



May - June, 2023

The City of Sebastopol community newsletter is one way to stay in touch with what's going on in Sebastopol. Our web site, CityofSebastopol.org is another. It's chock-full of information on City services, public meetings, and community resources. Or, stop by City offices any time we are open!

May is Bike Month and May 18, 2023, is Bike to Work Day



Join the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition and thousands of folks throughout the Bay Area - in a host of cycling activities, challenges, and classes throughout the month of May.

Visit www.bikesonoma.org/btwd/ for more information.

Tick Talk

Glorious spring weather is finally here! If you've been enjoying the outdoors, especially in grassy areas like the Laguna, be sure



Tick awareness signage on Laguna trail.

to check yourself, kids, and pets for ticks. Bites from these pesky little critters cause irritation and transmit diseases including Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, and tularemia. For more information, contact the California Department of Public Health website at www.cdph.ca.gov, and navigate to the Vector-Borne Disease Section.

Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Opt-Out Program Information

At the City of Sebastopol, we support offering our customers a choice in metering infrastructure. The AMI Opt-Out Program is for residential customers who prefer not to have the data collector/ transmitter installed with their water meter. The program allows customers to have their meter read manually at the end of every month at no additional cost to the customer.



AMI Opt-out Application: <http://bit.ly/40Yr1XL>

AMI Opt-out FAQ: <http://bit.ly/3Kvckod>

City of Sebastopol Issues Proclamations in Recognition of:



Building Safety Month	May 2023
Lyme Disease Awareness Month	May 2023
Drowning Prevention Month	May 2023
Presentation of the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the City of Sebastopol Budget Sub-Committee	May 2023
Bike to School Day	May 3, 2023
National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women	May 5, 2023
54th Annual Anniversary of Municipal Clerk Week; Declaring the Annual Municipal Clerks Week in Sebastopol	April 30 - May 6, 2023
National Public Works Week	May 21 - 27, 2023

Sebastopol Years of Service Awards ~ June

Name	Dept.	Years of Service
Reyna Ramirez	Public Works	10 years

Upcoming Meet Your Neighbors (MYN) Classes

Being prepared together

Classes are on Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm.

Upcoming Classes:
May 17, 2023 / June 21, 2023

Sign up for an upcoming MYN class HERE: <http://bit.ly/401YVva>

See the SebastopolReady Calendar (<https://sebastopolready.org/calendar>) for a complete list of classes.

Learn more about the MYN program and classes HERE: <http://bit.ly/41hv2qa>



Know a Business, School, or Organization with Surplus Food?



Ask them to donate it and help fight food insecurity! **Zero Waste Sonoma** has partnered with **Conservation Corps North Bay (CCNB)** to offer free food pick up services. The food will be distributed to local food banks and pantries to feed low-income individuals and families. Free software is also available at <https://careit.com/>. Food items posted within Careit will automatically notify CCNB and other nearby food recovery organizations to pick up. Please contact Xinci at Xinci.tan@sonoma-county.org to help an organization start donating food, or with any questions.

Upcoming Community Events

Gravenstein Apple Fair - August 12 & 13



Join in the fun at the Gravenstein Apple Fair's 50th Anniversary August 12-13 at Ragle Ranch Regional Park in Sebastopol. Enjoy live music, all things Gravenstein, local food, art & crafts, activities for kids, farm demonstrations, craft cider, craft beer, wine, and lots more. Back and better this year is the VIP Tent &

Lounge! Advance tickets and information are available at GravensteinAppleFair.com.

50th Annual July 3rd Fireworks and Music Extravaganza



Date: Monday, July 3, 2023

Location: Analy High School Football Field

Program of Events

- Music Extravaganza - starts at 6:15pm
- Raffle Drawing: 9:15
- Flag Ceremony: 9:20 - 9:35 - led by Uncle Sam
- Star Spangled Banner
- Fireworks BLAST OFF at approximately 9:40
- FOOD & DRINK Available
- NO ALCOHOL ALLOWED

Visit the Sebastopol Kiwanis Club's website at www.sebastopolkiwanisclub.org for more info on this year's celebration.

Peacetown Summer Concert Series Begins Wednesday, June 14th



Head to the Barlow to take in the sweet sounds of summer as the Peacetown Summer Concert series kicks off on Wednesday, June 14th. Every Wednesday, through August 16th, the Barlow will be filled with music and dancing alongside a variety of local wines and food to enjoy from 5pm-8:30pm. To view this summer's music lineup, visit www.peacetown.org/summer-2023.

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