



The task of writing these inaugural words is a humbling one. We at the Marin Builders Association have decided to create something new and exciting as we round out the year 2012, a year that has challenged us all to try harder and work smarter than we ever imagined possible. A challenge that evokes the motto, the best is yet to come!

This is emblematic of our long history at the Marin Builders Association, where our mission is to foster relationships in our community, as our members promote the highest ethical and professional standards in the building industry.

Marin County is so much more than a place to live and those of us who are fortunate enough to claim it as home, know this well. Each of our cities within, maintains their own eclectic identities, and is blessed with unique, natural splendors, and homes that reflect and revel accordingly.

Our homes reflect our uniqueness too. We run an incredible gamut of architectural designs from the simple to the sophisticated, always with our "Marin-ness" showing proudly.

With this in mind, we present, *Marin Home*, a quarterly magazine devoted to everything that makes a house, a home.

Our magazine is a little bit different than the standard fare; we have spiced up our pages with a little irreverent humor, stories indicative of our incomparable personalities, and a great deal of practical information on home improvements of every kind.

I welcome you into our pages, the way we welcome friends and neighbors into our homes. My hope is that we entertain you and that you will share your thoughts and ideas with us as we move forward in the issues ahead.

Marin Home is our small way of saying "thank you" for our bounty and our grace.

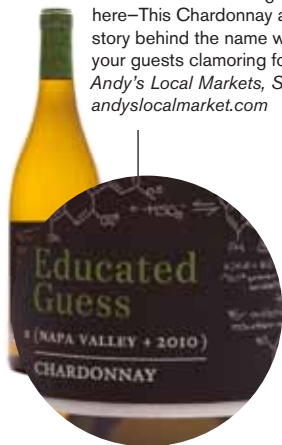
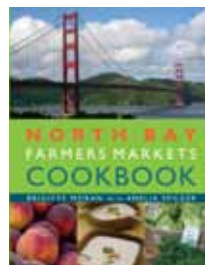
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