)  
Adult: \$46.00/hour Youth: \$41.00/hour

**Soccer Field:** 1 grass field  
Adult: \$46.00/hour Youth: \$41.00/hour

**Synthetic Soccer Field:** 1 field  
Adult: \$72.00/hour Youth: \$72.00/hour

### Canine Commons Dog Park

Larkspur Canine Commons, located in Piper Park, is the regular playground for local dogs and their owners. This special area allows dogs and dog owners to have an opportunity to enjoy the company and interests of other people and their pets. To utilize the Canine Commons, dogs must display a current license, never be left unattended, and females must not be "in heat." It is also recommended dogs are spayed or neutered. Please remember to abide by the City's leash law and pick up after your pet. The Canine Commons is on the move! Check the website for additional information.





## Recreation Department Move Complete

We are back at our offices on the Hall Middle School campus! After months of renovation we have new insides! Come by and check out what was done! As you have probably seen the trailer in Piper Park is no longer there! Where did Public Works Department go? The Department of Public Works has moved to 325 Doherty Drive in the group of buildings that also houses Tamiscal High School and the Maintenance Department and Print Shop for Tamalpais Union High School District.



## Heritage Trees

Part of the culture of living in Larkspur is the respect and loving care we give our community's historical heritage trees. For this reason, Larkspur has long had a Heritage Tree Ordinance. Permits are required to remove or significantly prune a Heritage tree. View the Municipal Code (section 12.16) on our website at [www.cityoflarkspur.org](http://www.cityoflarkspur.org) for more information about Heritage Trees.



## Tree & Bench Donations

The City of Larkspur gratefully accepts donations of trees, park benches and/or monetary contributions for the city's parks. If this is of interest to you, please contact Public Works department at (415) 927-5017 or email [publicworks@cityoflarkspur.org](mailto:publicworks@cityoflarkspur.org).



## City Meetings

Unless noted all meetings will be held at City Hall in the Council Chambers 400 Magnolia Ave.

**City Council:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday 6:30pm

**Library Board:** 2nd Monday 6:15pm

**Planning Commission:** 2nd Tuesday 7:00pm

**Heritage Preservation Board:** 2nd Thursday 7:00pm

**Parks & Recreation Commission:** 3rd Thursday 7:30pm

## Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-5:00pm

Closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday

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## City Council

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# CENTENNIAL EVENTS COMING UP

### Fred Astaire Night on September 14

Many of us remember the great 1930's musical films with Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers. But Fred's stage career began in 1905 with Fred and his sister Adele Astaire starring in a very successful vaudeville act through the 1920's.



Come at 6:30pm and enjoy a very special live show highlighting the career of Fred and Adele before sound came to film in 1930. Frederick Hodges, noted musical expert of this era, will play and sing many of the hit songs Fred and Adele actually performed. You will see pictures of the theaters, posters and



newspaper clips from then. It will be a very entertaining show, and a wonderful opening to the Ray Simpson Dance Band season that begins right after the Fred Astaire program ends. The Lions Club will be selling drinks before and after the program, and everyone is encouraged to stay and dance for the rest of the evening.

### Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social in Menke Park on September 25

Celebrate the pleasures of days gone by at the Centennial Ice Cream Social sponsored by the Corte Madera Women's Club on September 25

from 1 to 4 pm at historic Menke Park in Old Corte Madera Square. A special Lappert's ice cream is being created for the Centennial and served at this event, along with home-baked cookies, penny candy, popcorn, root beer, iced tea, and lemonade. Admission is free.



Enjoy live music by the "Raspberry Jam Band" at Piccolo Pavilion and admire the classy antique vehicles on display.

Old-time games for kids on the lawn will include gunnysack races, beanbag toss, spoon relays-- with prizes for everyone.



### Corte Madera Honors Its Elders

In recognition of their spirit, inspiration and endurance, the Corte Madera Town Council will celebrate all those town residents who are 90 or more years old at "**Corte Madera Honors 2016**" on Sunday afternoon, August 28 from 2:30 until 4:30 pm at the Corte Madera Community Center. As we commemorate Corte Madera's own 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, our nonagenarians and centenarians hold a special place of honor as a living connection to our past. Be sure to come tip your hat to our venerable Corte Maderans!

### Corte Madera Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot starts at 8:00am in Town Park on November 24

This 5k Family-Friendly "run, walk, scoot, or bike" Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot is for all ages. Starting time is 8:00am at Town Park, and the route will be announced at the site.

Everyone is invited, and it's free! It's a great way to get acquainted with other folks from all over town. Treats and beverages will be provided at the finish line.



### Snow in Corte Madera? Really?

This photo from 1913 shows a blanket of snow in the old Square. Wrapping up our Centennial celebration this year, snow will be imported for a whole day of free festivities at Menke Park on **December 3** including games, music, holiday lights, and food -- and a ceremony to bury a new time capsule filled with mementos of Corte Madera's Centennial year. **Save the date!**

