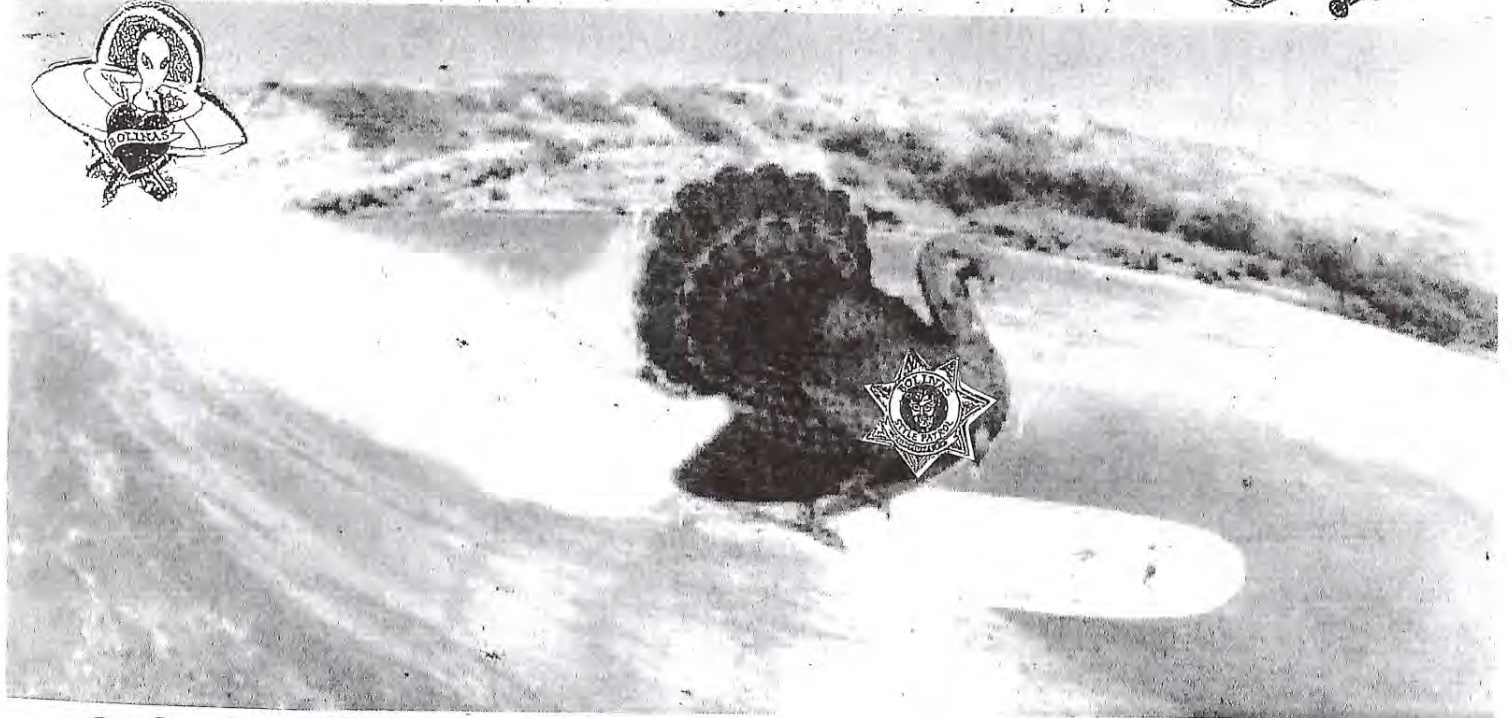
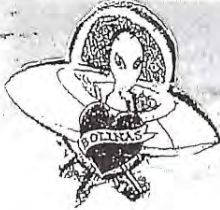
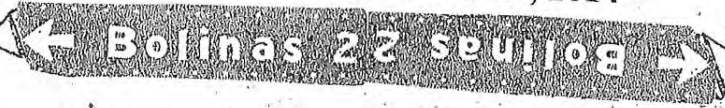




THE HEARSAY

Wednesday November 26, 2014



On food, gratitude, and grace

Thich Nhat Hanh

Before each meal, we can join our palms in mindfulness and think about the children who do not have enough to eat. Doing so will help us maintain mindfulness of our good fortune, and perhaps one day we will find ways to do something to help change the system of injustice that exists in the world. In many refugee families, before each meal, a child holds up his bowl of rice and says something like this:

"Today, on the table, there are many delicious foods. I am grateful to be here with my family enjoying these wonderful dishes. I know there are many children less fortunate, who are very hungry."

Being a refugee he knows, for example, that most Thai children never see the kind of fine rice grown in Thailand that he is about to eat. It is difficult to explain to children in the "overdeveloped" nations that not all children in the world have such beautiful and nourishing food. Awareness of this fact alone can help us overcome many of our own psychological pains. Eventually our contemplation can help us see how to assist those who need our help so much.

As of this writing, Thich Nhat Hanh is in critical condition, occupying the line between life and death after suffering a brain hemorrhage. But rather than mourning, the monks and nuns of Plum Village offer this advice: *We are aware and grateful for the love and practice that people are offering from all around the world to support Thay's recovery. Please continue to enjoy the blue sky, the fresh morning air and the small pathways in nature for Thay. Especially, please enjoy each other, your loved ones, and our togetherness. If possible, you can dedicate a day to eat vegetarian as a way to generate compassion. You can reconcile with your loved ones, or to let go of your resentment of someone and write them a love letter. And, you can consume less.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Wednesday, November 26

MIDNIGHT ON THE WATER Acoustic contra-dance music for Smiley's celebration of November birthdays, 7:30-9:30pm. Free. Free cake too.

Thursday, November 27

THANKSGIVING Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Center, Doors open 4pm, Dinner at 5pm

Friday, November 28

BOLINAS/STINSON BEACH OPEN STUDIOS 22 local artists participate in both towns, 11am-5pm.

HONEYDUST Live rock @ Smiley's, 9pm. Cover.

Saturday, November 29

BOLINAS/STINSON BEACH OPEN STUDIOS

FENTON COOLFOOT & THE RIGHT TIME

Live music @ Smiley's, 9pm. Cover.

Sunday, November 30

BOLINAS/STINSON BEACH OPEN STUDIOS

**THANKSGIVING
COMMUNITY DINNER**

At the Bolinas Community Center

**Thursday November 27th,
4pm Doors Open - Dinner at 5pm**

Join us for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner Celebration and Potluck. Please bring a dish to share for 12 people and bring your own drinks.

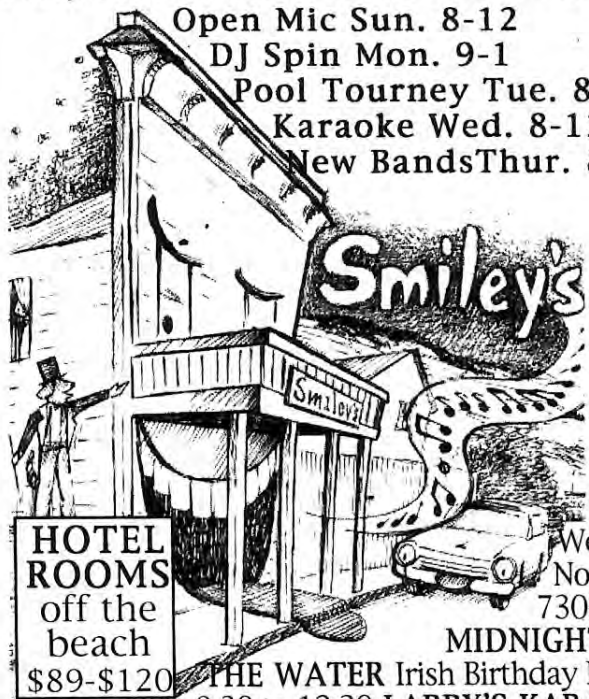


We are looking for volunteers to help set-up, breakdown, cook turkeys and help with other small tasks. Please call Ilka Hartmann at (415) 868-0419 to volunteer.

LIVE MUSIC AT THE BEACH

Fri., Sat. & Sun Nites NOV. DEC.

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Wednes Nov. 26,
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Thurs. Nov. 27: 9-1, Thanksgiving
 Fri. Nov. 28, 9-1 rock'n'roll **HONEYDUST**
 Sat. Nov. 29, 9-1f, **FENTON COOLFOOT & TheRightTime**
 Sun. Nov. 30, 8-12, **OPEN MIC w/El**
 Mon. Dec. 1, 8-1 spin, **Monday Nite LIVE!**
 Tue. Dec. 2, 7-12 Jesse **GRAND POOL TOURNEY**
 Weds. Dec. 3, 8:30 to 12:30 **LARRY'S KARAOKE**
 Thurs. Dec. 4, 8:30-12 folk **KIMBALL & LASNER**
 Fri. Dec. 5 rock, western swing, **THE VIVANTS**
 Sat. Dec. 6, 9-1 Gypsy rock **BESO NEGRO**
 Sun. Nov. 30, 8-12, **OPEN MIC w/Diana**

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COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER
 Join the annual celebration of Thanksgiving in West Marin. Sponsored by the West Marin Community Resource Center in cooperation with the Dance Palace, this wonderful community celebration is open to all. Over 100 volunteers help with cooking, serving, and decorating. This is a great way to get involved in our community and to celebrate what you are thankful for this year. Call the Resource Center at 415-663-8361 to volunteer.
Thursday, November 27, 1:30 PM / Free

THANK YOU BOLINAS FIRE DEPT.

Your diligence and professionalism saved our building and we are Grateful! Thank you for all you do.

Sincerely Coast Cafe

TODAY'S HEARSAY brought to you by Steve Heilig, June McAdams, Jennie Pfeiffer, and FOUR dogs, plus everybody who is a reporter!

And it never failed that during the dry years the people forgot about the rich years, and during the wet years they lost all memory of the dry years. It was always that way.
 John Steinbeck

**Turkey Trot
Friday, November 28
Fun for all ages!**

Everyone is welcome to walk, trot or run at your comfort level! The year, the morning after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 28, the Bolinas Museum celebrates their 5th Annual 2-Mile Turkey Trot. It is Co-sponsored by 2-Mile Surf Shop this year. Fun for individuals, families, visitors, and even well-behaved dogs who will be delighted to be included. The two mile loop begins in the heart of historic Bolinas and then makes it's way through a stately eucalyptus grove, across open meadows, along the coast past the Surfer's overlook, and back through town, before ending at the finish line at the Bolinas Museum where prizes will be given out to the cheers of all and where Bloody Marys for adults, lemonade for the kids and donuts provided by Parkside Café will be ready and waiting for all participants. Registration is at 8 AM at the Bolinas Post Office and the race begins at 9 AM. Registration is \$15 for ages 18 & up, \$10 for ages 10-17, 9 years of age and under are free. Everyone has a good time! The Turkey Trot is a great antidote for feasting and a fun way to stay fit and share the holiday.

submitted by Bolinas Museum

Fwd: Benediction - Dan O'Neal

Dear Steve, this beautiful prayer was sent to us by Larry Robinson. I sent it out to so MANY of our friends yesterday and thought it to be a great BLESSING for THANKSGIVING, for our community, thus sending it off to you to print in the Hearsay today! I looked in the dictionary and one of the definitions of the word, MINISTER is: to attend, to care for. Thank You!

PEACE and LOVE,
Mary and Magi

Benediction

There is so much to know, so much to love, so much to share
Let us go forth and minister.

There are forsaken elements in each of us,
Abandoned dreams, neglected fears, breast closet skeletons,
Tremendous possibilities as yet untapped.
Let us minister to ourselves.

There are broken relationships among the people.
Friends we need to touch,
Partners we need to love,
Enemies we need to forgive.
Let us minister to each other.

There is a sorrow in the land.
War, Pollution, Injustice,
A tragic squandering of immense worth.
Let us minister to our world.

And there is a forgotten cry within us all.
A deafening Silence,
Largely unheeded but ever beckoning.
Home, home, home it calls,
An explosion of Joy waiting to be born.
Let us minister to our Source.

There is so much to know, so much to love, so much to share.
Let us go forth this day and minister.

- Dan O'Neal

I was driving up Terrace about a week ago and it was dark - you know, 5:30 in November dark - and I reflexively looked out towards the water at surfer's overlook. What I saw was a picture that I had to re-frame in my mind. It looked like I was looking at a city on the horizon and I knew that No, that can't be a city as I am fairly certain that what I am looking at is the Pacific Ocean. I was pretty sure that the last time I looked in that direction there was not a finger of land that marched all the way across the horizon. But there they were, a Christmas strand of lights out along the edge of the water, undoubtedly bobbing up and down if I had the time to stop and really look. Then I had my "AHA!" moment, crab. I was looking at a very large fleet of crab boats out on the water biding their time before they could wrest the briny pots out of the sea and into their boats. I really have not seen that many boats out in our bay in quite some time. Perhaps I just wasn't looking at the right times, but it was a beautiful sight to behold. Makes you appreciate living on the edge of the earth sometimes. Makes you want to burst out in a Shakespearean Sonnet (come on, you know you want to).

About now, you are probably saying to yourself, "well, Belle, that is a very nice little ditty about your crab boat altered reality experience, but what the heck are you getting at, huh?" And I would say two words back atcha, CRAB FEED. Yep, you guessed it, this is a solicitation to all you folks to come on down to the Bolinas Community Center on Saturday, December 6th and join the students, parents and teachers of the Bolinas Stinson School's 8th grade class in a delectable and butter splattery meal of Crab, Salad and Bread. Yummers!

As you may know by now, the 8th grade class often gets to go to the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland Oregon as their last trip of the year. Actually, it's the last trip of their Bolinas School experience together. It's an amazing opportunity to learn more about Shakespeare and theater as well. The kids will see 5 plays this year, along with the opportunity to go backstage, have a roundtable chat with some of the actors, and learn more about the process of putting on a Shakespearean play (even a rafting trip down the rogue river). It's a great time and the kids really have a blast.

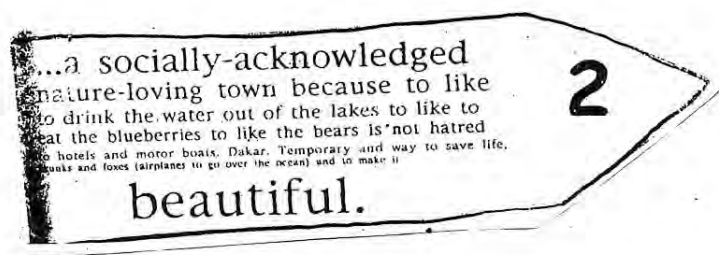
So, this year the parents have decided to raise funds by hosting a dinner for the community. I was told by the Bolinas Community Center that they are not planning on hosting their crab feed this season, so this might be the only chance in the near future that you will get to dine on savory, rich crab and sup delicious mocktails with your friends, family and neighbors. And all for a fantastic cause - our kids!

So, here be the deets:
Saturday, December 6, 2014
at The Bolinas Community Center
Dinner at 6:00pm
\$35.00 per person
Crab, Salad, Bread and Drinks included
Desserts available by auction

Advance tickets sold by the current 8th Grade students:
Ella, Ruby, Kyla, Olivia, Daisy, July, Eli, Valent, Nate,
Samson, Saul, Ulee.

All proceeds benefit the Bolinas Stinson Beach School 8th Grade Class Field Trip to Ashland

-Belle Wood



Smiley's Schooner Saloon in Bolinas, Marin's oldest business, has a new owner — and (surprise!) locals like her

For an outsider, proprietor gets warm reception in Bolinas

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 Tommy Glavey, left, and Zack Gonzalez chatted recently with Lella Monroe, the new owner of Smiley's Schooner Saloon, at the Bolinas bar. (Alan Dep/Marin Independent Journal)

Smiley's Schooner Saloon in Bolinas, the oldest business in Marin County, has a new owner, Lella Monroe, a 35-year-old San Francisco lawyer, the first woman in its colorful, 163-year history. That's the news in this happily isolated coastal hamlet, ending months of rumor and speculation, but it isn't the story. The story is that in a town famously mistrustful of outsiders, no one is calling her a carpetbagger. Quite the opposite, in fact.

"People are receiving her very well," said 72-year-old Don Deane, who's owned and operated the aged Wharf Road watering hole for the past 25 years. "She is a wonderful and potentially powerful ally for the community."

That is quite a statement in a countercultural haven whose residents are so reclusive they tore down its Highway 1 road sign so many times that the last one is on permanent display in the Bolinas Museum.

For an idyllic village that would like to remain as anonymous as possible in today's world of tweets and texts, its reputation as a hippie haven for poets, writers and artists is endlessly fascinating to people far beyond the borders of Marin County.

In June, a New York Times travel article, headlined "Bolinas, Calif., the Town That Didn't Want Company," described the place as "a sort of suburban preserve" that quietly markets itself as "a bulwark against change."

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But the good people of Bolinas can't stop change any more than they can halt the Pacific Ocean waves that roll over Duxbury Point on their way to Bolinas Beach, one of the best surfing spots on the Marin coast.

Three years ago, Deane, a former Marin probation officer who's been a foster parent to dozens of at-risk teenagers over the past three decades, was having a hard time keeping the bar and its six guest rooms in the black.

Since he wasn't getting any younger and could no longer continue to defer maintenance on the decaying building, originally built in 1851 by a sea captain named Isaac Morgan, he put Smiley's on the market for something like \$1.6 million.

Smiley's had survived the 1906 earthquake, Prohibition and any number of fires, floods and calamities, earning the distinction of being one of only 14 bars in the state in continuous existence for more than a century.

But unless a buyer came along with the wherewithal to fix her up, the old girl was destined to fall down around its loyal customers' ears.

There were no prospects during the waning months of the recession. But, with the economy now on the upswing, several potential buyers came forward recently, making multiple offers.

OUTDOORSY MILLENNIAL



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 Lella Monroe, the new owner of Smiley's Schooner Saloon, spent her childhood in Maui and coastal San Diego County. "My parents were hippie surfers," she says. (Alan Dep/Marin Independent Journal)

environmentally and socially progressive Bolinas Community Plan that townspeople adopted in 1975.

Deane ended up selling to Monroe, an outdoorsy millennial who grew up in Maui, graduated from Georgetown University Law School as an ocean conservation lawyer, worked for the National Resources Defense Council and has been coming out to Bolinas to surf for the past 10 years.

"I really love it here," she said the other day, sitting at a vintage Pac Man table game in a corner of the bar. "I love the ocean, and the protection and planning the community has done for this place," she added, referring to the

Trim and athletic, Monroe has sea green eyes, a wide smile and shoulder-length brown hair that was still wet from a morning of surfing with a friend. She had on a pair of faded red Vans, a sweater and light blue jeans. Mr. Fox, her feisty little rescue dog, was busily barking at the languid local canines, who did their best to ignore him as they lounged around on Smiley's weathered wooden floor while their owners, perched on bar stools, shot the breeze and sipped early afternoon beers.



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 Smiley's Schooner Saloon in Bolinas needs structural and interior work, but "it's going to be fun," said new owner Lella Monroe. (Alan Dep/Marin Independent Journal)

TIES TO MUSIC SCENE

Under Deane's stewardship, Smiley's has earned a reputation as a devoted supporter of live music, one of the few places in West Marin that has local musicians playing on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.



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 Patrons leave earlier this month at Smiley's Schooner Saloon in Bolinas. The business is one of only 14 bars in the state in continuous existence for more than a century. (Alan Dep/Marin Independent Journal)

"For a little town that's pretty isolated, to have a thriving, vibrant music scene is a little unusual," Deane said.

As if Monroe's environmental bonafides weren't enough, it seems almost too good to be true that she's also the founder of Project AMPLIFI, a nonprofit that stages concerts and events with independent musicians to raise money for worthy grassroots organizations and to heighten awareness of issues facing artists and others of modest means.

For example, on Dec. 4, Grammy nominated singer Carolyn Malachi performs at a concert at Code and Canvas on San Francisco's Potrero Hill. The evening includes a panel discussion on "How to maintain a robust music community in the midst of the affordable housing crisis." Monroe envisions events like that at Smiley's.

"I think a lot of artists would be excited to play here," she said, mentioning that she has already shown the saloon to rocker Lukas Nelson, Willie's son, a close friend of hers from high school in Hawaii.

"He's been sort of an adviser to me," she said. "Smiley's is similar to a place where he performs on Maui, a little surf side bar where we have intimate concerts."

SHORING UP SMILEY'S

Monroe plans to build on the music scene that's already happening at Smiley's, adding a small stage and making the configuration of the room more conducive to audiences and performers.

But her pressing concern is the desperately needed repairs that must be made if Smiley's is going to stay standing for another decade, let alone another century and a half.

The foundation is crumbling on one side of the two-story building, there's dry rot in the guest units, the bar needs sprucing up, the kitchen will have to be remodeled if it's going to be able to turn out the soups and crepes and other dishes that would appeal to residents as well as visitors. Monroe has visions of a hot tub for guests, a sauna maybe, some terraced landscaping on a hillside behind the inn that's overgrown with weeds and vines.

"It's going to be a lot of work," she said. "But it's an opportunity to give it a once over, a facelift. It's going to be fun."

'SURFER RESTAURATEURS'

Monroe is no stranger to fixing up old buildings. She lives in a house built in 1883 in San Francisco's Eureka Valley.

"There was a woman who was born, married and died there," she said. "She lived there for 92 years, so the place is mildly haunted in a good way. That's why I love the history that's in these walls. You can tell that there's been a lot of fun had here, a lot of good things have happened here."

For the Monroe family, this isn't their first rodeo when it comes to running a historic business in a small town. For 25 years, her father, Scott Monroe, owned and operated Bailey's Wood Pit Barbecue, the oldest building in Julian, a tiny San Diego County village (pop. 1,502) that is an official California Historical Landmark.

"My parents were hippie surfers," she said, chuckling. "Our family network is surfer restaurateurs. There are lots of us who like the flexible hours and the outdoor lifestyle."

When she was in elementary school, before her parents split up and she went to live with her mother in Hawaii, Lella and other members of her family helped her dad run the bar and restaurant, known for its pulled pork sandwiches, 16 draft beers and live music every Saturday night.

"We were all part of that," she said. "Because of that experience, I grew up working in the service industry whenever I could because I enjoyed it. When I was in law school I was really intrigued by the idea of bringing people together around music and a space. This place goes back to that original concept."

NO 'BAD VIBE'

Asked how her reception has been so far in town, she doesn't hesitate, saying, "So far, everyone has been really positive. But who knows what they're saying behind my back. You never know in a small town. But the message I want to give is that I'm really open to suggestions from people who have been coming here and working here for 20 years. Those are the people who have the best ideas about how to make this place even more awesome."

The opportunity to ask those people what they think of Monroe and the inevitable changes she'll bring arose when she left the bar to do some work on a back deck.

Surf instructor Tommy Glavey said he's been surfing with Monroe, and likes that she's what he calls "a water woman."

"From the options that were available, I'm happy to see that she's the one who actually came through," he said as he stood at the bar, talking with friends. "She seems like she's down for the cause."

Wearing a T-shirt with "Bo Gas" on the front, Matt Lundy, a sculptor who runs the town's only gas station, was even more enthusiastic about the change in ownership.

"I know Don (Deane) is tired and is happy to get out from underneath this place," he said. "Let somebody young have it, and she's young enough. She has a positive attitude. She doesn't have an aggressive motivation. She's not going to come in and bulldoze the place and rebuild it. I don't see any bad vibe to it at all."

"O to confront night, storms, hunger, ridicule, accidents, rebuffs, as the trees and animals do."

—WALT WHITMAN, "Me Imperturbe," Leaves of Grass

An important correction to the recent IJ article on the sale of Smiley's Schooner Saloon: Matt Lundy does NOT "run" Bo-Gas".... how the reporter got that information is a mystery to me, as we ALL know it is Alb Foreman who is our State certified gas station manager, and keeps the gas flowing (through floods and rains and technical problems!) and that Matt Lundy is our part time gas station attendant (who does so much to help with Bo-Gas), but this correction should be noted. —Best, Lesa Kramer, BCLT ED

Opinion

United Nations Calls for an End to Industrialized Farming

26 November 2014

<http://www.truth-out.org/opinion/item/27636-united-nations-calls-for-an-end-to-industrialized-farming>

Book Review

Defending Beef: The Case for Sustainable Meat Production. **By Nicolette Hahn Niman, published by Chelsea Green**

by Jonah Raskin

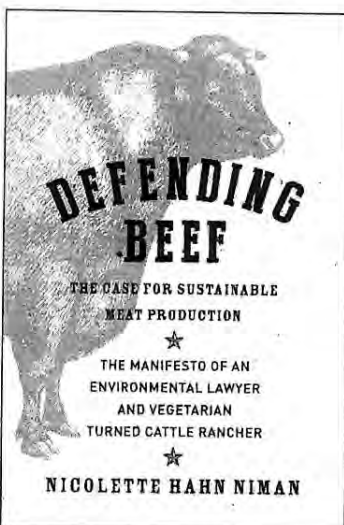
Can a hotshot environmental lawyer from New York find happiness on a remote cattle ranch in Bolinas? The answer to that question is a resounding yes, though not all New York lawyers who aim to protect the Earth and its air and water will beat a path from the canyons of Manhattan to the wide-open spaces of West Marin. The beauty and the bounty of Bolinas aren't for everyone. Still, beleaguered legal beagles might look to Nicolette Hahn Niman, who a decade or so ago, exchanged courtrooms for the countryside and life as an inveterate vegetarian for life as a crusading carnivore.

Hahn tells that story in *Defending Beef: The Case for Sustainable Meat Production* which doubles as a manifesto for grass-fed beef and a memoir about her marriage to and partnership with legendary rancher, Bill Niman, their snug farming family and the cattle that they raise at BN Ranch. As a lawyer, Nicolette Hahn Niman presents hard facts and makes a compelling case for raising cattle and eating wholesome beef. As a wife, a mother and a converted cowgirl, she describes the joys of rural living close to the land.

For carnivores in Point Reyes and beyond, beef probably doesn't need defending. Carnivores already know a good hamburger when they see, smell and taste one. But to vegans and vegetarians, cattle and beef are big villains. Eating a hamburger is tantamount to

committing a sin against the environment and against one's own body. Nicolette Hahn Niman knows all the arguments against beef, grazing, feed lots and slaughterhouses. For years, she accepted them and refused to let a hamburger cross her lips. Then she met Bill Niman, fell in love with him and his way of life and began to eat beef without guilt.

Love apparently does conquer all, though love alone didn't persuade the author to rethink her commitment to vegetarianism. Indeed, she did her homework: read the literature about ranching, eating and the American diet and thought critically about her own habits. In *Defending Beef* she reviews the case against cattle and beef and acknowledges the harm that has been done for decades. "The earth has undoubtedly been subjected to a great deal of improper cattle grazing (far more than most ranchers like to acknowledge)," she insists. "And yes, cattle are indeed connected with climate change." At



times, she seems all too willing to accept the beef with beef. At times one wishes she'd be less balanced in her approach. But she's a lawyer with a sense of ethics and while she wants to win she doesn't want to win at all costs. So nearly everyone in the world of foodies and organic farming has had nothing but praise for *Defending Beef*.

"Every chef in America should read this book," Chez Panisse's Alice Waters says. Judith D. Schwartz, author of *Cows Save the Planet* writes, "In *Defending Beef*, author, rancher and environmental lawyer Nicolette Hahn Niman takes a nuanced look at the impact of livestock on land, water, the atmosphere, and human health."

"Perhaps the section of the book that ought to be most widely read in West Marin and the western world is the section in which Niman

argues that cattle ought to be "kept in dense herds" and that "trampling and breaking the ground surface...are actually essential to grassland ecosystem function." The idea isn't new to Niman. Indeed, she borrows it from the Rhodesian-born biologist, farmer and environmentalist Allan Savory who insists that, "only livestock can save us."

Still, Niman effectively rephrases and recycles Savory's notion of what has come to be described as "mob grazing," a method that's used increasingly by ranchers not only in Marin but around the world, even while it continues to be controversial.

Niman might be flawed for her defense of "mob grazing", but she never falls prey to mob thinking. *Defending Beef* derives from her own independent thinking and feeling as well as from her own individual experience as a lawyer, a cattle rancher, a vegetarian, a carnivore, and as a mother, too. The book is dedicated to her sons, Miles and Nicholas. The art of mothering, along with the art of researching and writing, lifts *Defending Beef* above the herd of books about food and farming and makes it a labor of love for future generations as well as for today.

Jonah Raskin is the author of *Field Days: A Year of Farming, Eating and Drinking Wine in California* and a frequent visitor to Point Reyes.

HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

- November 26: Elaine Brown
Art Moritz
Kerry Livingston
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Damion Brown
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- November 27: Shanna Fleming
Lisa Wilkens
Mitchell Barnes
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- November 28: Steve Reinertsen
- November 29: Katie Ponder
Alana Smith
Claire Heart
- November 30: Brandan Kearney
Freya McCamant
Claire Simeone



Zombies and Hidden Dragons

By Mary Olsen

On a perfectly gorgeous fall day, the day before crab season opened, I drove into Bolinas. There before my eyes was a huge digital highway sign flashing "Beaches closed! Zombies Ahead!"

I could handle the Zombies, but, oh no, the beach is closed? Where would I walk Molly Dog?

The beach wasn't closed. You just can't trust those Bolinian jokesters. However, there were Zombies everywhere. I met two of them on the beach. A reporter and a photographer for the Marin IJ. They'd come to interview the (almost) new owner of Smiley's Saloon. The deal is still in escrow, but expected to close. Everyone wants to know if anything will change.

The answer: no. So relax. The rooms in the back will be renovated and made rentable and the bar may be polished and buffed, but otherwise, nothing will change - a condition of the sale.

If you are neutral
in situations of
injustice, you have
chosen the side of
the oppressor.



Desmond Tutu



With compassion for the citizens of Ferguson. Submitted by Jeff Manson

Old Bird's Dream

A 62 year old albatross named Wisdom gave birth to a healthy chick on February 3 this year --maybe raised 32 so far

"I've grown used to the idea that everything around me in nature happens unobserved and unrecorded"

"It takes a lot to straighten out the record"

Think of dream as autobiographical episodes common and creative
 Recall dreamtime dimensions of contacting ancestors who send gifts of songs, stories, designs
 Turn illusion into luminosity
 Bring back milkweed to 120 million acres of poisoned farm land

Let the monarchs fly

—April 23, 2013

Joanne Kyger

The Weekender

Delicious!

That's my one word review of Jeff Manson (and friends) hippie-dippy Indian fare served up at the community center on Sunday evening. It was a spectacular community event that featured vegetarian food; beautifully composed in both color and architecture, and most of it locally grown! The gathering was large and comprised primarily of local residents new and old. Along with the dinner came a fantastic music show featuring Common Voice, the West Marin community choir. Watching the choir lead, Tim Weed, play all his different instruments while joyfully accompanying /supporting individual choir members was totally inspirational. If I could live in West Marin full time I would soooooo love to join the choir.

In all truth my weekend started on Sunday. The moment I rolled into town, before I could even get out of my car, I saw a friend in front of the library who told me about the community choir evening. His message to me about the event was something akin to, "be there or be square". Got it.

One of the reasons I rolled into town at the end of the weekend was because I decided to take the week off from my corporate gig to spend time here. After a brief visit to the People's store for supplies (in particular, hot chai tea) I was off to my little slice of paradise where I soon met with another friend who helped me dismantle and store away my tipi for the winter. That's right I'll be spending my week winterizing. What a chore! I say this because all I really want to do when the days become short and the temperature drops is hibernate. Sleep in. Read for hours. Nap. Eat soup (with Brickmaiden bread, of course). And shuffle around in thick, warm, wool socks.

That sort of life is not in the cards for me right now. I have waaaay too many things to do before the rains come. In fact, I sort of feel like my get-ready actions are something akin to a prayer for rain; a la Field of Dreams: if you build it, they will come. Yet, getting through my To-Do list in a timely manner is turning out to be tougher than I imagined. The biggest problem for me is my fantastical mind. It tries to convince me that ALL the chores should be easily accomplished in a matter of a single (albeit long) day. I suspect I'm not the only Bolinas resident with a mind that plays tricks on its owner. Each weekday that I've been here preparing for winter, I start with optimism and hubris. By mid-day I feel weary, and by dusk I'm scrambling in a sheepish panic to complete the one item (of many) on my To-Do list. In my 9-5 day job we call this the "Tyranny of Chaos", we like to say if you can accomplish 2-3 items on you day's To-Do list then you've had a successful day at the office. For some reason I thought I'd be free of this kind of problem in Bolinas, here in paradise, where life appears to flow with ease... hmmm... magical thinking strikes again.

- Sera Mac

Oh Deer!

It's rutting season, and the sun is setting earlier. That means it's time for you to hit a deer on Highway 1. But not if you, like, slow the freak down.

Last week Debriefer encountered multiple Bambis wandering the highway between Olema and Bolinas. One night, a wee little bambino was just standing in the opposite lane as we whizzed by.

No surprise that we've noticed an uptick in carcasses along the road. On Monday night we were driving home, muttering darkly to ourselves about various petty complaints—and had a premonition there was trouble ahead: dead deer's curve. We slowed to 35 and there was Bambi the thrill-seeker, waiting for us on the side of the road so it could scamper across our front bumper. And scamper it did.

We came to a dead stop, the groceries flew everywhere, and that lucky deer went on its way. We thought for a moment about some of the impatient tailgaters we've encountered on that same stretch of highway, and immediately hated them and everything they stood for. The rest of the drive was uneventful. —Tom Gogola

DEBRIEFER

How Low Can You Go?

The ARCO station near the Soco coffeehouse in Santa Rosa was charging \$3.26 for a gallon of super-premium gas on Monday night, as local media outlets revved up the ol' engines on a tried-and-true story: "Residents Reflect Cheerily on Lower Gas Prices, and Hope They Go Even Lower."

That was the gist of one happy-pants story Debriefer read in the *Marin Independent Journal* this week, the newspaper of record in a hyper-progressive county.

Wait a minute. Aren't those people supposed to be supportive of higher gas prices as a way to get us out of cars and looking for non-fossil fuel solutions? What's with you, Marin?

Which is to say: Why can't the rest of Marin be more like Bolinas? That's of course the West Marin poster-child town for utopic engagement with the petro-devil. The hippie freaks of Bolinas subsidize a whole commune's worth of low-income downtown housing with sales from BoGas, where a gallon is still over \$5, despite steep declines elsewhere.

Our friends at AAA report that the national average for a gallon of premium is now \$3.34, down 30 cents from a month ago. In California, a gallon of high-test dropped from \$3.88 to \$3.50 over that same time. If you pay cash, the Santa Rosa Arco will sell you a gallon of regular for less than \$3.

Here's a thought for Marin County officials: Take a page from Bolinas, buy up all the gas stations in the county, jack the prices sky-high, and build some affordable housing with the proceeds as you nervously chuckle at the death threats. Otherwise, stop complaining that people are living in their cars in Mill Valley.

—Tom Gogola

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D11/21

Thanksgiving Community Potluck Dinner

Thursday November 27th 2014, 4pm
Doors Open, Dinner at 5pm
Free Entry



Join us for our annual Thanksgiving
Dinner Celebration and Potluck. Please bring a dish to share for 12
people and your own drinks.

Ilka Hartmann is organizing the evening and needs volunteers to help
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The Canadians are Back at 7 am, Mon-Fri!

Thu Nov 27—Happy Thanksgiving

Music with Professor K while our hosts take the day off. Usuals on-air:
11 am Philosophy Talk; 12 pm Attunement; 2 pm Classical Thursday,
Robby Elfman.

Fri Nov 28

1 pm Peace Paradigm Radio. Nonviolence and gratitude: Philip
Hellmich and Andree Young.

Sat Nov 29

9 am Special Hidden Kitchens World, host Frances McDormand.
8 pm The Jazz Groove. Rick Clark returns once a month!

Mon Dec 1

1 pm Ocean Currents. Dead seabirds; sea-star wasting disease; world's
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5 pm Epicenter. Muriel Murch hosts Frances McDormand.

Tue Dec 2

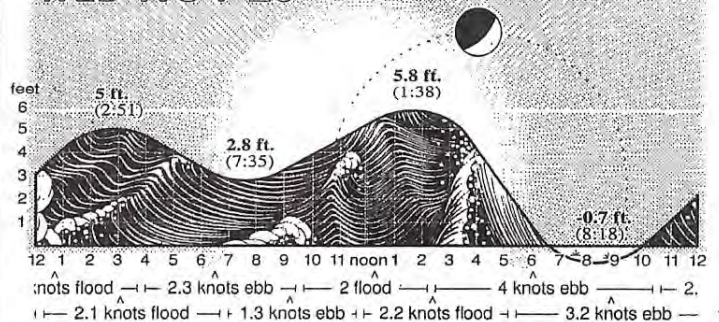
5 pm Epicenter. Protected farmland, Peter Martinelli.

Wed Dec 3

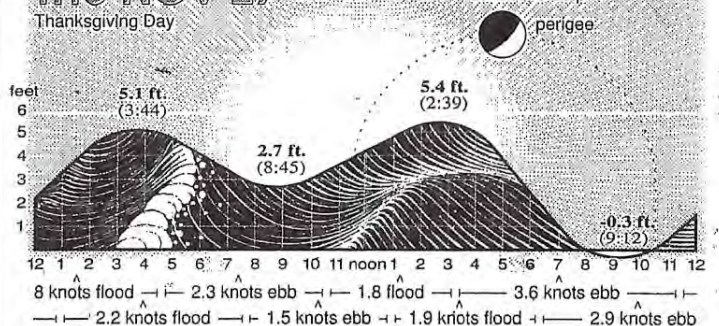
10 am Turning Pages special. Olive Kitteridge. Janet Robbins reads
"Tulips."

Schedules & More Info at www.kwmr.org

WED NOV 26



THU NOV 27



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SB 11/28

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 is gearing up for production. If you have any phone corrections,
 new listings, or classified ads to be included, please email your
 information to hearsaynews@yahoo.com directed to the
 directory, or drop off at *Uniquities Variety* behind the bookstore.

Jp 11/1



The Taste of Biodiversity
 Saturday November 29, 2014, 6pm
 \$20 sliding scale (No one turned away for
 lack of funds!)

A night of foods...films...and fun! A
 benefit for The BoTierra Biodiversity
 Research Center located in Bolinas,
 California.

Don't miss this unique and exciting opportunity to sample many tasty
 foods from foreign lands that have now found a new home right here
 in West Marin. Join BoTierra Founder, research botanist and
 polyculture farmer, John Glavis as he shares his work and discoveries
 of delicious nutritious food plants with great promise as new crops for
 local gardens.



CLASSES



Weekly Schedule

Monday	
Bo Babies & Toddlers Open Play Group (free)	10:00 - Noon
Chiropractic Adjustments w/ Colleen	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Pilates w/Lisa Townsend (pre-register 868-0473)	5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Men's Percussion Ensemble w/ M. Pinkham	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	
Senior Stretch W/Anna Gottreich	11:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Aerial Arts w/Joanna	3:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Pirate Pizza (Pre-order at 328-1066)	4:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	
Pilates w/Lisa Townsend	8:30 - 10:00 a.m.
After-School Theater w/Lisa T (11/12/14-12/17/14)	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
Biblia en Español	8:00 - 9:30 p.m.
Thursday	
USDA food bank	12 noon
Aerial Arts w/Joanna	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
Congolese Dance w/ Sandor	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Friday	
Pilates Mat Class w/Lisa Townsend	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
No Place Like Home (Free Brunch 4 th Fri of Month)	10:30 - 11:30 p.m.
Saturday	
Diaspora Dance w/Amber Hines	9:00 - 10:15a.m.
Ballet w/ Erika Townsend	10:30 - Noon
Sunday	
Brazilian JiuJitsu with Danny	9:30-10:45 a.m.
Brazilian Dance with Anna	11:00 - 12:15 p.m.
Common Voice Choir (9/28 - 11/16/2014)	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Check the Library marquee, Calendar in BCC Foyer or visit
www.bocenter.org for special events. For More Info call 868-2128.

LOST & FOUND

HI. MY NAME IS SADIE MANN AND I AM A FOURTH
 grader at the Bolinas Stinson School. I recently started biking to
 get around with my sister. I love riding my bike and I love my
 bike. I am so sad right now because I left my bike downtown in
 the plaza for a couple of days only to find that it was gone and
 someone took it. Hopefully someone put it in a safe place for
 me. If anyone has any idea where my bike is, please call 858-
 9505 or 868-9505. My bike is purple, has gears, and has a rack
 on the back. Thank you, Sadie

SM 11/7

LOST: A TRIPOD ON BRIGHTON AVE. OVER THE
 weekend of Halloween. Lane Genzlinger 267.679.4485

LG 11/7

LOST: GRAY LONG-HAIRED TUXEDO CAT WITH
 WHITE PAWS, NECK AND NOSE, LAST SEEN 11/17
 POPLAR & DOGWOOD. FRED IS A CURIOUS CAT SO
 PLEASE CHECK YOUR STORAGE BUILDING, AS HE HAS
 BEEN FOUND LOCKED INSIDE TWICE BEFORE!
 PLEASE CALL 868-2004 WITH INFO.

SH11/24

LOST: AT PARK BY TENNIS COURT LEFT A COPY OF
 a novel -Lila by Marilyn Robinson, many handwritten notes all
 over it. If found please call Peter @ 9041 Thanks

11/10 PO

