



# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 2009

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
BEN REYES, CITY ATTORNEY

FROM: BELINDA B. ESPINOSA, CITY MANAGER

## PLACES TO BE

- OCTOBER 31 – HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL AND HAUNTED HOUSE

Families and youth alike will be spooked and entertained at the Pinole Halloween Carnival, sponsored by the Pinole Youth Foundation, on Saturday, October 31st from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at Fernandez Park, Pinole. This popular free family event draws over 2,000 community members of all ages with something for everyone. Children and adults alike can show off their best costumes at the Halloween Costume Parade at 3:30pm.

Families, kids, and teens will enjoy inflatable jumpers and slides while listening to music. Get a spooky ghost painted on your face for trick-or-treating and don a festive orange and black balloon twisted hat! You can even hula-hoop and make kids Halloween crafts. This year, the Haunted House is a rendition of Good Fairy Tales Gone Evil. The Pinole Youth Commission and Pinole Youth Center after school participants are the brains and creative engine behind the Haunted House. Admission is only \$2 per youth, \$3 per adult. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

- OCTOBER 31 - WEST COUNTY SPARTANS YOUTH FOOTBALL HOMECOMING

The West County Spartans Youth Football and Cheer is having their homecoming this Saturday on Halloween at Pinole Valley High School from 10am – 6pm. The daylong event is set to include multiple games from different age groups and live entertainment between the games broadcast live on Pinole TV Channel 28 and streamed live on the city website.

Support at-risk youth and local quality sports programming and don't forget to wear your costumes. Bring your tricks for treats during our Halloween Extravaganza featuring a Homecoming King and Queen special event. The event will also feature face painting, balloons, raffles and Spartans merchandise, including great snack bar food and drinks on sale. The Spartans are a non-profit 503 (c) community based organization, providing a

vehicle for our youth and community children to pursue athletics and teamwork as an optional avenue.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

- **FREE H1N1 FLU VACCINATION DRIVE-THRU CLINICS AT DOCTORS MEDICAL CENTER IN SAN PABLO**

Doctors Medical Center will offer public drive-thru H1N1 influenza vaccination clinics on Thursday, November 5 and Saturday, November 7, 2009. The H1N1 vaccine will be offered to high risk people including pregnant women, persons who live with or provide care for infants younger than six months of age, healthcare personnel, persons between 6 months and 24 years of age, and persons 25 – 64 years of age who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications. (Flyer attached to the end of the report)

- **PROPOSED BRIDGE TOLL HIKE FOR EARTHQUAKE SAFETY**

The Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) is considering a toll increase on the seven state-owned Bay Area toll bridges: the Antioch, Benicia-Martinez, Carquinez, Dumbarton, Richmond-San Rafael, San Francisco-Oakland Bay and San Mateo-Hayward bridges. (The toll proposal does not affect the Golden Gate Bridge, which is owned and operated by an independent authority.)

Three options were presented at the October BATA Oversight Committee meeting ([http://www.mtc.ca.gov/news/info/toll\\_increase.htm](http://www.mtc.ca.gov/news/info/toll_increase.htm)). BATA will hold three public hearings to take public comment on these options:

- Wednesday, November 4, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. Joseph P. Bort Metro Center - Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium (across from the Lake Merritt BART Station) - 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, California
- Tuesday, November 17, 2009, at 6:30 p.m.\* San Mateo City Hall - City Council Chambers 330 West 20th Avenue, San Mateo, California
- Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 6:30 p.m.\* Concord Senior Center - Wisteria Room (located in John F. Baldwin Park) 2727 Parkside Circle, Concord California

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• **PINOLE'S FIRST CERT TEAM GRADUATES**

We did it! Twenty-Five Pinole residents have become certified in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. The first class completed 20 hours of training - five weekly classroom sessions and an all-day final drill and graduation on October 24.

The course covered training in disaster preparedness, fire safety and suppression, disaster medical operations (triage and treating life-threatening injuries), disaster medical operations (assessment, treatment, and hygiene), light search and rescue, team organization, disaster psychology, and terrorism.

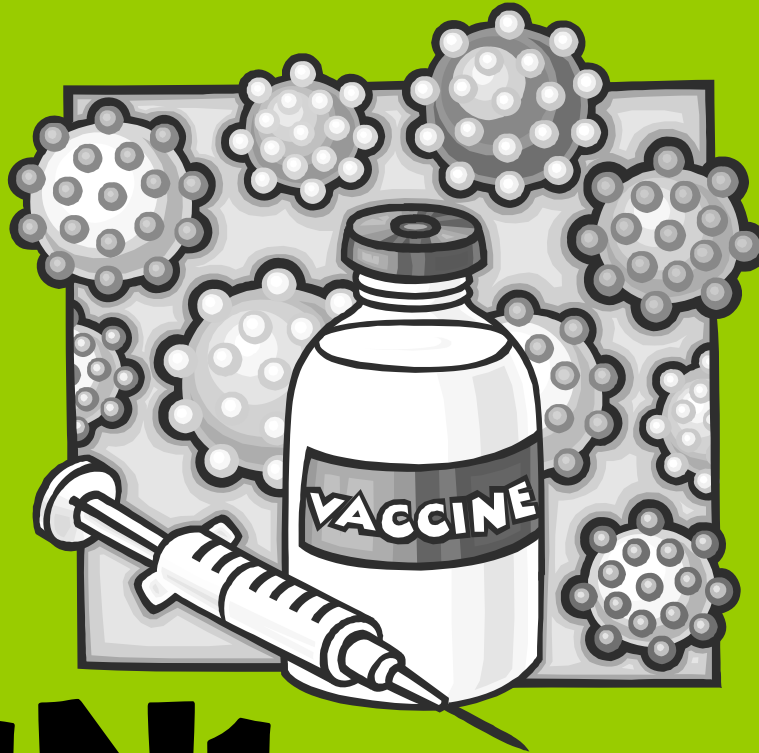
Pinole's CERT members joined about 50 others from the cities of San Pablo, Richmond, and El Cerrito in the final course review and disaster simulation at the Richmond Fire Department training grounds on Saturday October 24. Members of the Pinole, San Pablo, Richmond, and El Cerrito fire departments conducted the drills. CERT training provides people with the practical skills necessary to:

- Safely assist family, neighbors, and associates while waiting for professional responders to arrive;
- Become better prepared for a disaster; and
- Support professional responders, as directed, once they arrive at the scene.

CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community. For more information on CERT training, visit Contra Costa CERT at [www.contracostacert.org](http://www.contracostacert.org).



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# H1N1

## Vaccination Drive-thru Clinics

First come, first served. While supplies last.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009 & Saturday, Nov, 7, 2009  
3:00 pm - 7:00 pm 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

**Doctors Medical Center**  
2000 Vale Road, San Pablo in the rear hospital parking lot

The H1N1 influenza vaccine will be offered for free to high risk persons who meet the following criteria: pregnant women\*, persons who live with or provide care for infants younger than six months of age, healthcare personnel, persons between 6 months to 24 years of age\*\* and persons 25 - 65 years of age who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications (chronic lung disease, diabetes, cardiac disease, kidney disease or immune compromised). Persons who have egg allergies should not get the vaccine.

**DOCTORS**   
**MEDICAL CENTER**  
[www.doctorsmedicalcenter.org](http://www.doctorsmedicalcenter.org)



County Supervisor  
John Gioia



Assemblymember  
Nancy Skinner

\*The H1N1 vaccine that DMC is providing contains the mercury derivative Thimerosal. The State of California has approved an emergency exemption to the California Mercury Free Vaccine Act for the H1N1 influenza vaccine, which allows us to administer the preservative containing monovalent H1N1 influenza vaccine to children younger than 3 years old and pregnant women for the period of October 12, 2009 – November 30, 2009.

\*\*DMC does not guarantee a second H1N1 injection, which is recommended for children ages 9 and younger. Contact your child's pediatrician for the second dose, which should be administered 4 weeks following the first dose.