

THE BOVIA BREEZE

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Bay-O-Vista Improvement Association (BOVIA) is dedicated to fostering a stronger community, promoting safety, and enhancing the overall quality of life for all Bay-O-Vista residents. We strive to create an environment where neighbors come together, share experiences and work collaboratively to make our community the best place to call home.

Save the Date

VOLUNTEER – Davis St. Food Drive

On **Saturday, May 9th** Postal Carriers will be collecting non-perishable food from your homes for the Davis Street Community Center Food Drive. This will help restock their pantry shelves to help feed families in need, which is greater than ever this year!

- **Please leave a bag of non-perishable food items by your mailbox before mail delivery on Sat. May 9th!**
- **Volunteer to help sort and box the food** once it is delivered to the Abrams Ct. and E.14th Street Post Offices! **(Sat. May 9th, ~3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Any time you can spare will help!)** To sign up, email garry.offenberg33@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION

BE A GOOD DOG OWNER: Please pick up your dog poop! We have had complaints of people allowing their pups to do their business and then not picking up their mess. Please take a bag with you when you walk your pet and keep our neighborhood clean! Also, please make sure to keep your dog on a leash when walking.

DOG SHOW & PARADE: Coming June 20th, 10:00 – Noon. Get ready to bring your dog to our dog show and parade and enjoy all the cute dogs in our neighborhood– costumes optional. More info coming!

SIGN PETITION TO STOP TRUCKS ON I-580

- CalTrans is conducting a Study to determine if it should lobby the State Legislature to allow trucks on I-580. **Allowing trucks on I-580 would be devastating for our community - greatly increasing traffic, noise, pollution, health issues, accidents, etc. on I-580.**
- Highway I-580 does not run through an industrial area. Instead, it runs through diverse communities with residential homes and schools. In comparison, the Industrial Area and the Port are all along I-880 where trucks are allowed.
- Before I-580 existed, residents gave permission to CalTrans to build I-580 as long as no trucks were allowed.

Click on the [Link below to Sign the Petition:](https://www.nobigrigs580.org/petition/)
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SOCIAL EVENTS

Plant, Succulent & Pot Exchange

Saturday, May 9th

10:00 a.m. – Noon

1863 Lakeview Court

Coffee and Doughnuts will be served.

*Please come join us and meet your neighbors!
Bring your succulents and plants to exchange and containers to carry away your new plants!*

Bring a Neighbor

BOVIA Garden Tour

Sunday, May 17th @ 1:00 p.m.

Join us to visit beautiful gardens in Bay-O-Vista and meet new neighbors. Email Kat at katwellman54@gmail.com if you would like

NEIGHBORHOOD INTEREST GROUPS

BOVIA BOOK CLUB:

TUESDAY, MAY 19TH @ 6:00 p.m.

(via Zoom - link will be emailed to interested parties).

The book we are reading is *The Second Life of Mirielle West* by Amanda Skenado. The book on deck is *The Correspondent* by Virginia Evans. It is popular, so reserve it now.

BOVIA GARDEN CLUB:

THURSDAY, MAY 21ST @ 6:30 p.m.

(via Zoom - link emailed to interested parties).

These are monthly meetings to discuss gardening issues, tips and challenges. We also plan Garden Tours in Bay-O-Vista. Novices are more than welcome!

BREAKFAST CLUB:

FRIDAY, May 29th @ 10:30 a.m.

Elios – 260 Floresta Ave - San Leandro

Come join us for great conversation and a delicious breakfast.

RSVP – to ensure seating contact Kat at (510) 427-3173

Last minute attendees are also welcome!

To join and get the Zoom links - email Kat katwellman54@gmail.com

BOVIA Discount

Spotlight

Benjamin Rowe is a **licensed architect** in the State of California since 2021. He grew up in Ventura County and went to architecture school in San Diego. His strength as an architect comes from **unique, creative solutions and carefully crafted, intimate design**. He's perfect if you need a fresh set of eyes or some new ideas for your residential or commercial project.

Visit his website at benjaminrowearchitecture.com to review his portfolio and learn more about his unique approach to architecture or contact him via email at Benjamin@BenjaminRoweArchitecture.com. As an introductory offer to BOVIA members, Benjamin has generously offered a **10% overall discount** on services plus a free home visit to look at and discuss your project.

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E-mailed document for additional discounts!