



BELVEDERE
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

NEWSLETTER

Sustaining the Legacy of Volunteer Public Service and Generosity

FARLEY PLACE PROVIDES AFFORDABLE SENIOR LIVING IN BELVEDERE AND NEEDS YOUR HELP



Photo by Jill Einstein, MD

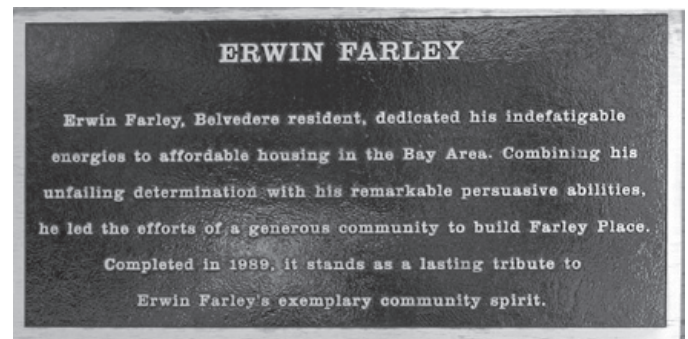
Each day many of you drive past an 11-unit apartment building at 515 San Rafael Avenue near City Hall. You may not know that it is Farley Place, Belvedere's state-mandated affordable housing for the elderly and handicapped. Residents are people of limited income, at least 62 years of age, and able to live independently. Farley place is owned by the Belvedere-Tiburon Housing Association (BTHA) and managed by the Ecumenical Association for Housing (EAH).

Farley Place is over 22-years old and has been facing the expenses of capital improvements and repairs, which

include replacement furnaces, new plumbing, and appliances for kitchens and bathrooms, flooring and several doors. In addition, exorbitant sewer bills have tapped out the facility's reserves.

The Belvedere Community Foundation is pleased to provide a \$30,000 grant, paid in three installments, to kick-start their capital campaign. They need your help!

For more information about how you can contribute financially or in kind, please contact, Sandra Ogden, BTHA Board Member, 415-435-1446 or abssmo@aol.com.



DAIRY KNOLL-NEW JOINT RECREATION BUILDING RECEIVES MATCHING GRANT



Photo by Cathleen Andreucci

Breaking ground at Dairy Knoll

Belvedere Tiburon Joint Recreation was created in 1975 to provide recreation, education and enrichment opportunities for the community and they continue to do that today. They offer more than 1200 classes a year for tots to seniors – serving hundreds of people every day.

The after-school enrichment programs are very popular and the recent surge in school enrollment has created a shortage of space at Reed School. Understandably,

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“BELVEDERE CONNECTS” EVENT CONNECTS VOLUNTEERS

The Belvedere Community Foundation hosted the second-annual gathering of grantees and members of the Belvedere community in January in the warm and welcoming Belvedere City Council chambers. The energy in the room was palpable, as grantees and over 30 members of the Belvedere community mixed and mingled, learning more about the very worthy organizations supported by BCF.

Leaders from Richardson Bay Audubon Center & Sanctuary, Senior Access, Clean & Green Day, Disaster Preparedness, Blackie’s Garden and Tiburon Peninsula Village gathered to tell our Belvedere community about their exciting progress, their worthwhile programs for people of all ages, and ways the Belvedere community can help. And each of these grantees was gratified at the response, as volunteers signed up to be of help to each of them. *For more information about volunteer opportunities in our community, email info@belvederecommunityfoundation.com.*



Photo by Jill Einstein, MD BCF Advisory Trustees and community members learn about volunteer opportunities.

TIBURON PENINSULA VILLAGE IS THRIVING



Photo by Susan Wilkins Members of TPV gather at a reserved table to enjoy Friday Nights on Main Street: Left to right: Suzie DeCigarian, Barbara Gach, Sydney Bortell, Allan Bortell, Joan Sadler, Nancy Forster.

The Belvedere Community Foundation recently gave a grant of \$4,000 to Tiburon Peninsula Village (TPV) for membership incentives. TPV is part of Marin Villages, a 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to enable seniors in Marin County to age in their homes with grace based on the concept of neighbors helping neighbors. As of late July, TPV had 96 members in 67 households, with 38 volunteers.

TPV offers an increasing array of member benefits through group activities (social, cultural, educational); volunteer services for members (transportation, errands, home chores, wellness checks and companionship visits to those isolated at home); local business discounts for members; and partnerships with other senior-serving institutions (CVS in Tiburon, Marin General Hospital, Dominican University OLLI lecture series, Jewish Family and Home Services.) *For more information about how to become a member or volunteer, call the Marin Village central number, 415-457-4633 or go to their website www.marinvillage.org/tiburon.*

BELVEDERE RESIDENTS TEAM UP FOR ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Belvedere residents **Janice Still, Jean Cromwell, Joan Don** and **Pam Healy** teamed up for the 15th Annual Belvedere-Tiburon Open Golf Tournament at San Geronimo Golf Course in Nicasio. The Belvedere Community Foundation was one of the organizations that sponsored the tournament on September 11, 2012 with a \$1,000 donation.

The proceeds this year benefited the Belvedere Tiburon Joint Recreation.



Photo by Felicia Wheaton Belvedere residents Jean Cromwell and Janice Still enjoy a day on the green.

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL BCF BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH AT 7:00 p.m. in the Belvedere City Hall Council Chambers

Photos by Jill Einstein, MD



BCF Board of Directors: Front Row-Leni Eccles, Claire McAuliffe
Back Row-Greg Ostroff, James Campbell, Bob Cappelloni, Bill Smith, President
Jill Einstein, MD, Frank Greene, Bob McCaskill, Anne Feinberg, Ann Aylwin

**BCF Board Member Bob McCaskill with
former BCF Board Member Larry Wheat**



**BCF Board
Members
Claire McAuliffe
and Ann Aylwin**



**Advisory Trustees
Molly Hofmann
and Joan Bekins**

DAIRY KNOLL-NEW JOINT RECREATION BUILDING MATCHING GRANT, CONT.

the school had to reclaim a dedicated Joint Recreation classroom for a kindergarten classroom.

At that point, a search began for a location to host the after-school enrichment classes. It had to be within walking distance to the school and have room for the current Recreation classes as well as have potential for growth. Three years after exploring options and planning, the newly named Dairy Knoll, just up from the Tiburon Police Station, is under construction!

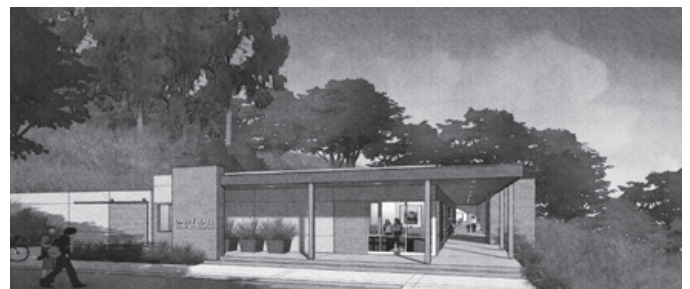
Dairy Knoll, built and owned by Tiburon with financial support from Belvedere, is an amazing new asset for the community! They are building a 4000sq ft building that will house the recreation offices and have a large 2400 sq ft activity room that can be divided into three separate classrooms. This space will allow them to offer more programs for every age group as well as have a place for community meetings and celebrations.

The \$2.3 million approved to create this amazing space does not include any money to furnish or equip the building. Belvedere Tiburon Joint Recreation is self-supporting and does not receive any tax dollars. All of

their revenue goes to creating and running programs for the community.

The Belvedere Community Foundation made a huge commitment of support to Belvedere Tiburon Joint Recreation as well as to the community at large A \$50,000 matching grant has kick-started a campaign to raise the needed \$100,000 to furnish the building! The Joint Recreation will be looking for support from community members as well as other local foundations.

*Dairy Knoll is scheduled to be completed by early 2013!
Keep your eye on their website www.btrecreation.org to
see what's new and if you can, how to help out financially.*



Architects rendering of the new Dairy Knoll Recreation Center

BLACKIE'S GARDEN CELEBRATES 16 FLORIFEROUS YEARS



Photo by Jill Einstein, MD Master Gardeners Harvey Rogers and James Campbell enjoy Blackie's Pasture.

The Belvedere Community Foundation was pleased to offer its continued support of the Peninsula's largest and most prolific public garden – "Blackie's Garden."

The 8000 square foot raised bed, located near the parking lot at Blackie's Pasture, is the result of **Harvey Rogers'** dedication and endless energy. As a Belvedere Master Gardener, Harvey has coordinated volunteers for the past 16 years in planting and maintaining the garden's 2500 plants. In addition to being a magnificent color spot, the plant labels and educational materials kept on site offer a superb educational opportunity for students, gardeners, homeowners and flower lovers.

For more information, contact Harvey Rogers at 415-435 – 4498 or harvnan2@sprynet.com or www.tiburonpeninsulafoundation.org/blackies-garden.php.



Photo by Jill Einstein, MD Walkers and cyclists get to enjoy the sight of Blackies Garden as they begin their walk along the bike path.

FUN FAIR RAISES FUNDS FOR YOUTH LIBRARY PROGRAMS



Amanda and Sam Yolles of Belvedere



Photos by Jill Einstein, MD

L: BCF Board Member Frank Greene with his grandson



Blackie's Hay Day brought a record 3,000 visitors to Blackie's Pasture for this year's fun-filled annual country fair fundraiser. The Belvedere Community Foundation donated \$3,000 towards the event. The petting zoo, pony rides, rock climbing wall, and old-fashion carnival games were especially popular, and 250 volunteers helped create 24 activities for all to enjoy.

Blackie's Hay Day is organized by Bookmarks, a volunteer organization that helps fund the children and teen programs of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library. This year's Blackie's Hay Day raised about \$40,000. Among the many programs these funds support are movie nights, tot story times, and extended hours during finals weeks.

For more information, contact Andra Nirenberski at 415-328-8008 or andra.martens@comcast.net.

BCF CELEBRATES ITS 22ND YEAR WITH THE 2ND ANNUAL CLEAN & GREEN DAY



Jan Andersen and Marsha Lasky



Barbara Winter and Joyce Griffin



Hudson Moyne, Kate Lynch and friend



Lola Hockenberry



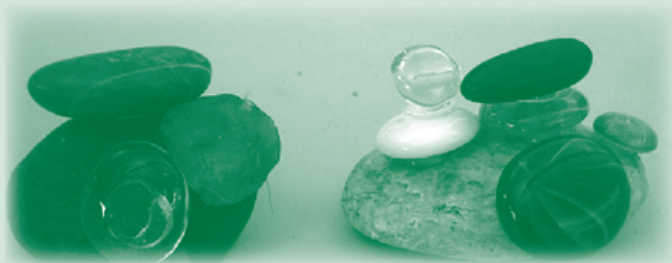
Event co-chairs, Annette Ryan, James Campbell, and Anne Feinberg



Nena Hart



Jim Cornelius



SENIOR ACCESS SOCIAL CLUB FOR FOLKS WITH MEMORY LOSS IS LOCATED IN BELVEDERE

Brain games, exercise, creative arts and good friends: research suggests these are keys to healthy aging, no matter what your age or level of cognition. The Club at Senior Access is Marin's favorite – and only – social club for folks with memory loss.

Eugene and Charles are friends. They get together once a week at The Club and talk about current events, play word games, have lunch, and get some exercise. Both friends live with memory loss. And thanks to the Belvedere Community Foundation, they have a club to go to every week.



Photo courtesy of Senior Access
Club members Charles and Eugene making cairns.

The Belvedere Community Foundation's two-stage \$20,000 grant enabled Senior Access to open The Club at St. Stephen's Church in Belvedere two years ago. An additional \$5,000 was given this year towards a challenge grant by the Marin Community Foundation.

Senior Access is a licensed Adult Day Program, specializing in dementia care. A day at The Club includes creative arts, a healthy lunch and personal care while providing much-needed respite for family caregivers.

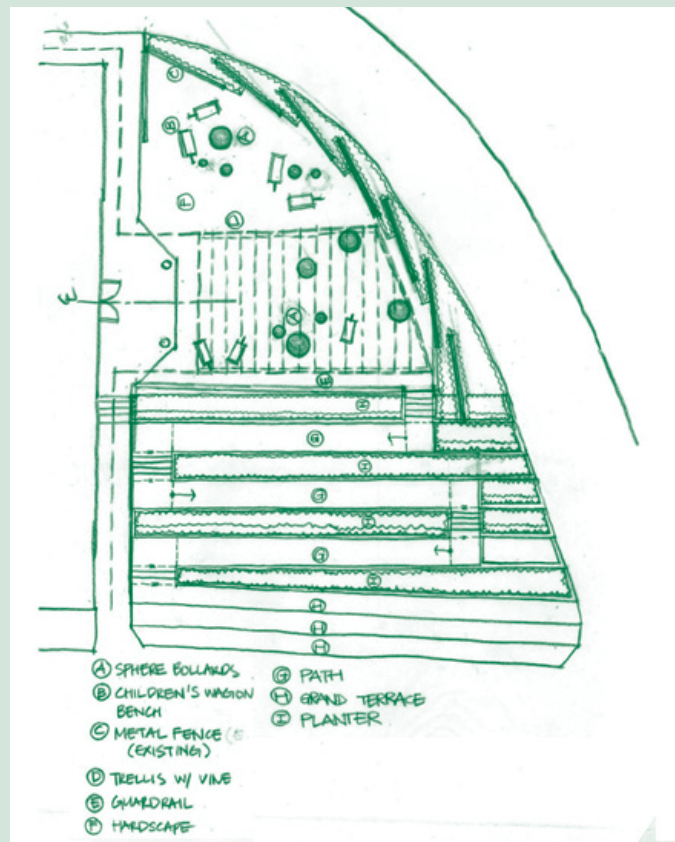
For more information about The Club, contact Jen Tripathy at 415-491-2500 ext 14 or jtripathy@senioraccess.org.

BEL AIRE ELEMENTARY CREATING OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

Rising student enrollment on the Tiburon Peninsula is forcing local schools to be creative about classroom space. Bel Aire Elementary, serving third through fifth grade students, has plans to adapt a current garden into an outdoor classroom. This will include seating and work space for 30 children and adults. The setting will utilize native plants and be designed so that students can work and learn outdoors, appreciating the natural resources of their community. In addition, a Peace Path for conflict resolution will be included and local art incorporated into the garden.

The project is being funded by the Reed Union School District, the Foundation for Reed Schools, MetWest Terra (owners of Tiburon Lodge), Bel Aire Student Council and the RUSD PTA. The Belvedere Community Foundation has also contributed funding. All design fees have been waived by SWA (landscape architects) and construction services are being donated by Jamba Construction.

For more information about how you can donate money or services, please contact Principal, Patti Purcell, 415-388-7100, ext. 3102 or ppurcell@reedschools.org.



SUMMER CONCERTS-IN-THE-PARK CELEBRATES ITS FIFTEENTH YEAR

The fifteenth summer series of the ever-popular Concerts-in-the-Park took place on four fabulous and FREE Sunday afternoons in Belvedere's Community Park. Each summer the Belvedere Community Foundation is proud to join the City of Belvedere, local businesses and individuals in supporting the series.

This year, the crowds enjoyed listening to the music of the Adler Fellows of the San Francisco Opera, *Lincoln* in the USA, Tennessee River, and *Pride & Joy*.

The Concerts Committee consists of **Christina Decker, Cissy Kirrane, Anne Butler, Ginny Doyle, Jack Doyle, Nancy Cappelloni, Christina Decker, Tina Dewey, Roger Felton, Nena Hart, Maureen Johnson, Petey Stein, Jeffery Stein and Robin Daly, Emerita.**

For more information, go to www.belvedereconcerts.org.



Photo by Jeffery Stein Claire McAuliffe, Woody Kingman and Chloe enjoy a day of music.

Photo by
Jill Einstein, MD

Diane Einstein of
Kentfield enjoys the
Adler Opera Fellow
with her grandson,
Cameron.



WINNERS OF 2011 ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST REVEALED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Photo by Jill Einstein, MD Winners of the BCF Annual Photo Contest
Dunbar Hoskins and Lucy Sogard hold their prize winning photographs.



AUDUBON WINTER WATERBIRD SURVEY SUPPORTED BY BCF GRANT



Birds are counted and monitored from shore with support of \$5,000 from BCF.

2011-2012 SEASON BY THE NUMBERS:

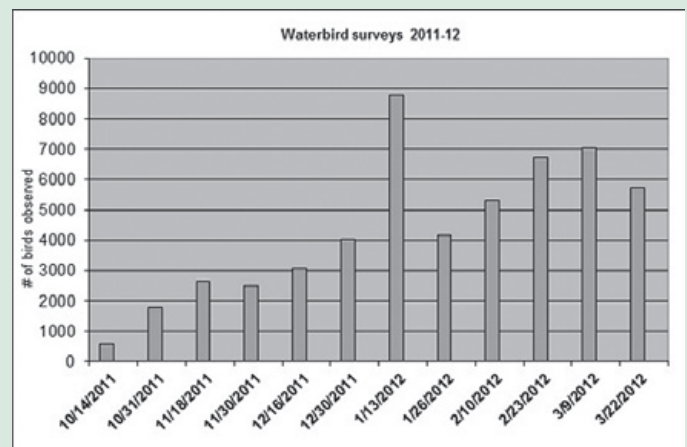
- 20 = number of volunteers participating
- 4 = number of Audubon staff participating
- 12 = number of survey dates scheduled
- 12 = number of survey dates completed
- 4367 = average number of birds observed per survey
- 8283 = highest number of birds observed on one survey, January 13, 2012
- 56 = waterbird species seen during surveys

For more information, contact Jordan Wellwood, Acting Director, Richardson Bay Audubon Center & Sanctuary, 415-388-2524 or jwellwood@audubon.org.

Part of Audubon's conservation strategy includes the identification and preservation of Important Bird Areas (or IBA's), which indicate sites that provide vital habitat for birds. The San Francisco Bay is designated an Important Bird Area because it supports more than half of the diving ducks along the Pacific Flyway. These ducks have been in decline. To prevent further declines, it is essential to identify and protect key roosting and foraging habitats within the bay.

In 2006, the Audubon Center staff began conducting waterbird surveys within the Sanctuary in order to better understand the waterbirds of Richardson Bay and started constructing a strategy for the protection of impacted waterbirds. Data from these surveys will be used to track populations over time. Because Richardson Bay is closed to boat traffic from October 1 to March 31 each year, they are able to assess waterbird behavior in protected sanctuaries.

Land-based surveys were conducted at five viewing points on the Sanctuary perimeter, from Strawberry Point to Blackie's Pasture to San Rafael Avenue in Belvedere. All individual birds within the Sanctuary are identified, counted, and their behavior is recorded.



ANN OTTER HONORED BY MARIN GENERAL HOSPITAL AND BCF

Ann Otter, a long-time Belvedere resident and board member of the Belvedere Community Foundation, passed away last December at age 76 after a long illness. She was actively involved in our local Belvedere community and broader Marin community.

The Marin General Hospital Foundation opened a fund to name the Board Room in the New Building in memoriam after Ann who was Chairperson of that board. The Belvedere Community Foundation contributed \$2,500 in her memory. Ann's leadership, dedication, passion and beautiful smile are dearly missed.

CITY HALL BOASTS NEW BENCHES



Photo by Jill Einstein, MD Bill Smith, one of the founders and former BCF President, sits on one of the new benches donated to the City by the Belvedere Community Foundation.

The front deck of Belvedere City Hall is now more welcoming with three new wooden benches donated by the Belvedere Community Foundation, which honor its donors and volunteers.

TASTEFUL WOODEN FENCE INSTALLED AT LAGOON ENTRANCE

As you drive into Belvedere from San Rafael Avenue, you hopefully have noticed new landscaping and improvements along San Rafael Avenue, the seawall and the lagoon completed over this past year. Supported in part by a grant from the Belvedere Community Foundation, a new wooden fence now replaces an unsightly chain-link fence at the Richardson Bay entrance to the Belvedere Lagoon as well as shielding utility boxes. This project had the support of the City, the Belvedere Lagoon Property Owner's Association, and the Belvedere Parks and Open Space Committee.



Photo by Jill Einstein, MD

CAMP CREATE FORMS RAINBOW PEOPLE

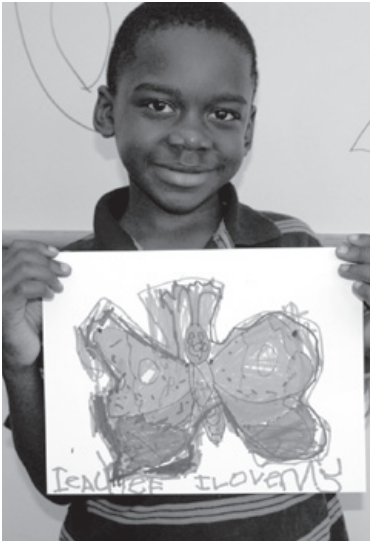


Photo by Shari Young Kevin Callahan, a camper from Marin city, shows off his butterfly artwork.

Camp Create is a summer day camp supported in part by the Belvedere Community Foundation that intentionally mixes campers, counselors, and artists from differing cultural, ethnic, socio-economic and geographic areas using art and music as a means of creating commonality and community.

The camp is led by professional artists, musicians and story-tellers including Ernesto Olmos, an award-winning musician, painter, and sculptor (Mexico); Annelies Atchley, a local Tiburon artist (Switzerland); Anna Stearns, the upper division music teacher for the Mill Valley public schools; Wade Peterson, a professional drummer and teacher specializing in the music of Africa; and Claudia Cuentes, a story-teller, from Latin America.

For more information on next summer's camp, please contact Shari Young, Associate Rector for Youth and Family Ministries, St. Stephen's Church, 415-435-4501 or revshari@earthlink.net.

Using the lovely facilities of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Belvedere, the camp joins professional artist-educators together with 60 elementary age campers, high school counselors, and volunteers from Marin City, the Canal district of San Rafael, and Tiburon/Belvedere for an arts immersion experience around a theme: this year "Many Colors, One Rainbow People" as well as a butterfly in memory of Tiburon resident Suzanne Rogers who was central to the camp, but passed away earlier this year.



2005-2012 BELVEDERE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

GRANT RECIPIENTS

BCF Annual Photography Contest

BCF Clean & Green Day

Beautify Tiburon Boulevard Committee

Bel Aire Elementary Outdoor Classroom

Belvedere Community Park:

Path Addition

Gazebo Lighting

Belvedere Daffodil Planting

Belvedere Historical Trail Signs

Belvedere Playground

Belvedere Tiburon Child Care Center

Belvedere Women's Forum:

Coffee by the Bay

Newcomer's Welcome Party

Belvedere-Tiburon Joint Recreation:

Teen Zone

Dairy Knoll Building

Belvedere-Tiburon Library:

Corner Books

Belvedere-Tiburon Open Golf Tournament

Belvedere-Tiburon Parade Committee

Blackie's Garden

Blackie's Hay Day by Bookmarks for the Children's Library

Camp Create

Celebrating Ed San Diego

City of Belvedere:

Flagpole

Wooden benches on patio

Wood Fence on San Rafael Avenue at Lagoon

Concerts-in-the-Park

Farley Place: Affordable Senior Housing

Friday Nights on Main Street

GETREADY94920/Emergency Preparedness:

Del Mar First Aid Supplies

Peninsula Pride

Reed School:

Nature Preserve/Audubon Education

Vegetable Garden

Protective Canopies for Second Grade Lunch Tables

Richardson Bay Audubon Center and Sanctuary:

Oil Spill Clean-Up

Bird Conservation and Monitoring Program

Junior Naturalist Summer Training

Scholarships for Summer Adventures Camp

Americorps Intern Program for Local Restoration

Senior Access: Adult Day Program

Tiburon Art Festival

Tiburon Bicycle Coalition

Tiburon Fire Department

Tiburon Peninsula Village

Tiburon Salmon Institute

Tiburon South of the Knoll Playground:

Tugenberg Tot Lot

Zelinsky Playground

Walk Your History Day

Young Performers International



The Hoefer Brown family helps with Clean & Green Day at the Peninsula Road median.



Bench Installation

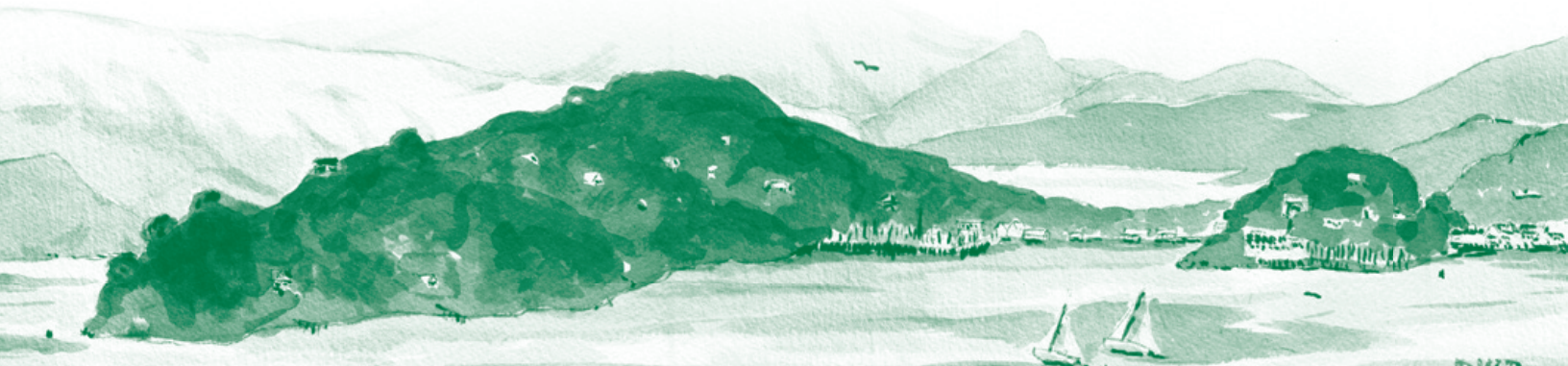


The Cunningham family helps to clean the playground for Clean & Green Day.



New Logo Unveiled For The Belvedere Community Foundation

The Belvedere Community Foundation is proud to reveal their new bench and lamppost logo reflecting the community spirit and character of Belvedere. Many thanks go to **Anne Feinberg**, BCF board member, who designed the logo.



ABOUT THE BELVEDERE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

OUR MISSION

- To preserve and enhance the quality of life in Belvedere.
- To form an endowment fund with contributions from all of Belvedere's citizens.
- To provide grants to support projects and volunteers working to enhance the quality of life in Belvedere.

OUR VALUES

- To sustain the legacy of volunteer public service.
- To perpetuate the generosity of Belvedere's citizens.

OUR COMMITMENT

- To be a vital resource to sustain and nurture Belvedere's rare and exceptional character.
- To support the energy and creativity of our citizens.

IF YOU HAVE A NEW PROJECT IDEA THAT IS IN NEED OF LOCAL FUNDING...

The Belvedere Community Foundation welcomes grant requests for projects that assist in preserving the unique character of Belvedere and enhance the overall quality of life in the community. If you would like to apply for a grant, please submit an application online at <http://belvederecommunityfoundation.com>.

