

CALENDAR

For information on changes and special meetings call (650) 752-0500 or check the Town Community Calendar at www.ci.atherton.ca.us

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July 2007

- 3 Atherton Rail Comm.
- 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY
- 10 Transportation Committee
- 18 City Council
- 19 Tree Committee
- 24 Arts Committee
- 25 Planning Commission

- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- TOWN OFFICES CLOSED
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 4:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
- 1:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers

August 2007

- 1 General Plan Committee
- 1 Park & Rec. Comm.
- 7 Atherton Rail Comm.
- 15 City Council
- 16 Tree Committee
- 25 Planning Commission
- 28 Arts Committee

- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 6:30 p.m. H-P Park, Main House
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 4:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 1:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.

September 2007

- 4 Atherton Rail Comm.
- 5 Park & Rec. Comm.
- 19 City Council
- 20 Tree Committee
- 25 Arts Committee
- 26 Planning Commission

- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 6:30 p.m. H-P Park, Main House
- 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 4:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
- 1:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers

October 2007

- 2 Atherton Rail Comm.
- 3 Park & Rec. Comm.
- 3 Environmental Programs Comm.
- 9 Transportation Committee
- 17 City Council
- 18 Tree Committee
- 23 Arts Committee
- 24 Planning Commission

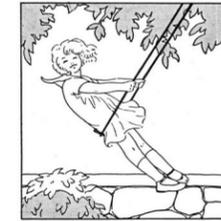
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 6:30 p.m. H-P Park, Main House
- 10:00 a.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers
- 4:00 p.m. Admin. Offices Mtg. Rm.
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- 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers



ATHERTONIAN

Quarterly Newsletter for Atherton Residents Summer 2007

SWING IN THE PARK BARBECUE



Don't forget to mark your calendars for the fall Holbrook-Palmer Park "Swing in the Park" B-B-Q on Sunday, September 9, 2007, sponsored by Holbrook-Palmer Park Foundation/Atherton Dames. There will be fun, music, and good food for all – and – there will be unique and wonderful swings for auction. Proceeds from this event will go toward projects in the Landscape Master Plan for Holbrook-Palmer Park.

THIRD ANNUAL ARTISTS' EXHIBITION AND RECEPTION

September 7 - Mark Your Calendar!

The Atherton Arts Committee will hold its Third Annual Artist' Reception and Exhibition on Friday, September 7, 2007, in Jennings Pavilion, 150 Watkins, Holbrook Palmer Park, Atherton, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Approximately 20 artists traditionally exhibit. Participants have displayed a variety of artistic accomplishments including oil, acrylic, and plein air paintings; photography; photography coupled with poetry; jewelry; handcrafted purses; sculptures; pottery; prints; and amazing dried and silk flower arrangements.

Our artists have won awards and have been featured in newspapers, magazines, and museums. It is an opportunity to meet them, see the range and abilities of local residents, and share food and beverage within our newly decorated Jennings Pavilion. The event is free to the public, sales are permitted, and reservations are not required. Please contact Betty Ullman at 650-369-8085 for information.



Lloydden Park Area Leads Atherton in Disaster Preparation

In order to be able to respond efficiently and expediently to a disaster, Lloydden Park Homeowners' Association started organizing the Lloydden Park area by dividing its 86 houses into 8 sub-areas with each of these areas having one or two captains.

John Sisson, who heads the Lloydden Park Homeowners' Association, stated "this disaster preparedness has been gratifying for me because most of our people seem willing to share what they have and help others. We did an initial survey of about 70 percent of the owners and found that most of them want to help each other and share resources such as chain saws that could be used to clear streets of fallen trees."



He went on to say, "to keep this emergency preparation moving forward, captains held monthly meetings for the last eight months and received quite good participation. But like any homeowners' association, members must be constantly challenged to maintain or increase their interest and activity, otherwise, their participation dwindles. Additional disaster preparation activities need to be organized and held to help the town build interest rather than loose it."

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ATHERTON P.A.L. GIVES 2 SCHOLARSHIPS

I am pleased to announce that 2 graduating seniors from the Class of 2007, **Christina Ross Dixon** from Menlo-Atherton High School and **Lauren Boyle** from Sacred Heart, have each earned a \$5,000 College Scholarship sponsored by the Atherton Police Activities League. Requirements of this program are completion of a P.A.L. application, G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher, college bound, athletic participation, community involvement, personal statement of 250 words, a letter of recommendation, and high school transcripts. This is only the sixth year of this program and the applications and young adults who apply for this opportunity are all a great group, and the decision becomes harder each time.

Lauren Boyle is a model student. Her participation in basketball and lacrosse during her four years as a high school student, along with maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 3.73, is impressive. She has also won two team MVP awards, honorable mention for All League in the WCAL, and one of the top three point and free throw scorers of the 2007 season. Lauren has also been an active member in her community as a camp counselor and volunteering at a school for the mentally and physically disabled in Pacifica. One of her proudest accomplishments is when she traveled to Taos, New Mexico, to tutor under-privileged children on an Indian reservation.



Lauren will be attending UC Davis in the fall to receive a degree in Engineering. College Counselor Kristen Alexander writes: "At her core, she is an energetic, competitive, determined and hard-working young woman. And she is one of the most driven young women I have met."

Lauren writes: "I love a challenge. I guess one could say that I try to overachieve and make things more difficult for myself to accomplish, but I enjoy the challenge most of all. Ever since I was young, I loved

playing sports with the older kids as a way to push myself and improve. I academically choose courses like AP Chemistry, AP English Literature or AP Calculus, to push myself. I take the initiative to seek help from my teachers whenever I need to, and I never settle for a grade lower than my best."

Christina Ross Dixon "is a skilled basketball player whose biceps earned her the nickname 'Guns' in my classroom," writes Lisa Otsuka, English Teacher from Menlo-Atherton High School. "But Christina's strength is more than physical. She is very strong mentally and she has dealt with hardships and academic challenges with grace and perseverance." Some of Christina's highlights include playing varsity level basketball, even as a freshman. In her Junior year, she was awarded most scored points on the team, 284, won all tournament 4 times, MVP, and played in an international tournament in Canada. She has also coached basketball for kids 7-9 years old at her church, took them to professional basketball games and taught them "that a good attitude could take them a long way."

Christina writes, "I aspire to be a cardiac surgeon for a few reasons. First, it is my dream, second, money should not be a factor in medical care, third, the most loving person I know, Inez Clewis, my grandmother encourages me because of her heart condition. I believe that by achieving my goals, I can give a great deal back to my community because I will have the opportunity to perform open heart surgery and other procedures on those who most need it."

Christina will be attending CSU, Northridge, where she hopes to complete her medical degree and "establish a heart foundation that will be full of the love my grandmother exhibits for my family and others."



TOWN OF ATHERTON

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CITY COUNCIL

Meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
Town Council Chambers • 94 Ashfield Road

Alan B. Carlson, Mayor	408-998-4150 (wk) acarlson@ci.atherton.ca.us
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Jerry Carlson, Council Member	321-1327 jcarlson@ci.atherton.ca.us
Charles E. Marsala, Council Member	328-7113 cmarsala@ci.atherton.ca.us
Kathleen McKeithen, Council Member	321-3633 kmckeithen@ci.atherton.ca.us

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

(All area codes are 650 unless otherwise noted.)



Comcast Cable.....	(800) 945-2288
California Water Service.....	367-6800
Pacific Gas & Electric	(800) 743-5000

County Services

Animal Control.....	363-4840
Assessor.....	363-4500
Library.....	328-2422
Supervisor, Richard Gordon, 3rd District.....	363-4569
Voter Registration	312-5222

Menlo Park Fire District

Business/Administration Office.....	688-8400
Emergency	323-2404 or 911

Waste / Recycling

Allied Waste / BFI.....	592-2411
Recycling.....	637-1411
Fair Oaks Sanitation District.....	363-4100
West Bay Sanitation District.....	321-0384

DIRECTORY

Contacts & Telephone Numbers

Main Number	752-0500
Fax Number	688-6528
email:	atherton@ci.atherton.ca.us

Animal Control	363-4840
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Building	
Mike Wasmann	752-0518
Information/Inspections	752-0560
Daily Inspection Schedule	752-0561

City Attorney	
Marc Hynes, City Attorney	967-6941

City Manager	
Jim Robinson, City Manager	752-0504
Wendé Protzman	752-0546
Assistant to the City Manager	
Kathi Hamilton	
Acting City Clerk	752-0529

Town Planner	
Neal Martin, Town Planner	799-8466
Lisa Costa Sanders,	
Deputy Town Planner	333-0248

Finance	
John Johns, Director	752-0531
Paula Pierce,	
Assistant Director	752-0519

Library	328-2422
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Police	
Robert Brennan	752-0506
General Information	688-6500
Emergency	9-1-1

Post Office	
General Information	752-0500

Public Works	
Information/Permits	752-0570
Duncan Jones, Director	752-0532
Steve Tyler, PW Superintendent	752-0541
Jean Cardona, Park Program Mgr.	752-0534
Kathy Hughes Anderson,	
Town Arborist	752-0526

Heritage Room	
Atherton Heritage Association	688-6540

STAY CONNECTED DURING A DISASTER

How will you contact your children, friends, or parents when an earthquake has downed power and telephone poles? The only way to talk with the outside world may be by using an amateur "HAM" radio license which is relatively easy to obtain.

Here's how, attend three Tuesday night classes from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. on July 10, 17, 24, and take the final exam on July 31 to earn your license. Once you pass your test, you can purchase a tiny, two-way radio that's smaller than most compact digital cameras.

Communication to the outside world for this type of "Ham" equipment is typically thru "repeaters" that have been installed on tall buildings and mountains, which may be connected to Internet lines that carry voice communications to other "Hams" all over the world. If "Hams" live in the same area as your relatives, you might be able to talk with them when a disaster disrupts the use of phones. In addition, you could volunteer to use your "Ham" equipment and knowledge to help fire and police communicate during a disaster.

There will be a free Emergency Communications Training Class on August 7 at Menlo Park Fire Station #77, 1467 Chilco St. in East Palo Alto. To register, email Ken Dueker at kdueker@powerflare.com. and let him know you want to attend this class. This course is open to the public but priority goes to disaster volunteer members first.

2007 SPECIAL OLYMPICS

On Saturday, May 19th, Sgt. Anthony Kockler and Lt. Glenn Nielsen volunteered again at this year's Special Olympics at Menlo College. They awarded hundreds of medals to Special Olympians of all ages.



DISASTER TRAINING COULD HELP ATHERTON RESIDENTS GET HOME

An upcoming, six-night course in disaster training could be life saving for both you and your neighbors. You'll learn basic disaster skills such as medical first aid, light search and rescue, and how to help yourself and others with the assistance of local disaster relief organizations. The course is called CERT which stands for Community Emergency Response Team.

Besides the knowledge listed above, you'll receive a CERT certificate which shows to all that you're an officially recognized disaster worker. It's that certificate that might get you through police lines when everyone else is told to stay put for awhile, say several officials.

The next CERT course that will be offered by the Menlo Park Fire Protection District is scheduled for September 29, 2007, at the Sacred Heart School.

To register, call Carol Parker at (650) 688-8415 or go to the CERT web site at:

<http://www.menlofire.org/cert/courses.html>

SOLAR CAN BE PROFITABLE



An opportunity for Atherton residents to receive up to 30% discounts on solar purchases through July 31st is available. The contract negotiated with Solar City sets a combined goal for Atherton and Menlo Park of 175KW of contracted purchases as a requirement for residents to receive the discount. Last year Portola Valley far surpassed the requirement and Mountain View just met its program goal. By combining with Menlo Park, we have a greater chance of meeting the goal and our plan allows for partial discounts if we fall short of the 175KW. The average Atherton resident uses 1500 KW of electricity per month with twenty-five percent of usage at the highest PG&E levels, this helps justify solar as it eliminates the highest rates first.

Solar City will make a one-and-half hour presentation at the Park Pavilion on July 24th at 7: 00 p.m. on how solar can be profitable. For more details visit AthertonGreen.net.

WHAT IS ATHERTONGREEN.NET?

AthertonGreen.net is a web site built by Atherton Environmental Programs Committee (EPC) member Valerie Gardner, who also served as chair of this year's Earth Week activities. The comprehensive site has information on a variety of programs for Green Building in Atherton and ways to reduce energy consumption.

Back in 1999 the Council formed the Waste Reduction Committee to meet the state mandate of AB939 requiring cities to reduce landfill waste by 50%. The committee recommended, and the Council implemented, two programs to meet that requirement. For a time residents were given unlimited free green waste containers and a construction and demolition ordinance was adopted. Currently, more than 60% of home demolition products are recycled from Atherton homes and almost 50% of residential waste is diverted from landfills.

In 2006, the Council expanded the Waste Reduction Committee to the Environmental Programs Committee shortly before the state passed AB32, which requires large reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. For Atherton, this means reducing our energy consumption, which also can save residents and the Town money. Also, in 2006, Town Arborist Kathy Hughes-Anderson organized an E-Waste recycling event with over 150 residents dropping off e-waste. This year the EPC expanded Earth Day events to showcase electric cars, home solar systems, and green living products including cleansers, wines, fashions, travel, and building products. For children, there were several activities including an art contest, exhibit of wild animals from around the world, and tree seedling planting.

The EPC has met twice with the General Plan Committee with a third meeting planned for October 10th. The Committees are working on a set of Green Building Guidelines and encourage residents to attend and participate. The last meeting was held at the Green Building Exchange in Redwood City, the next meeting will be at the Park Pavilion. Six categories of Green Building Awards have been created for Atherton residents to apply for by September 14th. They include Demolition/Re-use, Energy Efficiency/Renewable Energy, Use of Recycled Content Materials, Indoor Air Quality, Water Conservation, and Green Architect Design.

SAN MATEO COUNTY CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

The Atherton Police Department has teamed with other San Mateo County Police and Fire agencies to create a county-wide chaplaincy program. This program provides professionally trained chaplains to support police officers, firefighters, and dispatchers after they have dealt with critical incidents. Additionally, these chaplains are called to the scene of traumatic incidents to provide support for crime victims and witnesses, and to those who have experienced a loss. Atherton Police Lt. Glenn Nielsen is serving as the president of the Board of Directors of the chaplaincy program.

This new program is supported by tax-deductible 501(c)3 donations. Donations may be mailed to the San Mateo County Chaplaincy, care of the Atherton Police Department, 83 Ashfield Road, Atherton 94027.

Some of the things the Chaplaincy Program does:

- Stays with family members at the scene of a critical incident during and after the police officer's investigation to provide spiritual, emotional and psychological support.
- Officiates memorial services when family is not part of a faith community.
- Provide on-scene support to First Responders as they do their jobs.
- Accompany police officers to do death notifications and then stay to assist families as they absorb the tragic news.
- Follow-up with citizens and First Responders to provide counsel and support regarding grief, spiritual, and emotional issues.
- Participate in the life of public safety agencies so that when a crisis comes for one of their personnel and/or their families we aren't strangers.

Lloyd Park

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One important next step is to put disaster-related information about each family into a database that's available to fire and police officers during a disaster. It might include such information as who is authorized to be inside or around a particular house and how someone can be contacted if the homeowner is on vacation during the disaster. A short, historical description of Lloyd Park is available at:

<http://johnfyten.com/password%20protected%20files/atherton.htm>.

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

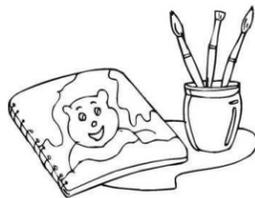


Congratulations to Lynn Colliau for being selected as the Employee of the Quarter. Lynn was nominated by two fellow employees. Lynn, the Finance Assistant since October 2005, filled in for two different employees when staffing was low and took on responsibilities in the Building Department. Lynn is described as a team player with exceptional public relation skills, excellent organizational skills, and always looking for additional duties over and above what is required. Thank you, Lynn, for all you do for the Town of Atherton!

SELBY LANE SCHOOL DONATION WISH LIST

Selby Lane School's teachers have developed a list of needed items to update, add, and improve their ability to teach the Selby Lane School students. Please consider donating any or a group of these items. All check and stock donations, will be 100%

tax deductible and can be mailed to: Selby Education Foundation (SEF), 50 Woodside Plaza Ste 513, Redwood City, CA 94061. For additional information and to view the list, please visit <http://selbyeducationfoundation.org>.



PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AT THE ATHERTON LIBRARY

July 16, 4:00 p.m.: MAD SCIENCE

This organization will present a show on Movie Special Effects! For ages 5 and older.

July 18, 4:00 p.m.:

HARRY POTTER CELEBRATION!

Children ages 3 and up are invited to become honorary Hogwarts students for the day. There will be stations for face painting, wand making, and more! Registration in advance is required in order to provide materials.

July 23, 4:00 p.m.: THE BUBBLE LADY

Rebecca Nile, also known as "The Bubble Lady," will perform. Fun for all ages!

July 30, 4:00 p.m.: UNCLE EYE, THE STORY GUY

Ira Levin is a musical storyteller who will present an interactive show for ages 3 and up.

August 6, 4:00 p.m.:

DAD & ME @ THE LIBRARY,
FEATURING PUPPET ART THEATRE

A special program just for dads and kids (moms are welcome, too!) A puppet show based on "Peter and the Wolf."

September 10, 4:00 p.m.: COLIBRI

This musical duo will present a lively interactive journey through Latin America using a variety of instruments. Fun for the whole family!

September 20: 4:00 p.m.:

READ FOR THE RECORD!

Join us as groups around the world attempt to break the world record by reading "The Story of Ferdinand".

FINAL FRIDAY FLICKS:

July 27, August 31, September 28, and October 26, 7:00 p.m.: Join us the last Friday of the month at 7 pm for movies the whole family will enjoy! Call the library to find what films we'll be featuring. Free refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library.



STORYTIMES

Toddler Time

Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. through

August 14

For children ages 18 months to 36 months.

Preschool Storytime

Tuesday afternoons at 3:30 p.m. through August 14
For children ages 3-6.

Musical Storytime

July 11 and 25; August 8 and 22 at 4:00 p.m.

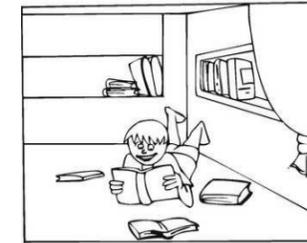
Family storytime for all ages.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM RUNS THROUGH AUGUST 31

The children's theme is "Get a Clue @ Your Library."

The artist for this year's program is California children's book illustrator Mark Teague. Children earn great prizes for reading 20 minutes

a day. Come into the library to join the club and get a reading log!



There is a teen summer reading program for those in grades 6 and above. The theme is

"YNK: You Never Know @ Your Library." There will be a raffle for participants and finishers earn a chance to win an American Express gift card or an iPod! All finishers will receive a \$10 Kepler's gift card. Come into the library to sign up!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND BOOK EXCHANGE

Saturday, September 15 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Bring a book and take a book, and have some free ice cream in the Library Secret Garden! Bring the whole family!

**Children's programs, Final Friday Flicks, and Ice Cream Socials are sponsored by the Friends of the Atherton Library (except as noted). If you wish to sponsor a special children's program, contact the librarian for details at 328-2422, ext. 225.



PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS AT THE ATHERTON LIBRARY

"IT'S A MYSTERY TO ME!"

"M is for Mystery"

Adult Summer Reading Club

Join the Adult Summer Reading Club-it's easy! Each time you finish reading or listening to a book, come into the library to fill out a Reader Recommendation card and drop it in our special box. At the end of the month (June, July, August), we will be drawing winners for great prizes such as a Starbucks gift basket, Kepler's Gift card, a gift certificate to the Moss Beach Distillery, and more!

ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY

This October we will all be reading and discussing Daughter of Fortune by Isabel Allende. Check with the library in late summer for a full calendar of events but in the meantime, mark your calendars for the following events.

October 2, 7:30 p.m.:

THE CHILEAN CONNECTION

Former Menlo College president and well-known historian Carlos Lopez will discuss the unique historical connection between Atherton and Chile, the setting for much of Daughter of Fortune.

October 11, 7:30 p.m.:

ISABEL ALLENDE IN CONVERSATION WITH MICHAEL KRASNY.

Join us for a great evening with our featured author at the San Mateo Performing Arts Center.

DIGIQUEST: TV & VIDEO SUMMER CAMP

The Midpeninsula Community Media Center is offering a summer TV and video camp for children ages 12 to 17. Classes on studio production, field production, and digital production run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., starting July 9 through August 10, 2007. Tuition per session is \$430; for more information or to register, please call 650-494-8686 or visit

www.communitymediacenter.net.