

## READERS' LETTERS

### Father's Day Ride is worthy cause

Newport welcomes the season with events that make selections challenging. "Rolling" to the top of such activities is the Bike Newport-sponsored Elliot Kaminitz Father's Day Ride, initiated by a tragedy and blossoming into a family or individual event early in the day and season, the core of which is a series of well-marked bike rides of various miles, a Bay Walk, pedicabs and a Tour de Fort for youngsters, that deserves applause and attendance.

Supporting Bike Newport, and particularly this event, allows for sharing our city, improving its traffic and contributing to its economy. As the contest between bike riders and car riders continues

to challenge, Newport has led a land event that shares, versus one that "dares" and risks safety. We have various ways to go as we define our city and help it grow. Most bikers are other-vehicle drivers as well and a considerate attitude on the part of all operators deserves to be fostered in the interests of safety.

The Father's Day Bike Ride success and trajectory is due to the city of Newport, the Kaminitz family, Bari Freeman and her staff at Bike Newport, and participants.

Continued success is based on involvement.

Save the date: Father's Day, June 21, 2015.

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