



Wandering & Wondering John Maybury

Sierra Club Endorses Campbell for City Council

“Rich Campbell is one of four candidates running for the two-year open seat on the Pacifica City Council. Rich’s resume looks like something Sierra Club might have crafted if we were trying to conjure a ‘dream’ candidate with impeccable green credentials. Rich is an environmental attorney who began his career working with Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund (now Earthjustice), and [who] works today for the Environmental Protection Agency.” (The Loma Prieta, Sierra Club Peninsula chapter newspaper, October 2012; Campbell’s website: campbellpacific2012.com)

Kelly’s Cove Reunion

Kelly’s Cove Reunion (KCR), the surfers’ 8th annual event, is on Saturday, Oct. 20. KCR reunites pioneering denizens of the Richmond end of Ocean Beach who braved the pre-neoprene era of the 1950s and 1960s, through the surfers of today. The event begins at 3 p.m. at Kelly’s Cove at the first stairwell, with a beachside memorial for surfers who have passed on, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. at the Pacific Rod & Gun Club, with an extensive program, including surf film clips and trailers of coming attractions, belly dancing by Jennifer Hickey, hula dancing by the TahitianHula Sisters, a DJ for open dancing after the program, Balikbayod artwork and KCR2012 apparel for sale, and a raffle (must be present to win) with great prizes, including the grand prize of a short surfboard contributed by legendary board shaper/glasser Dave Veal, with custom art that Emmy Award-winning director/designer/ animator Arne Jin An Wong will design and paint. Dinner tickets are \$25 in advance (PayPal by Oct. 18 to jinan@surfkahuna.

net) or \$30 (cash or check only) at the door. Net proceeds benefit Balikbayod (“returning wave”), an organization that promotes education for the Philippine youth of Siargao Island and provides surfboards as an incentive to the children. KCR event founder Wong has volunteered with Balikbayod for several years. Used boards and other surf gear may be donated at the event. Attendees may order KCR 2012 gear in advance for pickup at the memorial or the dinner. Gear includes short-sleeve tees and tank tops \$20, long-sleeve tees \$30, hoodies \$45, and stickers \$5.

Poppy’s Crab Shack

Poppy’s Crab Shack, the coastside’s first crab shack on wheels, is slated to open Nov. 15, opening day of Dungeness crab season. To fund their farm-to-table food truck, the founders have turned to the popular crowdfunding website Kickstarter.com. Founded by coastsiders Tom Borden and Amy Hoffmann and named after their 2-year-old daughter, Poppy’s Crab Shack will sell whole steamed fresh-off-the-boat Dungeness crab and crab sandwiches. They anticipate adding other menu items such as crab louie, crab cakes, and crab chowder. Hoffmann and Borden will buy all of their crab directly from local crabbers right off the boats in Princeton Harbor, and will be open only during crab season, November through May. They say their business is committed to the local-food movement. They will source all their ingredients from local organic farms and grass-fed dairies. “I milk cows a few mornings a week at a local grass-fed dairy,” says Borden, “and it is really satisfying to hear Poppy talk about her Rosie and Daisy milk. She knows exactly where her food comes from.” In a nod to the gourmet food truck craze, the mobile kitchen will enable Poppy’s Crab Shack to serve crab lovers all along the San Mateo County coast, as far north as Montara and as far south as Pescadero, as well as participate in selected San Francisco street food special events. Info: Go to kickstarter.com and search for Poppy’s Crab Shack or go to poppycrabshack.moonfruit.com and click the link. (Coastsider.com)

Block That Cliché

“Caught red-handed.” That’s an easy one, Sherlock. It’s the guy with blood on his hands. (Gregg Levoy)

Swami Sez

“The business of government is to keep the government out of business — that is, unless business needs government aid.” (Will Rogers)

Pirate Law #59

A pirate does not read poetry, unless it is something written on a bathroom wall.

Signs of Aging

Older relatives feel comfortable telling sex jokes around you. Your car insurance goes down and your car payments go up. You feed your dog Science Diet instead of fast-food leftovers. Sleeping on the couch hurts your back. You take naps. Dinner and a movie is a whole date instead of the beginning of a date. You go to the drugstore for ibuprofen and antacid instead of condoms and pregnancy tests. A \$5 bottle of wine is no longer “pretty good stuff.” You actually eat breakfast at breakfast time. “I just can’t drink like I used to” replaces “I’m never gonna drink that much again.” Ninety-nine percent of the time you spend online is for real work. You read this entire list looking desperately for one sign of aging that does not apply to you.

Alandrome: Fireworks Disturb the Peace

Per Riptide correspondent Lionel Emde’s post, if the Pacifica City Council decides to ban the sale of safe and sane pyrotechnics, Pacifica’s palindrome-loving nonprofits will grumble: “Stark story: Pacifica pyro. Tsk, rats!” (Alan Wald)

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