

Sleepy Hollow BULLETIN

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SAVE THE DATE

Spring Gala, Saturday May 13
Parade & Party, Tuesday July 4
President's Party, Saturday Dec 9

In the blink of an eye, it's 2023! A new year, new resolutions and a new SHHA president, me, Gina Singleton. It is with gratitude and admiration that I reflect on the incredible work of Pete Mayer and the 2022 Board of Directors. Visit our website to see the boards bios. Each president and board has followed in the footsteps of those before us. We now embark upon the next journey honoring our history while planning our future. Being a member of the board is a voluntary position which comes with a great deal of responsibility, teamwork and countless hours of service to ensure we do our best to represent the 833 homes in our beloved community. Being able to serve the community you live in is very satisfying. We look forward to partnering with more residents that would like to be involved in small or big ways. Everything counts! Check our website for opportunities or simply reach out to any of us.

Now, I'll share a bit about me. I'm originally from Indiana, a Hoosier at heart, and along life's path ended up in Marin. Here I met my amazing husband, Matt Singleton. Matt grew up in the Hollow and has been a resident since 1978. Once we started a family, we pondered many places to live until we realized we were in the most perfect place on earth to raise our wonderful daughters, Zoe and Reese. We've all picked Sleepy Hollow for our own reasons, and we share a commonality that bonds us together. I also serve on the SHHA Charitable Foundation Board, so we are able to vision share and align. I have a day job as well at Gilead, so it's never a dull moment. I would be remiss not to thank my family for being strong and supportive so that I can serve our community. Team Single... you're the best!

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much" –Helen Keller.

Let's do "so much" together. Did you know that SHHA is one of the few voluntary HOAs in the nation? They are rare, just like our community. We have big visions for 2023 and MEMBERSHIP IS A HUGE PRIORITY. We can't do it without YOU! When you join the SHHA it extends well

beyond 1317 Butterfield. It includes island beautification, communications, safety measures and even more events than you can imagine onsite. You say that the islands don't look so hot? Well that's something we'd like to change with your membership contributions. Did you know you can use the Community Center to host private events, attend a diverse array of activities, and schedule your own socials for FREE if you're a member, during designated hours? Get adventurous and come together in a place of community.

Our second priority for 2023 will be playground installations around the grounds. Maybe you want to bring your kids or grandkids for a little play while you relax outside, taking in the priceless views. What else can you join for ~\$30 a month and get so much?! SHHA dues are \$365 yearly, or \$330 for seniors 65+. So please go to shha.org/membership to join today. WE NEED YOU to help us get over the hump of less than 50% membership. Just think of what we could do with more members! Plus it's tons of fun with lots of things to do and see.

Feeling passionate about what we can do together? Please donate to the charitable foundation and check your employer for a matching program to double your donation. We don't get public funding, and it's our dream to complete finishing touches, such as an outdoor fireplace, interior enhancements, landscaping, long-term beautification and maintenance. Let's make 1317 a magical place be proud of because it's a result of 100% of your donations. THANK YOU to all current members and donors. You have been exceptionally generous, and we are so grateful for your contributions! Every nail, board and brush stroke is a result of your kindness!

When you see me or any of the board members, please introduce yourself and say hello. We represent each of you and would like to hear your thoughts, so that together we can do "so much!"

Join us now and be part of the magic!

Gina Singleton, SHHA President



News & Notes from Supervisor Katie Rice

SHHA March 2023

Priorities: 2023 and Beyond

Local government is about potholes and paving, taking care of our public places and open spaces, and ensuring public safety.

It's about emergency preparedness and disaster response and providing safety net services for those most in need. Local government is also about planning for the future – future residents, future needs, future conditions – all towards making sure our communities and county are resilient, sustainable, and equitable in all areas of our shared physical, social, and economic ecosystems for years and decades to come.

As we head into the new year, I am thinking about how the actions and investments we make today will inform how our county and communities look and function tomorrow: Who will be living here, their relative health and level of wealth. The state of our housing, the number of unhoused. The ability of local businesses and institutions to hire and retain workforce. How resilient our communities are to extreme weather events, how safe from wildfire.

I invite you to join me in thinking about the future, particularly the role of local government. The issues we focus on, the decisions we make today will have direct impact on the future our communities and county tomorrow.

Housing: The Core to Sustainable Communities

Most of our toughest challenges are shared countywide. Top among them is housing – ensuring adequate housing for the diversity of residents every healthy, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable community needs.

On January 24th, after over a year of research, site analysis, community engagement and feedback on specific sites and programs to help support the development of new housing, our Board approved the Housing Element for unincorporated Marin. See www.marincounty.org/depts/cd/divisions/housing/housing-element.

Our approved Housing Element aligns with Marin's 2007 Countywide Plan goals of fostering equitable, economically and environmentally sustainable communities. Consistent with long held Marin values towards protecting open space and preventing sprawl, the plan seeks to meet housing needs through focusing new development on infill opportunities, taking advantage of underutilized parcels in residentially zoned areas, prioritizing locations with access to services and amenities, and incorporates sustainable development principles.

The plan seeks to meet a broad range of housing needs by supporting a mix of housing types, densities, designs, and affordability levels fostering inclusive communities that create opportunity for the range of local workers that our communities depend on. As many of you are aware, San Domenico is included in the new Housing Element as the school has indicated an interest in developing staff/teacher housing in the future.

With our Housing Element in place, any development proposal for unincorporated Marin cannot be approved or built without thorough review for consistency with all county planning and building code and policy, including environmental protections, in addition to review and permitting by any and all agencies with regulatory authority over the site or project. To learn more, read the recent press release at tinyurl.com/4nne3kvy.

Boards and Commissions

Serving on a Marin County board or commission is a great opportunity to make a difference in your community and county. Featured below are current District 2 specific seat vacancies on Marin County boards and commissions. The county also has board and commission openings noticed for at large seats on the county website at apps.marincounty.org/BosBoardsCommissions/bcopenings.aspx. I encourage you to take a look. My staff would be happy to answer any questions you have.

The Disaster and Citizens Corps Council reviews, evaluates, and communicates to decision makers and the public on all matters pertaining to disaster preparedness. If you are interested and want to learn more about the Disaster and Citizens Corps Council, please get in touch with Therese Gorostiza with the Office of Emergency Services at tgorostiza@marincounty.org.

Apply Here: marincounty.jotform.com/213485939742064

Integrated Pest Management:

The Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Commission oversees implementation of the Marin County Integrated Pest Management policy and plan and advises and makes recommendations to the IPM Coordinator and Board of Supervisors. If you are interested and want to learn more about the Integrated Pest Management Commission, please get in touch with Jim Chayka, Superintendent of Marin County Parks, at jchayka@marincounty.org.

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Cell phone tower poles at San Domenico where Verizon has committed to installation this year thanks to tremendous community support and SHHA advocacy.

SHAA ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHT UPDATE

The association welcomed two new board members – Jenn Hammerski & Kyle Gertridge – to the volunteer board to continue to serve this amazing community.

Thanks to the tremendous support and engagement of our neighbors, the Marin County Board of Supervisors

upheld the decision to move forward with the cell tower site on San Domenico's property and installation is expected (per Verizon) in Q3-4 2023.

Overall there is much happening on the day-to-day running of our facility and opportunity to build a thriving hub for our community. Full board minutes can be viewed on the website: www.shha.org/The-Board. We invite anyone interested to attend an upcoming meeting.

Greetings From Your New Marin Water District Director

I would like to begin by saying a very heartfelt thank you for the support Sleepy Hollow showed our campaign during November's election. It was a very humbling experience to earn the community's faith and trust, selecting me as your representative on Marin Water's Board of Directors. For those I wasn't able to meet during the election, I am Matt Samson, the new Division 1 Director for MMWD. Although I live in Terra Linda, I will ensure that I equally represent Sleepy Hollow. I would also like to recognize Jack Gibson for his 28 years of service to the board as the prior Division 1 Director. Director Gibson has made tremendous contributions to the water district and continues to be a valuable resource and leading historian of MMWD.

The new MMWD Board of Directors was sworn in on December 12th and we have hit the ground running. I had the pleasure of meeting with district senior leadership from November through January, quickly getting up to speed and prioritizing a large number of pressing issues. 2023 began with three critically important processes on which the new board of directors continue to be informed on. These processes will lead to timely decisions on the following three items: rate setting process for the next four years, selecting a path forward for new/ supplemental water, and approving a new Water Shed Recreation Master Plan. Individually, these are very large tasks. Working through them simultaneously is an incredible challenge, one that I am confident the board and staff are well positioned for.

Years of cumulative drought have negatively impacted the water district's

revenue stream and for the past two years we have been drawing from reserves at an unsustainable rate of ~\$1 million/month. The current rate structure does not provide options for successfully navigating a drought, water sales wise. Customers have continued to positively respond to calls for water conservation, and we could not be more appreciative. Conservation efforts lead to a decreased revenue for the district while almost all (95%!) of operations and maintenance costs are fixed and do not follow revenue changes. This has left the current board with a tough decision on how to set a new rate structure that encourages conservation while adhering to the California Proposition 218 requirements for rate setting, all while getting the district back into a healthy financial position.

Through the rate setting process, the new board will be able to move on a plan to enhance our water supply. We are closing in on well-vetted water supply options coming out of the current Jacob's Engineering study. This process is just over a year old and will provide a roadmap to provide more water in the short, medium, and long term. It is imperative that we start making progress on securing our water future so we don't end up in a similar situation to that in 2021. A key component of this includes maintaining and strengthening our current water delivery infrastructure. We have a significant backlog of infrastructure replacement and upgrades to ensure water delivery resiliency. One of the most important is maintenance of our watershed, specifically reducing our wildfire risk. The new rate cycle will also need to support capital improvement

investments needed to allow MMWD to continue delivering water as effectively as possible.

Our watershed continues to be the gem of outdoor recreation in Marin. The district is in a unique place to rethink recreation on MMWD lands. Like the water supply study, the current Watershed Recreation Master Plan is well under development and continues to seek public comment and participation. A draft plan is slated for Fall of this year and I am looking forward to a new vision to meet the user demand throughout the watershed.

The current MMWD Board of Directors is committed to putting the district back on track while planning for water security. I will be working hard to make sure we are in a better place over the next four years. We have a priceless source of water supply from Mount Tamalpais. Our water is top quality and is some of the most affordable in the State. I look forward to positioning the district to continue delivering on its mission for the next generation of Marin residents. I want to encourage everyone to stay engaged in all of our work by visiting our website www.marinwater.org and also signing up for our electronic newsletter for the most current updates. There will be numerous opportunities to attend community workshops and provide feedback and comments. Please use the website for our most current schedule. I am always available for questions and discuss all things MMWD at your request. My email address is msamson@marinwater.org.

**Matt Samson, Division 1 Director
Marin Municipal Water District**



Emergency Structure Near Completion

Recent visitors to the Community Center will no doubt have noticed the construction project taking place in the courtyard by the snack shack. This building, part of the original scope of the Community Center rebuild, will provide not only office space for swim and community center management but also much-needed storage for Community Center assets and, most importantly, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) supplies. These supplies, provided by the Sleepy Hollow

Fire Protection Board, will include items such as generators, hand tools, axes, medical supplies, batteries, and flashlights. "We really appreciate our relationship with the SHHA and I am glad that the vision (for the CERT storage building) expressed in many public meetings has come to fruition," says Fire Protection Board member Rich Shortall. "The Center has been used during power outages as originally envisioned; we're in there at the office all the time; and this construction is the final step."



SLEEPY HOLLOW SPRING GALA & AUCTION

Saturday, May 13, 2023
Sleepy Hollow Community Center

THE SLEEPY HOLLOW CHARITABLE FOUNDATION (the "Foundation") is proud to announce the first ever Sleepy Hollow Spring Gala and Auction to take place at the Sleepy Hollow Community Center on May 13, 2023. The Foundation works in collaboration with the Sleepy Hollow Homes Association to fund and maintain the Sleepy Hollow Community Center so that it is a thriving community hub benefiting all neighbors.

This cocktail attire event will feature a cocktail hour with some specialty cabal cocktail followed by a seated dinner catered by a featured local restaurant. In addition, there will be a silent and live auction for items donated by the community and an opportunity to dance the night away after dinner. It will be a festive and fun evening with your neighbors and a chance to grab some great auction items while supporting the community.

More details to come, for now block the calendar for the evening and start booking the babysitter!

Net proceeds from the event will go to the Foundation to enable it to continue to enhance the Community Center and strive towards completing the master plan. Auction Item Donations Requested:

The Foundation is requesting donations from the community to help make this event a success.

If you are interested in making a donation email shcfdonations@gmail.com so we may follow up with you. Most deductions will be tax deductible, confirm with your tax professional.

We look forward to hearing from you!
Sleepy Hollow Spring Gala Committee

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WELLNESS PROGRAM



We are so excited to announce the Wellness Program, sponsored by neighbor and realtor Zamira Solari!

Physical, mental, emotional, occupational, social and spiritual wellness are integral aspects of living your best life. Carve some time out of your busy lives this year to improve your quality of life.

Each month this year, we will offer an event with a focus around wellness.

These events will be offered COMPLIMENTARY for SHHA & Friends members.

Non members may join for a fee (varies based on the event).

Space will be limited for some of these events so keep an eye out for the announcements and sign up!

Join us each month!

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| MARCH Self-Defense.
Mar 12 | MAY Sound Bath & Meditation
in honor of Mother's Day. May 14 |
| APRIL New Member Mixer.
Apr 7 | JUNE Band, Beer, Brats & Bros
in honor of Father's Day. June 18 |

Not a member? Join/Renew RIGHT NOW!

shha.org/membership or scan QR code on back page.

**When You Work With Zamira,
Our Community Always Benefits**

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166 Crane Drive, San Anselmo

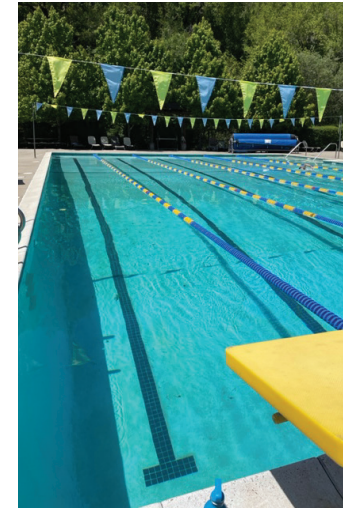
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Main House: 3 BD | 2 BA | Office | ~2,580 SQFT
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I am so excited to announce that I am sponsoring the Sleepy Hollow Sea Lions "Fun Fridays" again!



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Call for Lifeguards & Snack Shack Kids

Sleepy Hollow Community Pool will soon be interviewing and hiring lifeguards. We will be staffing the pool for Summer Season 2023, opening for Family Swim on May 27. We are happy to report that we have an excellent Guard Manager already on board. Long-time Sleepy Hollow resident, Colleen Bertiglia has joined the team and will be hiring and managing the guards schedules and procedures to assure swimmers' safety and smooth operations at the pool.

The lifeguard pay scale ranges from \$16 – \$20/hour based on experience and job scope. Interested candidates, go to shha.org/workpool to access the application and a list of job responsibilities, then contact us at sleepyhollowpool@gmail.com. Diane Fiddymont or Colleen will be in touch promptly.

We are glad to have some guards returning, but we are also looking to build our staff by hiring new guards who will develop their skills and be able to work through their high school and college years. Sleepy Hollow offers a friendly environment and the opportunity to take on more responsibilities as you gain valuable experience. All guards must have a current Red Cross Certificate in life saving and first aid. Certification classes are available at the Marin JCC, Terra Linda Community Center through San Rafael, and at the College of Marin, including weekend classes. Let us know if we can help navigate your certification. We offer scholarships if you commit to working the season.

We are also seeking:

- **Guards** who can work once school starts back in August. We'd like to keep the pool open as much as possible in the hot days of late August and September. Since many of our guards are high school students, we need college age guards who start school later or certified adults willing to volunteer to help us keep the pool open.
- **Younger teens** to handle member check-in, snack bar transactions, and logo merchandise sales. In years past, this has been a path to lifeguarding for some, and for all a chance to take responsibility and meet members.

Note: We know we over-hired last year. This year we will hire the right number of kids so that all get enough hours of work.

- **Monitors** to be on deck during lap swim hours. Help us keep this new and popular program going! Volunteer now so we can produce a dependable adult lap swim schedule for March, April, and May.



Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church

Home of the Justice Garden. We Grow Organic Veggies to Feed the Hungry and Homeless.

Annual SHPC SHHA Tomato Plant Sale. Saturday, April 1 in the Church Justice Garden

All are welcome for the beautiful season of Lent and Easter!

Every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. – music, inspiration, and friendship in our renovated indoor-outdoor sanctuary with outdoor seating.

If you aren't able to make it in person, watch our live stream on zoom. Email Pastor Bev for a zoom invite: beverlybrewster@comcast.net

- **Sing with Alex Walker, Jon Weller, and Pam Selvig** Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays before the service. Teens welcome. No auditions!
- **Youth Band with Alex and Pam** Sundays at 11 a.m. Teens, tweens, younger children, all welcome, with or without instruments.
- **Children's Program:** stories, art, and games teaching Respect, Kindness, Sharing, and Planet Care.
- **Tween Time with Olivia:** arts and crafts and Sunday morning chat twice monthly during the service.
- **Youth service opportunities with Youth Director Ryan.**

Contact Pastor Bev if you would like to get to know more about the church.

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Activities & Events

Events at the Community Center are off to a great start for 2023. We are happy to have several monthly events from cocktails to a kids movie night hosted by the Boy Scouts (a fundraiser for their big trip this summer). Please visit: shha.org/upcomingevents or scan QR code for the latest info and to register.



- Ladies' Night Bunco:** Mar 8.
- Self Defense Class:** Mar 12. 2 – 4 p.m. SHHA Wellness Sponsored by Zamira Solari, Realtor.
- Craft Cocktail Cabal:** Mar 16.
- Kids' Movie and Parents' Night Out:** Mar 18. Boy Scout Fundraiser.

First Friday Social: Apr 7. 5 – 7:30 p.m. New Resident & Member Appreciation.

FITNESS CLASSES:

- Body Sculpting with Catherine:** Mondays 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
- Coming Soon!
- Mommy & Me Yoga** at 10:30 a.m.
- Cardio & Strength – RIPPED with Marin.FIT:** Tuesdays 8:35 – 9:35 a.m.
- Gentle Yoga with Kari:** Tuesdays 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
- Cardio & Strength COMBO with Marin.FIT:** Wednesdays 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.
- Cardio & Weights BURN with Marin.FIT:** Thursdays 8:35 – 9:35 a.m.
- Body Sculpting with Catherine:** Mondays 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

RIPPED CARDIO & STRENGTH CLASS



Group Fitness participants for RIPPED, a cardio & strength class taught on Tuesdays, celebrated Valentine's Day with a workout and a rose!

CRAFT COCKTAIL CABAL



We all learned a lot about mezcal and how it's different from tequila. We got to taste three different mezcal cocktails, plus we sampled a few high-end mezcal and liquors that are based on various kinds of chili peppers. It was a great time!



KIDS' MOVIE NIGHT



Kids (and parents!) have been enjoying monthly kid movie nights at the clubhouse. Proceeds go to Sleepy Hollow's own Boy Scouts Troop 50. Check our events calendar to sign your kids up for the next movie night on March 18! Pizza dinner now included.

VALENTINE CRAFT EVENT



Valentine-themed craft evening was a success at the clubhouse, led by local artist Alexa George. Finished with pizza and a good movie.

Classifieds & Kudos

Row, row, row the boat? In search of a wooden or fiberglass boat (approx size?) in good shape or able to be repaired to be a structure for young kids to play on at the Community Center grounds. Email shhapresident@gmail.com with leads.

In Search Of: An interested party to make our website shha.org the go-to destination for all things Sleepy Hollow! We need to update our website. You would work directly with Board Member Communications Lead Caroline Bruister to strategize and execute this revisioning. Email carolinebruister@gmail.com questions & interest.

Thanks to Miriam & Dick for inviting Ericson over to their magical vegetable garden <3 Caroline on Butterfield.

My neighbors Fred and Deb are constantly thinking of our daughters, Zoe and Reese. I'd like to thank them for many acts of kindness. But most recently for two adorable stuffed bears with homemade cookies and a sweet note. Their smiles were priceless and my heart was so happy, thank you! Gina Singleton

Beloved Sleepy Hollow resident, Alma Luchini passed away on December 7, 2022 at 102 years young. Alma was the guardian angel to many, especially the residents of Estates Drive. She watched over countless neighbors, young, old, and 4-footed, making sure all was well on the street. A visit to Alma would always include a good "catch up" chat, a joke or story and some sort of homemade treat on the way out the door. Alma will be greatly missed.

Email carolinebruister@gmail.com Neighbor Kudos for the next bulletin.



IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ. Please use extra caution when driving on Butterfield. Please slow down and focus when driving along Butterfield and side streets! Sleepy Hollow Swim Team Practices begin on Monday, February 27. Many children will be scootering, biking and walking to and from practices in the afternoons daily.

FAMILY BIKE EVENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 10 - 12 PM

HIDDEN VALLEY SCHOOL BLACKTOP 46 Green Valley Court, San Anselmo

FAMILY BIKING is for families with kids learning to ride on the road and on pathways. Families will learn to safely navigate their bikes with FUN activities including an optional neighborhood ride. Taught by Safe Routes to Schools instructors.



ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
www.marinbike.org/calendar

All ages are welcome, students must be accompanied by an adult. All cyclists must have a helmet and a bike to participate. Bikes must be in good working order. Neighborhood ride for bike riders 7 years or older (no scooters).

CONTACT: Lou@marinbike.org

FREE! SAFE ROUTES BICYCLE EDUCATION

TOPICS COVERED:

- Obeying stop signs and traffic lights
- Riding your bike in the same direction as cars on the road
- Hand signals
- Balance, braking, steering, stopping and starting
- Walking your bicycle in a crosswalk





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