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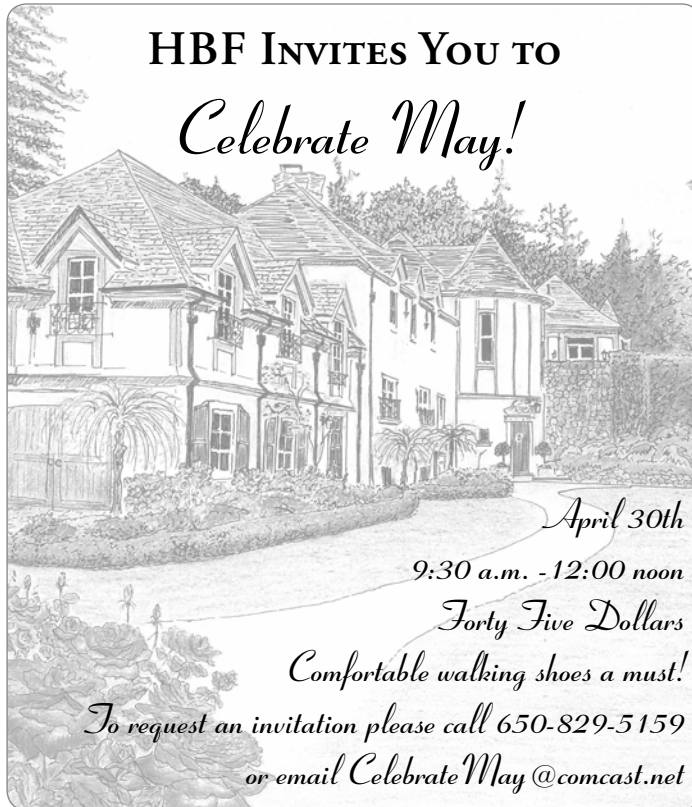
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HBF INVITES YOU TO
Celebrate May!



April 30th
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Forty Five Dollars
Comfortable walking shoes a must!
To request an invitation please call 650-829-5159
or email CelebrateMay@comcast.net

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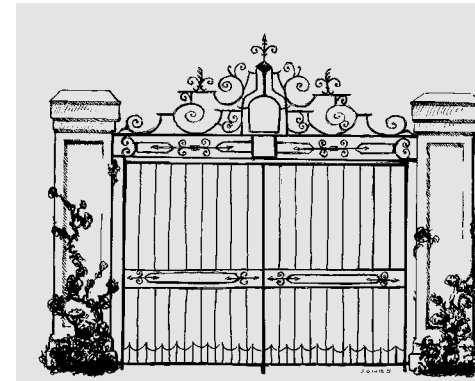


Thanks to all the volunteers who helped plant daffodils in November! Here's the crew at South School.



Everything's coming up daffodils!

HBF goes ONLINE...our history, pictures, online giving
and more...check out
<http://www.hillsboroughbeautificationfoundation.org/>



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Centennial Park A Gift Commemorating One Hundred Years

With Hillsborough celebrating its centennial this year, HBF knew it had to find the perfect gift to honor the town. Members of HBF's Projects Committee agreed that the gift must be in a central location where it would be appreciated by all residents and visitors. After two years of thoughtful planning and consideration, the choice was clear.

A small, overgrown garden located near Town Hall at the corner of El Camino Real and Floribunda, formerly known as Hillsborough Water Conservation Garden, sat largely unnoticed for many years. The original garden consisted of 98 varieties of native and drought tolerant plants. Unfortunately many native plants have a life expectancy of only 5 years and with a poor irrigation system, and ultimately no maintenance budget, the garden became a distant memory and an eyesore for the neighbors. This site is also the final resting place for the Hillsborough Police Department's canine friends, and it was important to preserve and respect these grounds.

Maryellie Johnson, member of HBF's Projects Committee, and longtime resident of Hillsborough, put a team together that was both knowledgeable and experienced. After careful consideration of a budget and interviewing a number of designers, Sarah Small of Small Brown Landscape was commissioned to design the new garden. The goal for Small was to make the park more visible, use a limited variety of hardy, easy to maintain plants that provide seasonal interest, and to support it with an efficient, low-maintenance irrigation system. She quickly went to the drawing board and presented to Johnson and co-chair Leslie Wilson, a spectacular design of what would be Hillsborough's new Centennial Park.

The project was installed by Brian Koch of Terra Ferma Landscapes. The hardy survivors of the original planting were preserved and many of the plants chosen for the new garden were drought tolerant. The nonstop flowering landscape roses were

added for color and form. In addition to the new plantings, a tiered water fountain was prominently placed under the newly refurbished existing gazebo, as well as a bench and a drinking fountain for pedestrians and their pets. A time capsule from the Hillsborough Schools will be placed in the ground near the water fountain to mark the occasion.



The feedback from the town has been overwhelming! Mayor Christine Krolik commented, "Everywhere we look in Hillsborough, the spectacular work of HBF's committee members and supporters shines. And now we are getting a stunning new garden that all residents will enjoy. What a thrill it will be to see that ribbon cut on May 5th!"

HBF is dedicated to the continuance of beautifying the town of Hillsborough. Special thanks to HBF's supporters for making this project a reality. Centennial Park is a gift to the community, employees, and visitors to be enjoyed by all, as we commemorate Hillsborough's One Hundredth Birthday.

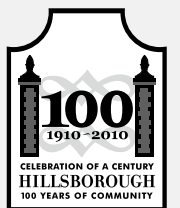
Celebration of a Century Events

May 5
Centennial Park Dedication
Town Hall, 4 p.m.- 6 p.m.

May 14
Historic Homes Tour
Sponsored by
Community Service League

May 31
Memorial Day
Parade of the Century at 10 a.m.

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From the President, Board of Trustees

A few years back, some HBF volunteers wondered if we might run out of projects. How many more islands could we spruce up, how many more historic gates were there to repair and restore? Now we realize that time will never come – not only is constant maintenance necessary with our growing stack of projects, but new opportunities to beautify our town and bring people together always present themselves.

We've just completed the project up at Black Mountain and Interstate 280. Aside from Vista Park, no other project has elicited such positive feedback for HBF. It's been incredibly rewarding to hear how much it is appreciated. (Note: we were not in charge of the traffic lanes, however. That's the Town's jurisdiction, entirely!)

Right now we're embarking on two wonderful new projects in 94010. Under the stewardship of Lennie Gotcher, a community garden is being built. Hillsborough students are earning community service hours and invaluable life lessons as they work to obtain donations from local companies for the garden's construction. Once it is installed, students will work to tend the produce and distribute their bounty to local charities. On another front, students will canvas town on April 24 to pick up trash along our streets. We're proud of the wonderful collaboration we've developed with our schools this year. At a time when the District is facing enormous budget cuts, HBF is lending support with the school campuses. Keep an eye out for the landscaping around the new buildings, and you'll see some of our work.

Yet beyond the landscaping projects, I've come to learn that HBF serves a different sort of purpose: that of building community. It's a group that crosses generations and school boundaries. It brings neighbors together. At *Light Up the Town* in December, I came across two men chatting together in the parking lot while children enjoyed the holiday festivities. I knew they were next-door neighbors, so I teased them about not seeing enough of each other. Their response struck me – they told me they never see each other, except at our annual event. Being of different generations with different schedules, this was their best chance to run into each other. We're delighted that HBF can help connect neighbors in this way.

I hope we'll get a chance to see you at *Celebrate May* this April 30. That's another great opportunity for us to enjoy a local garden and the company of our neighbors. Thank you for your continued support. We can't plant a bulb without your help.

Best,
-Libby Hulsey

Don't miss Hillsborough's Clean Up Day! Saturday, April 24th from 9am - noon



Meet at Crocker Middle School at 9am!
Enjoy some music and breakfast treats before heading to a Hillsborough location for clean up projects.
Community service hours upon request.

Questions? Contact Audrey Fairchild, Crocker Community Liaison
at afairchild@hcsd.k12.ca.us.
or HBF Liaison Peggy McLaughlin at MPMcLaughlin@sbcglobal.net

Congratulations 2010 HBF Award Recipients!



Cinnie Magowan
Community Volunteer



Sarah Small
Small Brown Landscape Architects
Professional Volunteer

MAJOR DONOR PARTY

On the evening of March third, the Hillsborough Beautification Foundation's Development Committee hosted a cocktail party for major donors at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jenson. This annual event is given in honor of Founding Friends and Major Donors who have given so generously and consistently each year to the Hillsborough Beautification Foundation's fund drives.

Although many of the honored guests are present each year, it is always a great pleasure to see so many new enthusiastic benefactors who are eager to provide significant support for our upcoming projects. Old friends and new shared an evening of camaraderie and reminisced about all the HBF projects, the beautiful daffodils around town, the gorgeous 280 entrance to Hillsborough, and many future plans for the town.

The evening was festive with Richard Huebner playing the piano in the living room as guests mingled throughout the lovely home, admiring the floral arrangements and the magnificent view from the terrace while savoring delicious fare from John Tevis Catering. A huge thank you to the Jensons for making special honorees feel even more special!



Mayor Christine Krolik and Libby Hulsey celebrate with Santa at HBF's Light up the Town

Celebrate May!



Photography by Hilary McMahon

The Hillsborough Beautification Foundation will host its annual spring event, *CELEBRATE MAY!*, at the French-inspired gardens of Teresa and Phil Quigley on Friday, April 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Guests can stroll through the three acres of beautifully manicured gardens designed by renowned landscape architect Thomas Church. During the event, guests can also shop at the numerous specialty boutiques which will feature exclusive items for the home and garden, while having their morning pastries with coffee or tea. *CELEBRATE MAY!* co-chairs Kjori Boyd and Harumi Nakano strongly encourage guests to wear comfortable, flat walking shoes, as this is a terraced garden.

Church took great care to respect the architectural integrity of the French Eclectic Style home when he designed the gardens and stonework. An ivy-covered stone bridge connects the house to one of the garden's upper terraces, which houses a hidden wine cave. After walking under the bridge, a 400 year old French well reveals itself, before giving way to the larger gardens which feature numerous flowering trees and plantings. The upper-terraced Church gardens have been recently updated with geometric plantings of Dwarf Boxwood in spirals, cones, and a cross design. These plantings lead to the Tea House, whose elevation provides a wonderful vantage point from which to view the different terraces of the garden. Climbing roses distinctively decorate the garden's arches, while other varieties of roses accent the parterre garden. Numerous species of mature trees encircle the gardens, highlighting the overall beauty of this magnificent property. Docents will be situated throughout the gardens to comment on all aspects of the landscaping during the event.

The annual Hillsborough Beautification Awards will also be presented at the event. These awards recognize those individuals whose efforts to beautify our community deserve special distinction. The 2010 HBF Community Volunteer Award will be presented to Cynthia Magowan, for her exceptional dedication to the improvement of our community and her recent term as President of HBF's Board of Trustees. The 2010 HBF Professional Volunteer Award will recognize Sarah Small, for her dedication to volunteerism and excellence in designing public spaces.

Please reserve the last day of April to join your friends and neighbors at *CELEBRATE MAY!* For additional information or to make reservations, please call 650.829.5159 or email CelebrateMay@comcast.net.

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