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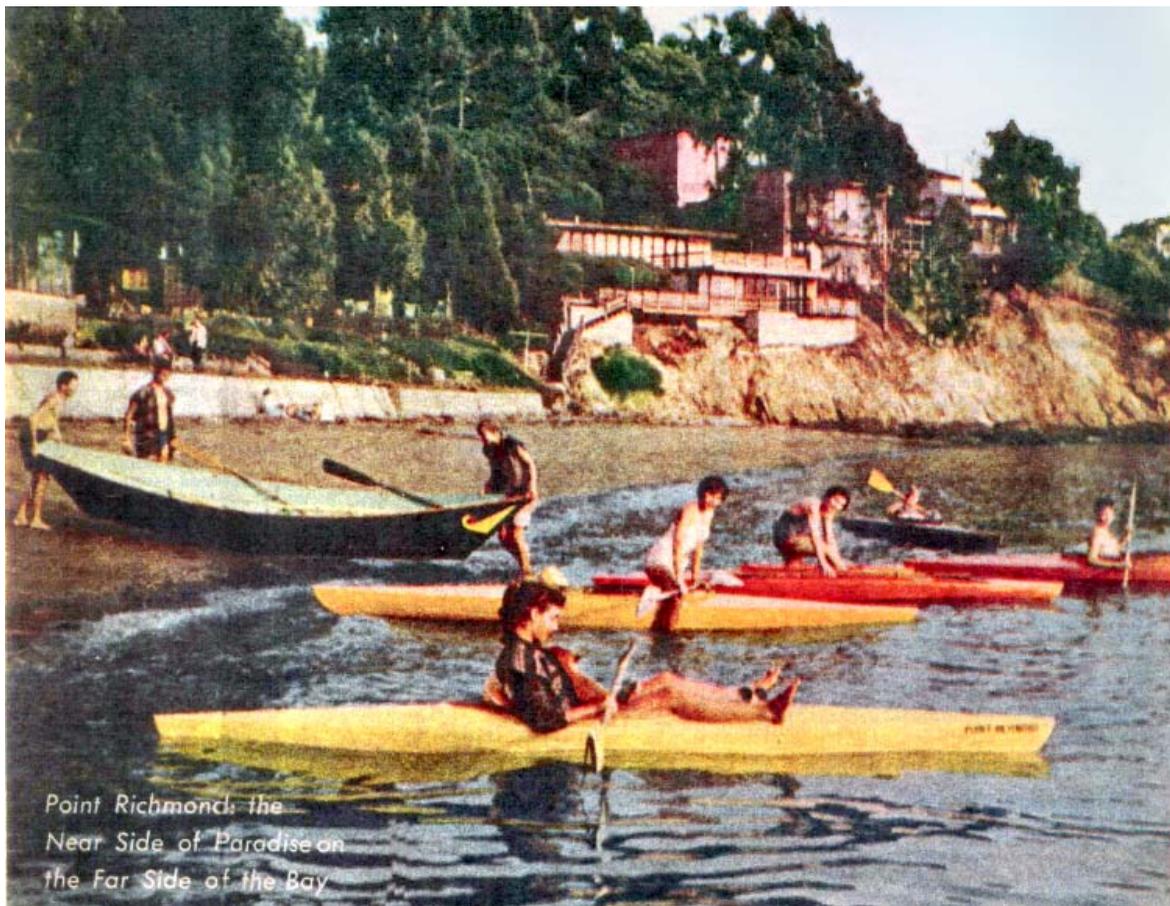
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Kozy Kove

“Point Richmond: the Near Side of Paradise on the Far Side of the Bay.”

S.F. Examiner, 1959

Kozy Kove

From Donna Roselius "This Point.. in Time"

Loomis Park was provided to the public by Mr. B.E. Loomis, who owned the property from Keller's beach to beyond Washington Avenue, and from Crest Avenue to the reservoir atop Water Street. About 1905, Mr. Loomis built the concrete bulkhead and had cypress and palm trees planted in a horseshoe shape up from the beach. Atop Washington Avenue, he provided benches so that people could sit and enjoy the view of the Bay. Following the 1906 earthquake, the benches were used for a different kind of viewing – the flames that covered San Francisco, and their eerie reflection in a clear Bay.

An article in the Richmond Record Herald of March 23, 1914, reads: 'Amusement Park to be started on the West Side. Kozy Kove Pleasure Park Company headed by Frank Agar and other San Francisco capitalists closed a deal purchasing the holdings of the Point Richmond Warehouse and Dock Company on Bay Shore Tract and will convert same into a resort. It will take over what is known as 'Loomis Park' and it will be known as Kozy Kove. The price paid is said to be \$45,000. An open air café and dancing pavilion will be constructed.'

Work on the \$10,000 park began in April, 1914. Half a mile of shoreline had been purchased, and on it were a large dancing pavilion, 100 bath houses and shrubbery. The grand opening took place on Memorial Day. Boating, dancing and swimming were accompanied by the sound of a Hawaiian dance band.

The idyllic pleasure "resort" lasted only one season under the management of Mr. Agar and a Mrs Schinkel of Oakland. During her brief stay, Mrs. Schinkel made herself unpopular by bringing a suit against Mrs. Nelly Keller, widow of Gus Keller, who had been killed in the Santa Fe Tunnel. Mrs. Keller's only means of livelihood was the small wharf and boat rental business at "Keller's Beach" adjacent to Kozy Kove. Attorney Wilbur Pierce defended Mrs. Keller free of charge.

During the winter of 1914, the Point endured its worst storm in twenty years, and Kozy Kove was heavily damaged. On May 7, 1915, all equipment of the Kove was sold at auction. "Simultaneously with the sale," recalls Mr. Church, "Adolph Winters, the local florist, armed with a pick and shovel, dug up all of the shrubbery which he had planted to beautify the park.

"No more from out of its dance hall will float the syncopated airs of ragtime, no more from beneath its cypress hedges will float the love songs of the swains wooing their fair young mates..." but within a month, a new company was formed, and on June 3 the paper reported: "The Kove will open under the management of Benson and Jansing after a thorough overhauling and remodeling. In addition, a playground for children has been built. Electricity has been carried to every part of the grounds, which can now be enjoyed by day or night." During the week, young couples danced to the nickelodeon, and on weekends the finest dance band "ever to hit Richmond", the Lenzen-McCracken orchestra, provided the music. Lodges and other groups rented the park at times, and the Kove was extremely popular.

With the rising popularity of the automobile, Kozy received less and less business, and in 1919, the Kove was offered to the City of Richmond on two different plans, one at \$22,500, and the other at \$32,500. The sale was offered by a Mrs. Elizabeth Chamberlain, so evidently Benson and Jansing had not

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Mid Dornan

A big thank you to Bonnie Jo Cullison and Tom Piazza for their efforts in producing the reprint of our “THIS POINT in time”, the book is now once again, a reality. This long sought after book is now available for sale (see the inside cover for details). Tom and Bonnie Jo also made sure to get the issue in an editable form so that we will be able to update the publication. If anyone reading this has a historic house or building in Point Richmond that should be included, or updated in the book please let us know.

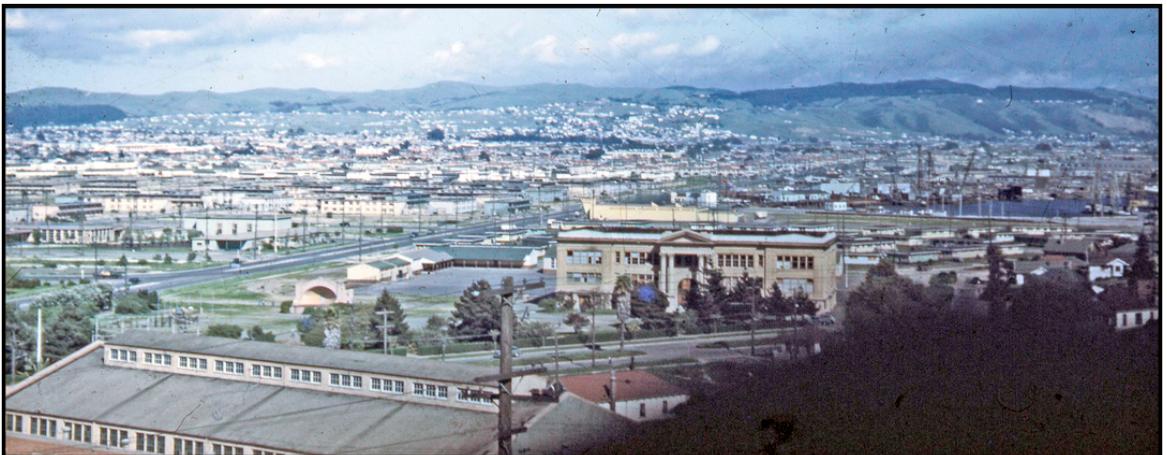
Go to page 23 of this issue to see how to get your own copy.

We didn't have space for this (below) interesting photo of Washington School and surrounding area in our last Washington School issue, so here it is thank you to Simeon Burtner of El Paso, Texas.

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***Gift membership from Velma Healy**
****Gift membership from Donna Wilson**
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consummated their purchase, and Mrs. Schinkel had remarried, because, in 1925 the Schinkel estate would have let the city purchase the land for only \$9,000. The city obviously took neither offer, and soon the Kove became part of the residential section of the town.

At least one famous guest visited the Kove in its heyday. Jack London paid the City of Richmond a visit, and after being given a tour of Standard Oil and Winehaven he attended some festivities at Kozy Kove. Don Church remembered talking to Jack, when he became tired of all the attention, and escaped to talk to some young boys who were watching the party from a distance. Don remembered the stir caused by his absence, and the ladies all calling for him, as he sat there talking to the boys, and ignoring their call. London stayed in the Point for two days, and then took off in his boat, "The Roamer."

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EDITOR'S NOTES

Gary Shows (510-235-1336)

As usual, summer has sure gone by quickly, it has been a nice cool one for our area, at least up to the end of August. Here is September/October issue. Thanks to everyone who has participated.

I am pleased that Margaret Morkowski has agreed to prepare a regular column for us called "Out and About Town". Her first installment is in this issue. I have been hoping for this sort of information for quite some time. Who better to do it than Margaret who gets around the Point pretty darn well!

Michael Gill, Senior Manager, Operations of Transcept Pharmaceuticals, 1003 Cutting Blvd has decorated his company's offices with large, framed high quality reproductions of about 30 photos from our archives. They really are quite impressive! Call Michael at 510-215-3575 and ask him to give you a quick tour.

The deadline for contributions to the next issue, Winter is November 9, 2007.

The June, July, August newsletter assembly crew, thanks to you all:

Jerry Cerkanowicz
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A-MID TRIVIA

Mid Dornan (510-234-5334)

It was an exciting time in the Pearson home when Pat became a great grandmother for the first time. Her granddaughter Sarah Davis Cler and husband, Scott welcomed Samuel Charles Cler on August 10th in Los Angeles. Sarah is the daughter of Pat's son, Jim Davis of Hemet. Pat said she did not feel older being a great-grandmother, but she did feel very old to know her son is a grandfather.

Since they each have August Birthdays and this year Dave Shank turned 80 and Marge Marmon, his wife turned 75, they decided to celebrate the special occasion by hosting a festive party at their home in the Frosini House on August 18th. There was music, singing and lots of food and drink. The weather was great and indeed, a good time was had by all.

On June 10th, the Frosini family gathered at the family home on Contra Costa Street to unveil the Historical Plaque which describes the home and its history. There were three generations of Frosini's and many friends present for the occasion. The house was decorated to honor the Italian heritage of the family. For the unveiling ceremony there were

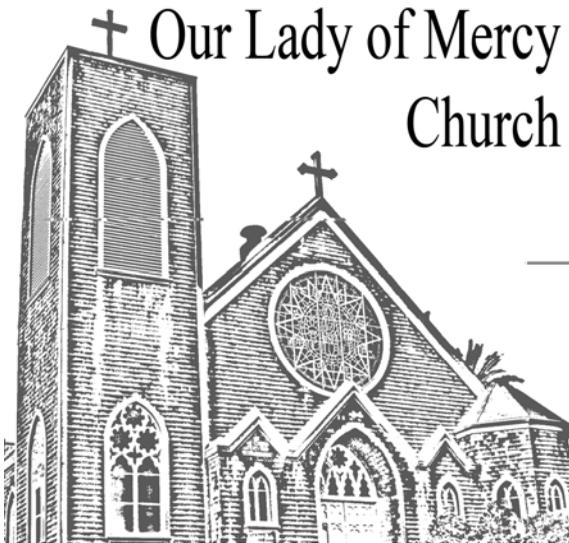
appropriate speeches by Al, The remaining son, and speaking for the deceased members of the family was daughter of Cesare Frosini and the son of Frieda Frosini Alonzo. Then whomever else wated to speak joined in. The plaque was unveiled and the party began. The family had a great time visiting with each other and meeting new friends invited for the occasion. Of course, to preserve the Italian tradition, there was a lot of food and wine to enjoy.

A FALL "OPEN HOUSE" on Friday, September 7, 2007 heralded the re-opening of the Community Center in the Point. The City of Richmond Recreation Department and the West Contra Costa Adult Education had representatives to greet the gathered community members interested in seeing classes again in this convenient location. Open on Fridays from 10 to noon, the first class topic on September 14, 2007 will be a Rosie the Riveter Discussion. Guests were given a brown bag to bring your own lunch. From 1 to 2:20 there will be an introduction of Various Groups with interest in Center's Success, i.e. Women's Westside Improvement Club, etc. Everyone is urged to attend and give suggestions of your interests for classes.



A 1915 Point Richmond Bunch at Kozy Kove including Pete McLaughlin, Hjalmer Westman, Ed Neville, Curley McNeill, Claude Craig, Bill McLaughlin, Tim Reardon, and Rosie Cardoza (0231-Dc from Don Church)

CHURCH NEWS



† Our Lady of Mercy Church

*By Dee Rosier
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Our summer hiatus is over and it's time to hit the keyboard. Summer is vacation time and many have enjoyed trips to exotic places or closer to home trips, but even though we enjoy vacations – there is no place like home.

Father O'Rourke has had a very busy schedule, logging in 20,000 air miles. Most of the miles were devoted to his documentary which is now in rough cut form. He did find time to visit a cousin in Rhode Island and attend his nephew's wedding in Connecticut. His rose garden continues to bloom and brighten the rectory yard. During his five years in residency, he has seen to many needed repairs; i.e., roof leak, weather side windows painted, new church carpet, new sound system, church hall painted and new round tables, outside windows of rectory painted, and the Sanctuary lights updated and reset. The back porch stairs were recently repaired, as well as the side stairs to the church. A parishioner stepped forward to repair the stairways. The alarm system has been tended to after sending false alarms. For those of you who hear background in the sound system, the problem is being looked

into and should be soon be resolved. The structural studies required by the diocese have also been fulfilled. We are all aware that there are some big ticket items that need to be addressed, mainly the roof. It will remain on hold until it is decided which way to approach the needed repair. At present we are in the which came first the chicken or the egg. We need a new roof, but we also need to retrofit??? There has also been interest in restoring the stained glass windows.

Should anyone wish to take ownership for either the roof/retrofit or window restoration – please step forward.

Father now has a BBQ, so he has extended his culinary skills from the kitchen to the outdoors. Those who attended the August BBQ will no doubt agree that he does as well outdoors as indoor. Father just returned from a week of fishing at the Dominican Camp on the McKenzie River in Oregon.

When you call the rectory and leave a message, please remember to speak slowly and clearly so that your call can be returned.

Congratulations to Michael Workman who recently retired from Chevron after 37 years of service. Many of us enjoyed a gathering at his home in El Cerrito. We also welcome Michael and Katherine as Eucharistic Ministers. Add to the list of retirees, Linda Drake who celebrated her retirement with a luau at the Old Homestead in Crockett.

Friends and family celebrated the anniversary of Bob Peckham's death by attending Mass on August 20, followed by brunch at the Lamberts. Later they walked the trails he so enjoyed doing his marathon training on and scattered some of his ashes. The hours spent running were some of Bob's most enjoyable.

Thanks to Susan Brooks, we are again enjoying monthly pancake breakfasts. They are gaining a lot of community support. The next one is scheduled for September 16. After the July breakfast a couple was taking a walking tour of the Point and stopped

on Idaho Street to speak to me. I recognized them from the pancake breakfast. She was born and raised in Pt. Richmond and lived close by the church on W. Richmond. Her first name was Elaine and her maiden name may have been Bogue? Pat Pearson – am throwing this ball into your park to figure out!

We welcome our new organist, Richard Mix. Jim Sullivan has relocated to Louisiana.

The City of Richmond sponsored “A Night Out” in several neighborhoods, but those of us living in our neighborhood got the jump on it and enjoyed the annual Saturday Night Movie on the Streets. It has become an annual affair, starting with a potluck and when it darkens, a movie is shown on a neighbor’s garage door. Everyone brings a chair/blanket, sits on the street and enjoys neighborhood comradery.

Continue to remember in your prayers: Adolph Brossard, Dody Perry, Jack Healy, Shirley Gerke, Kathleen Genovese, Frankie Mello, Charlie Rosier and Theresa Meneghelli. Our favorite 95-year old Anna Schwarz again kissed the cement, but seems to be fairing well. Betty Sindicich is back at Sunday Mass. Prior to her surgery, Father anointed her after Mass and we all witnessed a very impressive ceremony.

Don’t forget that we now have a new set of Commandments to learn – those pertaining to driving. If you want your house to sell, remember to bury a statue of St. Joseph in your yard. Have a friend who claims it worked for her.

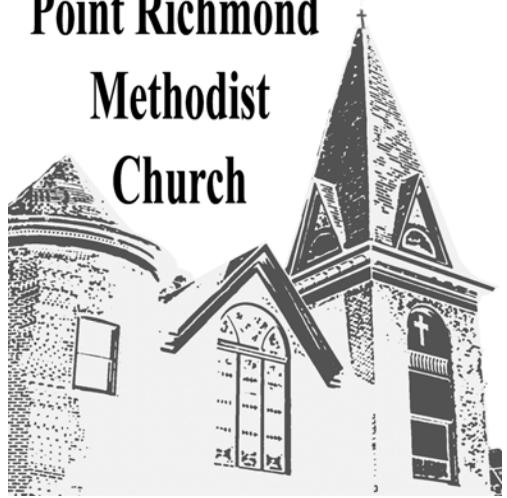
The Small Christian Communities continue to meet and announcements of their meetings can be found in the church bulletin.

DRIVE CAREFULLY – IT’S NOT ONLY CARS THAT CAN BE RECALLED BY THEIR MAKER

See you in church.



Point Richmond Methodist Church



By Jean Reynolds

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On Saturday, July 7, family and friends gathered to celebrate the life of Spencer Compton. The service was imbued with Spencer’s presence since he planned it. Spencer’s sons-in-law, brother-in-law, and art teacher shared memories of him and his granddaughters read scripture. Linda Andrew Marshall sang one of his favorite hymns. We gathered afterward in Friendship Hall to see photos, admire Spencer’s artwork, and tell more stories about him. We will miss Spencer’s wise council, the way he lived and professed his faith, his interest to maintain the church building, and enjoying new works of his art. We will not forget the golf-stories-turned-philosophy that Pastor Dan shared after golf games with Spencer inspired insights into our spiritual condition.

On June 17, we celebrated Fathers’ Day with an all-jazz service. The morning service featured Pastor Dan Damon on keyboard, Kurt Ribak on bass, Jon Arkin on drums, and Lincoln Adler on saxophone. Vocal soloists included Gill Stanfield, Sheila Alix and Bethany Reynolds.

During Vacation Bible School, August 6 to 10,

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twenty students had a chance to “Lift Off!” and soar with plays directed by Arpha MacIntyre, songs and games led by Bethany Reynolds and accompanied by Pastor Dan, crafts assisted by Jean Reynolds, Bill Thompson, Carolyn Kirkpatrick, Sarah Thompson and Hannah Frye, and refreshments provided by Nancy Compton, Joanne Cheyne, the Santa Fe Market, and Dianne Anderson. Norm Reynolds cooked lunch on Friday. The students made papier mache hot-air balloons, decorated aviator scarves, and had a relay to shuck corn for lunch. On Sunday, August 12, Bethany led the congregation in both singing and motions of “Father Abraham,” and we had root beer floats at coffee hour so everyone could enjoy just a part of the fun of vacation bible school. Linda Andrew Marshall, Aaron and Michael Marshall put up the sandwich boards and made fliers to advertise VBS for the last time before Aaron and Michael leave to study at Cal Poly this fall.

Pastor Dan was out of town for four Sundays this summer. In his absence, we were privileged to hear from some of our own congregation: Fran Smith, Liam Thompson, Bethany Reynolds, and the Rev. Tarah Trueblood preached during Pastor Dan’s vacation, and Jean Reynolds reported on the California Nevada Annual Conference proceedings the Sunday of Annual Conference. We are blessed

to have so many members who are able to share stories of their faith experiences, and that our pastor is able and willing to take time to learn, travel, restore and return to us with new insights and stories to tell.

At the administrative board meeting in August, we talked about organizing an early worship service at 9:00 a.m. in addition to the regular 11:00 service. People interested in the earlier service will meet on August 26 at 9:00 a.m. to talk about what makes worship meaningful for them and what they would like the new service to include. Call the church at 510-236-0527, or check the church website <http://www.pointrichmond.com/methodist/index.htm> for updates on when the second service will be added to the church calendar.

On the Calendar:

Sunday School for people of all ages starts on September 9 with breakfast for students and their families. Call Jean Reynolds 510-235-2988 to sign up and confirm the time, now tentatively scheduled for 9:30 or 10:00 a.m. After Sept. 9, Sunday School classes meet at 10:00 a. m. each week until the end of May. The adult class meets year-round in Friendship Hall at 10:00 a.m.

Angel Choir for young people ages six through college will resume rehearsal Saturday, September 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. We have room for more singers! The choir sings music from various cultures in several languages, as well as music written and/or arranged by Pastor Dan. Singers are not required to read music or words, as the music can be learned by ear. Usually the choir sings for worship once a month. Call Pastor Dan to sign up or if you have questions: 510-232-1102.



Leo McLinden, Mike Fisi, Vernile Reed, Joda Lamore, and Buster Wolfe at Kozy Kove in 1915 (0240-DC from Don Church)

OUT AND ABOUT TOWN

Margaret Morkowski (510) 234-4219

The Point Richmond Music Summer Concert Series was a great success. Their Friday, July 13th concert had the largest crowd yet. Andrew Butt, Chair of the concert series and the rest of the Committee would like to thank everyone for their support and invite you all to next year's "Second Friday of the Month" summer concerts.



The Point Richmond Neighborhood Council (PRNC) has elected new officers. They are President: Robin Carpenter, First Vice-President: Don Woodrow, Second Vice-President/Membership: Chris Spencer, Secretary: Rod Satre and Treasurer: Margaret Morkowski. Please call Robin at 232-8175 with questions and agenda items.



Tuesday, August 7th the PRNC sponsored its first Point Richmond National Night Out. It's a nation-wide, 24th year annual grass-roots event to help prevent crime by getting to know your neighbors. Maybe it you'd like to start a Neighborhood Watch group, call Michelle Milam with the Richmond Police Department at 620-6538 for info, This year the Point's Safety and Emergency Response Committee also had a table and handed out great materials, please call Joan Gatton at 234-0727 for more information. A good time was had by all with Barbara Speed and her band providing music, Pandora Turner and the kids from the Richmond Police Activities League providing food. In addition, representatives of the City of Richmond's Police & Fire Departments plus a few members of the City Council stopped by to lend support and answer questions. It was a lot of fun. See you August 5, 2008 for next year's event.



In April the Point Richmond Business Association (PRBA) elected new officers. Marsha Tomassi is the President and the other members of the Board are Michael Gill, Andrew Butt, Jerry Feagley, Cathy Durfee, Tom Carson and Margaret Morkowski. Please call Marsha at 215-6133 with questions.



The City of Richmond has assigned a horticulturist, Lisa Graves and a gardener to work full-time in Point Richmond and on the Western part of Cutting Boulevard. Have you noticed all of the pruning of scrubs and trees around the triangle and along Railroad Avenue? Interested "gardeners" and others have formed the Point Richmond Landscape Advisory Sub-Committee which is co-sponsored by the PRNC/PRBA/WWIC. The group will be meeting and working with Lisa to lend ideas and suggestions and maybe get their hands dirty from time to time. The committee Co-chairs are Connie Lompa and Marie Miller. Please call Connie at 237-7888 with questions.



Washington School is back in session... For the first time this year, volunteers for the Read Aloud Volunteer Program (RAVP) will be reading one-on-one with K, 1 and 2 grade children on Thursday mornings. The RAVP non-profit organization has been active in other Richmond schools for more than 10 years. The volunteers read aloud in a one-on-one situation, not to teach reading but with the goal to create and nurture the children's love of books. Each reader reads for a

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total of one hour and 30 minutes each to 2 children. Twice a month each child will choose a book that becomes their own and be taken home. Along with the joy of reading one-on-one in a school/library environment, there comes more self-esteem, a personal connection with an adult, and the encouragement to share their interest in books with others. I've found the reading experience also fosters these same goals for the readers as well as the children. If you can not make it on a Thursday mornings, you may want to read another day of the week at one of our other schools. You may also sign-up to be a substitute reader. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please call Margaret Morkowski at 234-4219.



Every Friday beginning September 7th, the West Contra Costa Adult Education program will provide classes and activities in the Point Richmond Community Center from 9:00 am to 12 noon. Call the Adult School offices at 215-4666 for more information.



Monique le Conge, the City's Head Librarian was at the PRNC meeting on August 29th and said that the City plans to open the West Side Branch Library the first week in December



Have you heard about the Home Front Festival by the Bay? Activities will be on going all day Saturday & Sunday, September 29th and 30th. Both days there will be music, food, arts & crafts, the vintage vehicle show, Red Oak Victory events & tours, Kids activities and much more. It is at 3 locations, the Ford Building, Shipyard # 3 and Marina Bay. Special events during the Festival include a USO Dance at the Ford Building Saturday

night and a Rosie Reunion Sunday afternoon. Check out www.homefrontfestival.com for details or call 234-3512.



Point Richmond Gateway Foundation has announced its first annual Mini-Grants Program. The non-profit foundation will use the proceeds from the lease of the Santa Fe Reading Room/Train Master's Building to grant funds for various projects to benefit the Point Richmond Community. Applications are due Monday, October 1, 2007. Please call Margaret Morkowski at 234-4219 for details.



Please save Saturday, October 13th from 12 noon to 5 pm for the Indian Statue Day celebration sponsored by the Point Richmond Business Association. There will be music, arts & crafts, food, contests for you and your dog to enter, entertainment, stuff for the kids to do and much, much more. Please call Margaret Morkowski at 234-4219 for information.



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Margaret Morkowski
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The Women's Westside Improvement Club Meets at the Point Richmond Methodist Church.

Our annual June "Hat Day and Pot Luck Salad Luncheon" was a great success. The June meeting is our last meeting before we start our summer break and we always have a great time. The ladies each wear a hat and we go around the room asking each to give the "story" of their hat. Some hats are sentimental, maybe worn by a mother around the house or to a special wedding, some are vintage hats including those from the 1940s or 1950s. Some hats are great fun, maybe made or bought for the occasion and some are the "old gardening hat" currently used everyday by its owner in the garden. By the way... these ladies know how to "assemble" unique and scrumptious salads. They also bake delicious, mouth watering desserts.

Our first meeting in the Fall will be Tuesday, September 11, 2007. We usually meet the first Tuesday of every month September – June in the Point Richmond Methodist Church Hall at West Richmond and Martina Ave. Bring your lunch and the "hostesses" will provide dessert, coffee and tea. The ladies start arriving about 11:30 am, then after we eat, we often have a speaker scheduled for 12:15 pm and they're followed by the Business Meeting at 1:00 pm. We are pretty casual, so if you can just make part of the meeting that's okay.

As you may have heard, we'll be celebrating our Centennial in 2008 and all summer long the various members of the 5 committees have been doing research and working hard on a array of activities and projects. We have a "Tea Cup" committee ordering tea cups, aprons, tote bags, dog toys, wind spinners and other items for fund raisers and keepsake collectables. We are researching and assembling 3 publications... a cook book, a club history and a 2 year calendar. By the way, if you, your mother or aunt are a current or previous member of the club and you have a picture which we may scan and return to you, we would love to include it in one of the publications. Just give me a call at 234-4219. We are also planning to give history walking tours in the Point, have a progressive dinner, assemble a chorus

to sing songs from each of the clubs 10 decades, and lots more.

Funds we collect are used for "Improvements" in the Point. Over the years the funds have been used for our projects and other community projects in the Point. Some of our current projects include the restoration of the Rose Garden by the Indian Statue, providing books for the new library at Washington School, installing the street directory next to the Fire Station (we are now working with a designer on an updated version.) We have also contributed to the Point's History Association, the Many Hands Project, the summer Music concert series, restoration projects at the Point's 2 Historic churches, the PRAM's children story time reading program and many more.

The other day "a prospective member" asked me if she knew any of the club's current members, so I thought I'd mention a few of their names. Liz McDonald, Pat Pearson, Mary Highfill, Mid Dornan and Sonja Darling are officers of the Point Richmond History Association. Fatoume Al-Wareeth, Lori Nova, Janice Cook, Annie Janes, Jane Diokas, Lauren McLeod, Marjorie Miller and Sonja Malaga are business women in the Point. Anita Christiansen, Mid Dornan, Linda Duste and Susan Brooks are members of their Church Councils or Boards here in the Point. Joan Gatton and Pat Pearson are on the Point's Safety and Emergency Response Committee. Bernie Moore is a past officer of Friends of the Richmond Library and a leader in her daughter's Girl Scout Troup. Sheila Fostiak, Betty Dornan, Rosemary Corbin, Dorothy Hernandez, Marion Kent, Gilda Markarian, Marion Voight, Alyce Williamson, Alice Zeier, Marge Miller, Avis Blanchette, Dulcie Johnson, Anna Schwarz are former WWIC officers and/or long time members of the club.

We would like you to join in the festivities for our Centennial year... you don't need to live in the Point. Please call me at 510-234-4219 to become a member. Hope to see you soon.

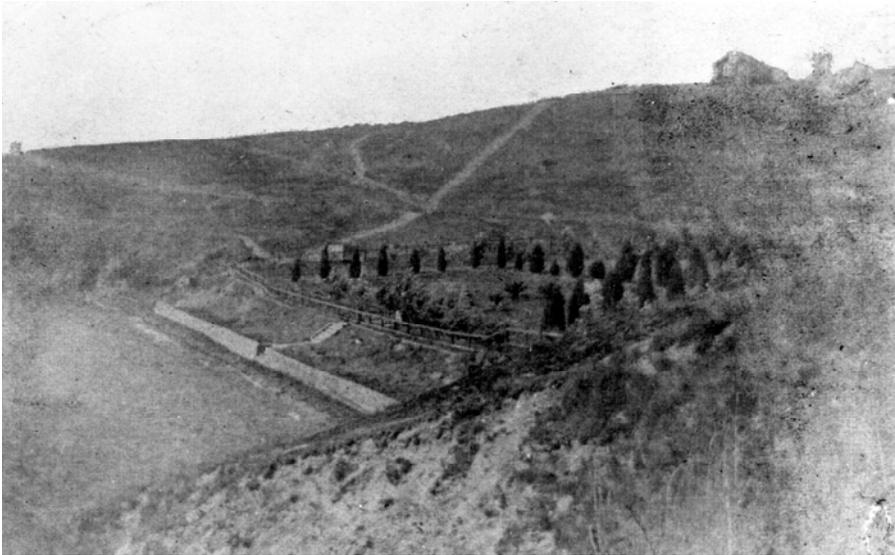
This is from a "fact diary", a book of headlines and interesting events in Early Point Richmond. It was compiled by Don Church from the "Richmond Independent" "Point Richmond News" and "Richmond Herald Record". It is one of the items left for us by Allan Smith.

Items of Interest Point Richmond, 1912/13

- 12-1 Chief Arnold says he will confiscate all guns in hands of minors in the future.
- 12-3 Council accepts SP franchise to bid to extend SP electric to Richmond.
- 12-7 Gridiron CClub recommends that Ashland Avenue be renamed Garrard Blvd.
- 12-19 New Lincoln School formally dedicated yesterday.
- 12-31 300 watch two dogs fight for 1/2 hour at Washington and Standard Avenues.
- 1-1 Big New Years celebration in city to celebrate passing of Tunnel and Harbor Bonds. Street dancing, crowning of Queen Euita Kaiser, Fireworks (\$1000 worth). Songs by Madame Rees, singer of Paul Steindorfs band; long parade, not one arrest was made.
- 1-15 Sylvester Church arrives to visit brother Palen Church, hadn't seen each other in 30 years.
- 1-23 End for John Nichol oil well. No oil in sight or gas either.
- 2-6 Game Warden Blanchard murdered by two Italians near the Hutchinson Quarry.
- 2-15 Gala opening of the Point Theater
- 2-19 The Gerlach Hotel to be built at Richmond Avenue and the Santa Fe tracks.
- 2-17 Joaquin Miller the poet died.
- 2-21 James P. Arnold, Chief of Police bought a Buick on his own to help in law and order.
- 2-22 The new Washington School is dedicated.
- 3-30 Pat McLinden arrested for the 7th time for beating his wife while drunk. This is the last time so says Judge Lindsey; next time the cooler for a long time.
- 4-9 Plans for the construction of the Anderson Hotel in the Point.
- 4-17 Chief Arnold and two other policemen battled a boat load of Italians off Shrimp Camp who had just murdered two game wardens off San Quintin. A few days later 3 bodys of Italian fishermen were found floating under SF piers. They had been shot. Apparently Jimmy didn't miss!
- 4-19 Chinese laundry on fire again (regular occurrence).
- 4-20 Chief Arnold tells the Red Light houses they must go on May 1st, new state law. (The only going the did was going on operating) {Don Church Note}
- 5-6 The Chinese laundry on Cottage Ave. was condemned. Unsafe and too many fires.
- 5-6 S.O.Co. buys ranch at San Pablo for expanding their tank farm.
- 5-31 Explosion at Giant Powder Works, four killed.
- 7-6 S.O.Co. to change the names of 14 tankers to names of famous Indian Chiefs.
- 7-11 Standard Avenue being filled from Washington to Ashland (later Garrard) to make them connect.

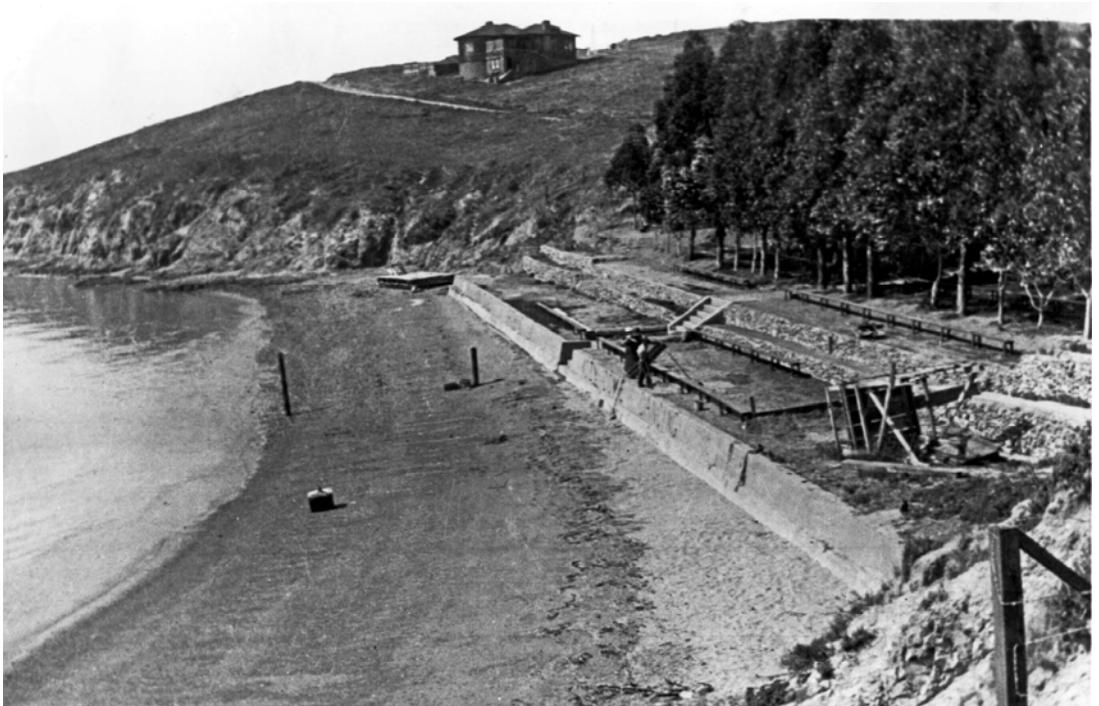
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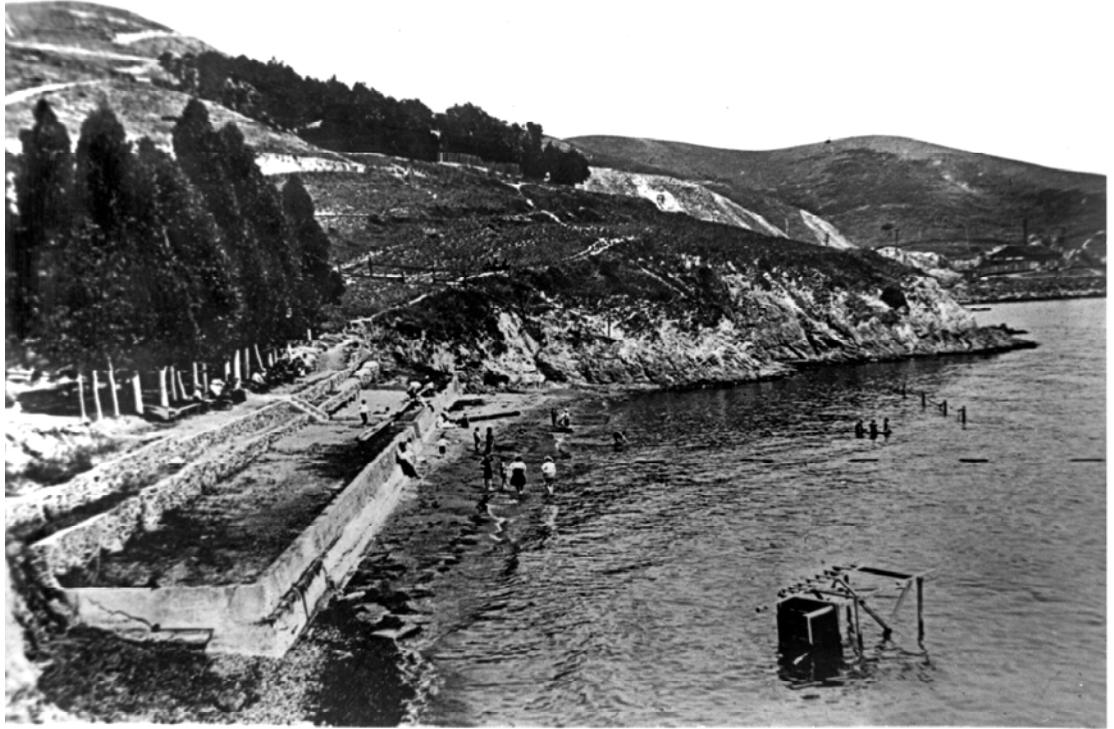
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Left: Kozy Kove just after planting about 1907 or 1908 (0045-DC by H. Marland from Don Church).

Below: Kozy Kove as it was when it opened in 1914 (0050-DC from Don Church)





*Above: View of Kozy Cove
around the time it opened
from up on Cypress Point
(0090-DC from Don Church)*



*Left: A modern view of
Kozy Cove from below
Cypress Point (By Thomas
Mercer-Hursh)*

THE SHADOW BOX

at the Masquers

A review by Theresa de Valencé, TdeV@bstw.com

The Shadow Box, written by **Michael Cristofer** and directed by **Phoebe Moyer**, is a bit of a dark horse. You think you know what the play will be about—in a very minor way, you might be right—but mostly, you'd be wrong.

Three families spread across the stage with parallel but non-intersecting stories. Each family has a terminally ill member—they search for ways to cope—they must resolve the issues in their lives in the short time which they have left.

Think you'll cry, right? Well, you might be right about that in a few spots. So bring a hankie.

Think the subject is too sombre? Think the play will be way too depressing, so you'll give it a miss, right? Well, there you'd be quite wrong.

One of the many things this play is is extremely funny. It's startling how much comedy is tucked into a play about dying.

Though she is called the Interviewer, **Elizabeth Smith** plays the part of a therapist asking questions of the patients and the occasional family member. In the atmosphere of a private confessional engendered by a therapist's office, we learn valuable insights into the players' thoughts and feelings.

Kristine Lowry (playing Agnes) is the only member of the cast I have seen before and her performance in *Shadow Box* emphasizes how thoroughly *unused* she has been in some other plays—she is a woman of considerable talent. As Agnes, she plays a dutiful spinster whose mission as her mother's caretaker is a dull job requiring only patience and a long-suffering obedience. Soon we find her straining against these constraints and we see a second Agnes—loving, anxious, and filled with passion.

Agnes is the much-abused second daughter of Felicity (played by **Christine Macomber**). Felicity's illness has left her disabled and wheelchair-bound. It was positively spooky how well Felicity's gestures recalled the hand and head movements of blind or ailing people I have known. Felicity also

has that dangerous characteristic of the mentally declining: farce and truth all jumbled up together. Sometimes she's just beyond reach—her words a shell of what communication means, but other times she's *whang-on-the-money* with her remarks. Some quips are brutal but others are *rolling-in-the-aisles* funny. That she's indifferent to the pain or laughter she's causing increases its poignancy. And because you don't know which it will be, you sit on the edge of your seat each time she opens her mouth.

Another family consists of Joe (played by **Dale Camden**), Maggie (played by **Elizabeth Williams**), and their son, Steve (played by **Joshua Huston**).

Joe seems a nice, innocuous guy, but as we watch his bumbling, we grow more contemptuous of him. Joe and Maggie seem a couple most notable for their failure to communicate. Maggie's response to the crisis is quite childish. Then we meet their other failures—even their failure to acknowledge approaching death. Joe has been largely ineffectual in his working life; they have gone through a series of disasters—our scorn grows for this man whose remaining asset seems to be a radiant smile befitting a not very successful insurance salesman. His wife Maggie is a woman for whom we don't even feel pity; she has very little to recommend her. And the son, Steve, (though there are legitimate reasons for his offhand manner) seems to think they've come away on a small family vacation.

In spite of our judgments, they continue talking and we are given little glimpses into their past. With each flash, our curiosity is piqued and our interest in the family grows. They aren't paying any attention to us, we watch like a fly on the wall as they run through the well worn patterns of family jabber. They don't *seem* to be changing, but we begin to care deeply for the characters. I was dumbfounded to realize how much I loved them long before the end of the play.

The third family consists of Brian (played by **Jim Fye**—*left, photo next page*), his lover Mark (played by **Ben Ortega**) and his former wife Beverly (played by **Dana Zook**). (*Photo by Jerry Telfer*). This family is the zaniest which also provides the greatest opportunity for comedy.

Brian is the kind of intellectual one expects to

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meet at a party—a man full of his own opinions and eager to share his beliefs in the major philosophical issues of humankind—in tedious detail—the kind of thing we all did in our youth before we had to go out and earn a living. Over time we come to believe Brian, at least we understand that he has more than a pompous connection with reality.

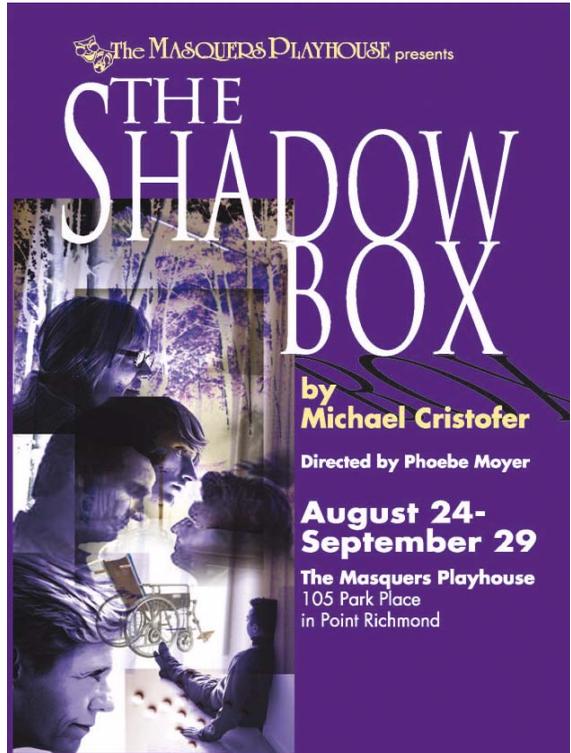
Mark is a kind and gentle lover—one hopes we shall each be lucky enough to have such a friend when we are faced with our own approaching death.

Thereupon, all hell breaks loose.

Into this loving family comes Beverly, the beautiful and sexy ex-wife who (for reasons you will find out) really would be better belonging to somebody (anybody) else. She's extravagant and unprincipled and outrageous.

Our understanding deepens. Brian turns out to have hidden traits. Beverly tells us more than we want to know about her exploits—the details are gory and embarrassing, but they're also hilarious. Brian and Beverly reminisce and one can see how they had once been in love, and perhaps, were becoming so again. Mark watches; his feelings visible, like a simmering pot filled to the top, his jealousy bubbling up like a layer of melted fat threatening to boil over into the heat and catch fire.

If the character who goes through the most change in the story is the leading character then Ben Ortega (as Mark) is the star of the show. He travels through tenderness, blazing anger, pathos and self-pity and still he makes us laugh and laugh again. He made it look so effortless I thought he wasn't acting



at all—in fact, I had to go up to him after the show to find out which parts of him were real.

The play owes much to the writings of **Elizabeth Kubler-Ross's** *On Death and Dying* which discusses the five stages of facing death, and yet, the play is so much more. For **Phoebe Moyer**, this is the third time in 27 years she has directed *The Shadow Box*. For the audience, it's difficult to separate the difference between the storyline of the play and the excellence of this production, but it doesn't matter: the theatre-goer gets a lovely, uplifting experience.

In the lobby I overheard "If this is what Masquers do when they do a difficult play, I think they should do difficult plays more often." Perhaps you see only one Masquers play every few years—definitely make *The Shadow Box* one of them.

Theresa de Valencé publishes reviews of Masquers community theatre performances. Subscription to the electronic list is free, send an email to TdeV@bstw.com.

William L. Thompson, M.D.

More Memories of Old Point Richmond-East Richmond Avenue



Dr. Thompson was born in Point Richmond on February 17, 1909. He grew up in the Point, attended Washington Elementary School and graduated from Richmond High School in 1926, attended U.C. Berkeley and in 1929 at the age of 20 was admitted to the UCSF Medical School. He completed his medical school in 1933 and interned at Highland Hospital before joining the Civilian Conservation Corp. as a contract surgeon for the Army. Dr. Thompson practiced medicine for 39 years in Richmond, we are lucky to be the recipient of his written memories of his life in Point Richmond. This is a reprint of his gift to all of us. We will reprint his entire series. Thank you Dr. Thompson!

Part Four

There are a few other names that I should mention in the East Scenic Avenue area. The Ciabattari family lived in the old house beside the Morrison home. It had predated the Morrison home by several years and burned down during the Ciabattari occupancy. This house had originally been the residence of her since she had had typhoid in early life in Sacramento and was immune to the disease.

The old Al Mason home which still stands was originally the home of the Redding family. After the Masons left it was occupied by Jack Patterson and his wife and daughter. I believe that Jack was an SOCo. Employee. Later the Driscoll family lived there. Later occupants I don't recall. This house was peculiar in having a spring in its basement. This ran during the winter and early summer. I recall the small stream issuing from the basement area. It was run off from the cove on Nicholl Nob behind.

Thinking back on life on the hill in early days I recall the fogs in the early part of the years. On winter days a dense fog often spread over the entire area of Richmond and Point Richmond. From our elevated position we could usually look over the top of the fog layer and see nothing but the Berkeley

Hills and the hills back of the SOCo. The stacks of the refinery often protruded above this sea of white. Drainage of the marshes and filling of low areas has essentially eliminated this fog now, but it was fairly common in the early days. However it was rather nice to have the rather dingy site concealed beneath a peaceful layer of white.

Some time ago you printed a fine short article on Maj Hill written by Allan Smith. I know Maj very well over a period of about 45 years. He came to the Richmond High School about 1920 or 1921. I remember him from 1922 when I entered high school. He had come down from the upper valley, someplace about Chico I think. As Allan said he taught boys physical education as well as being coach of the football team and the track, baseball and basketball teams. Today it would take several men to do these jobs. I played on his football and track teams in 1925 and 1926. Many famous athletes were trained under him. Most famous of these was probably Lefty Gomez from Rodeo and Richmond High. He was a baseball hall of famer and played for the old San Francisco Seals and the New York Yankees.

What Allan did not know was that in addition to his other duties he was in charge of and taught the high school cadet unit. This was similar to the ROTC but was discontinued in 1925 before Allan

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got there. Maj was a sergeant in the National Guard. Our high school cadet group consisted of 4 companies which would form a battalion and Maj was the major in command. After retiring from high school he was recreational director of the city of Richmond for many years. He lived for many years in Point Richmond on Western Drive across from the old Janes home. I visited him there many times.

Maj was a great outdoorsman and in later years expressed a desire to take a float trip down the Glen Canyon of the Colorado River. Both he and his wonderful wife had heart problems at that time and I was a little worried as to how well they would

stand the trip. To solve this problem I decided to go with them. I had previously been thru the canyon 3 times so I contacted my friend Frank Wright the famous Colorado River boatman and we traveled the canyon together. We flew over the canyon to start with and then spent 5 days on the river. Both Maj and his wife stood the trip remarkably well and enjoyed themselves immensely. Needless to say I was a little worried and carried an extra bay of medical supplies which fortunately were not needed. This was in September of 1962.

.....*To be continued*

Correction.....last issue I mistakenly labeled Dr. Thompson's "More Memories of old Point Richmond, East Richmond Avenue" as a conclusion when there is actually one more yet to come. Gary

Dr. Thompson's Son in law Gab Tognier wrote a touching eulogy to Dr. Thompson at his memorial in 1998, you can read it at <http://www.alkos.com/prha/thompson.html>.



Bill Hughes and Don Church at Kozy Kove in 1917 (0327-DC from Don Church)

Bark Stix Makes a Bigger Bone

Patricia Pearson

Mim Drake and Kate Gebhart worked in the kitchen of their home on Eddy Street trying to find some food that their rescued greyhound could eat. They never thought that the biscuit that they came up with would lead to the start of their company, Bark Stix and later, a Guinness Book of Records listing.

Kate, who had a career in marketing told Mim who was a career chef that maybe the pet food product that they came up with would sell. They investigated the market and decided to quit their jobs and start a business. They soon out grew their Eddy Street home and moved to the old Baptist Church on Washington Avenue. They rented ovens in a bakery in Pinole and after a time they were able to rent space on Garrard Blvd in Point Richmond, which is their current location.

They purchased equipment, including a wonderful oven capable of baking many biscuits and treats at one time, and a huge mixer. They also have a lot of open space to allow for expansion and to accommodate their dogs, visiting dogs, and their human friends.

The opportunity to attain a place in the Guinness Book of Records happened when their friends at the Berkeley East Bay Humane Society invited them to take part in the celebration of the Tenth Annual Bay to Breakers Walk at the Berkeley Marina. They wanted to do something different to help attract a crowd so they decided to search the Guinness Book of Records for the largest dog bone biscuit. They found that the record biscuit was nine feet long.

Knowing that they had to exceed nine feet,

they decided to go for a nine foot, eight inch biscuit. That was the easy part. There are many rules to follow in order to qualify for consideration by Guinness. The entire process, from beginning to end had to be documented with pictures of:

1. The assembling of the raw dough in the kilns. (Rules required that the biscuit be baked in one full length. They could not make many smaller pans and stick the pieces together.)
2. The baking had to be monitored at all times.
3. The tape measure had to be verified for measurement after baking.
4. The finished product had to be removed from the pan.

They remembered a friend who had access to a ten foot long kiln that could accommodate the biscuit. The same friend built a round metal frame and the dough was placed all around the frame in a continuous cylinder. The finished form was an authentic dog bone shape.

They made the dough and rolled it into numerous pans to transport it to the kiln. When they arrived they took all the raw dough and patted it into shape around the mold. Volunteers make a ten foot wooden stretcher to transfer the finished biscuit to the bed of a flat bed truck. Then the load arrived at the Berkeley Marina the stretcher was placed on the table and then carefully removed until the biscuit was flat on the table.

The fun part was to frost the entire bone with whipped cream cheese and decorate it

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with peanut butter dog paws and peanut butter letters reading “Bay to Barkers 07”.

The party was broadcast on Channel Two news by reporter Sara Sidner. Ms. Sidner not only served as master of ceremonies but also good naturedly ate a piece of the bone. Then with the use of a hammer and chisel, the bone was laboriously chopped into pieces and used as treats for the hundreds of dogs in attendance. The event was a huge success both

financially and socially. Everyone, human and dog left the event happy.

Every story should have a great ending. The triumph of this story is that the former record holder, with the nine foot bone, was Bill Gates (yes, the Microsoft one) who had used the bone for a party in Seattle. Talk about David and Goliath!

Good show Mim, Kate and Bark Stix.



Sara Sidner, Newscaster for KTVU, Channel Two checking out the big dog bone.

Photo by Kate Gebhart

DEATHS.....

Selden Spencer Compton, Resident of Point Richmond, passed away peacefully on June 28, 2007. Spencer was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, on August 9, 1934, and moved to Point Richmond with his wife Nancy in 1981. After he graduated from Washington University in St. Louis, Spencer spent over 40 years as an architect, but that is not what solely defined him. He was an avid golfer and watercolor artist. More importantly, he valued his family and his church. Spencer was a loyal husband, loving father and proud grandfather. He and Nancy celebrated 49 years of marriage this year. He served as an elder in his church for many years, and previously served as President of the Arkansas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Spencer is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughters Karis Cromartie and Robin Duncan; granddaughters, Austyn Cromartie, Megan and Morgan Duncan; and his sisters, Marjorie May and Deborah Hatley.

Maurice R. Barusch was born in Japan and grew up in San Francisco attending Lowell High School. He attended Stanford University as an undergraduate and continued at Stanford to earn a Ph.D. degree in chemistry. In 1942, while at Stanford he met and married Phyllis Roos. He joined Standard Oil in 1943, and spent his entire professional career in the research department. He received many national awards, lectured at many universities and published extensively. He retired in 1982 as Vice President of Chevron Research Corporation. In 1943 Phyllis and Maurie moved to Point Richmond and lived in "Esmerelda Court" a group of war housing units that were located on Wine Street across from Washington School. They purchased a lot at the end of Cypress Point Road and built their home. Their two sons, Larry and Ronnie were born there. Phyllis and Maurie lived at Cypress Point until Phyllis died in 2003. Maurie was very active in many community groups. In 2005, Maurie married a long-time family friend, Barbara Longlois, and they make their home in Oakland. He is survived by wife Barbara, his sons and their wives and five grandchildren.

Beulah Parker Vaughan Will, M.D. died on January 1, 2007, she was 94. She began her long residency in Point Richmond in 1945 when she moved west from the East and established a private practice in psychiatry in Berkeley, California. She soon had the good fortune to discover Point Richmond and the temerity to purchase a home at 229 Bishop Ave, which she shared with another young doctor, her lifelong friend and colleague Dr. Alberta Parker Horn. Not long thereafter she met and married a near neighbor, Professor Leland Vaughan, founder of the Department of Landscape Architecture, at UC Berkeley, who lived across the street at 311 Western Drive, where Beulah lived until the end of her life, just short of her 95th birthday. Beulah's professional life was distinguished by major work in community mental health, the diagnosis and treatment of schizophrenia, and ongoing work with noted child psychologist Dr. Eric Erikson. Her first book, *My Language is Me*, an account of her psychotherapy sessions with a disturbed adolescent, was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Subsequent books include *A*

Mingled Yarn, a fictionalized autobiography of a troubled family; *Mental Health In-Service Training*, a textbook for mental health workers; and *The Evolution of a Psychiatrist*, an autobiography of what it was like for one woman, against considerable odds, to enter a “man’s profession” in the years during and immediately after World War II.

Locally, Beulah is fondly remembered as a lively and generous hostess who, together with “Punk” Vaughan, initiated the Christmas morning parties for neighbors which continue to this day, though at a different venue from the terraces at 311 Western Drive.

Leland “Punk” Vaughan died in the mid 70’s. In 1982 Beulah married Dr. Otto Allen Will, a noted psychoanalyst and former Medical Director of the Austen Riggs Center in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Otto and Beulah worked together in psychoanalytical training programs until Otto’s death in 1993. Beulah continued their work with groups and maintained her private practice through her early 90’s.

Beulah is survived by step-son Nicholas Vaughan and his wife Heidi, granddaughter Jessica Vaughan, grandson Moses Vaughan, and their families; step-son Patrick Will and his wife Donna, and step-daughter Deidre Vinyard, and their families.



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CARDS, LETTERS & E-MAIL

Dear Editor,

I am Madeline Bellando Albright I just had my 90th birthday. My daughter had a party for me and it was a surprise, there were 50 people attending. I received lots of beautiful gifts. I wanted to use this to tell all about myself.

I was born in Plymouth, CA. My parents moved to Tunnel Avenue in Point Richmond when I was 2 years old. We lived there until I was 24 years old, when I got married and 8 months later my husband was called by the Army, so I decided to go to work and got a job at the Standard Oil Refinery.. I worked there for four years. My mother worked for the Torino Bakery. I lived in my parents house until my husband was discharged from the Army in 1945.

When he got home we bought a house on Nichol Avenue in Point Richmond. When I had a baby girl we decided to move to Pleasant Hills across from Sun Valley Mall. I decided to go back to work and worked for Systron & Donner in Concord for the next 20 years.

We moved again, this time to Brentwood, where I still live. I am in pretty good health, I still drive to Bingo on Thursday nite in Oakley. I have a cat and a bird, they keep me busy. I end my story to get this in the mail.

Madeline Bellando Albright
Brentwood, CA

Thanks Madeline, great to hear from you!.

Gary

Dear Pam,

I was born in Point Richmond on November 20, 1916 which makes me 90 plus years old. I was born at home, 19 Oregon Avenue next

door to the Smith's and Stark's.

My friend Allan Smith got me interested in the Point Richmond History Association. I joined and have sent several stories of old Point Richmond which were published in "This Point.....in time".

I no longer receive the newsletter, and it must be because I did not resume paying my dues. How does this work? I never received a notice that my dues were due. Everything just stopped.

Please let me know what I know what I owe. Also I want my name listed in the "Over 90 Club". Please let me know as my memories of Point Richmond mean a lot to me.

Thank you so much,
Charlotte Kernabon Birsinger
San Rafael

Thanks for writing Charlotte, we don't want to lose our members so we give three notices before we discontinue you subscription to the newsletter. All three are in your issues. But no worry for the next year as you are have been given a gift subscription by Donna Wilson.

Gary

Dear Pam,

I want to give my 4 sons a gift subscription to the newsletter, does this mean that the cost is \$80, plus my \$15?

Thank you,
Velma Healy
Mount Shasta

Yes, because if family is at one address getting one newsletter its \$25 (\$15, senior). If newsletters are going to separate addresses, choose the appropriate type of membership.

Pam

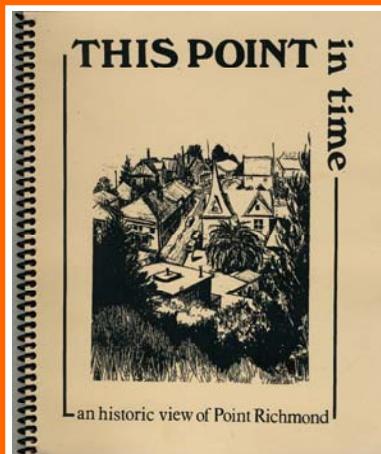
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“THIS POINT in time”, the book is now available!

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