



The Lookout

Muir Woods Park Community Association

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Throckmorton Ridge Fire Station Update

It has been a busy winter for the Throckmorton Fire Station. With the warm winter and lack of rain we have had a lot of visitors to the water shed as well as the state park. With the increase in visitors we have had a steady increase in service calls which have included several cliff rescues, multiple bicycle accidents, several motor vehicle accidents, as well as our normal medical aids.



As most of the residents are aware, we have been involved in a fuel reduction project along Panoramic Hwy. This project has been a long time in the works and is in coordination with the State Parks, MMWD and private citizens. The Marin County Fire Department's Tamalpais Fire Crew began cutting and piling brush from Four Corners to the fire station. When all was said and done over 2000 burn piles were created. Since the middle of December the fire crew has been burning piles. This has been a slow process due to the number of no burn days and the inversion. The fire

crew tries to limit the impact of smoke to the community by monitoring both the weather and the fuel moistures before beginning each burn. The Marin County Fire Department would like to thank all who assisted as well as the community for allowing this project to go forward.

As spring time approaches we would like to remind people that we live in a wild land urban interface area and the need for 100' of defensible space around your residence. The Marin County Fire Department will once again begin our home and neighborhood inspections beginning in May and June. The Throckmorton Station would like to welcome Captain Jake Rosebrock who just transferred from our Tomales Fire Station. Jake has been with the department for over 10 years and is a great addition to the station.

- Jeremey Pierce
Senior Captain
Throckmorton Ridge
388-5414



MWPCA President's Report

It's early in the year and there is not much to report yet on this year's activities.

By the time you receive this issue of the Lookout you should have received an envelope containing a dues notice and a separate form requesting contact information or correction for a directory to be developed for us mountain folks.

If you members have not yet done so, please send in your dues. Non-members, please consider joining the MWPCA. In addition to having a wonderful facility for use as a Red Cross Shelter and gathering place in case of emergencies, it's just plain good to know a bit about the neighborhood and have an opportunity to make your ideas known.

For the directory information, please correct or add information, and let us know your preferences regarding what you would like us to include in the directory.

The next event will be the always-popular St. Patrick's Day dinner. On Saturday, March 17th—THE DAY! I hope you are able to attend.

- Peter Hindley

Board Meeting Highlights

Note: Complete MWPCA Board minutes are now posted online at: <http://www.mounttam.org>

Disaster Preparedness Council Meeting Saturday, February 25th, 1:00 PM

All who are interested in meeting with the Disaster Preparedness Council, please come to the meeting on Feb. 25th at the Throckmorton Ridge Fire Station. Your ideas and opinions are very important factors in our planning process.

Also, please check with your neighbors again about their information on the green forms. It is time to get them back to the Disaster Council. Remember:

- Green forms are the neighborhood registry forms to be sent to the fire station by neighborhood liaisons.
- Gray forms are for damage assessment to be used at the time of an emergency, completed by neighborhood liaisons and sent to the command center.

Thank you for your continued efforts.

- Susan Johnson, susancaj@comcast.net
- Virginia Soper, VMSoper@SBCglobal.net

St. Patrick's Dinner Saturday, March 17th at 6:00 PM

MWPCA Community Center, 40 Ridge Avenue
Adults—\$20 / Children under 14—\$10



2011 St Patrick's Day Dinner

For many of us, this dinner/party is the highlight of the social calendar for the year!



Cocktail hour starts at 6:00 PM with no-host beer and wine, followed by a traditional corn beef and cabbage dinner at 7:00 PM. Dessert follows, along with Irish coffee for adults. Dancing into the evening orchestrated by Foo Kennedy.

Space always fills up quickly, so please let us know ASAP whether you plan to attend. We prepare for 60 people and would hate to turn anyone away. Kids are welcome.

Menu is courtesy of Executive Chef Lynn Hindley, a meal many of us relish. Again this year Lila Daniels and Susan Johnson will assist Lynn with the event, and they're always looking for extra sets of hands to help.

Call or email Lila if you'd like to help with set-up, shopping, cooking, serving, or clean-up.

- Lila Sparks-Daniels
lilasd@aol.com or 415/819-0845

Meeting Reminder for Mountain Artists Friday, February 24th at 6:00 PM

Those participating in or interested in participating in the Open Studios event June 1, 2 and 9 are invited to a second planning meeting at the MWPCA Clubhouse. Participants will share plans or participation and publicity. March 10th is the deadline for joining in. For more info:

Etta Deikman at 383-2198 or deikman@sbcglobal.net

Historic Homes on Mt Tamalpais



Train to the top of Tamalpais, circa 1910

This is the first in a series of stories about historic homes and structures on Mt Tamalpais. What constitutes the term 'historic' is subjective. For this purpose, we will be featuring 'homes with a story'. Ever since the Mt. Tamalpais and Scenic Railway brought weekend adventurers up the mountain via steam, and down via gravity, people have been discovering the

beauty and wonder of our Mountain. Many, like we modern adventurers, chose to make it our home. We'd like to hear from you if you have a story to share (nancy.gribler@yahoo.com).

sudden heart attack and he died instantly. So Kay was in her 20's, going to school, widowed and had the responsibility of a large piece of property to handle on her own. Well, she did - for many years.



3 Annie Lane (aka 3 Mountain View Avenue) I had a good friend in L.A. who had an Aunt named Kay DeClark. Kay and I became close, perhaps because she lived in Beverly Hills and would drive me around to look at stars' homes, but primarily because she and I had fantastic talks. Many of her stories were about her history on Mt Tamalpais. She

owned a big piece of property she hadn't visited for many years, although she was emotionally attached to it.

3 Annie Lane was built in 1920, by a doctor who was a heart specialist. As the first home on the street, he named the lane after his wife Annie. It's a huge structure on three levels, plus a lovely lookout room, all encased in glass. The doctor had very specific plans - this would be a convalescent hospital specifically for heart patients. He would live on the top floor with his family, the middle floor would be for patients, and the bottom level for a caretaker of the vast property. He built beautiful pathways that wound all through the steep property. Once completed, the Marin County AMA came to inspect the sanitarium for certification. Well, they were shocked. According to the practice of the day, heart patients were most certainly not to get up out of their beds and walk - most especially on pathways in the woods. The doctor was denied certification and his dreams were dashed, which is amazing when we look at modern-day treatment of heart disease.

Go forward 30 years, and Kay DeClark was very young and newly married to a professor at San Francisco State, she herself getting a degree in education. They bought 'the big white elephant' for a great price, and set upon making it a home and a place they could rent out to help make payments. That summer, they were putting a balcony deck around the top floor, and her husband had a

Thirty years after buying it, she encouraged me to go to San Francisco State University as: 1) they had a good film department and 2) my mediocre grades would suffice. And, I would have a place to live - the caretaker's apartment at 3 Annie Lane. In 1980, I moved to the home and spent 2.5 years in her magical house, before moving 500 yards downstream to the home we live in now.

Let's share the stories of our homes, or homes you've lived in here on the mountain. Please contact me at nancy.gribler@yahoo.com with *your* story.

- Nancy Gribler

Important Phone Numbers

Throckmorton Ridge Fire Station

Non-emergency 415 388-5414

Sheriff Department

Non-emergency 415-332-5422

Cell Phone call to 911 within Marin County

Local dispatch 415 472-0911

Lookout Seeks Contributors

Our Lookout Issues are filled with contributions from neighbors. This issue we have new contributions from Bob Scheibach and Jim Bramell. Nancy Gribler is beginning a series on houses with a history here in our neighborhood.

If you have an idea to pursue or you'd like to share something, just contact Lila with a suggestion.

Typically, articles run 500 words. Photographs are always welcome and enrich our reading.

Send ideas to: lilasd@aol.com

Advertising Opportunity: MWPCA Neighborhood Directory

2012 marks the year of the updated neighborhood directory....finally! Last one was created in 2005.

**Those of you wishing to place an ad in the directory, please contact Faybeth Diamond:
fbdlive@comcast.net**

Bus Service in the Neighborhood



Marin Transit would like to remind riders of the availability of The Stage coming through our neighborhood. Call them at 415/526-3239 or go to the following website for schedule updates:

<http://www.marintransit.org/stage.html>.

Knitters: "Mt. Tam Purls" 4th Wednesday of the Month 3:00—5:00 PM

There is now a group of about 5 regulars who get together and share projects and tips....bringing everything from knitting to mending to new quilts. Group members host the group at their homes. Come join in the fun.

To receive reminders contact Lila Daniels at lilasd@aol.com for meeting locations and to get on the email distribution list. (Upcoming dates are also listed on the calendar on page 12.)

300 Block on Panoramic Highway

If you see fewer bewildered hikers and joggers where Bay-view Drive hits Panoramic, thank **the Cooksons**. It is Emily Cookson's hand-sewn cloth banner that points Dipsea trekkers in the right direction (literally and figuratively).



Dean, her husband, chief information officer at Virgin America, **says** they've had a couple of knocks on the door from people who weren't sure where the Dipsea picked up after it crosses Panoramic, but mostly, the flummoxed visitors are just stopped in their tracks near the Cookson house, looking right, left and backward for some sign leading them to the famous trail.

The Cooksons are among the residents of the 300 block of Panoramic, the stretch that starts at Walsh and ends at about Lone Tree Avenue. The Cooksons, who include 8-year-old Adrian and 6-year-old Nathan, moved into their yellow house in 2009 "for the view." They weren't quite prepared for all the fog. "Four days a year it's clear," Dean laughs, quickly adding that it's still worth it living on the mountain. Emily walks the kids to school down the Dipsea steps, and at home, they see bobcats and deer and other animals. "It's gorgeous," Deans says.

In another of the Lookout's Saturday strolls (mixed with a few phone calls) to meet the neighbors, one finds **Eike Knopath** rotating the tires on his truck outside his geodesic dome home, but mostly, people are shut up inside, not at home or not eager (but polite about it) to talk to an uninvited guest about themselves.

Eike and Wenona Knopath weren't looking for a geodesic dome when they came house hunting on Mt. Tam in 1998. They just wanted access to the beautiful outdoors. But the geodesic house wasn't selling – in part because banks don't offer conventional loans for "experimental structures" and it was a good deal. The advantages of the dome structure, Eike says, is that his PG&E bill is rarely more than \$40 because the sun keeps it heated and the winds don't come at it with the force they do a square house. If there's a disadvantage, it's that the roof is built in triangles and it's like building 12 roofs to put a new one up.



Bob Clemons was an engineer working for a railroad in Indiana in the early 60s when he heard about an intriguing new building project in the San Francisco Bay Area called BART. "The idea of working on this new transit system, which was the newest in the country at that time, piqued my interest."

300 Block on Panoramic Highway (cont'd)

Bob and his wife, **Emily**, weren't sure where to live in the Bay Area: one friend who lived on the Peninsula told them that "no one" lives north of the Golden Gate. But a relative told them they'd like Mill Valley and Bob had roots here, having lived at Hamilton Air Force Base for a short time as a child. They did like Mill Valley. They rented a house for a few years, moved to Washington D.C., with their son and daughter for three years and then came back. They then rented again on Marion Avenue for seven years before finding their house on Panoramic in 1975. "We didn't have any money and we bought this place because we could buy it on a veterans' loan with no down payment," Bob recalls. He went back to working for Bechtel, continuing his work on BART and other projects.

At that time, he remembers, he walked across the street and caught the bus to the city. "Greyhound operated one bus that started out at Point Reyes and came across the mountain. One bus in the morning and one bus out in the evening." School buses also took the kids to and from school, "so it was a different world," says Bob, who has been a vice president and member of the board of the Muir Woods Park Community Association.

When they didn't ride the school bus, Emily recalls, the kids walked up and down the Dipsea steps or rode their bicycles. It was a time of civil rights and then Vietnam War marches. Their son volunteered to help integrate Martin Luther King Junior Middle School in Sausalito, so after his ride to Edna McGuire in a school bus, another bus would take him to Sausalito.

Two years ago, **Sudeep Balain** joined **Kelly Purcell** at her house, which, although it has a Panoramic address, is down a lane away from the main traffic – and protected from the mountain's high winds. Sudeep is retired from a career in marketing and finance and now spends his time managing money and reading. Kelly runs the Paul Thiebaud Gallery in San Francisco. Sudeep finds the mountain "calming, very quiet . . . spiritual . . . There's no better place for me."

Roberta Doleson-Weiss fell in love with Marin on several trips from her native New York, one during which she, at separate times, got a job at the old Trident in Sausalito and met her husband, **Mark Weis**, a Mill Valley native. They

have been on Mt. Tam since 1980, and their two children, Jarret, who invented an iPhone app and lives in San Francisco, and Daryn, a dance teacher in Harlem, were born in the



Roberta is a personal trainer and teacher at Happy Feet Dance Studio and Mark is a woodworker who once owned the Mill Valley Cabinet Shop. Roberta says she feels fortunate to have her kids grow up in the outdoors but also near museums and plays and other cultural offerings. "I'm very thankful to be here," she says.

The only thing that sometimes make her think more fondly of New York is the lack of sidewalks, open doors and street lights that made her own childhood a more friendly neighborhood experience. "It's a tradeoff," she says. "This mountain is so beautiful – wildlife, bobcats. A falcon landed on our porch and a deer dropped its antlers here."

Jeffrey Cohen, who lives on Panoramic with his artist wife **Bonnie**, thinks there's just enough neighborliness on the mountain. "There's a sense of community but we're not in each other's faces," he says. What drew him and his wife was the outdoors: "the wildness, the view, the feeling that you can smell the ocean, the air." Cohen, who writes songs and works at a tea shop, has lived on Panoramic since 1987. He and his wife have a grown daughter who grew up here.

Bob and Ciri Berg lived on Monte Cimas for a decade before buying their bigger house on Panoramic last year. Ciri is a financial adviser and Bob works at home in a number of businesses, including wine distribution and sports investment. They had a chance to move anywhere last year but in the end, they realized they loved the mountain for themselves and their dogs, with its "killer views" and proximity to trails and Muir Woods. If there are drawbacks, it's that when Bob wants to take a break from work and mingle, he has to go downtown. When he lived in the city, he could just walk out his door. Also, the fog can be off-putting. "The last two summers have been a little difficult," he says.

Carl Duisberg and **Linda Lindskog** came back to Linda's hometown following Carl's 35-year career as a foreign service officer, which included a stint in Afghanistan. Carl loves everything about the mountain, including the storms – and the views. "I like being on the edge – all the madness of the bay below." It's amazing, he adds, how Marin has been able to save open space and avoid the crushing development of other communities.

- Diane Curtis

Artists Open Studios, 2012 June 1, 2, and 9

More than 14 artists living in our community have enthusiastically agreed to participate in an Open Studios event during June.

Painters, ceramicists, photographers, sculptors, mixed media artists of all ages are participating:

Woodward Payne	Tripp Carpenter
Linda Sawtelle	Rhonda Dubin
Suki Hill	Roy Forest
Beverly Anderson	Bonnie Cohen
Bonny Neumann	Alice Steinman
Victor Yalom	Alex Uncapher
Etta Deikman	Lila Sparks-Daniels

The Open Studios event begins with a cocktail party and reception at the MWPCA Clubhouse at 6:00 PM on Friday, June 1st. Artists will display several representative pieces. Maps will be available to simplify the visits to our artists' Studios on the following two consecutive Saturdays: June 2 and 9.

For those unable to come to the reception on June 1st, maps will be available at the MWPCA Clubhouse beginning at 10:00 AM on June 2nd and 9th.

Etta Deikman is spearheading the event with Lila Sparks-Daniels co-chairing.



Artists, there is still time to participate; just contact Etta or Lila to express your interest in sharing your creative work. Then, they'll take it from there. Deadline to participate: Saturday, March 10th.

In fact, there is a planning meeting at the MWPCA Clubhouse on Friday, February 24th at 6:00 PM, if you'd like to join in and see how the plans are going.

Etta Deikman: 383-2198
Lila Sparks-Daniels: 819-0845

Special Thanks to Linda Sawtelle

Linda Sawtelle has been assisting Peter Hindley (especially) with systematizing and organizing the MWPCA membership list. She's a techno-whiz and has generously given time to the clean-up process. Thank you, Linda!

What are all these redundant requests for updates?

Just in case you're wondering.....our efforts to update the neighborhood directory is coinciding with the annual dues mailing to all neighbors on the mountain.

And, there's also been activity as Neighborhood Liaisons collect information to share with the Throckmorton Ridge Fire Station.

Forgive us.....but we want to "get it right" and timing has collapsed everything into the beginning of 2012. And, different people have overlapped in their efforts to collect information.

For example, in the dues mailing, please be sure to review your information MWPCA Neighborhood Address List, 2012 document (to make sure it's updated) and sign to give permissions to include email address/es and/or cell phone #s in the directory.

We want to honor your requests for privacy and also provide basic information to help neighbors contact neighbors when the need arises.

See below for more on the Neighborhood Directory process.

Thank you all for your cooperation and for your interest.

For more information, please contact Lila or Carol:
- Lila Sparks-Daniels, lilasd@aol.com
- Carol Stern: huckleberrycas@yahoo.com

Looking for Ways to Save Water, Energy and Money?

MMWD is teaming up with California Youth Energy Services (CYES) to offer FREE Green House Calls for Marin homeowners and renters through April, 2012.

Each visit includes an energy- and water-use assessment, plus a mini-retrofit with water-efficient showerheads, compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs), retractable clotheslines and more.

A program of the nonprofit Rising Sun Energy Center, CYES provides free job training for youth ages 15-22.

To schedule your free appointment, call Travers McNeice at 532-7566 or at mcneice@risingsunenergy.org.

Also, feel free to contact MMWD at: publicinformation@marinwater.org.

Information provided by Laura Chariton who can be reached at:388-7060 or laurachariton@comcast.net.

MWPCA Dues Are Due for 2012! (Either complete the form below or look for an envelope coming to you from MWPCA.....if it hasn't arrived already!)

MWPCA Members: Please return with your annual dues payment
MWPCA Non-Member Neighbors: Please consider joining the MWPCA

Membership is open to all. Voting is limited to member owners and member residents of the Muir Woods Park area, and dues must be received before about October 1 to qualify to vote in the November election.

What the Muir Woods Park Community Association (MWPCA) is doing for you:

- Disaster Preparedness / Mountain Emergency Team (Club House is your local Disaster Shelter)
- Fire prevention efforts
- The venue for many community-wide and smaller meetings each year
- The local venue for voting in local and national elections
- Forum for exploring neighborhood concerns like Sewer/Septic
- Social events for both children and adults during the year
- Club House rentals at reduced rates for members
- Routine maintenance of building and grounds

What you can do for your community:

- Become a member of the MWPCA; your dues assist the community
- Volunteer for community projects such as maintenance of building or grounds, helping with paperwork
- Share issues that are important to you
- Show up for events and get to know your neighbors
- For more information about the Muir Woods Park Community Association: www.mounttam.org.

MWPCA MEMBERSHIP / DONATIONS

Membership includes Lookout Newsletter mailed 3-4 times a year, also available online

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www.mttam.org

Remember, if we have your e-mail address, you will get immediate notification about neighborhood emergency alerts, social events, and other issues

Judy Sparks Newly-Elected MWPCA Board Member

Judy Sparks is the newest MWPCA Board member. She will be working on membership for MWPCA. Judy and her husband, Bob Graham, moved to Muir Woods Park two years ago from Beverly Glen in West Los Angeles.

Both are retired, Judy from California State College, Long Beach where she taught in the College of Business and Bob from the practice of law. They purchased Marjorie Priest's home and have been busy changing it to accommodate family visits. If the name Sparks sounds familiar, it is because Judy's cousin is Lila Sparks-Daniels, a long time Muir Woods Park resident.



Judy and Bob bring a strong belief in the importance of neighborhood organizations as both have been

Border Collie Seeking Mountain Home



I have been caring for a very sweet petite young lady dog, a 33-pound Border Collie since I found her abandoned in Golden Gate Park one night, as I was driving home. No one has claimed her, and I have been caring for her for several weeks now...

She desperately needs to find a new home and she loves being here on the Mountain.

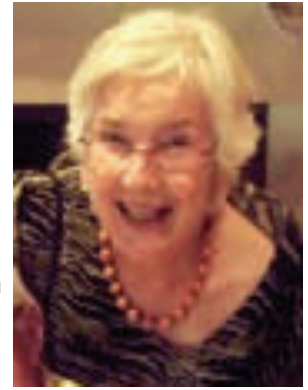
If you know anyone who would like a side-kick to keep them young and moving, please contact me.

She needs serious exercise every day, plenty of play, love and lots of raw bones to chew on.

Claire Calvino
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Neighbors

In July 2011, Elisabeth (Betli) Scheibach was interviewed by representatives of The Jefferson Awards Committee. She had been nominated as an outstanding volunteer for service performed in the Bay Area. Pictures were taken and shown on Channel 5 and also described on KGO Radio.



On January 12, all of the Jefferson Awards finalists were introduced at a program held at the Herbst Theatre in San Francisco. Each finalist was awarded a large Plaque and five of the top individuals will go to New York for a National Selection.

In 1969 Elisabeth (Betli) Scheibach was certified as a BRAILLE TRANSCRIBER by The Library Of Congress. The certification resulted from one semester of classes at the College of Marin to learn the language of Braille and the completion of exams by the Library of Congress.

After receiving her certification, she joined a group of volunteers working under the name of *Transcribing Mariners*. The work involved writing letters or copying text books into Braille for blind individuals.

A Perkins Brailier, similar to a manual typewriter, was used to make the dots on paper for the blind to read. Later, computers and special programs were developed, which sped up the time to type each page and make corrections.

As the skills improved and computers were obtained, *Transcribing Mariners* began to print text books in braille for the state of California and many of the school districts of other states. Betli purchased her own computer and was able to work at home. At the same time she started as a volunteer at Guide Dogs for the Blind. With her knowledge of Braille she was able to complete all types of material for the blind students.

Congratulations, Bethli.....and carry on!

Mt. Tam Easements: Meaning and Function

I have been a resident on Mt. Tam for forty-three years. One of the things that has struck me during that time has been my ability to strike off in any direction down an easement and get anywhere on the mountain.

If you check the title papers of your property you will see reference to the year 1903 as the base year for the survey. At that time, the automobile was a slight gleam in Henry Ford's eye. Walking and horses were the main modes of transportation. Laid out in our community were many walking trails. This is why we have paper streets that seem to go uphill. Historically, these passages allowed people to get around. They all appear on the county maps and are recognized as through passages.

Recently and over past years, I have noticed that some people regard these passages as their private property. Some people have put up gates and some have put padlocks on the gates. Since these avenues are designated by the county as easements, they are in the public domain and cannot become private except through a legal hearing and release by the county.

Given our similar situation with the Oakland Hills and the need for safe egress from the mountain if a fire or earthquake encroaches on the houses. These easements may be our only way down the mountain. To block or impede easements is highly questionable and could place residents in serious danger. All residents on the mountain need to realize that these easements are established on the map and that neighbors have the right to pass over them unimpeded.

Toward better understanding,.

- Jim Bramell

Dave Carr is a Night Manager at West Point Inn

Looks like Dave Carr couldn't tear himself away from the mountain after all! He spent much of his career as a firefighter at the Throckmorton Ridge Fire Station, retiring last year as the senior captain. But.....our beloved mountain is in his blood, too. He hasn't gone far.

If you haven't hiked there lately, it's well worth it to drop by. And, who knows? Maybe Dave will be there to greet you.

Spring into Muir Woods

Try one of the newly opened trails for a fresh experience this spring! After nearly seven years of being closed, the Dipsea Trail below upper Muir Woods Road is open and is a great way, via the Sun Trail, to experience the early spring wildflowers and greening hills! Dias Trail is now re-done, rerouted and OPEN! Take this trail down to Muir Beach to see the new floodplain, creek channel and approach to the beach...we're not the only ones who like the new scene: late January storms brought salmon and steelhead up into Redwood Creek! We'll be eagerly looking into the waters from Muir Woods bridges for young fish in early April.

In Muir Woods a new boardwalk greets our neighbors walking in from Panoramic trailheads. It literally gives you the feeling of floating above the forest floor; the design eliminates the protective rails so you can have a much more intimate experience among the redwoods, hear singing Pacific Wren and enjoy the early flowers such as trillium, houndstongue, redwood violet and milkmaids. Rangers spend most of their time these days either greeting school groups or working on how to relieve unsafe parking, road congestion and other site impacts. You can help by joining one of our volunteer crews to weed, work on trails or clean the beach. Check our website for special evening programs, National Park Week activities and other insider tips...See you on the trail!

- Mia Monroe,
Muir Woods Site Supervisor

Remodeling

The walls rise skyward
Like the wings of angels.
Holding light and air and
Giddy space.

But sheetrock mud
Besmeared the walls,
White plaster splatters
On the plastic curtains
That cover everything.

We started long ago,
Building our lives,
We find light,
We struggle with curtains
That hide from each other's sight
Our tender souls.

It is never finished,
It is never perfect.
But as the house rises
We pull down curtains,
One by one,
And on many days
The light fills the room.

- Arthur Deikman

Yoga on the Mountain

Sutat continues teaching our evening yoga classes beginning at 6:30 PM every Wednesday. Sutat's teaching style introduces beginners in a safe and



and uncomplicated manner, while encouraging seasoned practitioners to move deeper into postures.

The focus on breathing brings benefits at all levels. Sutat brings over 25 years experience in the mind/body arts, including

over a decade spent in Asia studying with the masters.

Many people remember him from his years spent at Rancho La Puerta Spa, where he taught yoga as well as meditation and Tai Chi. Living on the mountain, he is thrilled to bring his teaching to the neighborhood.

Come welcome Sutat to the neighborhood by joining him and others at 6:30 PM each Wednesday evening. A sign is posted at Four Corners as a reminder.


Thank you, Kathleen,
for the quarterly real
estate updates!



Kathleen Delehanty

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LOTS PENDING		
330 Panoramic	.232 acre	\$230,000
<p>Right now, there are many people looking to purchase property, yet inventory is very low. If you are thinking about selling your home, now is an excellent time to get more information. Give me a call for a free market analysis of your home!</p>		



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7:00 PM	8	Board Meeting
-	10	Deadline for Artists to participate in Open Studios
6:00 PM	17	St. Patrick's Day Dinner
3:00 PM	28	Mt. Tam Purls
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