

Sleepy Hollow Bulletin



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Community Center Rebuild Update

Our Community Center Rebuild project has been the subject of discussion at nearly every SHHA and SHCF board meeting over the past 3-4 years, and periodic status updates have appeared in the Sleepy Hollow Bulletin. In talking to many of you, we know that our community continues to enthusiastically support the project, and also that more communication about the Rebuild project is needed. We often hear the question "What's happening with the Clubhouse?" We've always hoped that the next piece of news we could deliver would be the announcement of a "groundbreaking" ceremony. Alas, we're not there yet. The journey has taken longer than any of us expected, and is not over yet, but we want everyone to know the facts.

Starting in 2013, our community overwhelmingly supported rebuilding the Sleepy Hollow Community Center to serve as an active community gathering place *and* as a disaster preparedness and recovery center, with dedicated office space for the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District (District). Early discussions with the District led to a plan whereby the District would provide substantial upfront funding for construction supplemented by monies raised through the Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation. Based on this plan, we began fundraising and our community met each established goal. We also engaged architects, who conducted a thorough community input process, and designed the project to meet our needs for an active community gathering place *and* as a disaster preparedness and recovery center. In addition, we entered into negotiations with the District for the framework of our transaction with them. Over time, the District shifted from a focus of providing upfront funding and instead to considering a long-term lease from the Homes Association and Charitable Foundation for the rebuilt space. This decision changed the nature of the transaction and provided new challenges. Specifically, we needed to find lending sources to fund construction and to provide a take-out mortgage. Because of the very unique elements of this project, the search for a viable lender has taken time and won't be finalized before

a lease agreement with the District. Although we have made good progress, work continues on this initiative.

More recently, the District undertook an extensive Wildfire Hazard & Wildland Urban Interface Assessment, then developed a new Strategic Plan based on that Assessment. These were tremendous achievements and serve to make our community safer now and into the future. We encourage each of you to visit the District website (shfpd.org) and acquaint yourselves with these excellent documents. Consistent with the District's Strategic Plan and desire to establish a physical presence in the community, the District then issued a "Request for Interest" (RFI) to determine if there were parties interested in providing facilities for permanent office space and supplies storage, periodic meeting space, and disaster response and recovery space. The Homes Association and Charitable Foundation responded to the RFI and were selected in May 2017 to negotiate as a potential provider of space. The SHHA/SHCF response to the RFI is now posted on the shha.org site. All of these processes took substantial time and, although necessary, also delayed our progress.

All the way along this path, the Boards of SHHA and SHCF judged that an association with the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District continues to be the best path to the best outcome for Sleepy Hollow residents: a safer community and a more useful facility. Meanwhile, as each step took longer than we expected, we used the time to conduct successful fundraising, complete architectural building plans, obtain bids for construction according to the plans, and complete all but final steps for required permitting. Community fundraising has generated \$792,177 in cash, plus additional uncollected pledges and donated service. **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE BEEN SO GENEROUS!** Of the cash raised, \$314,430 has been spent on the plans, permits, and legal fees, and fundraising expenses, leaving \$477,747 on hand

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Sleepy Hollow Fun Run Race Results

111 runners, aged "under 10" to "50 and over" ran for fun, fame, fitness, and family in three races along Butterfield Road: 1 mile, 2 miles, and 5k. Congratulations to all, kudos to the families who ran together, the youngest and oldest among us, and to the top times in each category: You inspire us! Thanks to John Richard for heading up this popular event.

ONE MILE RUN

Male 10 and Under

Brady Podboy, 7:41
Hayden Winslow, 8:27
Jack Podboy, 8:57

Mason Goebel, Jack Grubb, Schuyler Hill, Cooper Blechen, Brennan Westfall, Johnny Fahy, Ben Wentzell

11 – 13 Male

Julian Nichol, 6:48
Drake Fruhauf

14 – 19 Male

Charlie Lueck, 6:32

30 – 39 Male

Michael Fahy, 12:02

40 – 49 Male

Scott Martini, 10:00
Matt Podboy, 10:28
Mike Goebel, Damon Blechen, Mike Arnolds

50 and over Male

Andy Mergenthaler, 10:32

TWO MILE RUN

Male 10 and Under

Nolan Anderson, 14:43
Johah Sher, James Chatard

Male 11 – 13

Taz Fruhauf, 16:21
Flynn Baigrie, John Wetzel

Male 14 – 19

Male 30 – 29

Male 40 – 49

Tim Chatard, 19:06
Andy Kurtzig, Kevin Gammon

Male 50 and Over

Rocky Pierson, 14.58

FIVE K RUN

Male 10 and Under

Nolan Kriessman, 23:59
Leo Barberich, Nash Winslow

Male 11 – 13

Liam Kriessmann, 21:43
Mack Berry, 22:15
John Minutoli, 24:09

Micah Sher, Jake Magnusson, Davis Logan, Jaeden Sher, Sutter O'Brien, Jack Gross, Nicholas Barberich, Calvin Arnold, Ethan Horton

Male 30 – 39

Male 40 – 49

Thad Reichley, 20:20
Aaron Wentzell, 23:00
John Grubb, 24:11
Nate Winslow, 24:12
Michael Skaff, Andy Horton, Tyler Magnusson, Tom Gross

Male 50 and Over

Dan Borgonove, 20:22
Thad Logan, Roger Johanson, Rick Fish

ONE MILE RUN

Female 10 and Under

Madelyn Mergenthaler, 7:35
Piper Kelly, 7:40
Kelly Kurtzig, 7:46

MacKena Quinones, Avery Marne, Maggie Marne, Taylor Fahy, Colette Winslow, Paige Kelly, Aubrey Marne, Heidi Blechen, Evangeline Arnolds, Stella Franklin

11 – 13 Female

Birdie Dillon, 8:50

Ryan Magnusson

14 – 19 Female

Jordan Gauna, 7:42

30 – 39 Female

Sharon Fahy, 10:06

40 – 49 Female

Mo Blechen, 10: Jen Winslow, 10:52
KC Vlah, Koren Grubb, Diane Marne, Mindy Magnusson

50 and over Female

Peg Mc Allister, 11:02

TWO MILE RUN

Female 10 and Under

Katherine Wentzell, 24.27

Female 11 – 13

Lucy Wallenstrom, 18:59
Nia Zwiefelhofer, Alicia Richard

Female 14 – 19

Ava Podboy, 16:30
Stacia Winslow, 16:31
Camille Hedouin, Turner Wallenstrom, Fiona Chamberlain

Female 30 – 29

Audrey Wagner, 19:46

Molly Wagner, 19:47

Female 40 -49

Devon Oswald, 16.32
Erin Sher, Jen Gammon, Anne Marie Kostecki

Female 50 and Over

Brigid Hedouin, 22.52
Kathy Renk, 23:09

FIVE K RUN

Female 10 and Under

Gabby Reichley, 27:29
Sanne Kostecki

Female 11 – 13

Mya Wells, 29:53
Jamie Kurtzig



Community Center Rebuild Update *continued from page 1*

in the SHCF. This amount, along with the land, are the equity for the approximately \$2.5M building project.

A few members have suggested that we consider reducing the scope of the project; that is, downsizing our plan. We currently see modifying the project scope as a last resort, especially since it would present a number of new problems: 1) no study has shown that there is a feasible, cost effective "fix" given the age and condition of the current building, 2) there would be substantial additional costs related to start-from-scratch design, plans and permits, and we would essentially forfeit our investment to date in regard to the design and permit process, 3) there would be the potential loss of suitability for the desired SHFPD office, storage, disaster preparedness and recovery activities, and 4) there would be reduced utility of the facility as a hub for our Sleepy Hollow community.

The current next steps are to agree with the District on lease terms, finalize loan financing, and, if necessary, raise additional funds.

Finally, you should know that many, many members of our community have contributed their expertise and countless hours to further this project. They have persevered through challenges and have never wavered in their dedication to the best outcome for our community.

We will continue to keep you apprised as the process and project progresses.

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Men's and Women's Doubles Score



The Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club continues to have excellent participation in its Saturday morning drop in women's and men's doubles play at the San Dominico tennis courts. Drop in doubles is open to all members, with players rotating in and out at the end of each set. Play starts at 9:00 a.m. and often continues into the afternoon.

A typical Saturday morning has two women's doubles courts and three men's doubles courts going with maybe one or two players waiting to come on (rarely for more than a few minutes) and tennis pro Rob Jessen providing lessons on court 1. Club members and their families also have weekend and evening access to the six recently resurfaced tennis courts at San Dominico School located at the end of Butterfield Road.

We are also very fortunate to have access to one of the best teaching tennis pros in Marin, Rob Jessen. Lessons are available to both members and non-members. To inquire about signing up for lessons, email Rob at rjessen@sandomenico.org. If you are interested in joining the club, please contact club president, Jeff Wells at jeffwells@aol.com.

Swimming Victory at Champs!



We have wrapped up another season of Sleepy Hollow swimming! Congratulations to all our swimmers for another victory at Champs! And thank you to our amazing parents! Our swimmers stepped up and worked their hardest for the team, from the first 8-and-under medley relay (seeded to finish second and dropping 3 seconds for a win over the Orcas) to our high schoolers coming out strong in the afternoon to support their younger teammates. They all kicked bootyakum!

We had a great time at our Champs dinner, remembering the fun we had, and honoring our swimmers and Sea Lion parents. This year's Dennis Meister Award, which recognizes outstanding commitment and volunteerism by a former SHST parent, went to Mike Glass. Mike grew up in Sleepy Hollow swimming for the Sea Lions. We appreciate your service to the team, Mike!

At our Champs dinner we also remembered long-time resident Barbara McGee, who passed away not long ago. Mrs. McGee founded the Sleepy Hollow Swim Team in 1971, and as the plaque by the pool reads, "Thousands of Sea Lions thank Barbara McGee!" In her honor, we presented to Bruce Crock the first annual Barbara McGee Award, which will go to a current SHST parent who demonstrates "Sea Lion spirit," dedication, and volunteerism above and beyond—just as Mrs. McGee did.

Thank you, Sleepy Hollow! You'll hear us barking again next spring!



Left: 10 and under swimmers huddle with Coach Mark before the Champs meet begins on July 9th. Right: Alena Sharp and Natasha Grubb with their High Point Winner trophies.

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District News New Board Member: Sharon Adams August 5 Evacuation Drill & Safety Fair Chipper Days/Home Inspection Project

We are proud to welcome our new Board member Sharon Adams. As a 40-year resident and former Sleepy Hollow Homes Association President, Sharon is well-known within the District and beyond. Her energy and admirable history of community involvement will be tremendous assets to our Board and will help us to promote and support the many fire and other public safety projects that are described in our new Strategic Plan.

Please plan to participate in Sleepy Hollow's first-ever wildfire evacuation drill on Saturday, August 5, 2017. This drill will prepare residents and first responders for an evacuation should one become necessary. Residents who live on Van Winkle Drive and

all of the adjacent side streets will receive automated alerts by telephone prior to the drill. We will conduct annual evacuation drills in a different Sleepy Hollow quadrant each year going forward. Please register for the Alert Marin program at marinsheriff.org/services/emergency-services/alert-marin. Law enforcement and firefighters will conduct training that day to exercise their plans for evacuation and fire suppression.

Evacuated residents will assemble at the Sleepy Hollow Community Center where we will hold a Safety Fair. All Sleepy Hollow residents, whether you live in the evacuation area or not, are invited to come to the Safety Fair from 9:00 -11:00 a.m., where coffee, snacks, and information on wildfire and disaster preparedness from local agencies and organizations will be available.

The July Chipper Days were a great success! Our busiest Chipper Days ever, we saw 25% growth over the same time last year.

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A Brief History of Sleepy Hollow from the San Domenico Archives

As a Sleepy Hollow resident, you may find yourself walking along the ruins at the entrance of San Domenico. Perhaps you used to play on the ruins as a child, or your children play there now. Maybe you walk your dog amid the stones, or you take your family holiday photo on the old walls. The following excerpt from the San Domenico school archives will provide you some history to this magical spot in our shared Sleepy Hollow valley.

In the beginning, Sleepy Hollow was a prehistoric riverbed. The fertile valley attracted the first inhabitants, the Miwok Indians. As proof of their stay many artifacts have been found; a shell mound, arrowheads and grinding stones. Their era came to a close with the coming of the white man, who brought epidemics of measles, mumps, smallpox and other diseases to which the Indians had no resistance.

The first recorded history of the Hollow began in 1839. A Mexican land grant was given to Domingo Sais, a soldier at the Presidio in San Francisco; his land consisted of 6,659 acres, including part of San Anselmo, Fairfax, and Sleepy Hollow. Legend has it that in 1836 Domingo left the Presidio on a raft and, traveling with the tide, drifted until he was able to land at what is now Pt. San Quentin. He traveled as far as San Anselmo, where he built his first house of rushes. Domingo called his grant "Cánada de Herrera" or "Valley of the Blacksmiths." It had huge stands of oak trees, and timber was cut for many years and shipped by schooner from Ross Landing to the sawmill near Lagunitas.

Domingo Sais died in 1853 and left his land to his widow and six children. Sleepy Hollow went to his oldest son Pedro.

Harvey Butterfield leased the property from Pedro for a dairy farm. It was fenced for the first time. Cowboys referred to the dirt road leading to the ranch house as "The road to Butterfield's place."

Hence, the birth of Butterfield Road. Pedro Sais died in 1879 and the land was sold to Peter Austin for \$16,000. Austin planted the first eucalyptus and poplar trees for shade along Butterfield Road. He planned a million-dollar hotel, a mile-long lake, and golf course, but was forced

out by a mortgage foreclosure.

Anson P. Hotaling bought the land in 1887. He was a wealthy San Franciscan, whose son Richard developed a beautiful estate and called it Sleepy Hollow. He built a mansion at the end of Butterfield Road that reflected his love of the theater. The living room had a stage, complete with a Romeo and Juliet balcony. Many plays and Bohemian parties were held there.

Hotaling also imported 200 Holstein cows from Holland. He carried out the Washington Irving theme by naming prize bulls after the names in The Legend of Sleepy Hollow. After living in his mansion for four years he tired of the country life and chose to sell his property to Sigmund Herzog. In 1910, Herzog originated the first certified milk dairy in the nation.

A Chicago syndicate bought the land in 1925 from Herzog. (Herzog moved the dairy to Petaluma where it is still in business today.) In 1929, the Depression and Stock Market crash halted the syndicate's plans for development and they sold the land.

George Kaenel and H.A. Willard bought the land in about 1930 and they put in an 18-hole, 8,000 yard golf course. It was the first pay-as-you-play golf course in the West. It was considered the second largest course in the world, acclaimed by famous players for its natural hazards and boundless beauty.

Lang Realty and David Adaros bought some acreage in 1932 and subdivided the parcel into one-half acre and ten-acre plots.

In 1939, the golf course was closed due to lack of water. For a short period of time in the early forties, during World War II, the United States Army occupied part of the Hollow as a secret ammunition storage depot. Barracks housed 30 men. There were two batteries composed of four-inch anti-aircraft cannons manned by five soldiers on a 24-hour basis. One was on Stuyvesant Drive and Oak Manor, and the other on Oak Springs Hill. With the end of the war, the Army left.

A.G. Raisch bought 500 acres and the Hotaling mansion for \$50,000 in about 1946. The Raisch Family modernized the house, added beautiful gardens and barbeque areas. A lovely artificial lake was

created. Fifty head of cattle grazed on their property. Many gala parties of 600 people enjoyed the dance pavilion, roasted steer, and martinis made in a cement mixer. In the early fifties the Raisch family moved to San Francisco and, while unoccupied, the mansion burned to the ground, leaving only a concrete wall and steps that are visible today.

The Dominican Sisters of San Rafael bought the property, comprising 537 acres. It was dedicated as the San Domenico School for Girls on April 30, 1966.

The Sleepy Hollow Homes Association was formed by the total population (50 families) in 1946. Dedicated volunteers built the Community Clubhouse and swimming pool in 1952. The School has maintained membership in the Association since its move to Sleepy Hollow.

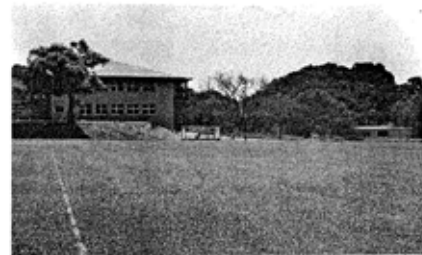
May all who visit or live in this beautiful valley of "Cánada de Herrera" – Sleepy Hollow – enjoy and protect the land. Ours is indeed a special heritage, so let us preserve it for future generations.



This is the Raisch mansion as it appeared in 1954.



The steps and foundations of the house are all that remain today.



Now the dam is gone, and the hockey field is located on the old lake bed.



“Yardsmart Marin” parade entry with Katie Rice (left), Jen Gauna (center) and John Grubb (right).

Mark Your Calendars

SHHA Board Meeting August 3, 7:00 p.m.

Fire Safety Evacuation Drill August 5, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Summer Social Friday, August 25

MMWD: Summertime and Risk of Wildfires

By Jack Gibson, MMWD Board Member, July 17, 2017

Mount Tamalpais and the surrounding watershed lands serve as the iconic symbol for the water district. The mountain and surrounding landscape is emblematic for the entire county, and is a blessing for us all. However, a burden comes with that blessing. Management of those lands has been the responsibility of MMWD for more than 100 years.

Two weeks ago the *Marin IJ* reported a wildfire that scorched 38 acres in an area near Kent Lake, about 2 miles southwest of Woodacre. The fire was reported in the mid-morning, and fire-fighters had the fire contained by the same evening. Fortunately there was no reported injury or property damage. Almost every summer such events serve as reminders of the fire risks faced by our community as the warmer weather approaches.

Virtually the entire Mount Tamalpais Watershed was burned in five major fires occurring between 1881 and 1945. In 1881 the fire started in Blithedale Canyon and burned 65,000 acres. In 1891 a fire started in Bill Williams Gulch that burned about 12,000 acres; 40,000 acres burned from Novato to Alpine Lake; and the Mill Valley Fire in 1929 burned 2,500 acres. The last major watershed fire, in 1945, burned 20,000 acres.

There has been significant buildup in Marin since those early fires. Over 25,000 structures housing approximately 45,000 residents are within two miles of district lands. That area, described as the Wildland-Urban Interface, has a CalFire Fire Hazard rating of “High” to “Very High.” If any of those early

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fires occurred today the potential loss of life and property damage would be catastrophic.

Managing against the risk of fire on the wildlands is a primary focus for the MMWD today.

In 1995, after several years of data collection, the water district developed an elaborate Vegetation Management Plan designed to set out plans and procedures for managing the watershed, including mitigation plans for wildfire protection. In 2012 the district presented the Draft Wildfire Protection and Habitat Improvement Plan, and last year the Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan was completed. Implementing these plans presents a significant portion of the district’s budget and expenses.

A significant portion of the district’s annual budget, and constant effort is directed toward minimizing the risk of wildfires. Over \$3 million dollars from the water district budget each year is devoted to fire related activities, and another \$4.5 million FireFlow dollars are devoted to reducing the risks of fire over the wildland-urban interface areas and district lands.

Hidden Valley: Note from Principal Kristi Fish

The school office opens on August 10th and school resumes August 23rd. Class placements will be emailed to parents the day before school starts. I will be checking email intermittently during the summer break, but if you need immediate assistance, contact the District Office at 415.451.4063.

We LOVE our Volunteers

July 4th in Sleepy Hollow was an all-day success, thanks to the many volunteers who joined in the effort and fun.

New and familiar faces were everywhere, leading, helping, offering to help, and cheering on their neighbors.

The SHHA Board offers special thanks to our Vice President and "Holiday Chair" Rob Osier, who organized and rallied all of us and made volunteering easier and more broadly based by setting up the shhajuly4th@gmail.com account. Watch for it again next year.

Big thanks go also to the Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club volunteers who tended bar all day and sold every ice cream bar and popsicle to be found, and to the Sleepy Hollow Sea Lions Swim Team volunteers, who served over 400 hot dog lunches. Bravo! to Jennifer Winslow, Nancy Reagan, Elizabeth Chatard, Sonja Bailey, Andy Mergenthaler, John Grubb, Ben Bailey, Andy Kurtzig, and Dave Perkinson.

Here are many more of the WHO's of how the big day came about.

The call for hands on deck Monday afternoon to set up, decorate, and start food prep brought out much good help we so appreciate. Ali Sadat, Andrew Witowski, Ellen and Newlin Rankin, Lorraine and Paul Ferrarese, Jordan Gauna, Koren Grubb, and Kira Swaim joined the SHHA Board for a bit of fun and got the job done, whether getting up to their elbows in masking tape or marinades.

For 124 runners, the celebration began early with the Fun Run, organized this year by John Richard and his crew of Jen Richard, Jen and Jessie

Gauna, Dave Nichol, and Judd Sher. Find the race roster and winners on page xx in this Bulletin.

Our parade was one of the best yet, with what may have been a record number of floats and marchers, and truly wet and truly dry sections. Spectators lined the parade route, cheering, and following it to the Community Center, where Boy Scout Pack 50 raised the flag and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We salute them for their contribution and leadership. Kelly Kurtzig sang our national anthem, and if you couldn't see her as she sang, you would never guess her age as 9!

Shaun Westfall and his band of root beer floaters did a rousing business, despite being left off the ticket list for several hours! By the end of the afternoon there was nothing left but sticky fingers.

Thanks to the ticket sellers, who supported Jen Gauna throughout the day, in shifts from 11:00 a.m. 'til closing: Dawn Mayer, Ann Hutchinson, David and Kira Swaim, Rob Osier, Ellen and Newlin Rankin, Kit and Luke Argilla, Ali Imperiale, Lorraine Ferrarese, Jennifer Winslow and Franklin Blackford.

Food preparation and keeping the buffet table supplied began early and just kept going. Teaming with Jan Blackford were Emory Johnson, Claudia Gardner, Diana McCormac, Lorraine and Paul Ferrarese, and Franklin Blackford, plus special help from Bradley Johnson and Scott Hintergardt. The baked beans were an experiment, not on the menu, but seemed a hit, so watch for them next year.

To the brownie bakers and donors who gave us the winning combination of chocolate



and TLC, thank you: Karin Narodny, Katie Rice, Dawn Mayer, Jill Nail, Jyll Cassidy, Kit Argilla, Lorraine Ferrarese, and Tina Cheplick and family.

The Precision Grill Team, conducted by Carl Coughlin, and reprising the role of last year's maestro Kevin Coughlin, also featured such standouts as Spencer Adams, Pete Mayer, Eric Hill, Damon Blechen, Matt Podboy, Dan Wolf, Brian London, Joey Wolff, and Shaun Westfall. Don Wachelka contributed color commentary.

We even had some families that hit for the cycle as far as volunteering goes: Dawn and Pete Mayer brought brownies, sold tickets, and grilled. Lorraine and Paul Ferrarese brought brownies, prepped and served food, and sold

tickets. This doesn't begin to count the families who had fun runners, marched or rode in the parade, and pitched in to help at the Community Center.

Clean-up was brisk Tuesday night and then limped to the finish, but was complete just before the Swim Team Champs Dinner on Sunday. The flags are furled, new friends found, some lessons learned, and more memories made.

Among the lessons learned is the importance of confirming to volunteers the job and time for which they are signed up. We know some people offered and were never clear on when to show up to help. We thank you even so. That and more baked beans.

If you have a suggestion for next year, or a story about this year's celebration that we could include in a future bulletin, send it to, you guessed it, shhajuly4th@gmail.com. If you would like to be added to our volunteer list to learn about volunteer opps throughout the year, email shhamembers@gmail.com.

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District News

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If you missed us, or have more material to chip, it's not too late - we'll be coming back August 26-27. Thanks for doing your part to make Sleepy Hollow a Firewise Community®! Thank you to Small World Tree Service, a Sleepy Hollow business, for getting the job done quickly and professionally!

Finally, the Marin County and Ross Valley Fire Departments have completed our Defensible Space inspections. Over 800 parcels received a detailed inspection and each homeowner was provided with valuable written advice on ways to reduce hazards. We have happily observed that many owners have removed significant amounts of hazardous vegetation from their properties.

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Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church

Home of the Justice Garden and the Mexico Mission

All are welcome Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.
 Feeding the Hungry and Bringing Dignity to All People
 Children's Program provided. Justice Garden team welcomes green thumbs.
 Singers rehearse Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

• Summer Storytelling Series

Turning Point Stories will be featured

• Farmstand coming soon Saturdays on Butterfield

Sunday Farmstand with coffee after the service
 Building a greener and more peaceful world for all our children.



(l-r) Heidi, Sydney, Ryan, and Cooper enjoy the Children's Program

Rev. Bev Brewster, Pastor, 100 Tarry Road, San Anselmo, CA • 415-453-8221 • 415-446-8267 cell
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The Bulletin is published monthly and mailed to all of the approximately 800 Sleepy Hollow homes 4 times a year: March, June, September and November. The Bulletin is mailed to *only* the member homes in the remaining 8 months.

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