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SAVE THE DATE

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

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Heading up Butterfield with the sun peaking from behind the hills is like heading home in a movie set. When I drive through the Hollow and see neighbors walking dogs together, kids riding bikes, people standing at their mailbox catching up, the folks going in and out of the SHHA Community Center, it warms my heart. Living here is not just a location, it's an experience. One that we all contribute to. We've created a culture to be proud of where people and families thrive!

I highly encourage you to visit our website (SHHA.org), check out the "About Us" tab, and go to the "History" link. It's absolutely fascinating! There are a few historical pictures that take you back in time. This incredible history has been memorialized thanks to the late Audre LaBelle, Sleepy Hollow Historian.

Speaking of back in time, Sharon Adams, former SHHA President, received an old book donated by Kathy Anstey, called *Skillet Legends of Sleepy Hollow*. It's a community recipe book, published in 1952 by Elinor Holmes and Chloe Jones. It's featured in this bulletin so keep reading! What struck me most was the opening in which it describes what I strongly feel we have preserved over the test of time, "Truly a place that dreams are made of."

Mother Teresa said "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."

We are the ripples of those who have lived here before us, and for those who will join us in the future. I just had the pleasure of meeting the 9th president of SHHA (1957), Bill Riordan, and gratefully thanked him for his service. It sparked my interest to look at past presidents under the tab "About Us". I saw many names I knew! I'd like to extend a HUGE THANKS to each one of you that has served as president and on the board! It's an honor to serve the 833 homes in our bountiful community.

We ask that you contribute to the ripple so we can create a tidal wave of members. If you are a member, we thank you with all our hearts. If you aren't, please join us today at shha.org/membership. The goal is to

continue to build and maintain this dream that began so long ago.

RING 2023

If you'd like to do even more, please donate to the Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation (shha.org/donatenow). If someone in your household works for a corporation, check to see if they match your donation.

Our #1 priority as a board is YOU! Our goal is inclusion, diversity, social creativity and a lovely place to gather. The board works tirelessly to think how we can better serve our communities needs and desires. It's not a one size fits all, but we sure do strive for one size fits most! How do we broaden our reach to the families that have been here for decades and the new ones who've just arrived? It's an incredibly dynamic community, and we want to share the value of becoming a member.

There are exercise classes, Mom groups, cocktail mixology, crafting, games and gatherings. If you just want something to do occasionally, check out the events tab and see if there's a match for you.

For us to be sustainable, we rely on membership. When prospective buyers see the charm of our neighborhood, more and more people will seek to call this home, driving your property value higher and your personal satisfaction, too. Recently, I had a delivery person hand me my food and say "WOW, it's beautiful here!" We thank those of you who have already made the awesome commitment to join us. If you're reading this as a non-member, please consider joining, and be a part of the goodness right here, right now. We promise to serve and honor this great community regardless of your choice. But it sure would be nice to see more than 50% participation this year. Will you be a ripple for growth in 2023?

Hope to see you at the Spring Gala. It's becoming a marquee event and we are planning an amazing evening of food, wine and incredible auction items! Get ready to have fun!

Gina Singleton, SHHA President, SHCF Board Member



News & Notes from Supervisor Katie Rice

SHHA May 2023

PAVING AND PLANNING FOR PEOPLE

Heard from several Sleepy Hollow residents (and others) after reading a recent Marin IJ article entitled: "Marin to Factor Racial

Equity in Road Paving Plans." The article was triggered by a presentation provided during a Board budget workshop describing how County Public Works Department (DPW) will be applying an "equity lens" when assessing road maintenance needs.

Providing here a little more information as to what applying an "equity lens" or "using an equity tool" is meant in this context, and to assure folks, that the ultimate goal of the County roads program is to make sure the roads network throughout the County of Marin (unincorporated) are in good condition and well-maintained for whoever lives near them, or travels on them.

First off, a reminder, County DPW is responsible for non-Caltrans, publicly maintained roads in unincorporated Marin. Cities and towns take care of their own roads. And, with regards to county maintained roads, the average PCI (pavement condition index) from community to community is pretty on par. That's because over the past couple of decades, DPW's roads maintenance program has been data driven and democratic, incorporating objective criteria such as pavement condition, volume of traffic, collector vs. arterial, cost of treatment needed (eg. a simple slurry seal or re-construction) and doing that delicate budget balancing between costly reconstruction projects with more frequent maintenance on roads in better condition. Over the past decade, through infusion of millions in discretionary dollars into our annual roads budget, DPW has made progress bringing up the overall PCI – from poor to fair. So, obviously, more progress to be made, but progress none-the-less.

However, what DPW's analysis and workplan did not consider were data points relative to community/neighborhood

characteristics surrounding those roads - data points that might inform a suite of mobility infrastructure needs of a community in addition to just a pavement treatment.

To be clear, while DPWs approach to roads maintenance has been more egalitarian in recent years, going back a few decades, roads budgeting was more likely to be influenced by political points than data points. Back in the day, equity meant every supervisorial district received an equal share; and within each district, squeaky wheels, likely did get more grease. And definitely, the condition for cars traveling through a community were the focus and priority, not the path of travel (walk, bike, or drive) for the people living there.

By adding an "equity lens" ("community indicators") to its roads infrastructure assessment and work plan development, DPW will be incorporating community demographic datapoints. (eg. population density, age, disability data, dependence on transit, paths of travel to services and regional corridors, etc.) In other words, DPW will make a holistic assessment of a community's transportation infrastructure towards supporting the specific needs of that community, including, but not exclusive to, the roads serving the community. And with that information, where needs are identified (beyond pavement treatment), prioritize those improvements and devise a plan to fund them.

Adding community demographics (a.k.a. equity indicators) to how we assess roadway and community transportation needs will not replace PCI for how roads are evaluated and prioritized for repair and maintenance, nor delay our progress in raising average PCI across the county. But it will ensure a more holistic, data driven analysis driving a work plan that incorporates the broader mobility needs of the people, in addition to taking care of the cars.

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 and 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 eve out for the announcements and sign up!

Join us each month!

MAY Sound Bath & Meditation in honor of Mother's Day. Date TBD.

JUNE Band, Beer, Brats & Bros in honor of Father's Day. Date TBD.

Not a member? Join/Renew RIGHT NOW! shha.org/membership or scan QR code on page 6.

Water Supply Update and Proposed Rate Increases

For more than a year now, Marin Water has been heavily engaged in a Supplemental Water Supply Assessment (SWSA) with the assistance of Jacobs Engineering, a nationally recognized water engineering firm. This study was in direct response to the water crisis we recently experienced and focused on options for the district to increase our available supply of water. In February, the Board of Directors approved a list of options that, if implemented, will provide a significant amount of new water. Addressing the need to enhance our water supply has been the most important issue for the board. Ensuring progress is made on adopted options for new sources of water has helped to shape our rate proposal process.

To ensure our water supply will adequately meet Marin's current and future needs, multiple supply options were approved using a phased in approach. This improves our resiliency and reduces failure points that can significantly impact our ability to provide water should one fail. Increasing redundancy in our water delivery system and increasing its resiliency continue to be of importance for me. Using a phased in approach for new water, the district has identified short, medium, and long term solutions based on expected timelines for implementation. We expect to realize a ~5% increase in supply within the next four years from the short term solutions. Funding is allocated in the current rate proposal and implementation is expected to begin in July.

While the SWSA was a detailed and exhaustive process, it was not intended to completely identify the feasibility of implementing the identified water supply options. This expectation came as a surprise to many, but in reality, the medium and long term solutions are more complex and we have to understand all aspects of moving forward with them before doing so. The only way to do so is through further studies. This is not ideal, but something we cannot avoid. The risk of not performing all the due diligence we can is too high. Understanding this, the current rate proposal provides monies to complete the additional studies as well as create a new reserve account to save for implementation costs and bonding requirements. These medium and long term solutions include: increasing our ability to obtain water from Sonoma County, increasing our local storage capacity, regional desalination, and enhancing recycled water distribution. Combined, these options have the potential to produce more than 20,000 acre feet of new supply. As a point of clarification, the district is prohibited from spending funds on implementation of desalination without voter approval.



To implement these new projects, our current rates were analyzed to determine what we can support today. The answer was clear. We cannot fund any of these options within our current budget. In fact, our current budget is unable to address an overwhelming backlog of capital improvement projects

that are essential to our ability to deliver water. This backlog includes pipe replacement, tank maintenance and replacement, pump station maintenance and replacement, and watershed management. The last category is something I am deeply involved with, specifically focusing on the reduction of risk from wildfire in a way that respects environmental and ecological aspects of the watershed. Our proposed rate increase allocates 25% more funding to address our wildfire risk, monies that we hope to leverage through partnerships with other agencies in Marin with similar risks from fire.

The proposed rate increase is significant and one that the current board did not propose without extensive research and



deliberation. I can personally say that as a newly elected board member, the last thing I wanted to lead with is a significant rate increase. The reality is, I would not be acting responsibly if I did not support a budget that addresses many of the risks we face as a district. Rates over the past two decades have not supported infrastructure maintenance and replacement at a rate that was needed. Combine this with inflation and drought, the district has been losing ~\$1 million per month. We need additional revenue to catch up on deferred maintenance that has been, and will continue to, cost us more the longer we wait. This proposed rate increase is a well thought out investment in our water system and what it will take to ensure our ability to continue delivering high quality water for all of our customers.

Throughout the rate setting process, I wanted to make sure that we encourage conservation efforts and acknowledge those customers who did their part during our most recent drought. I hear the concerns about asking people to conserve, losing water revenue, and then charging more in water sales to make up the difference. To help address this, the current rate increase is the least impactful for our lowest water users. Additionally, we have increased funding for all of our conservation incentives. MMWD continues to offer a very generous rate assistance program for low income households.

On May 15 at 6:30 p.m. we will have a zoom specifically for Sleepy Hollow community members to be briefed and have their questions answered regarding the water rate proposals. Sign up at bit.ly/SleepyHollowWater.

On May 16th at 6:30 p.m., the district will be holding our Public Hearing for Proposed Rates. This meeting is both in person and virtual. I strongly encourage public participation and look forward to meaningful dialog surrounding this topic. For updated information on the rate process, please visit: www.marinwater. org/2023RateSetting.

Matt Samson, Division 1 Director, Marin Municipal Water District

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In Memoriam



Sandra Joy grew up in rural Nebraska, but when only 21, she moved to Marin County where she lived for the rest of her life. Sandra was married to Bob Davisson from 1968 through 1978. After marrying Bob, she completed her bachelor's degree at San Francisco State. In 1984, Sandra met Fred Fisk. They were married on December 10, 1988. He has been her steadfast life partner.

He says she was the most wonderful, gracious, loving and happiest person – the best thing that ever happened to him. Sandra enriched the Fisk family with her graceful traditions of unhurried storytelling, lovingly prepared meals and festive celebrations. An active and athletic woman, Sandra participated in the Marin Cyclists and raced sailboats out of the Sausalito Yacht Club. She ran the Bay to Breakers and Bridge to Bridge races. A member of the Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club, she played tennis for 40 years.

A massage therapist for 30 years, Sandra worked at the Mt. Tam Racquet Club and had her own therapeutic massage business. She kindly and skillfully tended to her own health as she helped others. Sandra created the photography firm, Fisk Photography (www.Fiskfoto.com). Using her artist's eye, she photographed weddings and events and took portraits, giving others the gift of memories. Her photograph was on the last printed version of the Sleepy Hollow Directory.

Sandra is survived by her beloved husband Fredrick Blake Fisk, sisters Marion Kay Smith Lhotak (Jack) and Sally Jean Smith Israili (Zafar), their children and grandchildren. She will be deeply missed by all who loved her, including Fred's family members Russ, Gloria, Scott, Shannon, Mike, and Tracy. Her photograph was on the last printed version of the Sleepy Hollow Directory. Her full obituary is available here: www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/marinij/name/sandra-fisk-obituary?id=50174460



The Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation is proud to present the first ever SLEEPY HOLLOW SPRING GALA AND AUCTION Sleepy Hollow Community Center on May 13, 2023 at 5 p. m.

Buy Tickets Today www.shha.org/springgala2023

We've had a lot of interest in this event and we want to answer a few of the common questions we have been receiving.

- EPIC DINNER will be served. In fact, we've hired celebrity Chef Ryan Scott to cater the event. You may have seen him on TV or listen to his podcast.
- SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION hosted by Damon Bruce, long time Bay Area sports radio personality.
- FABULOUS AUCTION ITEMS! Tahoe and Cape Cod vacation homes, hotel stay
 at Dillon Beach, multiple golf rounds at Meadow Club and Olympic Club, Marin
 and San Francisco restaurant gift certificates, fine wine donations from local
 residents and Wine Hooligans, ping pong lessons, chili cookout at your home by
 cooking team Chili Kai, and a local sports fishing boating trip on the Bass Tub,
 and more being added every week.
- · TICKETS ON SALE NOW!
- · This is an OPEN BAR event for adults over 21.

All 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, including play area elements. For more information on the current project visit here: www.shha.org/CommunityCenter.

Reflections on a Career at San Domenico



After 25 years, and much consideration, I am retiring from San Domenico this June. The decision was not easy, as I love our school; yet I know that it is time for me to move on to my next chapter.

From guiding our leadership team in creating a coed high school, to

expanding our athletic program and nurturing our arts offerings, I have been proud to support our faculty in building award-winning programs. Even during a world-changing pandemic, together we kept our school not just open, but thriving.

I have also cherished being a part of the larger Sleepy Hollow community.

My family moved to Sleepy Hollow in the 1960s, so I grew up here, and I have enjoyed partnering with the Sleepy Hollow Homes Association, the Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club, and more recently, Mark Anderson Aquatics, to maintain a robust relationship between our school and the larger Sleepy Hollow community.

Now, as I contemplate my future away from 1500 Butterfield Road, I am reminded of a quote one of our students shared with me years ago: "Don't cry because it is over; smile because it happened."

Cecily Stock, Head of School

Membership and Playground Construction Update

As your email inbox has no doubt let you know, the 2023-24 membership year is underway! So far, renewals and new memberships are lagging behind last year's pace with 332 Sleepy Hollow households signed up to date (vs. 363 year-over-year) and 154 non-resident "Friends of Sleepy Hollow" members (vs. 189 year-over-year). While this may be to some extent caused by the less than ideal weather that we experienced through the end of March, we at Membership will redouble our efforts to follow up with lapsed members and new residents who have forgotten, or do not yet know, how important robust membership is to the SHHA's ability to host events, improve our Community Center, and feel supported in our mission to benefit our community. If you have not yet renewed, please do so I can stop sending you reminder emails!



Bringing a replacement play area to the Community Center has been a high priority for the SHHA and Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation. I am pleased to announce that as of April 24, the SHCF voted unanimously to approve a playground plan created by Community Center designer Jessica Fairchild in consultation with Board members Luke Argilla, Jan Blackford, Kai Broms, and your author. The concept, which we believe will deliver years of enjoyment for the younger set while preserving lawn space for swim meets, socials, and other functions, will be unveiled at the upcoming Sleepy Hollow Spring Gala and also online at SHHA.org. Depending on production and delivery times, we hope to break ground by the end of May.

Pete Mayer, SHHA Membership Chair



Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church

Home of the Justice Garden and the Farm Stand - We Grow Organic Veggies to Feed the Hungry

All are welcome Sundays at 9:30 a.m. for music, inspiration, and friendship in our renovated indoor-outdoor sanctuary.

- Join the Justice Garden Team and help us grow food for hunger relief! All ages welcome.
- **Sing with our Choir**: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday mornings. Teens welcome.
- Children's Program: Sunday mornings. Stories, art, and games teaching respect, kindness, sharing, and planet care.
- Tween Time with Olivia: Twice monthly. Game Night first Fridays, and Teen community service opportunities.
- Music Lessons and Laughs with Director of Music Alex Walker: Guitar, piano, drums, saxophone, voice.
 Sunday afternoons at the church.
 Contact alexwalker.walker@gmail.com

Contact Pastor Bev if you would like to get to know more about the church, or for a zoom worship invite: beverlybrewster@comcast.net.

The Rev. Bev Brewster, Pastor 415.453.8221, 415.446.8267 (cell) 100 Tarry Road, San Anselmo, CA 94960 shpchurch@comcast.net www.sleepyhollowchurch.org



SHPC Youth Band sings Happy 100th Birthday to long time Sleepy Hollow resident Wil Swalberg

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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: May 10.

Spring Gala & Auction: May 13.

SHHA Wellness Sponsored by Zamira Solari Realtor: May TBD.

Craft Cocktail Cabal: 3rd Thursdays of the month.

Mini Yoga Retreat with Kari: June 4.

Summer Social Kick Off: BBO & Music! May 28

Parade, BBQ & Live Music! Jul 4.

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

NEW OFFERING! Agua Fitness

with Sarah: Sundays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. (no class on the first Sunday of the month).

Teen Yoga and Mindfulness Sample Class: May 8.

Body Sculpting with Catherine: Mondays 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Cardio & Strength - RIPPED with Aya: Tuesdays 8:35 - 9:35 a.m.

Gentle Yoga with Kari:

Tuesdays 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Cardio & Strength COMBO with Aya: Wednesdays 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Cardio & Weights BURN with Aya: Thursdays 8:35 - 9:35 a.m.

Body Sculpting with Catherine: Mondays 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

KID'S CORNER

Stay Tuned for Summer Hip Hop Camp: Stay Tuned for Spring Registration!

Monthly Kids Movie & Parents' Night Out: Boy Scout Fundraiser. May TBD.



Visit shha.org/upcomingevents or scan the QR code above for the latest info and to register.

> Please contact Aya at shhaevents@gmail.com.

Classifieds & Kudos

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.

Spencer and Jenn Adam's would like to shoutout Katie Murphy for picking up their mail while they were on vacation. Thank you!!

Gina would like to thank her Van Winkle neighbors who employed her 10 yo daughter and her friends for 30 minutes to walk their dogs: Daisy, Vinny and Gus. She'd also like to thank her neighbor Tracy who hired them to help pull weeds. They were very excited to earn their own money and so was she.

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

REDUZCA LA VELOCIDAD, **SLOW DOWN, GIRE CON SEGURIDAD TURN SAFELY** Más de 200 Over 200 people personas mueren o son heridas are injured or killed anualmente en in Marin each year Marín debido a from unsafe turns. giros inseguros. **Eyes Up, Marin** Ojos Arriba, Marin Street Smarts Marin is a program of The Smarts Marin is a program of Smart



Pool Season is About to Begin

Come celebrate the opening of the pool at the Sleepy Hollow Community Center with the Summer Kick-off Social, Sunday May 28. There will be music, barbecue, and more. Pool members will receive a free drink coupon for each family member.

If you haven't already purchased your pool membership, now is the time! shha.org/ membership

The pool is fully staffed with local Red Cross certified lifequards and the snack bar will be handled by our younger Sleepy Hollow kids.

View the Pool Usage Calendar on our website for hours and to see all the great ways our community benefits from the Community Center pool. Updates will be posted there. shha.org/page-18158

2023 POOL HOURS

Weekends and Holidays, May 27 - September 4*

Weekdays June 9 - August 21*

Saturdays 12 noon - 8:00 p.m.

Sundays 12 noon - 7:00 p.m.

Holidays 12 noon - 7:00 p.m

Weekdays 12 noon - 8:00 p.m., except June 9 - June 2, 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Snack Bar open daily.

12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.

LAP SWIM

2 lanes available during all family swim hours, except July 4th.

Lanes may be removed between 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Guard discretion based on pool conditions.

Pre Season Adult Lap Swim March 20 -May 26**

Weekdays 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.

Sundays 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Post Season Adult Lap Swim September 5 - October 27, Schedule TBD.

Weekday afternoons thru September 1. Weekends through October 29.

Adults interested in being Red Cross certified to lifeguard, contact us about class availability. sleepyhollowpool@ gmail.com.

- *Subject to Guard availability, we will work to have the pool open.
- **Subject to cooperative monitoring.



Sea Lion Update

The Sleepy Hollow Swim Team Season has begun!

Our community's children are working hard, practicing daily, and now finally enjoying some sun.

Please use extra caution when driving on Butterfield past the Community Center every afternoon starting at 3:30 p.m.

The Sea Lions are hosting home meets at the pool on April 29, May 6, and May 20. Expect to hear the familiar sounds of flip turn splashes and race starts, signaling that summer is around the corner. Thank you to our Sleepy Hollow community for supporting the Swim Team! The community is invited to come cheer on our swimmers.



Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club

The Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club is off to another great year and invites you to join to play and connect with your neighbors! We offer six recently resurfaced courts (at San Domenico). Members enjoy a great way to sharpen their game, meet new people and stay fit. We have men's and women's drop-in doubles every Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and pick up games can be arranged anytime (based on court availability). Our club pro, Rob Jessen, offers lessons just about anytime. We enjoy two annual mixed double tournaments with a dinner that evening and tend bar at the Sleepy Hollow 4th of July picnic. Hit some balls with your neighbors: www.sleepyhollowtennis.org.





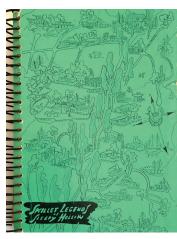
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Thank you to Kathy Anstey who found in her garage Skillet Legends of Sleepy Hollow - a community recipe book published in 1952 by Elinor Holmes and Chloe Jones.

We hope you enjoy its retro recipes, and that it inspires some Mother's Day cookina!

Please share photos of what you bake with carolinebruister@gmail.com for a chance to be featured. We will feature more recipes in the next bulletin.







Once upon a time, a typical California valley lay sleeping

in the sun.

Great oaks made dark
green accents against the
creamy coffee colored hills;
black and white cows munched
in peace upon the flat lands.

Down the middle; twisting around the giant Eucalyptus, flowing between rows of stately

flowing between rows of stately
Poplars, dedying past the great
barns, wound Butterfield Rood.
Truly a place that dreams
are made of.
Into this valley came the
dreamers. As they roamed the
hills and looked out over the
valley, imagination filled the
land with homes, gardens, horseback riders, laughing children, dogs off on a chase for agreat Byck.

The valley filled with people, unusual people. They were all "Do'ers."

A dreamer; one, with his eyes half closed, soft smile shining on his face, a pipe between his lips; let his.

between his lips; let his imagination slip aloud among his neighbors.

Suddenly a down snotched an idea on the fly; a shout of glad challenge and down the land he went marshalling forces; sharpening teels, gathering materials and so the dream become a reality.

Children shout round or

Children shout round a new school, a community pool glistens in the sunlight, a club house takes shape beside the barns and hence this book.

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