

# NEWS BITS

## MARINA CUTTING EXCHANGE DAY

The public is invited to the Sixth Annual Cutting Exchange Day being held at the Marina Farmers' Market on Sunday, March 28. Bring rootable cuttings, succulents, or other plant items to exchange or just come by to visit and find something for yourself. It is not necessary to bring an item to participate. Cutting Day is held each spring by the Marina Tree & Garden Club as a way

for local gardeners to meet and share information about gardening in our area. Since the plants come from local gardens they will likely thrive in yours, too. The Farmers' Market is located in the Grocery Outlet parking lot, at the corner of Reservation Road and Vista Del Camino in Marina. The Exchange booth will be set up between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. We will accept plant offerings until 1:00 p.m. For more information about the Tree & Garden Club check us out at [www.marinatreeandgarden.org](http://www.marinatreeandgarden.org).

## MEET COUNCIL MEMBER DAVE MCCALL

Marina in Motion will host the fourth in the series "Conversation with Your Council Member" This month's speaker

will be Councilman Dave McCall. Please join Councilman McCall for an open forum of questions and answers on Monday, March 22, 2010, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Community Room at the Marina Library.

## SALINAS JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT BICYCLE RACE ON MARCH 21

USA Cycling has announced the Salinas Junior Development Criterium bicycle race has been included in the Lance Armstrong Junior Road Series, a nationwide race series intended to discover talented Junior racers.

pm. The final race will be for riders aged 55 and older, an unusual event in California racing.

A criterium is a bicycle race which involves many laps on a relatively short course. The Moffett Industrial Park course is just over a half mile, allowing for many views of the riders for spectators.

The Salinas Junior Development Criterium will be an all-day event in the Moffett Industrial Park. There will be races for all levels of Junior racers, as well as six other different age and ability levels. The first race will be at 8:00 am, and the final race of the day at 4:45

Spectator admission is free.

Further information about the event can be obtained from the event web site, [www.GrassRootsCycling.net](http://www.GrassRootsCycling.net), or from the event hotline, (831)44-VELO (8356).

## MCWD TURNS 50 YEARS OLD

### Locally Owned and Operated

The Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) is 50 years old this year. The District was created by the voters on March 17, 1960.



Founding Board Members William Williams and Raymond Isakson at groundbreaking of the District offices on Marina Beach (March 1969).

MCWD started with a number of small wells. However, to help lessen seawater intrusion, in 1983 MCWD abandoned pumping from its 180-foot well and over the next six years drilled three deep wells, which provide Marina with its current source of water.

In 1997, the District began operating a desalination plant, capable of producing 13 percent of our water supply. The plant operated for several

years, until electricity costs made operations uneconomical. Also in 1997, the Army contracted MCWD to operate its water and wastewater systems on the former Fort Ord. By combining services and resources, MCWD has improved water distribution and storage efficiency and decreased operating costs.

After 50 years, MCWD is still governed by an elected five-member Board of Directors and continues to provide safe, reliable water to our customers, as was the goal in March of 1960.

## MARINA HOME INVASION ARMED ROBBERY

On March 14, 2010 about 1559 hours, Marina Officers were dispatched to the 2900 block of Harvey Court on a report of a past tense armed home invasion robbery. The home invasion robbery occurred on March 13, 2010 approximately 2200 hours.

Victims of the robbery stated three black males armed with handguns entered the residence and stole personal property. The males then fled from the residence. None of the victims of the robbery were injured.

If anyone has any information regarding this incident, please contact the Marina Police Department: 384-7575 or 884-1210.

COUPON

**ONE MONTH FREE**

With rental of RV / Boat parking  
-OR-  
Storage Unit

A LIMITED NUMBER OF SPACES ARE NOW AVAILABLE.

Also available: 5' x 15' storage units for only \$109 per month

497 RESERVATION ROAD  
MARINA, CA 93933  
(831) 384-1111

(BEHIND THE ORANGE FENCING)

COUPON

## DUNECREST MEDICAL

215 Reservation Road, Suite D  
Marina, California 93933  
Phone (831) 384-0662

*Deborah Brown, MD*

Christian Flickner, OD  
Jennell Bockenstedt Flickner, OD  
Richard Corcoran, OD

271 Reservation Road  
Suite 202  
Marina, California 93933  
831.384.6800 tel  
831.384.6862 fax

## Marina Optometric Center

## FORD Financials

License #0E22066

TAX, ACCOUNTING, AND INSURANCE

**Jim Ford, CIC, EA, MBA**  
*"federally authorized tax practitioner"*  
Enrolled Agent

phone | (831) 883-0901 • fax | (831) 883-9007  
3370 Huntington Place • Marina, California 93933

[www.FordFinancials.com](http://www.FordFinancials.com)

Rings - Necklaces - Bracelets  
Gold - Platinum - Sapphires - Gems

Watches by:  
Christian Van Sant  
Oniss  
Oceanaut • Seapro

## GRAND OPENING

**Jim Yates** By Appointment Only  
Marina CA 93933  
**831-384-5827**

30% In Store Discount

## A and R Plumbing

LIC NO. 300628  
— Established 1974 —

WORKING HARDER, SUCCESSFULLY, HONESTLY, QUIETLY, GRATEFULLY.

Mention this ad for **10% Off**  
ANY SERVICE CALL (max \$100)  
Exp. 04/30/10

**394-7221 • www.aandrplumbinginc.com**

Your **Full Color Ad Here**  
For as Little as  
**\$30**  
Call  
**831 905-3799**