

# Bolinas Hearsay News



REPORT FROM BURNING MAN • SEPTEMBER 3, 2014 • love from the wheel of life 47cents 50 incl tx

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Friday, September 5

**KENT ISLAND RESTORATION PROJECT**  
Volunteers needed, Wharf Rd. Dock, 10am, lunch provided

Saturday September 6

**FINAL WEEKEND- BENEFIT FOR DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS**  
Bolinas Gallery Sat-Mon. 1-6pm

**LINES ON THE HORIZON: NATIVE AMERICAN ART SLIDESHOW:** Preview by the Fine Arts Museums of SF. 6pm @ Bolinas Firehouse.

Sunday, September 7

**YELAPA: A MEXICAN COASTAL VILLAGE**  
Photos by Celeste Greco, Bolinas Gallery 2-5pm

Wednesday, September 10

**PHILANTHROPY: LESSONS IN HELPING THE POOREST.** Kevin Starr, MD, Commonweal, 3PM

**WATCH YOUR BIKE!**  
**BICYCLES HAVE RECENTLY BEEN LIFTED FROM THE PLAZA.**

Today's Hearsay brought to you by  
StuArt Chapman, editor  
June McAdams, ads  
Jennie Pfeiffer, press

## Meet Me at the Souk

by StuArt

Caravansary was the theme at Burning Man this year. It was a celebration of the Silk Road and the caravans that ferried goods back and forth from empire to empire.

In past years the 40 foot Burning Man effigy has been placed on top of other structures. At last year's "Cargo Cult" the Man stood on the lenticular form of a flying saucer.

But this year the Man stood directly on the Playa floor. (The Playa is what the Burners call the Black Rock Desert - it resembles a huge, bleached beach.)

Closely encircling the Man was a "Souk" a tented circle that was designed to resemble an Arab way-station, a rest stop on the Silk Road.

On the left side of the main entrance was the Wheel of Life fortune wheel. The Burning Man organization had given me an art grant to bring the Wheel of Life to the Souk. I had assembled a team to run it and brought lots of fortunes. Magic was alive at Burning Man, and running the Wheel of Life at the Souk became a totally magical experience.

The magic of the Wheel and the fortunes depend upon a synchronistic and serendipitous link up with the seeker. When I've run the Wheel before, that synchronistic link-up has happened 25% of the time. I'm referring to the number of times that the fortune has true meaning for the person.

At Burning Man the synchronistic link-up zoomed to 99%. I cannot explain it. It was mind-blowing. Maybe the psychic field of the 69,000 people assembled together in the desert exerted some kind of heightened awareness.

People laughed and sometimes broke into tears after receiving their fortune. There was a true feeling of taking a break for from the constantly moving caravan of Burning Man, and consulting the Wheel of Life.

Maybe find true or new direction. continued on next page



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One young woman approached to speak to me about her fortune. She was crying a bit and said to me

"This fortune is so wonderful. I want to tell you a story about it."

She showed me the fortune. It read, "Closer, local is the best." I smiled as I remembered that I had written that fortune to honor the local farmers in my town.

"I'm from Sacramento," she continued with her story. "And I'm drawn to an alternative lifestyle. But my parents wanted me to settle down, get married and give them grandchildren. I got really depressed because of the conflict and didn't know what to do. But I went to the Dickens Fair and I met a cool guy who was into Steam Punk. We were of like mind and it was so great to meet someone I could relate to. He introduced me to a world where I can thrive."

"I wish there was something like this in Sacramento," I told him.

"I'm from Sacramento, he told me."

She paused and I looked at her. Tears were flowing from her eyes.

"This fortune is so beautiful," she said. "Closer, local really is the best. I didn't have to run away from where I was to find my life. My joy was next door. This reaffirms my direction in life. — This is what I came to Burning Man for. I want to thank you for bringing the Wheel of Life to Black Rock City.

We embraced, and hugged each other for a good, long time. I felt her body tremble as we silently shared some sense of the true beauty and meaning of Life.

That's when I realized that I was assisting in the evolution of the human spirit

"Holy moly!" I thought to myself, "I'm becoming a spiritual healer at Burning Man."

"This is too much!" I continued thinking, "I'm no healer I'm just a carny artist running a game of chance in the Souk. I gotta get outta here."

I began to plan an exit strategy. But before I could do anything another young woman approached with her fortune and said to me.

"Can I tell you my story? This fortune is amazing! Last night I was at a dance camp and some boys convinced me to climb up on the giant speakers and dance. And they helped me up and I got up there and began to dance.

And I'm up there dancing and I'm thinking 'I can't believe I'm dancing in the air at Burning Man, This is too scary! I got scared and started to panic .

"But then I told myself, 'I can handle this - No problem!' and I had the most wonderful, incredible, transformative experience dancing the night away on top of those giant speakers."

She looked deeply into my eyes. "And then I got this fortune."

"No Problem!" the fortune read.

I was struck by the coincidence, and I wanted to know more. "What does it mean to you?" I asked her.

"This fortune speaks to me - it says live my life like an adventure - take risks! - really live! . . . and when I do get scared I'll remember this fortune - No problem! It's a beautiful affirmation. Thank you for bringing the Wheel of Life to Burning Man."

"Aw shucks." I thought to myself. "I'm just a carny artist with a fortune wheel."

I recognized that her fortune was also a message to me. At Burning Man I was a an Artist and I was also a Healer. Artist and Healer? I could handle it - No Problem!

And I did handle it; The fortunes and stories kept arriving and I got better and better at helping the pilgrims understand the significance of their fortunes..I loved bringing out the best in people. I felt like a Burning Bodhisatva helping sentient beings towards enlightenment.

I was assisting in the evolution of the human spirit and I loved it. My heart opened as I watched people come to an understanding of their greater self through a deeper reading of their fortune. I could almost see their life light

brighten as we talked about the significance of their fortune and their lives.

It was difficult at times to maintain my charade as spiritual healer. But I'd just tell myself, "No Problem!" and it would become no problem, and I would go back to happily assisting in the evolution of the human spirit.

The synchronicity rate at the Wheel of Life was running close to 100%. It was uncanny.

Perhaps the relevance of the fortunes was partially due to the brand new device that I was testing at Burning Man.

A few days before we left town I found a bathroom scale in the Freebox. I knew that it might be the perfect platform for people to stand on when they spun the wheel.

But I knew it was only a bathroom scale and I wanted to transform it. So I painted out the numbers and added a red heart. I called it "The Field of Love." I thought that I had masqueraded the true identity and purpose of the device.

But out at the Souk, after we had set up the Wheel, my favorite Burning Man representative came by. I was excited for her to be the first person to spin the Wheel and I asked her to step onto the repurposed scale..

"No thanks" she answered, glancing at the scale "Too much bacon and champagne."

That's when I realized that some people might have body image issues with bathroom scales. I had to reinvent the device.

So I decided to change my approach and instruct people to step on the scale and then pump it so the needle swung wildly back and forth. The weight thing became irrelevant.

I noticed that when people pumped up and down on the scale their qi was increased. Their energy fields brightened as qi was pumped up in their bodies.

I saw that the increased qi energy was transmitted to the Wheel when they spun. The chi energy stimulated the psi field and synchronicity happened.

My teammate Bill also worked the Wheel. Bill is a computer guy and he developed an elaborate tech rap to describe the old bathroom scale I had gotten from the Freebox.

*"This is a qi energy field input device It feeds the big data analytics engine that drives the wheel to precisely predict something about your future."*

Amelia was the third member of our team. She also worked the Wheel. Amelia is a practiced Tarot reader and was able to include a one card Tarot reading with every spin.

Amelia, Bill and me. We all had our individual styles. And then we trained a couple other friends to help us.

I was running the Wheel and I had just serviced a seeker and he turned around and said, "Maybe it's time for the fortune teller to spin his fortune."

"Yeah!" my friend shouted and a crowd gathered in the Souk. I was anxious, what kind of fortune would I get?.

I - who had written every last fortune with my best calligraphic penmanship.

I ran the game, I didn't play the game. Nevertheless I calibrated the Wheel to my Chinese astrological sign - polarity, element and animal. And I drew a Tarot card as a clicker. And I stood on the scale and pumped my chi. And I spun.

The Wheel stopped and I plucked the fortune off the peg, I unfurled the fortune, it read:

"The hippies were right!"

It was the perfect fortune. I spun around and showed the fortune to the crowd. A tremendous cheer went up. It was true! We all felt it! The hippies were right and so is Burning Man!

**Find your Birthday Treat Coupon in the Classified Section of Today's Hearsay**

Thank you, Wayne Campbell

I was heartened by your letter to the *Hearsay* after I took a look at my seawall, at the end of Brighton, by the big dead tree.

When the world is torn apart by tribalism, violent arguments about resources, and general disregard for the fact that human nature is also Nature, it's so important to have the heart show up.

In my heart, I would love you to respect my neighbors desire to see an end to the art on their walls...but I welcome you back.

I have to believe that at the end of the day, when your personal property and mine can be shared for good, it's cuts down on the tribal warfare.....I hope this bit of dialogue encourages that.

Please get out the word, you are welcome, as always, on "the Lower Concrete Wall"

-Kristina Flanagan



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IT WAS FUN, DELICIOUS AND MADE A BIT OF MONEY FOR BCC. MY HEARTFELT THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED.

- JUNE MCADAMS







Burning Man Charcoal Mural - I thought it might be "fun" to sketch Burners in charcoal. For a couple of days I set up a wooden panel on an improvised easel in the Souk near the Wheel of Life. I put anyone who asked into the mural. The more I sketched the better I got but it was still a challenge every time.  
 — StuArt

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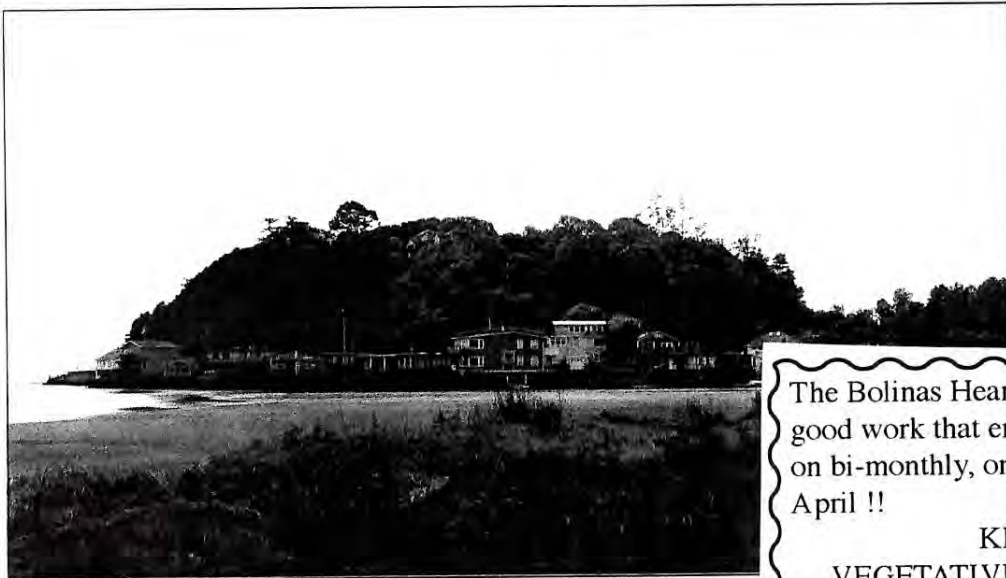
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 Teen/Adults – All levels welcomed  
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photos by Curly Rigg



The Bolinas Hearsay News hereby acclaims the good work that ends this month - that's been going on bi-monthly, one Friday & one Saturday since April !!

That's the  
KENT ISLAND

VEGETATIVE RESTORATION PROJECT  
They need volunteers - 10 a m to 2 p m, lunches provided!

Volunteers are needed  
to meet the goal of 2014

NEXT SCHEDULED TIME VOUNTEERS MEET  
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## SPECIAL NOTICE

Dated: August 28, 2014

The Bolinas-Stinson Union School District

Board of Trustees will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING**

at the Regular Board Meeting on September 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

This Hearing will be held at the Bolinas Campus Library  
125 Olema-Bolinas Road,  
Bolinas, CA 94924

### PUBLIC HEARING:

#### Instructional Materials Sufficiency

Determination that Bolinas – Stinson Union School District has sufficient textbooks/Instructional materials that are aligned to the content standards and are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board of education in

Reading/Language arts, Mathematics, Science and History-Social Science and that each pupil, including each English learner, will have a standards- aligned textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home.

## LIVE MUSIC AT THE BEACH

Fri., Sat. & Sun Nites SEPTEMBER

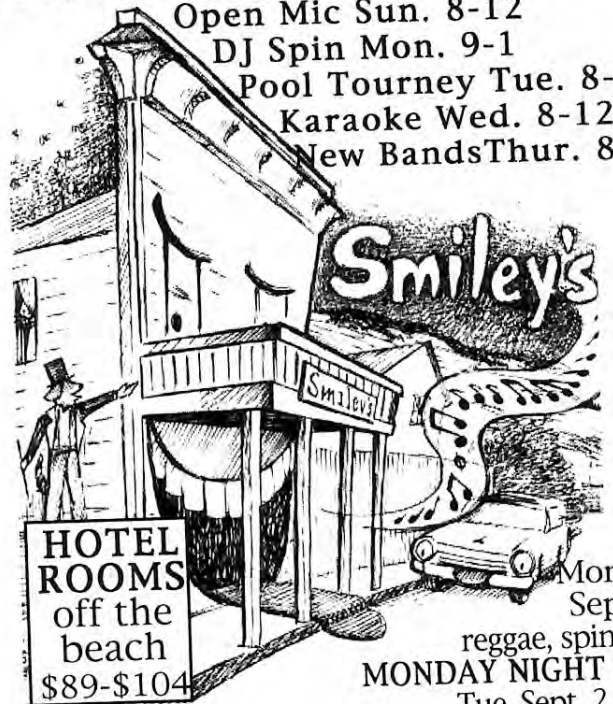
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DJ Spin Mon. 9-1

Pool Tourney Tue. 8-12

Karaoke Wed. 8-12:30

New Bands Thur. 8-12



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Monday Sept. 1,  
reggae, spin, 9-1,

**MONDAY NIGHT LIVE**  
Tue. Sept. 2, 7-12

Jesse's **GRAND POOL TOURNEY**  
Wed. Sept. 3, 8-12, **LARRY'S KARAOKE**

Thurs., Sept. 4, 9-12, spec. eclec.  
**MICHAEL MUSIKA**

Fri. Sept. 5, 9-1, funky rock **TOMMY ODETTO**

Sat. Sept. 6, 9-1, **EL RADIO FANTASTIQUE**

Sun., Sept. 7, 8-12:30 **OPEN MIC w/Diana**

Mon. Sept. 8, reggae, spin, 9-1, **MONDAY NITE LIVE**

Tue. Sept., 9 7-12 Jesse's **GRAND POOL TOURNEY**  
Wed. Sept. 10, 8-12:30, **LARRY'S KARAOKE**

Thur. Sept. 11, 9-12, coun. blues, **ROCKIT SCIENCE**  
Fri. Sept. 12, 9-1 Eli's **PSDSP**

Sat. Sept 13, 9-1, **JERRY HANNAN BAND**

Sun, Sept. 14, 8:30-12 **OPEN MIC w/Emma Lee**

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## HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

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Sharon Minken

September 4: Duncan Hopkins

September 5: Chime Serra  
Madelyn Sobel

September 6: Kit Keigwin  
Luke Allen-Walmisley  
Janice Tweedy  
Paul Elliot  
Lisa Glueck

September 7: Harmony Cipollina  
Lynn O'Hare Berkson  
Jonathan Korty  
Patty Bradford





## LOST & FOUND

**FOUND: A CALICO CAT CAME TO MY HOME**  
 on Nymph / Elm- seems very sick. Ilka 0419

8/25 IH

**LOST: RING, WHITE GOLD WITH DIAMONDS,**  
 sometime in the last couple of days.  
 Please call 707-223-5800 if found.

CA 8/20

**Lost: My Left Teva Sandal (blue black-size 10) snatched from**  
 my door Sunday nite. Did your dog bring it home as a trophy?  
 Larch/Fern -Jutta 663-2549

JR 9/3

**LOST: I PHONE-WHITE PHONE IN BLACK**  
 case with torn flower sticker on back Lost on sewer pond path.  
 Please call 868-1186 if found.

8/11

**LOST: BIG BUNCH OF KEYS (ABOUT 8)**  
 including Toyota keys. In Bolinas between Bobolicious and  
 Smiley's. Call 415-686-2677 if found

PC 7/30

**FOUND: MISTAKENLY TAKEN FROM THE BEACH**  
 on Tuesday-small child's blue O'Neill wetsuit w/ booties.  
 Please call 868-9067 to recover

KB 7/30

**DID ANYONE THINK A SMALL ROUND WROUGHT**  
 Iron table on Nymph Rd, was up for grabs? I put it there for a  
 little girl to reach the blackberries. It was my Mom's, I would  
 love to have it back. Ilka -0419

IH 7/18

**FOUND: CAMERA ON THE BEACH.**  
 Call 1478 to describe and claim.

KS 7/16

**LOST: SMALL BABY DOLL ON MESA OR**  
 sewer pond area. About 6-7" with "love" written on her  
 pink/purple romper. Plastic head, feet and hands, blue eyes.  
 Please call -9950 if you have seen her!

EM 7/9

**How to contribute to the Hearsay News in person**  
 Come to the office at 270 Elm at Maple, behind the  
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## CLASSES



### Weekly Schedule

#### Monday

Chiropractic Adjustments (June-August) 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
 Pilates w/Lisa Townsend (pre-register 868-0473) 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday

Senior Stretch W/Anna Gottreich 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
 Bo Babies & Toddlers Open Play Group (free) 1:00 - 3:00 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.  
 Biblia en Español 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

#### Thursday

USDA food bank 12 noon  
 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<sup>th</sup> Fri of Month) 10:30 - 11:30 p.m.

#### Saturday

Soul Soup w/ Amber Hines (0-3yrs) 6/14-7/26 11:00 - 11:45 p.m.  
 Ballet w/ Erika Townsend 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

#### Sunday

Brazilian Dance with Anna 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
 Sunday CommUnity Night ([www.bocenter.org](http://www.bocenter.org) for details)

Check the Library marquee or Calendar in BCC Foyer for special  
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