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EVENTS & FESTIVALS

Mark your calendar now! From the Art & Wine Festival to Santa's Holiday Lighting Ceremony, here's a list of San Anselmo's can't-miss festivals and events.



SAN ANSELMO PAST & PRESENT

Delve into San Anselmo's rich history, find out what our community is like today, and test your knowledge of the town with some San Anselmo trivia.



SIGHTS & ACTIVITIES

Learn about Miwok Indians, peer at old photos from town life in the 1900s, or explore our very own "castle in the hills"! We introduce you to San Anselmo's historical landmarks and points of interest, and to the best sites for antiques hunting.



PARKS & RECREATION

Enjoy the beautiful natural charm of San Anselmo's playgrounds and parks, or sign up for one of the many adult and children's programs offered at our recreation department.



FAMILY FUN

Looking for an activity that the whole family can enjoy? Here are our top picks for family-friendly things to do in San Anselmo.











RESIDENT RESOURCES

Here are some key numbers to keep handy, plus information about the schools, senior services, and youth organizations in your neighborhood.

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Whether you're looking for a hotel, an accountant, an art gallery, home furnishings, or a place to eat—start here!

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Welcome to San Anselmo



Want to explore San Anselmo? Start here!

ant to make San Anselmo your next vacation destination? Or do you already live here and want to discover more of the town's hidden treasures? Use this guide to help you make the most of your time in San Anselmo, whether you're planning a short visit or a lifelong stay:

VISITOR'S PACKET

WHERE TO STAY Turn to our business directory on page 42 for a list of local hotels and inns.

EVENT CALENDAR See page 11 for a schedule of San Anselmo's annual festivals and events, and visit sananselmochamber.org for more details. **ANTIQUES HUNTING** Find out on page 22 why *Sunset* magazine readers voted San Anselmo "Best in the West" for Antiquing. **JUST FOR KIDS** From interactive art play to the climbable castle at Millennium Park, San Anselmo is the ideal family destination. See page 30 for our top family-fun activities.

REST AND RELAXATION If you're in need of some pampering, check out our business directory page 38-for a list of health clubs, spas and salons.

RELOCATION ASSISTANCE Looking to relocate or expand your business in San Anselmo? Call the Chamber at 415-454-2510 for assistance in finding property or securing licenses, town permits and more.

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE Need information on where to find a job? How to start a business, please check out our business resources on page 36 & 37.

About the Chamber

Message from the President/CEO Connie S. Rodgers



San Anselmo is the heart of Marin. The town's life-style is sophistication with ease, family-friendly, casual, yet world-class dining, boutique shopping and easy access to hiking and biking in state and local parks of unparalleled beauty.

All the "bests" are in San Anselmo - including the finest weather in the entire Bay Area.

New to San Anselmo is our community gathering center, Imagination Park. A permanent fixture in the park is a fountain displaying the only life-size bronze statue of Indiana Jones and the wise Yoda. Don't miss a photo opportunity to take a picture with the world-famous characters created by George Lucas then stroll to view the magnificent architecture of the San Francisco Theological Seminary, known by locals as "the castle."

San Anselmo is an incredible place to live, work and visit; mid-way between San Francisco and the wine country, and excellent hub from which to explore the rest of the Bay Area.

This directory is a resource guide about our Town and Chamber members. Share it with your friends, family and those who may be considering doing business, living or visiting San Anselmo.

San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce welcomes your membership, your involvement and your desire that leads the Chamber to becoming better place to do business.

Message from the Board Chair Kris Kelson

As the Chair of the San Anselmo Chamber Board, I am pleased to welcome you to our town—one of the best locations in the nation! Whether you are



a resident, a visitor, or a business looking for a place to grow, you have come to the right place.

We place a high priority on preserving the character of our town in order to maintain our unique identity. The faces of San Anselmo range from the historic buildings, quaint shops and fine restaurants that populate our downtown, to the abundance of parks and recreational opportunities that accent the quality of life that is our hallmark.

We are especially proud of our excellent schools and outstanding safety along with a wealth of services that make San Anselmo a desirable environment in which to live, work, raise a family and retire.

At the Chamber of Commerce, it is our goal to continually improve the quality of life in our town by promoting a strong local economy and representing the interest of business to government. We appreciate your interest in finding out more about our town and I welcome you to join us as we endeavor to keep San Anselmo a vibrant, business-friendly, family-oriented community poised and ready to meet future challenges.

ABOUT THE CHAMBER

The Chamber is a valuable advocate for San Anselmo and the entire Ross Valley community. The businesses and organization making up the Chamber generate economic energy that enables our community to be one of the most desirable places to live in the United States. The Chamber is dedicated to supporting our members, growing their businesses and enhancing the economic vitality and quality of life in San Anselmo.

WHY JOIN THE CHAMBER?

For a small investment - \$110 to \$230, depending on the size of your business-we provide you with an estimated value of at least \$1,200 in marketing, publicity and referrals through Chamber programs. An incredible return on your investment! Here is just a sampling of what your business receives as a member:

• FREE coverage in *Network Success*, the Chamber's newsletter, distributed to 5,000 residents and businesses in Ross Valley

• **DISCOUNTED** ad opportunities in the *Pacific* Sun, Marin Independent Journal, Network Success and The San Anselmo Art & Wine Festival program advertising to more than 30,000 locals and visitors.

• **FREE** listing and link on the Chamber's website with 10,000 monthly hits!-

• FREE e-blasts of your business events and promotions to all Chamber members

• EVENTS to share ideas and network with other members and community leaders

• FREE business listing in this guide!

MEMBERSHIP PAYS

As a member, you become eligible to participate in a wide range of activities and programs that benefit your business:

• **COMMITTEE SERVICE**: We can act as your direct line to community involvement, helping you leverage your skills and ideas on chamber committees.

• **PROFESSIONAL GROWTH**: Through the Chamber's partners, gain access to Small Business Success Guides, FREE business services from the Small Business Development Center, and FREE counseling on topics from starting a small business to business plans to accounting).

• AMBASSADOR PROGRAM: Foster relationships with other businesses by helping to welcome new chamber members and plan networking events.

• **COMMUNICATION:** We help build businessto-business relationships and connections with other chambers and the Marin Visitor's Bureau.

• GOVERNMENT ADVOCACY: The Chamber serves as a collective business voice in the community and as your business advocate at the Town, county, state, and federal levels. The Chamber of Commerce works on the Town's Sub-Economic committee and the County's Marin Economic Forum MEF-Board of Directors and MEF Issues Committee.

YOUR INVESTMENT AT WORK

No time to participate? You don't have to take time away from your business to reap the benefits of Chamber membership. We do most of the work for you!

• FREE phone referrals, website listing and e-blasts to our members about your events and promotions! YOU supply the information to us, we publicize it for you!

• WE WORK DIRECTLY with local and state government, representing your business on important issues such as tax issues, signage, beautification and schools-to promote the growth and prosperity of local business.

• WE WORK ON YOUR BEHALF to improve San Anselmo's schools, housing and economy by our involvement on committees and by sponsoring local organizations and events, like the Marin Economic Forum and the Green Business Forum of Marin.

• WE ENDORSE CANDIDATES who understand business and economics, and put your interests first.

• WE'LL DISTRIBUTE YOUR PRINTED materials and promotional information online, at Chamber events, to visitors, to relocating families, and at the Marin Visitors Bureau.

To join, please visit **sananselmochamber.org**, or call 415-454-2510

Message from Katie Rice, District 2 Marin County Supervisor

It is my pleasure to extend a personal invitation to residents and visitors alike, to revel in and enjoy, and even, rediscover, the wonderful place many of us are happy to call home -- San Anselmo!



Having had the pleasure of working with neighbors, community leaders, and citizen groups on a host of issues large and small for the past 18 years as an active member of the community and more recently as the Ross Valley's County Supervisor, I can tell you that San Anselmo

is, indeed, very special.

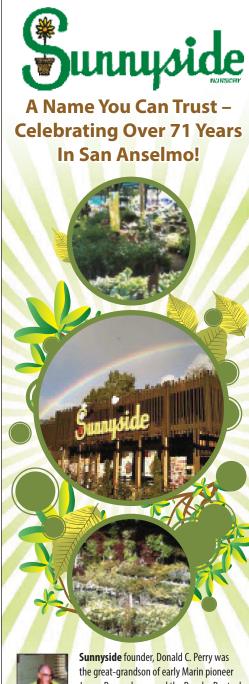
San Anselmo is remarkable not only because of what it has to offer in its surroundings and resources --great schools, beautiful, truly livable neighborhoods, a vibrant and unique business community, unfettered access to thousands of acres of parks and open space and the host of recreational opportunities they provide, and genuine small town character. But, as important, if not more important, it is special because of the people who live here.

Folks in San Anselmo are involved. From serving on town boards and commissions, neighborhood associations, volunteering in the schools, supporting or participating in recreation leagues, organizing and attending community events, banding together to advocate for specific issues and causes – people in San Anselmo get involved. And they get involved because they care, about each other, and about their community.

The positive, supportive sense of community that infuses every aspect of San Anselmo is what makes it truly one of the nicest places you could ever want to live or visit.

Come visit, shop, live and explore – and become a part of this wonderful community!!

Sincerely, *Katie Rice*, *County Supervisor*





Sunnyside founder, Donald C. Perry was the great-grandson of early Marin pioneer James Ross, who owned the Rancho Punta de Quentin land tract of Marin County during the mid 1850's. Don Perry opened Sunnyside Nursery in San Anselmo on November 16,

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YEAR-ROUND SELF-GUIDED HISTORICAL WALK THROUGH SAN ANSELMO sananselmohistory.org

Location: Downtown San Anselmo

Info: San Anselmo Historical Museum 110 Tunstead Ave • Town Hall • 415-258-4659

This easy, self-guided walk will take you past historical local sites like San Anselmo's own "castle in the hills," the San Francisco Theological Seminary. Pick up a walking-tour booklet at the museum or at its website even download it to your iPod or MP3 player!

FEBRUARY

SAN ANSELMO ARTS COMMISSION ANNUAL SILENT ART AUCTION FUND-RAISER

sananselmoarts.com see website for dates & times) Info: San Anselmo Arts Commission • info@sananselmoarts. com Fabulous, fun, and anything but silent, this auction promises an evening of amazing music, food, wine, and art by Marin artists. Bid on items from Marin businesses too. Proceeds fund the volunteer-run San Anselmo Arts Commission, which supports community art, provides free summer concerts, and funds children and teen art programs.

MARIN VALENTINE'S BALL

marinvalentinesball.org

Location: Marin Civic Center Exhibit Hall • 415-342-4648 This annual black-tie affair benefits nonprofit groups that provide services to low-income families, children and seniors.

MARCH

INSALATA'S ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE DINNER EVENT

Location: 120 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Reservations: 415-457-7700 Join Insalata's chef-owner, Heidi Krahling, for the annual St. Joseph's Table in honor of the feast day of San Giuseppe, a culinary and historical tradition. In the spirit of St. Joseph, all proceeds are donated to the St. Anselm's Adopt a Family program. adoptafamily.org): info@adoptafamily. org)

APRIL

Saturday before Easter 11am rain or shine) CHILDREN'S EGG HUNT AT MEMORIAL PARK

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

Sponsors: San Anselmo Recreation Department & Ross Valley Rotary Club

Location: Memorial Park • FREE Children 6 and under Info: San Anselmo Recreation Department • 415-258-4640 On Saturday morning, we offer the Egg Hunt for children six and younger. The field is split up into three areas for different age groups and children are lined up around the perimeter of the field. As our special guest Mr. Bunny counts down from 10, the children get ready to run and find all the treats that have been hidden on the field. After the hunt, there is generally a free show to enjoy, so families are welcome to stay and join us or simply stay on the field to enjoy the company of neighbors and friends.

On Friday night, we offer the Flashlight Egg Hunt for children seven and older. Bring your flashlights and baskets, because as soon as the sun goes down, the fun begins! Candy and prizes are scattered around the field, and quick hands tend to snatch it all up early, so don't be late!

MAY

Two consecutive weekends-check website for dates MARIN OPEN STUDIOS

marinarts.org

Sponsor: Marin Arts Council Location: Throughout San Anselmo and Marin Info: 415-499-8350

This is one of the county's major annual cultural events. View sample works of hundreds artists at the Open Studios Gallery Exhibition, select the artists you want to visit and then use the Open Studios Guide to map your tour. Visit, view and purchase work directly from artists. Artists often offer affordable rates, demonstrations, refreshments, or a chance to chat about the creative process.

JUNE

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Sat/Sun, June 21 & 22, 2014 • 10am-6pm SAN ANSELMO ART & WINE FESTIVAL A San Anselmo Chamber Event!

sananselmochamber.org

Location: San Anselmo Ave. • FREE Info: San Anselmo Chamber • 415-454-2510



Artist/Vendor Info: 650-348-7699 or caartists.com Voted "Best Local Festival" by the North Bay Bohemian and "Best Town-Wide Festival" by the Pacific Sun, San Anselmo's premier event features 200 juried artists from across the United States, gourmet-food booths, live entertainment by top Bay Area musicians, and a large family area with rides and arts-and-crafts activities.

JULY

FRIDAY PICNICS ON THE PLAZA POP-| 5 TO 8PM Friday's In August – First Friday In September SanAnselmoRecreation.org

Location: Tunstead Ave. by the Library 5 to 8 pm Info: Dave Donery • 415-258-

4641 FREE – BYO dinner or pick up something at one of San Anselmo's fine local restaurants. Searching for a fun, familyfriendly way to spend your



summer evenings? Come on downtown to San Anselmo for Picnics on the Plaza on six Friday evenings this summer. Enjoy live entertainment and activities, and shop for fresh organic produce at the Farm Stand.

JULY-SEPTEMBER

Sundays: July - September see website for dates & times) MUSIC IN THE PARK

sananselmoarts.com

Location: Creek Park, near the corner of Center and Sir Francis Drake Blvds

> Sponsor/Info: San Anselmo Arts Commission • FREE

Professional Marin musicians play a variety of live music: blues, R & B, funk, rock and roll, jazz at this popular summer music festival by the creek. The free concert series is held on six consecutive Sundays in July and August. Sponsored by a grant from the Marin Arts Council Fund for Artists, the events support artists in our community and

are sure to be great summer afternoon events for music lovers of all ages.

Fridays & Saturdays: July-September FILM NIGHT IN CREEK PARK filmnight.org

Sponsored in part by the San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce Sponsor: A.P.P.L.E. FamilyWorks Location: Creek Park, near corner of Center and Sir Francis Drake Blvds. Info: info@filmnight.org • FREE Experience the arts as a community! Bring your family and friends and a picnic dinner to watch classic and family films under the stars.

Saturday, August 23, 2014 DINNER UNDER THE STARS "A Taste of San Anselmo" Presented by the San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce

Location: Imagination Park

535 San Anselmo Avenue, San Anselmo Info: San Anselmo Chamber • 415-454-2510

Reservation Required: Sananselmochamber.org

An Evening of Celebrations and opportunity to help preserve Imagination Park. Join your friends, neighbors and dignitaries as we celebrate the vitality of our town and honor the Chamber's Business of the Year. Proceeds benefit Imagination Park.

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To receive information of the San Anselmo Antiques annual Sidewalk Sale, call the Pavillion Antiques at 415-459-2002. 14>



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October 2014 • 11am-7pm SAN ANSELMO & CORTE MADERA CHAMBERS GOLF TOURNAMENT

sananselmochamber.org

Location: San Geronimo Golf Course Info: San Anselmo Chamber • 415-454-2510 Reservations: \$135 includes lunch, dinner, golf cart, golf, gift bag and a day of fun!)

Putting Contest, Longest Dr. Contest, Closest to the Hole Contest, TONS of prizes and give-aways, fun ways to win requiring NO skill, lunch, aftertournament awards and dinner. YOU have an opportunity to become involved. Even if you have never held a club. . . YOU can play and have FUN!



Friday, September 26, 2014 • 11:30am-2pm SPIRIT OF MARIN AWARDS LUNCHEON

Location: St. Vincent Boys School One St. Vincent Dr. • San Rafael • 415-884-5360 Email: spiritofmarin@bankofmarin.com or spiritofmarin@bankofmarin.com Recognize the achievements and volunteer spirit of local business people as chosen by the 12 participating Marin County-based Chambers of Commerce.



SAN ANSELMO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR -Joan Capurro, Bank of Marin

Sunday, September 28, 2014 •10am to 3pm COUNTRY FAIR DAY

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

Location: Downtown San Anselmo Sponsors: Town of San Anselmo Info: Dave Donery • 415-258-4641 • FREE



The annual Country Fair Day is a true old-fashioned family affair with entertainment for all ages: live music, a community parade, food and beverages and other activities. First come for a pancake breakfast at the fire station served by our very own Ross Valley Fire Department. The parade along San Anselmo Avenue features local schoolchildren, residents, town dignitaries, local businesses and surprises. Thank you to United Markets for their tremendous sponsorship for this event!

DECEMBER

Saturday, December 6, 2014 • 5 to 6:30pm HOLIDAY TREE-LIGHTING CEREMONY

sananselmochamber.org OR SanAnselmoRecreation.org

Sponsored by: San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce, Town of San Anselmo and San Anselmo Recreation Department Location: Imagination Park, 535 San Anselmo Ave. Info: San Anselmo Chamber • 415-454-2510 • FREE This old-fashioned evening of warmth and spirit is the perfect way to kick off the holiday season. First, Santa Claus arrives in a fire truck, then the young and old are treated to free pictures with St. Nick himself. Enjoy delicious refreshments donated by local businesses along with holiday music and children's activities.

Thursday, December 12, 2013 • 12-2pm SAN ANSELMO HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

sananselmochamber.org

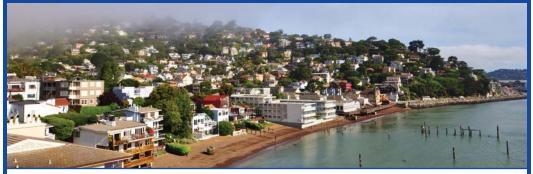
Location: San Domenico School • 1500 Butterfield Rd. Info: San Anselmo Chamber • 415-454-2510 Cost: \$40

A festive, annual holiday luncheon. The chamber's board of directors is ratified at the luncheon. Enjoy mixing, mingling with chamber members and town dignitaries and donate a gift—and some holiday cheer—to a local charitable organization.



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Mexico grants Sais family the Canada de Herrera, an area roughly from the Hub westward toward Fairfax and Sleepy Hollow. Sais builds first permanent home.

1840

Second land grant Punta de Quintin Corte Madera, la Laguna y Canada de San Anselmo-awarded to Juan Cooper covering southern portion of town, including today's "Hub."

1853

Domingo Sais dies. The breakup of his lands begins.

1856

James Ross buys Cooper's land grant. James Ross's descendants still live and work on a portion of his land Sunnyside Nursery).

1874

North Pacific Coast Railroad starts service between Sausalito and

San Rafael via San Anselmo.

1875

Railroad extends line west from San Anselmo to Tomales. Town referred to on railroad maps as Junction!

1876

First school opens on Butterfield Road.

1883

Railroad station renamed San Anselmo after the Punta de Quintin land grant railroad officials, eager to see towns and passengers along its line, encourage real-estate activity.

1892



San Francisco Theological Seminary moves to San Anselmo, and town growth takes off. San Anselmo post office established. First homes receive electricity. MIWOK LIFE

The coastal Miwok Indians lived in Marin long before Mexicans and Europeans settled here. They hunted in the oak-studded hills and fished the fresh waters of San Anselmo Creek. Their artifacts are still discovered near the Hub, suggesting that it was as much a center of activity for them as it is for us today. Here's some history about Miwok life:

• Origin in Marin County: 3,500 years ago!

• The three coastal Miwok Tribes: 1-The Hookooeko Hoo'-kooe'- ko-of Marin County; 2-the Olamentko of Bodega Bay; and

3-the Lekahtewutko of south-central Sonoma County.

• Population when Spanish colonizers began building missions and presidios 1761-1823): 5,000.

- Currency: Traded fine basketry, feather-work and clamshell beads
- **Transportation:** Tule canoes, or saka, made from woven marsh reeds.
- Homes: Called kotchas, domed or conical with grass or tule roofs, or conical redwood slabs.

• Food: The Miwok fished steelhead and salmon from San Anselmo Creek; hunted deer, elk and bears from the forests and ground oak acorns for flour and mush.

• **Cause of diminished population:** Diseases introduced by newcomers, intermarriage and evictions or forced relocations.

• **Today's population:** As of 2001, about 400 people of proven Miwok descent are members of the Federated Coast Miwok Tribe.

Sources: The Coast Miwok Indians, *by Sylvia Barker Thalman; San Anselmo Historical Society ; The Marin Historical Society*

THE LEGEND OF THE SLEEPING MAIDEN

The silhouette of Mount Tamalpais is said to resemble a reclining woman. A legend of this "sleeping maiden" has a somewhat murky origin. Some swear the tale has Indian roots. But others say playwright Dan Totheroh, who wanted to base a play on the legend, invented the tale in writing the Mountain Play "Tamalpa" in 1921 after his research dug up nothing. In either case, here's one version of the story:

The Tamal Indian tribe who lived at the base of Mount Tam never traveled its upper slopes because they believed that an evil witch, Ah-Sharon-nee, lived there and guarded her domain with a curse of sickness and death. Even so, the tribe's village suffered a pestilence and widespread death. The Great



White Spirit took pity on them and promised health if anyone would ascend the mountain. Yet no one was brave enough, except

for a strong young man, Piayutuma.

When he reached Ah-Sharon-nee's lair, he met and fell instantly in love with the witch's beautiful daughter, Tamelpa. Ah-Sharon-nee tried to have Tamelpa dissuade Piayutuma from his quest, but he still refused. Ah-Sharon-nee became infuriated and cursed Piayutuma never to return. Tamelpa knew that there was only one way to save her love. Running with all her might to reach the peak before him, she beat him to the top, lay down, and turned instantly into stone. For it was Ah-Sharon-nee's curse that "whoever first reaches the top becomes a part of the mountain."

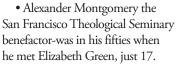
Sources: Lincoln Fairley and James Heig, Mount Tamalpais: A History; "The Legend of Tamalpais' Sleeping Maid," by Mabelle Nelson.

SAN ANSELMO'S SHADY PAST

• There's a story that on All Hallows' Eve in 1840, the selfproclaimed El Emperito, or "little emperor," was caught stealing cattle from the Sais family, the emperor's rival for winning the San Anselmo land grant he claimed as his own. They hung him from an oak tree in Sleepy Hollow, and legend has it that the tree and old rope scars are still there—if you know

where to look.

Daniel Showalter killed fellow state legislator Charles Piercy in a duel at Lansdale in 1861.



After the birth of their two daughters, Lizzie's family could bear her "situation" no longer and burst into Montgomery's room armed with two pistols or so Montgomery claimed-and forced a marriage service while he was incapacitated by whiskey. Although it was later annulled, they remarried by common consent two years later, in 1885.

• The Bank of San Anselmo was held up in 1914 by a bandit who fled on horseback.

• One of the reasons for San Anselmo's incorporation in 1907 was that residents wanted to control the sale of alcohol and keep the town "dry." "Blind pigs" were places where you could secretly buy a drink with your regular purchase. San Anselmo establishments were known to serve you a cup of whiskey when you asked for "tea."

• Criminals avoided the "fearless and fair" county sheriff James Tunstead, an imposing six-foot-two-inch, 200-pound man who was "a potent force in subduing lawbreakers and disorder in the county." He also donated the land for Town Hall. *Source: The San Anselmo Historical Society*

1903

First homes receive telephone service. Electric-rail service starts between Sausalito and San Rafael via San Anselmo.



1906

People flee from San Francisco earthquake and stay. Summertime visitors build permanent homes, businesses open and trees are planted.

1907

Town of San Anselmo incorporates. An independent volunteer Fire Department is organized.



1908

San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce forms. St. Anselmo Church opens.

1911

Town Hall is built, thanks to James Tunstead, who donates the land.

1915

San Anselmo Carnegie Library is dedicated.



1923

Tamalpais Theater on Sir Francis Drake Boulevard opens with Gloria Swanson starring in "The Hummingbird."

1925

Worst flood in Marin history. San Anselmo, Ross, and Kentfield suffer heaviest damage.



1937 Golden Gate Bridge opens.



In three days, storms brings 11.38 inches of rain and \$10,000 in damage.





Passenger-train service through town ends, followed by freight service.

1945

Rossi Brothers Pharmacy, 535 San Anselmo Avenue, Moya del Pino, Spanish-born muralist, is commissioned to paint a fresco secco mural depicting the historical evolution of the pharmacy

1948

Carmel Booth first woman elected to City Council.

1960

Old Northwestern Pacific powerhouse at Hub demolished.

1963

Town's historic train station razed.

1967

Grand opening of Red Hill Shopping Center.



Gift of 14 acres of open space for park given to town by Frederick Faude. Fire destroys Robson Estate carriage house.

1982

Town flood brings disastrous results.

2005

A flood on New Year's Day causes millions of dollars in damages to town. Majority of damaged businesses quickly rebuild and reopen.

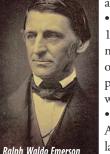
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Imagination Park The San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce's charitable Foundation receives property and resources donated by George W. Lucas to build IMAGINATION PARK. Bronze statues of Indiana Jones & Yoda fountain placed in a water structure center the park attracting visitors and locals to this downtown community gathering place.

DID YOU KNOW?

• In 1862, William Barber, who owned more than 130 acres in Ross Valley, married Elizabeth Bartlett Jackson, whose father was a discoverer of ether and whose uncle was Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Emerson wrote glowingly about the area after a visit with his niece in 1871.



• San Anselmo's first post office, built in 1892, was said to be the smallest in the state, measuring only seven feet by seven feet. No one but the postmaster was allowed in, so people had to stand outside—whatever the weather.

• Upper Ross Avenue was dubbed San Anselmo's Little Italy because it was populated by 1906 quake refugees from North Beach who planted grapevines on the hills.

Townsfolk used to make wine together, taking the grape press from house to house. On hot autumn evenings, you could smell crushed grapes and fermenting wine in the air.

• In the early 1900s, San Anselmo's few businesses were clustered along the dusty county roads of today's Sir Francis Drake Boulevard and Ross Avenue. When James Tunstead donated land for a town hall and firehouse in 1911, businesses moved to what is now San Anselmo Avenue instead.

• The town was once a hot spot for filming silent movies, such as *Cowpuncher's Law* 1911-and *Two-Gun Man* 1931). Through the 1920s, the sidewalks of San Anselmo Avenue around Mariposa Avenue were made out of wood.

San Anselmo's Ongaro Plumbing Company has been a family-run operation since 1932. Same with Sunnyside Nursery, which opened in 1940 and is run by the great-great-grandsons of early Marin pioneer James Ross.

• The Montgomery Chapel's architecture contains unusual symbols that would have had strong appeal to men steeped in the lore of Freemasonry, as was Alexander Montgomery.

• San Anselmo once had a miniature golf course, a bowling alley, an ice-skating rink and Arthur Murray's dance studio.

Sources: San Anselmo Historical Society, The Marin Historical Society

SAN ANSELMO TODAY

San Anselmo is an especially charming place to visit and live. Pacific Sun readers voted San Anselmo the "Best Town Other Than Your Own" and "Best Non-Mall Shopping Town in Marin County." Sunset readers voted San Anselmo "Best of the West" for antiquing."

Sources: San Anselmo Historical Society, The Marin Historical Society

San Anselmo Vital Statistics

Population	
Area	
Climate: Average temperature	
Average annual rainfall	
Elevation	
Median Household income	\$91,933
Median income for a family	\$115,917
Median price asked for housing units State average: \$458,500)	\$859,000
Median Sales Price	\$818,056
Total number of housing units	
Median Rental, 1 Bedroom	\$1,075
Median Rental, 3 Bedroom	\$3,800
Average monthly rent asked for vacant units	\$1,400
Average rent for businesses	\$2.65 per square foot
Resource: city-data.com. Based on 2005-2010 data.	



Sights & Activities

Historical Landmarks & Points of Interest

SAN ANSELMO HISTORICAL MUSEUM

sananselmohistory.org

110 Tunstead Ave. • Town Hall • 415-258-4659 Tue: 10am-noon First Sat of month: 10am-4 pm; Other Saturdays: 1:30-4pm

The San Anselmo Historical Museum houses an ever-expanding collection of photos, memorabilia and historical records highlighting San Anselmo history and the town's notable people, neighborhoods, businesses, celebrations and events including our occasional floods!). Pick up a booklet of San Anselmo walking tours, view photographs and special displays of local historical interest, watch videotapes and listen to oral histories. Learn about the days of the Miwok Indians, the founding of the San Francisco Theological Seminary and the glory days of the railRd.—the industry that put San Anselmo on the map. The museum also offers a Children's Corner, with crayons and San Anselmo-themed coloring books.

SAN FRANCISCO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

sfts.edu

105 Seminary Rd. • 415-258-6500 or 800-447-8820 info@sfts.edu

"Let us organize a theological seminary such as the present wants and the future needs of this coast demand." —The Reverend Dr. William Anderson Scott, 1871

It was in this spirit and with those goals that the San Francisco Theological Seminary, known as the Castle in the Hills, was founded. Originally based in San Francisco, the seminary relocated to San Anselmo with the opening of Scott and Montgomery Halls, in 1892. One of the ten oldest institutions of higher learning in California, the seminary trained pastors and educators for the booming post-Gold Rush era.

More than 30 buildings and homes stand in the 21 acres of woods and pastures around Seminary Hill, which looks over Ross Valley to Mount



Tamalpais. The five campus buildings, designed by the architects Wright and Sanders, are more than 100 years old. John McLaren, the planner of San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, designed the seminary grounds using many plants mentioned in the Bible. Geneva Hall, built in 1952, is a gleaming evocation of the Basilica of St. Francis, in Assisi. Julia Morgan designed two additional structures.

Affiliated with the Presbyterian Church USA), the seminary is devoted to graduate theological education in the Reformed tradition. Programs are open to women and men of all Christian traditions. The faculty and student body represent many denominations, nationalities, and ethnic origins. The hilltop, surrounding grounds and labyrinths are favorites for exploring. Montgomery and Stewart Chapels also host musical events open to the public, and are available for weddings and other events

SAN ANSELMO CARNEGIE LIBRARY sananselmolibrary.org

110 Tunstead Ave. • Town Hall • 415-258-4656 Built in 1915 using Carnegie funds, the San



Sights & Activities

Anselmo Library was remodeled in 1997, yet it still retains its historic feel. The library loans books, magazines, books on tape, videos and DVDs, and it provides Internet access. Patrons may also schedule one-on-one Internet tutoring. *MARINet Online Catalog*: Visit MARINnet marinet.lib.ca.us-from the library or any Internetenabled computer to access all library materials, to renew or request a book, to search the catalog, or to use reference databases.

ROBSON-HARRINGTON HOUSE AND PARK

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

237 Crescent Rd. at Raymond Ave. • *415-258-4640* One of our most treasured community resources, this 3.5-acresite includes an elaborate garden, a



HOTO BY LAWRENCE FRAUENS

picnic area and a 1906 Victorian mansion. The house is used for recreation classes and programs, and may be rented for events. The grounds have a group-rental picnic area and host the community gardens. The estate's surrounding brick wall was formed using brick rubble from San Francisco's 1906 earthquake.

AMERICAN LEGION LOG CABIN

20 Veterans Way • San Anselmo Rental Info: 415-457-4877 Cabin: 415-456-0834 Bar: open to the public 6pm-2am Wed-Sat When Troop 5 of the Boy Scouts needed a post, the American Legion Log Cabin was conceived. Construction on Post 179 began on Lincoln's birthday in 1933 from lumber and redwood logs. The self-appointed volunteer committee accomplished most of the building. A master mason who served in the German army from 1914 to1918 built the massive fireplace, chimney and much of the



cabin's stonework. Two 75-millimeter World War IIera artillery guns lie in front of the historic log cabin, which houses a spacious meeting hall and dance floor, a raised bandstand, a commercial kitchen, a separate ante room with a bar, an outdoor brick barbecue in a grassy picnic area, a full-service bar and a game room with a pool table, darts and TVs. The log cabin can be rented for special occasions.



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Sights & Activities

IMAGINATION PARK

"You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give."

- Sir Winston Churchill

A Gift To San Anselmo From George Lucas

We are fortunate to live and work in a beautiful place with fine homes, excellent schools, loving families, and unique shops and businesses. Our greatest assets, however, are the people who care deeply and contribute generously to our community. George Lucas is one among many, and as you know, he has recently donated property on San Anselmo Avenue on which to build a small park. This wonderful addition to our town is designed to enrich and add vitality to the heart of our downtown.

The open space features two bronze statues donated by Mr. Lucas: the wise Yoda from Star Wars and the adventurous Indiana Jones. The statue of Indiana Jones is the only one on display in the world which will adds a distinctive note to the new park and undoubtedly delights those who come to relax in the company of one of the world's most beloved action heroes.

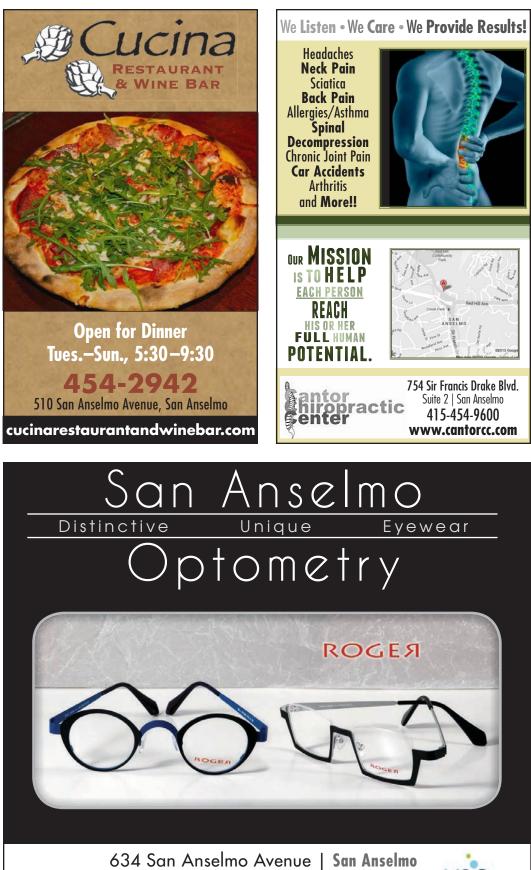
Urban planners who study communities understand the importance of parks. Leafy, open spaces provide a respite from the fast pace of our daily life; a safe place to relax and enjoy the company of others. While town parks are essential, there is an enormous amount of effort that goes into creating and maintaining them. Bringing a park to life is one way we can engage and focus on making our communities better places to live, raise families, and do business. As one study points out, the ability and willingness to work together to create such community assets defines "stable, prosperous places where people want to live and work."

We want to express our gratitude to the person who has made this exciting new project possible. George Lucas has achieved unparalleled success in his career as a filmmaker, enthralling hundreds of millions around the world, igniting our imaginations by taking us back to "a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away."

Now, in a place much closer to home and in our present day, Mr. Lucas has gained our admiration for his unwavering generosity and many efforts to improve our community and Marin County as a whole. His donation of the land for a new park is yet one more example of his continuing benevolence. On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and the entire San Anselmo community, we sincerely thank him.

Connie Rodgers President and CEO San Anselmo Chamber of Commerce





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Parks & Recreation

Parks

CREEK PARK

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

Near the corner of Center and Sir Francis Drake Blvds. Creek Park events and rental information:

415-258-4640

A quiet oasis in the middle of a bustling downtown. Visitors enjoy its grassy areas, benches, picnic tables and creek access while observing the local bird life and water creatures.



There is a shaded picnic area near the amphitheater bowl. Creek Park hosts many local major events, including Film Night, Music in the Park and Santa's Tree-Lighting Ceremony see page 12 for dates).

FAUDE PARK

Top of Broadmoor Ave. between Indian Rock Rd. and Tomahawk Dr. • San Anselmo

If you want to see what San Anselmo looked like before it was a bustling town, visit this 13.5-acre



rock outcropping—a perfect spot for hiking and picnicking in a relatively untouched and tranquil natural setting. Explore the San Anselmo hills and wooded areas, as well as a meadow with a panoramic view of the Ross Valley.

MEMORIAL PARK AND THE MILLENNIUM PLAY-GROUND

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

From Sir Francis Drake Blvd., turn east on San Francisco Blvd., then right on Veterans Pl. to access the parking lot.

Facility rentals or group-picnic reservations: 415-258-4640

San Anselmo's largest and busiest park features



the famous Millennium Playground with animal fountains, a large climbable castle and a dinosaur, baseball diamonds, four tennis courts, Elder's garden, a

soccer field, an outdoor basketball court, and picnic and BBQ areas. Group-picnic areas are available for rent.



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Parks & Recreation

LANSDALE PARK

Corner of Center Blvd. and Landsdale This pocket-sized park has a newly renovated children's playground and small picnic area. The site of an old train station, Lansdale Station was once a stop on the way to West Marin. You can still see the wide sidewalks on either side of Center Boulevard that were formerly train-loading platforms.

ROBSON-HARRINGTON HOUSE AND PARK

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

237 Crescent Rd. at Raymond Ave. **Picnic-area rentals: Recreation Department:** 415-258-4640

One of our most treasured community resources, this 3.5-acre site includes an elaborate garden, a picnic area and a 1906 Victorian mansion. The house is used for recreation classes and programs, and may be rented for events. The grounds have a group-rental picnic area and host the community gardens. The estate's surrounding brick wall was formed using brick rubble from San Francisco's 1906 earthquake.

SORICH RANCH PARK

End of San Francisco Blvd.

Friends of Sorich Ranch Park: 415-258-4601 This relatively undeveloped 64-acre park includes a few picnic tables and a shady arbor. Hiking trails

lead in many directions and vary in degree of effort required. The wide-open spaces give visitors the chance to enjoy nature in a restful environment.



IMAGINATION PARK

535 San Anselmo Avenue 415-454-2510

Privately owned park No person may be in the park between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise. No entering or placing items in the Fountain. Climbing or playing in the fountain is NOT permitted. No dogs on grass.

Enjoy the beauty of San Anselmo in Imagination Park. Two full-size bronze statues of Yoda and Indiana Jones atop a fountain centered in the park.

The park includes seven park benches and lawn area to sit and enjoy a book, ice cream, coffee or a picnic.





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Recreation

SAN ANSELMO RECREATION DEPARTMENT

SanAnselmoRecreation.org 1000 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Phone: 415-258-4640 • Fax: 415-455-8229 recreation@townofsananselmo.org Mon-Thur: 9am-5pm Office closed noon-1pm for lunch

The Town of San Anselmo Recreation Department offers a wide range of recreation activities for toddlers to seniors, and all those in between. Our comprehensive programs include sports, tumbling/gymnastics, arts and crafts, drama, a variety of camps and leisure classes for people of every age. Sign up for a class, rent a facility, reserve a picnic area, pick up a copy of our latest activity guide, or just stop by to say hello at the recreation office. San Anselmo Recreation, "Enhancing the Quality of Life."

Americans with Disabilities Accommodations:

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in any of the town's programs, please contact the town clerk at

415-258-4652 TTY number: 415-453-4690-at least 48 hours prior to the event, enabling us to make reasonable accommodations to ensure proper accessibility.



A Message from our Mayor: Kay Coleman



San Anselmo began as a "Hub" and crossroads of the various railroads. Now it's a crossroads for strollers, bikes, and neighbors "out and about."

Still a "hub," San Anselmo is a wonderful place to visit and a wonderful place to call home.

We are proud of our library and our schools, our bike trails and parks. In addition, our well-acclaimed restaurants cater to every taste and desire.

Town volunteers serve on numerous committees, boards and commissions. They also build parks and create parades, and music festivals. They take kids on historical tours and coordinate their neighborhoods in disaster preparedness.

In San Anselmo you can sit on a bench, sip your coffee and greet your friends and neighbors as they pass by or play with your kids on the lawn of our new Imagination Park.

Take a hike or ride a bike up Mt. Baldy and you're sure to experience unforgettable views.

We have a true "downtown" area that holds shops with "treats" for all ages and fantastic food to ease a "weary soul."

Come and visit or come and stay; we're a small town— with a big heart— and we welcome you to our community.

A Message from our Vice Mayor: Jeff Kroot



S an Anselmo is known for its charming neighborhoods, excellent restaurants and exciting shopping areas. What isn't as well known are San Anselmo's wonderful recreational facilities. One can hike or bike to the top of the ridges on either side of the valley and

enjoy spectacular views of the Bay Area. There are miles of trails and several picturesque lakes available to the public in the vast watershed to the west of Town. Don't miss Millennium Playground in Memorial Park. It is truly a work of art built by the community for the children on San Anselmo. The Robson Harrington Park near downtown offers community gardens, meandering paths, picnic areas and a charming 19th century mansion.

Imagination Park in the middle of downtown is a must. It is our brand new park and features a fountain complete with statues of Indiana Jones and Yoda. Children of all ages love it.



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Family Fun

San Anselmo's Family Fun Activities

Planning a visit to San Anselmo with the kids? Need a rainy day—or any day—activity? San Anselmo offers families and children of all ages plenty to do. Start with our favorites:

BLAST TO THE PAST AT THE SAN ANSELMO HISTORICAL MUSEUM

sananselmohistory.org

110 Tunstead Ave. in Town Hall • 415-258-4659 See page 18 for hours and more information.

What did San Anselmo look like 100 years ago? Where did the Miwok Indians live? How did the railroad put San Anselmo on the map? Find out the answers to these questions and more at this museum. Check out the Children's Corner, with San Anselmo-themed coloring books.



CONQUER A CASTLE AND PET A DINOSAUR AT MILLENNIUM PLAYGROUND

From Sir Francis Drake Blvd., turn east on San Francisco Blvd., then right on Veterans Pl. to access the parking lot

Hands down the best children's playground in Marin, Millennium Playground has lots to tempt any youngster: ceramic animal fountains, a large climbable castle, a dinosaur and a separate tot play area.

UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVE SIDE AT DOODLEBUG

doodlebugmarin.com

641 San Anselmo Ave. • 415-456-5989

Drop into Doodlebug to engage the entire family in artsand-crafts activities like pottery painting, clay play, mosaics and knitting. Or enroll in an ongoing class two-year-olds and up-in fabric design, sculpture and

needle crafts, among others. It also hosts monthly artthemed pj parties, and it sells toys, games and a bounty of art resources to continue your creativity at home. A popular pick for birthday parties and summer camps.



READ A PAGE-TURNER AT THE SAN ANSELMO CARNEGIE LIBRARY

sananselmolibrary.org 110 Tunstead Ave. • 415- 258-4656 See page 18 for more information

Older kids can check out books while tots three and younger join Book Babies, a story-and-song program on Mondays at 10 am call to confirm dates). The library also offers a summer reading program and children's holiday programs. And don't forget to hop on our town mascot, Sugarfoot, the deer on Town Hall's lawn. Just watch the antlers!

GET LOST IN A MAZE OF GARDEN PATHS AT ROBSON-HARRINGTON PARK

SanAnselmoRecreation.org

237 Crescent Rd. at Raymond Ave. San Anselmo • 415-258-4640 Play hide-and-seek in the elaborate garden, have a picnic, then check out the estate's wall built using brick rubble

from the 1906 earthquake-and Victorian mansion. Visit the two palm trees on the upper grounds to see if you can spy a sleeping owl in the branches above. And for the truly adventurous, tear apart the owl pellets found at the base of the trees to look for rodent bones!

LICK A SCOOP AT MARIN COFFEE ROASTERS AND SPLASH IN CREEK PARK

Marin Coffee Roasters

546 San Anselmo Ave. 415-258-9549

Creek Park: Adjacent to the corner of Center and Sir Francis Drake Blvds.

Step into Marin Coffee Roasters for a hot cocoa, a quick bite and a scoop of organic Three Twins ice cream. Then follow the path adjacent to the café across the bridge to Creek Park, and descend the creek-side stairs to search for fish and fauna. During the summertime Film Night in Creek Park filmnight.org), bring a picnic dinner and watch movies under the stars.

HIKE A TRAIL AT SORICH RANCH PARK

End of San Francisco Blvd.

Enjoy a picnic lunch, then race your kids to the trails and walk along the lovely ridge between San Anselmo and San Rafael. Keep an eye out for hawks, deer and other critters.

Family Fun

VISIT A CASTLE

goldengatetutoring.com 140 Tunstead Ave. • 415-383-2283 San Francisco Theological Seminary 105 Seminary Rd., San Anselmo CA, 94960 415-451-2800

Dedicated in 1892, the two stone castles stand overlooking 14 scenic aces of the San Francisco Theological Seminary.

The Seminary is just minutes from the Golden Gate Bridge, yet a world away from metropolitan San Francisco. The stained glass windows create a colorful glow in the stone chapel that is over 100 years old.

IMAGINATION PARK

535 San Anselmo Avenue, San Anselmo 415-454-2510 Imagination Park, a new pocket park in the center of San Anselmo. The park features a soothing fountain and waterfall with life-size bronze statues of Yoda and Indiana Jones by famed sculptor Lawrence Noble.





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Resident Resources

Service Directory

TOWN MEETINGS

Town Council: second and fourth Tuesdays, 7pm, Town Council Chambers, 525 San Anselmo Ave. Planning Commission: first and third Mondays, 7pm, Town Council Chambers, 525 San Anselmo Ave. Park & Recreation Commission: third Tuesdays, 7pm, Town Council Chambers, 525 San Anselmo Ave.

15-454-2510

President/CEO Connie S. Rodgers San Anselmo Community Foundation Connie Rodgers/President.......415-454-2510

TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO

Town Council
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Debra Stutsman
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Police Chief Todd Cusimano
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SCHOOLS

Ross Valley Schools
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Marin County Office of Education
College of Marin
Dominican University
San Francisco Theological Seminary
Marin Academic Center
The Branson School

ARTS

Music in the Park	www.sananselmoarts.com
Film Night in the l	Park
www.filmnight.org	<u></u> 415- 272-2756

MARIN ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS

www.marinaor.com	415-	507-1000
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HOSPITALS

Kaiser Permanente	
Marin General Hospital	
Novato Community Hospital	

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Emergency Broadcast Rad	dio Station	AM 1610
Website	t	ownofsananselmo.org
E-mail	townclerk@t	ownofsananselmo.org

TRANSPORTATION

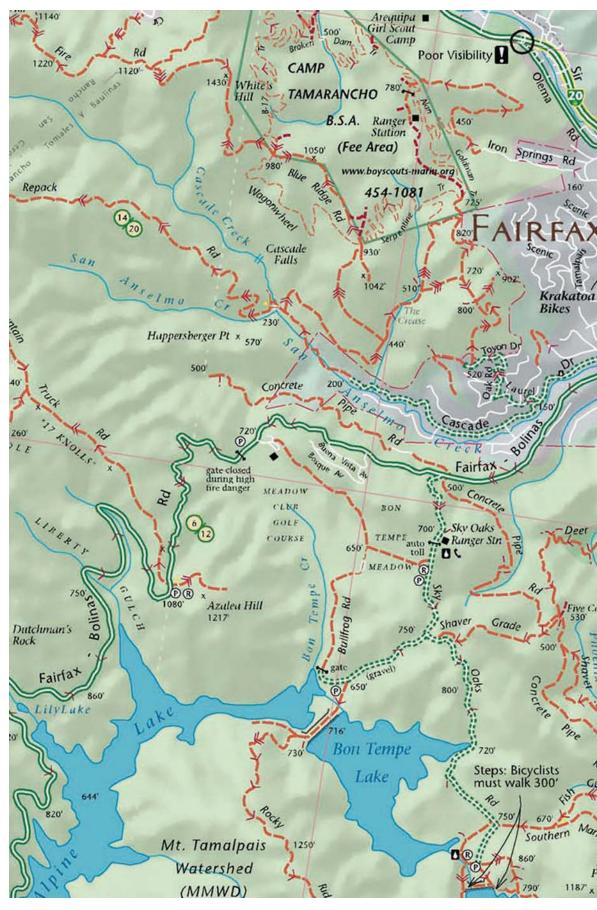
Golden Gate Bus & Ferry Service	415-455-2000
Sonoma County Airport Express	800-327-2024

Marin Airporter	
Oakland International	
San Francisco International	

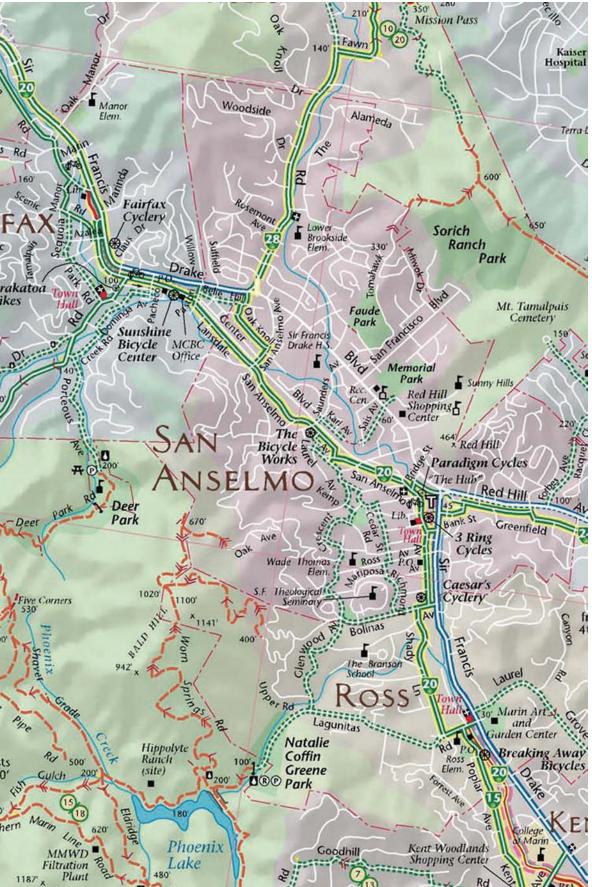
MEDIA

Marin TV –

Community Media Center of Marin	
Marin Independent Journal	
Pacific Sun	
Patch	patch.com
Ross Valley Reporter	



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Resident Resources

COUNTY OF MARIN

Administrator	415-499-6358
Board of Supervisors	415-499-7331
County Clerk	415-473-6152
Library	415-499-3220
Marin County Box Office	
Marin Convention & Visitor Bureau	
	VisitMarin.org
Parks, Open Space, and Cultural Services	

EMERGENCY ONLY	
Cell-Phone emergency number	
Marin Office of Emergency Services	

WEATHER & RADIO INFORMATION

Emergency Broadcast Radio Station	1610 AM
KCBS	740 AM
KGO	810 AM
KSFO	560AM

Schools

ROSS VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

110 Shaw Dr	415-451-4061
San Anselmo	

BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY GRADES: K-5)

116 Butterfield Rd	415-453-2948
San Anselmo	

HIDDEN VALLEY SCHOOL GRADES: K-5)

MANOR ELEMENTARY GRADES: K-5)

150 Oak Manor	415-453-1544
Fairfax	

WADE THOMAS ELEMENTARY GRADES: K-5)

150 Ross Ave	
San Anselmo	

WHITE HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES: 6-8)

Senior Services, Assisted Living & Memory Care

BELLO GARDENS FORMERLY MCGARR HOUSE 1-

46 Mariposa Ave. • 415-453-3494

A residence for guests 60 years and older, Bello Gardens formerly McGarr House 1-has 24 private rooms, many with private and semi-private bathrooms. There is a large common living room and a dining room overlooking the gardens. Second-floor amenities include a lounge and an elevator.

SENIOR ACCESS

seniorsaccess.org

San Rafael Administration Building) 70 Skyview Ter., Bldg. B • 415- 491-2500 10am - 3pm Monday - Friday)

Providing community-based support for older adults and their families, Senior Access has been serving seniors and adults with chronic healthcare needs in Marin since 1973. We are committed to assuring that Marin seniors are able to remain independent—in their homes and communities—for as long as is feasible.

MARIN SENIOR COORDINATING COUNCIL—WHISTLESTOP

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