

# Timo's HomePage



Petaluma Real Estate E-News and Listings

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**Welcome to the On-Line Edition of Timo's Popular HomePage**

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## Back to School Issue

Driving around town and country here in Southern Sonoma County this late to arrive and finally balmy summer time, it's hard to imagine a better place to live and work and raise a family.

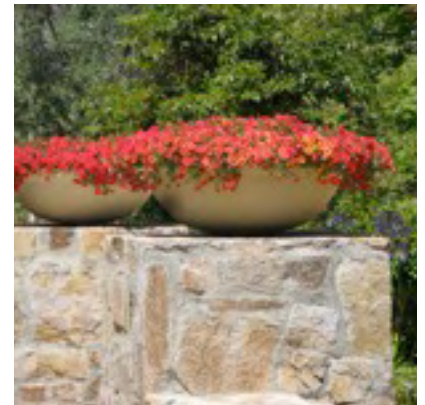
Back yards and front porches come into their own at this stunning time of year as we gather for informal get-togethers with friends against scenic backdrops of peach-hued hills and cloudless skies. Home takes on a more central role in our busy lives once the kids are back in school and summer vacation photos make way for backyard bounty and plans for the upcoming holiday season.

*"With home prices having settled at a 10-year low, purchasing power of first time buyers and house hunters who've strategically planned their upward moves have made for a lively market here in Petaluma this summer season,"* says Timo.

Mortgage interest rates continue to hover at historic lows. *"Stringent new loan requirements serve to protect the buyer and the seller from over-inflated sales of the past,"* says Timo. *"It's shaping up to be a terrific time to buy or trade up if your finances are in suitable order and you've sufficient equity to take the next step up in the housing market."*

Emphasis has returned to a focus on sustainable lifestyles, with Southern Sonoma County presenting affordable options for community living close to all the amenities of the Bay Area, coastal region and surrounding wine country.

*"Petaluma, Penngrove, Cotati, there's a renewed appreciation of the area for outsiders looking in and for those of us who are lucky to call it home."*



**Keller Williams International Realty office is located at:**

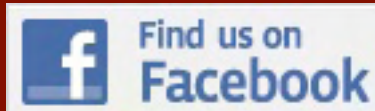
**1383 N.McDowell Blvd Suite 130 Petaluma 94954 across from Club One**

# Timo's Featured Home 635 D Street



It's not very often that a home in the classic, heritage D Street neighborhood of West Side Petaluma hits the market without a whole host of the ultimate 'honey-do's' hidden away behind a lofty price tag. But every once in a while a move-in masterpiece offers a highly desirable slice of the ultimate Southern Sonoma County living for a savvy home hunter to snap up. Been on the hunt for a magnificent move? Don't miss this bright and beautiful 2,785 sq ft D Street Petaluma Colonial Gem with a bonus 640 Sq Ft modern Legal Living Unit on a spacious 11,325 Lot. This gorgeous and immaculately remodeled and maintained main home comprises of four bedrooms, sensational, magazine-shoot quality master suite bath (4 additional bathrooms), classic spiral staircase, solid oak hardwood floors, vintage period details, recent remodeled, state-of-the-art kitchen, elegant foyer, formal dining room, sweeping English garden with room for pool, new driveway, front & rear landscaping all in walking distance to the bustling Theatre District, farmer's markets and schools. Start the 2010 Holiday season in style with a premium move to one of the most elegantly appointed family homes in the south county.

# Timo's Featured Listings



**Offered at \$429,000 only 2 left**



**432/434 Lindberg Circle**

[Tour these Brand New Homes](#)

**Offered at \$1,595,000**



**15 Brown Court**

[Tour This Julia Morgan Heritage Home](#)

**Exclusive - Price Upon Request**



**100 6th Street**

[Tour this Classic Colonial Revival](#)

**Reduced to \$475,000**



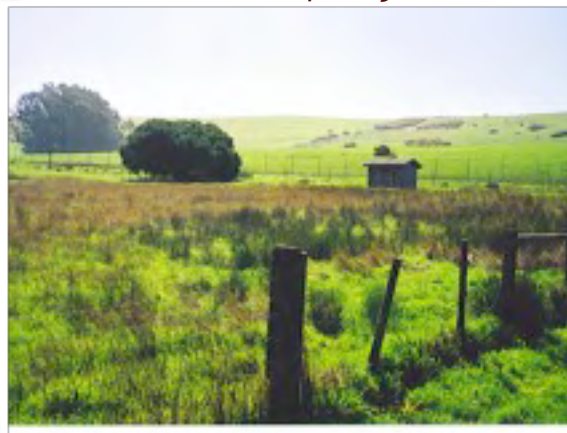
**608 7th Street**

**Offered at \$595,000**



**Adobe Creek Golf Course Home**

**Reduced to \$425,000**



**4.6 acres Tomales Road, Tomales**

# Timo's Featured Sales



**1950 Middle Two Rock Road**



**201 Sunnyslope**



**30 Brown Court**



**955 Schuman**



**731 Cindy Lane**



**201 Sunnyslope**

*Sonoma County at Its Best*

# Baking with Harvest Bounty



## **Petaluma Farmer's Market Late Summer Cobbler**

Fruit is in abundance at this time of year here in Southern Sonoma County. If you don't have friends dropping off paper bags of seasonal bounty on your doorstep, or a backyard haul of your own homegrown peaches, pears and blackberries, drop in at the Petaluma Farmer's market Wednesday night or Saturday afternoon and bring home a couple of apricots and a pear or two, a punnet each of blackberries, raspberries and blueberries and a nice big Gravenstein apple.

Preheat your oven to 375 degrees F. Grate the apple, core and slice, core and slice pears, stone and slice apricots and wash berries. Add fruit to a heavy, heated skillet with 6 tablespoons of sugar and a slug of balsamic vinegar. Cook gently until juices run and then pour into a baking dish. Make a topping by rubbing a stick of unsalted butter into 8 oz of plain flour, 1 1/2 teaspoons of baking powder, 2 1/2 oz of sugar and a half teaspoon of salt. Add 6 fluid oz of buttermilk for a scooping consistency. Spoon randomly over fruit and bake for 30 minutes. Serve with a tasty Clover or Strauss Vanilla ice cream. *This recipe was brought to you by keeper of the HomePage e-files Frances Rivetti of [www.Southernsonomacounty.com](http://www.Southernsonomacounty.com). Enjoy!*