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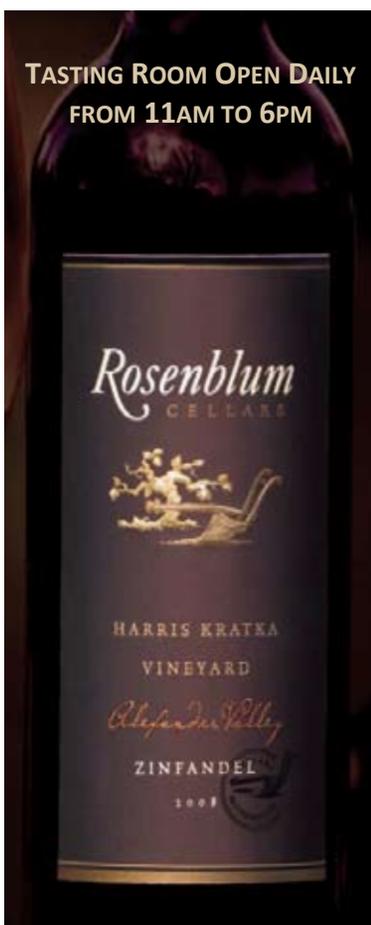
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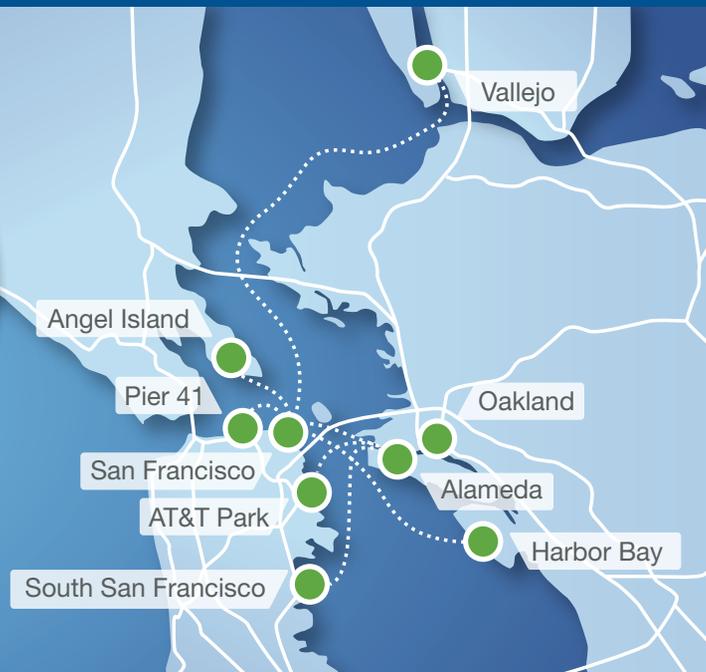
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Wings on the water and wings in the sky will culminate a historic week of action on and above San Francisco Bay at the second event of the 2012-13 America's Cup World Series from October 2-7. The first America's Cup event in San Francisco in August attracted over 150,000 fans to the Marina Green. In October, the wingsail AC45 catamarans will join the rigid wings of the Blue Angels aerobatic team to bring an unprecedented combination of thrills to onlookers lined around shore and on the waters of the Bay. Photos by Joel Williams

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California Transportation Commission Commits Funding to Oakland Army Base Project

BY PATRICK BURNSON

The Oakland Board of Port Commissioners praised the California Transportation Commission for its decision to commit \$242 million in voter-approved Proposition 1B bond funding to the redevelopment of the former Oakland Army Base.

The Oakland Army Base project involves a transformation of the former base into a world-class trade and logistics center that will strengthen the port's position as the leading export gateway on the United States West Coast. The port handles 99 percent of all containerized goods in Northern California, and agricultural products represent approximately 40 percent of the total value of exports.

As reported in *Bay Crossings*, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood and California Governor Jerry Brown recently visited the port to announce \$15 million in federal TIGER grant funding for the project, affirming the project's national and strategic significance.

The affirmation of these funds follows the Oakland City Council approval in June of development agreements with Prologis for the city's portion of the 360 acres of former Oakland Army Base that it shares with the Port of Oakland. Walter

Rakowich, co-chief executive officer for San Francisco-based Prologis, told shareholders recently that his company is building on the "momentum" from last quarter.

"Customers have new requirements for e-commerce facilities and remain focused on improving supply chain efficiencies," Rakowich said. "Given continued supply constraints, our customers with targeted requirements are increasingly pursuing build-to-suits, which we are able to readily accommodate with our strategic land portfolio."

The Oakland-based California Capital Investment Group has a similar agreement with the port. The Oakland Army Base project is scheduled to break ground by the end of 2013.

Steamship Night Planned for October 16

Staged at the San Francisco Marriot Marquis on Tuesday, October 16, this year's "Steamship Night" promises to be another success. This gathering of industry leaders and prominent players offers fellowship and fine dining without burdening partygoers with speeches or other ceremonial trappings. The event is also a great way to network, said Pacific Transportation Association Director Jane Wisdom. With live entertainment provided by Blu on Green, the event benefits local waterfront-friendly charities.

The Pacific Transportation Association



Photo courtesy of Matson

Oakland-based Matson was a recipient of the 2012 CIO 100 award recognizing organizations around the world that exemplify the highest level of operational and strategic excellence in information technology.

is still one of the leading traffic clubs in the Country, faithful to the ideals of its founders and a valuable link to the transportation industry.

Matson Receives IT Award

Oakland-based Matson, a premier ocean transportation and logistics company, has been honored by *CIO* magazine as a recipient of the 2012 CIO 100 award. The 25th annual award program recognizes organizations around the world that exemplify the highest level of operational and strategic excellence in information technology. This is the second time Matson has achieved this level of recognition by the publication, with the first honor occurring in 2010.

"For 25 years now, the CIO 100 awards have honored the innovative use of technology to deliver genuine business value," said Maryfran Johnson, Editor in Chief of *CIO* magazine & events. "Our 2012 winners are an outstanding example of the transformative power of IT to drive everything from revenue growth to competitive advantage."

Matson was one of four transportation companies honored this year, along with FedEx, Amtrak and Old Dominion Freight Line. Other recipients included AT&T Services, IBM, Intel, Pfizer, Procter &

Gamble, Verizon Wireless and the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Matson was recognized for its multi-year IT initiative, known as miLogistx, designed to support growth for its logistics subsidiary.

"Over the past decade, Matson Logistics had expanded through a combination of organic and acquisitive growth," said Peter Weis, vice president and chief information officer. "As a result, the company found itself needing to support four disparate and increasingly obsolete IT operating platforms. With the miLogistx initiative, we successfully designed, developed and implemented our own internet-based logistics platform to support 17,000 domestic vendors and 8,000 customers."

"As an asset-light business, Matson Logistics can truly differentiate itself in our markets by offering customers industry-leading shipment information management tools," said Rusty Rolfe, president of Matson Logistics. "As the domestic third-party logistics marketplace matures into a more internet-based world, logistics providers who are able to effectively connect customers and carriers via technology will be best positioned for growth opportunities. Matson Logistics is proud to be honored by *CIO* magazine for its IT initiatives with such a distinguished group of global companies."

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Bay Water Taxi Service Debuts

San Franciscans and tourists can now see the first water taxis on the Bay since the early 20th century. The San Francisco Port Commission granted a five-year contract to Tideline Marine Group to provide water-taxi service throughout the City's waterfront.

The service, which carries passengers on demand to numerous destinations along the Bay, and into Marin County, debuted on October 1. The good news comes just in time for Fleet Week and the second phase of the America's Cup World Series yacht races. Tideline Marine Group offers a brand-new, innovative water taxi service that can take passengers from nearly any spot along the waterfront clear across San Francisco Bay in a matter of minutes.

Passengers will take a quick, traffic-free trip while enjoying fresh ocean air

and the breathtaking scenery of the Bay. The current boat seats 12 comfortably, and Tideline plans to add two more boats that will carry 25 people in the upcoming months.

Tideline's captains from the International Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots are the best in the business, with an extensive knowledge of the Bay Area and an unparalleled safety record. Fares at Tideline are comparable to street cabs, with package rates set for parties of up to two people. Time surcharges are added for weather and traffic delays on single-party trips. Parties of three or more will incur an extra charge of \$10 per additional person.

Tideline Marine Group of Sausalito is the creation of longtime friends Taylor Lewis and Ryan Graves, who have been friends since grammar school in Marin



For the first time since the early 20th century, water taxi service is available in the Bay Area.

County. Lewis, the CEO, is a professional yacht skipper with vast, worldwide experience on the ocean and deep roots in Marin County. His great familiarity with the area, along with his love of the sea, gave him the incentive to help solve some very real challenges when it comes to San Francisco-area travel.

"The Bay is historically seen as an obstacle with challenging weather patterns and its large size," he said. "We are going to provide a way for people to experience the bay in a more intimate setting."

Tideline also plans to expand destination options in the near future. Lewis said that the company hopes to offer customers a better way to get to wine country tours in Napa, or even up to the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. "I can take them to places they have never seen," Lewis said.

For more information about Tideline Marine Group of Sausalito, please visit <http://tidelinesf.com/>



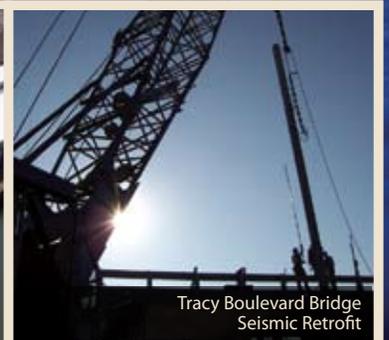
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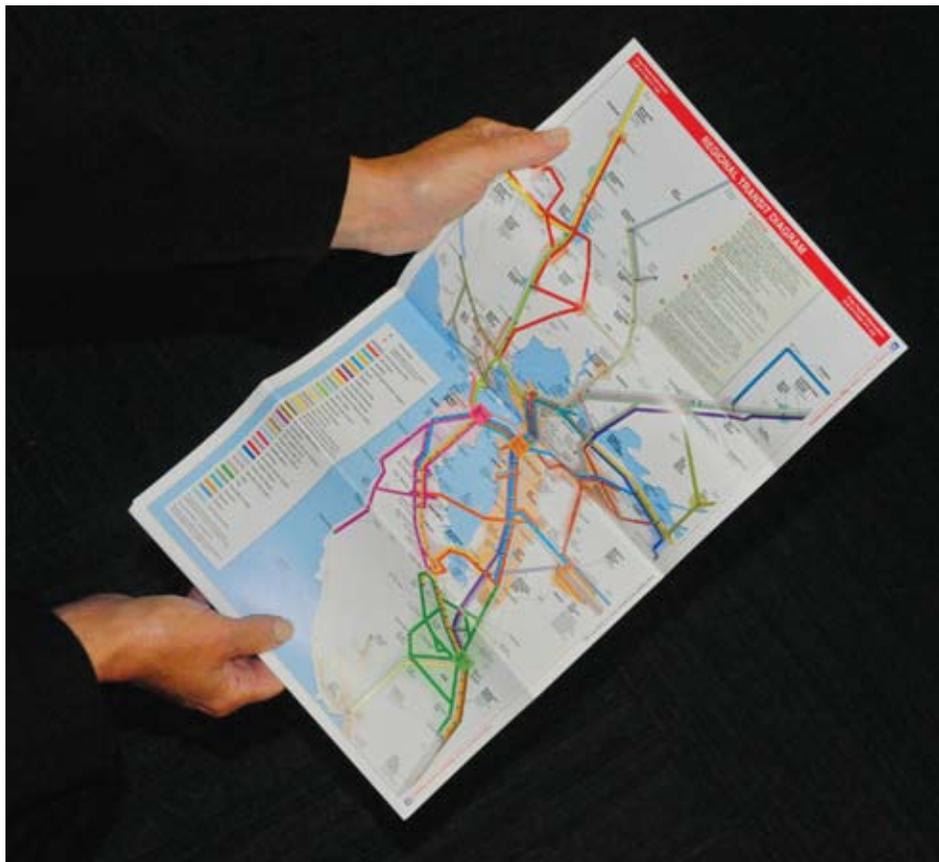
The Metropolitan Transportation Commission and its 511 Traveler Information Service have released the 2012 edition of the *Getting There on Transit* guide. The free publication features detailed maps of three dozen transit systems throughout the San Francisco Bay Area, and highlights more than 250 popular destinations with directions to reach them on public transit.

“Bay Area residents and visitors can find everything they need to get around by bus, train, ferry and trolley in one handy guide,” said Melanie Crotty, MTC’s operations director. “*Getting There on Transit* is one of our most popular publications and provides the

most comprehensive information on the nine-county transit system.”

Free transit information is also available by calling 511, going to 511.org, or using the 511 SF Bay-Transit app on a smart phone. “The maps contained in the *Getting There on Transit* guide are a great companion to these other sources of transit information,” Crotty noted.

The guide offers both frequent and occasional transit users an easy-to-understand overview of the region’s diverse transit modes, routes and agencies. Features include a detailed diagram of Bay Area rail systems and their interconnections, and downtown maps of Berkeley, Oakland, San Francisco, San Jose and other key cities. Also included is a directory of paratransit van and taxi services for disabled and



The new *Getting There on Transit* publication features easy-to-understand maps and an overview of the region’s diverse transit modes, routes and agencies.



elderly passengers, a guide to airport ground transportation, and information on 511 transit planning resources.

Newly added in this seventh edition are the region’s 150 free Park & Ride lots, shown on county maps and on an overview map. Conveniently placed throughout the Bay Area, Park & Ride lots are locations where drivers can meet carpool and vanpool partners or park and make transit connections.

Information on new 511 features and tools—such as the 511 SF Bay-Transit app for iPhone 4 and Android, and the new 511 Enhanced Trip Planner—is also included. The app provides door-to-door transit trip planning for more than 30 transit agencies, as well as scheduled departure times for transit routes throughout the region. The online 511 Enhanced Trip Planner at 511.org provides a unique side-by-side comparison of using transit, driving or a combination of both.

Additionally, transit information in the *Getting There* guide has been updated to include information about Clipper, the Bay Area’s all-in-one reloadable transit card. Currently, Clipper is accepted on Muni, BART, AC Transit, Caltrain, SamTrans, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, Golden Gate Transit and Ferry, the

Dumbarton Express, and the San Francisco Bay Ferry routes from San Francisco to Alameda/Oakland and Harbor Bay as well as their East Bay to South San Francisco route.

The new publication also features updated transit route maps, including a new ferry routes map, redesigned and reorganized interior pages that are more user-friendly, and a new cover design.

To receive a free copy of the 511 *Getting There on Transit* guide, email your name and address to library@mtc.ca.gov, fax 510.817.5848, or call 510.817.5836. Copies of the guide also are available through Bay Area transit operators, at Bay Area airports, and in San Francisco at the Embarcadero BART/Muni station (visit the Clipper kiosk on the main concourse) and the Bay Crossings store located in the Ferry Building. A PDF file of the *Getting There* guide is available at: http://www.mtc.ca.gov/library/getting_there/Getting_There_On_Transit_2012.pdf.

Captain Christopher Mannion

BY MATT LARSON

Christopher Mannion has seafaring in his blood—but it took a summer job with the Blue & Gold Fleet to realize it.

“My great-grandfather was a fishing boat captain in Ireland. My grandfather was a merchant marine during World War II and later made a career out of it for 30-some-odd years. And, on top of that, my father practiced maritime law in San Francisco for 30 years,” Mannion said. “So you could say that it was in my blood, I just didn’t realize it until I was a little bit older.”

Mannion’s first day at Blue & Gold was the day after he graduated high school in 1994. “I started out with a summer job taking pictures,” Mannion said. “Then it kind of morphed into a deckhand job during the summers when I went to college.”

Mannion ended up liking the job—a lot. “Once I got enough sea time I got my captain’s license and I’ve been driving boats ever since, going on 11 years now,” he said. As of this writing, Captain Mannion can be found on the Bay Cruises departing from Pier 39. Throughout the year he also helms the Angel Island, Sausalito, Tiburon and Oakland/Alameda commutes.

Mannion’s time as a deckhand has really helped sculpt the kind of captain he is today. “I appreciate the crew more than anything else,” he said. “It sounds kind of lame, but a captain’s really only as good as his crew. So, if you have a group of deckhands who are willing to go the extra mile for you, it makes the job easy.”

“One of the most challenging parts of the job is the elements, but they’re seasonal so you can kind of prepare for them,” Mannion said. “One thing that you can never prepare yourself for are the sailboats—the weekend warriors. They can make your day a lot more difficult than it needs to be. Throw that on top of Fleet Week and Fourth of July—that’s when you really earn your check.”

Many Blue & Gold employees can attest that one of the best parts of the job is having some pretty amazing co-workers, and Mannion is no different. “A lot of them, I’m very proud to say, are good friends of mine—lifelong friends of mine,” he said. “The biggest joy of this job is knowing that I wouldn’t have gotten to know these people had I not worked for Blue & Gold as long as I have.”

Mannion attended Dominican University of California in San Rafael, graduating with a degree in psychology, and actually credits Blue & Gold for finishing school. “It wasn’t until after I got my captain’s license that I figured I might as well go back to school,” said



Photo by Matt Larson

Captain Christopher Mannion in front of Blue & Gold Fleet’s Old Blue at PIER 39.

Mannion, who had only attended junior college beforehand. “So basically, it took me getting my license to end up finishing my college career.”

Having grown up in San Francisco and Marin, Mannion now lives in Petaluma with his wife and two kids. “It’s all about spending time with my family,” he said. “My daughter is in first grade and my son is in kindergarten.” He also makes time, when possible, for the 49ers. “I’m definitely fired up for this season,” he said. “Last year was the first time in 15 years that I hadn’t

been out to the ‘Stick and they got a championship game, so I think I’ll stay away again this year.”

While he’s driving the distance to San Francisco from Petaluma every morning, Mannion keeps in mind that “once I get to the ‘office’ it’s all worth it.” He summarizes it like this: “It’s the crew and the view. Being able to say that you get to work with some of your best friends is a luxury. Some people don’t have that. And as far as offices go, you can’t ask for a better office than being out on the San Francisco Bay.”



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31st Annual Fleet Week Sails Into San Francisco, Oakland and Alameda



Photo by Joel Williams

Once again the United States Navy's Blue Angels will provide aerial thrills over the Bay for this year's Fleet Week celebration.

Aho! The fleet is in from October 4-8 as San Francisco opens its arms and piers for the 31st annual Fleet Week. With more ships, more sailors, more Marines, and more free family friendly events than ever, this year's Fleet Week has expanded to include neighboring cities: Oakland and Alameda.

Continuing the focus on disaster preparedness, Fleet Week is featuring more "NERT" (Neighborhood Emergency Response Team) and "CERT" (Community Emergency Response Team) events to educate the community on how to prepare for a natural disaster. Plus, as usual, the skilled naval aviators of the Blue Angels will thrill with their extraordinary airborne maneuvers. In a change from previous years, ships of the United States Navy and Canadian Navy will be open for tours along San Francisco's southern waterfront, docked at Pier 80. With the events of the America's Cup World Series taking place at the same time, this move should reduce some of the congestion

along the waterfront.

San Francisco and Fleet Week share a long and storied history that originated in 1908 with the arrival of the "Great White Fleet" to the Bay during its round-the-world 14-month voyage. Consisting of 16 battleships of the Atlantic Fleet and various smaller vessels, this legendary flotilla featured hulls painted white except for the gilded scrollwork on their bows.

Throughout the 20th century, San Francisco was a major focus of naval operations and served as the headquarters of the United States Naval forces under Admiral Chester Nimitz during World War II. A generation of Liberty Ships and other military vessels were built, launched, serviced, berthed and later retired at historic sites at Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Richmond's Kaiser Shipyard, the Marin Shipworks, Treasure Island, Hunters Point Shipyard, Suisun Bay and the Alameda Naval Air Station.

Over the years, millions more San Franciscans have welcomed the United States Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard making its Fleet Week one of

the City's most treasured traditions. Under the leadership of then-Mayor Dianne Feinstein, the modern Fleet Week tradition began in 1981, honoring the dedicated men and women of the Armed Forces and their colleagues.

The San Francisco Fleet Week Association is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to honor the dedication to duty and sacrifices of the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces and to conduct and offer disaster preparedness training. Its honorary co-chairpersons are United States Senator Dianne Feinstein and former Secretary of State George P. Shultz.

Following is an overview of the public events for San Francisco Fleet Week 2012 available at press time. All times are subject to change. An up-to-the-minute schedule of public events is available online at www.fleetweek.us.

Thursday, October 4
Sailors and Marines on Liberty in San Francisco, Interagency Softball Tournament & Tribute Concert at

Marines Memorial Club

Highlights:

- 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.: Softball tournament between ships' teams and local teams at US Coast Guard Island in Alameda
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Ships' crews take part in area community outreach and service projects around San Francisco
- 1 – 5 p.m.: Air Show Rehearsal with the Blue Angels Survey Flights
- 6 p.m.: Speech at the Marines Memorial Club followed by a performance of the United States Marine Corps 1st Marine Division Band (free public event, but advance registration required via www.marineclub.com)

Friday, October 5

Ship Tours; The Blue Angels and Pier 39 Concerts

Highlights:

- 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.: Softball tournament between ships' teams and local teams at Moscone Field in San Francisco
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Weapons displays at Alameda USS Hornet Pier
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Ships' crews take

part in area community service projects around San Francisco

- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Ships of the United States Navy along with US Coast Guard and Canadian vessels will be open for tours along San Francisco’s southern waterfront at Pier 80
- 12 – 1:30 p.m.: United States Navy Band Concert at Scott’s Outdoor Pavilion at Jack London Square in Oakland.
- 12 – 2 p.m.: The Air Force Band, “Mobility”, in concert at Pier39
- 12:30 – 3 p.m.: Air Show
- 4 – 5 p.m.: Blue Angels
- 7:15 – 7:45 p.m.: Blue Angels “Meet & Greet” at Pier 39

Saturday, October 6

TRX-24 Hour Fitness Workout, Fleet Week Parade & Ship Tours

Highlights:

- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Static displays on the Marina Green
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Weapons displays at Alameda USS Hornet Pier
- 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Ships’ crews take part in Humanitarian Relief

& Disaster Response Capabilities exercises and educational workshops at Marina Green

- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Ships of the United States Navy along with US Coast Guard and Canadian vessels will be open for tours along San Francisco’s southern waterfront at Pier 80
- 10am: United States Marine Corps 1st Marine Division Band performs at Powell Street in San Francisco
- 1030 a.m.: TRX and 24 hour fitness workout the service-members of Fleet Week
- 11 a.m.: Ships of the United States Navy’s along with US Coast Guard and Canadian vessels set sail in the Parade of Ships
- 1 – 2 p.m.: First Marine Division Band Concert at Pier 39
- 12:30 – 3 p.m.: Air Show
- 4 – 5 p.m.: Blue Angels
- 4 – 7 p.m.: Cheeseballs Concert at Pier39

Sunday, October 7

San Francisco 49er’s Salute to Fleet

Week & Italian Heritage Parade Highlights:

- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Ships of the United States Navy along with US Coast Guard and Canadian vessels will be open for tours along San Francisco’s southern waterfront at Pier 80
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Static displays on the Marina Green
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Weapons displays at Alameda USS Hornet Pier
- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Ships’ crews take part in area community outreach and service projects around San Francisco
- 10 a.m.: TRX and 24 hour fitness workout the service-members of Fleet Week at Marina Green
- 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.: The Oakland Navy League BBQ at Pier 80
- 12:30 p.m.: Italian Heritage / Fleet Week Parade
- 12:30 – 3 p.m.: Air Show
- 4 – 5 p.m.: Blue Angels
- 4 – 7 p.m.: The United States Navy Band will perform a free concert for all to enjoy on San Francisco’s famous Pier 39.
- 1 – 6 p.m.: San Francisco 49ers

Salute. The San Francisco 49ers host the United States Marine Corps 1st Marine Division Band and various local military commands at Candlestick Park for an unforgettable half time show

- 12 – 3 p.m.: Pop Rocks Concert at Pier39
- 4:30 – 7 p.m.: Navy Band, Southwest at Pier 39

Monday, October 8

Navy Band Concert & “Band Challenge”

Highlights:

- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Ships of the United States Navy along with US Coast Guard and Canadian vessels will be open for tours along San Francisco’s southern waterfront at Pier 80
- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Ships’ crews take part in area community outreach and service projects around San Francisco
- 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.: The 1st Marine Division Band will host a “Band Challenge” with young musicians from area high schools at the Band Shell in Golden Gate Park

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San Francisco Bay Ferry Brings Clipper Card To Alameda/Oakland & Harbor Bay Ferry Routes

At its regularly scheduled Board meeting in September, the Water Emergency Transit Agency (WETA), operator of San Francisco Bay Ferry, voted unanimously to approve Clipper Card fares and a new ferry/MUNI transfer policy for the Alameda/Oakland and Harbor Bay ferry routes, effective October 1.

The new one-way fare for adult passengers using Clipper will be \$4.75 on the Alameda/Oakland to San Francisco route, and \$5.00 on the Harbor Bay to San Francisco route, in line with current discounted fares at the most commonly used fare option, a 20-ticket book. Passengers currently purchasing adult single one-way tickets stand to save between \$1.25 and \$1.50 each time they ride the ferry. Although paper tickets

will continue to be available, riders that opt to use Clipper will enjoy a number of benefits, including access to Clipper Direct, an employer transit benefit program, whereby commuters receive a 30 – 40 percent discount by paying with pre-tax dollars. Furthermore, since Clipper payments are cashless, passengers no longer need to have exact change or purchase a ticket on board.

“Introducing Clipper on the Alameda/Oakland and Harbor Bay routes is central to the integration of the ferry system with the long-term vision for Bay Area transit infrastructure,” said Nina Rannells, Executive Director of WETA. “Clipper connects ferry riders to the extended transit network, allowing seamless transition to BART, MUNI and other transit operators.”

Concurrent with the introduction of Clipper on the Alameda/Oakland and Harbor Bay ferry routes, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency also will implement an initiative to replace existing paper transfer discounts of \$2 for San Francisco Bay Ferry passengers transferring to and from MUNI services with a \$.50 discount, in line with regional policies of Golden Gate Ferry and BART. As of October 1, San Francisco Bay Ferry will contribute an inter-operator transfer discount of \$.50 for adult MUNI passengers transferring to/from the ferry using Clipper. These transfer discounts will only be available to riders using Clipper, and will not be available to ferry passengers who continue to purchase paper ticket fares. Passengers with pre-purchased paper tickets that include the

free MUNI transfer will have a 30-day grace period in which to use the paper transfers. After November 1, 2012, paper transfers will no longer be valid, and will not be accepted by MUNI.

As of October 1, Clipper will be available on three San Francisco Bay Ferry routes: South San Francisco to Alameda/Oakland; Alameda/Oakland to San Francisco; and Alameda Harbor Bay to San Francisco. San Francisco Bay Ferry representatives are working to coordinate the implementation of Clipper on the Vallejo to San Francisco service in 2013.

For more information, and details on how to use Clipper on the ferry, please visit www.sanfranciscobayferry.com.

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Those Magnificent J Class Yachts

BY CAPTAIN RAY

You may have noticed those very fast catamarans sailing on the Bay during the last week in August. They were part of the America's Cup World Series, a worldwide series of regattas leading up to the America's Cup race that will be held on San Francisco Bay during fall 2013. If you didn't see them, you'll have another chance early this month during Fleet Week, October 2 - 7.

America's Cup has often spotlighted impressive boats. Many people believe that a pinnacle was reached during the 1930s with the magnificent J Class yachts. These remarkable yachts were used in only three America's Cup campaigns: 1930, 1934 and 1937. The complex class rating formula (see below) produced only 10 of these boats, four in Great Britain and six in the United States. World War II interfered

with the competitions, and racing did not resume until 1958. Then, it was with much smaller yachts in an attempt to contain costs.

What impressive vessels the J Class yachts were—or are, because four of them survive and still sail. Most of the boats you see sailing on San Francisco Bay are in the 25 to 45 foot range, displace between two and 15 tons, have a sail area between 250 and 900 square feet, are competently sailed by two or three and raced by a crew of four or five. In contrast, J Class yachts vary in length from 119 to 139 feet, displace from 128 to 166 tons, carry over 7,000 square feet of sail, are sailed by 15 to 20, and raced by a crew of about 40! As you can see from these numbers, they are very big, very fast and very powerful. While somewhat overused these days, the most common term used to describe what it feels like to sail one of these glorious boats is "awesome."

One of the rules of the America's Cup (still in force) requires that the hull be constructed in the country of the challenging yacht club. Another rule (since repealed) is that the challenger must sail to the race course "on her own bottom." The latter rule created a bias in favor of the defending boat, which would not have to cross

an ocean to get to the race course. This allowed the defenders to be designed and built just for speed, while a challenger had to be much more seaworthy and therefore more robustly constructed. It is interesting to note that, perhaps because of this built-in bias, all four of the J Class yachts still in existence are British—they had to be sea-worthy to make the trip across the Atlantic.

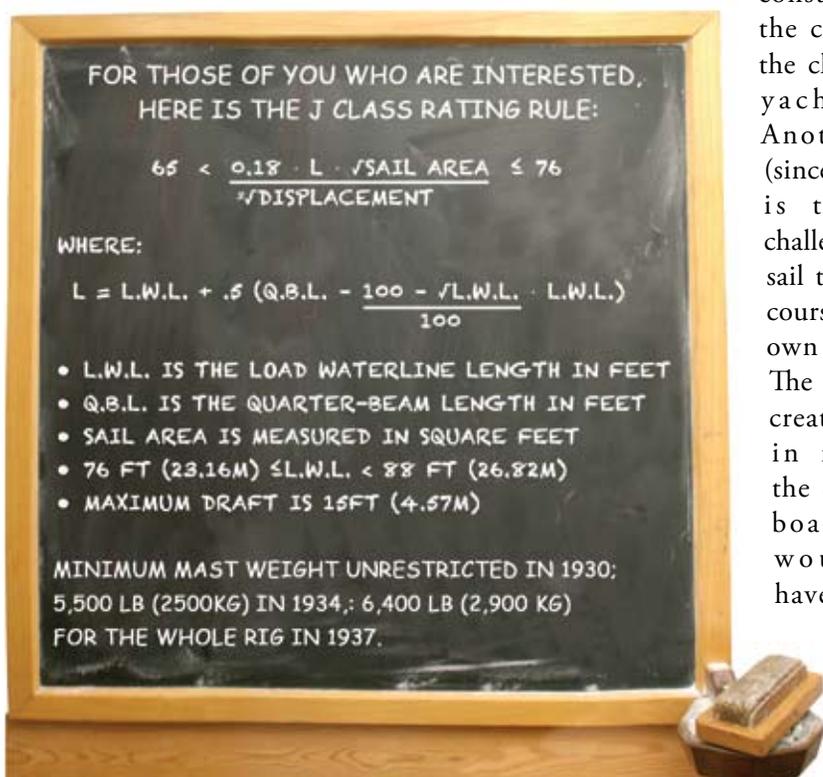
I hope this gives you some idea of what wonderful creations the J Class yachts are. There are only four of them left in the world, so I don't know if

we'll ever get to see one sailing on San Francisco Bay. But if we do, she would certainly be easy to spot!

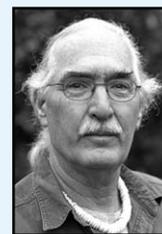


Photo by Josh Mainka/J Class Association

The complex class rating formula for the magnificent J Class yachts resulted in only 10 of these boats being built. They were used in three America's Cup campaigns in the 1930s.



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New Racing Will Add to Fleet Week Thrills



Photo by Joel Williams

America's Cup World Series racing returns to San Francisco for the second time in three months. The last round in August brought over 150,000 fans to Marina Green to witness the excitement first-hand.

Wings on the water and wings in the sky will culminate a historic week of action on and above San Francisco Bay at the second event of the 2012-13 America's Cup World Series from October 2-7.

The first America's Cup event in San Francisco in August attracted over 150,000 fans to the Marina Green and nearly 500 spectator boats to witness 11 of the best sailing crews in the world battle just yards from the shoreline.

In October, the wingsail AC45 catamarans will join the rigid wings of the

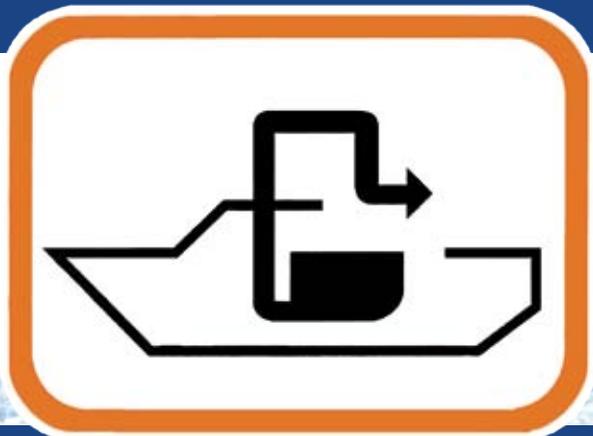
Blue Angels aerobatic team to bring an unprecedented combination of thrills to onlookers lined around shore and on the waters of the Bay. With Fleet Week crowds in attendance, nearly one million spectators are expected over the final weekend when the race crews will share the Bay with the Pacific Fleet of the Navy.

"This is a perfect combination for fans and spectators in San Francisco," said Stephen Barclay, the CEO of the 34th America's Cup. "Fleet Week is well established as a must-see event in San Francisco attracting hundreds of thousands of people down to the waterfront, and following on from

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our first regatta during the summer, the America's Cup is fast becoming a similar draw for fans interested in high-adrenalin action."

In joining forces with Fleet Week, the America's Cup Village will be located at Little Marina Green. Teams will be based at Piers 30-32, with the top crews from each day coming ashore at Little Marina Green and taking the stage for interviews. Race commentary, as well as morning and dock-in shows, food and beverage concessions and other activities will be found at the America's Cup Village at Little Marina Green. Admission is free.

Beginning on Tuesday, October 2, the America's Cup World Series teams will be racing on the Bay with open practice followed by Wednesday's match race qualifying. Championship racing is from Thursday to Sunday (October 4-7), culminating with Super Sunday, broadcast live across America on NBC, when the America's Cup World Series San Francisco champion will be crowned.

After Super Sunday racing on October 7 (with racing on the Bay scheduled to start at 1:55 p.m.), the Blue Angels will be performing over San Francisco Bay, a highlight of the Fleet Week air shows.

"I'm pleased the America's Cup World Series is joining Fleet Week this year and welcome the sailors from all over the world as they demonstrate

their incredible sailing skills on the challenging San Francisco Bay. This is a great opportunity to demonstrate the spirit of competition as the United States attempts to win the America's Cup again in 2013," said San Francisco

Fleet Week Chairman Major General Michael J. Myatt.

Championship racing (Thursday through Sunday) is live internationally on YouTube (subject to territorial broadcast arrangements). Super Sunday,

October 7, will be shown live across the United States on NBC from 1:30 p.m. PDT. Full broadcast details and race format and schedule updates are available on www.americascup.com.



Photo by Joel Williams

Racing action during America's Cup World Series in August brought the excitement within yards of the shoreline, providing spectacular views for the spectators along the water's edge.



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Green Drinks Makes the Environmental Movement Personal Again

BY BILL PICTURE

SF Green Drinks' monthly sip-and-schmooze is prompting eco-minded professionals to step away from their keyboards, ignore their smartphones and give their fingers a rest for an evening of cocktails and good ole-fashioned, hands-free, face-to-face networking and socializing.

While emailing, messaging and texting may be the preferred means of communication these days, SF Green Drinks' (SFGD) organizers believe these methods afford a limited platform for the exchange of information and ideas, compared to talking. And it's the information that doesn't arrive in our inbox or appear on our Facebook page that they say is often most important.

"I try to talk to every guest, and find out a little about them," said SFGD Communications Manager Kailani Joy. "I'll be talking to a person on one side of the room who's really interested in renewable energy and wants to find a job in that industry. Later in the night, I'll talk to someone on the opposite side of the room who's hiring for a solar company, and I try to match them up. What's that game we used to play when we were kids, Concentration? It's kind of like that."

Further, said Joy, the sheer vastness of the e-universe makes it impossible to capture every bit of information that's relevant to us. Despite our efforts to cast as wide a net as possible with e-newsletter and blog subscriptions, and browser toolbars cluttered with more bookmarked websites than we have time to check each day, something important, perhaps even

crucial, is bound to slip through.

Without an established hub to share this information easily—be it news of a potential investor's search for the next great green idea or the announcing of an available green job in our area—persons in need of that information must settle for what they can find (and have the time to look for) when they log on each day.



You might call it 21st century hunting and gathering.

The time it would take to gather every bit of information about green goings-on in the world makes the chances of there ever being a single go-to place, online or off, very slim. Rather, SFGD's organizers believe their efforts, and the efforts of every green-minded person out there, are best focused locally, where the potential for impact is greater.

The bigger, more comprehensive net, it seems, is made up of the very loosely affiliated Green Drinks chapters scattered all over the world, the very first founded in north London in 1989, years before the green movement had gathered steam.

While big-picture thinking is strongly encouraged at SFGD events (and on its website), guests and web visitors are informed of opportunities to make a difference in their own back yards. In addition to a monthly newsletter, SFGD also provides a listing of local green happenings on its website. An online template allows other organizations to

submit information about their events, for inclusion in the SFGD "Bay Area Green Calendar."

Also to that locally minded end, SFGD invites green entities in the Bay Area—non-profit and for-profit alike—to participate as sponsors or partners of SFGD event(s).

"It's a great way for an organization to share its message and talk about what it's doing, and to hopefully inspire others," Joy said.

Still, guests aren't forced to endure lengthy presentations. SFGD's organizers work hard to ensure that the vibe at their events is a casual one, with the focus being on making new contacts, both personal and professional. Thus, tabling is the preferred way for a sponsor to promote its brand because, like the event itself, it affords an opportunity for a one-on-one exchange.

Cocktails help guests break the social ice, as does the bar setting. The events are held at South of Market bars, clubs and lounges. SF Green Drinks also doesn't charge guests to attend. Other Green Drinks chapters charge a small cover for events.

"That's really important to us," Joy said. "We want everyone with a real passion for the environment to feel welcome at our events."

Since the first SF Green Drinks event in 2003, the crowd has grown from a smattering of green professionals to a 300-plus-strong cross-section of the green intelligentsia.

"And 50 percent of our attendees every month are new, which is really cool," said Joy. "A lot of them are new in town. They just moved here, and they come to get familiar with companies in the area that share their interest in the environment, and to make friends."



300-plus eco-minded professionals attend SF Green Drinks' monthly gathering to learn about green goings-on in the Bay Area and rub elbows with others who share their passion for their environment.

When asked what percentage of guests is coming for the cocktails and what percentage is coming to bounce ideas off each other, Joy said that based on the conversations she overhears, the latter make up the majority.

"Everyone comes to have a good time, don't get me wrong. But I overhear some pretty incredible conversations taking place," she added. "Our guests really do want to communicate and talk about issues."

The one conversation she avoids striking up with guests (and encourages others to avoid) is politics, even though she's confident that the SF Green Drinks crowd skews heavily blue. "Those conversations can get heated," she laughed. "SF Green Drinks is non-partisan. But I'm pretty sure I know who most of our guests are voting for in November."

For more information about SF Green Drinks, visit www.sfgreendrinks.org
To see a list of Green Drinks chapters worldwide, visit www.greendrinks.org



Bay Area Agency Recipient of U.S. EPA Clean Air Excellence Award

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently honored the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) of the San Francisco Bay Area with a 12th annual Clean Air Excellence Award for work conducted by its Climate Initiatives Program to reduce transportation emissions and vehicle miles.

Through the commission's inaugural program, conducted in partnership with the Bay Area Air Quality Management

District, \$33 million in grants were distributed for 17 test projects designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the Bay Area. These transportation-focused projects range from creating the Bay Area's first bicycle sharing program to facilitating an electric taxi pilot program in San Francisco and San Jose.

"For over 40 years, the Clean Air Act's goals have been met through commitment and creativity," said Jared Blumenfeld, EPA's Regional Administrator for the Pacific Southwest. "Through their

innovative solutions to improve air quality, this year's award winners are benefiting public health, communities and our economy."

The MTC award was one of 11 given to projects and companies nationwide for work on clean air initiatives. The Clean Air Excellence Award recognizes innovative programs that protect Americans' health

and the environment, educate the public, serve their communities and stimulate the economy.



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Similar to the one shown here in Washington D.C., a pilot bike-sharing program will be coming to the Bay Area thanks to MTC's Climate Initiatives Program.

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Home and Garden Projects that Protect San Francisco Bay

BY DEB SELF

Every drop of rain in the Bay Area eventually flows to San Francisco Bay. Throughout history, that hasn't been a problem. Most rain soaked into the ground and made its way gradually into creeks that emptied into the Bay.

But with so many roads, driveways, sidewalks and roofs in our urban area, rain rushes across hard surfaces, picking up trash, oil, pesticides and other pollutants. In most Bay Area communities, the contaminated rainwater zooms down a storm drain into a concrete culvert that dumps it—unfiltered and untreated—into creeks or the Bay itself.

Storm water pollution is one of the largest sources of contamination in the Bay. Moreover, it is difficult to control, because it comes from many places and picks up many different pollutants.

That's why we built a permeable backyard patio at our house. Our patio soaks up rain that falls on our roof and flows across our small lot, keeping the rainwater from running off into the street. Our roof drainpipe connects underground to a large hole beneath the patio. The hole contains coarse gravel with plenty of air space to hold rainwater, which filters slowly into the surrounding soil. The patio's fine granite gravel surface also absorbs rain.

A rain-absorbing patio is one way to keep rainwater from leaving your property and picking up pollution on its way to the Bay. Here are more:

Rain gardens work similarly to my patio. Areas landscaped with wildflowers and other native vegetation soak up rain that flows off a roof, driveway or other impermeable surface. In a storm, the rain garden fills with a few inches of water that slowly filters into the ground. Rain gardens absorb 30 percent more water than the same area of lawn.

Sidewalks and driveways can be paved with surfaces that keep rain from running off into the gutter. A special kind of concrete called pervious concrete allows rain to pass through into the soil below. Another option is interlocking concrete pavers separated by joints filled with small stones.

Rain barrels are easy, low-cost ways to collect and use rain water to irrigate a garden. Rain runs from roof gutters to a pipe that empties into a barrel. A screen keeps leaves, debris, and mosquitoes out of the barrel. A hose is attached near the bottom for irrigation. Indeed, roofs are an amazing source of water. In an average rainfall year, a 1,000 square-foot roof in San Rafael can collect up to 20,000 gallons of rain. Rain barrels typically hold 50 to 100 gallons; you can install more than one. Larger storage tanks, called cisterns, can be installed above or below ground.

Graywater systems are a way to go beyond capturing rainwater and irrigate a garden with used water from washing machines, showers and sinks (but not toilets). Graywater systems vary, but most have a valve that can be switched to direct the graywater into a garden or back to the sewage system. Using biodegradable soaps—without bleach, boron, dye or salts—keeps graywater safe and fertilizes plants. Graywater can be used to water fruit trees and other edible plants, as long as it doesn't come into contact with the edible parts.

Harvesting graywater keeps relatively clean water out of sewage treatment plants, so less treated water is released into the Bay. A home with a graywater system also needs less piped water. "Using graywater is a small and powerful change we can make that can have a big effect. One household can save tens of thousands of gallons of water a year," said Laura Allen, co-founder of the Bay Area nonprofit Greywater Action.

Capturing water from one roof or re-using water from one washing machine are small steps—but with seven million people

living in the Bay Area, small steps add up. Bay-friendly home and garden projects are easy, low-cost ways to help conserve water, prevent flooding, and reduce pollution in San Francisco Bay.

Resources

Greywater Action, greywateraction.org

Information on systems for using water from washing machines, showers, and sinks to irrigate plants. Classes for do-it-yourselfers and listings of professional installers.

Berkeley EcoHouse, www.ecologycenter.org/ecohouse
A demonstration home and garden with a graywater system, rainwater cistern, plus many more ecological features. Classes and tours.

Urban Farmer Store, www.urbanfarmerstore.com
Rainwater harvesting equipment and training workshops at stores in San Francisco, Richmond, and Mill Valley. Richmond store has discounted rain barrels for Oakland residents.

Sonoma County Master Gardeners, ucanr.org/sites/scmg
Information on building rain gardens.

Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute, www.icpi.org
Information on local contractors who install paving that absorbs rain.

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De Young Delivers the Sublime

BY PAUL DUCLOS

While not exactly blockbusters, two important exhibitions will be featured at the de Young Museum this month. Both are delicate celebrations of understated imagery and quiet craft.

Tucked away in the Anderson Gallery of Graphic Art is *Crown Point Press at 50*. This marks the press's anniversary and features prints by 15 internationally renowned artists made at the press over the course of five decades. Some, such as Robert Bechtle and Wayne Thiebaud, have returned to the press throughout their careers; others, including Darren Almond, Chris Ofili and Kiki Smith, are more recent additions to the roster. All share an enthusiasm for expanding their artistic practice by making prints.

When Kathan Brown established Crown Point Press in the Bay Area in 1962, she expressed a commitment to etching that was remarkable for the time. Most workshop-based print publishing ventures in the 1960s focused on lithography and screenprinting. Brown offered an alternative and welcomed artists who were new to intaglio, giving them an opportunity to explore an alternative printmaking possibility that was ideally suited to contemporary expression.

Witnessing the evolution of artistic movements such as Minimalism, Conceptualism, and Neo-figuration over the last 50 years, the press has applied a constant level of innovation to etching while working with visiting artists, regardless of style, to realize complex ideas. From the late 1960s, Brown and her staff of printers have developed ways in which photo projects could be realized, first as photoetchings, and then, beginning in the 1990s, in the revival of photogravure, a printing process that has been around for as

long as photography itself. This process, along with that of color aquatint—which has become a trademark of the press—permits artists to swathe their compositions in printed tonal fields, merging ink and paper.

The press has two active websites (www.crownpoint.com and www.Magical-Secrets.com) and operates a public gallery and two large private etching studios in San Francisco with a staff of 10. Each year five or six invited artists work at the press for two weeks at a time with the technical assistance of Brown's printers. Kathan Brown is the author of six books, the most recent of which is *Magical Secrets about Thinking Creatively: The Art of Etching and the Truth of Life*. It deals with ideas about creativity that she has learned from working closely over four decades with some of the most influential visual artists of our time.

Also at the de Young is *This World Is Not My Home: Photographs by Danny Lyon*. This exhibition of more than 60 photographs and photographic montages from 1962 to the present traces the fascinating and wide-ranging career of a dynamic and groundbreaking artist. A leading figure in the American street photography movement of the 1960s, Lyon distinguished himself from peers like Robert Frank, Garry Winogrand, and Lee Friedlander through his direct engagement with his subjects and his concern for those on the margins of society.

Working in the style of photographic New Journalism, Lyon immersed himself in the world of his subjects, cultivating relationships and frequently capturing his subjects' stories in highly descriptive, opinionated texts, which he published in several books alongside his photographs. Lyon rode with bikers, marched against segregation with the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and spent hours inside the notorious death row "Walls Unit" of the Texas State Prison at Huntsville. His goal to present a charged alternative to the insipid documentation

that pervaded the mass media led to the creation of hundreds of striking psychological, political, and aesthetically powerful images.

The 1960s were an extraordinarily productive decade for Lyon. He became the first official photographer for the civil rights movement, captured the members and mores of Midwestern motorcycle gangs, documented the destruction of housing and traditional architecture in lower Manhattan and made intimate portraits of death row inmates in Texas prisons.

Since then, Lyon has tackled a broad range of subjects: life with his family in the mixed Native American and Latino neighborhood of Llanito in Bernalillo, New Mexico; abandoned street children in Colombia; the

political turmoil in Haiti; the chaos of life in China's booming, polluted industrial outposts; and most recently the Occupy movement in New York and Los Angeles. Throughout the years, he also made numerous films inspired by these and other subjects.

Drawn from the artist's studio and the Menil Collection, in Houston, Texas, with supplemental works from private collections in the Bay Area, *This World Is Not My Home* features a selection of images from all periods of the Lyon's career. Also included are a number of rarely seen montages in which the artist has arranged old and new photographs, in both color and black-and-white, to create poetic reflections on memory, family and friendship.

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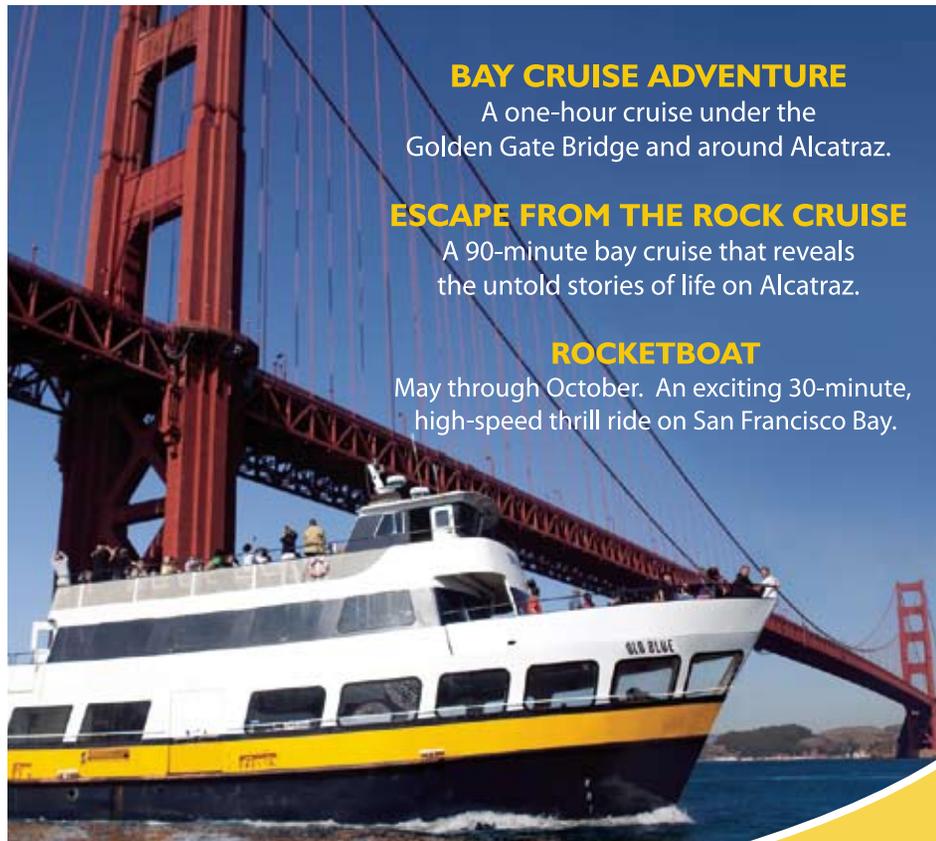
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After nine months of extensive renovations, the Mare Island prepares to leave a Seattle shipyard.

San Francisco Bay Ferry's Mare Island Returns to Vallejo After \$8.6 Million Renovation and Upgrade

After a long-anticipated refurbishment, the *Mare Island*, one of the newest and fastest boats in San Francisco Bay Ferry's fleet, returns to the Bay to serve passengers on the Vallejo to San Francisco route. The extensive improvements, totaling \$8.6 million, include renovations to the internal passenger cabins, repainting of the entire ship, upgrades to the vessel's systems and navigation equipment and replacement of both engines.

The *Mare Island* left service to enter a Seattle shipyard in November 2011. After nine months of extensive renovations and servicing, the improvements were completed at the end of July 2012 and sea trials were completed in late August. Following a long sea voyage south, the revamped vessel arrived in Vallejo on September 7. Final preparations including Coast Guard inspections and

crew orientation will be completed in the next few weeks.

"We are committed to working with passengers and community partners throughout Solano and Napa counties to ensure a convenient and sustainable ferry system over the long term," said Nina Rannells, Executive Director of the San Francisco Bay Ferry. "This \$8.6 million investment by San Francisco Bay Ferry will ensure another 12 to 15 years of safe, reliable and efficient operation for our riders on the Vallejo to San Francisco route."

Completed in 1997 expressly for the Vallejo ferry route, the 350-passenger high-speed catamaran was named in honor of the Mare Island Ferry Company, which operated for many years carrying more than a million shipyard workers from Vallejo across the strait to the historic U.S. Navy shipyard, located on Mare Island in the San Pablo Bay.

Vallejo Gardens Project Hopes to Revitalize Downtown

BC STAFF REPORT

Matthew Shotwell is on a mission to rebuild and rejuvenate his beloved city of Vallejo. The latest iteration of his vision is Vallejo Gardens, a common creative space at 620 Marin Street that will bring new products, fresh foods, arts and crafts to downtown Vallejo.

Shotwell's mission to revitalize downtown Vallejo began when he established the most successful medical cannabis compassionate care facility in Solano County—bringing increased foot traffic to the ghost town of downtown Vallejo. Shotwell was then instrumental in the passage—by an overwhelming margin of 76 percent—of city legislation to tax medical cannabis distribution, the revenue of which was to be devoted to maintaining vital city services including the fire and police departments, schools, recreational centers and libraries. The same day the tax was to be implemented by the city manager, however, the city police department launched massive city-wide raids resulting in the closure of many dispensaries.

This left Shotwell in search of a new project. Recognizing a need to reduce community blight such as the vacant lots often used as illegal dump sites, Shotwell first began by starting a community garden in a long vacant lot next to his residence on Napa Street. He then reached out to his friend and business partner Kip Baldwin—with whom he had co-created a television show—to develop a new venture.

Vallejo Gardens will be a common creative space that will serve as an incubator for the citizens of Vallejo and the surrounding areas to introduce their visionary products, whether food, arts or crafts to the marketplace and test the viability of those products. Similar to the current pop-up trends in restaurants and retail, Vallejo Gardens will provide a unique forum for community members to develop, experiment with, and test

market viability including profitability of new products.

Vallejo Gardens' immensely successful Labor Day grand opening saw approximately 400 of Vallejo's residents—including local luminaries such as councilwoman Marti Brown and *Vallejo Times* columnist Rich Freedman—pass through its doors eager to find quality local and organic foods. Shotwell and Baldwin have decided to double down on this worthwhile and needed gamble by working with the Vallejo's Co-op's group steering committee to turn Vallejo Gardens from a once-a-week grocery treat to an everyday downtown quality food shopping destination.

Baldwin and Shotwell's immediate plans are to continue with the local and sustainable food offerings every Monday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and add a Thursday market from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., which they hope to have up and running by October 4. The Thursday market will help fill the food void that will follow the October finish of Benicia's seasonal farmers market. Featured vendors at the Monday market are CobbleStone Bakery, Feather River Organic Fruits, Yogi Vegan Indian Cuisine, Hummus Heaven, Popcorn Karma, and FeNella's Berries, among others.

Additional plans include a Saturday crafts market that will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., coinciding with the Saturday farmers market on Georgia Street. The crafts market will launch on October 6 to help celebrate the art walk taking place downtown from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Featured vendors for the crafts market include Pearls by Roxanna.

Shotwell and Baldwin are also working closely with Vallejo Co-op to open a Whole Foods-inspired convenience store in the front of their building on Marin Street, which they hope to have open before Thanksgiving.

Baldwin and Shotwell also want the community to know their commitment to this being a common place for all citizens of Vallejo to come and develop their ideas and dreams. So whether you are a budding farmer, chef or artist,

Vallejo Gardens is here not just to provide the community fish, but to give them a hole where they can catch their own fish.

Vallejo Gardens is calling out to all farmers, food purveyors, temp food facility operators, crafts and art persons of all types, volunteers and investors, who want to be part of this amazing opportunity. For further information, contact either Matt Shotwell or

Kip Baldwin at: vallejogardens@gmail.com. Be sure to join their Facebook Like and Group pages and follow them on Twitter: <https://www.facebook.com/VallejoGardens?ref=ts> and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/vallejogardens/?ref=ts> and <https://twitter.com/VallejoGardens>.



Vallejo Gardens, located at 620 Marin Street, is part of Matt Shotwell's mission to revitalize downtown Vallejo.

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- Every Saturday** **12PM – 2PM & 2:30PM - 4:30PM - Introduction to Sailing Course - OCSC Sailing, Berkeley, (510) 843-4200, www.ocscsailing.com**
This two-hour skippered charter is designed to provide folks who are considering getting into sailing with a real glimpse of the sport, our club and our people. Cost is \$40.
- October 6** **1PM – 7PM - Fleet Week and America's Cup Seaward Sail - OCSC Sailing, Berkeley, (510) 843-4200, www.ocscsailing.com**
Come sail with us on the 82 ft Schooner *Seaward* to view Fleet Week and the America's Cup sailing. You'll experience a relaxing and fun filled afternoon. Please make your reservation early. This is a very popular activity and spots go quickly.
- October 7** **9AM – 2PM - Tomales Bay Tour - Outback Adventures, Larkspur, (415) 461-2222, www.outbackadventures.com**
Come experience one of the premier paddling destinations in California on this guided kayak tour! Wildlife abounds in this spectacular setting, one of the largest protected bays and coastal area in California. Half way through our paddling tour we will stop on a secluded beach only accessible by small water craft and eat lunch. \$85 per person.
- October 13** **9AM – 1PM - Corte Madera Marsh Tour - Outback Adventures, Larkspur, (415) 461-2222, www.outbackadventures.com**
Come explore the wetlands along Corte Madera Marsh while taking in the views of Mount Tamalpais and the San Francisco Bay. We will paddle out in stable double sea kayaks while keeping our eyes open for the curious harbor seals that gather nearby. If conditions permit, we may take an optional side trip past the infamous San Quentin Prison, then stop for lunch on a nice sandy beach with incredible views. Cost is \$70 per person.
- October 14** **10AM – 12:30PM - Family Adventure Sail - Call of the Sea, Sausalito, (415) 331-3214, www.callofthesea.org**
Climb aboard the classic schooner *Seaward* and see San Francisco from the water! Help the crew raise the sails and steer the boat, or just sit back and enjoy the view! Morning winds are typically light so we often get to sail under the Golden Gate Bridge. This sail will include optional learning stations in San Francisco Bay ecology and seamanship. It's a great sail for families, though all are welcome! Light snacks and beverages served. Cost is \$45 for adults, \$25 for youth 6-12, and children under 6 are free. To register, visit www.callofthesea.org and click on "Public Sails."
- October 21** **9AM – 5PM - Radar/GPS - Club Nautique Sailing School & Charters, Alameda, (510) 865-4700, www.clubnautique.net**
Learn how to navigate yourself out of the fog with this sophisticated equipment! Hands on class. Cost: Members \$282/Non Members \$375. Please call to reserve space.
- October 21** **10AM – 4PM - Discover Sailing - Club Nautique Sailing School & Charters, Alameda, (510) 865-4700, www.clubnautique.net**
Get a taste of what it's like to skipper your own boat on the San Francisco Bay! Lunch included. \$100 coupon towards sailing lessons upon completion. Cost: \$135. Please call to reserve space.

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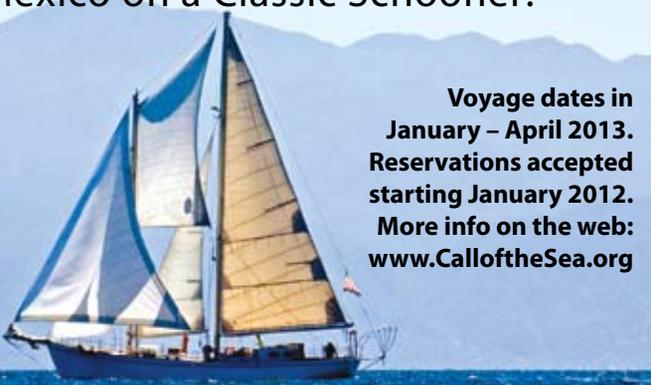
- October 22 - 26** **Able Seamen Course Maritime Institute - San Rafael, (888) 262-8020, www.MaritimeInstitute.com**
The Able Seaman is an excellent starting point for one wishing to transition into the merchant marines. All those wishing to become upper level deck officers will be required to hold an AB ticket. The course also includes Marlinspike Seamanship as a bonus. To register or view our complete schedule, visit www.MaritimeInstitute.com.
- October 24 6PM – 8PM – Moonlight Sail & Chili Social - OCSC Sailing, Berkeley, (510) 843-4200, www.ocscsailing.com**
Set sail aboard one of our larger yachts skippered by a professional OCSC skipper and enjoy an relaxing night out on the Bay. You can soak in the beauty of the twinkling city lights while not lifting a finger; or pitch in and take the helm. Following the sail we will serve chili, chips, salsa, snacks, and beverages. A great time to get to know other like-minded sailors. Cost is \$40.
- October 26 5:45PM – 8:45PM – Moonlight Paddle - Outback Adventures, Larkspur, (415) 461-2222, www.outbackadventures.com**
Navigating your kayak by moonlight is a mystical experience you won't soon forget. This unique kayak tour allows for a grand view of the moon rising into the night's sky. We will paddle leisurely while admiring the moon's silvery light reflecting off the water's surface. \$65 per person.
- October 27 9AM – 12:00 PM – Girl Scouts “In the Wind” Sail - Call of the Sea, Sausalito, (415) 331-3214, www.callofthesea.org**
For Girl Scouts and their families: Learn the ways of the Bay by sailing on the beautiful tall ship *Seaward*. Become part of the crew as you set sails, steer, and navigate the boat under the guidance of *Seaward's* professional captain and crew! You'll also participate in learning stations to build your knowledge of Bay ecology. Learn how to serve San Francisco Bay by directly experiencing it! Earn our Council's Own Award: Girl Scouts Save the Bay's "In the Wind" Badge or Interest Project Patch. Cost is \$35. To register, visit www.callofthesea.org and click on "Public Sails."
- October 27 10AM - 2PM - Bay Cruising Destination Workshop - Club Nautique Sailing School & Charters, Alameda, (510) 865-4700, www.clubnautique.net**
Learn about all the great places to go on the Bay from people who have "been there done that." Restaurants, golf courses and anchorages, we've got you covered. Cost: Members \$56/Non Members \$75. Please call to reserve space.
- October 28 10AM – 12:30PM – Family Adventure Sail - Call of the Sea, Sausalito, (415) 331-3214, www.callofthesea.org**
Climb aboard the classic schooner *Seaward* and see San Francisco from the water! Help the crew raise the sails and steer the boat, or just sit back and enjoy the view! Morning winds are typically light so we often get to sail under the Golden Gate Bridge. This sail will include optional learning stations in San Francisco Bay ecology and seamanship. It's a great sail for families, though all are welcome! Light snacks and beverages served. Cost is \$45 for adults, \$25 for youth 6-12, and children under 6 are free. To register, visit www.callofthesea.org and click on "Public Sails."

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Golden Gate Ferry

LARKSPUR*

Weekdays (excluding Holidays)				Weekends and Holidays			
Depart Larkspur	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Larkspur	Depart Larkspur	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Larkspur
5:50 a.m.	6:20 a.m.	6:25 a.m.	6:55 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	-----	-----
6:35	7:05	7:10	7:40	11:40	12:30 p.m.	12:40 p.m.	1:30 p.m.
7:10	7:40	7:45	8:15	2:00	2:50	4:00	4:50
7:50	8:20	8:30	9:05	5:00	5:50	6:25	7:15
8:20	8:50	9:10	9:45	-----	-----	7:25	8:10
9:15	9:50	10:10	10:45	One-way Ferry Fares			
10:10	10:45	10:55	11:30	Larkspur		Sausalito	
11:10	11:45	11:55	12:30 p.m.	Daily			
12:40 p.m.	1:15	1:25	2:00	Adult Cash Fare (19 – 64)			
2:15	2:50	3:00	3:30	\$9.00 \$9.75			
2:50	3:25	3:35	4:05	Clipper			
3:40	4:15	4:25	4:55	\$6.00 \$5.00			
4:15	4:45	5:00	5:30	Youth/Senior/Disabled			
-----	-----	5:20	6:05	\$4.50 \$4.75			
5:10	5:45	5:55	6:25	Children 5 and under			
5:35	6:10	6:20	6:50	(limit 2 per fare-paying adult)			
6:35	7:10	7:20	7:50	FREE FREE			
7:20	7:55	8:10	8:40	Children ages 5 and under travel free when accompanied by a			
8:50	9:25	9:35	10:05	full fare paying adult (limit two youth per adult).			

Fares shown are for one-way travel

* Direct ferry service is provided to all Giants games at AT&T Park. Special service is provided to various concerts and the Bay to Breakers Race. On weekdays, with the exception of the 5:20pm San Francisco departure which uses a high-capacity Spaulding vessel, all other trips use high-speed catamarans. Weekend service is provided by a high-capacity Spaulding vessel.

SAUSALITO

Weekdays (excluding Holidays)				Weekends and Holidays			
Depart Sausalito	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Sausalito	Depart Sausalito	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Sausalito
7:10 a.m.	7:35 a.m.	7:40 a.m.	8:10 a.m.	-----	-----	10:40 a.m.	11:10 a.m.
8:20	8:45	10:15	10:45	11:20 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
10:55	11:25	11:35	12:05 p.m.	12:45 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	1:25	1:55
12:15 p.m.	12:45 p.m.	12:55 p.m.	1:25	2:10	2:40	2:50	3:20
1:55	2:25	2:35	3:05	3:50	4:20	4:40	5:10
3:20	3:50	4:00	4:30	5:35	6:05	6:00	6:30
4:45	5:15	5:30	6:00	6:45	7:15	-----	-----
6:10	6:35	6:45	7:10				
7:20	7:50	7:55	8:20				

Contact Information For the Golden Gate Ferry website, visit: <http://goldengateferry.org/>
Toll free 511 or 711 (TDD) Comments and questions can be submitted at <http://ferrycomments.goldengate.org/>

Holiday service is in effect on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and the day after Thanksgiving Day (Sausalito). The Larkspur line operates on a Modified Holiday Schedule on the day after Thanksgiving Day. No ferry service on New Year's Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

Bay Area Ferry Terminal Locations

Alameda Ferry Terminal
2990 Main St. in Alameda

Harbor Bay Ferry Terminal
2 McCartney Drive in Alameda

Larkspur Landing Ferry Terminal
101 E. Sir Francis Drake Blvd., just east of U.S. Highway 101 in Larkspur, CA

Oakland Ferry Terminal
530 Water St @ Jack London Square in Oakland

Sausalito Ferry Terminal
Humbolt St. & Anchor Ave. in downtown Sausalito

Tiburon Ferry Terminal
Behind Guaymus Restaurant & the Intersection of Tiburon Blvd. & Main St. in Tiburon

Vallejo Ferry Terminal
289 Mare Island Way in Vallejo

Red & White

BAY CRUISE Pier 43½

Monday through Sunday		FARES:
10:00 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	Adult (18+) \$24.00
10:45	3:00	Youth (5-17) \$16.00
11:15	3:45	Child (under 5) Free
12:00 p.m.	4:15	Family Pass \$69.00 (2 Adult + 4 Youth)
1:15	5:00	
1:45		

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TIBURON COMMUTE

TIBURON – S.F. Ferry Building				SAUSALITO FISHERMAN'S WHARF, PIER 41			
Weekdays				Weekdays			
Depart Tiburon	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Tiburon	Depart S.F. Pier 41	Arrive Sausalito	Depart Sausalito	Arrive S.F. Pier 41
5:35 a.m.	06:00 a.m.	6:05 a.m.	6:30 a.m.	10:55	11:25	11:35	12:05
6:40	7:05	7:10	7:35	12:15	12:45	1:00	1:30
7:50	8:15	8:20	8:40	2:35	3:30	3:45	4:15
8:45	9:10	-----	-----	4:25	5:25	5:35	6:05
-----	-----	4:25 p.m.	4:50 p.m.	6:15	6:45	6:55	7:25
4:55 p.m.	5:20 p.m.	5:25	5:50	---	8:10	8:20	8:35
5:55	6:20	6:30	6:55	8:40*	9:30*	9:40*	10:20*
7:05	7:30	7:35	7:55	* Fridays only - Friday North Bay Getaway			
9:20 pm*	8:50 pm*	8:55 pm*	9:15 pm*	Weekends and Holidays			
---	10:05 pm*	---	---	Depart S.F. Pier 41	Arrive Sausalito	Depart Sausalito	Arrive S.F. Pier 41

TIBURON – Pier 41			
Weekdays			
Depart Pier 41	Arrive Tiburon	Depart Tiburon	Arrive Pier 41
10:50	11:10	11:15	12:00
12:10	12:30	12:35	12:55
1:05	1:25	1:35	2:20
2:30	2:50	3:00	3:20
4:25	5:00	5:10	6:05
---	7:55	8:00	---
8:40*	9:15*	9:20*	10:20*

* Fridays only - Friday North Bay Getaway

TIBURON – Pier 41					
Weekends and Holidays					
Depart Ferry Bldg	Depart Pier 41	Arrive Tiburon	Depart Tiburon	Arrive Ferry Bldg	Arrive Pier 41
9:20	9:45	10:30	10:40	11:10	11:35
11:20	11:45	12:35	12:45	---	1:15
---	2:20	2:50	3:00	---	3:40
---	3:50	4:50	5:00	6:00	5:30
---	5:40	6:35	6:45	---	7:15
---	7:25	8:10	8:15	---	8:45

FARES:	One-way	Round trip
Adult	\$10.50	\$21.00
Child (5-11)	\$6.25	\$12.50
20 Ticket Commute Book	\$140.00 (Mon. - Fri.)	

BAY CRUISE

Depart Pier 39		
Weekdays	Weekends	
10:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m.	10:45	3:30
3:00	12:15 p.m.	4:30
4:30	1:00	5:00
	1:30	

For the most current schedule, visit www.blueandgoldfleet.com
Bay Cruise does not operate during inclement weather. Additional cruises may be added on demand. Check with ticket booth on day of sailing for schedule. No reserved seating available.

FARES:	All prices include audio tour.	
Adult	\$26.00	Child (5-11) \$18.00
Junior (12-18)	\$22.00	Senior (62+) \$22.00
Discount fares available at www.blueandgoldfleet.com		

ROCKETBOAT DAILY

Depart from Pier 39	
12:15 p.m.	FARES:
1:00	Adult \$24.00
1:45	Senior (65+) \$20.00
2:30	Junior (12-18) \$20.00
3:30	Child (5-11) \$16.00
4:15	Holiday schedule on Memorial Day (May 28), Independence Day (July 4) and Labor Day (Sept 3)
5:00	
6:00	

ANGEL ISLAND - S.F.

Weekdays – Daily Departures Pier 41					
Depart Ferry Bldg	Depart Pier 41	Arrive Angel Island	Depart Angel Island	Arrive Ferry Bldg	Arrive Pier 41
9:15	9:45	10:10	10:20	---	---
---	1:05	1:45	1:55	---	2:20
---	---	3:00	3:15	---	4:15

Weekends & Holidays Pier 41					
Depart Ferry Bldg	Depart Pier 41	Arrive Angel Island	Depart Angel Island	Arrive Ferry Bldg	Arrive Pier 41
9:20	9:45	10:10	10:20	11:20	11:35
11:25	11:45	12:15	12:25	---	1:15
---	2:20	3:10	3:20	---	3:40
---	---	4:20	4:30	6:00	5:30

ANGEL ISLAND PRICES (Round-trip)

FARES	S.F. Pier 41 Ferry Bldg*	Alameda/Oakland*	Vallejo*
Adult	\$17.00	\$14.50	\$30.50*
Child	\$9.50 (age 6-12)	\$8.50 (age 5-12)	\$21.00 (ages 6-12)
Child	Free (5 & under)	Free (4 & under)	Free (5 & under)

* All prices include State Park Fees / Weekend Schedule on Memorial Day (May 25) / Independence Day (July 4) and Labor Day (Sept 7)

Angel Island Ferry

TIBURON – ANGEL ISLAND

Weekdays and Weekends (May 1, thru Oct 13)
Weekdays and Weekends (Oct 14, thru Oct 31)

Tiburon to Angel Island		Angel Island to Tiburon	
Monday - Friday	10am 11 1pm 3	Monday - Friday	10:20am 11:20 1:20pm 3:30
Mon. - Tue. 10am 1pm		Mon. - Tue. 10:20am 1:20pm	
Wednesday - Friday	10am 11 1pm 3	Wednesday - Friday	10:20am 11:20 1:20pm 3:30
Saturday - Sunday	10am - 5pm Hourly	Saturday - Sunday	10:20am 5:20 Hourly
Ferry service by advance reservation for groups of 25 or more. Call (415) 435-2131 to find out if you can "piggyback" with groups			
FARES:	Adult (13 and over)	Round Trip \$13.50	(*Limit one free child, ages 2 and under, per paying adult.)
	Child (6 - 12)	\$11.50	
	Children (3 - 5)	\$3.50	
	Toddlers (ages 2 and under)	Free*	
	Bicycles	\$1.00	
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VALLEJO

VALLEJO – SAN FRANCISCO

Weekdays

Depart Vallejo to S.F. Ferry Building	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg. to Vallejo	Depart Pier 41 Fisherman's Wharf to Vallejo
5:30 a.m.	6:35 a.m.	-----
6:30	7:35	-----
7:00	8:30	-----
7:45	8:55	-----
10:00	11:10	11:30 a.m. #
11:30	12:45	
2:00 * p.m.	3:30 *	3:10 p.m.
3:20	4:30	-----
4:05	5:15	-----
4:45	6:00	-----
5:45 *	7:15 *	6:55

Weekends & Holidays (May - Oct)

8:30 a.m.*	10:00 a.m.*	9:40 a.m.*
10:00#	11:10#	11:30#
11:30	12:45	
2:00 p.m.#	3:10 #	3:30 p.m.#
3:30*	5:00*	4:40*
5:15	6:30	
7:30*	9:00*	8:40*

Serves SF Ferry Building prior to arrival at Pier 41
* Serves Pier 41 prior to arrival at SF Ferry Building

FARES: One-way

Adult (13-64)	\$13.00
Senior (65+)/Disabled/Medicare	\$6.50
Child (6-12)	\$6.50
Baylink DayPass	\$24.00
Baylink Monthly Pass (Bus / Ferry) w/Muni	\$290.00
	\$345.00

Call (707) 64-FERRY or visit www.baylinkferry.com for updated information.

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No Service on: Thanksgiving Day (Nov 24), Christmas Day (Dec 25), or New Year's Day (Jan 1)

Holiday Schedule in effect for: President's Day (Feb 20)

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ALAMEDA/OAKLAND

Weekdays to San Francisco

Depart Oakland	Depart Alameda	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive S.F. Pier 41
6:00 a.m.	6:10 a.m.	6:30 a.m.	-----
7:05	7:15	7:35	-----
8:10	8:20	8:40	-----
9:15	9:25	9:45	10:00 a.m.
11:00	10:50*	11:30	11:45
1:35	1:20	2:00	2:20
2:40	2:25	3:05	3:20
4:45	4:40	-----	5:15
5:50	5:40*^	6:20	-----
6:20	6:05	-----	6:50
6:55^	6:45*^	7:20	-----
7:55^	7:45*	8:25	8:40
8:55^	8:45*	-----	9:25

Weekdays from San Francisco

Depart S.F. Pier 41	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Alameda	Arrive Oakland
-----	6:30 a.m.#	7:15 a.m.	7:05 a.m.
-----	7:35#	8:20	8:10
-----	8:40#	9:25	9:15
10:15 a.m.	10:30	10:50^	11:00^
12:45	1:00	1:15	1:30
1:45	2:00	2:20^	2:35^
3:45	4:10	4:30^	4:40^
5:00	5:20	5:40	5:50
5:20	5:40	6:00	6:15
-----	6:25	6:45	6:55
-----	7:25	7:45	7:55
8:05	8:25	8:45	8:55

* To S.F. via Oakland # To Alameda via Oakland
^ Departs immediately after loading

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Harbor Bay Ferry (EAST END OF ALAMEDA/S.F.)

Weekday Commute

Depart Harbor Bay Island	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Harbor Bay Island
6:30 a.m.	6:55 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:25 a.m.
7:30	7:55	8:00	8:25
8:30	8:55	-----	-----
-----	4:30 p.m.	4:35 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
5:05 p.m.	5:30	5:35	6:00
6:05	6:30	6:35	7:00
7:05	7:30	7:35	8:00

No weekend or holiday service

FARES:

One-way Adult	\$6.50
One-way Juniors (5-12)	\$3.25
Children (under 5)	Free
Disabled / One-way Seniors (62 & over)	\$3.75
Active Military	\$5.25
One-way Commute (book of 10)	\$55.00
One-way Commute (book of 20)	\$100.00
Monthly Pass (book of 40)	\$185.00
Free MUNI and AC Transit Transfers Provided	

ALAMEDA/OAKLAND - ANGEL ISLAND

Weekends Only

Depart Oakland	Depart Alameda	Arrive Angel Island	Depart Angel Island	Arrive Alameda	Arrive Oakland
9:00am*	9:10am*	10:05am	3:35pm	4:10pm	4:20pm

ALAMEDA/OAKLAND

Weekends and Holidays to San Francisco

Depart Oakland	Depart Alameda	Arrive S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive S.F. Pier 41
9:00	9:10	-----	9:35
10:40	10:25 *	11:10	11:25
12:20	12:10 *	12:50	1:05
1:55	1:45 *	2:25	2:40
4:25	4:10 *	4:50	5:05
6:05	5:50 *	---	6:35
7:35	7:20 *	---	8:20
9:10	9:00 *	9:40	9:50
11:15	11:05 *	---	11:45

Weekends and Holidays from San Francisco

Depart S.F. Pier 41	Depart S.F. Ferry Bldg.	Arrive Alameda	Arrive Oakland
8:30	---	9:10	9:00
9:45	10:00	10:20	10:35
11:35	11:50	12:10	12:20
1:10	1:25	1:45	1:55
3:15	---	4:10	4:20
5:15	5:30	5:50	6:00
6:45	7:00	7:20	7:30
8:25	8:40	9:00	9:10
10:35	10:45	11:05	11:15

No ferry service on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Presidents Day.

FARES:

	One Way	Round Trip	10 Ticket Book	20 Ticket Book	Monthly Pass
Adult (13+)	\$6.25	\$12.50	\$50.00	\$90.00	\$170.00
Junior (5-12)	\$3.50	\$7.00			
Child under 5	FREE	FREE			
Senior (65+)	\$3.10	\$6.20			
Disabled Persons	\$3.10	\$6.20			
Active Military	\$5.00	\$10.00			
School groups	\$2.00	\$4.00			
Short Hop 3	\$1.50	n/a			

PURCHASE TICKETS ONBOARD THE FERRY for information (MON. to FRI.) (415) 705 8291

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

Weekday to SSF/Oyster Point

Depart Alameda	Depart Oakland	Arrive SSF
6:25 a.m.	6:40 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
7:25 a.m.	7:40 a.m.	8:15 a.m.
7:55 a.m.	8:10 a.m.	8:45 a.m.
5:10 p.m.	4:55 p.m.	5:40 p.m.

Weekday to Alameda & Oakland

Depart SSF	Arrive Alameda	Arrive Oakland
7:20 a.m.	7:50 a.m.	8:05 a.m.
4:15 p.m.	5:05 p.m.	4:50 p.m.
5:45 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	6:30 p.m.

No weekend or holiday service

One-way FARES:

Adult	\$7.00
Youth (5-12 years)	\$3.50
Seniors (65+ yrs), Disabled, Medicare	\$3.50
Children under 5 (with an adult)	FREE
Short Hop2	\$1.50
Short Hop Senior, Disabled, Medicare	\$0.75

VALLEJO - ANGEL ISLAND

Weekends Only

Depart Vallejo	Arrive Angel Island	Depart Angel Island	Arrive Vallejo
8:30 am *	10:10 am	4:30 pm#	7:30 pm#

* Requires transfer at Pier 41 to 9:40am AI Ferry.

Transfer at Ferry Building for 6:30pm departure to Vallejo

AROUND THE BAY IN OCTOBER

6th Annual Home Front Festival in Richmond

On Saturday, October 13, the Sixth Annual Home Front Festival will be held at the Craneway Pavilion at 1414 Harbour Way South on the Richmond waterfront. Celebrating Richmond's vital role in the nation's home front response to World War II, this year's theme is "Rich in History - Defined by Diversity." Festival highlights include tours of the USS *Potomac* (Franklin D. Roosevelt's Presidential Yacht), live music, food and beverage vendors, games for kids, a YMCA Home Front 5K/10K Fun Run/Walk, Kiwanis Classic Car Show, and rides on San Francisco Duck Tours' land and water duck boats (\$12 per ticket for Duck Tours). Plus, this year's festival has a new attraction: the Visitor Education Center for the Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park opened this spring, next door to the festival site. On Friday, October 12, a Rosie the Riveter 1940s USO Dance will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Craneway Pavilion. Tickets are \$20 advance and \$25 at door (seniors \$15/\$20), and free to military servicemembers in uniform or with ID. Festival hours on Saturday are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is free. For more information, visit www.tcoc.com.

Veg Out!

The San Francisco Vegetarian Society presents its 13th annual award-winning World Veg Festival, commemorating

World Vegetarian Day on October 6-7 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The festival will include creative vegan cooking demos, international cuisine to sample or buy, vegan-friendly merchandise; a children's corner and a variety of world entertainers. Cooking demonstrations featuring international vegetarian cuisine, food samples, education, exhibits on health, humane and environmental topics, and entertainment will be part of the weekend's activities. For more information, visit www.worldvegfestival.com or call (415) 273-5481.

October at Oakland Zoo

October is a great month to visit the Oakland Zoo. Here are a few of the special activities planned:

- **Zoo Careers Night** – Teens! Considering a future career at the zoo? Wondering what types of zoo careers might be available to you. Wondering what exactly people do when working at the zoo? At Zoo Careers Night, participants will discuss the types of jobs that can be had in zoos, how to get a job in a zoo, and what you can do now, as high school students, to get started. From 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Friday, October 12. Program Fee: \$15 per teen, \$7 per adult. For more info, contact Melinda at (510) 632-9525 x201 or melinda@oaklandzoo.org.
- **Bats: Beyond Myth and Mystery** - Join Oakland Zoo keepers as they talk about bats, myths, conservation, and the special care the zoo's bats receive.

The only mammal that can truly fly, bats are the second largest group of mammals. Learn more about these fascinating creatures, their unique biology, any why there really is no reason to fear them. From 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 18. Program Fee: \$10-\$20 sliding scale. Tickets at the door. For more info, contact Amy at (510) 632-9525 x122 or amy@oaklandzoo.org.

- **Boo at the Zoo** – The Oakland Zoo's annual Halloween event! On Saturday and Sunday, October 27-28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., stroll the zoo in costume and collect yummy treats. Ride the spooky boo train, then be part of the costume parade. Plus, you'll get to see how the animals at Oakland Zoo celebrate Halloween. Don't miss the safety tips and treats from FedEx and Safe Kids. Kids in costumes receive a free ride ticket. Boo at the Zoo is included with general admission.

Oakland Zoo is located at 9777 Golf Links Road in Oakland. For more information go to www.oaklandzoo.org or call (510) 632-9525.

October at Farallones Sanctuary

The Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary is offering several exciting programs and adventures for the month of October:

- **SharktoberFest 2012** - Celebrate the annual return of white sharks to our waters at Farallones marine sanctuary Visitor Center with SharktoberFest 2012! Encounter live sharks and enjoy hands-on learning with family-friendly programs to celebrate our formidable and famous apex predator. Study Farallones "Shark-itecture 101" and help "build" a life-sized white shark! Also enjoy the Cine-Shark Film Fest, courtesy of Shark Stewards. This program is from 11 a.m. to noon and 1 to 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 13 at the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Headquarters, 991 Marine Drive, San Francisco Presidio. The cost is \$10 per person and space is limited, so call Justin Holl at (415) 561-6622

x308 or email justin.holl@noaa.gov to reserve your space.

- **Planktronica!** - Be dazzled by diatoms, dinoflagellates and copepods. Discover bizarre larvae from barnacles, crabs and mussels. DJ Euphonic will entice your ears with intertidal lounge and laid-back reef beats. Spend an evening exploring the prolific world of plankton while enjoying a relaxed ambiance equipped with beverages, snacks, a live DJ, and the stunning Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Pier Classroom situated on the San Francisco Bay at 991 Marine Drive, San Francisco Presidio. This program is from 8 to 10 p.m. on Friday, October 19. The cost is \$25 per person. Call Justin Holl at (415) 561-6622 x308 or email justin.holl@noaa.gov for more information.



- **Sunset Sail Aboard the Seaward** - A three-hour sail from Sausalito on our beautiful San Francisco Bay with naturalists from the Farallones marine sanctuary, and Call of the Sea. Board *Seaward*, an 82' schooner, and explore the estuary while you learn about the tiny aquatic creatures that live in or near the sea floor, purifying and enriching the bay food web. See how tiny plankton disperses in the estuary, and even try your hand at helping sail this graceful vessel. Sail takes place from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 28. The cost is \$55 per person (minimum age is 8 with an adult) and space is limited so pre-registration is required. Contact Erica Warren at (415) 561-6622 x232 or erwarren@farallones.org for more information.

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