



ADMINISTRATION

PG&E Warns of Scam Emails and Calls

PG&E has learned of an email scam targeting residents across the United States. Both customers and non-customers have reported to PG&E that they have received suspicious emails that appeared to be bills sent by PG&E. PG&E is investigating the situation along with the appropriate authorities. There has been no security breach and the information referenced in the email message is not legitimate.

If you receive an email requesting information about your account, you should delete it and take the following precautions:

- Do not provide any personal information or respond in any way
- Do not click on any links or open any attachments in the email
- Report the email contact to CorporateSecurity@pge.com

PG&E offers the following tips as protection against potential scams:

- PG&E's Credit Dept. will not ask for personal information or a credit card over the phone. Anyone who has received such a phone call and provided credit card or checking account information should report it immediately to the credit card company or bank and law enforcement.
- Customers with concerns about the legitimacy of a call about a past due bill, service request, or request for information are encouraged to call PG&E at 1-800-743-5000.
- Customers should always ask to see identification before allowing anyone claiming to be a PG&E representative inside their home. PG&E employees always carry their identification and are willing to show it to you. If you are shown identification and you still feel uncomfortable, call PG&E's customer service (1-800-743-5000) to verify an appointment and/or PG&E's presence in the community. If you feel threatened in any way, notify local law enforcement immediately.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Downtown Events

As part of the annual Economic Development Grant Program, the City Council recently approved preparation of a consultant study to recommend opportunities for achieving a year-round calendar of successful downtown events and activities. Laura Cole-Rowe, who has a

statewide reputation for running successful downtown programs, will conduct the evaluation. Some initial research has already been completed and preparations are being made to conduct in-depth, focus group interviews with key downtown stakeholders. These interviews will be held on Tuesday, January 14 with the Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Business Coalition, downtown merchants, City staff and other interested individuals. For additional information, please contact Peggy Trudell at either ptrudell@brentwoodca.gov or 516-5405.

Revitalizing Contra Costa's Northern Waterfront

On January 10, staff attended a regional symposium in Antioch, sponsored by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors and EC2 Collaborative, to discuss the "Northern Waterfront Initiative." This initiative will set the vision for industrial growth along 50 miles of Contra Costa's northern shoreline, running from Hercules to Oakley, which could create significant business opportunities for Brentwood and the region. More than 400 business and political leaders attended the January 10 event, which featured presentations by Assembly Members Jim Frazier and Susan Bonilla, County Supervisors Federal Glover and Mary Piepho, and other officials. For more information, please follow this [link](#).



Update on Streets of Brentwood

The Streets of Brentwood is going through a transitional period, with several existing tenants that are expected to close, several new tenants that are expected to open, new physical improvements, and a new owner has indicated that they intend to build a "Phase 2" expansion



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending January 10, 2014

Paul Eldredge, City Manager

of the center at some point in the next two to three years. Here are several specific updates that are currently taking place at the Streets:

- Banana Republic and Coldwater Creek are both closing their Brentwood stores at the end of January.
- New clothing stores are on the way: Maurice's is now open, Zumiez is applying for permits, and two additional clothing stores are close to signing leases to open at the Streets.
- Johnny Garlic's is open and had a very successful first month of operation.
- Black Angus is under construction and scheduled to open (tentatively) on January 27.
- The new freeway pylon sign is installed. Electrical power needs to be installed so that the sign can be illuminated at night, and that is expected to happen within the next several weeks pending coordination with Caltrans.
- The center's management reports that (although official numbers are not yet in) the Streets appeared to have a very successful holiday shopping season.

PARKS AND RECREATION

2014 Public Art Walls at the Brentwood Community Center

The "Public Art Walls" is an exhibition program presented in the Brentwood Community Center at 35 Oak Street, highlighting artists and art organizations from Brentwood and neighboring communities. The exhibits are on display for approximately three months for a total of four exhibits per year: January to March, April to June, July to September, and October to December. For information on participating in the Public Art Walls program, contact Poldina Scherff at (925) 516-5444 or pscherff@brentwoodca.gov.

The first exhibit for 2014 started on January 6 and will run through March 21. The Community Center is open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

A reception for the artists, hosted by the Brentwood Arts Commission, will take place this evening (January 10), from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., at the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street). Light hors d'oeuvres will be served and this event is free and open to the public. Participating artists and their respective mediums are listed on the attached flyer.

Distribution:

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Public Art Walls
Reception for Artists
Friday, January 10, 2014
6-7:30 pm

Light Hors d'oeuvres and Refreshments

Featured Artists

Virginia Chamberland of Brentwood	Colored Pencil
Brian Carleton of Brentwood	Oil
Jolynn Lacasse of Pittsburg	Photography
Josh Lindsay of Brentwood	Charcoal
John Nicolini of Bethel Island	Watercolor/Oil
Robin Mayoff of Brentwood	Photography

Brentwood Community Center

35 Oak Street