These poets are like animals of a single species in the jungle. They call, hoot, laugh, jeer, and mumble during each other's readings; a private preserve of intraprofessional communication; a Shriner's secret handshake.

Joanne Kyger (right), and other poets at Purple Gate. Photo by Ilka Hartmann. Text from "The Town that Fought to Save Itself" by Orville Schell.

Happy Happy Birthday!

March 15th
Shankari Rise
Kelsy Heuke
Elizabeth U
Geoffrey Evans

March 16th
Kylee Paganini
Bobby Buchanan
Eden Weinmann
Mckay McPadden
7 Song
Pat Barton (remembered)
Melissa Rigg (remembered)

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Everyone is a reporter!
**Hearsay Birthday reply**

Michael Rafferty starts us out autobiographically with nuts and bolts. Bolinas becoming a fresh start as was true for so many of us then. Now what to with that freshness amidst he writes "they (Bolinas folk) were an unusually well-educated and creative bunch"
The hands-on literature trained 3rd generation butcher found something to do both with his hands and his world of words. It also was easy to be somewhat enchanted by Joanne Kyger and her Multiilith 1250 offset given as Ned Riley writes of Michael's fertile mind. And so it begins and is furthered by many with familiar names to us. But rightly the celebration doesn't stop there. Faultline. Radio Free Bolinas, on and on dedication to with and for the village zeitgeist. Midwestern steadfastness With this Hearsay celebration comes also related love stories. Ned Riley "The Hearsay has been one of our most fundamental institutions and I treasure every minute I spent there" by the way it showed Ned.

Dale Polissar's somewhat lengthy warm and richly detailed "music memories" fits right in reminding us how much and how often our zeitgeist came with a song line and a music activity we could join. Singing Carmina Burana left me feeling weightless and unable to reach the ground with my feet. That Dale was able to build a real and substantial musical career here is another proof artists can "make it" in a world that often seems to try to say well no not unless you sign on with the big boys. So coming back to Michael and the extraordinary birthday of his one page creation I'm happy to know Bob Scott got issue #1. Thanks Michael

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**Three great things about this place...**

- The bees are back! Buzzing like crazy around our ceanothus, it's a lovely sound. Hope this means good pollination for the fruit trees.

- The Vernal Equinox arrives Saturday at 3:37am. It's so great to think that for the next six months, each day has more light than dark.

- Also coming this week is St Patrick's Day, on Wednesday the 17th. Wish me the luck of the Irish—it's also the day for cataract surgery. The big annual Soccer Club bash/homecoming celebration is on Sunday. Come out, kick it around, hoist a glass—masked and distanced of course.

Cheers,

Ned Riley

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FASCINATING LOCAL HISTORY!

Don’t miss this! Today, we take wireless communication for granted, but in 1914 Bolinas played a pivotal role in the technological revolution that first brought wireless service around the world. This is the origin story of the site where Commonweal is today, within the Point Reyes National Seashore.

And All the Ships at Sea: Point Reyes and the Culture of Radio
With Carola (DeRoo) Davis, and Irwin Keller
Friday, March 19, 10 to 11:30 AM
A virtual event co-presented by The New School at Commonweal and Bolinas Museum –Free, with donation

This conversation will reveal the fascinating story of cutting edge technology in coastal Marin, including serving international ship-to-shore communication until 1997.

Irwin Keller will be in conversation with Carola (DeRoo) Davis who is a longtime friend of Bolinas Museum. In her role as archivist, curator, and collections manager for the Point Reyes National Seashore, Carola curated the dynamic Bolinas Museum exhibition Wireless Giant of the Pacific 100 Years of Marconi & RCA Maritime Radio History, presented in partnership with the Point Reyes National Seashore in 2014 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the local station. For most visitors, the exhibition about coastal Marin’s role in the history of wireless technology was a revelation.

After decades of international communication through cables laid across the seafloor, Italian born Nobel Prize winner Guglielmo Marconi innovated a global network of wireless service through telegraph signals transmitted by radio waves, and in 1914, on the edge of Bolinas, the Marconi company built a powerful transmission station that sent out the world’s first trans Pacific communications—making history! Post WWI, Radio Corporation of America (RCA) took over Marconi stations and added a large building on the Bolinas site that today houses the renowned organization Commonweal and the historic maritime radio station.

Marconi and RCA had a major impact on the development of coastal Marin towns. This is a remarkable opportunity for us to hear about this history from Carola Davis, who has a rich knowledge of coastal Marin history. –Elia Haworth
For more information and to register for the event visit tns.commonweal.org/events/

Hello everyone!
Thank you for bearing with us along this roller-coaster of attempting to protect and preserve the monarch species here in Bolinas and along the West Coast. As the monarch population continues to decline, more and more resources and attention are being allocated to this cause. I have a few pieces of good news, some new events/challenges we’re encouraging you to participate in, and a reminder of the most important actions we can all be doing to make an impact in these crucial overwintering sites.

An update on the monarch count results:
As mentioned in my last article, the results are in from this year’s Western Monarch Thanksgiving Count. A total of 246 sites were surveyed and yet unfortunately only a mere 1,914 monarchs were counted at all the sites. This is a drastic 99.9% decline since the 1980s. This count is coordinated by the Xeres Society and Mia Monroe who led the monarch webinar through PRNSA in November. This is less than 1% of the population in the 1980s and nearly identical to last years’ alarming numbers. If you didn’t get a chance to participate in this last count, don’t worry because we have another opportunity for you to be an active community scientist and a local hero to these butterflies. Now, more than ever it is so important to be documenting their behavior, which is why we have a new challenge for you all to participate in. The Western Monarch Mystery Challenge is running from February 14th-April 22nd to collect more records of where western monarchs spend the spring in California, after leaving the overwintering sites.

How to participate:
• If you see a monarch outside of overwintering groves, take a picture! (don’t worry, it can be far away and blurry)
• Report it to Naturalist, the Western Monarch Milkweed Mapper OR email it to MonarchMystery@wsu.edu
• When you upload a monarch photo – from outside the overwintering sites – you will be automatically entered in a weekly prize drawing. We will choose winners every week from Valentine’s Day (Feb. 14) to Earth Day (April 22). Prizes will range from gift cards to REI or Patagonia to other goodies.

How the entry process works:
• Each photo is an entry. If you submit 3 photos in a week, that is 3 entries for the prize that week.
• Each week you are eligible for new prizes, even if you submitted sightings the previous week.
• If you want to participate but don’t see a monarch, you can be entered to win prizes by becoming a monarch ambassador by sharing the Western Monarch Mystery Challenge on social media.

The Bolinas Hearsay News is produced on the ancestral occupied territories of the Coast Miwok Peoples. We recognize the genocide of Indigenous Peoples in California and the systemic inequities that persist today because of our past and present state of colonialism.
- the editors
day we will plant the garden?" "Next Friday,"
I remind them." Anna Tosik comments.

Links:
1. Mystery Challenge: https://www.westemonarchcounto
rg/the-western-monarch-mystery-
challenge/
2. Marin Project Aims to Save
Monarch Butterflies: (grant
information)
https://www.marinjli.com/2021/03/08/
marin-project-aims-to-save-
monarch-butterflies/
3. Register for the EAC event:
https://www.eacmarin.org/our-
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series?eType=EmailBlastContent&
eId=364$92c-586c-4365-9049-
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We are super excited about all the upcoming
events and action plans that are happening,
but we cannot do it without help from you
guys! Please don’t hesitate to reach out if
you have any questions or concerns. My
email is claudiabuckenmeyer@gmail.com
Thank you so much,
Claudia Buckenmeyer. PRNSA Intern.

Five reasons for joining this Thursday’s Zoom
tour of Mark and Meg’s garden

(1) It’s free. And fun, and brisk! March 18th ~ 7:00 to 8:15 pm
~ A 25-minute video tour followed by live conversation with
our featured teachers and other gardeners.
(2) It talks about water in a drought year, helping set the
tone for all of us learning to meet our water needs creatively. (More
on this topic will follow)
(3) It’s all about community, and bioregion, as essential for
resilience in our changing climate. People from all over West
Marin are starting to collaborate more and more, to share
resources ~ and home-grown harvests ~ with one another.
(4) It’s hosted by West Marin Climate Action, which has a
bunch of good offerings online and upcoming (plastics, electric
vehicles; solar power). Learn more (and get involved) at
westmarinclimateaction.org.
(5) It needs you to be present ~ for stronger connection,
greater creativity, and more fun!

REGISTER IN ADVANCE to receive the Zoom invite.
Hop to westmarinclimateaction.org/events and sign up.

See you there!
Claire Peaslee (Point Reyes Station)
WMCA steering committee member
"There are two things that can perhaps save the world: one would be the mastery of kindness to oneself and having a big heart. The other would be understanding your passion for place-for where you live."

Peter Warshall (1943-2013)

Bolinas Public Utilities District Board Member from 1974-1979. He was instrumental in the creation of the Sewer Pond Project, which turned waste into habitat, and, with the other board members, protected the town from development. The quote is from a plaque at the cypress bench in his honor in the lower sewer ponds.

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Poet Samuel Foss wrote, "Let me live by the side of the road and be a friend to man" ("The House by the Side of the Road"). That's what I want to be—friend to people. I want to stand by the way, waiting for weary travelers. To look for those who have been battered and wronged by others, who carry the burden of a wounded and disillusioned heart. To nourish and refresh them and send them on their way. I may not be able to "fix" them or their problems, but I can leave them with a blessing.

David Roper

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Don't advertise all your secrets in your desire to be honest. If you tell about your weaknesses to unscrupulous persons, they will have great times poking fun at you if on some future occasion they wish to hurt you. Why should you supply the "ammunition"? Speak and act in a way that will bring lasting happiness to yourself and others.

Paramahansa Yogananda

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Just as the soft rains fill the streams, pour into the rivers and join together in the oceans, so may the power of every moment of your goodness flow forth to awaken and heal all beings. Those here now, those gone before, those yet to come.

By the power of every moment of your goodness May your heart's wishes be soon fulfilled as completely shining as the bright full moon, as magically as by a wish-fulfilling gem.

By the power of every moment of your goodness May all dangers be averted and all disease be gone. May no obstacle come across your way, May you enjoy fulfillment and long life.

For all in whose heart dwells respect, who follow the wisdom and compassion, of the Way, May your life prosper in the four blessings of old age, beauty, happiness and strength.

—Traditional Buddhist blessing and healing chant (version by Jack Kornfield)

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It is the Enemy who can truly teach us to practice the virtues of compassion and tolerance.

The Dalai Lama

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Ah! The grace of a soft bed and a good nap!!

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The 23-member commission promotes the dignity, independence and quality of life of older persons through advocacy, information, programs and services. It serves in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors and works closely with the County’s Office of Aging and Adult Services on behalf of Marin’s older adults, persons with disabilities and family caregivers.

Applicants must live within Supervisorsial District 2, which includes Fairfax, San Anselmo, Ross, Kentfield, Kent Woodlands, Greenbrae, parts of Larkspur, parts of southern San Rafael such as Lomita Park, Bret Harte, Gerstle Park, and other nearby unincorporated areas such as Oak Manor and Sleepy Hollow.

Commissioners are appointed to three-year terms by either the Board of Supervisors or the 11 incorporated towns and cities in Marin, with two additional members being elected to serve in the California Senior Legislature.

Eligibility is open to adults 18 years and over. Persons of color and/or persons with fluency in Spanish, Vietnamese, or Farsi are highly encouraged to apply.

For more information, call (415) 473-7185 or visit the Commission on Aging webpage.

Applications for District 1 residents will be open starting May 25. District 1 includes downtown and eastern San Rafael, Terra Linda, Marinwood, and Lucas Valley.

-submitted by Laine Hendricks
Firehouse Community Park Agency
(a.k.a. Mesa Park Board)

Regular Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, March 16, 2021 7:00 pm
To be held on Zoom

Zoom meeting ID: 893 9285 4563
Or call in: (669) 900-6833 US (San Jose)
mesaparkboard@gmail.com

Call to Order
Community Expression

Old Business
1. Downtown Park hillside trees (J. Moore)
2. Discuss ideas for Calif. State Parks grant.
3. Update on BCPUD water restrictions.

Other Business
1. Pet vaccination clinic (L. Taylor, Dr. Grade)
2. Bolinas Library table (V. Waring)
3. Bolinas Association Board (D. Sabec)
5. Dumpster move to Downtown Park.
7. Communication with the public (email, Nextdoor, etc.)

Downtown Park
1. Condition.
2. Bathrooms.
3. Improvement Committee update.

Mesa Park
1. Condition.
2. Bathrooms.

Manager’s Report
1. Report.
2. Covid restrictions update.

Treasurer’s Report
Warrants- current: $ 911.22
Payroll- 2021-Feb $ 3,659.09
Total: $ 4,570.31

Approve Warrants
Approve Minutes; Feb. 16 regular meeting.
Next Meeting: April 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting adjourned.

ID de reunión de Zoom: 893 9285 4563
O llame a: (669) 900-6833 EE. UU. (San José)
mesaparkboard@gmail.com

Llama para Ordenar
Expresión Comunitaria
Asuntos Antiguos
1. Parque del Centro arboles de ladera (J. Moore)
2. Discutir ideas para la subvención de Parques Estatales de California.
3. Actualización sobre las restricciones de agua de BCPUD.

Otros Asuntos
1. Clínica vacunacion: mascotas (L. Taylor, Dr. Grade)
2. Mesa Biblioteca Bolinas (V. Waring)
3. Patronato de la Asociación Bolinas (D. Sabec)
4. Lugar de vacunacion de Covid: 19 de marzo.
5. Traslado del contenedor a Downtown Park.
7. Comunicación con el público (correo electrónico, Nextdoor, etc.)

Parque del Centro
1. Condición.
2. Baños.
3. Actualización del Comité de Mejora.

Mesa Park
1. Condición.
2. Baños.
3. Mantenimiento / actualización en el área de juegos del Centro Infantil.

Informe del Gerente
1. Reporte.

Informe del Tesorero
Warrants- actual: $ 911.22
Nómina- 2021-Feb $ 3,659.09
Total: $ 4,570.31

Aprobar Warrants
Aprobar el Acta: reunión ordinaria del 16 de Febrero.
Próxima Reunión: 20 de Abril, 2021 a las 19:00 h.
Reunión aplazada.

Marin’s water supply is primarily dependent on our reservoir system. That reservoir system is dependent on rain. No rain equals no water supply. Is the primary cause just a drought or is it caused by climate change?

If the answer is drought, water conservation may be the answer. If the answer is climate change, then conservation will not be enough. When it comes to potable water, we cannot conserve our way out of climate change.

Fortunately, we need look no farther than the Pacific Ocean and the Middle East for the answer. We need to make plans for desalination.

The Pacific Ocean is close, and technology is well developed in the Middle East. It is a matter of foresight and will.

- Thomas E. Pallante, San Rafael

All I strongly agree!!
- Persis Norton

March 19, 10:00 - 11:30am
Carola Davis and Irwin Keller / And All the Ships at Sea: Point Reyes and the Culture of Radio (webinar)

April 2-May 1, 10:30am - 12:00pm
Parker Palmer, Michael Lerner, Christina Baldwin and Friends / Widening Circles: The Healing Circles Lineage Series (5 webinars)

April 10, 11:00am - 12:30pm
Michael Lerner / Living with Peace and Struggle in the Global Polyecrisis (webinar)

April 23, 10:00 - 11:30am
Rupa Marya, A-daee Romero-Briones, Anna Lappe / Stolen Land: The Struggle for Rematriation (webinar)

Information & registration: tns.commonweal.org
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