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Book Your Next Conference Here

Bishop Ranch Conference Center
2623 Camino Ramon, Suite 175
(BR3)



If you're seeking an affordable location for an upcoming event or meeting, complete with all the amenities, look no further. Tenants can book the Bishop Ranch Conference Center starting at just \$185 for four hours. This special price includes audio-visual services.

The conference center seats up to 100 people and is available Monday through Friday. To book your next meeting or get more information, contact Amanda Cantu, conference coordinator, at 543-7700 or e-mail conferencecenter@bishopranch.com.

Do You Know the Way to Napa Valley?



Planning a weekend getaway? A company conference? Bishop Ranch and the Napa Valley Visitors' Bureau have teamed up to offer VIP treatment and preferred rates to Bishop Ranch tenants. Receive exclusive discounts at hotels, restaurants and many other venues in the renowned Napa Valley—each offering a rich taste of

the Wine Country's world-famous scenery, splendor and style. Best of all, these great escapes are just a short, 45-minute ride from your office.

Some participating companies include:

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| Auberge du Soleil | Napa Valley Wine Train |
| Beazley House B&B | River Terrace Inn |
| Calistoga Oasis Spa | Silverado Resort |
| Chateau De Vie | Sterling Vineyards |
| The Daughter's Inn | Vintage 1870 |
| Harvest Inn | And many more! |
| Kirkland Ranch Winery | |

Discounts—for professional and personal getaways—include some very good weekend deals. Consider several Napa Valley stay-and-play packages featuring a glorious visit at one of Napa's best bed and breakfast inns, the Beazley House B&B. Go to www.bishopranch.com, click on Tenant Services and then Amenities to peruse info on participating hotels, restaurants and tour companies.

A Cordial Invitation to the Blackhawk Country Club



Blackhawk
COUNTRY CLUB

Tenant Appreciation and Open House

Thursday, September 9, 5-7 p.m.
Lakeside Clubhouse-Ballroom
599 Blackhawk Club Drive, Danville



Enjoy complimentary beverages and hors d'oeuvres, plus special tours of this exclusive club—the ultimate social and recreational environment—and its two magnificent golf courses and clubhouses. There'll be special gifts, too: Enter their drawing to win a round of golf for four and other prizes.

Treat yourself to an unforgettable evening of leisure and luxury. RSVP, no later than September 1, to 543-0100.

Prepare for the State Notary Exam

Monday, September 21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
2633 Camino Ramon, Suite 150 (BR3)
\$120 per person (includes lunch, training materials, one-year membership)

Get the know-how and expert counsel you need to prepare for—and pass—the California Notary Exam. Come to a seminar hosted by the National Notary Association (NNA), expert trainers of more notaries nationwide than all other providers combined.

The NNA seminar can give you the confidence and expertise to ace the exam. (If after attending the training you don't pass the test, the NNA will enroll you for another program or refund your registration fee. The choice is yours!) The California Exam Preparation Seminar includes:

- comprehensive, take-home reference book
- certificate of attendance
- one-year NNA membership, a \$45 value

Participants will also learn ways to notarize correctly—including tips for performing various notarial tasks and keeping accurate records as well as advice on avoiding common errors and complying with notary laws.

We must have a total of 20 people in order for this seminar to occur. To sign up, call Tenant Services today at 543-0100. FYI: The deadline to RSVP and to pay the fee is Monday, August 23.

Kids Came to Work!

Bishop Ranch's "Bring Your Child to Work" event on April 22 was a huge success—with loads of fun, ice cream and prizes for all. Look for an encore of this festive occasion. And plan on bringing your off-spring next year!



Thinking About Returning to School?

Thursday, August 19, noon–1 p.m.
2633 Camino Ramon, Suite 150 (BR3)
FREE, including lunch

There's no better time than now to act on furthering your education. The University of Phoenix will host a seminar discussing the value of going back to school as a working adult. The presentation will cover choosing a school that is right for you, exploring options for financing and creating a personalized education plan. Space is limited. Please RSVP by August 17 to Tenant Services at **543-0100**.

Life Coaching Seminar

Thursday, August 26, noon–1 p.m.
2633 Camino Ramon, Suite 150
FREE, including lunch

What would make your life more fulfilling? What goals do you feel strongly about accomplishing? What experiences do you still desire? Life Coach Daryl Johnson can help you find answers to the quandaries that shape the quality of your life and facilitate your self-discovery. "Coaching is not therapy or advice," says Johnson, who's had 10 years' coaching experience and is certified by the Coaches Training Institute. "I pose questions suited to each person's needs, allow him or her to explore their life-changing issues and encourage turning their answers into more positive realities."

To register—and get your life going in the direction you please—call Tenant Services at **543-0100**.

Tenant Profile: Kevin Kay

Coldwell Banker executive Kevin Kay is a natural in his real estate field, having grown up in a family that often invested in property. "But that was in Iowa. It's a little more pricey out here," says Kay with a chuckle. No matter the location, Kay says he bases his work "on integrity and doing the right thing." After 16 years of success with Coldwell Banker, and now its senior vice president and chief financial officer, he has no plans to change that approach—especially with even more prosperity on the horizon. "I predict this year is going to be one of our best," says Kay. "I think we're going to have a solid real estate market here that lasts for a while."



Résumé

Name: Kevin Kay

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

Company: Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage

Location: Bishop Ranch 15

Number of employees: 900, plus 4,500 sales associates

Year company was founded: 1906

Years at Bishop Ranch: 15

Company Profile

Offices: San Ramon, with numerous other national locations

Business: "We do residential and commercial real estate."

Business approach: "Creating exceptional real estate experiences for our customers through exceptional services and support."

Biggest challenge in growing the company: "Predicting the real estate market in order to plan for the severe ups and downs that we see."

Biggest risk taken: "Acquiring 22 companies in two years about four years ago. We were betting on a strong market, and it all worked out very well."

Favorite task: "Communicating to our field people what we see the real estate market is doing so they can inform consumers from a global outlook instead of just their local neighborhood."

Least favorite task: "Dealing with trivial issues. I like to focus most of my attention on the big picture and the future."

Your source of inspiration: "I really enjoy watching the company and its associates and employees grow and prosper."

Personal Philosophy

Best way to motivate co-workers and staff: "You have to build relationships first. Then you have to gain another's respect. Once you do that, if you set reasonable and attainable goals, people will be motivated. It's unfair to motivate people toward unattainable goals."

Suggestions for up-and-coming executives: "Hire the best people. Train them well. Help them and allow them to grow. Stay out of the weeds!"

A goal you still want to achieve: "To retire at a very early age."

Favorite pastime and stress-buster: "I try to spend as much time as possible with my wife and three kids at our lake house in the Sierras."

Favorite vacation spot: "Maui—I love the beach and the golf."

Favorite music or musician: "My child, who will be performing at Carnegie Hall at the end of the month."

Favorite cause: "Habitat for Humanity—it fits in very well with my profession. I also do a lot of different things to support the blind."

Summer Concerts Swing On



**Last Friday in August and September
Noon–1:30 p.m.**

Join the lunchtime music lovers who have already enjoyed noshing meals and hearing good tunes at the first two performances of our Summer Concert Series. There's more great entertainment in store for your noon-hour enjoyment.

Friday, August 27, 2623 Camino Ramon (BR3)

Georgi and the Rough Week offers a unique blues sound that includes original and cover tunes with Georgi's

gritty vocals, Roland's intense guitar licks, Ann's thumpin' bass and sultry vocals, Ted's driving drumbeats and Laurence's lyrical keyboards. Plan on singing along and dancing—if not on your feet, in your seat! For a preview, visit www.georgiandtheroughweek.com.

Friday, September 24, 6111 Bollinger Canyon (BR1)

The Bay Cities Quartet specializes in jazz standards—memorable hits of Duke Ellington, Herbie Hancock, Miles Davis, Antonio Carlos Jobim and more. An added treat: The band features Sunset Development Company's very talented head engineer, Rich Castleman, on upright bass.

Pilates Classes Win New Fans!

5000 Executive Parkway, Suite 500 (BR 8)

Noon–1 p.m.

Six-week session, \$42 (\$40 cash)

Bishop Ranch's noontime Pilates classes have become enormously popular, appreciated in all quarters for the expertise and vitality of instructor Judith Connaughton.

Pilates is a great exercise program for stretching and strengthening—not to mention whittling down that waistline! Beginners are always welcome. Be sure to wear comfortable clothes, and bring an exercise mat or bath towel.

New Sessions:

Tuesdays, July 27–August 31

Thursdays, July 29–September 2

Wednesday, August 11–September 15: There are new evening classes, 5:20–6:20 p.m.

To sign up, call Tenant Services today at **543-0100**.



Live It Up at Luna Loca

Bishop Ranch Appreciation Party

Thursday, September 16, 5–7 p.m.

500 Sycamore Valley Road, Danville Livery

Here's a fun way to spice up your after-work agenda: Join us on Luna Loca's outdoor patio for a Mexican fiesta—featuring Bishop Ranch tenants as special guests. Don't miss the chance to sample this popular restaurant's fabulous food and celebrated house Margaritas—all to the tune of entertaining live music.



The evening is a “thank you” to Luna Loca's many loyal patrons and a cordial introduction to anyone who has not visited before. Fun will be had by all. Contact Tenant Services at **543-0100** to RSVP. Space is limited, so call today.

Donate to Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, August 24,

8 a.m.– 2 p.m.

2633 Camino Ramon,

Suite 150 (BR3)



American Red Cross

The American Red Cross has issued an SOS—“Save Our Summer” from a lack of blood supplies! Won't you help?

We're hosting a blood drive at Bishop Ranch to make it convenient for you to donate blood. Walk-ins are welcome, but you can also make an appointment online by visiting www.bishopranch.com (click on Tenant Services, then Events) or calling **(800)-GIVE-LIFE (448-3543)**. Don't forget to bring some form of personal identification with you—and thanks for giving back to your community.

Preferred Rates for Bishop Ranch Tenants

Calling all bargain hunters: We're offering preferred rates to Bishop Ranch tenants for everything from office furniture and automobile detailing to fine eateries and hoteliers. Visit www.bishopranch.com and click on Tenant Services to choose these and other special offers from the sponsor companies listed below.

New This Month

The Dog • RMS Data • Sam Clar Office Furniture • San Ramon Body & Detail Shop
• The T.O.D. Company • Yoga

Caterers

Classic Catering • Diablo Deli • Giuseppe's Pasta & Grill • Scott's Seafood Bar & Grill,
Walnut Creek • Valley Catering • Wallace Enterprises Inc.

Restaurants

Applebee's Restaurant • A & Noi East Meets West Restaurant • Alouettes Restaurant
• Blackhawk Grille • Bollinger Bar & Grill • The Brass Door • Bridges • Café Esin • Garre
Restaurant & Winery • Ha Long Bay Restaurant • Hot Basil Café • Kabob House Too
Restaurant • Luna Loca Mexican Restaurant • Mangia Italia Restaurant • Mudd's
• Regional St. Bistro Restaurant • Steaks & Stix Restaurant

Hotels

AmeriSuites Hotel • The Carneros Inn • Courtyard by Marriott • Crowne Plaza Hotel
Pleasanton • Embassy Suites • Hampton Inn • Hilton Garden Inn Livermore • Hotel
Griffon • The Huntington Hotel • Hyatt Regency San Francisco • Lafayette Park Hotel
• Marriott Walnut Creek • Oakwood Corporate Housing • Radison Hotel Dublin • The
Rose Hotel • Sierra Suites San Ramon • Summerfield Suites • Wyndham Garden Hotel

Miscellaneous Services

20/20 Optometry Inc. • 24-Hour Fitness • A-1 Auto Repair • A Lucky Dog • AHN's Shoe
Repair • American Financial Lending • Artful Solutions • AT&T Media Services • Avis
Rent-a-Car • Awe-Dacious Salon • The Balanced Gourmet • The Basket Lady • Bay Plant
Company Inc. • Bishop Ranch Dentistry • Bishop Ranch Veterinary Center • Black Tie
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& Gifts • Cort Furniture Rental • CP Communications • *East Bay Business Times* • East
Bay Eye • Eastrom • Enchanted Florist & Gifts • Enterprise Rent-a-Car • Excel Graphics
• Fast Frame of San Ramon • Gift Bags Online • Gift Baskets by Design • Give Something
Back Office Supplies • Graphic Design & Creative Services • Healthy Ways Muscle
Therapy Solutions • Heaven's Best Carpet Cleaning • Home Inventory Specialists
• Hornblower Cruises • Indulgence Salon • Ladies Workout Express San Ramon • Linda
Evans Fitness Center • Matchpoint Graphics • MD Cellular World Inc. • Moore North
America • Nor-Cal Moving Services • My Training Dept. • Out & About • The Paper Trail
• Performance Lending & Investments • Quality Haircuts • The Rain Forest • Roger Louis
Salon & Spa • Roesbery/Spillner Car Care • San Ramon Family Optometry • San Ramon
Floral Fantasy • San Ramon Lighting Inc. • San Ramon Occupational Center • San Ramon
Veterinary Hospital • Smog Check by Boss Trucks • Sponges Car Wash • Spray Soleil
• Suddath Relocations • Susan Cooke Interior Design Group • Synergy Relocations
• Tans Plus • Technology Integration Group (TIG) • TLC Interior Plant Services • Tutoring
Club • Valley Limousine Inc. • Versailles Jewelers • XO Communications



Bishop Ranch Bikers Turn Out

The Bishop Ranch Transportation Centre's (BRTC) Bike to Work Day Energizer Station was a pretty busy place on May 20. Over 250 enthusiastic new and seasoned bicyclists stopped by and received Bishop Ranch Biker bags filled with maps, helpful information, snacks, bottled water and fruit. Staff from the East Bay Regional Parks District co-hosted the station and gave away compasses, bike bells and Iron Horse Trail maps. A popular new item available exclusively from BRTC is a colored map showing San Ramon's 70 miles of local bike lanes.

Employees at ChevronTexaco and 24-Hour Fitness formed cycling groups to make the ride a social activity. Recognizing that biking to work is a healthy, stress-reducing, pollution-free way to commute, they plan to continue riding on a periodic basis throughout the cycling season. Contact the BRTC at **830-0101** to get your own BR Biker starter kit or the new map of local bike lanes. We'd be happy to help you start this healthy habit!

Get Child-Care Referrals

Your Tenant Services office is working with child-care referral agencies in Contra Costa County as well as elsewhere in the Bay Area, and can help you obtain a list of licensed child-care providers based on your child's age, location of the child-care facility, hours required and any special needs. This referral service is free to Bishop Ranch tenants and their families. For assistance, call **543-0100**.

