



# Tiburon Peninsula Newsletter

Remain Active, Connected, and Independent  
in the Place You Call Home

January 2020 Newsletter

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Happy New Year to All  
Welcome to 2020!

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## Welcome to Peter Lee

By now most of you will have heard that we are starting 2020 out with a change in leadership at Marin Villages. Peter Lee is joining us as our Interim Executive Director starting January 6th. You will have a chance to meet him at one or more of our various events as the new year gets going. Meanwhile Peter can be reached at [Peter@marinvillages.org](mailto:Peter@marinvillages.org) or through the main office phone number: 415 457-4633, if you have a need to speak to him directly. Of course, BJ and Diane are continuing and remain ready, willing and able, to assist you as always. The entire team at Marin Villages is gearing up for an exciting year of helping us all stay connected, active and independent in the place we call home and the community we love!



## Farewell to Lisa Brinkmann

If you attended the TPV Holiday Party you had a chance to wish Lisa Brinkmann well as she moves on to other adventures. If you weren't able to attend, you can still send her your best wishes by email to [lbrinkmann@marinvillages.org](mailto:lbrinkmann@marinvillages.org). She will be missed!



## Coffee at Rustic Bakery on the Boardwalk

Thursday, January 9, 10:30 to 11:30

Join us for our regular monthly coffee at Rustic. No need to RSVP, but if you need a ride, please call the office to arrange it. Dutch treat coffee and pastry, and always interesting conversation. Look Cherie or Gatian, and for the Marin Villages tent card on one of the tables.

## **A Farewell Note** by Executive Director, Lisa Brinkmann

The reality of my pending retirement hit home recently at one of the holiday parties, when it was noted that I had spent close to a decade promoting the importance of Villages and the need for community-based organizations to provide another link in the social safety net to ensure “good” aging for the older adults in our community. Somehow a decade sounded **so** much longer than ten years!

I am very grateful to the many individuals who have believed in the mission of Marin Villages from our beginnings and throughout the last 7+ years. Imagine, engaging older adults from diverse backgrounds, with unique skills and experiences, in a movement to connect neighbors, encourage community participation, and promote extending one’s independence for the sole purpose of creating an active, healthy and safe environment in which to age—look what we’ve accomplished!

I am very proud of the organization we’ve become. These first ten years found us learning from our experiences, building systems and processes to meet the changing needs of the organization, and establishing guiding principles to reinforce our mission of helping older adults remain active, connected, and independent in the place they call home. The next decade is very appropriately starting with the year 2020, as it will see us sharpening our vision to ensure success for the next ten years.

I thank all our members, volunteers, and donors—current and those who may no longer be with us—for your generosity in sharing your experiences, time and beneficence. I will look back with warm and fond memories of all the lessons I’ve learned and know my life has been enriched by all of you. Thank you.

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### *Victor Nameless*—Gabriella Mautner’s New Book

Thursday, January 23, 1:00 pm—Scout Hall in Mill Valley

Gabriella Mautner will be introducing and reading from her newest book, *Victor Nameless*, on January 23 at 1:00 pm. Those of you who attended the Stories and More Stories event in Tiburon last year at the home of Cherie Sorokin will remember Gabriella and her riveting story of escaping the Nazis in World War II. *Victor Nameless* is her 4<sup>th</sup> novel--a tale of true love, hope against all odds, and redemption. More information is available on the link below. Please be sure to RSVP to the office if you plan to attend and let them know if you need a ride.



<https://marin.helpfulvillage.com/events/1619-mill-valley-village---gabriella-mautner-introduces-her-new-book>

## Lunch at Salt and Pepper

Wednesday, January 29, 11:30 am—Salt and Pepper in Tiburon

Join us for a winter outing for lunch at Tiburon's own cozy Salt and Pepper. \$15 per person, payable at the lunch. (Please bring exact change!). RSVP to the office by January 27 so we know how many to reserve space for, and be sure to let the office know if you need a ride.

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## Looking Back at December

The holiday spirit was much in evidence at the TPV Holiday Party on December 16.

