



# Sleepy Hollow Bulletin



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## NOV/DEC PRESIDENT'S LETTER

### Happy Holidays and Giving Thanks!

If you know a SHHA or SHCF board member, please reach out say Thank you and Happy Holidays! On behalf of the SHHA and SHCF, I would like to wish everyone in our special community of Sleepy Hollow - Happy Holidays!

It's great to see neighbors decorating their yards and the holiday spirit beginning to emerge in our neighborhoods. Although this year's holidays will be different than years past, we all have a lot to be thankful for.

Sometimes it's tough to take a moment to express how thankful we are for life's blessings. All too often, there are never enough minutes in the day for all of our obligations, from family and friends to work—the list can be daunting. Add in additional stress—jobs, holidays, —and the list of to-dos can quickly become overwhelming. And this year, we've had more than our fair share of stress.

When we are faced with those "I can't" moments, it can be nice to take a few quiet minutes away from the chaos to reflect on the many things you have to be grateful for. According to experts, expressing gratitude can help relationships, improve your outlook, and even lower your blood pressure and keep you from getting sick. For your health alone, it's well worth spending a few minutes a day focusing on giving thanks.

I am extremely grateful and thankful for the SHHA and SHCF board members and the many hours they have given this year to our community. Despite the unprecedented challenges we all have faced, I am proud of the many things that we have accomplished together for Sleepy Hollow residents.

On January 21st, we will host our annual SHHA Board meeting, review 2020 and set the stage for 2021. If you know a SHHA or SHCF board member, please reach out say Thank you and Happy Holidays!

### Mobile Network Expansion Update

Thank you to everyone who tuned in to the Cellular Service and Communications Town Hall on November 18. The event drew nearly 250 attendees and included presentations from Supervisor Katie Rice, San Domenico School chief financial officer David Wise, SHHA board members David Baker and Pete Mayer, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection Board member Rich Shortall, and Ross Valley Fire Department Battalion Chief Dan Mahoney.

Among the topics discussed were the circumstances surrounding the fatal fire on Dutch Valley Road, Marin County's process for reviewing and approving new mobile network installations, the status of an agreement between San Domenico and Verizon Wireless for a tower installation on the San Domenico campus and likely timeline for installation once an agreement is reached and a

permit application is submitted to the county, a history of the Homes Association's effort to bring mobile service to the Hollow, and what the Sleepy Hollow community can do going forward to aid in those efforts. A link to the recording of the meeting will be posted on shha.org in the Mobile Service In Sleepy Hollow tab under the "Safety" link on the upper right hand corner, which also includes FAQs about the proposed project.

While there are important aspects of the tower installation that are not within the control of the Homes Association, chiefly the agreement between San Domenico and Verizon and also the permitting and construction timelines, we are committed to exerting the influence we have to resolve what many in the community see as a genuine public safety issue.

It is critical, in order for any mobile network expansion to go forward in the Hollow, that Sleepy Hollow residents come out in favor and in force and make their voices heard. To that end, the SHHA mailed each household in the Hollow a survey asking whether or not a mobile installation should be pursued. A bit more than half of all Hollow households have responded to date, with 98.8% of respondents replying in favor of bringing a reliable cellular signal to the Hollow.

If you missed the mailer and would like to participate, please contact the SHHA at [sleepyhollowmobile@gmail.com](mailto:sleepyhollowmobile@gmail.com) please include your name(s) and home address, and a copy will be sent to you.

### Community Center Update

Walk by the Community Center renovation in progress, check out photos of work at [shha.org](http://shha.org), and let us know if you would like an inside look. Framing and electrical and plumbing rough-in are almost complete. You will see actual spaces and where the windows and doors will be, switches and outlets placed. Roofs framed, with new insulation, gutters installed, and new shingles going up. Temporary protection from weather will allow sheet rocking to begin and other interior finish work to progress prior to delivery of the windows and glazed doors.

Your new gifts before this year end can still allow some acceleration of permitted features, and giving in 2021 can enable locker rooms and outdoor showers to be completed during winter '21-'22. We welcome "handy people" able to help with finish carpentry, restoring the glass sliders for use between the new library and the Founders Room, setting tile, painting, or more. What's in your tool kit?

Most of all, look forward to activity and fun next year as Sleepy Hollow celebrates its 75th anniversary!



## News & Notes from Supervisor Katie Rice

### Thank You...

First of all, thank you to the 150-plus of you who have contacted me regarding phone and cell service in the Hollow. Also, to the nearly 250 folks who tuned into the SHHA hosted Telecommunications Town Hall on Nov. 18. Since the Town Hall, I have had meetings with representatives from Verizon Wireless, and also with Senator Mike McGuire whom I am working with on the back-up power issue, critical to ensuring that whatever telecom systems are serving a community, continue to do so during a PSPS or other power loss.

SHHA and I will keep you updated as we work together to address this critical public safety issue. Please know that the problem is not limited to Sleepy Hollow. The lack of reliable cell service, and/or failure of "land lines" during power outages is an issue for most of Marin County. Hence, not only is this a priority issue for me working on your behalf, but one the County has prioritized. Stay tuned for updates, and in the meantime, be sure and always have an am/fm battery powered radio at home, sign up for emergency messaging through [www.alertmarin.org](http://www.alertmarin.org), and make sure your new NOAA radio is on and activated per the instructions provided by Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District.

### COVID Update: New Stay-Home Order Dec 8

As you may have already learned, Governor Newsom issued new public health orders on December 4 including a Regional Stay Home Order which is based on a region's hospital Intensive Care Unit (ICU) status. Currently, available ICU capacity in the Bay Area region is 25.4 percent. But we are on track to reach the Order's 15 percent threshold by mid-December.

Given the case rate and hospitalization trends we are seeing here in Marin and around the Bay Area, the Health Officers for the Counties Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, and Santa Clara as well as the City of Berkeley have decided to jointly implement the State's Regional Stay-Home Order beginning Sunday December 6. Marin County will adopt the Order Tuesday, December 8. The new restrictions will remain in place for at least three weeks. The new order requires residents to stay at

### A Fire Adaptive Community

*By the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District*

The Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District (SHFPD) has approved 53 grant applications for removal of hazardous plant material. The total amount approved for the grants is \$124,575. Most of the grants were for removal of juniper and bamboo. We are very pleased with the amount of work that has been accomplished. The grant application period will close on December 30, 2020. Our Board will consider implementing a new grant program next fiscal year when Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority funding becomes available.

As residents of Sleepy Hollow, we have all chosen to live with the risk of wildfire. To live better with fire, we need to adapt to fire. That's where the concept of fire adapted communities comes into play. Local people learning and working together is the foundation of fire adaptation. Learning and working together builds community capacity and resilience. The SHFPD strongly encourages all of our residents to become better educated about wildfire, take action to harden your homes and create defensible space. We recommend that you join the FIREsafe MARIN monthly webinars, visit their website and checkout the content on their youtube channel to learn more about how to protect your family and home from the threat of wildfire.

Here is a description from Wikipedia that describes a fire adaptive community and aligns with the strategic goals of our Fire District:

Achieving fire-adapted communities is an approach that concentrates on plans and activities that reduce risk before a wildfire occurs. It does not rely on government agencies, through suppression activities, to protect

home as much as possible and to minimize mixing to reduce unnecessary exposure. It allows residents to take care of important things like doctor visits, grocery shopping, dining out via pick-up/take out, retail at minimum capacity (25%), the all-important pursuit of health and wellbeing through the great-out-of-doors, gather for worship (or protest) as long as outdoors and with masks

communities after a wildfire starts. While a precise definition may not exist, a fire-adapted community has a combination or mixture of similar characteristics:

The community exists within or adjacent to a fire-prone ecosystem and has a defined geographic boundary.

Residents possess the knowledge, skills, and willingness to properly prepare their homes before a wildfire threatens, prepare to evacuate, and safely evacuate when necessary.

Local fire suppression forces have the adequate skills, equipment and capacity to manage wildfire.

Residents and the local fire agencies have met and understood the local fire suppression capability and related fire-response expectations.

Landowners are aware of fuel threats on their property and have taken action to mitigate the danger.

Structures and landscaping are designed, constructed, retrofitted, and maintained in a manner that is ignition-resistant.

A community wildfire protection plan is developed and implemented.

The community has embraced the need for defensible space by creating fuel reduction zones and internal safety zones, where treatments have been properly spaced, sequenced, and maintained over the long term.

Local government has effective land use planning and regulation, including building codes and local ordinances.

Property owners have an understanding of their responsibilities before, during and after a fire.

Public expectations are realistic and not based on reliance of government to provide all answers. Individuals accept personal responsibility for their property. The public understands that fire authorities cannot provide protection for every structure affected during a wildfire; and understands that it is dangerous for firefighters to attempt to protect a structure where owners have not taken the appropriate measures to make it defensible.

and distancing. Also, K-12 schools that are already open can remain open and retailers can operate indoors at no more than 20 percent capacity to reduce exposure risk. COVID restrictions to date have had a devastating impact on many of our local businesses and restaurants. Please help them

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## SHHA Board Meeting Minutes November 5, 2020

President Scott Hintergardt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. via zoom. Attending were: Spencer Adams, Aya Andrews, David Baker, Jan Blackford, Pete Mayer, Hayley Mullen, Lauren Thornhill, Gina Singleton, and Matt Testa.

### Cell Service Improvements and Emergency

**Response** Pete, David, Scott, and Aya reported that since the fire in which Jeanne Kinney died in her Dutch Valley home during the Public Power Safety Shutoff has been swift and adamant that improved emergency communication, especially cell service must be improved in Sleepy Hollow. The SHHA team that has been working steadily to attract interested carriers and to build partnerships with stakeholders including San Domenico School, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District and Ross Valley Fire Department, Supervisor Rice's office, and Triple C Ranch, is almost ready to execute three actions: 1) SHHA host a webinar for the community with Katie Rice and a panel of San Domenico School, SHFPD, and, if possible, Verizon. November 18 has been set as a tentative date. Contract negotiations between Verizon and San Domenico will influence the extent to which Verizon will be able to share details. Attendees will be able to ask questions of panelists for answer during the webinar or in follow-up. 2) Immediately send a survey of cell phone interest to all residences in Sleepy Hollow. This will help document to carriers and the County the extent of interest in improved cell service. 3) Be prepared to follow the card survey with a door to door survey/petition as need to provide broader measure and extent of support or opposition.

Some residents are not current with the progress made, aware of the likely timetables for approvals, aware of options to improve emergency communication in the shorter term, why land lines don't always work, etc. Pete will prepare a FAQ for the website and the Bulletin will carry informative articles, including from Katie Rice and the SHFPD.

Gina agreed to look into the potential for emergency call boxes that might be installed.

**Ground Breaking Webinar Follow Up** More than 70 residences logged on to the webinar and saw and heard about the interior and exterior design, construction progress, budgets and funding, what is in the Funded Project, and what is in Phase 2, and how some items in Phase 2 could be accelerated with new gifts this year. Full fundraising for Phase 2 will be in 2021. Occupancy is planned for summer 2021, with the pool and locker rooms open for Swim Team season, and the building open for the family swim season. The SHFPD announced it will sponsor a demonstration garden at the site to model fire resident landscaping suitable for residential. SHFPD will work with a landscape architect to develop plans, and we will welcome volunteers to help with planting.

A series of "Deeper Dives" (as if we had break out groups or tables for a closer look at the project and how to get involved) are underway. Kai Broms is creating a template for teams to use to begin to build out the information so it is accessible to the community. Topics include History & Process, Budget & Funding, Operations & Activities, Landscape, Play/Fitness Area, Design, and Construction. One of the areas to discuss and resolve is how

## Did You Know...

As 2020 comes to a close, I reflect on what is important and meaningful: home, family, neighborhood, and community rise to the top of the list. Being a part of this very special community has helped me to navigate this unknown and, at times, unsettling year.

With interest rates historically low and buyer demand high, business has not slowed down.

In the meantime, here are the stats for homes in Sleepy Hollow from November:

- 4 ACTIVE – 2 came on in October and 2 came on in Nov.
- 2 PENDING
- 6 SOLD – All except 1 closed in October; 1 closed in Nov.
- 3 Withdrawn from the market – possibly waiting for spring



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to offer strong value to the entire community, such as through open events, emergency services, education, civic meetings, etc., and how to offer some features for members either at a discount or as included in the membership fee. Membership fees, separate charges for events, rentals, etc., will be a topic of the December meeting.

Follow up emails will go out encouraging residents to watch the webinar recording, see the full slide deck, view FAQs, and check out the Deeper Dives. We will encourage early giving for those who are ready, which could enable early completion of such features as the emergency supplies storage building (CERT storage), the play/fitness area, the acoustic partition between the Legends and Founders Rooms, outdoor fireplace, and outdoor covered dining area. The centerpiece and priority of Phase 2 is the renovation of the locker rooms/bathrooms and installation of outdoor showers.

**Logo Survey and Project Update** Aya and Spencer reported 121 responses. Responses evoked feelings of Sleepy Hollow as both a special place and a special feeling. Some highlights from the survey questions: Words that represent the hollow, what do you love, what do you tell your friends, what hopes do you have and how do you make it better? Community, Family, Nature/open space, Friends. The committee is meeting with Christina Minutoli who will create designs to reflect Sleepy Hollow's meaning to residents. The Board will review the designs and how well they tell the story of Sleepy Hollow.

Last survey question "how to make it better" is providing great information for us to use moving forward with activities at the Community

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Back to School and Social Distancing at Hidden Valley!

## Winter Storm Preparation

Just a reminder that we still have a lot more winter weather ahead of us – rain, storms and potential flooding. Please take the time to read below and make sure that you are prepared!

**Sign Up for Emergency Alerts:** Register to receive emergency alerts sent from the County of Marin by phone, text, email, or even an app on a smart phone. Emergency officials use the Alert Marin System to deliver incident-specific information or potentially life-saving instructions to the precise geographic area(s) affected. Register at [www.AlertMarin.org](http://www.AlertMarin.org) and also sign up for Nixle texts at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).

**Inspect/Clear all drainage areas:** Inspect drainage areas on your property (e.g. roof gutters, drain inlets, downspouts, pipes, drainage ditches) and clear your “watercourse.” Yard waste, broken branches, overgrown foliage, even leaves in drainage ditches, gutters can block storm drains and can cause localized flooding, affecting a down-street or down-stream neighbor, even if it doesn’t affect you.

**Be Prepared for Flooding:** Use sand bags in areas known for

flooding on your property – Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District will have a sandbag station set up at the clubhouse during the rainy season for your use; Move vehicles to higher ground if in flood prone area; Move valuable possessions to the upper floors in your residence or business, if your property is subject to flooding; Secure outdoor furniture and other loose items to keep them from being blown away or carried by flood waters.

**Additional Preparations:** Make a family emergency plan, visit [www.ready.gov/make-a-plan](http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan); Create a safety kit with drinking water, canned food, first aid supplies, blankets, radio flashlight and batteries; Check with elderly neighbors to see if they need any assistance with storm preparations.

**During the Storm:** Tune to local radio or television stations for emergency information and stay in place. If you must go out, avoid areas that are subject to flooding - do not drive through or walk through flooded areas - water as low as 6 inches deep can cause you to be swept away by strong currents. Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District Block Captains are in the process of distributing National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radios to each home at no cost to District residents. The radios are pre-programmed to receive AlertMarin warnings for large-scale events. Please refer to the SHFPD article in the September Bulletin for a full description of how these specialized radios work.

**Important Phone Numbers:** Emergency – 911;  
 County of Marin Sheriff – 415-479-2311 (Non-Emergency);  
 Pacific Gas & Electric – 1-800-743-5000  
 Useful Resources/Website - <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/> (current warnings, watches, forecasts);  
<http://www.rossvalleyfire.org/services/creek-levels-weather> (creek levels and flooding information);  
[www.rossvalleywatershed.org](http://www.rossvalleywatershed.org) (info on flood program, flood preparation) — *Sleepy Hollow Creek Committee*

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Stay healthy and well!

## MMWD: Critical Work Continues

Jack Gibson, Marin Water Board President, November 22, 2020

You may have read in the Marin IJ last week that the Water District has, for the second time, delayed the previously scheduled and approved water rate and fee hike. Those increases, which were scheduled for last July and previously postponed to this coming January, have again been postponed, this time to April 2021. The ratepayers' need for that postponement is obvious in the face of the Corona-Virus impact on our local economy. But, for the water district that lost fee income, even though it is only delayed, does result in a negative impact on the water district.

That income is intended to bolster the capital maintenance projects. The uninterrupted flow of service and treated drinking water, which is the commitment of the water district, requires an uninterrupted stream of restoration, repair and system upgrades. Some projects will be slowed down, and even interrupted, but the district will continue to maintain its commitments to the Marin community.

Although, some projects will be delayed and rescheduled, it is important to remind the public that many vital projects will continue uninterrupted. The Mount Tamalpais watershed, with its dual peaks serving as the iconic symbol of the water district, makes Marin Water unique among regional water districts. The maintenance of that watershed is a responsibly shouldered by the district and that task consumes a large part of the annual district budget.

In October 2019, the district board of directors approved the 216 page Bio-



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diversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan (commonly called the BFFIP). It is a continuous long-range plan which sets out 27 management actions designed to achieve multiple watershed management goals. The BFFIP includes goals relating to preservation and enhancement of significant biological watershed resources, native species, and most importantly fuel breaks and fuel reduction to protect against risks of wildfires.

The plan applies a tailored approach, dividing the watershed into numerous zones with different goals, approaches, and management actions for each of the zones. But fuel reduction, which sits at the center of the defense against wildfires, is at the heart of the BFFIP. All of that effort consumes millions of dollars each year, and is a constant budgetary requirement. At a water district board meeting last week, the board awarded a two-year fuel reduction and restoration contract in the amount of \$1,399,875. The contract, one of several devoted to the BFFIP work, will continue to support the fuel reduction work on the watershed, and necessary fuelbreak maintenance. That contract was awarded on the same night the board of directors approved postponing the scheduled rate and fee increase – tightening the belt even more.

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Center and budget priorities. Most mentioned "wishes" were: More events, more Safety, less Traffic.

**Nominating Committee and Process Timeline.** Scott will chair the committee with Jan and Spencer and David, and all board members encouraged to approach candidates who may be interested in getting involved, either on the Board on projects. We will announce the slate in the November/December Bulletin, with the election of Directors and Officers at the annual membership meeting January 21. Nominations beyond the slate presented by the Board will be open until January 4. This schedule allows residents to be informed of the slate, have time to consider other candidates to nominate, and all candidates to be advertised to the community before the election. We expect to have 3 to 4 positions for new Directors.

**Finance and Budget Update.** Jan reported total cash on hand 10/31 was \$281,747, including the \$22,500 pool capital account contributed by the SHST over 4 years. After satisfying remaining obligations and a continuing monthly loss, we expect operating cash (net of the pool capital account) to be about \$220,000.

**Security.** David and Aya led a discussion of issues such as possible video surveillance as part of clubhouse security or at the entrance to Sleepy Hollow, potential to use a third party provider, whether security of any kind should be discrete or obvious. Security alarm is part of the Community Center Funded project, but not necessarily video.

**Creek Cleanliness.** Toxic residue into the creek from the site of the Dutch Valley house fire has apparently occurred. After consultation with the County, it was concluded that this will be taken care of without action by the SHHA.

*Blessed is the season which  
engages the whole world in a  
conspiracy of love.*

Hamilton Wright Mabie



As 2020 comes to a close, I am reflecting on just how lucky my family is to call Sleepy Hollow "home". While the year has been full of challenges, disappointment, and loss, it has also brought many blessings and reminders of what truly matters most - love, family, friendship & community. With heartfelt gratitude, it's a sincere honor to share community with you.

Wishing everyone a safe, healthy,  
and lovely holiday season.



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The meeting adjourned at 8:30 until December 3, 7:00 p.m. via zoom.

## Nominations for SHHA Directors: Vote at Annual Meeting January 21

Nominees for a two year term as Director of the SHHA are Erik Ruud, Annie Winship, and Gina Singleton, who was appointed during 2020 to fill a vacancy for the remainder of the year. They will stand for election at the annual meeting now scheduled for January 21 at 7:00 p.m. via zoom. We are also happy to announce that **Spencer Adams**, who has been Vice President this year, has agreed to be President and **Pete Mayer** has agreed to be Vice President and President Elect. Thanks to the Nominating Committee of Spencer Adams, Jan Blackford, Gina Singleton, David Baker, and Scott Hintergardt, for leading the Board's effort to recruit and interview interested candidates.

- **Gina Singleton** was appointed to fill the seat vacant since Anne Wagner resigned, and has taken initiative to help lead Front Porch July 4th, served as recording secretary, and been active in the project to improve cell service and other emergency communications in the Hollow. She lives on Estates with husband Matt and 2 daughters.
- **Annie Winship** moved to Sleepy Hollow 2.5 years ago after 8 years in San Anselmo. She and husband Jason immediately volunteered to help with cell phone efforts, and Annie became active with street safety. They have 3 children attending Hidden Valley and Little Mountain Preschool and a new quarantine puppy named Dudley. Annie grew up in San Francisco and does not miss the fog!
- **Erik Ruud** has lived in and loved Sleepy Hollow as far back as 1976. After some time outside the area, he and his wife Bridget and 3 wonderful kiddos are back. Erik enjoys playing music with Johanna, Alex and Clare, and all things outdoors. Word has it he is also a computer whiz.

Also on the ballot, **Jan Blackford** will stand for an additional 2 year term. If elected, they will join **Spencer Adams, David Baker, Scott Hintergardt, Pete Mayer, Hayley Mullen, Matt Testa, and Lauren Thornhill**, who are returning to complete the second year of their current terms. Francois Hedouin is rotating off the Board. We will miss Francois and Anne: Francois for his perspective as a relatively new resident with considerable prior board experience, clear thinking that often identified new approaches, and enthusiastic support for the community; and Anne for her deep history in Sleepy Hollow, strong business experience, ability to clarify a problem and work out solutions.

The nominated slate and continuing directors complete the allowed number of 12 directors. Additional nominations are open to January 4, allowing time to publish additional nominees for consideration by members before the annual meeting January 21. Nominations from the membership must be in writing, with signatures of at least 3% of memberships or households. All nominees must be members of the SHHA, and all Directors must maintain membership in the SHHA during their terms. SHHA members are encouraged to attend and vote for Directors and Officers at the annual meeting. We welcome additional interest in the work of the community. If you do not serve on the board, there are many ways to be involved in committees or projects, a win-win for meeting people, helping the community, and preparing for a future role on the board.

Currently all Board members are involved with advancing cell service improvement for the Hollow, and working on Deeper Dive teams in connection with the opening of the new Community Center. Responsibility areas include projects related to opening the Community Center; cell service/emergency communications improvement; Pool staffing and management; membership, welcome and *Sleepy Hollow Bulletin*; budgeting and financial oversight; website and data base management; liaison with the County and other jurisdictions including the SHFPD; celebrations and socials, with offerings for children and adults; participation in street safety initiatives and collaborations; and more. Please volunteer when you can.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR ANNUAL SHHA BOARD MEETING

January 21, 7:00 p.m. by Zoom teleconference

### Supervisor Katie Rice News *Continued from page 2*

get through this holiday season by making the extra effort to do the local dining out and local shopping you usually do – though take-out or delivery, and for retail, if not with an in-store visit, buy online or get a gift certificate for use at a later date. Our local merchants rely on a strong holiday season to keep their doors open year-round. This year more-so than ever. So, buy local, but be safe and legal!

To read the state order, go to [www.covid19.ca.gov](http://www.covid19.ca.gov) and read the County press release at <https://tinyurl.com/yyetfwaj> including specifics for Marin's Stay-Home order.

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Learn to oil paint in the comfort of your own home or anywhere else you feel comfortable with this zoom class. The class is designed for those who have never painted before. I will begin each class introducing painting concepts. Sometimes we will all paint together or a "paint-a-long." Classes run 1 and a half to 2 hours. It is a 6-week class to introduce the basics of oil painting including materials and how to use them, mixing values and colors, shapes and light, brushwork, seeing like an artist. Students can buy recommended art supplies online or from art supply stores. Visit my website to see my work at [sherrillmiller.com](http://sherrillmiller.com). If interested in the class, please contact me at [sherrillmiller@comcast.net](mailto:sherrillmiller@comcast.net) 6 weeks, Tuesdays Oct. 20 to Nov. 24, 10 am, \$150

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**GIRL FRIDAY/ HANDYWOMAN**

Need help working through your

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**Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church**

~ Home of Justice Garden and Mexico Mission

~ December is the Season of Advent ~

Sharing God's Love by Putting Food on Tables and Gifts Around Trees

~ Sunday Service of inspiration, beautiful music of the season, and prayers live-streamed at 9:30 a.m.

~ Christmas Eve at the church outdoors at 4 p.m. - bring chairs and flashlights!

~ Youth Group for Middle and High School Sunday mornings at 11 by zoom.

~ Youth Game Night first Fridays of the month on zoom. Let Pastor Bev know if you would like a zoom invite.

~ Sign up with Pastor Bev to provide a holiday meal and gift support for a needy family.

*Blessings of hope, peace, love, and joy to all!*



Left: Sleepy Hollow family, the Rivers, light the Advent wreath for the first Sunday of Advent

Below: Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church volunteers put Thanksgiving food on the tables for Laurel Dell Elementary families.

The Rev. Bev Brewster, Pastor, 415-453-8221, 415-446-8267 cell  
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 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 child 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.

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