



RVSD's Party in the Park / Come Join in the Fun

Come one, Come all to RVSD's Party in the Park

- Sunday, May 6
- 3pm-6pm
- Memorial Park, San Anselmo

Whether you're new to the district or long-time residents, everyone's invited!

- Relax & Play in the park
- Connect with friends, old and new
- Food for purchase, or bring your own
- Bounce House
- Entertainment (bring an instrument and join in!)
- Field Games, Crafts & Activities

Bring your friends and neighbors and join us to celebrate this outstanding community of the Ross Valley Schools we call home.



CONGRATULATIONS WADE THOMAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday afternoon the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tom Torlakson, announced officially that Wade Thomas is to be recognized as a 2018 California Distinguished School! Wade Thomas is one of 287 elementary schools in the State and one of two in Marin County, named for recognition. Congratulations to Principal Donna Faulkner and the entire Wade Thomas community!



IMPORTANT DATES

Mon-Fri, Apr 9-13	Spring Break / All District School Sites Closed
Sun, Apr 22	 Earth Day celebrates the natural beauty of our planet, and it reminds us of what we can do to keep it healthy. Earth Day Network: https://www.earthday.org/
Sun, May 6	Ross Valley SD's Party in the Park – Memorial Park from 3pm to 6pm
Wed, May 23	Manor Open House, 6:30pm-8:00pm
Mon, May 28	Memorial Day / All District Sites Closed
Tues, June 12	Brookside 5 th Grade Promotion, 5:00pm
Wed, June 13	Wade Thomas 5 th Grade Promotion, 1:30pm
Wed, June 13	Hidden Valley 5 th Grade Promotion, 1:30pm
Thurs, June 14	Manor 5 th Grade Promotion, 1:00pm
Thurs, June 14	White Hill 8 th Grade Graduation, 5:00pm
Thurs, June 14	Last Day of 2017-18 School Year



RVSD BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

Meeting Specifics

- Location: RVSD District Office, Conference Rm., 110 Shaw Dr., San Anselmo, CA 94960 unless otherwise noticed.
- Meeting Day: Thursday unless otherwise noticed.
- Dates/Times/Location: Subject to change up to 72 hours prior to each regular meeting.
- Agenda Website: <http://www.boarddocs.com/ca/rova/Board.nsf/Public>

Posting Agendas & Board Packet Information

- Regular Meeting Agendas: Posted 72 hours prior to the meeting date/time.
- Special Meeting Agendas: Posted 24 hours prior to the meeting date/time.

Information Available at Meetings

- Only copies of the board meeting agenda will be provided at meetings.
- If you want a copy of a specific item or back-up documents, please send an email to the District Office by Monday, 2:00pm, the day before the meeting.

Questions

- Contact: Cynthia Stoeckley, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.
- Tel: 415. 451.4060 / Email: cstoeckley@rossvalleyschools.org.

Regular Board Meeting Dates February 2018 through June 2018

<u>Month</u>	<u># of Meetings</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
April	1	Apr 19
May	2	May 3, May 17
June	2	Jun 7, Jun 21



STUDENT RESIDENCY & TRANSFERS:

Interdistrict-In: Live outside RVSD’s boundaries & wish to attend school at one of RVSD’s school sites. Contact Marci Trahan, Assistant Superintendent at mtrahan@rossvalleyschools.org.

Interdistrict Out: Live inside RVSD’s boundaries & wish to attend school in another school District (e.g.: Mill Valley SD) Contact Teri Louer, Director of Student Services at tlouer@rossvalleyschools.org.

Student Residency

Each student must verify residency at the time of registration and within 10 days any time his/her residency address changes. Please find information below and on our District website related to residency requirements.

Who needs to verify residency?

- Click [here](#) for the Residency information on our District website (in English and Spanish).
- Please read the [frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#) and the [District Residency Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5111.1](#).
- Complete the [Proof of Residency form](#) and return it along with the required documentation to your District School of Residence. School offices are open on school days between 8:00am-4:00pm.

Questions: If you have any questions about the verification of residency, please contact your District School of Residence, or Marci Trahan, Assistant Superintendent, at 415/451.4064 or mtrahan@rossvalleyschools.org.



SITE SPECIFIC EVENTS / ACTIVITIES / HAPPENINGS / ETC

Listed Separately: Music Events, YES Plays & Activities, Back-to-School & Open House Nights

Brookside ES: / <http://www.rossvalleyschools.org/brookside> - Main Tel. #: 415.453.2948 / Fax: 415.453.0243

Principal: Judith Barry: jbarry@rossvalleyschools.org

Adm. Asst.: Heather Levi: hlevi@rossvalleyschools.org

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
May 3	Student Presentation to the Board of Trustees	District Office	7pm
May 10	Brookside Math Night	MPR	6:30-8pm

Hidden Valley ES: <http://www.rossvalleyschools.org/hiddenvalley> - Main Tel. #: 415.454.7409 / Fax: 415.454.3782

Principal Kristi Fish: kfish@rossvalleyschools.org

Adm. Asst.: Teresa Machado: tmachado@rossvalleyschools.org

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
	1 st Monday of the Month: Garden Work Party	Garden	3:00-4:00pm
Apr 20	HV Science Fair	Check w/Site	Check w/Site

Manor ES: <http://www.rossvalleyschools.org/manor> - Main Tel. #: 415.453.1544 / Fax: 415.453.0680

Principal Peg Minicozzi: pminicozzi@rossvalleyschools.org

Adm. Asst.: Mary Chapman: mchapman@rossvalleyschools.org

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
May 16	Manor Math Night	MPR	6:30-8pm
May 23	Open House	Manor Campus	

Wade Thomas ES / <http://www.rossvalleyschools.org/wadethomas> - Main Tel. #: 415.454.4603 / Fax: 415.485.5506

Principal Donna Faulkner: dfaulkner@rossvalleyschools.org

Adm. Asst.: Marlana Kenilvort: mkenilvort@rossvalleyschools.org

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Apr 26	Wade Thomas Math Night Facts, Fluency, and Models, Oh My!	MPR	6:30-8pm
TBD	“Out of this World Dances” One for grades K-2; another for grades 3-5	TBA	TBA
May 5	Campus Spruce Up Day	WT Campus	TBD
May 30	International Day: Find out what countries your children are studying!	WT Campus	All Day

White Hill MS / <http://www.rossvalleyschools.org/whitehill> - Main Tel. #: 415.454.8390 / Fax: 415.454.3980

Principal Rick van Adelsberg: rvanadelsberg@rossvalleyschools.org

Assistant Principal Kaki McLachlan: kmclachlan@rossvalleyschools.org

Adm. Asst.: Cary Adriatico: cardiatico@rossvalleyschools.org

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Apr 17	8 th Grade Class Graduation Photo	Check w/Site	1pm
Apr 24	Site Council Meeting	Check w/Site	3:45pm
Apr 27	Parent Chat	Check w/Site	9am
Apr 28	Margie Burke Speech Tournament Opportunity for Speech Club participants to build public speaking skills & win prestigious awards.	Ross / TBA	TBA



DISTRICT MUSIC PROGRAMS (Website: <https://www.rvsdmusic.org/>)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
4/20	CMEA Choral Festival (7 th -8 th Gr.)	Sonoma State University	afternoon
5/5	Music Department Spring Trip (6 th -8 th Gr. Band/Orchestra/Chorus)	Vanden HS/Six Flags	7:30am-8pm
5/17	7-8 Gr. Orchestra/Chorus/Band Concert	College of Marin Theater	7pm
5/21	5th/6th Gr. and Chamber Chorus Concert	WH Gym	7pm
5/22	5th/6th Grade and Chamber Orchestra Concert	WH Gym	7pm
5/24	5th/6th Grade Band Concert	WH Gym	7pm



DISTRICT COMMITTEES

Round Table Committee

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Canceled 3/21 Meeting To Be Rescheduled	TBD	District Office Conference Room
April 18	9:00 – 9:45am	District Office Conference Room
May 23	9:00 – 9:45am	District Office Conference Room
June 13	9:00 – 9:45am	District Office Conference Room

Superintendent’s Council (Normally Follows Round Table Committee)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Canceled 3/21 Meeting To Be Rescheduled	9:45-10:30am	District Office Conference Room
April 18	9:45-10:30am	District Office Conference Room
May 23	9:45-10:30am	District Office Conference Room
June 13	9:45-10:30am	District Office Conference Room

District Facilities Advisory Committee (DFAC)

- Meets as Needed
- Notification by Email to all Parents

Measure ‘A’ Citizens Oversight Committee

- Meets as Needed
- Notification by Email to Committee Representatives

YES Vision

Every child in the Ross Valley School District will have access to a complete education that includes meaningful and sustained exposure to the arts and other vibrant educational programs as an essential part of the student’s school experience.

YES Core Values

- Advocacy: Championing the arts & other vibrant educational programs, playing an active role in ensuring their quality and sustainability
- Collaboration: Parents, teachers, administrators and community members work collaboratively with the district to identify program needs to set program priorities, and to develop and sustain excellent programs
- Commitment: Communities are responsible to their children for the quality of their education
- Equity: The programs YES funds are district-wide, providing equitable opportunities to all RVSD students.
- Exposure: Sustained exposure to the arts and vibrant educational programs is a vital part of each child’s school experience
- Self-Expression: Children thrive in an educational enrollment that promotes engaged learning & provides diverse opportunities to develop skills for self-expression

YES Foundation Board Meetings:

All meetings open to the Community from 11/15-4/18, from 8-9pm. The last 2 meetings are for YES Foundation Board members only.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
April 18	6:30-8:00 pm: YES Foundation Board members only. 8:00-9:00pm: Open to the Public	District Office, Blue Room., 100 Shaw Dr., SA
May 16	6:30-9:00 pm: YES Foundation Board members only.	District Office, Blue Room., 100 Shaw Dr., SA
June 6	6:30-9:00 pm: YES Foundation Board members only.	District Office, Blue Room., 100 Shaw Dr., SA

YES Events / Parties / Etc.

<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Every Tuesday	Dinner at Iron Springs – 10% of your tab will go back to YES	Iron Springs, Fairfax	Evening Hours

YES Online Auction

The YES Online Auction NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT! This is a critical fundraiser. Donate items here (perhaps special wine, a vacation home, or a “priceless experience”) and get ready **to bid from April 17-13!** Email Kristina Riemer at kriemer@yestokids.org with questions.

April & May Family Participation Challenge

YES is kicking-off a district-wide challenge to reach our best year yet for Family Giving – 74%. Haven’t donated yet? Give What You Can Today and stay tuned for more after Spring Break! Link: <https://yestokids.org/donate/>



Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. Margaret Mead / The Ross Valley Children for Change Clubs are child-led clubs focused on volunteering and fundraising to help people in need in our local community and abroad. Our kids are changing the world. Join the movement at www.children4change.org.

A Letter from C4C Board Members

Dear Ross Valley Friends,
We need your help!!

At the Children for Change (C4C) Board meeting last week, we were dumbfounded! The management team presented the extraordinary schedule of C4C **events between now and the end of the school year**.

50, 60, maybe 70 events -- in less than two months. Each event giving **your children** the opportunity to lead, develop empathy, and serve those in need in our community.

As Board members, we've been lucky enough to watch as C4C has grown from an idea among a few parents and kids into a critical community resource that now supports:

- 400+ students at Brookside, Wade Thomas, Hidden Valley, Manor, White Hill and Davidson. (One of them could be your child!)
- 250+ families involved in community [volunteer opportunities](#)
- 10 partnerships with Marin non-profits
- 2 part-time paid teachers teaching a well-honed service curriculum at six schools

Impressive, right? What's just as impressive is the all-volunteer management team running C4C day-to-day. The kids are the heart and soul; the management team is the engine.

C4C is an important antidote to the polarization and lack of humanity that pervades our culture today. That's why we got involved. All change begins locally and there's nothing more local than C4C and the positive impact it's having on our community's children.

- **We need your help to sustain C4C and keep the momentum going!**
- **We're asking you to do two things.**

First, we need you and your family to [register](#) and participate to make this the biggest, most important C4C Challenge to date. The C4C Challenge Fundraiser is a community hike up Bald Hill followed by a Youth Showcase of all of our students' inspiring work this year. It's an opportunity for our community to come together behind a common cause - our youth and their voice and vision to create real change in this world.

Second, go a step further, register *AND* set up your own fundraising page on our Crowdrise site to help us achieve our \$20,000 goal. (When registering check the "YES, I would like to fundraise for Ross Valley Children For Change" box.)

I hope you'll join us in celebrating and supporting C4C for all it brings to our community.

For more information on C4C visit - www.children4change.org

To register for, and donate to, the C4C Challenge visit - <https://www.crowdrise.com/C4CChallenge2018>

In gratitude,
Peter Martin and Glen Galaich
Board Members, Children for Change

Weekly School Site Meetings (Open to Grades 3-8) Confirm Times/Location with Sites

Hold weekly club meetings at all five district schools (BKS, HV, MA, WT and WH)

<u>Site</u>	<u>Day of the Week</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Brookside	Mondays	12:30-1:15pm	Room 4
Hidden Valley	Thursdays	12-12:45pm	Room 20
Manor	Tuesdays	12:15-1:00pm	Room 3
Wade Thomas	Wednesdays	12-12:45pm	Library
White Hill	Tuesdays	12:23-1:02pm	Room 206

C4C: We've Come A Long Way!

In 2014, Children for Change started as the "Free the Children Club" at Wade Thomas School. A few kids, a few parents and a whole lot of heart.

In just a few short years, C4C has grown leaps and bounds:

- 6 schools (and counting)
- 400+ participating students
- 250+ families engaging in C4C community volunteer opportunities
- 2 part-time paid teachers
- Full-fledged nonprofit status (complete with an 8-person Board of Directors)
- A volunteer Management Committee of 5
- 10 partnerships with other nonprofits with whom we work
- And more heart than we can measure

With our notable growth, Children for Change needs support more than ever to keep doing what we're doing - helping to cultivate empathy and inspire action in youth. As we're seeing in the news time and time again, children have the power to change the world. They are our strongest voices for change. With your support, Children for Change will be able to continue to inspire Change for Good.

We hope you'll join us for our biggest event of the year - the C4C Challenge as we hike together to great heights and witness the multitude of good that has come from our weekly club meetings, countless volunteer experiences and kid-led campaigns to create change here and around the world.



C4C Challenge
Climbing for Change

C4C Challenge is Right Around the Corner!

- The 3rd Annual C4C Challenge – April 29, 8:30am to 12:00noon
- Bald Hill Hike & Youth Showcase
- Town Hall, San Anselmo
- April 29th, 2018
- Registration at 8:30am / Hike at 9:00am / After Party until 12:00pm
- \$25/person
- Visit [C4C Challenge](#) Registration page

A percentage of proceeds go to our "Spotlight Area" partners for their tireless work with the homeless, refugees, animals, the special needs community, and the environment.

Volunteer Snap Shot: February/March:

- Wed, Apr 11: "Farmer's Market-Style" Food Bank
- Wed, Apr 11: Gilead House Play Dates
- Thurs, Apr 19: WE Day in LA!
- Fri, Apr 20: Idea to Action Workshop
- Fri, Apr 20: REST - Feed and Dine with the Homeless
- Sat, Apr 21: Spring Cleaning at Gilead House
- Sun, Apr 22: Earth Day Beach Clean Up at Stinson
- Wed, Apr 25: "Farmer's Market-Style" Food Bank
- Sun, Apr 29: C4C Challenge - Bald Hill Hike & Youth Showcase

Mark Your Calendar / C4C Upcoming Events

- Apr 29: C4C Challenge Biggest & Most Challenging Fundraiser: Mark your calendars now for the biggest C4C fundraiser of the year. Now in its 3rd year, the challenge has grown leaps and bounds and now attracts more than 300 people of all ages from all over the Bay Area. This heartwarming and super fund event helps C4C fund its many programs within its school chapters and with its various community partners.

C4C International Trip (Details to Follow)

- To the Republic of Tanzania, Africa – June 23, 2018



PARENT EDUCATION INFORMATION

Flexible Learning Opportunities (FLO): Support the Parent/Support the Child

FLO (Flexible Learning Opportunities) is a Ross Valley community based support group for parents who have children that are “unique” learners. Unique learners show variations in areas such as giftedness, attention, memory, speech and language, auditory, visual, or sensory processing, organization, motor skills, behavior and social skills. For more information or to sign-up for events visit <http://www.floparents.com/>. Events held typically at the San Anselmo Town Hall, 525 San Anselmo Ave, SA

Speaker Events:

- Apr 27 Speaker Event: Topic TBA

Roundtables: Informal Gatherings / Mingling 9 to 9:15am / Discussion 9:14-10:45am / RSVP to FLOgroupcafes@gmail.com

- May 18 End-of-Year Parent Roundtable



Ross Valley Healthy Community Collaborative

ROSS VALLEY HEALTHY COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE (RVHCC) (<http://rvhcc.com/>)

RVHCC: A group of concerned community members, educators and young people that are working together with all sectors of our community to improve the health and wellness of San Anselmo and Fairfax adults and youth. Our goal is to improve the overall health and wellness of our community by raising awareness of current mental health and substance abuse issues, identifying and implementing strategies for reducing risk factors, and advocating for increased positive youth engagement in Ross Valley. RVHCC is funded through the generosity of grants from the Town of Fairfax, the Town of San Anselmo, Tamalpais Union High School District and the Ross Valley School District. Contact: Bridget Clark, RVHCC Coordinator at bridgetaclark@comcast.net



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Community Links

- San Anselmo Recreation Department after School Enrichment Classes: For more information or to sign-up online, visit www.sananselmorecreation.org or call 415.258.4640.
- Town of San Anselmo News: www.townofsananselmo.org.
- PATCH: - <http://sananselmofairfax.patch.com>
- Safe Routes to School: <http://www.saferoutestoschools.org/>
- San Anselmo After School: www.sananselmopreschool.org
- Shots for School Website: www.shotsforschool.org
- Friends of the Town Books – San Anselmo Library Used Book Store: All proceeds benefit the San Anselmo Library. Hours: Tues, Thurs., & Sat., from 10am to 4pm. Location: 411 San Anselmo Ave., Ste. 105, San Anselmo, CA
- Ross Valley Healthy Community Collaborative (RVHCC): www.rvhcc.com
- Central Marin Police Authority: www.centralmarinpolice.org



OTHER PARENT ED EVENTS / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Interested in more parent education topics?

Check out this other resource for ongoing, local parent classes:

- Parent Education Group of Marin / <https://sites.google.com/site/pegofmarin/home>

Apr 23 & Apr 26: Natural Highs: Supporting Teens in Making Healthy Choices w/Matt Bellace, Ph.D.

2 different dates and locations – Space is limited so reserve your spot soon!

- Mon., Apr 23, 6:30pm-8:30pm, Marin County Ofc. of Education, Hollis Hall (1111 Las Gallinas Rd., San Rafael)
- Thurs., Apr 26, 7:00pm-9:00pm, Redwood High School, Small Gym (395 Doherty Dr., Larkspur)

Sponsored by the Marin County Office of Education, Marin Prevention Network, & Marin Health & Human Services Rates of youth substance use in Marin County continue to be among the highest in California. We are facing new challenges with the legalization of cannabis, the ongoing epidemic of prescription drug use, and historically high rates of vaping and alcohol use among our youth. For over two decades, Matt Bellace, Ph.D., a clinical neuropsychologist, nationally recognized professional speaker, and stand-up comedian, uses science and humor to convey his message to parents, youth, and community members about making healthy choices, increasing resiliency in the face of stress and pursuing natural highs (e.g. laughter, mediation) as an alternative to substance use. Register: <https://drmattbellace-naturalhighs.eventbrite.com>



4th / Fourth Grade Essay Contest Sponsored by the Native Sons of the Golden West

The fourth grade is the one that has been designated by state educational authorities to emphasize the study of California history. As an incentive to encourage students in this grade to develop a particular interest in the subject and to encourage them to improve their writing skills, about one-third of our parlors sponsor essay contests for fourth grade students. There is a great flexibility in topics that the students are permitted to select, and the parlors are encouraged to be as generous and variable as possible in offering supplementary prizes to help promote student participation. Each year, an overall statewide essay contest winner is selected. That student's essay is published in our statewide newspaper, and the young person's essay is displayed for the coming year at our museum in Columbia State Park.

Prizes: 1st Place Winner: \$100, a Plaque and 1 month membership to the Canon Swim & Tennis Club (Note: same membership is given to the teacher of said winner. 2nd & 3rd Place Winners will receive a 1 month membership to the Canon Swim & Tennis Club. All serious entrants will receive a \$5 coupon to Scoops in Fairfax.

For specific details concerning the essay contest, contact Jim Riley 800-337-1875 / email grandparlor@nsgw.org or email William Eddy at w.addy@sbcglobal.net.

Now through May 31: Announcing 2018 Youth Poster Contest

The 2018 Youth Poster Contest is now open for all Marin youth, ages 12 through 18. The poster contest provides an unprecedented and very public platform to let the voice of our youth be heard. Marin youth are invited to design an art poster that communicates their hope, optimism and concerns about social justice, climate change, gun control and other issues important to them. Using art, creative ideas and problem-solving skills, youth will develop a poster that informs, challenges and inspires the community to take action and make a difference, especially in these troubling times. Over \$2,000 in prizes for the winners and for their school or organization will be awarded in two age categories, 12-14 and 15-18. Following the contest, there will be a Bay Area Poster Exhibition of the winning posters. Beginning with a special presentation at the Marin County Fair over the July 4th weekend, proceeding to the Marin Museum of Contemporary Art, and following with exhibitions at the Haight Street Art Center in San Francisco and Riley Street Art Supply in San Rafael.



PROGRAMS / SPORTS / CAMPS / OTHER

Apr 9-13: WildCare Spring Wildlife Camp

From 9am to 3pm / Fee Involved / Scholarships Available. Questions or to Register online at www.discoverwildcare.org/camps or call 415.453.1000

Apr 16: Enlightening Presentation on Surprising Truths About Legalizing Cannabis / All proceeds will benefit the family of Jennifer Golick

From 6-8pm at the Smith Rafael Film Center (1118 4th St., SR). Ben Cort, Advocate for Marijuana Policy, Addiction, Prevention, and Recovery. The presentation will be followed by a panel discussion with David Smith, MD, and Linda Henn of the Coalition Connection. Sponsored by Muir Wood Trusted Teen Treatment Center, Beacon House, PACE Recovery Center, The Coalition Connection, and Constellation Behavioral Health. Tickets are \$7 –.

<http://www.Eventbrite.com/e/ben-cort-the-surprising-truths-about-legalizing-cannabis-tickets-43847626431>

Apr 20 & May 18: 23 Elephants Theatre Company (Musical Presentations)

For more information, please visit their website at www.23ELEPHANTS.org or call 646/241.7734.

Apr 21: Family Nature Day Honoring Elizabeth Terwilliger

Sat., Apr 21 from 10am to 2pm. Celebrate Earth Day and learn about our local wildlife “Mrs.T-style. Go for a hike, catch and release frogs and newts, and meet WildCare’s non-releasable wildlife. Bring a picnic to enjoy on the lake shore. Activities include: meet live Wildlife Ambassadors; use a net to capture aquatic life in Stafford Lake; go on a naturalist-led nature hike; create an arts and crafts project that helps wildlife; explore and touch the taxidermy from WildCare’s Nature Van, and take the “Nature Scavenger Hunt Challenge.”

Apr 26: Night of the Poets / A Celebration of Poetry in the Heart of San Anselmo

A community event sponsored by the Friends of the San Anselmo Library. Starts at 7pm at the San Anselmo Public Library. Summoning word wizards and masters of meter! Share your poetic passion at the San Anselmo Public Library’s 14th annual Night of the Poets. All ages are welcome to participate as a performer (original poem or recitation of another poet’s poem) or listener in this long-standing San Anselmo tradition. Contact Serianna Leyland at sleyland@townofsananselmo.org or call the library at 415-258-4656 to reserve a performance time slot. Registration begins April 2. Night of Poets is a community event sponsored by the Friends of the San Anselmo Library and the Library Parcel Tax. The reading will be followed by refreshments. The event is free and everyone is welcome.

May 9: Community Event w/Guest Speaker: The Color of Law, A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America (A FREE opportunity for ALL)


From 6-8pm at the Mill Valley Middle School Gymnasium (425 Sycamore Avenue, Mill Valley) The Color of Law explores how segregation in American is the byproduct of explicit government policies at the local, state and federal levels. The book was designated one of ten finalists for the 2017 National Book Awards. Sponsored by Marin County Office of Education, Marin County School Districts, Canal Alliance, College of Marin, Youth Leadership Institute, First 5 Marin, Marin County Sheriff, Kaiser Permanente, Dominican University, Beyond Differences, Marin Community Foundation, Marin Interfaith Council, Hannah Project, Change Starts Here, Rodef Sholom, County of Marin, Marin Health & Human Services, District Attorney’s Office-County of Marin, 10,000 Degrees, and the Canal Welcome Center. Book available for purchase at the event.

May 12: San Francisco Chorus Spring Auditions

The Boys Chorus offers exceptional musical training and amazing performances opportunities. We teach boys with unchanged voices how to sing, read music and perform. We teach classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:45-6:45PM in San Rafael. Our boys perform with the San Francisco Symphony, the San Jose Opera and San Francisco Opera. Auditions held at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church (1123 Court Street, San Rafael, CA). Boys ages 5-12 should sign-up online; we will contact you to schedule an appointment to deter the right training level, based on a boy’s age and skills. Boys in K or Pre-K do not need an audition and are automatically accepted into the Preparatory Chorus, an exploratory music class – no experience required. To sign-up or for more details: <http://sfbc.org/auditions> or call 415.861.7464.



RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS, OTHER HOLIDAYS & INTERESTING FACTS

April	Child Abuse Prevention Month
Apr 7	Last Day of Passover (Jewish Holiday)
Apr 13	Thomas Jefferson's Birthday
Apr 16	Patriot's Day
Apr 17	Tax Day \$\$\$\$\$
Apr 22	 EARTH DAY (https://www.earthday.org/) Earth Day celebrates the natural beauty of our planet, and it reminds us of what we can do to keep it healthy. Learn about the history of Earth Day , common Earth Day activities, and when this holiday occurs.
Apr 25	Administrative Professionals Day
Apr 26	Take our Daughters and Sons to Work Day
May 1	Law Day & Loyalty Day
May 3	National Day of Prayer
May 5	Cinco de Mayo
May 6	National Nurses Day
May 11	Military Spouse Appreciation Day
May 13	Mother's Day
May 16	Ramadan starts
May 19	Armed Forces Day
May 22	Harvey Milk Day
May 22	National Maritime Day
May 25	National Missing Children's Day
May 28	Memorial Day
Jun 6	D-Day
Jun 14	Flag Day
Jun 17	Father's Day
Jun 17	Bunker Hill Day
Jun 20	American Eagle Day
Jun 21	June Solstice
Jul 4	Independence Day
Jul 22	Parents Day