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## inBRIEF

## Manka's faces foreclosure

Manka's Inverness Lodge, a historic inn that suffered a major fire two and half years ago, faces foreclosure after falling behind on a \$700,000 loan from the Bank of Marin. In April, lodge owners Margaret Grade and Daniel De Long were told they had until Friday, July 24 to catch up on their loan. If they do not, the bank said it would impose a foreclosure sale on the lodge. Manka's is a restored 1917 hunting and fishing lodge that has provided upscale lodging and a unique dining experience since Grade purchased it from the original owner. It was listed among Food and Wine magazine's 50 best hotels in the country, and the restaurant was included in the *San Francisco Chronicle's* top 100 Bay Area restaurants in 2003. The night of the fire, actor Jake Gyllenhaal and his family were staying in the lodge. High winds toppled an oak, which broke a gas line.

## Invasive crabs threaten oysters

About half of native Olympia oysters in Tomales Bay have been wiped out due to an invasive species of crab. Because the non-native European green crabs are less effective snail killers than their native counterparts, snails have proliferated and significantly affected the oyster population. "You'd think similar-looking inva-

sive and native species could be swapped in a system without adverse effects," said marine biologist David Kimbro. "But we have shown that, functionally, this is not the case." Kimbro explained that the invasive species must first be dealt with before attempting to restore the Olympia oyster population in Tomales Bay.

## Pesticide ordinance passed

The Marin County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously on Tuesday to override the existing pesticide management ordinance on Tuesday, despite much public opposition. The Integrated Pesticide Management Program is under investigation for its city workers and contractors having used illegal, cancer-causing pesticides close to 300 times over the past ten years. The board's decision comes at a time when it has the potential to complicate the investigation process. "In the end, we have no idea what the chemicals being used in Marin County actually do. We really need to have some strong benchmarks in place," said Chris Pincetich of the Woodacre-based Salmon Protection and Watershed Network (SPAWN).

## Bollinas Lagoon town hall meeting

The Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary will host a town hall meet-

ing on the Bollinas Lagoon restoration effort at 6 p.m. next Thursday, July 30 at the Stinson Beach Community Center. One year ago, members from the sanctuary's advisory council presented recommendations for action by the key agencies involved, including Marin County Open Space District, Cal Trans and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering. According to Maria Brown, superintendent of the sanctuary, the meeting will address topics ranging from paving pullouts, catching sediment that comes down from streams during storms, and removing of European green crab in Seadrift and the lagoon.

## Stinson and Point Reyes lot lines

A proposal to shift lot lines on three parcels at 3325 and 3327 Shoreline Highway in Stinson Beach has been received by the Marin County Community Development Agency. The lines would allow future residential development, including the proper placement of septic systems. Another proposal to reconfigure the lot lines on three lots belonging to Point Reyes Vineyards outside of Point Reyes Station would consolidate residential land and vineyards. No formal public hearing will be held for either proposal, but public comments are welcome between July 27 and September 14. Call Neal Osborne at 499.7173 for more information.

## TOBY'S

## POINT REYES FARMERS MARKET

On Saturday, July 25....

10 am *Guest Chef* is Ben Angulo of Drakes Beach Café.9:30 am-1 pm *Music* with singer, songwriter Stephanie Keys.*New Vendors: Gaia Teas, Delicias de Marin,**The Hummus Guy, Marin Roots Farm*

## — UPCOMING EVENTS AT TOBY'S —

Poetry reading with John Felstiner, author of

*Can Poetry Save the Earth? A Field Guide to Nature Poems*

Sunday, July 26th, 3:00 pm, Toby's Gallery

David Whyte, poet and author of

*The Three Marriages: Reimagining Work, Self & Relationship*

Saturday, August 1st, 7:00pm, Toby's Gallery

## BARN DANCE!

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# Nick's Cove boat tours turn heads, need permits



The Sea Horse, a 42-foot trawler with a Hong Kong hull, takes tourists on Tomales Bay, with a stop at Hog Island, for \$55. Photo by Leighton Cosseboom.

by Leighton Cosseboom

A code enforcement complaint was filed against Nick's Cove and Cottages on Tuesday, after a charter boat tour operation was observed on Tomales Bay. "Right now we're trying to get everything right with the county," said Will Dunbar, general manager for Nick's Cove, an upscale inn and restaurant near Marshall.

On June 29, Nick's Cove announced

that it had partnered with charter boat company Boat Goombas to offer weekend tours of the bay for \$55 per person. The start date was July 4. However, according to Supervisor Steven Kinsey's aide, Liza Crosse, Boat Goombas does not have the proper charter or use permits.

Cove owner Pat Kuleto has inquired about the permitting process with the county, she said, but has not yet taken steps to get the necessary permits.

The tours are conducted on a 42-foot

trawler boat, The Sea Horse, which can hold upward of 20 people, and include a visit to Hog Island. "Together with the bay cruises, guests of Nick's Cove can now enjoy unparalleled views of the surrounding bay," said Kuleto in the news release.

Jeremy Fisher-Smith of Marshall Boat Works said Paul Dynes of Bristol Fashion Yacht Car in Sausalito was hired to be the skipper of the boat tour. When asked about Boat Goombas, Dynes said he was

only marginally involved. "They've approached me and asked me if I would do it," he said. "I wouldn't know who the owner is. My relationship with the company is minor."

Point Reyes National Seashore operation supervisor Dan Habig said that Boat Goombas would need to acquire a commercial use authorization from the National Park Service. "They're also required to pay a fee," he said.

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## Albinos in every race

**LIVE MUSIC by Leighton Cosseboom**

In Nigeria in the 1970's, a man named Fela Kuti developed a style of music similar to that of Bob Marley's while protesting human rights violations. At the same time, James Brown was pioneering his brand of funk and soul. When these two styles are mixed together, you get the unique sound of afrobeat funk band, Albino.

With members from all over the world, the ten-member ensemble includes two guitarists, a percussionist dancer and a conga player. Albino describes a musical genre that synthesizes funky polyrhythms and politically resistant lyrics.

"In Nigeria, Fela was known as the black president because the people thought that he spoke for the

masses," says tenor saxophonist and band leader, Nathan Endsley.

To Endsley, Albino a constantly evolving band. Formed during what he refers to as "the Bush era," Albino draws fans that are appreciative of its politically charged lyrics. "Peralta House" describes social deterioration in cities as a result of government corruption. "Soldier Don't Speak" is, to me, the band's most illustrious representation of musical entertainment and political passion coming together.

But while Albino's music is meant to send a message, it is also meant for dancing. "It gives members in the band the opportunity to voice concern and anger over various political things that have happened," says Endsley. "But we also dress up and we have a lot of movement, choreography, face paint. And we have a great time on stage."

Because Albino is such a large band, it stresses the importance of a collective sound. "A lot of the players are trained in jazz, some are trained in Afro-Cuban, and some are more on the hip hop tip. So there are a lot of elements continually having this interplay," Endsley says. "We try to take all of those elements and put it under the umbrella of afrobeat."

Although Albino's sound mirrors Fela Kuti's, its aim is unique. "We chose the name Albino because it is potentially controversial," Endsley says. "People generally assume that the band is all white. Albinism happens in all races, all cultures and all countries with every population. It is all inclusive."

*Albino will play at the Far West Fest on July 25 at Love Field in Point Reyes Station. For tickets and information visit [www.KWMR.org](http://www.KWMR.org).*

## Sunday, July 26

**Join Marin Organic for an interactive tour of Wild Blue Farm in Tomales** from 1 to 3 p.m. \$40 for non-members, \$30 members, includes bouquet and edible flowers. To register, call 663.9667.

**Stanford English professor John Felstiner**, author of *Can Poetry Save the Earth?*, speaks at 3 p.m. at Toby's Gallery, in Point Reyes Station. A Point Reyes Books Poetry Sunday.

**Elvin Bishop and Rancho Deluxe** play at a barbecue on the lawn at Rancho Nicasio. Gates open at 3 p.m., show starts at 4 p.m. \$20, for tickets call 662.2219.

**Kevin Russell & Under the Radar** play from 5 to 8 p.m. at The Station House Café, in Point Reyes Station. No cover.

**Mr. December** plays at Oyster Rockers in Valley Ford.

**Wisdom into Song is a poetry concert with Ruby** at 7:30 p.m. at the Dance Palace, in Point Reyes Station. \$14 general, \$12 seniors, \$5 students.

**Claire Peaslee and Jennifer Wilsey improvise physical theater with Action Theater artist Owen Walker in "Zounds! What Next?"** at 7:30 p.m. at Bolinas Community Center.

## Monday, July 27

**Mainstreet Moms or Bust (MMOB)** meet on Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Freitas Center at Sacred Heart Church, in Olema.

**Join the Marin Organic Glean Team** every Monday from 4 to 6 p.m. For details call 663.9667 or email [scott@marinorganic.org](mailto:scott@marinorganic.org).

## Tuesday, July 28

**Valley Rainbow Playgroup** is from 10 a.m. until noon on the playground at Lagunitas School. Call Heather at 488.8888 ext 209 for details.

**Open gym for men's pickup basketball** is from 6 to 8 p.m. at the West Marin School gym, in Point Reyes Station.

**Locals Night at Nick's Cove** features free live music, fresh catch specials and \$3 pints of Lagunitas beer. **Doug Adamz & Trio Bravo** play live music.

**A pool tournament** with cash prizes is from 7 to 10 p.m. at Smiley's, in Bolinas.

**Africanologist David Conrad gives a slide lecture on The D'mba Mask as Matrix of West African Womanhood: Gateway to the Spirit World** at 7:30 p.m. in the main gallery at the Bolinas Museum.

## Wednesday, July 29

**The Rotary Club** meets over breakfast from 8 to 9 a.m. at the Coast Guard Galley building 50, Commodore Webster Drive.

**Authors Joel Kramer and Diana Alstad** discuss and read from their new book, *The Passionate Mind Revisited*, at 7 p.m. at the Depot Bookstore and Café, in Mill Valley.

**Larry's Karaoke** starts at 8 p.m. at Smiley's, in Bolinas.

## Thursday, July 30

**Valley Rainbow Playgroup** is from 10 a.m. until noon on the playground at Lagunitas School. Call Heather at 488.8888 ext 209 for details.

**A senior luncheon at the San Geronimo**

**Valley Community Center** is from noon until 2 p.m. each Thursday. Call Suzanne at 488.8888 ext 251 for details.

**A Town Hall Meeting to discuss the Bolinas Lagoon Restoration One Year Later: Updates and Future Plans** will take place at 6 p.m. at the Stinson Beach Community Center.

**Emma Hill and Her Gentlemen Callers** play folk Americana at 7 p.m. at the Dance Palace, in Point Reyes Station. \$10 general, \$5 seniors and students.

## Friday, July 31

**Wells Fargo historian, Dr. Robert J. Chandler, speaks at the Rancho Bodega Historical Society annual picnic** at noon at the Compass Rose Gardens, on East Shore Road in Bodega Bay.

**Dance Palace Summer Stock Players present "Arsenic and Old Lace"** at 7:30 p.m. today, tomorrow and Sunday, and next weekend, at the Dance Palace, in Point Reyes Station. \$10 general, \$8 members, \$5 teens and kids.

**Petty Theft** plays a Tom Petty tribute and more at 8:30 p.m. at Rancho Nicasio. \$12.

**Stephanie Keys Band** plays at 9 p.m. at the Old Western Saloon, in Point Reyes Station.

## Saturday, August 1

**Hike Abbotts Lagoon** with Marin County Open Space Rangers from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet at the Abbotts trailhead on Pierce Point Road, in the Point Reyes National Seashore.

An exhibit of **paintings by Sue Gonzalez, wood engraving prints, linocuts and paintings by Rik Olson, and paintings by**

**Soo Noga** opens today at Toby's Gallery, in Point Reyes Station. Shows through August 31. Reception will be held Sunday, August 9.

**Author, journalist and farmer Jonah Raskin** discusses his new book, *Field Days: A Year of Farming, Eating, and Drinking Wine in California*, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Windrush Farm, in Chileno Valley. Brick oven pizza and other artisan food and beverages. \$40 minimum donation. For reservations and directions email [boxcar@sonic.net](mailto:boxcar@sonic.net) or call 795.9028.

**Dance Palace Summer Stock Players present "Arsenic and Old Lace"** at 7:30 p.m. at the Dance Palace, in Point Reyes Station. \$10 general, \$8 members, \$5 teens and kids.

**The Zydeco Flames** play at 8:30 p.m. at Rancho Nicasio. \$12.

**Turning Point** plays at 9 p.m. at the Old Western Saloon, in Point Reyes Station.



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**2 pm** "Live Baseball at Love Field." Pirates vs. Red Sox.

**Mon July 27 • 11:30 am** *Field Days: A Year of Farming, Eating, and Drinking Wine in California* by **Jonah Raskin**, Sonoma State professor.

**1-4 pm** "Live Broadcast from Dance Palace." Planning Commission Meeting on **Agricultural Issues** within Local Coastal Plan.

**Tues July 28 • 2 pm** "The Soul of Rock and Roll" and "Black & White Night" specials on **Roy Orbison**.

**Wed July 29 • 10 am** "Turning Pages." **Dr. Sean Carroll**, author of *Remarkable Creatures: Epic Adventures in the Search for the Origin of Species*.

**4 pm** "Coastal Airwaves." **Box Show** artists describe creating for Gallery Route One's annual fundraiser.

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## Duke and the Boyz

LIVE MUSIC by Leighton Cosseboom

At ten years old, Luke Anderson broke his mother's wooden spoons drumming on her pots and pans, listening to The Beatles and The Grateful Dead on a pair of headphones. Soon after, he left the pots and pans behind and picked up a guitar.

Anderson, who was born in Bolinas in 1957, considers himself an old school blues rock player with a funk influence. "I like to play a lot of Joe Cocker and also some Elvis, but I like to make it danceable" says Anderson, who writes most of his songs while relaxing at home with his Fender Stratocaster. He also says he is inspired by Stevie Ray Vaughn and Jimi Hendrix.

While attending Tam High, Anderson hooked up

with bassist Richard Spindell, also born in Bolinas, to form the rock and roll outfit Huyu Kidding, or HK. "HK had a pretty good following. We played a bunch of shows and all the Mill Valley parties," Spindell says. Shortly after, Anderson and Spindell founded Duke and the Boyz, which has been playing shows in Marin since 1985—but only from time to time. When the band does perform, Anderson and Spindell usually bring in a guest drummer.

On top of all of their musical projects, Anderson and Spindell work day jobs—Spindell is a carpenter and Anderson is a house painter. "We've got to find a way to pay the bills, but right now we're talking about doing something a little more serious with Duke and the Boyz," says Spindell, who has a daughter.

The two pride themselves on their ability to jam and improvise material. "Luke and I go from

Chicago-style blues, to Elvis, to Hendrix. We go all over the place. I'm kind of a mercenary though. I play with about six other bands right now," says Spindell, who plays bass in the Stephanie Keyes Band, among others.

Duke and the Boyz plays a lot of covers, but one of the band's most well-known songs is "Eye on you," a driving blues rock tune, written by Anderson. "We also like to play 'Foxy Lady' by Jimi Hendrix and 'Dixie Chicken' by Little Feat," Spindell says.

When asked why the band is called Duke and The Boyz, Anderson laughed: "Ha ha! Well, you know, Duke rhymes with Luke. It's just one of those weird nicknames that won't go away, so I just figured, 'What the hell!'"

*Duke and the Boyz will play this Friday night, July 24 at Smiley's Schooner Saloon, in Bolinas.*

## >> Arms

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Poulos lives in Danville but comes to Dillon Beach on weekends. In June, the design review committee supervised by Oceana Marin, the local homeowners' association, gave Poulos preliminary approval to begin construction of a new vacation home.

But members of the homeowners' association say they will appeal the committee's decision. Oceana Marin does not consider private deed restrictions, so the appeal will focus on Oceana Marin's view-sharing provisions.

"One of the principal reasons for building at Oceana Marin is to be able to enjoy the views of the ocean and surrounding environment," the design rules state. Views must be shared, and are not the property of any single member of the community.

Design rules allow homes to be built up to 25 feet tall, but also provide for view-sharing: "The standards established for heights are maximums and are not entitlements or guaranteed. Each project will be reviewed and evaluated on its own merits."

Poulos initially planned to build a 25-foot home. After complaints by neighbors and suggestions from the design review committee, Poulos made several changes to the design, including lowering the height to 21 feet, 10 inches.

"I think we've been very sensitive on the view-sharing," Poulos said.

If the appeal to Oceana Marin fails, neighbors say they will take legal action in a superior court, and their claim will focus on the 1965 deed. The deed restricts any structure on 8 Lanai to one storey and no more than 16 feet in height. All homes on Lanai are restricted to 16 feet by 1960s property deeds.

"It's up to people who share the terms of the agreement to make sure it's en-

forced," said James Morris, owner of 10 Lanai. The owners of Lanai properties have the most potent legal claims because they all receive mutual benefit from the restriction. Morris' attorney, Shawn Krogh, said he's never seen a deed restriction discredited in Marin County. "We're convinced that this is a valid deed restriction," he said.

Neighbors are also concerned Poulos could attempt to turn the house, which includes four bedrooms with fireplaces, spa tubs and bathrooms, into a bed and breakfast. Poulos says he has no intention of operating a bed and breakfast. "We're going to live in it on the weekends," he said. "I'm not trying to pick a fight out there." Oceana Marin guidelines restrict vacation rentals, but make no specific mention of bed and breakfast operations.

In a homeowners' meeting last Saturday, community members expressed their concerns about view-sharing and the design review committee. They criticized the design review committee, saying it has concerned itself only with the interests of the builder. "I feel the committee has let us all down," said Rosalene Cooper. "I don't think they represent the membership of the homeowners' association," resident Jeff Young added.

Minutes from a June meeting state "the meeting included a heated discussion mostly concerning view sharing and unit 1 height restrictions." Several neighbors complained that none of the comments they made at the meeting were recorded. Young said their concerns were not even addressed. They proposed several changes to the design of the home, including lowering the roof pitch and excavating to lower the foundation.

Poulos did not attend the meeting, but sent a letter addressing the neighbors' concerns, in which he claims to have made several concessions. Rick Kadello, the architect for the project, said they had been given a number of recommendations at a conceptual meeting in March, and many



A proposal to build a new home in Dillon Beach has provoked anger and debate in the Oceana Marin homeowners association. Photo by Rollo Scott.

of the changes were implemented.

Residents say members of the committee have conflicts of interest. One committee member, Tom Bronson, is a contractor who worked with Poulos' architect on past projects. Another member, Dave Johnson, is an architect. However, all committee members serve as volunteers, and in the small community their positions as architect and contractor make them some of the best-qualified

to serve on the committee.

Members of the Dillon Beach community said on Saturday they would like to see the design review committee's meetings become more public, and their decisions more transparent. In a closing comment to the meeting, Oceana Marin President Dennis Furby said the board had held a meeting discussing the design review committee. "Probably there are some changes to be made," he said.