

June 2020

Sleepy Hollow Bulletin



SHOW UP FOR SLEEPY HOLLOW

Sleepy Hollow volunteers needed. July 4th: shhajuly4th@gmail.com SHHA President - Scott Hintergardt shhapresident@gmail.com

SHHA Vice President - Spencer Adams

Membership - Hayley Mullen & Spencer Adams shhawebsite@gmail.com

Bulletin Editor - Norma Novy: normanovy@comcast.net, 415-499-9409



Tennis Club -Chris Staskus: www.sleepy hollowtennis.org



Swim Team -Anne-Marie Kostecki presidentshst@gmail.com



Legend Club -Ronda Lundbaek lundbaek@comcast.net

Clubhouse Scheduling Manager -Dodi Friedenberg, dodif@me.com

Marin County Supervisor Katie Rice: 415-473-7825 krice@marincounty.org

Marin County Sheriff: 415-479-2311 (9-1-1 if crime in progress)

California Highway Patrol: 415-924-1100 CHPMarin@chp.ca.gov trafficconcern@centralmarinpolice.org

www.shha.org

An Invitation to the 4th of July

It's a Front Porch 4th!

Get ready to celebrate a special Sleepy Hollow Front Porch 4th, in place of our traditional parade, Saturday, July 4th.

Choose your fun or have it all:

Decorate your house with as much red, white and blue as you can, pull the patio chairs to the front and salute our nation from your front yard. Butterfield and Van Winkle residents* especially encouraged, but bring joy to the street where you live! July 4th elves will bring colorful pinwheels to your mail box or porch.

Run for the Fun of it. Start anytime between 8:00 and 9:00am* at Fawn and Butterfield, follow the marked course of your choice (1m, 2m 5k), and keep your own time. Families can run together if they wish. Others, please maintain social distancing. John Richard will be at the start with coffee and encouragement as always.

Walk, scoot, and bike the neighborhood. 10:00am to Noon,* safely distanced and wearing masks (and waving a pinwheel?) with friends and neighbors.

Follow your ears to the music. Word has it there may be a band or two playing in the Hollow. Ragtag, and more, from Legend to Van Winkle.

Happy Hollow Front Porch 4th! — SHHA

*NOTE: Butterfield will NOT be closed to vehicle traffic, but we will post caution signs at Fawn and along Butterfield at intersections. Avoid driving Saturday morning if you can, take extra care as more children and parents may be present. Walkers, be aware of vehicles. Cautions will be out for the Fun Run.

Thank you, your SHHA Board



Fun Run! 8am-9am starts at Deer Hollow. 1mi/2mi/5k

Bike, walk & scoot! 10am-12pm Butterfield closed at Fawn

Grab a pinwheel (buckets in various locations) and continue down Van Winkle

Live Music! Listen for it on Butterfield and other Sleepy Hollow neighborhoods



News & Notes from Supervisor Katie Rice





na, vou ci



Butterfield Safe Streets Meeting This Summer

The Butterfield Corridor Safe Streets Committee will be having a meeting this summer focused on back to school safety in this time of COVID and social distancing. The meeting date/time is being finalized in the next week, but is tentatively set for the last week in July via zoom. To get more information, visit https://www.shha.org/Safe-Steets or email nvernon@marincounty.org. Everyone is welcome!

Butterfield Corridor Safe Streets Committee is a collaboration of community members, Sleepy Hollow Homes Association, schools (Brookside, Hidden Valley, San Domenico), law enforcement, Safe Routes, representatives from County and Town of San Anselmo. Our goal is to see Butterfield Road become a safer street for us all to travel on, most especially our kids.

Biking Safety This Summer in the Hollow!

Families are biking more than ever in our community since the COVID pandemic began several months ago. With lots of bikes on the road and an increasing number of cars, take the time to participate in **Safe Routes Summer Bike Week** with your children or grandchildren. Learning about safety while having fun and

entering a raffle to win ice cream gift cards!

The Bike Week "contests" (one for elementary students and one for middle school students) provide five days of fun activities to encourage riders to practice biking skills this Summer. Learn about proper bike and helmet fit, go on a scavenger hunt on a bike, practice your bike route to school, then post your pictures to #saferoutesmarin.

The good news is that you can choose any week (or 5 days)

this Summer and GO! To get details, visit

http://www.saferoutestoschools.org/index.html and for social distancing tips for walking and rolling, visit http://www.saferoutestoschools.org/safe-routes-remote.html .



coronavirus.marinhhs.org/masks-and-face-coverings

President's Letter



am excited to share that Schalich Brothers Construction, Inc., is ready to renovate the old clubhouse, starting with a demolition permit and continuing with the full building permit, expected in late July. Most of the demolition is interior, and all asbestos has already been removed. The SHHA and SHCF website pages are being updated with NEW drawings and postings.

We have completed the rear sewer lateral replacement, which also corrected the pool house and snack bar drainage. The old kitchen cabinets and other items have been removed with the help of Steve Knox, Reinhard Ludke and Jeff Schneider.

Pool access will continue through the special corridor, and locker rooms are available.

In the near future, the storage pod will be gone, the July 4th decorations will come down, and the Schalich Brothers' sign will go up.

A big thanks to the Design Review team – Jan Blackford, Luke Argilla, Dave Grubb, Steve Knox, and Jessica Fairchild – for their ongoing commitment to this critical community project.

> Have a fun and safe 4th of July! Scott Hintergardt, SHHA President Jan Blackford, SHCF President

Did You Know...

While things are starting to open up, we are still sheltered in place, for the most part. Drive through graduations abound and our community spirit was high! My daughter graduated from Drake and we appreciate the love and support our community showed these graduates!

Summer has begun and Sleepy Hollow continues to be a place that people want to call HOME. Stats for homes in Sleepy Hollow in May/ early June are:

COMING SOON: 2 ACTIVE: 4, all on for 30+ days CONTINGENT/PENDING: 5

While there were no closed sales in May, there were 3 sales in the first 10 days of June.

Real Estate is considered an essential business and continues to happen with careful practices in place. Now more than ever, you want a professional to help you navigate the process. Please reach out with your questions and needs. Shelter is so important.



Carolyn Horton, Broker Associate

415.299.0370 | chorton@cbnorcal.com <u>marinhomeconsultant.com</u> Cal RE #01468252 Your Sleepy Hollow neighbor since 2000



SHHA Board Meeting Minutes June 4, 2020

7:00 p.m., via Zoom. Attending: Scott Hintergardt, President, presiding; Jan Blackford, Spencer Adams, Aya Andrews, Francois Hedouin, David Baker, Matt Tessa, Haley Mullen, Gina Singleton, recording Secretary.

Scott opened the meeting and welcomed new board member Gina Singleton, elected by the Board to fill an unfilled seat and bring the Board to its full complement of 12 directors. Gina gladly accepted the role of recording secretary.

Membership: Spencer and Hayley reported Membership (Spencer & Haley): 2020 Membership to Date: 170 regular (34 Recurring); 132 seniors (20 Recurring); 64 friends of the Hollow – (cf. 120 prior year); 366 total members to date, SHHA and Pool.

Pool Memberships: 130 total pool members, less than previously (180 to 300) and less than budgeted apparently due to uncertainty about Covid19 impacts. SHHA Resident pool members are 66 (8% of homes, 21% of membership).Construction impact not believe to be significant, as it has been known for several months that the locker rooms and snack bar (pre covid) would be open along with lawn areas and a separate, safe access way with drop off at the entry gate.

SHHA Memberships: 302 vs 350 prior year. Some of this is due to lower pool memberships. Will continue to follow up with lapsed members and newer residents, encouraging community support regardless of pool choices. Discussed dividing list to approximately 50/ board members to elicit more membership.

Darlene Hanley is the contact to get information on real estate transactions listing new owners.

Gifts and other benefits for new residents were discussed: Francois suggested a discount of 10% off SHHA membership for new residents. Aya suggested stainless steel pint glasses, "Hollow Happy," double walled wine glasses, using Sleepy Hollow logo, etc, to replace the game boxes. This led to a discussion of how to promote business for Sleepy Hollow small business owners, perhaps include listings or features in the Sleepy Hollow Bulletin or on the website. This would be of help to new residents and benefit the business owners.

ACTION: Gina, Haley and Aya will partner to develop this concept.

Pool Discussion, decision or next steps:

The board reviewed the issues around opening the pool or not, and on what basis, including the compliance requirements, health and safety regardless of compliance requirements, member satisfaction potential with different options, and operating costs. Jan reported there \$322,000 cash on hand for operations at May 31, 2020. However, we should expect to incur an operating loss this year of approximately \$100,000, and must maintain preparedness to meet other unexpected

Continued on page six

ACTION: Spencer

to send out a list for each board member for follow up. Board members encouraged to tailor messages to the people they know and to use the membership information on the website, including Home Page membership benefits.

ACTION: Spencer: will continue to follow with specialized messages and try to provide a skeleton outline that can be personalized.

Welcome

Committee: Haley has tried to meet with Kathy, and Kathy has sent reports of what she completed and when her Welcoming stopped, as well as copy for the new resident brochure, which Hayley has. On hand are only 3 (Jan has) of the customized Sleepy Hollow game boxes.

NEWS FROM SAN DOMENICO

Thank you for your collaboration in best protecting our communal



health during this historic pandemic. The campus facilities, trails, fields, pathways, road, playgrounds, gym, tennis courts, and pool remain closed at the time of this writing.

All COVID-19 related program plans and policies are subject to change based on County and expert directive. For more information, please visit <u>www.sandomenico.org/</u> <u>HealthUpdates or contact us</u> <u>at_contactus@sandomenico.</u> <u>org. Stay safe and happy_ summer!</u>

SAN DOMENICO SCHOOL

Carrying on a 170-year tradition of exceptional education, whether

distance learning or on campus, SD teachers are here for you.

Independent, K-12, Day and Boarding | sandomenico.org

Sleepy Hollow Homes Association



By the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

The Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District has a number of projects under way this summer to help protect against wildfire in our community. As many of you have undoubtedly noticed, the goats are back. There are currently three herds of 400 animals each working in the Ross Valley. One of the herds has a mixture of sheep and goats. The goats prefer brushy material and leaves while the sheep do a better job grazing on the grass. A good example of what the terrain looks like after a mixed herd has grazed can be found at the San Domenico School. The campus is closed right now, but when it reopens you will see how the terrain has been transformed over the last three years into a more park like setting. It looks great aesthetically and is much more fire resistant. Herd 1 is finishing work along the Terra Linda / Sleepy Hollow Ridge, Herd 2 is on the Triple C Ranch and moving towards Fairfax, and the third herd is finishing up around Red Hill in San Anselmo.

We have had two successful chipper events in Sleepy Hollow.

The next curbside pickup will be held on July 20-21. We are adding an extra curbside pickup on Monday, September 21. This event will be funded by the new Marin Wildfire Protection Authority (MWPA) that was created by Measure C. Our final event of the year will be a drop off on October 5 at the end of Butterfield Road to coincide with the annual Creek cleanup.

The SHFPD has received funding from the MWPA for several local programs.

The first will be a resumption of the defensible space inspections to be conducted by Marin County Fire's newly hired fire mitigation specialists. The California Fire Code and Public Resources Code grant the authority for authorized Fire Code Officials to conduct inspections for compliance with the various applicable codes. The inspectors do not enter a property without permission. They are trained to walk up to a front door (through an unlocked front gate at the street, if present, under rules of curtilage), and knock to introduce themselves. If no adult is present, they have two options: 1) inspect the property as visible from the front door or public areas such as from the front pathway or roadway, or 2) come back later. Under no circumstances do the inspectors enter locked or gated areas of a property without permission of a resident or landowner, and they don't "peek" over fences. They only inspect areas that are plainly visible from a common area unless an adult resident gives permission to gated areas. The SHFPD is using its "local share" of MWPA funds for three new projects.

First, we are participating in a county wide effort to create evacuation maps for each community. When completed, the

Now more than ever EXPERIENCE matters!

With 5 closed deals, 2 new escrows & 4 listings since the beginning of Shelter in Place, I know how to navigate this CURRENT market to get you the results you need. Call me today. Let's get you where you need to go!



JUST SOLD IN SLEEPY HOLLOW 53 Katrina Lane, San Anselmo Represented Buyers & Sellers



Zamira Solari REALTOR® 415.509.1479 zamira.solari@compass.com ZamiraKnowsMarin.com DRE 01328544

maps will be mailed to each residence. We expect the project to be completed later this summer. Second, each member of the Ross Valley Fire Department Joint Powers Authority is contributing towards the hiring of a part time Neighborhood Response Group coordinator. The Neighborhood Response Program aims to establish citizen-led disaster response teams in neighborhoods for the purpose of preparing to take care of themselves following a disaster. The program is motivated by "neighbor helping neighbor," the well-proven idea that we are all willing and able to help if we are provided a method and the means. This program will complement and enhance our own block captain program.

Finally, we have authorized the creation of a Hazardous Vegetation Removal Grant Program using a match of Measure C and SHFPD funds. The purpose of this grant program is to encourage Sleepy Hollow residents to create and maintain defensible space around their homes and the perimeter of their properties and take actions to make their homes more fire resistant through the provisions of grant funds to help offset the cost of this undertaking. The District will reimburse up to \$3000 for the removal of the following targeted hazardous species: Juniper, Cypress, Arborvitae, Bamboo and Pampas Grass. Grants will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis. A total of \$78,000 is available for this pilot program. Details and applications will be posted on our website starting on July 10. Applications will be accepted starting on Monday, July 20.

COMPASS

Our District has successfully tested the NOAA weather radios which were distributed to our block captains. These radios can receive Alert Marin warnings even if

Minutes June 4th, 2020

continued from page four

expenses including creek bank stabilization. The size of the operating loss varies about 20% if we open or do not open the pool with assumptions on membership dues retention and operating expense in either scenario. Seasonal pool operating expense at \$60,000 is about the same is a likely estimate of refunds we could need to make with no opening. Since March 17 the pool has been maintained at winter readiness. It will take about 48 hours to get it up to operating readiness.

Board members discussed known requirements for opening, our ability to manage those successfully, and sought a trial path with limited exposure in order to assess better member response and comfort level, as well as changing conditions and requirements. The Board asked a core team of Lauren Thornhill, Jan Blackford, Hayley Mullen, and Spencer Adams to research the issue further and report back with a recommendation within a week.

ACTION: Needs another week to review and vote. Spencer deferring to Lauren for further guidance, necessary waivers, etc. The team planned to meet, research and observe other pools, confer with County panel member Nancy Shapiro, and Sophie Waldron our pool staff manager.

June 20th Car Show

Spencer: has a list of several cars already enrolled in car show and mapping. Expected to have about 20 cars. Good response and easy to repeat. For the future: Spencer suggested a scavenger hunt with visiting all cars and possible raffle. Aya suggested as a 2021 social event as a fundraiser to drive the car for extra \$.

July 4th Outlook and Discussion - refer to May Bulletin page 6

They are processing parade permits with Covid19 restrictions. We would have firetrucks from Ross Valley and Triple C, Cub Scouts, watching from yards and encourage decoration, social distancing, masks. Potential for band along the way or on wheels with Stone Fish (Aya's Husband's band). Discussed concerns including managing compliance and restrictions, volunteers to help execute, safety of water balloons. Encourage BBQ in front of the house with family and bubble buddies. Bradley submitted our encroachment application with socially distanced staging in at least two locations (Oak Knoll, Deer Hollow, Fawn) and two ending points (Van Winkle loop or Irving to Van Tassel or Martling loop).

ACTION: Ask John Richard to run a version of fun run. May need extra volunteers to help with Covid19 compliance

ACTION: SCOTT. Parade Checklist: proposed meeting next week for parade team meeting. Jan to convene meeting via zoom.

ACTION: Gina/Aya to contact Girl Scouts.





ANNUAL SLEEPY HOLLOW CAR SHOW IS A STAND-OUTY

Thank you to all who participated in the first annual Sleepy Hollow Car Show! Twenty-eight cars were on display in all areas of Sleepy Hollow. The neighborhood response was more than we expected! Lots of great feedback It was a family event for some, and others a great way to spend Saturday. Some of the car owners took a cruise down and back on 4th Street in San Rafael after the show ended. A great way to wrap up the event.

A special thanks to Rob Kerson for the idea and help getting the car owners rounded up. We hope to do this again next year!

The Goats Are Baaaack continued from page five

you have no cell phone coverage of the power is shut off. As shelter in place orders are lifted, we will begin distribution of the radios to each residence through our block captains. It is necessary to provide some information about programming and proper use, so we cannot simply drop off the radios. Our block captains will keep you updated about the program schedule.

FIRESafe MARIN is launching a new online educa-

tional series starting on Tuesday, July 28. The zoom format will be more like a television show with guest speakers, educational videos, and an opportunity for participants who have logged on to ask questions of the speakers. Check out the FIRESafe MARIN website for details and subscribe to their newsletter. Please go to the FIRE-Safe MARIN channel on Youtube to view their latest educational videos on "Fire-Smart Landscaping," "Defensible Space - Zone 0," "Bio-Diversity and Pollinators in a Fire-Smart Garden," and "Vulnerability of Attached Decks to Wildfire."

DON'T START A FIRE!

Extreme fire danger conditions requiring **Red Flag Warnings** with road and park closures, drying vegetation, and the temptation to play with fire are putting us all at great risk. Please! Use extra caution to protect life and property: No fireworks, avoid tools or vehicles that could spark fire, and no open fires anywhere, grilling only in your yard on patio or other firesafe surface. Fireworks and open fires are not legal in Marin without special permit.

The goats, tree trimming, and our great first responders can only do so much. Fire prevention is up to everyone of us. Don't flick, strike or spark. Don't start a fire. - SHHA

PRIVATE TUTOR FIFTH GRADE – COLLEGE; PLUS SPANISH/ENGLISH TRANSLATOR

Longtime Sleepy Hollow resident, Nancy McInnes, is bi-lingual in Spanish and English, with a masters in Spanish, and a masters in Education. 25 years teaching experience. Tutors all subjects except math. Plus, tutors English as a 2nd language.

Call on Nancy for Spanish/English translation. Reasonable prices. Call Nancy McInnes 415-453-1978, nancymcinnes@comcast.net

WINDOWS, MAC, WIFI - SETUP, REPAIR, TUTORING

Dennis Crumbly, Sleepy Hollow native with 20+ years of experience in Apple & Microsoft software (as well as routers and printers) will help you:

- Repair unresponsive computers or programs
- Speed up computers slowed by

bloatware

- Fix wifi dead spots and poor Internet speed
- Move your files to a new computer
- Remove malware & viruses
- Set up protective backupsSolve problems caused by
- Solve problems caused by "updates"
- Advise on purchasing new devices
- Fix or connect printers and scanners
- Sync your mail, contacts & photos across tablets, phones & computers
- Answer all "How To" questions & teach new procedures

I'm especially good with older folks who need patient instruction! And my rate's very fair – only \$45/ hour! Contact **Dennis Crumley** at 415-706-7396 or <u>befixed@gmail.com</u>

GIRL FRIDAY/ HANDYWOMAN

Need help working through your to-do list? Girl Friday Louise Berto can organize your papers and files, help clear out your office, closets and/or garage, fix torn screens, sort, sell or ship your stuff, troubleshoot your computer/ internet/cable system (and teach you how to use your smart phone/ tablet), and program your garage and TV remotes. Licensed and bonded; local references. Energetic, empathetic help for troublesome tasks. Call Louise at 415-810-4704 (cell) or 415-460-1346 (evenings).

GET READY FOR THE SPRING SELLING MARKET NOW!!!

Let's discuss what prepping and staging you may need to do to your home now. I have an extensive list of professional tradesmen that do the job right and in a timely fashion. Call me for your complimentary home consultation today. Darlene Hanley, "Your Sleepy Hollow Specialist for over 30 years". Coldwell Banker Real Estate, Global Luxury Specialist (415) 454-7600 CalRE #00945576

DarHanley@comcast.net

SLEEPY HOLLOW REAL ESTATE

Resident real estate advisors with many years experience in selling Sleepy Hollow homes. Call for advice or with questions about the market and home values. **Peter & Karin Narodny**, Sotheby's International Realty, 415-847-4899, peter@marinrealestate.net . "We donate \$500 to the Sleepy Hollow fund for every neighborhood home that we sell." BRE #00708646

SMART, RELIABLE HANDYMAN

Les Ditson specializes in repair, restoration, and/or installation for people who want solutions more than remedies. A Sleepy Hollow resident himself, he has dozens of local clients and outstanding references. "My house works because of Les' work, and I have come to rely on his intelligence, honesty, problem-solving ability, and expertise as a craftsman. His results are beautiful, nothing

Classified Ad continued on back page

Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church

Teaching and Practicing Compassion and Love for Our Neighbors Home of the Justice Garden, Growing Organic Veggies for Families in Need Family Friendly Outdoor Service Sunday, July 12 at 9:30 a.m. with LOTS of music - Bring your own beach blanket or chairs. We'll continue to Zoom our services, so let Pastor Bev know if you would like an invite.





Top left: SHPC Children's Program Director Sydney West is DHS Salutatorian and Commencement Speaker

Top right: Thursday Food Box Ministry needs volunteer packers and drivers!

Left: SHPC Celebrates Our Graduates! Blessings to the Class of 2020 (from several schools and programs)!

The Rev. Bev Brewster, Pastor, 415-453-8221; 415-446-8267 cell Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church, 100 Tarry Road, San Anselmo, CA 94960 <u>www.sleepy</u> hollowchurch.org shpchurch@comcast.net



Congratulations Class of 2020





Sleepy Hollow Homes Association

1317 Butterfield Road San Anselmo, CA 94960 PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID San Rafael, CA Permit #163

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



JUNE 2020 ELECTRONIC • Info about the Sleepy Hollow Homes Association at www.shha.org



Little Mountain Preschool is a multi-age program, ages 3-5. Our hours are 9am-1pm with an early morning drop-off program. MORNING MONARCHS, 8-9am. AFTERNOON EXPLORERS, 1-2:30pm (optional and additional fee). Our yard is on three quarters of an acre! Children learn an appreciation for nature, discovering insects, animal tracks and more! We plant seasonal vegetables and fruit and eat what we plant. We ride bikes, run, climb hills, large rocks, a structure and slide on slides. We cook and have woodworking weekly. Daily, we engage in story time, fine motor and large motor activities, science, music, dramatic play and art activities. Our professional staff guides each chilo individually as needed and assists with building their confidence, social emotional skills and encourages them in all areas of curriculum with the challenges of critical thinking.

COME FOR A TOUR! Email or call: 415 847-8064 / 415 488-8018 admissions@littlemountainpreschool.org Visit our website: www.littlemountainpreschool.org Classified Ads continued on this page

slip-shod or flimsy, and he has saved me money on more than one occasion, making suggestions that are cheaper, simpler, and ultimately better looking than what I had envisioned. He is a gem." M.M., Fairfax. Les Ditson 415-497-0523

FREE! COMPOSTED HORSE MANURE

for mulching and soil amendment. Easy access; bring own shovel. Call the Bertos at 415-454-2923.

2020 ADVERTISING RATES (Member/Nonmember) Effective for 11 Bulletin Ads Starting January 1, 2020

AD SIZE		\$ PER ISSUE	\$ANNUAL PACKAGE
	¹ ⁄ ₄ page 3-11/16" x 4-5/8"	100/130	750/1000
	1/8 page 3-11/16" x 2-1/8"	50/65	375/525
	Classified	20/40	150/300
	Youth Classified	Free/15	Free/100

Printed (hard copy) Bulletin Issues: January, March, May, July, September, November/December.

Published on the website: every month

Only electronically: February, April, June, August, October