WHAT'S HAPPENING???

Monday, September 14
BOLINAS LIBRARY
Curbside services suspended due to bad air.

Tuesday, September 15
SCHOOL DISTRICT (ISUSD)
Zoom meeting of Board of Trustees, 3pm. Please access from school website: bolinas-stinson.org. Agenda inside.

Wednesday, September 16
MESA PARK
Meeting of the Board via zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89703099790. Meeting ID: 897 0309 9790. For assistance logging in: (858) 945-1896

BCPUD
Regular monthly virtual meeting of the Board is postponed to September 23th

LADYBIRD MORGAN
Speaks to Rotary Club of West Marin on Human Prison Hospice Project, 8:30-9:30am. annerym@gmail.com for virtual link.

Thursday, September 17
OYSTERS RADIO HOUR
w/ Jeff Manson conversing w/ publisher Nicole Lavelle, 9-10am on KWMR. org or 89.9, 90.5 or 92.3FM

COASTAL AIRWAVES
Vickisa conversing w/ Tess Elliot & Daedalus Howell, 4-5pm on KWNR. org or 89.9, 90.5 or 92.3FM

Saturday, September 19
OPEN ART STUDIO SOIREE
At molly & Schehera's studio @ Poplar and Evergreen Rd, from 2-6pm

HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

September 14: Susie Senk
Malcolm Ponder
Gerrund Bojeste
Allan Maxey
Cheryl Stough
Danielle Vincent
Cheryl Batson

September 15: Pamela Jane Lewis
Laura DiStasi
Elnora Mae Phillips

September 16: Megan Matson
Laurie Patton
Marion Weber
Zephyr Forest
Lori Morgan
Jerrye Sean
Raven Angelica

September 17: Chuck Hudina
Max Kline

September 19: Gregory Shelley
Liza Lee Sternik
Ecordille Rain Driscoll

September 20: Christian
StuArt Chapman
Shari Dell
Kathy Bustamante

Today's staff:

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ads/books.........Ned Riley
press/digital.....Nicole Lavelle
Call to Order:
Board Members Present:
Others Present:
Community Expression:
1.

Downtown Park:
1. Request to use downtown park for musical event.
2. Tree trimming behind downtown park.
3. Condition of downtown park
4. Bathrooms
5. Trash issues
6. Re-design of downtown park / addition of park benches

Mesa Park:
1. Condition of Mesa Park
2. Skate park complaints & signage
3. Trash issues
4. Maintenance / clean up of playground & update on playground from Children’s Center.
5. Discuss possible movie event

Manager’s Report:
1. Report
2. Covid-19 restrictions update for the parks

Old News:
1.

Other:
1. Grant from California State Parks
2. Update on Board member election

Treasurer’s Report:
TOTAL Warrants: $2,736.18

Approve Warrants:

Approve Minutes:

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 2020
Meeting adjourned:

AGENDA

Bolinas-Stinson Union School District
Special meeting of the Board of Trustees
Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2020
Meeting Time/Location:
Open Session at 3:00 p.m.
Join Zoom Meeting
Link may be accessed from the school web’s:
bolinas-stinson.org

1. Call Meeting to order
2. Approval of Agenda / introductions – reading of Mission/Vision Statement-
3. Public Comments
4. Public Hearing regarding Instructional Materials
5. Trustee Resignation
6. Approve Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan 2020-21
7. Approve Unaudited actuals
8. Approve Instructional Sufficiency resolution
9. Approve GANN Resolution
10. Approve Human Resources - Classified - Full-time Custodian
11. Public Comments
The next regular Board meeting will be held on October 13, 2020
Submitted by Johanna Scutt
FOR YOUR EARS:

Whether you are trying to get the dishes done or you are on a "road trip" getting displaced from fires! Here's some recommendations of podcast for kids:

**Noodle Loaf**—This podcast is a super clever and interactive music podcast that features echo songs, musical challenges and a kids’ choir that anyone can join. I would say ages 3-6.

[https://www.noodleloaf.com/podcast](https://www.noodleloaf.com/podcast)

**From wbur; Circle Round**—Created and produced by parents of young children, WBUR’s Circle Round adapts carefully-selected folktales from around the world into sound- and music-rich radio plays. Each 10- to 20-minute episode explores important issues like kindness, persistence and generosity. And each episode ends with an activity that inspires a deeper conversation between children and grown-ups. For kids ages 4 to 10.

[https://www.wbur.org/citeround](https://www.wbur.org/citeround)

**Vermont Public Radio presents; But Why- A Podcast for Curious kids**—This podcast is a show led by kids! Kids ask the questions and the show gives the answers. Episodes such as Are Jellyfish Made Of Jelly? Why Don’t Spiders Get Caught In Their Own Webs? and Why Am I Afraid Of The Dark? for ages 6-up. 


**The Longest Shortest Time**—Ok this one is for the parents and caregivers. Unfortunately they stopped making episodes before the pandemic but if you dive into the archive you can find episodes such as Parenting in the Animal Kingdom, and W. Kamau Bell Meets the Daughter of the Dragon Kids, and Ask Chris Gethard Unanswerable Questions and The Parents’ Guide to Eating Over the Sink and so so much more! A real treasure trove of all things parenting from infertility issues to kids jokes to body issues, anti-racism parenting and more! [https://longestshortesttime.com](https://longestshortesttime.com)

You can also google any of these keywords to find episodes!

ENJOY!

-Submitted by Van Waring

**BOLINAS COMMUNITY CENTER**

As you all know, the BCC is the heart of our community with Kate, Randi and the Board working hard to keep it that way. As you read last week, the Labor Day party (the Great Labor Day Party!) usually raises 20% of the total BCC annual budget, $25,000. So let's donate to the BCC and raise the $25,000. If nothing else, donate at least what you would have spent had we been able to party! BCC needs it and so do we! Thank you!

Be Safe and Sane and Grateful!
Pat Dickens

**THREE GREAT THINGS ABOUT THIS PLACE...**

- The purple air website. I guess it's good to know how bad the air you're breathing is, so you can stay indoors. Seriously, keep checking it out to protect yourself.

- On a brighter note: our own personal covey of quail in the yard, scurrying about their business, chuckling to one another.

- An al fresco birthday party for my sister, last Thursday we just moved the usual burrito feed out into the patio and had a wonderful meal.

—Ned Riley

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Whew!
And now the air is curdled
With innumerable fragments
Of incinerated bodies of trees
The fugitive spirits of our brother-sister
Plants and animals swirl through
Our battered souls

We breathe in the air as we must
But intuitively we wish to rise up
Like a dolphin, a whale or a seal
And gulp in air as fresh
As primordial spring water

But we can’t
We feel a peculiar claustrophobia
We cannot breathe this ash laden air
Our minds circle irregularly
As we dream of better days to come

Nor is the metaphor of ash-phyxiation
Lost on us
Aligning on so many levels
We feel this peculiar strangulation
Be it George Floyd
And all that-his murder signifies

Be it the political skulduggery
And chronic suppression of the truth

Be it the invisible menace of the covid pandemic
Which keeps us sheltered apart from each other

Be it the blatant pyro-dermic
That rages up and down our western coast

Be it the apocalyptic copper sun
Blanketed with greyness
Setting into the grey grey ocean

We are besieged with images of lethal storms
These almost unstoppable mega-fires
And covid stricken humans
Who die by suffocation as their
Vascular and respiratory capacities collapse
Succumbing to the deadly virus

But as we wander through the haze
Of these vast malcontents
We may espy in the so-called future
A purgation
A burning away
Of encumbering attitudes
And practices

A Phoenix like re-creation may arise
Out of this old dying charred world
New surprising ways of being on this planet
Could emerge

Lessons we are now learning
How to really care for each other
How to achieve effective governance
And how to create and enforce laws for all

Black Lives Matter Human Lives Matter
All Life Matters

We lift our hands upward welcoming this transformation
We pray knowing it is love
A resonance of a very cosmic sort
Feeling through this power of being
That consciousness is action
And actions will spring out of the new beings
We are becoming as we experience

This crucible like moment
May we have resilience courage and care
May we not recoil and alienate ourselves
May we move forward toward a deeper
Empathic participation in this difficult process.

Jan Brook
9-13-20

Marin County Free Library
Curbside Services Suspended at All Branches Due to Poor Air Quality

Due to poor air quality, curbside service has been suspended at all Marin County Free Library branches until further notice.

Please check our website for updates: marinlibrary.org/updates. We will continue to post information there as conditions evolve.

If you have any questions or need help with library services, please contact us by phone at 415-473-2272 or online.

Please stay safe! Air quality in Marin has been affected by the smoke from the wild res, so please be aware that the air in your area may be unhealthy and take precautions.

For more information, please see: Cal Fire Updates: calre.ca.gov Wild re Air Quality: marinlhs.org/wild re-air-quality

—Submitted by Editor
Dear Community Members,

Extrafood.com has been donating 70 precooked meals every Thursday.
This upcoming Thursday, September 17th will be the last meal they will provide.
The Bolinas Community Center will be giving those meals out during the regular food bank which is every Thursday from 11.45 am to 1:00 pm.

- Randi and Kate

There will be no Monday Morning Weekly Recap today. Having a bad air day.
In fact we have had many bad air days this week.
Ugh.
Hopefully tomorrow will be better and we'll be back to just pandemic anxiety.
There will be another School Board meeting tomorrow at 3:00.
Check Bolinas-Stinson school website for zoom instructions.
There are many things to work out regarding safe return to school and reimagining education.
Press on Regardless, Jenniepfeiffer

From Vickisa:

Tess Elliot and Daedalus Howell will be my guests on Thursday, September 17th 4 to 5 pm on Coastal Airwaves, KWMR.org or 89.0, 90.5, 92.3.

Tess Elliot Tess Elliott is the editor and co-owner of the Point Reyes Light. Daedalus Howell is a blogger, filmmaker, artist and Editor of the North Bay Bohemian, Pacific Sun and East Bay Express.

I am looking forward to talking to both of them and the newspaper business right now. Listen in.

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Ken & Sam Levin
Window Cleaning
415.663.9669
West Marin's Best
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**MON SEPT 14**
- 4.9 ft (1.5 m) high winds 3.6 ft (1.1 m)
- 3.4 knots ebb 2.5 knots flood 2.2 knots ebb 1.9 knots flood 2.8 knots
ebb 2.1 knots flood 1.8 knots ebb 2.8 knots ebb

**TUE SEPT 15**
- 5.2 ft (1.6 m) high winds 3.2 ft (1.0 m)
- 3.8 knots ebb 2.9 knots flood 2.6 knots ebb 2.3 knots flood 2.9 knots
ebb 2.2 knots flood 2 knots ebb 3 knots
Schools search for internet solutions

By Braden Cartwright

With classrooms operating online to start the year, school districts are hard pressed to solve a problem that has long plagued West Marin: internet connectivity. Despite a push by the Marin County Free Library to distribute Wi-Fi hotspots to schools, many students are still struggling to find a stable connection to attend class.

Now, the county education office is facilitating the creation of learning hubs, where students can get strong internet and adult supervision. Teachers and administrators continue to work with families to troubleshoot and switch devices.

No one-size-fits-all answer exists. Families purchase from several internet providers, and homes receive varying levels of cell service, depending on the company and their location. Information is lacking about who is suffering from poor internet, and teachers don’t always know if a student is absent.

It’s also a moving target: One day, a student’s internet may be fine, but the next day the connection gets throttled. The issue is not unique to West Marin. Over 2 million Californians and half of rural homes in the state lack access to high-speed broadband service, according to an executive order issued by Governor Gavin Newsom. The order directed state agencies to pursue a minimum broadband speed goal of 100 megabits per second.

At the Shoreline Unified School District, low-income families who live on remote ranches or in crowded homes are the most susceptible to inadequate internet; these families may benefit the most from learning hubs. On Monday, community organizations plan to open a hub at the Point Reyes Library, building on one already operating at the South Novato Library.

Hubs at other sites, like at the EAH Housing complex, could open depending on need, staff availability and funding.

Each hub will have to complete a site-specific protection plan, which lays out safety measures for preventing Covid-19 transmission: symptom checks, physical distancing, face coverings, hand washing, cleaning protocols and coordinated entrances. Hubs can host up to 14 students, though smaller spaces like the library will have fewer. Library staff will help supervise, and the Bank of Marin donated $200,000 to finance the program. Teachers and principals are identifying students who would benefit the most.

“We are really working with all of the resources at our disposal to provide this for as many students as we possibly can, for as long as there is a need,” said Amanda Mattea, an education services coordinator for the county education office.

At the Bolinas-Stinson Union School District, the digital divide is widespread. All residents who live on the mesa west of Grove Road struggle to get a connection, according to Grace Godino, the librarian tasked with assessing and improving connectivity.

The district also faces a shortage of hotspots; only one-eighth of families have seen their requests for the devices filled, Ms. Godino said. Even for families without hotspots, the data is limited, so speeds slow down if too much is used in a day or a month.

The state’s target of 100 megabits per second is well above what most Bolinas families experience: Most residents have a maximum of 5 megabits per second, provided by AT&T. Families can pay more for high-speed internet, but data often runs out later in the month.

Horizon Cable recently brought high-speed broadband infrastructure downtown, with plans to expand, but the local provider is more expensive than AT&T.

Georgia Woods, a district trustee, thinks the school needs to search for a bigger solution, such as pursuing funding from the state and county, putting pressure on providers to improve and expand infrastructure and exploring the purchase of high-speed internet packages from AT&T.

“These are festering problems that have been around forever, and maybe it’s naíve to think that we’re going to solve them, but I really think that we as a school need to make an effort,” she said. “It’s not going to solve itself, and it’s going to require a lot of legwork.”

Ms. Woods praised the idea of hiring a contractor to collect aggregate data about internet speeds that could be presented to the state to pursue funding.

In 2017, the California Public Utilities Commission identified Bolinas as one area that represented the best bang for the buck for deploying broadband internet infrastructure; this year, the commission made $25 million available to improve internet service for student households, with priority given to rural and small districts.

While the issue of connectivity is most acute while classes are virtual, any solutions will last beyond distance learning.

“Prior to the desperation of having to go online, a lot of teachers would not assign online work, because of the poor connectivity out here,” Ms. Woods said. “And that basically meant that students would not have developed all of the tech skills that were required when they went off to high school.”

Schools can open two weeks after Marin moves from the “widespread” to the “substantial” tier defined by the state, based on its daily case rates. The county is on the cusp of moving down, but if it moves back up, the two-week waiting period starts over.

September 10, 2020 POINT REYES LIGHT
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McIntosh

Be safe and sane!
Pat Dickens

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