



ABOUT TOWN - FEBRUARY 15, 2024

UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF



MORAGA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK!



Moraga was incorporated as a town in 1974 and is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year! To help celebrate, the Town is collecting recipes for a Community Cookbook. This cookbook will be a keepsake for your family for years to come. Upload your recipes [here](#) by February 28. Cookbooks will be printed and sold at Town events and the Hacienda starting in June. Additionally, the Town will have events and activities planned to celebrate Moraga's Semicentennial, including a parade prior to the Pear and Wine Festival on September 28.

For information on upcoming activities, visit www.moraga.ca.us/50thAnniversary.



TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS ON FEBRUARY 14, 2024

ACCEPTING CANYON ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Town Council adopted a resolution accepting the Canyon Road Bridge Replacement Project as completed by Bridgeway Civil Constructors, Inc.

[View the Staff Report.](#)

AMENDING THE ART IN PUBLIC SPACES COMMITTEE CHARTER

Town Council voted to amend the Art in Public Spaces Committee Charter to include one "Non-Voting Non-Council or Non-Voting Town Councilmember Liaison" Member and increase the number of "Moraga Community Members" from four (4) to five (5). This amendment also confirms the appointment of Mayor Onoda as the "Non-Voting Councilmember Liaison" and Julie Stagg and Elyse Marr as "Moraga Community Members."

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2024 MORAGA CITIZEN(S) OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Do you have a person or couple in mind to be honored as the 2024 Moraga Citizen(s) of the Year? Please email your nominations to: nominations@lamorindaweekly.com or mail it to Moraga Citizen of the Year Nominations, Lamorinda Weekly, 1480 Moraga Road, Suite C #202, Moraga CA 94556. The deadline for receipt of nominations is Friday, March 8. A celebration will be held on Sunday, April 14, at the Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church to honor the winner. For a list of past recipients visit: www.mcnmoraga.org.



MORAGA CHAMBER BUSINESS AND NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR

Nominations are currently open to recognize local businesses and nonprofits! Nominate a Moraga BUSINESS and/or a NONPROFIT that you feel is worthy of this honor. The Moraga Chamber of Commerce Board will select and recognize one business and one nonprofit. Self-nominations are welcome! If you would like to nominate both a business and a nonprofit, please complete two separate nomination forms. Nominations are due by Monday, March 4th. The selected Business and Nonprofit will be announced to the membership soon after and an event in their honor will take place. Head to <https://moragachamber.org/accepting-nominations/> to nominate!



WEST COMMONS PARK MUD BALL TOSS



On Saturday, January 27, 2024 Mayor Onoda and Councilmember Sos attended the “Mud Ball Toss” at West Commons Park. Moraga Youth Involvement and the Campo Environmental Group made over 500 “mud balls” to toss out into the fields in West Commons Park. Compiled together on January 20, 2024, these “mud balls” are the size of a dime and contain seeds from several native plants. This activity is a fun way to ensure native plants grow and thrive in our parks and open space in the Town of Moraga.



RESCUE 1 FOUNDATION- BOARD RECRUITMENT

The Rescue 1 Foundation Mission is to receive and administer donations in order to enhance public safety by providing advanced medical and safety equipment, supplies, and educational services for the Moraga-Orinda Fire District. The Foundation accepts donations for the MOFD and uses the money to buy specialized equipment for the department that would not normally be purchased by the district.

The Rescue 1 Foundation is looking for someone who lives within the Moraga-Orinda Fire District to fill a board member vacancy. There are 11 members on the Board which meets once a month to discuss finances and community outreach. The seat opens up April 2024. Interested community members residing in the Moraga-Orinda Fire District service area are eligible to apply by submitting a letter of interest to the Nominating Committee before March 20, 2024. Letters may be mailed to: Maridel Moulton, Nominating Committee Chair, Rescue 1 Foundation, c/o Moraga-Orinda Fire District, 1280 Moraga Way, Moraga, CA 94556 or emailed to mmmorgdev1@aol.com.



MORAGA STORM PREPARATIONS

Storms have been hitting the Bay Area for the past several weeks, and Moraga’s Public Works crews were ready! Below is a list of activities your Public Works crew does in preparation for and in response to winter storms: installation of a sand bag station at Rancho Laguna Park, maintenance of the Town’s storm drains and any necessary storm drain pipe cleanings, Town street sweeping, and to prevent damage to Town property, they sandbagged in and around Hacienda’s Pavilion building. Thank you, Public Works, for keeping us safe and dry during winter storm events.



HOUSING RESOURCES FOR RESIDENTS

The Town of Moraga has Housing Resources for residents on the [MakeMoragaHome website](#). The Town partners with the County to provide many of the resources, such as Mortgage Credit Certificate program, Neighborhood Preservation Program, First Time Homebuyers Resources, ECHO’s First-Time Home Buyer Counseling, Programs for Seniors, Fair Housing, Housing Services for Persons with Disabilities, Landlord/Tenant Issues, California Housing Finance Agency, Mortgage Revenue Bonds. Visit the website or stop by the Planning Department front counter for more information.



MORAGA JUNIORS SPRING FESTIVAL/EGG HUNT 2024



Join us for a fun-filled egg hunt at Moraga Commons Park! Get ready to hunt for colorful eggs and enjoy a day of excitement with your friends and family. This will be a fun filled family event with egg hunt, games, bounce house, crafts, drinks, food, and more. Don't miss out on the chance to find eggs filled with surprises and treats, shop food & drinks at select local food trucks, do Spring-themed arts & crafts and more! Mark your calendars and get ready for an egg-cellent time! \$20 per child. All proceeds will benefit local schools and community organizations, such as the local library and parks and recreation. Buy tickets at moragajuniors.org.



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Tue., 2/20/24, 6:30 PM [Planning Commission](#), Council Chambers

Wed., 2/28/24, 5:00 PM [Town Council](#), Council Chambers

Tue., 3/5/24, 6:30 PM [Planning Commission](#), Council Chambers

Mon., 3/11/24, 6:30 PM [Park & Recreation Commission](#), Council Chambers

The Town Council Chambers are located at [335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556](https://www.moraga.org/335-Rheem-Boulevard). The Casita, Terrace Room, La Sala Room, and Hacienda de las Flores are located at [2100 Donald Drive, Moraga, CA 94556](https://www.moraga.org/2100-Donald-Drive).

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the [Town's](#) website for updated agendas and packets.

How to watch live streaming of the Town Council meetings:

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