

Dear Jocelyn,

My name is Pam Salvadore and I live at 115 Corte Balboa in Greenbrae, directly above Marin Catholic High School. I was not able to attend last week's meeting, as I am currently out of town. However I do want to chime in about Marin Catholic's proposal to install field lighting.

As many of my neighbors do, I love having Marin Catholic as part of our community. Given the location of our home, we hear the activities of the school clearly and enjoy the sounds of weekend sports and various activities. In fact, we can keep track of the score without leaving home! This provides a quaint and pleasing backdrop to weekend household activities and one that we do not object to.

However, that is on a Saturday afternoon. I strongly oppose the idea of having these activities intrude into the evening hours. I am even more opposed to the thought that Marin Catholic would have the ability to extend the use of the fields to all nights of the week, with no regard for our rights to quiet enjoyment of our homes.

I believe that, as a group, our neighborhood has worked with Marin Catholic on many items through the years. Most recently we accepted their installation of a sound system, even though it concerns us greatly for the very same reasons stated above. We are not unreasonable people. Unfortunately, I think that the installation of lights is just going too far. How much more inconvenience does our neighborhood need to tolerate to accommodate Marin Catholic's pursuit of athletic prowess? Why is it always our side that needs to bend to the wishes of the school? Why should we have to disclose the noise generated by MC if and when we choose to sell our homes?

Jocelyn, this time Marin Catholic has pushed the envelope a little too far. I hope that you consider the neighborhood's input as you evaluate Marin Catholic's request.

Sincerely,

Pam Salvadore