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Linda Andrew
-Marshall and
Georgia
Egger for the
image of Betty
Moore.*

From the President

By Mid Dornan

Doesn't Summer always end all too soon?

This year I thought, why not be a part of the Rosie the Riveter, World War II, National Homefront contest?' On August 12, 2017, the event did not better its Guinness Record of 2229 Rosies but the 1200 + attending this year still paid tribute to those women whose lives changed when they embraced the working world in 1941. As names were called along with their ages they included Mary Highfill, 93, and Mid Dornan, 96 and the oldest was 102 and a half. Old and young bounced and danced to music of the Andrew Sisters, shared stories and made new friends, their strong bodies belied their 90+ years.

On a somber note, those using canes, walkers, and wheelchairs remind us life can be fragile.

There is always next year?

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The Cover:

San Francisco skyline as seen

from Pacific Avenue in

Point Richmond

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Editor's Notes

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Summer is ending and we are going into our annual Bay Area "Indian Summer" which means hot weather and dangerous grass fires. Since full air conditioning is not the norm in our Mediterranean climate, this year I made a "cool room" in our house that is equipped with a portable air conditioner, ready for the heat!

Here is your September/October edition. Hope you enjoy reading it.

My usual gratitude to our faithful and dependable contributors. Special thank you to Mark Kornmann for volunteering to proof read TPIT. Thank you to Santa Fe Market for selling TPIT for us, and to Pat Pearson for keeping them well supplied.

The deadline for items to be published in the next, November/December/January issue of TPIT is Friday, November 10, 2017.

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*When you are dissatisfied
and would like to go back
to your youth, think of
algebra....*

Will Rogers

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A-Mid Trivia

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QUESTION: From what phobia did Alexander the Great, Napoleon, Mussolini, and Hitler, share?

Answer at end of Trivia

When wearing a bikini women reveal 90% of their bodies. Men are so polite, they only look at the covered spots.

Which'll we do... we'll toss a coin.

If it is heads up we'll go to a show.

If tails we go to a dance.

If it stands on edge, we study.

What is a synonyma? It's a word you use in place of another when you can't spell the other one.

If money talks, why does it only say "goodbye"?

David Letterman, retired "Late Night" host, will do a series of six episodes of interviews for Netflix in 2018.

He quipped, "If you retire to spend more time with your family, check with your family first."

If they are flying low to the ground, it almost always means a thunderstorm is coming because falling air pressure causes pain in bird's ears.

Point Richmond residents, if they stayed home Monday, August 21, 2017, at 10:15 a.m. were denied seeing the historic Eclipse of the moon because of fog.

Pat Dornan didn't rely on chance so drove to Oregon to visit a friend and excitedly saw the moon and sun interact.

But Roberta and Richard Palfini flew to Carbondale, Illinois to visit sister, Kathy Barnes.

Scientists designated Carbondale to be a perfect site for the event.

ANTS? ... fill spray bottle with water and 25% Salt.

Drivers using cell phones can fail to see 50% of what's in front of them—meaning they may never notice stop signs, traffic lights, signal changes, pedestrians and other cars. (read that again)

American kids used to start kindergarten at 5 years old, but a Stanford study has found that today about 20 percent of kindergartners are 6. Much of that change can be attributed to "red-shirting"—competitive parents holding their kids back a year to give them an academic and physical advantage over their younger peers.

Laugh and the class laughs with you but you stay alone after school.

A British company has created the world's most expensive cat food: a gourmet blend of caviar, line-caught Scottish salmon, hand-caught Norfolk lobster, and Devon Crab. A month's supply cost \$950. Pet food firm Green Pantry started making the luxurious kitty chow, called British Banquet, for wealthy customers who wanted to treat "their cats to the finer things in life." Pet owners can also share in the gourmet meal because it is also fit for human consumption and tastes "absolutely wonderful."

Your mouth heals faster than any other part of your body thanks to an excellent supply of blood.

One earlier year George Martin was a participant in the annual California Blue Grass Festival in Grass Valley at the Nevada County Fairgrounds? Martin is on the nine-member

Board of Directors for the Blue Grass Association. From age 5 he has been fascinated with this type of music and still plays with friends today.

Does the U.S. have an Official Language?

Trillions of tiny pieces of our plastic refuse put into our world seas have ended in the Artic Ocean. Will Ocean Currents enlarge the plastic to work its way out of the region?

Drink coffee, live longer. University of Southern California tells ScienceDaily.com new studies reveal coffee contains a complex mixture of powerful antioxidants, unclear what accounts

for the drink's benefits, apparently not the caffeine as decaf just as effective.

Richmond's Historic Main Post Office, built during the New Deal era in 1938, is being closed and sold ignoring the pleas of how it is serving a needy community and its importance..

A good laugh is both free and priceless – and you don't need a prescription or an appointment to do it!

ANSWER: They all had Ailurophobia, a severe fear of cats.

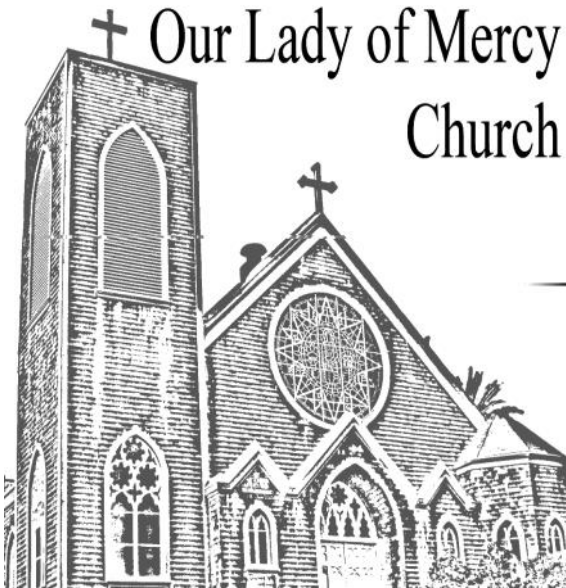


Kellers Wharf, PRHA photo archive #1059 from Karla and Klaudia Kobelt

***Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable
and relaxed.***

Will Rogers

Church News



By Dee Rosier

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We return from our summer hiatus and hopefully summer will not be far behind. The roses did an outstanding job of welcoming parishioners with all the fire and light that they generate in various colors.

Confirmation was recently held at the Cathedral with six parishioners receiving the Sacrament.

We natives had no problem finding alternate routes to church recently while filming was going on in the downtown area. The film was not one of the extravaganzas previously filmed here which starred Robin Williams in one and Clint Eastwood in the other. The film was a Netflix drama, "Thirteen Reasons Why."

Any needed maintenance work will take place in the fall, following the accounting of the parish books which will commence during the summer. The accounting is now all computerized.

The Parish Council meets on the first

Tuesday of each month at 7PM in the church hall

St. Vincent de Paul Society meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7PM in the church hall. The Society hosts coffee/donuts on the first Sunday of each month, as well as pancake breakfasts. They are off to a good start in their work of helping people in need. The private number to reach them is: 510-334-4951.

Bible study is held every other Wednesday in the church hall. If interested, call Anne Brussok 510-517-9905. Watch for notice of special events.

A second collection for maintenance is taken on the first Sunday of each month.

We continue to support the Souper Kitchen as well as Meals on Wheels.

For people unable to attend weekend Mass due to work, a special bilingual English/Spanish Mass was celebrated at 7PM on a recent Monday. Should it prove successful, it will be repeated. Watch for notice in the weekly bulletin.

Baptisms are celebrated in conjunction with Masses held on Saturday and Sunday. During the baptism, the parents renew the promises of their baptism and state their intention to rear the child in the faith that they have just professed. The Godparents do the same and also promise to help the parents in their role as Christian parents.

We continue to seek lectors (readers), acolytes, and Eucharistic Ministers. They are all ancient offices in the church, going back to the time after the apostles. Father continues to have a sign-up sheet for collection taking. Women of the parish have taken a strong interest collecting. Several gentlemen have also volunteered. Training is available for all positions. Recently all who participated took an online training session on Virtus, which is essentially protecting God's children.

A Sunday brunch was recently held to celebrate Father's 84th birthday. There was an array of scrumptious food and many well wishers.

A representative from the Catholic Cemeteries in the diocese has asked to come and explain what they do, what is available, the costs, etc. Notice of this happening will be in the Sunday

bulletin. It is informational and some ideas about what is possible and available may be of interest.

Happy Birthday to the City of Richmond, which celebrated its 112th year on August 7.

Not long ago a parishioner attended on the day she had received her First Holy Communion at Our Lady of Mercy 50 years ago. In June, Carol and Jack Alonzo attended Mass in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married at Our Lady of Mercy and presently reside in Woodland.

Cynthia Young joined the parish retirees after 39 years of teaching. She started her career at Washington School in 1980 and continued with the Richmond Unified School District teaching at Richmond High and elementary schools in El Cerrito, Pinole and Hercules. She later transferred to the Mt. Diablo Unified School District from 1988 to her present day retirement 2017. The 71 mile/day commute will not be missed. Cynthia was also catechism teacher for Our Lady of Mercy. We wish her healthy, happy days in her retirement.

It was a very special Sunday Mass when Mike and Betty Lambert attended, as well as Fred and Diane Siegmund. Both have been on our prayer list and continue to be, but what a wonderful sight to see them in person. Mike commented that it was great to be seen.

Another nice surprise was Edwina Murray attending Mass with her daughter, who talked her into attending.

What a treat it was to speak with Marie Peckham who was visiting in Lake County and needed a family phone number.

Tom Boone recently visited with Javier and Christine Lopez in the Carolinas.

We welcomed Paulanne Pritchard (Cistaro) to OLM. Paulanne currently resides in Marin, but previously lived in the Point.

The Point is not known for parking spaces so it was a real endeavor as three streets in our neighborhood were paved. Everyone had to find a place other than their usual and then remember where it was.

This went on for three, long days. The streets now look brand new.

A Galileo event seated Pt. Richmond residents Diane Diani, Marian Kent, Catherine O'Brien and Dee Rosier together to play bunco and enjoy a ravioli lunch. It was a fun afternoon.

Continue to pray for: Jim Chezareck, Veronica Arkin, Annette Jemo, Betty Ann and Mike Lambert, Fred Siegmund, Jim Wilson and Dixie Mello.

Unfortunately the summer brought about many sad condolences:

Viola Kennedy (LaLa) was 99 years old and many years ago lived in Pt. Richmond.

JoAnn Magda's sister, Carol Ann, in Michigan.

Frankie Mello who we have remembered in our prayers for a lengthy time. He was a unique personality and spent a lot of time in the Point.

Corine Sepulveda, a special person who loved children and was my brother's wife.

Dean Smith, a pillar of Our Lady of Mercy and Pt. Richmond native. The Smith brothers were endowed with innumerable stories and memories of the Point. A conversation with any of them was a history lesson of the Point.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAUGHTER, RENEE
AND SON-IN-LAW, KEVIN.

SEE YOU IN CHURCH

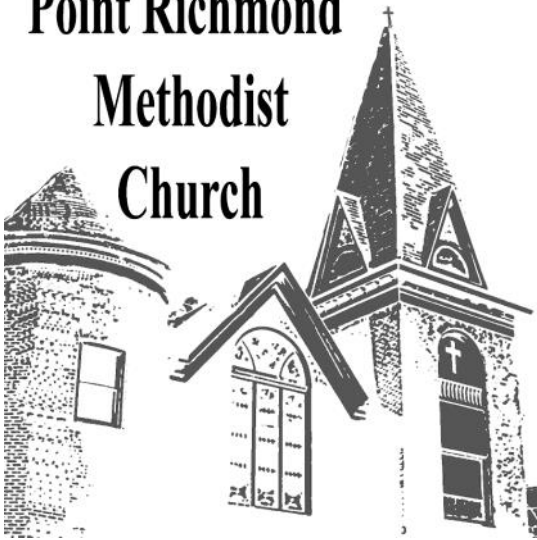
WHAT IS MISSING FROM CH__CH?

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On May 29, we opened the basement and fired up the pancake grill for Junktique II to participate in the Masquers' Point Richmond Yard Sale. Pancake breakfast team Rachel Herrin, Nick Hayter, Matthew Foster, Norm Reynolds, Jean Reynolds, Doreen Leighton and daughter Thea, fed real buttermilk cakes, sausage, juice and coffee to shoppers in need of fortification. Some people ate breakfast twice. Upstairs, Vivienne Stott chatted with jewelry buyers; Debbie Benko sold paintings, prints, and photos; Mid Dornan greeted all to Friendship Hall and shared bits of church and local history; Pastor Dan played piano, delighting diners, shoppers, and staff. Yulia Solovieva, aka Lady Bug Lady, sold do-it-yourself mini succulent gardens in the back yard. Ron Wheatley's brilliant organizing skills were evident in the basement, as shoppers found everything clean and visible. Kristi Johnson and Lily Chu sold house wares in the back room; Alice Thompson sold stacks of books; Russ Johnson, with sidekick Georgie Girl, cashiered; Lara Choe stepped in to give sellers a break; Gill Stanfield gave advice about electronic items. Bill Thompson and Jonathan Swett marketed furniture. Later, with

help from Nick Hayter, Bill and Jonathan delivered furniture to fortunate buyers. Fran Smith organized volunteers and provided us with official nametags and job titles. It was a satisfying day working side by side with friends for a good cause.

June 12 and 13, Pastor Dan, Rachel Herrin, Pat Dornan, and Jean Reynolds volunteered at Saffron Strand's Homeless Workforce Conference: "Working Upstream: What Can We Do to Prevent Homelessness?" in the Richmond Auditorium. Saffron Strand works with people who are homeless, and supports and networks with others who work in related social services by offering an annual professional development conference at an affordable price. Authors, educators, researchers, spiritual leaders and experienced professionals spoke and led workshops for the attendees. Volunteers prepared meals, setup, cleaned up, or welcomed people to the event.

Father's Day Jazz Service, Sunday, June 18, featured the Dan Damon Quartet with Kurt Ribak on bass, Tom Griesser on sax and clarinet, Randy Odell on drums, and Dan Damon on piano. Vocalists Sheilani Alix, Heather Damon, and Gill Stanfield soloed with the band. We all wish Father's Day came more than once a year: the jazz service is an annual favorite and gives us a fresh way to connect to spirit.

Pastor Dan was in Canada for two weeks in July near Toronto to attend the Hymn Society Conference one week and present his new hymns at another venue the next. Afterward, Dan was a speaker and pianist at Pacific Redwood Journey Farthest Out Camp in Monte Toyon. During his absence: July 9, Fran Smith, our Lay Member to Annual Conference, shared her thoughts on what happened at Annual Conference in Burlingame in June and noted key legislation that passed. Doreen Leighton spoke on July 16 about the details of our church's newly created endowment and why she supports it. Jonathan Swett preached July 23 about how his participation at the church has profoundly affected his life and why it matters to him that the church continue to be a force within our community. George Peter Tingley played his recent composition of "Ave Maria."

We heard Alice Thompson play our "new" organ for the first time in worship on July 30: it

brought a broad smile of surprise and delight to Pastor Dan's face. Pastor Dan bought a used organ after we sold Matt Foster's grandmother's smaller organ at Junktique in May, but it needed repairs. While Dan was out of town in July, Bill Thompson contacted the organ technician daily until he agreed to visit. We had almost given up hope that he would take time to fix our instrument. Alice plays the organ with steady hands to provide reliable, sustained chords while Pastor Dan's fingers dance magically on the piano as a complement.

Mid Dornan celebrated her 96th birthday at the Russian River with Point Richmond visitors Fran Smith and Pat Pearson. Pat made a *salade niçoise* for the occasion. It was delicious the first time, and maintained its quality as she remade it several times to serve more people who stopped by to give Mid birthday greetings. Mid is our Church Historian, the President of the Point Richmond History Association, and a long-time Richmond resident. We celebrate all of the ways she has contributed to our community and the Richmond First United Methodist Church.

My favorite week of the year is our annual Vacation Bible School. This year it was August 7 – 11. We heard stories of people in the Bible who seemed to know how to "Welcome the Stranger." We talked about ways to include new people in our circles of friends. We sang action songs and rounds led by Bethany Reynolds and accompanied by Pastor Dan Damon; freely painted abstract art after hearing about Vassily Kandinsky in the book "The Noisy Paintbox"; kneaded bread dough, baked it, and shared it; decorated large puzzle pieces, connected them, and allowed each artist to share the story of their artistic vision; made salt clay; and played tag and other games with Bethany. Karen Bianchini, Bill Thompson, and Jean Reynolds guided the action. Mia Sassi, a VBS alumna, was a huge asset to the staff. Mia's calm, direct manner naturally draws people to regard her as a friend and role model. Sara Knight, Jennifer Metz Foster, and Karen Bianchini provided treats during the week, as did some unknown baker who thoughtfully left home-baked pumpkin muffins in the freezer. On Friday, Norm Reynolds, Nick Hayter, and David Reynolds cooked lunch for the VBS families and staff. Nathan Trivers donated corn on the cob for

the corn-husking relay, Bill Thompson gave final approval of each husked ear, and we all enjoyed the corn with lunch. After a week of Vacation Bible School, I especially appreciate the local children, their families, and the way people in our community support each other.

New Dan Damon Songbook: "My Child is a Flower," a collection of 70 hymns written, composed, and/or arranged by Pastor Dan, was just published this summer. Many of the hymns are ones the Joyful Noise Choir sang first, while they were still being composed, and the lyrics represent ideas Pastor Dan has shared with us in recent years. He dedicated the songbook to our church and the Joyful Noise Choir. We sang from the new songbook for our worship service August 13. The sermon consisted of five hymn selections, and hymns for our regular singing times were selected from the new book, too. Pastor Dan donated copies for us to use in the pews; he has copies for sale for \$10 each and they are available through Hope Publishing Company.

On the Calendar:

Jean Eakle Art Auction: Saturday, September 23, 5:00 to 8:00 pm, Point San Pablo Yacht Club, 700 Cutting Blvd, Richmond. Guest auctioneer Robert Love will sell some of the items via live auction. Items for sale include paintings, crafts, jewelry, pottery, photography, gift certificates, and themed gift baskets. ENJOY: Jazz piano, sweeping bay views, hors d'oeuvres, soft drinks, and no host bar. Suggested donation: \$10. Contact Fran Smith junosmith@aol.com to give a tax-deductible donation of an item, gift certificate or cash.

Save the Date: October 21, Saturday, The United Methodist Women are hosting a Chinese Tea, guided by Annie Ao. There will probably be two seatings: at 11:30 AM and 1:00 PM; details are still pending. Everyone is looking forward to learning how to cook new items with Lara Choe, and to having cozy conversations and tasty treats at the tea. Look for signs downtown, an event notice on Nextdoor, or check the church website for details in October.

Visit the church website for additions and updates: pointrichmondmethodist.org

WWIC Est. 1908

News from the Womens Westside Improvement Club by Norma Wallace

As always, our seasonal year finished on a celebratory note with Hat Day on June 6. An array of volunteers helped greet guests including President Linda Newton, officers Cathy O'Brien, Marion Kent and member at large Altha Humphrey. Each attendee found at their place setting a member brochure and a schedule for the upcoming 2017-2018 year.

On a sad note, as she passed around a farewell card, Linda announced that long-time member Helen Wysham has moved, to Oregon! Alyce Williamson remains unable to attend meetings, however, she is home and welcomes cards and company.

On a happier note, WWIC members applauded the birthdays of: Mary Lee (6/2), Carol Mohalley (6/23), Alyce (7/10), Doris Mitchell (7/20), Martha Bielawski (7/23), Mid Dornan

(8/5), Cathy (8/15), Barbara Robertson (8/18), Brenda Saunders AND Helen Wysham (8/21) and Marion (8/31).

Grateful to all our members for their help, Linda offered our thanks for the June meeting setup to Cathy, Marion, Altha and Diane Hirano. We welcomed Diane Hedler to the group (our fourth Diane!?!), who participates in the WWIC Book Group. Thanks to all members present for contributing yummy salads and desserts!

Once the regular business was concluded, Hat Day officially commenced ! Among Hat Day highlights: Carla Bowman's pink swim cap; Peggy Thow's Master Gardener hat (congratulatory applause to Peggy for finishing this program in record time!), Patricia Gowerman with her story about West County DIGS fundraiser with sister committee member Shelley

of Hidden City Cafe. Anne Buchanan regaled us with her "Story of the Flight Surgeon from the Coral Sea" captain's hat (beat that!). Daughter Karen Buchanan held her head high, beneath a unique construction helmet awarded to the Employee Anniversary Committee at the 75th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge (cool job!); Marion sported her "Queen Mum" hat, and Leslie Hicks completed our round the world tour with her snappy number from Panama. Indeed, some hats defy description, so check out the photograph!



Photo by Norma Wallace

Construction of our Long Awaited Kiosk Begins

Bonnie Jo Cullison

On Friday, August 17th, publicly visible progress was made on the historic information kiosk that the Point Richmond History Association is erecting at the corner of West Richmond and Washington Avenues . (Behind the scenes, planning for the kiosk has been in progress for more than 2 years.)

The City of Richmond's Parks Department drilled the holes for the foundation of the 4-panel kiosk. This will be followed shortly by a concrete pour. Once the concrete has set Goron Hirano of Shigoto-Ya in Point Richmond will begin on-site construction of the kiosk. Watch for it! We are hoping for a grand opening in September or October.



LEFT, Preview of the PRHA display material

BELOW, 2 intrepid Park Department employees, Mark and Noe, trying to dig down into the rock hard dirt at the corner of West Richmond Avenue and Washington Avenue



First step completed





Early Minutes of the Women's Westside Improvement Club

It's amazing what's in the WWIC minutes! They date back to July 1908 when the Club started. The ladies met weekly. In the first six months they set projects in motion that we enjoy to this day: a statue a Washington and Park Place, a large drinking fountain, a park next to the Baptist Church, and the establishment of a reading room where the city hall had been in Mr. Crichtett's place. Even the names are historical. These minutes are a priceless treasure of Point Richmond's history.

-Linda Newton, President

Point Richmond, Oct. 13, 1908

The Women's West Side Improvement Club of Richmond met in Curry's Hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President Mrs. Curry.

The roll call of officers resulted in all being present except Pres. Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Windrew, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Niedecker & Mrs. Drinick.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with the correction that the Vice President Mrs. Curry presided and that the question of securing garbage cans for the streets was discussed and the executive com. ordered to investigate the matter.

A letter was read from J.W. Walker stating that it would not be possible for them to stop Train No. 8 at Richmond Ave.

Also a letter from J.L. Mott regarding a fountain with blue print of a fountain such as we would like to have.

Moved & carried that we take up for our years' work: the securing & placing of a fountain, establishment of a reading room and improvement of the little park near the Baptist Church.

A bill for stationery from the leader office for \$9.25 was read. The finance committee reported favorably and it was moved and carried that a warrant be drawn on the Treasury for the amount of the bill.

Mrs. Topping reported that she had investigated the fire alarm system and found that it would be far too expensive for the club to undertake. Moved & carried that the Executive Committee look for a suitable location and make arrangements for starting a reading room.

Mrs. Staulzy was present and made a few remarks about the establishment of a reading room and offered her services as a librarian for a small monthly salary. Mrs. Topping suggested a doll show in Dec.

There being no further business to come before the club the meeting adjourned to meet Oct. 20, 1908.

Mrs. Geo. W. Topping, Sec
Disbursements \$9.25

Pt. Richmond Oct 20, 1908

The Woman's Westside Improvement Club of Richmond met in Curry's Hall.

The meeting was called to order by the President Mrs. Adams.

The roll call of officers resulted in all being present except Finance Com. Mrs. Garrard, Mrs. Land & Mrs. Jones, Executive Com. Mrs. Winduer, Mrs. Niedecker, Mrs. Arnold & Mrs. Dimick.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was read from the Peoples Water Co.

Also a letter from H.N Barney chairman of the Republican Committee.

A bill was presented by Mrs. Topping for stamps 25 cents.

The Finance Com. reported favorably and a motion was made and carried that a warrant be drawn on the treasury for the amount of the bill.

Mrs. Curry reported that she had found that the Chritchett building recently occupied as the

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City Hall could be rented for \$15.00 per month but it was her opinion the expense be too much. A general discussion was indulged in.

Mrs. Curry also reported upon what garbage bins for the streets could be obtained for.

Mrs. Curry reported that the City Board had granted permission to the club to improve the little park near the Baptist Church and it was now ready to begin work upon. Moved & carried that the Executive board attend to getting the park

ready for planting.

Mrs. Butterfield reported that a small drinking fountain with cement trough for horses could be obtained for a cost of \$50.00.

Mrs. Peard suggested giving a Masquerade Ball for November and a Country Faire next summer.

There being no further business to come before the club the meeting adjourned to meet Oct. 27, 1908.

Receipts \$15.60 Disbursements \$.25

Mrs. Geo. W. Topping Sec.

Thank you to Monica Ennis for thinking of us while cleaning out some old thing from her closets. Richmond School text on "History of Richmond", a perfect copy of Joseph C. Whitnah's "A History of Richmond, California", a 1917 commemorative plate, two little commemorative creamers "Long Wharf" and "Downtown Richmond" and several interesting newspaper clippings.



On Sunday July 9th, Paramount Pictures did a movie shoot for Netflix's "13 Reasons Why" television series. For the shoot they temporarily changed the name of our organization to "Evergreen County History Association". Thanks to Heinz Lankford for snapping this picture.

CORRECTION

In the last issue I inadvertently included a picture of the building next to the one Caitlin Harvey's "From Saloon to Savasana" instead of 39 Washington which was the subject of the story. I apologize to Caitlin and our readers for that error.

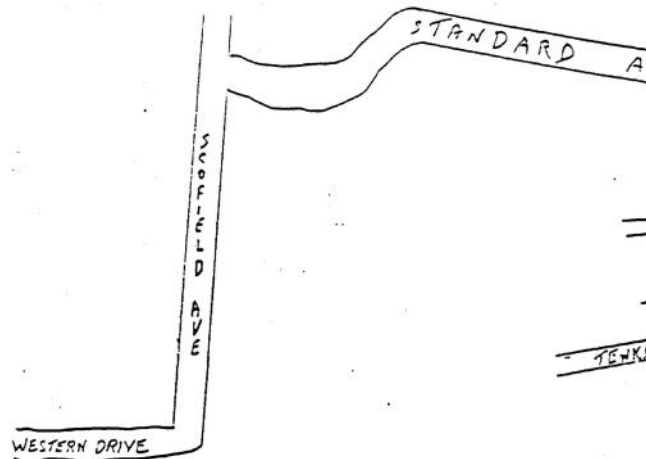
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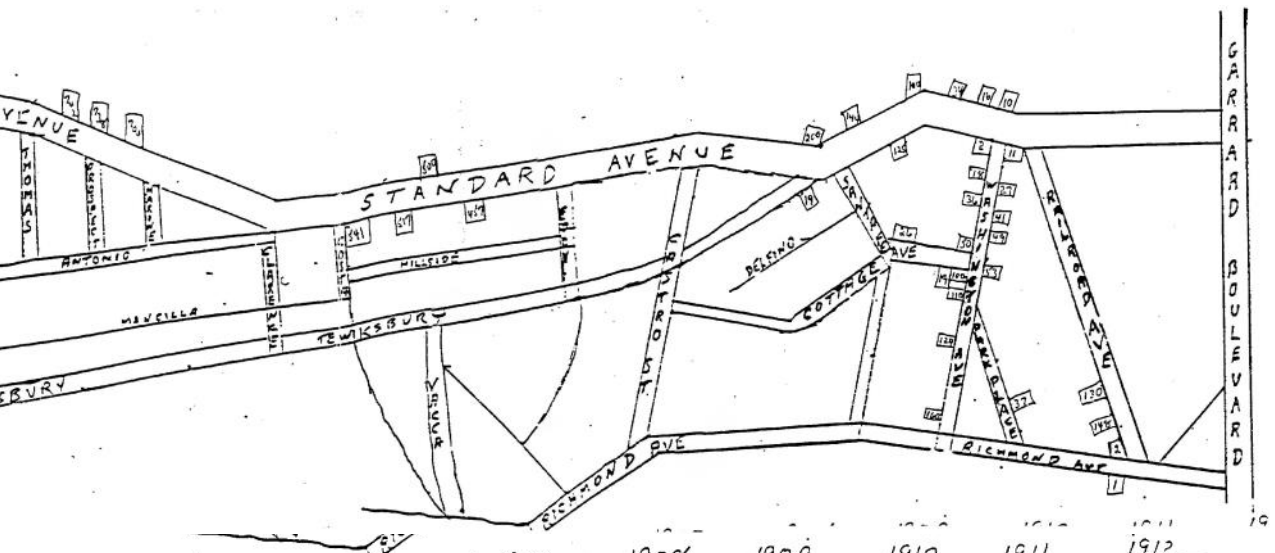
39 Washington Avenue

I've had this very interesting drawing for years. I am sorry that I do not know its author. Note that the various businesses are numbered with their location on the map. Also it illustrates how much of the commercial district was lost to the 580 freeway including a number of hotels on Standard Avenue. If anyone knows who composed this, let me know so I can give them credit.

Gary



	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912
COTTAGE AVENUE						
19 ST. JAMES HOTEL	MOSE MOCH		EDWARD	Mc DUFF		
26 ST. FRANCES HOTEL		JAMES	COFFEE			
PARK PLACE						
37 BALTIC BAR		JOHN C. FEUDNER				
RAILROAD AVENUE						
130 BAY STATE HOTEL	TORATO & GUIDI	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
PIEDMONTE HOTEL		S. MAGGIORA				
148 SALOON	J. MENG	JOE	MATTERI	J. F. FLEMING		
RICHMOND AVENUE						
1 MAXWELL HOTEL		J. G. GERLACH				
2 THE LOUVRE		HENRY	SIRRENBURG			
TEWKSBURY AVENUE						
19 SALOON		FRED HILTON	H. SANUREN	H. VANCURE		
STANDARD AVENUE						
10 AMERICAN HOTEL	MRS. M. J. DWYER		BEN DWYER			
16 ROMA HOTEL	J. B. DE MARIA	O. GOZZANDO CO	↓	↓		
LOMBARDO HOTEL				BERTERINI		
34 HUNTERS HOME	J. A. BETTENCOURT	SOTO & BETTENCOURT	J. A. BETTENCOURT			
100 COLOMBO HOTEL		BEN BRIGNONE				
125 BERTERINI SALOON	MRS. BERTERINI	MONTVERDE & PUCCI	BEN ERICKSON			
144 PALACE HOTEL	GERICKSON	J. BELLENDI	SASSO & POGGI	↓	↓	
GENOVA HOTEL				G. RUSSI		↓
SCANDIA HOTEL						GERICKSON



	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912
200 TOSCANO HOTEL	GUIDO RACCINI		↓	↓	↓	↓
HOTEL D'ITALIA				GUIDO RACCINI		
437 SALOON	H.F. FITZIMMONS	JOHN	WADMAN			
500 SALOON	—	—	—	—	MICHAEL LUCEY	
517 EXCHANGE HOTEL	—	—	G. B. GREEN			
541 STANDARD HOTEL	L. SCIARSA		JOE ROVEDA			
704 GRAND HOTEL	MRS. MARY STANTON		J.E. DAY			
738 SALOON	M. VANDELEUR	D. C. LUCEY	GEORGE REESE			
742 GOLDEN GATE HOTEL	W. J. STEELE		CHAS. BAUER			
WASHINGTON AVENUE						
2 DEAN SALOON		PAT M. DEAN				
11 RICHMOND BAR		TOM KINNEY				
18 SARATOGA HOUSE						
27 DEL SOL & ROLS BAR	DEL SOL & ROLS	JOSEPH GEZO	GEZO & MITCHELL			
36 SALOON	J. E. MORRIS	JOHNSON & SUNDBERG				
41 MINT CAFE	H. W. HUNGER	I.M. PERRIN				MARSHNER GIBNEY
49 CENTRAL SALOON		JOHN KINNEY				
50 COLONIAL HOTEL ^{now} HOTEL	Built and owned by KATE & JIM POPE in 1911					
53 TOPECA	JAMES REILLY	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
EAGLE NEST		W. I. SMITH	F. FEUDNER	OLIVER WYLL		
100 OBERON BAR	SEMOREL & ELLIS	JOHNSON & SUNBECK				
110 SALOON	G.L. WENGER	E. CAZIER	—	—	—	—
124 GILT EDGE SALOON	CHAS. H. HOVER		ASHBY & SONS			
160 CRITCHETT HOTEL	J. F. PURDY	M. LEWELLYN	M.E. DAVIS	THOMPSON & RINGER		

Richmond California

Issued by Richmond Industrial Commission in 1915

A promotion of the then new City of Richmond

Richmond, Contra Costa County, California, located on the east side of San Francisco Bay at the Terminus of the Santa Fe Railroad, and on the main line of the Harriman system, and already the home of some of the largest industrial plants in California, claims to offer the greatest inducements to manufacturers to be found on the Pacific Coast.

California, and especially the Bay region of San Francisco, is awakening to an era of great manufacturing growth. Many plants are being established. The eyes of eastern manufacturers are turning toward the Coast. Already many are looking for sites for new industrial plants or for branches of large existing works. The increasing population of the Coast and the impending opening of the Panama Canal make the region a field that men interested in manufacturing are surveying closely. The fact that a great world's exposition is to be held in San Francisco is also a factor that is helping development.

Richmond and its advantages should be

considered by every manufacturer or owner of any industry that wishes to establish a new plant or a branch. It claims to have every inducement capital seeks in this lines. The principal ones, concisely stated, are:

Deep-water shipping.

Transcontinental railroads.

Terminal freight rates.

Cheapest electrical power and oil fuel, both in unlimited quantities.

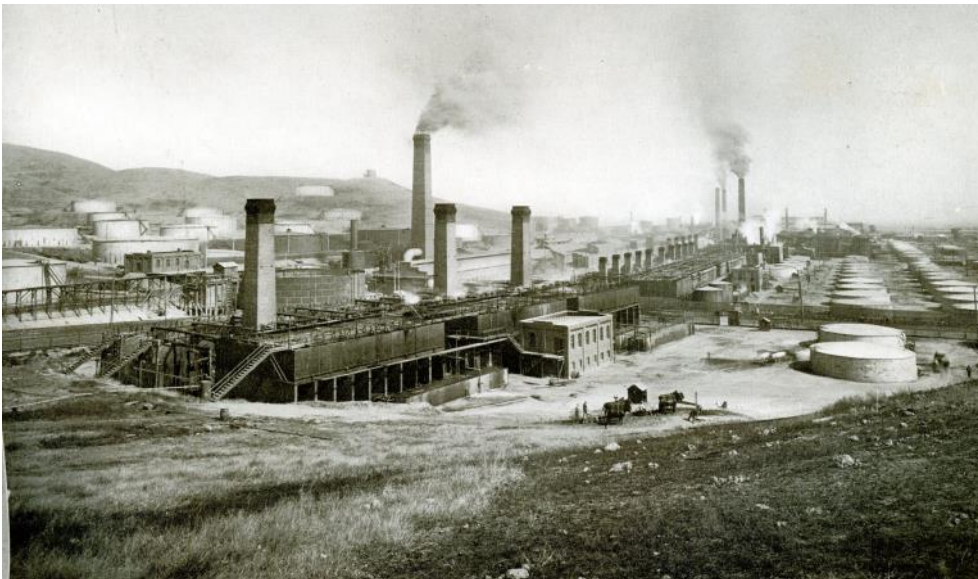
Proximity to markets and labor supply.

The great plants that have already been established here are an object lesson to other manufacturers. Richmond was chosen by the financial interests behind them because of its surpassing advantages.

Factory land is still cheap in Richmond. There is a Belt railroad connecting all plants and sites with the deep-water wharves and the transcontinental railroads.

Plans are now being carried out to augment

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*Standard Oil
Refinery,
Richmond;
largest west
of New
Jersey.
Work is in
progress
doubling its
capacity*

(Continued from page 16)

the present excellent dockage facilities with an inner harbor having a commodious basin.

The Richmond Industrial Commission, the promotion body of the city, will provide all those seeking factory locations, or preparing to locate or invest in Richmond in other lines, every facility for obtaining desired information and will forward data upon all points.

Richmond is the city that can't help growing. In the ten years since the first building was put up it has become the second port of California in tonnage shipped, has gathered 12,000 inhabitants and has raised the amount of invested capital within its borders to more than \$40,000,000.

Floating on the Bay of San Francisco, almost the first thing to catch the eye of the westbound traveler, is a sign whose letters, thirty feet high read: "Richmond, Where Ship Meets Car; Factory, Shipping and Home Sites." That sign, put there by the Richmond Industrial Commission, succinctly telling as much of Richmond's story as can be recounted in gigantic letters, gives the key to Richmond's reason for being.

The force of this industrial claim, is shown by the caliber of the interests which have demonstrated their faith in Richmond's fitness by the investments of millions. Industrially, Richmond has for a foundation the investments of the Rockefeller, Ripley, Harriman, and Morgan interests, besides those of the Pullman Car Company and the \$200,000,000 Smith Merger, recently formed, known formally as the United Properties Company.

Richmond has, besides, the confidence of thousands of homeseekers who have done their share in the amazing work of the last few years.

Richmond is an independent city. It is so situated on its commanding peninsula that it is not a suburb, yet it has community interests with San Francisco and Oakland. It is not only the State's second most important port,

but is the chief manufacturing city of Contra Costa County, which is the second county in California in importance of manufactures, be outstripped only by San Francisco.

Already known all over the country for some of its larger industries, such as Standard Oil Company's works Winehaven, which is the mammoth plant of the California Wine Association, and the Pullman Company's car-shops, Richmond offers an unusual combination of advantages to the manufacturer and the man of commercial pursuit, as well as to the homeseeker who is looking for a city that is developing - that has destiny.

In its seventeen-mile waterfront, Richmond has one of the finest deep-water harbors on San Francisco Bay. It has four great reairoad systems at it disposal, being the Pacific Coast terminal of the Santa Fe and the Frisco System, having the Southern Pacific of the Harriman system running through it and receiving business from the Western Pacific over the Santa Fe tracks

It has cheap factory sites. And it has the cheapest power on the Pacific Coast; the electric power rates are guaranteed the lowest; crude oil for fuel is ready at the cheapest prices of any port in the West. Boring for natural gas and oil is now going on within the city limits, as strong indications of both exist in this section. Both have already been struck in shallow wells.

Not only has the city terminal rates, but about it is one of the greatest regions in the world



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for the production of raw materials - a region whose development has hardly begun. All California and the rest of the Pacific Slope is at Richmond's call for lumber, coal, iron, wool, cotton and minerals.

The city has homes, too. San Francisco Bay is famous as a home center. In Richmond one finds conditions which in the attractiveness to the searcher for a home are hard to surpass.

"The city without a 'For Rent' sign" is what Richmond is called. In every direction homes are being erected, but the demand keeps growing and building cannot easily keep pace. The erection of buildings in Richmond for renting is today a profitable outlet for capital.

THE CITY'S POSITION

Lying on the east shore of San Francisco Bay, the peninsula on which Richmond stands forms one side of the strait, dividing that bay from San Pablo Bay, which lies north of the larger body of water.

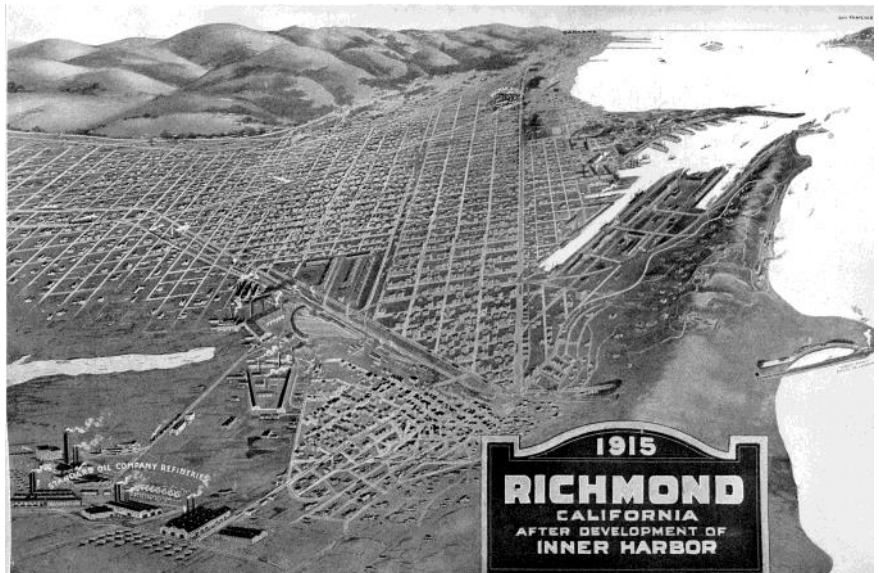
San Francisco is less than eight miles southeast of Richmond, which lies almost due east of Mount Tamalpais, in sight of the Golden Gate. At the head of the peninsula is a ridge of hills rising 350 feet at the highest, protecting the city from the trade winds which sweep the bay half the year.

These hills are a factor in giving Richmond an unusual climate, mild throughout the year but bracing - a climate making it possible to secure the maximum of work.

The city has a solid foundation physically as well as commercially. A bed of tough clay lies from one to six feet under the surface, equal to rock as a foundation. This gives a firm support to the big building needed by industry.



There is another natural advantage here, too, in the absence of the teredo, which elsewhere on San Francisco Bay destroys piling rapidly and adds greatly to the expense of maintaining wharves. Richmond's superiority in this respect is due to the fact that the freshening waters of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers, flowing into the Bay, mingle with the salt water at the city's front.



RICHMOND'S HARBOR

The harbor of the second most important port in California has an unsurpassed sweep of deep-water frontage. Of the seventeen miles of waterfront available in all there are six miles where the headland juts into the bay along which the hills drop sharply, and the depth of water along the shore is from thirty to eighty feet. Here the biggest steamers in the world, whether ships of war or commerce, can lie with ease.

In the various docks along this front close to 1000 ships a year take on or discharge cargo, and from this harbor an amazing variety of products manufactured in Richmond goes to all quarters of the globe.

The peninsula on which Richmond stands reaches into San Francisco Bay at its northern extremity, the headland forming, as said, one of the points that divide this body of water from San Pablo Bay, the middle in the chain of three bays that circle around to the mouths of the two great rivers of California - the Sacramento and the San Joaquin, each of which taps the great valley that bears its name and puts Richmond into wat communication with a tremendous area in the interior of the State.

The head of the peninsula is flattened, making two minor promontories at the sides and giving a great extent of deep-water frontage.

The first part of the front to be utilized, the outer stretch of six miles, is now caring for a

heavy business in proportion to its extent.

To add to the harbor facilities of the city, providing for the needs the future will bring, it is now proposed to make an inner harbor, dredging a channel and basin and filling in land for the city.

After close investigation, competent engineers, including the city engineer, declare that for \$850,000 a landlocked basin can be made, 2000 by 1500 feet in size and twenty to thirty feet deep. The scheme includes a rock-walled channel 11,600 feet long, one section of 6000 feet forming a natural wharf, besides the wharfage in the basin. The channel work is proposed to be done between Brooks Island and the mainland, at the tip of Potrero Point, the extremity of the southern promontory.

To defray part of the cost of the inner harbor, a \$500,000 bond issue is urged, government aid being sought for the rest. Richmond, though exceeded in volume of business by only one other port in the State, has never before sought federal help in harbor work. The plan has received support in Washington, and \$15,000 was appropriated for a preliminary survey by United States Army engineers under Colonel Thomas E. Rees.

The financial end of the project includes repayment of the bond loan in forty years, and also the acquisition by the city of from 300 to 600 acres of made or reclaimed land, which would soon have industrial plants and railroad lines spread over it.



Pullman Palace Car Company's plant, Richmond. Buildings and equipment represent a \$1,500,000 investment. The present works are close to their capacity of 800 men

Authors' readings to benefit the SPLC

A series of readings by writers featured in *Speak and Speak Again* (a resistance anthology published by Pact Press) will be doing free readings in the Bay Area in the wake of the Charlottesville attacks and the double-digit rise in hate crimes in California.

The readings a fund raiser for the Southern Poverty Law Center. All book sales proceeds will be donated to the SPLC.

The Point Richmond event will be at **Kaleidoscope Coffee** Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m. Other events will be at Book Passage (Tuesday, Sept. 5, 7 p.m.) and A Great Good Place for Books in Oakland (Thursday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.).

The writers who will be presenting include:

Laurie Ann Doyle, author of *World Gone Missing* and writing instructor at UC Berkeley: www.laurieanndoyle.com

Stephen D. Gutierrez, American Book Award winner and teacher at Cal State East Bay: <http://www.stephendgutierrez.com>

Lily Iona MacKenzie teaches writing at the University of San Francisco's Fromm Institute of Lifelong Learning and is author of *All This* (a poetry collection), and two novels (*Fling!* and *Curva Peligrosa*). <https://lilyionamackenzie.wordpress.com>

Cheryl A. Ossola, poet, dance writer, teacher, and editor; debut novel forthcoming from Regal House Publishing. <http://cherylaossola.com>

Rob Waters, journalist and travel writer who writes about health, science, world culture and criminal justice: rob@robwaters.co

Thanks to "The Point"



Nicholl Avenue before it was paved PRHA photo archive # 1057 from Karla and Klaudia Kobelt



*Trolley car stands in front of the original car barn, circa 1904. Standard Avenue is in the foreground and the Standard Oil Refinery is in the background with the main gate on the left.
From "East Shore & Suburban Railway" by Erle C. Hanson*

Excerpt from "East Shore & Suburban Railway" by Erle C. Hanson

For two generations the expansion and growth of America has paced by; the electric trolley car. Its coming in hundreds of areas changed rural hamlets into bustling cities almost overnight.

But nowhere was this accomplished more dramatically than in Richmond, California, at the turn of the century. As so often was the case in the early 1900's, the rails pre-dated the commuters. The service awaited their coming.

Doubtful visitors became eager home buyers and willing commuters from outlying districts when they discovered they could ride to and from work in dependable, low priced electric street

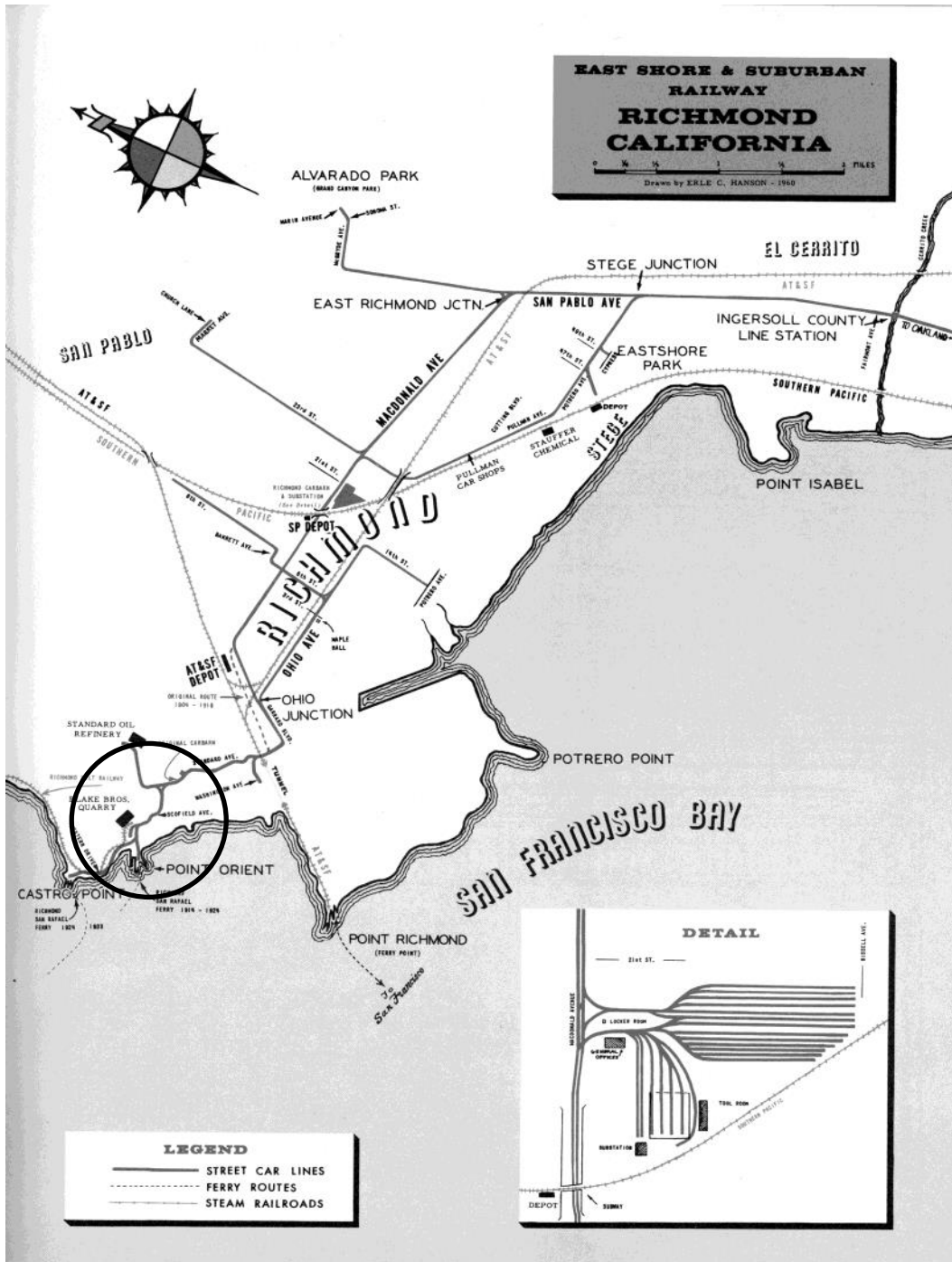
cars.

Richmond boasted but 1000 souls in August 13, 1900, when two city councilmen, A.S. Macdonald and William G. Henshaw, were granted a franchise by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors to construct a street railway system in and about the unincorporated towns of Old Town, Atchison, and East Yard, all in Point Richmond which had been selected earlier as its West Coast terminus by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway.

The franchise authorized a line starting at the Santa Fe depot in East Yard and extending north through flat, fertile country for a half mile, thence east one mile to the Southern Pacific Railroad depot. It was a 50-year franchise.

Sometimes I wake up grumpy; other times I let her sleep.

Paraprosdokians from Dave





*Looking west on Washington Avenue in 1910
From "East Shore & Suburban Railway" by Erle C Hanson*

I have been curious about the streetcar system in our area. Electric streetcars were prevalent until 1933 when the powers that be began switching our mass transportation to buses. The Key System was the dominant system in the East Bay as it had a vast system of tracks from San Leandro north to Richmond. Point Richmond was connected to the East Shore & Suburban Railway by tracks that came up Macdonald Avenue turned left on Garrard, right on Standard Avenue (which was a major street approximately where the 580 freeway is now), then on to the ferry terminal at Castro Point and the quarry. A spur was added for the Nelson vs. Wolgast prize fight in 1910 and tracks were installed up Washington and Park Place to West Richmond Avenue. This spur also served the funeral parlor on Park Place. On funeral days cars would be draped in black crape. The casket would be placed inside the car and taken to Fairmont Avenue near the county line. There it would be transferred to a waiting hearse for delivery to the cemetery.

Gary Shows

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", "The Leader" and "Richmond Herald Record". It is one of many historical items left for us by Allan Smith.

Items of Interest Point Richmond, early 1900's

The Record and The Leader ***Point Richmond was called Eastyard***

- | | |
|------------|---|
| 03-17-1902 | Oakland wants the Santa Fe Railway |
| 05-06-1902 | Oakland Transit will construct a line to Richmond this summer
Richmond Chamber of Commerce is in full swing
150 SOE's get pay lined up at Bank of Richmond tellers window. Paid in gold and silver for first time, checks before. |
| 12-15-1902 | Wild Cat Creek yields gold in mud.
The Poodle Dog opened today, formerly toughest place in town - now respectable. |
| 11-15-1902 | Contract let to make deep water channel from Carquinez Straits to Golden Gate, 300 feet wide and 30 feet deep. |
| 11-25-1902 | Standard Oil Company buys one million barrels of crude at 20 cents per barrel. |
| 11-07-1902 | Santa Fe has begun construction of depot at the foot of Richmond Ave. and will also build a new one at the foot of MacDonald Ave. |
| 04-02-1908 | John Nicholl plans to bore tunnel to the bay and fill lands below Richmond Ave. He will bore it with water pressure!! (never done). |
| 07-12-1909 | Abbotts to add 3rd story to the hospital (14 more rooms). |
| 11-26-1909 | French nobleman shot at Pt. Orient. He later was found to be a fake. |
| 12-15-1909 | Richmond will celebrate coming of Pullman Car Shops. |
| 01-27-1910 | Women's Westside Improvement Club dance. |
| 02-02-1910 | Dull Dog Joe Smith tells of work on Sheep Island. S.P. has bought the island. May be used as addition to San Quentin Prison. |
| 01-30-1912 | Henry Cutting in fight on street car with 3 Japs. |
| 02-02-1912 | SOC Co buying plant production for expansion. Refy being doubled, 170 bricklayers employed.
Survey being made to extend Belt Line Winehaven to SOC Co Plant on West Side |

Birthdays

September

Donna Roselius
(Hi, Donna!)
Pam Dutrow Horn
Carol Kiehn
Marie Peckham
Ivar Elle
Daniel Butt
Don Diani
Emileigh Barnes
Greg Brougham

Frank Christopher
Linda Newton
Roberta Wilson
Bonnie Jo Cullison
Ingvar Elle
Simeon J. Burtner
Gayle Kaufman
John Hadreas
David Reynolds
Jerry Cerkowicz, Jr.

Kenneth Dolan
Theresa Daniel
Jan Feagley
Lorin Buhler
Isobel Shaw
Audrey Lee Rentfro
Stephen Kowalski
Stephenie Kowalski
Gene Smith
Diane Frosini Diani

Margaret Morkowski
Sonja Gandola
John Bailo
Alice Jordan
Elisa Delatorre
Jackie Lizarraga
Craig Healy
Bobbie Swerdfeger
Lizarraga
Ken Comer

October

Terry Wynne
Ingrid Lindemann
Kate Lord
Florence Wilson
Maria Shaw
Timothy Doherty
David Vincent
Jan Burdick

Jody Bagley
Jeff Ward
McKinley Bradshaw
Tim Montgomery
Brian Tedrick
Rich Weirick
Marc Bisio
Chris Ward

Helen Frosini
Tony Peter Bernabic
Chad Feagley
Isabel 'Boo' Shaw
Jerry Daniel
Grace Cerkowicz
Otto Barni
Maria Inchauspe Smith

Abigail Munoz Rivera
Toni Cannizzaro
Frank Craig
Leo Matteucci
Carolyn Dutrow



Memorials.....

Dean Anthony Smith Oct. 6, 1933 - July 9, 2017 Pt. Richmond, CA. Resident Dean, 83, died



Sunday, at his family home. He leaves his brother, Frank Smith, his sisters-in- law, nephews and nieces and many close friends. Born on October 6, 1933 and raised in Richmond CA, the son of John Smith and Ada Quataroli Smith, Dean was a lifelong resident of Point Richmond, CA. He is preceded in death by his brothers Leonard, Allan, Loren, Richard, Bill and his sister Gloria. After graduating from Richmond High School in 1952, he joined the U.S. Army and following basic training at Fort Ord, he was assigned to the U.S. Army Signal Corp in Bamberg, West Germany.

While in the service, Dean travelled extensively throughout post-war Europe amassing some of his most cherished memories and stories. After being honorably discharged from the Army, he attended Contra Costa College for two years completing his AA degree. When he returned from duty, he went to work for Standard Oil Company at the Richmond Refinery. Dean retired in 1989 after 35 years of service with the company. A gifted athlete, Dean had a passion for all sports, particularly baseball, football and boxing. While in the Army, Dean developed a love of health & fitness and was often seen working out with other early day body builders at Albany Gym. Dean had a tremendous devotion to the Catholic Church and was a lifelong member of the Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Point Richmond. He was an avid follower of Padre Pio and was a regular at the Padre Pio Prayer Group and rarely missed the Padre Pio Cenacle gatherings on Sundays in San Francisco. He loved his family and was devoted to his brothers, sister and nieces and nephews and would hold weekly pasta dinners at his home for all of them recounting stories of family, friends, sports and his travels in Europe as a young soldier. His warm heart and gentle smile will be missed.

Jean Dolores Boyum passed away in April 2017, age 74. Born in Richmond, she attended Washington Elementary school, Roosevelt Junior High, and Richmond Union High School. She was active in the Point Brownies and a member of the synchronized swim team at the Richmond Plunge. She retired as a Plant Supervisor from Graham Packaging. Jean is survived by daughters Kyle Haynes, Lori Newton, and Jamie Pruett; brothers Jim and Doug Boyum; sister Roberta Major, grandchildren and one great-grandson. Services were in Benecia, July 6th, 2017.



EXCLUSIVE OVER 90 CLUB

Martha Bielawski - 94
Grace Cerkowicz - 94
Muriel Clausen - 94
John Knox - 92
Mary Bianci Highfill - 93
Tom Kenny - 92
Loretta Johromi - 91 (month?)
Viola Lola Kennedy - 99 (anyone know her?)
Billie Bonham Shaw - 94
June Beesley Sosabal - 93
Delphina Franco Tawney - 98

Helen Wysham - 92
Jim Wilson - 91
Alice Williamson - 92
Madeline Bellando Albright - 99
Mid Dornan - 95
Dalles Wilcox - 90 (month?)
Morris Simpson - 95

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AGE IS NOT A NUMBER, IT'S AN ATTITUDE

CENTURY CLUB

Madeline Bellando Albright 100

(Shoney Gustafson and Mark Gebhart have been deleted for lack of verification of age.)



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MANY HANDS PROJECT TO SUPPORT WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Contact, Margaret Morkowski, 510-234-4219

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The 2016 season has been cancelled.

Masquers will return to full production in 2017

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Info: 510-620-6905

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POINT RICHMOND NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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Contact: Margaret Jordon at 510-412-3673

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Information call 510-620-6567

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Pancake Breakfasts one Sunday a month, April - June, August - October, \$9/adults, \$5/kids under 8 years.,

For more information call the ship at 510-237-2933 or the Richmond Museum of History at 510-235-7387 or visit www.richmondsmuseum.org

RICHMOND MUSEUM OF HISTORY

400 Nevin Avenue, Richmond. Open Wednesday-Sunday, 1:00 to 4:00 pm. For more information call 510-235-7387

RICHMOND SWIMS

The Children and teens "Sail Fish" and Masters swim teams at the Richmond Plunge. Contact: Coach John Schonder, 510-504-0330 - September 25, 2011 open water bay swim raises money for coaching, equipment, pool fees and swimming scholarships for inner-city youth throughout Richmond. More info at <http://www.richmondswims.org/> or call 415-892-0771

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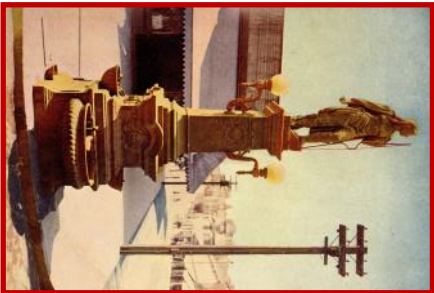
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