

THE LOOKOUT

NEWS FROM THE MUIR WOODS PARK COMMUNITY ASSOC.



hello april

March came in lively...and stayed that way.

The Sunday Café had a strong run this past month, with full rooms, great food, and plenty of music carrying through the clubhouse. From the crowd-favorite **Resister Sisters** (with backup from the **No-Way Bros**) to a fantastic set from **Ain't Misbehavin'**, the energy was high and the room was full (in the best possible way).

Our **St. Paddy's Day Café** brought the usual mix of festive spirit, good company, and just enough green to keep things interesting, and the **Open Mic** once again delivered with musicians, storytellers, poets, and a few brave souls reminding us that **this community knows how to show up for one another.**

A special thank you to the volunteers who rallied to make it all happen including several first-timers who jumped right in and made it look easy (it isn't, but we won't tell anyone).

We also closed out the month with a **packed Movie Night** featuring Song Sung Blue, **followed by karaoke** that covered a surprisingly wide range - from Neil Diamond, Queen, Hamilton, ABBA, Cyndi Lauper, Elvis, and Radiohead, to of course, Geese. At some point, singing turned into dancing followed by sit-down group singing (performing is hard!).

After all that, we're taking a brief pause this weekend, but for a very good reason.

Instead of our usual Sunday Café, we'll be gathering for the **MWPCA Easter Egg Hunt**, happening Sunday morning at 10am. It's a chance for the younger members of the community (and their grown-ups) to take over the clubhouse grounds for a little springtime fun. There will be some activities and snacks for the children. **Please register below to enable us to accommodate everyone. We hope to see you there!**

👉 [Register Here](#)



from our president

Your Community Gathering Place

Increasingly I'm hearing from family, friends and even strangers I meet on the trail that Community has become a crucial way to navigate these uncertain times. Our MWPCA has evolved from an organization started over 90 years ago to pave Panoramic Hwy, to a neighborhood volunteer-run gathering place, dedicated to providing health and safety information, event and

meeting space, music, movies, an amazing view plus our wonderful Sunday Café.

On Sunday's, I like to see people sitting around talking, laughing, singing along with the musicians, and having some wine and a snack. Sometimes they are neighbors I recognize, sometimes they are hikers who saw the signs and popped in.

What I like the most is that people are using our Clubhouse as a Community gathering place. It's our space, we are stewards of the land and property, and aren't we incredibly lucky?

Please feel free to reach out to me with ideas for Community engagement and Clubhouse use. [**MWPCA@MountTam.org**](mailto:MWPCA@MountTam.org)

And of course, please, if you have not already, **join or renew your membership**. Your dues and donations go far in providing a well-maintained property for all to enjoy.

Nancy Gribler
MWPCA Board President



Field research courtesy of Nancy and Layla

**april movie night - special doclands
preview**

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Join us for a special preview of the DocLands Documentary Film Festival (April 30–May 3), presented by the California Film Institute.

This curated preview offers a glimpse into this year's powerful lineup, including: the activist journey of schoolteacher-turned-change-maker Jane Elliott; the stories of five Bay Area runners taking on the legendary Dipsea Race; and a fascinating look into the life of Volodymyr Zelensky

Learn more about the festival here:

👉 <https://app.doclands.com/film/zelensky>

Saturday, April 18• 6pm
At the MWPCA Clubhouse

announcing film club - a new format



Introducing Film Club - for all the films you've always meant to watch (or rewatch), and maybe talk about afterward.

Come join fellow film lovers for a relaxed evening of cinema, conversation, and a glass of wine. And don't worry if this isn't your jam - we're still offering Movie Night every quarter.

First up: A.I. Artificial Intelligence (2001)

Stanley Kubrick's prophetic vision felt distant when it was released. Only two decades later, it's hitting a little closer to home.

Save the date - Friday, May 8 · 7pm at the Clubhouse

Questions? Reach out to our movie mastermind at bd.livesey@gmail.com

important café update



Sandra's back!!

Upcoming cafés:

April 5 (3–6pm): No Sunday Cafe – Happy Easter!

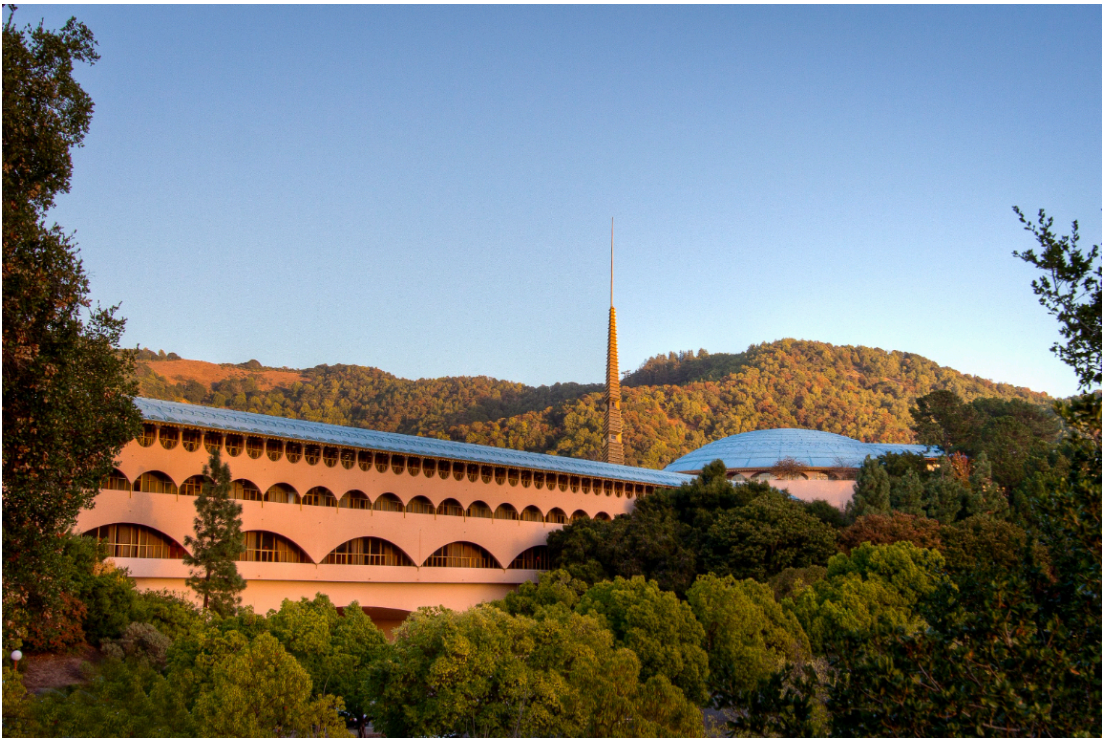
April 12 (3–6pm): No Sunday Cafe – Private Rental

April 19 (3–6pm): Sunday Cafe 🎵

April 26 (3–6pm): Open Mic Cafe 🎤

To volunteer at the café email: mwpca@mounttam.org

latest news from the county !



We'll include this new section every week. Be sure to check the links below to the Count of Marin website to learn about events, feedback sessions, and any other issues that may impact our community:

1) **The County Newsfeed**

2) **Upcoming Events**

voices of the community

dark sky week | Laura Chariton

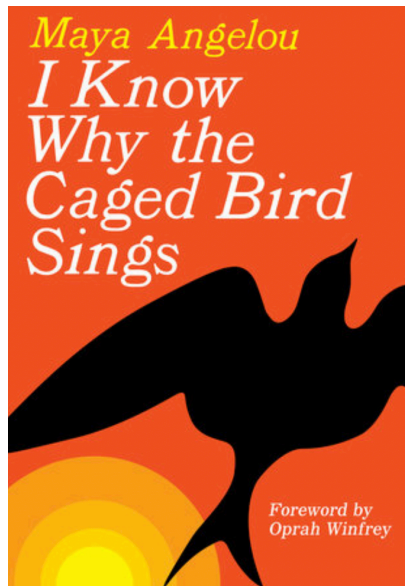


Please join us April 13-20th for a week of Dark Sky Celebrations, learning, and action for International Dark Sky Week. International Dark Sky Week (IDSW), www.darksky.org, is a worldwide event that draws attention to light pollution, promotes simple solutions to mitigate the issue, and celebrates the irreplaceable beauty of a natural night.

International Dark Sky Week was started by high school student Jennifer Barlow in 2003 and is now spearheaded by Dark Sky International. In explaining why she started the week, Barlow said, "I want people to be able to see the wonder of the night sky without the effects of light pollution. The universe is our view into our past and our vision into the future. I want to help preserve its wonder." [Read more...](#)

don't miss our book club

Thank you to those who joined Book Club in March. Our next meeting is on April 16 at 6:30pm. If you're someone who's interested in meeting new people and enjoy having conversations with fellow readers, then come join us. **Everyone is welcome!**



April 16 | I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou (304 pages)

May 14 | All the Beauty in the World by Patrick Bringley (240 pages)

June 18 | Creation Lake by Rachel Kushner (416 pages)

Come for one meeting or all of them. Questions? Reach out to Esther at esther_ehrensaft@yahoo.com

and still...



If your days could use a little more calm, Tuesday Morning Meditation continues at the clubhouse. This is a chance to pause, breathe, and spend a quiet moment reconnecting with yourself and the beautiful place we call home. No experience required, no expectations; just come as you are.

📅 Tuesdays

🕒 9:00–9:50am

💛 Donation-based, benefiting the MWPCA

👤 Led by Devin Patel

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on the horizon

Easter Egg Hunt | April 5 • 10:00am 🐣

Tuesday Morning Meditation | Tuesdays • 9:00–9:50am

Book Club | Thursday, April 16 • 6:30pm

Sunday Café | April 19 and 26 (Open Mic 🎤) • 3:00-6:00pm

It really does take a village so if you have any questions or suggestions regarding The Lookout, or if you want to get involved, then email Bronia Hill at bronia@promoteyourselfnow.net.



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