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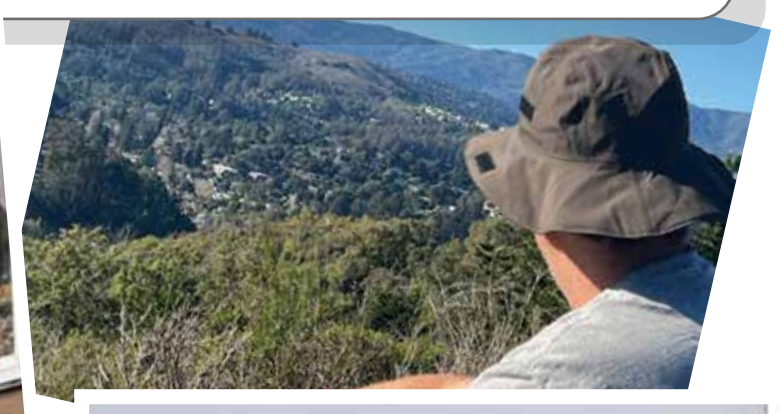


A Letter to the Marin City Community

Dear Marin City Community,

It is with pride and gratitude that we welcome you to the inaugural edition of the Marin City newsletter. This publication was created because of you — your call for clearer communication, stronger connection, and a space that both informs and celebrates this extraordinary community.

Marin City's history is rooted in resilience, creativity, and leadership. From its Indigenous roots and its role during World War II to the vibrant community it is today, Marin City continues to be shaped by elders whose wisdom guides us, youth whose vision inspires us, families whose strength sustains us, and leaders whose advocacy advances a more just and equitable future. This newsletter reflects that legacy and our shared future.

We are honored to serve Marin City and are committed to strengthening two-way communication between the County and the community. This newsletter provides timely updates while elevating community voices — creating a space where your stories, milestones, concerns, and aspirations are seen and shared.

In this and future editions, you will find updates on projects and services that support health, safety, and well-being. These include temporary pump stations to stabilize infrastructure, progress on the Southern Marin Community Hub led by the County's Department of Health and Human Services, and Marin City Library renovations to create welcoming spaces for learning and connection.

We recognize this is a time of real challenge, with economic pressures and shifting funding affecting communities across Marin. Even so, our commitment remains strong. We are listening, engaging, and working alongside you to address immediate needs while building long-term stability.

This newsletter is part of that shared effort. We invite your ideas, stories, photos, and feedback as we shape it together.

Yours in community,

Stephanie Moulton-Peters

District 3 Supervisor, Marin County Board of Supervisors

Derek Johnson

County Executive, County of Marin

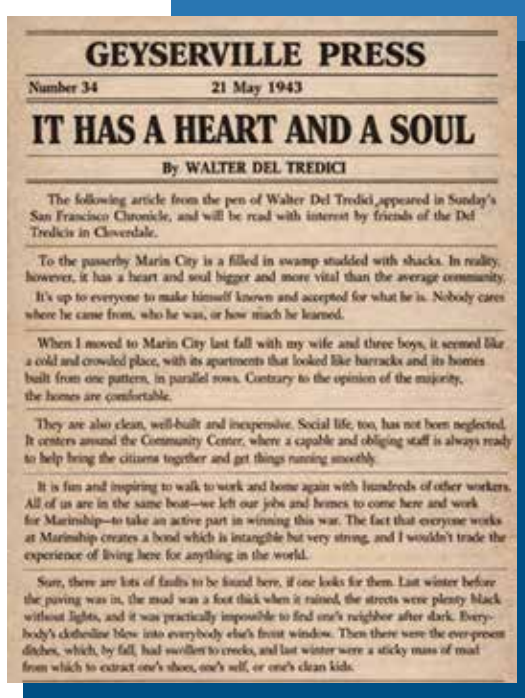
Heart + Soul since 1943

By Felecia Gaston

As a historian of Marin City, I was struck by a remarkable coincidence this year. The Marin County newsletter for 2026 carries the theme **"Heart and Soul."** While researching archival materials from the wartime years of Marin City, I came across a 1943 newspaper article from the Geyserville Press titled **"It Has a Heart and a Soul,"** written by Walter Del Tredici.

In his reflections on Marin City during the World War II shipbuilding era, Del Tredici described a young community that, despite muddy streets and temporary wartime housing, possessed something far greater — a powerful spirit of shared purpose among workers and families who had come from across the country to support the war effort at Marinship.

More than eighty years later, the phrase "heart and soul" still resonates. What Del Tredici observed in 1943 — the strength of community, resilience, and collective purpose — continues to define Marin City today. For me, discovering this article at the very moment the county chose the same theme felt like a reminder that the enduring spirit of Marin City has always been its greatest legacy.



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IT HAS A HEART AND A SOUL

By WALTER DEL TREDICI

The following article from the pen of Walter Del Tredici appeared in Sunday's San Francisco Chronicle, and will be read with interest by friends of the Del Tredicis in Cloverdale.

To the passerby Marin City is a filled in swamp studded with shacks. In reality, however, it has a heart and soul bigger and more vital than the average community.

It's up to everyone to make himself known and accepted for what he is. Nobody cares where he came from, who he was, or how much he learned.

When I moved to Marin City last fall with my wife and three boys, it seemed like a cold and crowded place, with its apartments that looked like barracks and its homes built from one pattern, in parallel rows. Contrary to the opinion of the majority, the homes are comfortable.

They are also clean, well-built and inexpensive. Social life, too, has not been neglected. It centers around the Community Center, where a capable and obliging staff is always ready to help bring the citizens together and get things running smoothly.

It is fun and inspiring to walk to work and home again with hundreds of other workers. All of us are in the same boat—we left our jobs and homes to come here and work for Marinship—to take an active part in winning this war. The fact that everyone works at Marinship creates a bond which is intangible but very strong, and I wouldn't trade the experience of living here for anything in the world.

Sure, there are lots of faults to be found here, if one looks for them. Last winter before the paving was in, the mud was a foot thick when it rained, the streets were plenty black without lights, and it was practically impossible to find one's neighbor after dark. Everybody's clothesline blew into everybody else's front window. Then there were the ever-present ditches, which, by fall, had swollen to creeks, and last winter were a sticky mass of mud from which to extract one's shoes, one's self, or one's clean kids.

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The Library Program that Launches Careers

By Etienne Douglas

The Webstars have been a program of the Marin County Free Library since 1997, launched with the opening of the Marin City Library. The program was the vision of former Supervisor Annette Rose, modeled after the Exploratorium's Explainers program. As paid County of Marin employees, Webstars develop responsibility, job skills, maturity, tech skills, and community engagement.

Many alumni have gone on to successful careers across a range of fields, including architecture, computer animation, social work, aviation, and public relations. Several have also been funneled directly into the library field. Webstars have had the opportunity to speak at National Library Conferences, showcasing their work and accomplishments.

The program continues to grow, offering hands-on experience with emerging technologies through The Lab, a cutting-edge makerspace where Webstars learn and assist with 3D printing, 3D design, podcasting, video editing, laser cutting, and general DIY culture. These are skills built for the workplace of tomorrow.

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Rebuilding, Two Doors Down

Marin City residents renovated their own community — and found new career paths — through a 12-week program at Golden Gate Village.

Kyandre Calloway and Autriyana Hardy stand in front of a renovated unit on Drake Ave. ***Photo by Olivia Wynkoop.***

By Olivia Wynkoop

Golden Gate Village is where Kyandre Calloway has spent nearly his entire life. Fifteen years of walking down the same streets, past the same neighbors he'd never really met.

Then he heard about a construction trades training starting up inside two vacant units at the complex, just steps away from him.

"I was surprised, and interested," he said. "It was something new for sure out here."

From November 2025 through January 2026, Calloway was one of 21 Marin City residents who trained three days a week in electrical, plumbing, and carpentry while completely revitalizing two vacant apartments on Drake Avenue. They replaced cabinets, rebuilt walls, rewired electrical, refinished floors, and painted throughout.

Though each student chose a specialty, their collective goal was to garner enough experience under their belts to qualify for union apprenticeships and trade hiring.

The program was designed and run by Juanita Douglas, executive director of Tradeswomen Inc., with 43 years in the construction trades and a Marin City resident who had been watching what was happening to her community.

"I was watching this community die," she said. "These young people were not receiving opportunities, and I knew I could give it to them if I was given the chance."

When she learned that Golden Gate Village was preparing for a major revitalization, she approached Marin Housing Authority and Burbank Housing with a proposal to train residents to work on their own home and secured union council backing to ensure graduates would be eligible for hire.

Beyond hands-on construction, the curriculum brought in mental health clinicians, financial literacy, math, safety training, and a general contractors showcase.

Nearly every participant lived steps away from the training site, but earning their trust still took time.

"The first four weeks were hard because they didn't trust us," Douglas said. "They had been promised so many things that were not followed through."

Calloway had done some carpentry on his own, but always solo. His first moments in the classroom made him second-guess enrolling in the program.

"I was ready to quit, not going to lie. Class for me is not good, no bueno," he said. "I was really stressed out and overstimulated."

A conversation with Douglas helped him push through. She told him about starting in the trades herself in 1984, when she was one of the very few Black women in the field. "She eased my mind," he said. "After that, I just didn't want to leave."

Calloway found his footing once they moved into the renovation work, and the experience pushed him in ways he didn't expect.

"At first, I wasn't the type of person to ask questions, to speak up about how I feel or if I was struggling," he said. "After this program, if I feel some type of way, I let it be known."

On graduation day, seeing people walk through the finished units, he thought about what the apartments had looked like when they started: a disintegrating mattress, greasy cabinets, things broken everywhere. "It went from looking horrendous to something very beautiful," he said.

Autriyana Hardy enrolled alongside her mom and switched from electrical to carpentry mid-program; she built the stairs in one unit while her mom installed the recessed lights in the ceiling.

"Once I got in the program and saw what we'd be doing, I fell in love with it," she said. "It was an amazing opportunity they were giving us."

Both are now working toward their licenses. The general contractor overseeing the Golden Gate Village revitalization has committed to interviewing every graduate and has already sponsored one participant directly into a carpentry apprenticeship.

For Calloway, the program's impact goes beyond the job prospects; he can now walk through his neighborhood and really recognize people.

"I could have done that anytime throughout my 15 years of living here," he said, "and it took this program to actually communicate with people outside."

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> **Juanita Douglas**
> *Executive Director, Tradeswomen Inc.*

Renovation of one of the units. ***Photos by Doreen Gounard.***

Ivan Kondrashov reads to children at the library as he plays Grandfather Frost — a mythical character who brings gifts for the secular new year. ***Photos by Amanda Kondrashova.***

He Never Says 'Nyet'

When Asked to Assist

By Marjorie Grannan

Russian-born Ivan Kondrashov recalls being unhappy that his parents enrolled him in an elementary school where he would learn English. "Because, when was I ever going to use English?"

The MarinShares volunteer dismisses the notion—gleaned from his college records—that he speaks six languages, including ASL.

"Also," he continued, "what you learned in Russian schools was British English. We moved here in 1997, just in time for me to attend the last quarter of eighth grade. Landing in an American middle school sounding like a British transplant with a Russian accent took some adjustment."

Ivan's family lived in the southern Siberian cities of Tomsk and then Novosibirsk before moving to the Bay Area when he was 13. In college, Ivan majored in linguistics and began his career in software development and engineering.

He married his librarian wife **Amanda Kondrashova** in 2016. In 2023 Amanda was offered a position at the Marin City branch of the Marin County Free Library, and they moved to San Rafael.

"I started helping Amanda with things like event setup and branched out from there," Ivan said. "Before long I became a county volunteer: the website and language collection aide."

"It's wonderful having Ivan at Marin City Library," said Senior Librarian **Rashida Skaar**, Ivan's staff supervisor. "He does everything from assisting us with painting our local school library to making appearances as Darth Vader for Star Wars Day and Grandfather Frost for Russian Storytime." (Amanda made Ivan's costumes for both roles.)

"Ivan's fluency in Russian helps us immensely," Rashida added. "He translates children's books into Russian for Russian Storytime and is helping us curate and launch our Russian collection."

"In Marin City, the concentration of affordable housing makes it a natural landing point for new immigrants," Ivan said. "One group of library patrons that has grown includes immigrants from the former Soviet Bloc—Ukraine, Russia, and Belarus—and a scattering of other countries. That inspired us to start a new collection of children's books in Russian and Ukrainian."

Amanda's ideas blossomed into Russian Storytime. "It's a combination of storytime and an opportunity for kids and adults to mingle and speak the language afterwards," Ivan explained. When he noticed the library had started running out of Russian material, he began translating children's books into Russian.

"Kids' books require a very different approach. Each one has its own voice and vocabulary, on top of all the usual difficulties with translation," he said. "At this point, we have a couple dozen books translated. I also find Russian songs that work for the 'wiggle breaks,' and sometimes get invited to read a story myself."

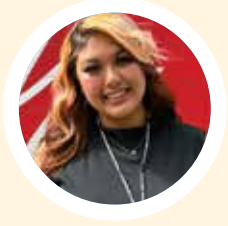
In addition, Ivan assists with "random things that need doing around the branch, especially for someone who's a foot taller than most of the staff." He puts up posters, hauls supplies for events, helps with program setup, takes donations to the Friends of the Library bookstore in Novato, and performs other duties as assigned, such as "helping with a lightsaber construction workshop and then playing Darth Vader so the kids get some use out of them."

"Knowledgeable and dedicated volunteers like Ivan are such a gift to patrons and staff," Rashida said. "We're so grateful that he generously donates his time and skills to improve library services for residents."

Marin City Love

I love Marin City because my whole family helped shape it. Everyone looked out for each other's kids, so strangers felt like family. I remember walking with my sister to my great aunties shop for pickles or heading to the candy house. It was a close, safe community where I always felt surrounded by love.

— Zabrianna Harrell



Marin City means service, community, and art. Our persistent fight to be recognized grows stronger with each generation. Our passion for equity is shaped by our history of adversity.

— Nancy Hoang

I love Marin City for the diversity and community. I always feel welcomed and like I belong.

— Vaishnavi Kumar

Our Sister's Keeper Strengthens Marin City

Building Sisterhood in Marin City. ***Photo by Diana E. Ballard.***

By Diana E. Ballard

In Marin City, Our Sister's Keeper (OSK) is creating a space where women are supported, uplifted, and equipped to thrive. Founded by Eboni McKinley, the nonprofit addresses the unique challenges faced by women in underserved communities—focusing on the whole person: mind, body, and future.

"OSK was born out of a vision to create spaces where women can heal, grow, and connect," says McKinley. "Our work is about ensuring every woman has the opportunity to thrive, regardless of race, income, or circumstance."

At its core, OSK empowers women navigating social and economic disparities through holistic support. In Marin City—where many women and single mothers face housing insecurity, limited access to mental health care, and economic instability—OSK has become a trusted source of care and connection. Programs include transitional housing support, counseling, parenting resources, and workforce readiness to help women build stable foundations for themselves and their families.

Beyond services, OSK fosters something deeper: belonging. By cultivating authentic sisterhood, the organization creates spaces where women feel seen, valued, and supported—often sparking lasting transformation.

Over the past year, OSK has expanded its impact through mentorship, parenting workshops, and mental health support. One example includes helping mothers in transitional housing rebuild stability while caring for their children and planning for the future.

A centerpiece of this work is the Rising Together Gala, now in its second year. More than a fundraiser, it celebrates resilience and collective empowerment, bringing together residents and community leaders to support OSK's growing programs.

"The Rising Together Gala is more than an event—it's a movement," McKinley says. "It's about recognizing the resilience of women in our community and creating a ripple effect of empowerment."

That ripple effect is central to OSK's mission: when women are supported, families strengthen and communities grow more resilient.

Looking ahead, OSK plans to expand housing programs, deepen partnerships across Marin County, and increase access to resources that support long-term stability and well-being.

Community support remains vital. Residents can get involved by attending events, volunteering, or donating—each action helping build a stronger, more connected Marin City.

Through compassion and commitment, Our Sister's Keeper is not only changing lives—it's helping women rise, together.

For more information, visit **www.oskmc.org**.

Clean Slate Comes To You

By Alfiya Nachtigall

Starting over? We're here to help. It's not always easy to get to the Marin County Civic Center or the courthouse for help — and harder still when you don't know who to call or where to start. What if the services you need simply came to you, right here in Marin City?

Clean Slate is a county "roadshow" designed to meet people where they are. Instead of going office to office, Marin County brings key services directly to the community — no endless phone calls, no runaround, no judgment.

What Is Clean Slate? Clean Slate brings together Marin County departments in a community setting to support people who have been involved in the criminal justice system. Most events are held right here in Marin City.

At a Clean Slate event, you can connect directly with staff from the Probation Department, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, and Health and Human Services.

Help includes:

- **Clearing or reducing eligible past convictions**
- **Sealing arrest records when legally possible**
- **Ending probation early, when appropriate**
- **Applying for certificates of rehabilitation**
- **Accessing Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and employment resources**
- **Housing rights, identification, DMV needs, and job training**

What started as a lunch conversation grew into a partnership among county departments committed to second chances. Now in its third year, Clean Slate keeps growing — including nonprofit partners like Center Point, which supports people facing serious addiction challenges.

New events are being planned — details coming soon. Follow the Marin County District Attorney's Office, Public Defender, and Probation Department on social media to find out when services are heading back to your neighborhood.

Marin County Public Defender, David Sutton, shakes hand of a resident at a Clean Slate pop-up event. P*hoto by Manuel Benitez*

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Chef Lex serving food at a fatherhood council meeting. *Photo by Shannon Bynum.*

A Taste of Home

Chef Lex Haynes feeds Marin City

By Olivia Wynkoop

The story of Fully’z-VeSoul Cafe begins not in a commercial kitchen, but on the Sausalito waterfront, where Chef Lex Haynes’ great-grandmother arrived from Kansas to work the warships and brought her cooking with her. Those recipes passed to Lex’s mother, who carried them forward and made sure her daughter’s palate stretched wide.

Lex was born in Marin County but spent much of her upbringing in Mississippi, absorbing Southern Creole flavors alongside the California traditions she’d inherited. When she returned to Marin City as an adult, she brought all of it back with her – and then she started cooking.

“The food I was used to wasn’t available,” she said. “I wanted to create it in a healthy way, and bring it back to the community that’s always been home.”

She founded Fully’z-VeSoul Cafe in 2020, starting with weekend plates for neighbors and friends before finding her footing through the Marin County Community Cooperation Team’s culinary incubator program in Sausalito. Its footprint in Marin City has grown steadily through word of mouth, community events, and a presence at gatherings like the Mill Valley Juneteenth Festival, where her chicken and sausage gumbo and buttermilk cornbread muffins earned the cafe a return invitation for 2026.

Chef Lex describes her cooking as Southern Creole by way of California: comforting and deeply nostalgic, but lighter and cleaner than tradition might suggest. Growing up in Marin County, she absorbed flavors from the Vietnamese, Thai, and Indian cuisines around her, and they show up throughout her menu alongside her Southern staples – with ingredients sourced locally and cooked in healthier fats.

“I enjoy cooking up something that makes someone feel good from the inside, whatever that may look like,” she said. “I cook from my heart, and I want to make sure that every client feels special, seen, and taken care of.”

Her dishes carry that promise. The smoked black and white greens — collard greens and cabbage slow-cooked with turkey in a broth she swears has kept her healthy for years — are a fan favorite that customers have been requesting since she started. The Millionaire Pasta is a creamy penne with sun-dried tomatoes, spinach, Parmesan, and marinated chicken; the four-cheese baked mac and cheese comes with a golden baked crust; and for dessert, there’s Banana Pudding Trudy, a gluten-free banana pudding she developed specifically for a regular client, and named in her honor. Vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free options are available throughout the menu.

But what Chef Lex is really serving goes beyond the plate. Her background in healthcare runs through everything: her attention to clean ingredients, her instinct to nourish, her belief that food can heal.

Her favorite moment is the first bite. “The look on their face, it’s like they’re kids again,” she said. “Like they’re at Auntie’s table, and they can have anything they like.”

Guided by her belief to “start small, dream big, and still win,” her vision extends well beyond catering, towards cooking classes that bridge Marin City youth and elders, jobs for young people, and emergency hot meal programs through local organizations.

“Every meal is an act of service, a way to honor our culture, celebrate togetherness, and create opportunities for the next generation,” she said.

To book Chef Lex for catering, private chef services, events, or meal prep, visit her intake form on her Instagram **@fullyz_vesoulcafe** or at **https://bit.ly/ChefLex**.

Fatherhood Council

Building Brotherhood, Purpose, and Transforming the Future for Marin City's Young Men

Pastor Leggett talks in front of a group of Fatherhood Council attendees. *Photo by Shannon Bynum.*

Community Submission

What began in 2013 after a Father's Day breakfast has grown into a powerful mentoring program rooted in accountability, brotherhood, and love. For more than 13 years, the Fatherhood Council has been a consistent and transformative force in Marin City—creating a space where young men are supported, challenged, and equipped to grow into leaders in their homes, schools, and community.

What stood out that first day was not just the number of men who showed up—it was the number of boys.

"We were amazed at how many boys came," reflected Pastor Rondall Leggett, founder of the Fatherhood Council and Pastor of First Missionary Baptist Church in Marin City. "We said, 'We've got to do something for our boys.' And that's how it started."

At the heart of this work is a clear mission: to positively influence the growth, outlook, and well-being of underserved and at-risk young men and their families through faith-rooted, culturally responsive mentoring, coaching, and advocacy. As a Black-led, community-based effort, the Fatherhood Council partners with neighbors and local organizations to create pathways to education, employment, and stability—helping young men move from surviving poverty to thriving in their community.

Today, the Fatherhood Council meets in person every second and fourth Monday from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM at First Baptist, with consistent check-ins throughout the week—phone calls, texts, and one-on-one time—ensuring that mentorship extends far beyond the meeting space.

At its core, the program is grounded in a simple but powerful belief: fathers and father figures are essential to building strong communities.

"We're really trying to help these young men come out of poverty," Pastor Leggett explained. "To show them—you don't have to stay stuck. Your decisions matter. Your future matters."

Through a model of transformative mentoring, the Fatherhood Council addresses both practical and personal development. Topics range from financial literacy and time management to anger management, goal setting, career exploration, substance abuse awareness, and "Know Your Rights" education. Activities like vision boarding and group discussions help young men begin to see, plan, and prepare for their future.

But the true impact of the program is best heard in the voices of those who show up.

"I've been coming since middle school," said Zion McKinley, now in his twenties and a longtime participant. "It just felt natural. I kept coming, and over time it really shaped how I think about my life and my future."

"One of the biggest things I've learned is how to listen and how to ask questions," shared mentor Steve Knudsen. "When young men start to slow down, reflect, and really engage—that's when change begins."

When asked to describe the most impactful thing they've learned, participants shared lessons that reflect both personal growth and life skills: breaking habits, accepting others, time management, and accountability.

What's Your Story?

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MC LEGACY

The Black History that Made Marin City

Marin City Ladies Social Club (circa 1960s)

By Felecia Gaston, Founder,
Marin City Historical & Preservation Society

Marin City is one of the most diverse communities in Marin County today, home to residents from many cultural backgrounds. This diversity reflects the evolving character of the community. At the same time, understanding Marin City's history is essential to appreciating the community and its significance today.

Marin City was created during World War II as housing for workers supporting the Marinship shipyards in Sausalito. Thousands of workers migrated to Marin County during this period, including many Black families who traveled west from the Jim Crow South seeking opportunity, stability, and dignity through wartime employment. Because racially restrictive housing covenants and discriminatory lending practices prevented Black residents from purchasing homes elsewhere in Marin County, Marin City became the only place many Black families were able to live during and after the war.

Understanding Marin City's history is essential to appreciating the community and its significance today.

As the wartime workforce expanded, Marin City quickly grew. At its peak between 1942 and 1945, the community was home to an estimated 20,000 Black residents, representing the largest concentration of Black residents in Marin County during the World War II era.

Over the decades that followed, economic changes, redevelopment decisions, and broader structural forces contributed to a steady decline in Marin City's Black population. Today, Marin City remains a diverse community, with approximately 825 Black residents. This dramatic demographic shift underscores why preserving and understanding Marin City's Black history remains so important today.

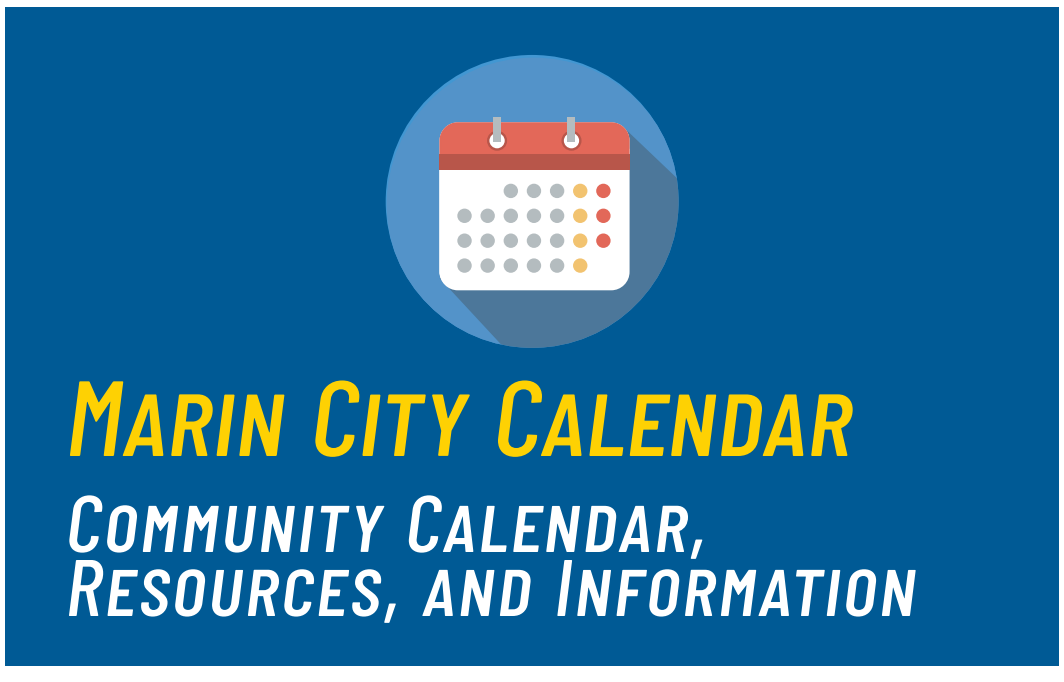
Through my research as a historian of Marin City, I have documented many of the forces that shaped this history, including housing restrictions, educational disparities, the loss of Black-owned businesses, and the broader impacts of redevelopment. Marin County, through its equity lens and ongoing community engagement, recognizes the importance of this history. By continuing to work together through historical preservation, education, and thoughtful planning, we can ensure that Marin City's story remains visible and understood for future generations.

I would also like to express sincere appreciation to the many Marin County departments, along with the generous support of the Marin Community Foundation and the TomKat Foundation, for supporting public history initiatives that help keep Marin City's story visible. Since 2022, traveling historical exhibits have been presented at civic and community venues throughout Marin County, accompanied by curriculum for school-age children, along with educational bus stop exhibits and banners displayed on street poles throughout Marin City.

Honoring Marin City's Black history allows the community and the County to move forward together with a deeper understanding of the past and a shared commitment to preserving its future.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Lots of options for going Out and About!
From local happenings to county-wide events, check out **marincitycalendar.org**. **If you have an event you want to promote, get in touch at info@marincityheartandsoul.com.**



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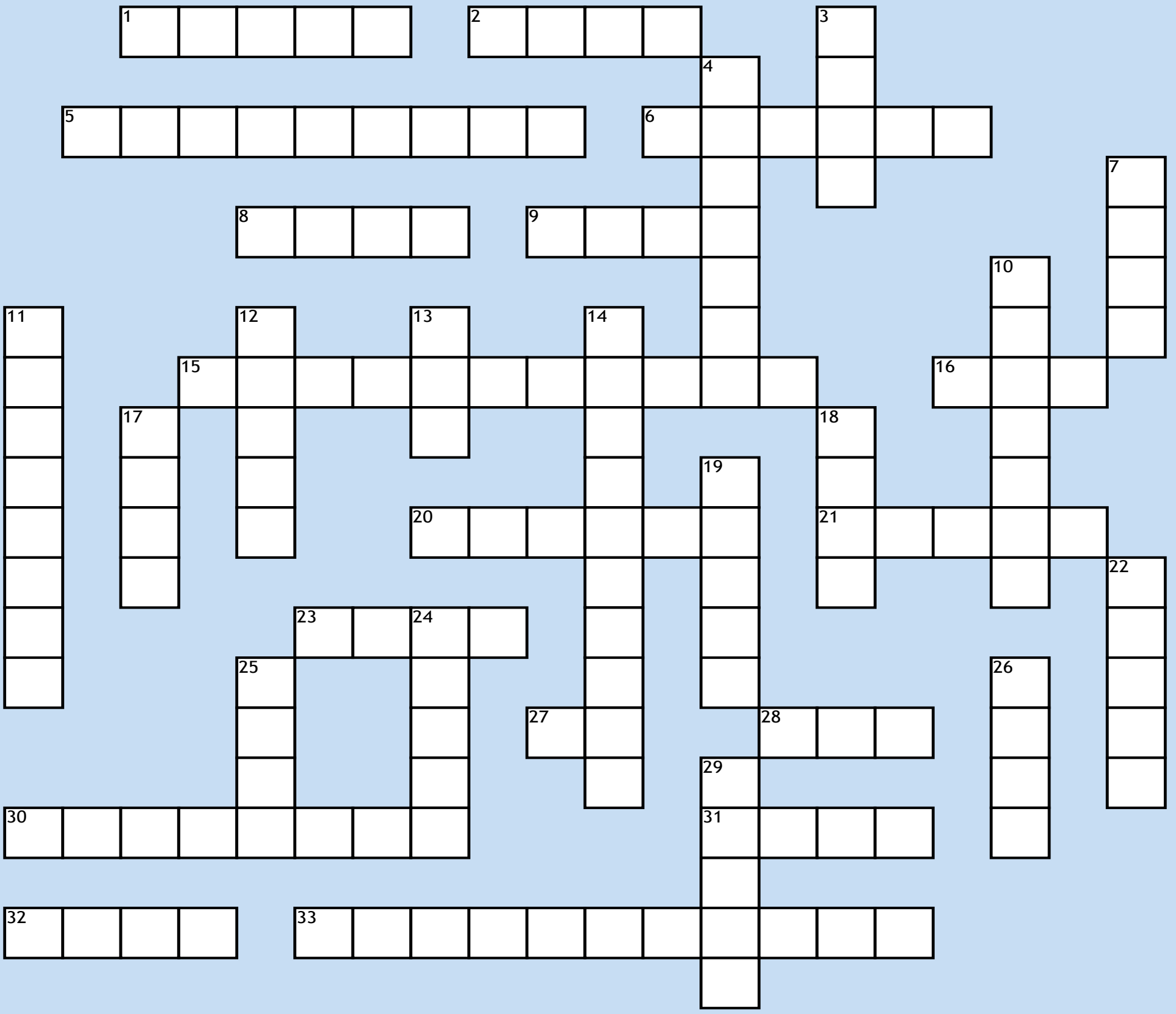

Answers to crossword puzzle available on **marincityheartandsoul.com** and in next issue.

ACROSS

1. The direction Marin City's founders traveled from to find work and dignity
2. What a good mentor gives freely
5. Marin's brooding, gold-rush-tested backdrop
6. What a library card unlocks, poetically
8. Union card, for short
9. Redwood's request
15. Rich pasta, Marin City style
16. Harbor helper
20. The bridge's official unofficial color
21. Marin County's most famous galaxy builder
23. What the Webstars do with new tech: ___-test it
27. It follows do, re, and mi
28. Ship's record
30. What Ivan engineered before the stacks called
31. Hammer's target
32. Word before 'run' or after 'home'
33. Marin's rank among California's original counties

DOWN

3. A ship's frame, or a community's
4. Gaston's role, fittingly
7. Former Supervisor who planted the Webstars seed
10. She built careers two doors from her own front door
11. Ferry town halfway between Marin and the city
12. What Marin fog does by noon, usually
13. Last word of Chef Lex's motto, after 'dream big'
14. It runs beneath Point Reyes, and sometimes shows it
17. What collard greens need: time and ___
18. Bridge call
19. Carpenter's concern
22. Gluten-free pudding with a dedication
24. Apprentice's goal
25. Opposite of ebb
26. Gumbo base
29. Bay island that processed thousands before Alcatraz got the attention

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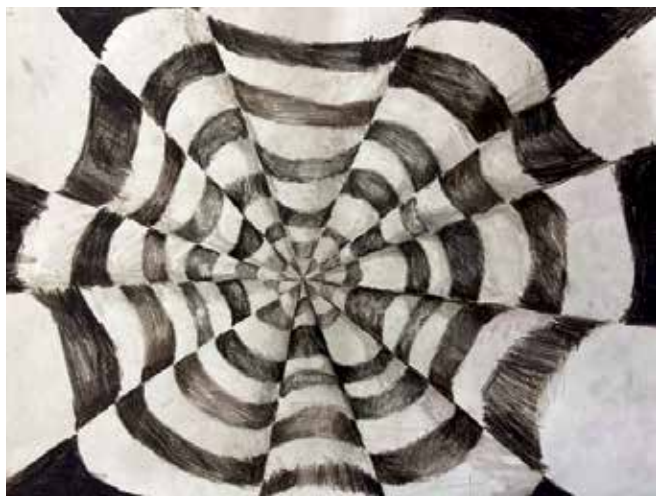

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