

# THE MARINVIEW

The Marinview Community Association Newsletter - Spring 2020

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## Board President's Message

Marinview residents: A week ago, this newsletter was ready to go. It contained the usual updates on topics we are all familiar with. How the world has changed! Our community, our country, our world faces unprecedented challenges in the months to come. We will get through this, but doing so is much easier when we work together as a community. A very important way we can do so is by reaching out and supporting Marinview neighbors who might have less wherewithal to cope with this crisis. Support might be simply knocking on that person's door just to check in and provide a little human interaction--with proper social distance, of course! Or before going to the store, give your neighbor a call and ask if they need anything. Again, we WILL get through this. Let's do so with love and compassion.

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## Covid-19 Is Here in Marin

Covid-19 is here in Marin. As of March 16th, Marin County has instituted a "Shelter-in-Place" order, which means that residents will be allowed to leave their homes only for "essential" reasons through April 7th. Businesses allowed to operate during the lockdown include supermarkets, pharmacies, gas stations, convenience stores, health care offices, child care facilities, banks, hardware stores, and laundromats. Restaurants will be allowed to operate, but only for delivery and takeout service.

These restrictions are meant to avoid human contact to slow down the spread of the virus, but it also causes the isolation of individuals from services they would normally be dependent on. Social isolation is a concern as

well, particularly in the populations that could have the highest mortality with this virus, including the elderly and those already health impaired. Online social networks such as Facebook and Nextdoor are great places to stay in touch and keep track of updates in the community. If you are on Nextdoor, search for the "MarinView Community Association" group and join us!

For those who are less comfortable online, there are a number of social services that can be reached by just a phone call. A first stop would be the county's Marin Health and Human Services. The main number they have for this period is 415-473-7191. For older folks, they have an "Aging and Adult Services" line at 415-473-3450. Much of this information can also be seen at <https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org>

Resources such as food and paper products are in short supply while everyone is stocking up. Grocery stores are starting to set aside times for older folks to come in and shop before the rest of the crowd. Getting in early means that what has been stocked overnight should be there when you arrive. Whole Foods has set aside from 8-9 am just for seniors. Safeway opens at 7 am and seems lightly populated then. Good Earth has "reserved" hours from 9-10 am for those who are 60+, pregnant, or immunocompromised. Their new general public hours are from 10 am to 9 pm. Their phone number is 415-383-0123.

Safeway offers delivery of groceries either online or via the phone at 877-505-4040. Whole Foods offers free delivery for orders over \$35 with 2-hour delivery windows.

Restaurants are trying to stay open, so many of them are offering curbside pick up of food as the dining rooms are closed. The *Marin Independent Journal* has a story and list at <https://tinyurl.com/w8f9uck>  
You may want to try to call your favorite restaurant to see if they are offering this service.

Other resources are Marin County Meals on Wheels, which provides nutritious meals and compassionate outreach to homebound seniors 60 years of age and over who do not drive. You can reach them at (415) 457-4636. Whistlestop provides meal delivery and transportation and can be reached at 415-456-9062 or for transportation 415-454-1098.

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#### Treasurer's Report

Total 2019 expenses equaled \$21,621, with a little over half of that amount devoted to fire mitigation efforts (brush clearing and goats). For 2019, 62% of Marinview homeowners paid their dues, which totaled \$18,154. We entered 2020 with a good checking account balance of \$13,683.

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#### Goat Report

Goats are scheduled to return around mid-May and should graze on twice the acreage compared to 2019. We expect the herd to be in

the 'hood for up to two weeks. More info to come.

#### Burn Piles

The County Fire Department expects to dispose of (burn) the many piles of brush in and around Marinview over a 2- to 3-day period sometime in April, weather permitting. Fire crews and trucks will remain onsite until each pile is fully extinguished. And while social media will be used to provide residents with as much advance notice as possible, this may only be a day or so given that the burn/no burn decision is very dependent on prevailing weather conditions.

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#### Chipper Days

Marinview chipper day(s) are planned for late April/early May. Three weeks prior to this event, residents will receive a postcard from TCSD providing specific dates, instructions, etc.

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#### Membership Dues

If you can, please pay your 2020 Marinview Community Association dues of \$125. You can either send a check using the enclosed envelope OR via **PayPal** at **Marinview94941@gmail.com**. Checks should be made to Marinview Community Association. **If you use PayPal, it's VERY important to include your name and address to track members in good standing.**

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### 2020 Annual Membership Dues – Marinview Community Association \$125 per Single-Family Residence; PayPal: Marinview94941@gmail.com

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