

### **NEWSLETTER**

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## TWIN LAKES MOVE

Staff successfully moved Twin Lakes to her off-season mooring in the north harbor. The move began at approximately 4:00 AM on Thursday, May 31, 2018, to correspond with the low tide. Crews will begin Twin Lakes' regular off-season maintenance tasks soon.

Thank you to everyone who assisted in moving Twin Lakes - it is not an easy task!

## WATER TAXI OPERATION

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CROW'S NEST BEACH BARBECUES**

Crow's Nest beach barbecues are back! The Crow's Nest will host beach events each Thursday from 5:30 PM to sunset with live music and barbecue fare at Harbor Beach through August 30, 2018. Be sure to come check out these fun events!

Parking is very limited during these events. Please click <u>here</u> for more information about parking options in the area.

### **4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY**

The fourth of July holiday is expected to draw large crowds to the harbor and nearby beaches, impacting parking and traffic within the area. Harbor Beach, Twin Lakes and Seabright State Beach will have security checkpoints to ensure fireworks and other prohibited substances do not make it to the beach. As the holiday approaches, please check the Port District's <u>website</u> for updates regarding possible road closures.

### SAFE BOATING TIPS FOR THE 4TH OF JULY

The 4th of July holiday is notorious for a high number of vesselrelated accidents. Check out the following safety tips to stay safe this holiday:

- Always wear a properly fitted life jacket. Remember that life jackets meant for adults DO NOT work for children. On a recreational vessel underway, children under 13 years old must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket unless they are below decks or in an enclosed cabin.
- Be prepared for emergencies. Accidents happen quickly, often with little or no warning. Take the time to familiarize your crew with basic emergency procedures, and show them how to contact authorities for help via marine radio or cell phone.
- Know what is going on around you at all times. Waterways may become crowded with many distractions. Designate a person aboard the vessel to help you act as a lookout.

The free, inner-harbor water taxi is back in service for summer!

The water taxi operates on weekends and holidays from 11 AM to 6 PM. In addition, the water taxi operates on Thursday evenings during the Crow's Nest beach barbecues from 5 PM to 9:00 PM.

For more information and a map of pick-up and drop-off locations, click here.

## 5TH ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

The 5th Annual Classic Car & Truck Show will take place at the harbor on Sunday, October 14, 2018, from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Click <u>here</u> to register for the event.

## BOATYARD SPECIALS

## COMMERCIAL FISHING SPECIAL

Show us your commercial fishing registration and receive 20% OFF HAULOUTS!

#### HYDROCOAT SPECIAL

Purchase select ecofriendly hydrocoat through the Boatyard and receive **ONE FREE LAYDAY!** 

Click <u>here</u> for more information about current Boatyard specials.

PORT COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

JUNE

- Watch the weather. Be sure to check weather and tide conditions prior to transit.
- Never boat under the influence. Do not drink and operate a vessel.



**NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK WAS A SUCCESS!** 

### HARBOR SECURITY UPGRADES PROJECT

At its regular public session of April 24, 2018, the Port Commission directed staff to fabricate new aluminum dock gates as part of Phase II of the Harbor Security Upgrades Project, which includes providing electronic access to all restroom doors and dock gates.

Maintenance crews are working hard to fabricate the new dock gates and will begin installation on the southeast side of the harbor (L-Dock through S-Dock) in June. Please note that your existing gate key will continue to provide access for the new dock gates. Transition to an electronic key system will follow.

# ORDINANCE SECTION 316 - VESSEL INSURANCE

The Santa Cruz Port Commission will host a public hearing at its regular public session on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, to consider adoption of Ordinance Section 316 - Vessel Insurance (see below).

### SECTION 316 - Vessel Insurance

All vessels must be insured in accordance with Port District policies to retain slip license.

The new ordinance is expected to be effective in July 2018, and will require slip licensees to provide proof of insurance by January 1, 2019. We will continue to provide important informational updates as the process proceeds in the coming year to ensure customers are informed and understand policy requirements.

The Commission and staff would like to thank all stakeholders who participated in the process and made development of a vessel insurance policy possible.

Regular Public Session Tuesday, June 26, 2018 7 PM

**JULY** 

Regular Public Session Tuesday, July 24, 2018 7 PM

## CURRENT FUEL PRICING

Gasoline: \$4.14 Commercial Gasoline:

\$3.94 Diesel: \$3.59 Commercial Diesel: \$3.49

## TWIN LAKES BEACHFRONT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Twin Lakes Beachfront Improvement Project construction is moving forward. A portion of street parking on East Cliff Drive is now available, and most of the sandy beach area has been restored.

The County has provided notice that the contractor, Graniterock Construction, anticipates that two-way traffic along East Cliff Drive will be restored (with temporary traffic markers), by approximately June 22, 2018.

Please visit the County's <u>website</u> for additional information and project updates.

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