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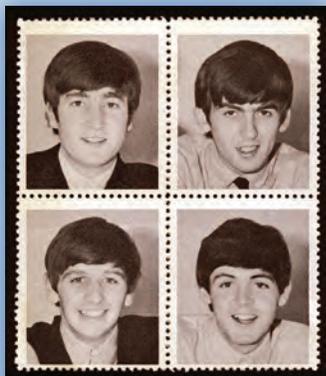
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## Threads of yesterday ...

### ... Beatles Launch '64 Tour at the Cow Palace

by Bunny Gillespie

As OTHERWISE PLACID DAYS OF AUTUMN NEARED IN 1964, one of the most memorable invasions of Daly City was being planned. The invasion would be masterminded by Peninsula entrepreneur Paul Catalana, following a one-glimpse national television performance by four previously obscure musicians who had named their quartet "The Beatles." John, Paul, George, and Ringo were to dominate the music scene for that year, and for decades following.



The Beatles performed in Daly City in 1964

Fresh from rave reviews in England, The Beatles had appeared on TV's Ed Sullivan Show on February 9, 1964. After that historic and highly successful introduction to America, the quartet returned to Britain while sales of their recordings were being heavily promoted on radio and at dance parties. Their fame soared across the United States and Canada. Their photographs were used on the covers of national magazines. The word "Beatlemania" became part of American jargon.

Later that year The Beatles returned to America. They launched their first-ever country-wide tour at Daly City's famed Cow Palace on Geneva Avenue. The date was August 19, 1964. The tour would include 25 other

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## Inaugural Swinging Skirts LPGA Classic ... ... tees off at Lake Merced Golf Club, April 21-27

THE INAUGURAL SWINGING SKIRTS LPGA CLASSIC is coming to Daly City. The 144-player women's professional golf tournament will be held at Lake Merced Golf Club, April 21-27, 2014, marking the Ladies Professional Golf Association's (LPGA) first return to the Bay Area since 2010. This official LPGA event will be the first ever LPGA co-sanctioned tournament on American soil, collaborating with the Taiwan LPGA to showcase some of the top international talent from around the globe. The *Swinging Skirts* LPGA Classic field will feature 122 LPGA golfers as well as 22 players from Taiwan.

Residents should expect an increase in visitors to Daly City throughout the tournament, with the largest crowds expected Saturday, April 26 and Sunday, April 27. Due to the limited parking available at the Lake Merced Golf Club, spectators driving to the event will be directed to park at the Colma BART Station, Pacific Plaza, and Westlake Park. Heavier than normal traffic is expected near the off-site parking locations during the tournament.

*Swinging Skirts* LPGA Classic Executive Director Kevin Hopkins said. "We intend to make this a fixture on the Bay Area golf calendar for many years, and we invite the great sports fans to come to Lake Merced Golf Club to support the event as a fan or volunteer."

Golf fans looking for the most behind-the-scenes, up-close and personal tournament experience are encouraged to join the *Swinging Skirts*

LPGA Classic as a volunteer. The volunteer package includes a tournament polo shirt, outerwear piece and hat, grounds admission for tournament week (Wednesday through Sunday), breakfast in the volunteer tent and free food and beverage vouchers for use during working shifts. For more volunteer information or to apply to become a volunteer, please visit [www.SwingingSkirtsLPGAClassic.com](http://www.SwingingSkirtsLPGAClassic.com).

"I am thrilled at the prospect of being able to play in the *Swinging Skirts* LPGA Classic so close to home, in front of my friends and family during my final



Photo Credit: Swinging Skirts LPGA Classic

LPGA star Yani Tseng hits a long iron shot.

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## Daly City — a community rich in history.

### 'Little Boxes' documentary film ...

... the story of Henry Doelger's iconic Westlake development.

DEVELOPMENT OF DALY CITY'S WESTLAKE DISTRICT is chronicled in a new documentary by filmmakers Rob Keil and Monique Lombardelli. *Little Boxes: The Legacy of Henry Doelger*, is an architectural and historical journey through one of America's most iconic postwar suburbs. Keil started work on the film shortly after publishing his critically acclaimed book, *Little Boxes: The Architecture of a Classic Midcentury Suburb*.



The documentary incorporates vintage footage of Henry Doelger's ambitious Westlake development under construction, along with interviews from those who helped transform barren sand dunes into a thriving community. Keil derived the title *Little Boxes* from Malvina Reynolds' 1962 folk song of the same name. Westlake's residents derided the song and found its lyrics offensive (*Little boxes on the hillside,*

*Little boxes made of ticky tacky* ...). Fifty-two years after its release, some call the song one of Daly City's greatest claims to fame.

While Westlake homes have been featured in numerous books, commercial, newspapers, and magazines, *Little Boxes* is the first documentary exclusively about Henry Doelger and his signature community. The film not only documents Doelger's place in history, but it uncovers Westlake's amazing development process and celebrates its

classic mid century style. The documentary is available on DVD and may be ordered at [www.doelgerfilm.com](http://www.doelgerfilm.com).

Meet the filmmaker, Rob Keil, and see his new documentary Wednesday, April 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the Serramonte Library. Admission is free.

### Swinging Skirts tee off in Daly City

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year on the LPGA," said World Golf Hall of Famer Juli Inkster, a Los Altos resident. "As a local, I am aware of the large, loyal and knowledgeable group of golf fans we have here, and I think the players are really going to enjoy Lake Merced Golf Club. I would like to call on all golf fans in the region to come out and support the tournament and show the LPGA that the *Swinging Skirts* LPGA Classic will be one of the most vibrant events on Tour."

## FogCutter

The FogCutter is the community newsletter of the City of Daly City. Please address inquiries to:

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For information about Daly City activities and programs, please check our website: [www.dalycity.org](http://www.dalycity.org)

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### Get Out & Explore with a 2014 SamTrans Summer Youth Pass

SAN MATEO COUNTY YOUTH can *Get Out & Explore* with the 2014 SamTrans Summer Youth Pass (SYP), which is available for purchase starting May 21 (It's not available on your Clipper card, it is a magnetic ticket that is swiped through the fare box.). This \$40 pass allows unlimited rides on SamTrans all



Discounted summer passes for youth on SamTrans

summer, from June 1 to August 31, and is available to kids 17 and younger. SamTrans provides kids and teens with safe and affordable transportation to popular summer destinations, including the mall, movie theaters, parks, and even summer school.

To purchase the pass, download the order form at [www.dalycity.org/youthpass](http://www.dalycity.org/youthpass), or buy a pass in person at SamTrans headquarters (1250 San Carlos Ave., San Carlos), open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Details about this year's Summer Youth Pass program are online at [www.samtrans.com/syp](http://www.samtrans.com/syp). For help with trip planning, call SamTrans at **1(800) 660-4287** or **TTY (650) 508-6448**.

## Special services for Daly City residents.

### Community workshops on housing ...

#### ... Draft Housing Element to be presented.

**T**HE CITY OF DALY CITY INVITES residents and other interested parties to attend either of two community workshops to discuss the City's *Draft Housing Element*. Workshops are scheduled on May 29 and May 31. The *Draft Housing Element* identifies the various housing policies and programs that the City intends to implement to meet the future housing needs of the community. The *Draft Housing Element* must be reviewed and approved by the City Council with input from the public, the Planning Commission, and other interested parties.

During the workshop, participants will gain an understanding of the City's objectives for allowing housing construction, as well as preserving and rehabilitating housing. Participants will also be invited to comment on the *Draft Housing Element* and provide ideas for additional policies and programs. Beginning Monday, May 26, a working draft of

the document may be downloaded from the City's website located at [www.dalycity.org/housingelement](http://www.dalycity.org/housingelement).

Questions about the workshops or *Draft Housing Element* should be directed to Michael Van Lonkhuysen, Interim Planning Manager at (650) 991-8158.

#### Workshop One

(evening)

Thursday, May 29, 2014 • 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Daly City City Hall Training Room (first floor)  
333 90th Street, Daly City

#### Workshop Two

(daytime)

Saturday, May 31, 2014 • 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon  
War Memorial Community Center,  
6655 Mission Street, Daly City

### Beatles '64 tour launched in Daly City

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concert venues during August and September. The Beatles had won the adoration of America's teeny-boppers on their first television performance. That they were scheduled to appear in Daly City brought unrivaled delight and high expectations to local youngsters.

After extensive negotiations between The Beatles' management, Catalana, the Cow Palace, Daly City officials, and security advisors, the "Fab Four" were booked to appear six months after their first American exposure. Tickets went on sale from the Cow Palace office. Only one press release heralding The Beatles' show was needed to generate huge mail orders. Seats were priced at \$6.00, which was comparatively expensive to the usual Cow Palace concert price of \$3.50. All 17,000 of the seats were completely sold out some 4 ½ months before the performance date. Beatles' manager Brian Epstein's doubts that the group could attract larger crowds, such as at nearby Candlestick Park, were eased.

On the afternoon of the August 19 opening show, a press conference drew more than 100 Bay Area media representatives. The Beatles, not wearing their formal concert attire, were whisked into a well-guarded and crowded bayside hall for the briefest of interview opportunities. They'd been driven in a security car to the venue from a private airport north of San Francisco International Airport, after arriving on an unmarked plane. Answers to press queries were brief. One local journalist asked what the musicians would like to do while in the San Francisco Bay Area. After a few shared glances between The Beatles, she was told "stick our toes into the Pacific Ocean!"



The Beatles performing at the Cow Palace

Photo by Lisa Law, [www.flashingonthesixties.com](http://www.flashingonthesixties.com)

In the August 26, 1964, issue of the Daly City Record, The Beatles' concert was not reviewed, nor was any photograph of the historic event printed. Eight inches of column space on page nine was headlined "Beatle Bash Harms Few". Text information, gleaned from the Daly City Police Department's docket, included "...casualties were light ... two 15-year old girls, one 11-year old boy, and one 18-year old girl were taken to Peninsula Hospital by Mercy Ambulance ... one 16-year old boy was picked up for malicious mischief with a knife and released to his parents."

Baby-boomers who had gained access to that unique August 19, 1964, invasion by four remarkable young men have probably not forgotten many of the details of the event. The Beatles' landmark performance is, indeed, one of Daly City's memorable *Threads of Yesterday*.

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### **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) ...**

*... preparing residents and businesses for a disaster.*

**E**ARTHQUAKES, FLASH FLOODS, WINTER STORMS, AND WILD LAND FIRES are examples of unpredictable disasters that arrive without warning. Where will your family be when disaster strikes? At work, school, shopping, or in the car? How will you find each other or know if your children are safe?



Disasters occur suddenly and can force you to evacuate your neighborhood or be confined to your home. While very few people have the ability to accurately predict disasters, everyone has the ability to prepare for them. Knowing what to do is your best protection.

Would you be prepared if basic services, such as water, gas, electricity or telephones were cut? Would you have enough supplies in your home to meet your needs for at least 72 hours?



The North County Fire Authority provides free training to the residential and business community through the **Community Emergency Response Team — CERT.**

The CERT Program training course includes 20 hours of instruction and covers topics including fire suppression, medical operations, light search and rescue, disaster psychology and much more. Training includes a team exercise designed to apply the skills taught in the classroom.

The Fall class series will begin on September 4, 2014, and will be held at the Franciscan Park Club House. You must be registered for the classes to attend. For more information or to sign up, please contact Coordinator Fire Inspector Clyde Preston with the North County Fire Authority at **(650) 991-5741** or go to the North County Fire Authority website at **[www.northcountyfire.org](http://www.northcountyfire.org)** and select "Emergency Preparedness."

### *Daly City* *Community* *Calendar*

#### **City Council Meetings**

City Hall – 7:00 p.m.

2nd and 4th Monday of each month\*

\*May 26 is Memorial Day, the City Council will Meet Tuesday, May 27

#### **Planning Commission Meetings**

City Hall – 7:00 p.m.

1st Tuesday of each month

#### **Library Board of Trustees**

City Hall – 6:00 p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month

#### **Recreation Commission**

City Hall – 6:00 p.m.

#### **Little Boxes:**

#### **The Legacy of Henry Doelger**

A documentary produced by Rob Keil and Monique Lombardelli  
Wednesday, April 16 • 6:00 p.m.

Serramonte Library  
40 Wembley Drive, Daly City  
Admission is **Free**

#### **Spring Fun Day and Egg Hunt**

Saturday, April 19 • 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Pollicita Gym and Field  
550 E. Market Street, Daly City

#### **Free Electronic Waste Drop-off**

Saturday, May 10 • 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
City Hall – Main Parking Lot  
333 90th Street, Daly City

#### **Swinging Skirts LPGA Classic**

Monday, April 21 – Sunday, April 27  
Lake Merced Golf Club  
2300 Junipero Serra Blvd., Daly City

