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Longtime hoteliers follow dream of their own B&B

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE MEN at the helm of Inns by the Sea for more than 17 years, and who have tirelessly promoted the Carmel business community for almost as long, will soon be leaving town to run a bed & breakfast of their own.

Gary Luce and Larry Hoover sold their home and must be out of it next week. They resigned from the numerous committees and boards on which they served. But they have yet to purchase their dream hotel or even decide where it should be.

"We're just looking for a new project — something small that we can do on our own," Luce said.

"We're not getting any younger," Hoover explained. "And we just thought if we were going to make this dream come true that we've held for a long time, we needed to act upon it."

Luce and Hoover had originally planned to find the perfect spot, whether in Healdsburg, the Gold Country, Palm Springs or even Santa Fe, during the six months they estimated it would take to sell their house on Torres and First.

"It was on the market two days," Luce said. "We barely got the sign up, and the first person who walked through made a full-price offer."

"There's a nervousness about the unknown, but it's a good thing, too, and changes are good," Hoover said. "I think the hardest thing will be leaving all the friends and connections we have here."

With dozens of affiliations between them, their departure will surely be felt by Carmel's business com-

See *INNS* on page 7 of the Real Estate section

Amid contract controversy, Sunset not in the dark

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE QUESTION of who should manage Sunset Center remains unsettled, but many hands are busy on almost every other aspect of its future. Planning for next year's performance schedule is in full swing, the loose ends left over from the \$21.65 million renovation are being rectified, and lawyers are drafting a possible contract between the city and the nonprofit which wants to run the center.

'There's been a lot of rhetoric about having to start marketing the theater because it is dark and losing money, but that's absolutely not true.'

— Rich Guillen

Guillen and interim Sunset Center General Manager Tom Bacchetti, as well as members of the nonprofit Sunset Cultural Center, Inc., — the group which hopes to manage the center — are collaborating to expand bookings

See *SUNSET* on page 5 of the Real Estate section

Livingston voters key to Ely's chances

By MARY BROWNFIELD and PAUL MILLER

MORE THAN half of the Carmel voters who supported city councilwoman Barbara Livingston's unsuccessful mayoral bid two years ago now favor councilman Dick Ely, who hopes to unseat Mayor Sue McCloud April 13, according to a poll of residents conducted this week.

With another poll last week showing McCloud holding onto her 2002 voters, capturing the Livingston vote is key to Ely's chances for success.

Of 76 people who lent their names to a Livingston for Mayor newspaper ad two years ago, 43 told The Pine Cone they would vote for Ely. Six said they would vote for McCloud, and 27 of the Livingston supporters were undecided or declined to state a preference.

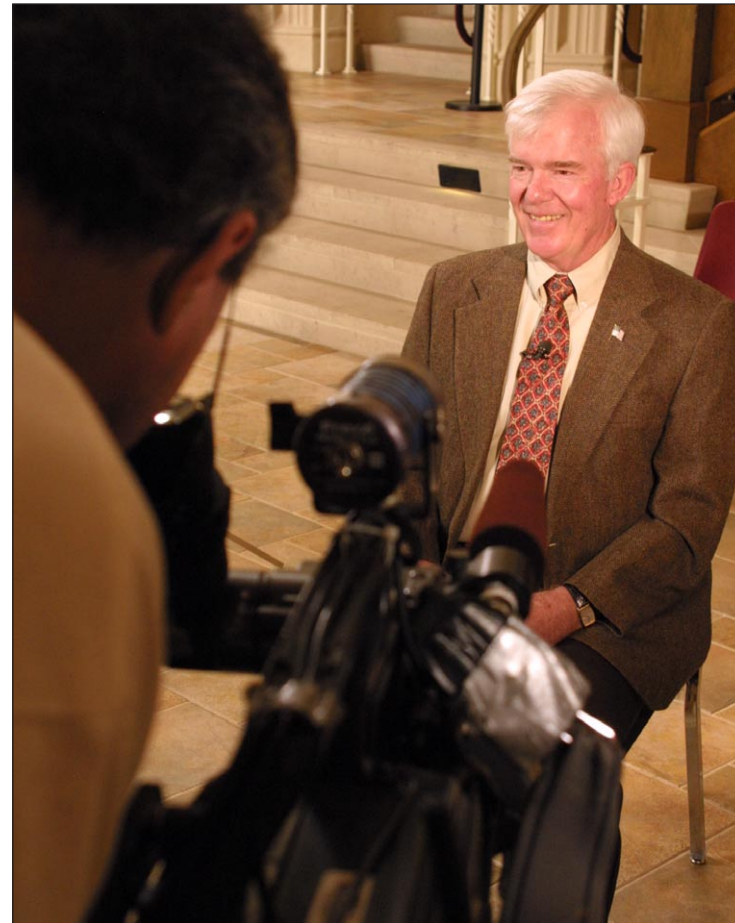
"I'm supporting Dick Ely, because I'm for open debate and inclusive government," Nadya Giusi said.

"Sue McCloud has done a poor job as mayor," Richard Dalsemer commented. "She's let some things go while concentrating on only a couple of tasks, and that has hurt the city."

While McCloud counts the substantial progress on the long-overdue Local Coastal Program and the completion of Sunset Center's \$21.65 million renovation among her administration's accomplishments and wants another term to see those and other projects fully implemented, Ely has condemned her for leaving the public and appointed officials out of the decision-making process.

He has pledged to "bring back open, inclusive and respectful government," by holding more town hall meetings, increasing the size of city decision-

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PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

With three former mayors backing him, Dick Ely told KSBW Thursday about his plans for city hall if he is elected mayor April 13. Videographer Dan Kershner recorded the scene.

Eastwood supports Sue McCloud; three other ex-mayors want her to go

By PAUL MILLER

FORMER CARMEL Mayor Clint Eastwood this week backed Mayor Sue McCloud for reelection in the April 13 election. But three other former mayors — Charlotte Townsend, Jean Grace and Ken White — are all backing McCloud's challenger, Dick Ely.

"Sue has done an outstanding job and her accomplishments have been very impressive," Eastwood said after returning from a post-Oscar vacation in Maui. (His most recent movie, "Mystic River," picked up Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor awards Feb. 29.) He said completion of the city's long overdue Local Coastal Program was something McCloud could be especially proud of.

"I just don't know where Dick Ely's coming from," Eastwood said. "He should have waited at least two more

years to run, because Sue certainly deserves another term."

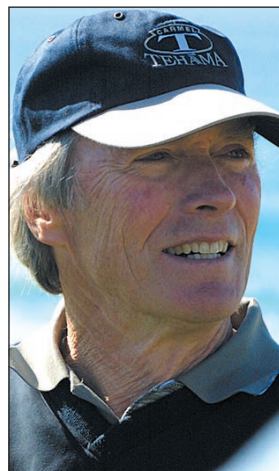
Eastwood said the allegation that McCloud's administration hasn't been "open and inclusive" was just a "political catch phrase" brought up by a candidate who doesn't have strong issues to run on.

"Because McCloud was in the CIA, they're trying to make it sound like she's Barbara Stanwyck in a spy movie," Eastwood said. "It's just politics."

But the woman Eastwood defeated for mayor in 1986, Charlotte Townsend, said Ely's support among other former mayors was telling.

"It's extraordinary that three different mayors, with very different personalities and opinions, are endorsing Ely," Townsend said. "We support him because he is the person

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Clint Eastwood



Jean Grace



Charlotte Townsend



Ken White

Was your Great Uncle Joe captured on film at Point Lobos?

OLD PHOTOS SOUGHT FOR BOOK

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A LONGTIME state parks guide and a docent compiling a photographic history of the stunning Point Lobos reserve are soliciting the help of Carmel's oldest families.

Docent, anthropologist and researcher Suzanne Wood teamed up with California State Parks guide Monica Hudson to put together a book they hope will be released this fall. Hudson is also married to the grandson of A.M. Allan, who bought Point Lobos in 1898 and began charging tourists to view the beautiful property the following year.

They have the resources to write the book, "Images of America: Point Lobos, California," to be part of Arcadia Press' series on small communities with big histories, but Wood and Hudson still lack enough photographs.

With the deadline fast approaching, the pair has brought its plea to the public.

"I do believe, particularly in Carmel, that there are people with grandparents or great-grandparents who must have visited Point Lobos for picnics and outings," Wood said. "They might have some fascinating photographs."

The two, who were approached by Arcadia to take on the job, have images of the Portuguese whalers who arrived in 1862 and later became dairymen, the Japanese abalone divers' village of the early 1900s, picnickers dating back to 1903 and movie sets circa 1919.

Point Lobos at work and play

But they need photographs of visitors to Point Lobos after it joined the California State Parks system in 1933, and of people who made their livings on the land and sea.

"What we're looking for is the people stuff, like people working — there were quarries, fishing, whaling, farming, ranching," Wood said. "We will have a chapter on the beauty of Point Lobos, but that's not the emphasis — it's the people and their lives."

She hopes Carmelites and other longtime Peninsula residents will dig through their scrapbooks and shoe boxes for images of family outings, movie sets, picnics, wildlife, well known artists and photographers at work, as well.

Anyone with a photo to share should e-mail Wood at woodglynsu@aol.com or call her at 375-8202. Images will be scanned and returned.

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Paul Finnegan, the new director of the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, dusts off a life-sized replica of a California condor in preparation for its relocation to the foyer.

A basement epiphany for P.G.'s Finnegan

By KIMBERLY WHITE

AS AN anthropology major at Chico State, Paul Finnegan said he signed up for the Introduction to Museums class for an easy "A" — thinking anyone born and raised in San Francisco probably already knew all there was to know about museums.

Then he went on a class field trip, and a whole new world opened up to him in the basement of a Berkeley museum.

On his way down the narrow staircase of the Lowie Museum — now the Phoebe A. Hearst Museum of Anthropology — he stopped on a landing and slowly scanned the room where the behind-the-scenes work of the museum occurred.

"It was filled with every anthropological artifact that you could think of," he recalled. Amid sarcophagi from Greece and antiquities from Alaska, Egypt and everywhere in between, an army of researchers scurried about while others worked to restore the arti-

cles to some semblance of their former glory.

"I never realized that there was a whole other world that had to do with the collections and the care of those collections and the education via those collections," he said. "It was one of those moments when you realize that's what you want to do for the rest of your life. I didn't care what aspect, but I knew that I wanted to be associated somehow with museums."

And so he has.

On Feb. 28, Finnegan became director of the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural

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At The Plaza

"The letter lay on the kitchen table – part of a tableau of half-eaten toast and coffee gone cold in the cup. She had read the words to the point of memorization and now they screamed in her head. What to do? Where to go? Somewhere inside she knew she had a choice. And she headed for it. Carmel Plaza. Two fountains danced joyful arcs of bubbling water in sync to the laughter in the surrounding courtyard. She sat and took it all in. Three levels of escape from here to there. She headed for the eclectic world of *Sockshop Carmel*. Just the place to get away and let one's inner eight-year-old run free. Wandering throughout the cheery store, she found herself smiling at the head-to-toe array for all ages. Rainbow-colored socks — a separate color for each separate toe,



With Cara Wilson

socks with hearts and stars and dogs and cats, socks with bangles and puffs and sparkles, strappy-up-the-leg socks, sun hats, bobby bracelets, fluffy boas, funky head bands and more. She bought a large, great-for-gardening t-shirt with loopy, lounging dogs all over it. "Perfect," she mused. "And I've always wanted a sexy scarf..." the woman thought as she drifted over to *Jazzy* and bought a beaded number that harkened of a jaded flapper in some '30s Busby Berkeley review. "This is good," she sighed deeply, as the last remnants of the letter drifted from her mental view. She saw *Shells of Carmel* high above The Plaza and sought out a delicate starfish like the one she remembered finding years ago. "Yes," she whispered to herself, knowing that at least for today the choice was in her hands.



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Police & Sheriff's Log

Groom's 3-year-old son left behind at church

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week.

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject contacted for

allegedly obstructing the sidewalk area in front of an Ocean Avenue camera shop. Contact was made with a male and he was asked to relocate. He complied and no further action was warranted.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Employee of the market at San Carlos and Seventh reported a subject placed a packet of gum in his right pocket.

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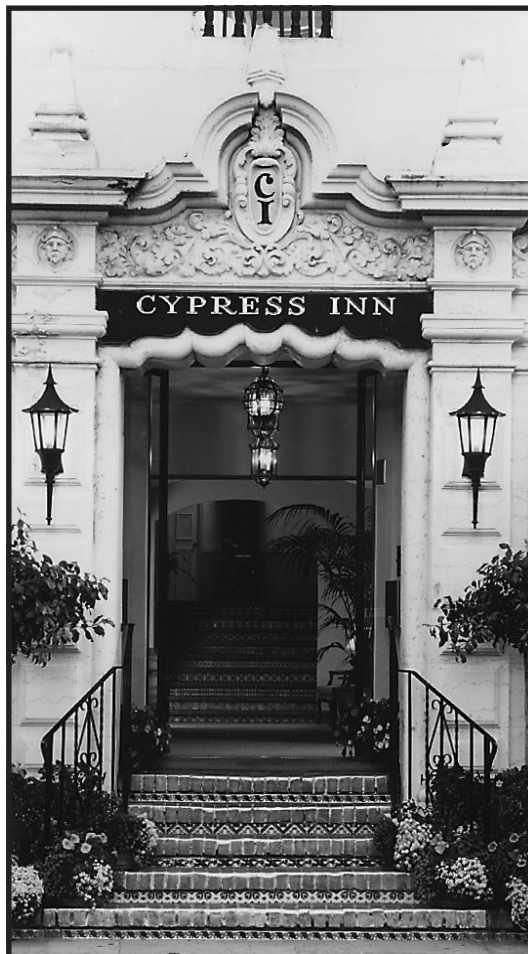


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CHP: Speed, and you'll face the judge

By MARY BROWNFIELD

TO CURB rollover accidents and address complaints of major speeding at the north and south ends of Monterey County, the California Highway Patrol is now out in force on the county's busiest highways.

'We have a tremendous amount of rollover accidents from the speed of vehicles, because these SUVs tend to roll much more easily than cars, and speed is a major contributor to that.'

— CHP Public Information Officer Richard Richards

"We have a tremendous amount of rollover accidents from the speed of vehicles, because these SUVs tend to roll much more easily than cars, and speed is a major contributor to that," said CHP Public Information Officer Richard Richards.

While highway patrol officers have always been charged with enforcing speed limits, their success largely hinges upon voluntary compliance, he said.

But now, "we're putting more focus on them and want to see that the speed laws are adhered to a little bit more," he said. "We want officers to

be out there and be more visible."

More frequent patrols of local highways and less tolerance for excessive speed should up compliance and cut the number of motorists who drive 20 mph faster than the 65 mph limits on Highway 101 in South Monterey County and on Highway 1 between Marina and Watsonville where the speed limits range from 45 mph to 65 mph.

"Most people who speed on our county roads don't go to

those excessive speeds," he said. "They may do 70 mph on Highway 68, or something, but those excessive speeds [20 mph above the posted limits] are the ones we're trying to slow down."

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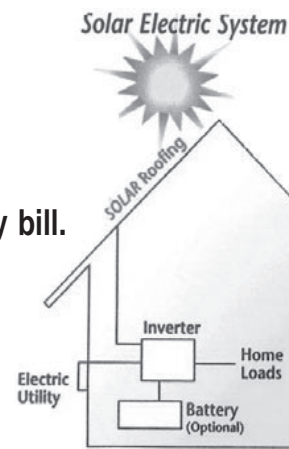
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CARMEL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - 624-2522 - April 2004

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Tom Williams, CCC President

"What's good for business is good for Carmel"

As the voice of the business community the Carmel Chamber of Commerce strives to keep abreast of the actions of the city council and the impact its decisions might have on our businesses and community. The ability we have in this small village to appear before city council with our observations, complaints and, all too infrequently, our praise is the envy of many larger cities. Not every decision by the council will meet with the approval of all the interested parties but none can say all in attendance at these meetings has not heard their particular position. Why, then, does Carmel-by-the-Sea continue to be caught in the throes of what seems to be gridlock? Should a single person, group or organization be allowed to stymie the work of the elected council members? There are times when prolonged discussion results in a consensus best described as a meeting of minds. At other times it simply seems as if politics, bitter acrimony and an outright lack of respect for ones fellow man impede progress. As successful business owners, many of whom reside in Carmel-by-the-Sea, progress is what continues to keep our businesses healthy and a vibrant part of the city. Progress in training personnel, computer services, inventory management and point of sales terminals all have helped keep costs down and productivity up. As leaders in business we embrace these changes as good for our company and our clients. We use change to our advantage. These changes do not affect the historic tenor of our business nor do they impact our outward position in the community. We manage change but keep the very best of what is, historically, good for us and our town.

The election for mayor and city council members on April 13th is an opportunity for each of us to make our voice heard. There are very clear choices of candidates and positions. It is very important each of us go to the polls and vote. If change is truly inevitable take your position as a leader both in the community and the region and see to it we elect candidates who will usher in an era of judicious change and vibrant enthusiasm.

We are always interested in your input and observations. Please email me, tom@hale-williams.com or telephone the chamber office, 624-2522, with your comments. Thanks for your input.

RIBBON CUTTING

Please join us as we welcome Bank of the West to Carmel! The newly opened branch is located on the NW corner of Mission & 7th. We will be celebrating with a ribbon cutting on Wednesday March 31 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

THANKS FOR THE MIXER

Thank you to Ambrose Pollock, Woodworker, B. Real Women's Apparel and Carmel Needle Arts for a wonderful March mixer. Thanks also to the businesses that donated wonderful door prizes: Ambrose Pollock, Woodworker, B. Real Women's Apparel, Caffe Cardinale Coffee Roasting Co, Carmel Needle Arts, Nancy's Mid Valley Florist, The Gem, The Shirt Tale and the Travel Bag. Thanks to one and all - it was great fun.

Calendar of EVENTS April 2004

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- 3/12-4/4 Arms and the Man by George Bernard Shaw;** Carmel; Staff Players Repertory Company; 624-1531
- 3/31-4/4 Pebble Beach Spring Horse Show;** Pebble Beach; 624-2756
- 4/2-4 Changing Seasons Art Event,** Carmel, Mia McKee Marketing, 624-9035
- 4/2, 4 Monterey Peninsula Choral Society Spring Concert;** Carmel; Sunset Center; 645-4728
- 4/4 Kids Art Festival,** National Steinbeck Center, 796-3833
- 4/8-5/5 Pam Carroll Solo Show,** Carmel Art Association, 624-6176
- 4/11 Opening Reception,** Carmel Art Association, 6:00-8:00 pm, 624-6176
- 4/10 Breakfast with the Bunny & Eggstravaganza;** Carmel; Devendorf Park; 8:20am-12:00; 624-1255
- 4/10 Performance Carmel - Reduced Shakespeare Co.;** Carmel; Sunset Center; 620-2040
- 4/10 Philippe LeJeune Trio,** The Jazz & Blues Co., 624-6432
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- 4/14 CCC Mixer;** Pacific Tweed, Crossroads Shopping Village, 5:00-7:00; 624-2522
- 4/15-18 Sea Otter Classic;** Laguna Seca; Cycling Festival, 373-1839
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- 4/18 Wine & Art Festival;** Carmel Valley; Chateau Julien, Local Artists; 11:00-4:00; 624-2600
- 4/18-19 Monterey Symphony Concert VI;** Carmel; Sunset Center; 624-8511
- 4/21 Dick Crispo Lecture Series,** "The Frescoes of Diego Rivera" Carmel Art Association, 624-6176
- 4/22 CCC Board Meeting;** Carmel; 8:00AM. Il Fornaio; 624-2522
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- 4/30-5/2 Road and Track U.S. Sportscar Invitational;** Laguna Seca; 800/327-SECA
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Prudential California Realty celebrated the opening of their new office with a ribbon cutting. Prudential California Realty's Gretchen Pearson, Chief Operating Officer, Ed Krafchow, President, and Janet Reilly, Team Leader and Coach, were joined by Carmel Chamber of Commerce's President Tom Williams and Executive Director Monta Potter.

A FOND FAREWELL

Join the Carmel Chamber of Commerce and the community as we thank Gary Luce and Larry Hoover for their service to Carmel! A no host reception will be held on Wednesday, April 7 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Poseidon Room at the LaPlaya Hotel located on the corner of Camino Real & 8th. There will be a nominal fee to cover event costs.

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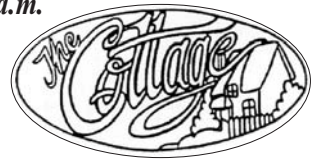
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Neighbors-helping-neighbors group seeks new St. Bernards

By MARY BROWNFIELD

AFTER A woman who lived alone fell in her Carmel home and was left for days without help, a handful of residents formed a neighbors-helping-neighbors group to prevent such solitary suffering from happening again.

Ten years later, Project St. Bernard is 100 volunteers strong, and organizers hope to enlist even more at an orientation next Saturday.

"In Carmel, we have these dark islands," member Joyce Frasca said, referring to the many vacation homes inhabited only part of the year. "There will be a neighbor between two dark islands, and we won't know who she is."

St. Bernards make regular checks on elderly neighbors on their block, though some take on adjacent streets if theirs is already represented. Others take on bigger areas.

"We're trying to get all the blocks covered," Frasca said. "We don't have enough volunteers."

Serving as a St. Bernard is not hard work, but is rewarded with much gratitude.

"During the last power outage, a lot of the members called others to make sure they had a flashlight or candles," Frasca

said, an example of how volunteers help their neighbors.

"We also have a roster which includes organizations like the Alliance on Aging and Legal Services for Seniors. So in our neighborhoods, if we find someone who has a need for such programs, we can pass that information on to them."

During the April 3 training, St. Bernards will share their experiences, and representatives from the Carmel police and fire departments will discuss emergency services.

While Frasca said St. Bernards is not a crime-prevention organization like Neighborhood Watch, the group receives e-mails from Carmel Police Chief George Rawson when there is increased crime in the neighborhoods.

Quarterly meetings feature speakers on safety topics as

well as entertainment, such as a recent presentation on Pan-Am's flying boats. The next quarterly meeting, set for 4:45 p.m. April 8 at Vista Lobos, will focus on how Project St. Bernard should grow.

Outside the ability to help their neighbors, St. Bernards enjoy some fringe benefits.

"On my block, we have had block parties two years in a row, and we are going to have another one," Frasca said, adding that such events are a fun way for people to get to know each other. "We've found that people often don't know the person who lives two doors away."

For more on the April 3 orientation, call 624-5470 or 626-4179; for the April 8 event, call 624-9134.

Have breakfast with a bunny

PANCAKES, SAUSAGES, orange juice and coffee — served by the Carmel Host Lions Club and hosted by Mr. Bunny Himself — will be offered Saturday, April 10 in the annual Breakfast with the Bunny and Eggstravaganza in Devendorf Park. There will be a prize drawing, and after breakfast, Egglund will open for pictures with the bunny, cookie decorating, music, face painting and carnival games.

Cost for the breakfast is \$6 for adults, \$3 for kids 12 and younger, and \$15 for a family of four. Passports to Egglund cost \$5. In case of rain, the event will be held at the Carmel Youth Center at Fourth and Torres. For more information, call 620-2020.

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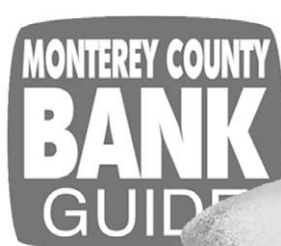
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CARMEL HIGH SCHOLAR ATHLETES HONORED AT BANQUET

By KIMBERLY WHITE

CARMEL HIGH students Pat Johnston and Brent Thomson will be among scholar athletes from Monterey and San Benito counties honored at an awards banquet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 at the Monterey Hyatt's Grand Ballroom.

The National Football Foundation & College of Fame will present Johnston, a quarterback, and 13 other winners with \$1,000 scholarships, and Thomson and seven other runners-up with \$500 scholarships at the black-tie event.

"Each school has one winner and one runner-up," said Mark Risley, Republican candidate for Congress in the November election and board president of the foundation's Central California Chapter. The awards are based 40 percent on athletic accomplishments, 40 percent on academic achievement and 20 percent on essay and community involvement.

Johnston, Risely said, is a "superior football player" with a GPA above the required minimum of 3.2.

The National Football Foundation was founded in the 1970s to promote high standards of sportsmanship and American foot-

ball as an integral part of education.

Former Stanford Head Football Coach John Ralston, who coached Heisman trophy winner Jim Plunkett, will be the featured guest speaker, and Hunter Finnell, KION-TV sports anchor, will serve as master of ceremonies.

To reserve event tickets, which cost \$45 per person, call Butch Semas 372-4929 or Mark Risley at 375-3301 by April 1.

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WORLD-FAMOUS cruise artist and Pine Cone cartoonist Bill Bates will be the "artist in residence" on two Silversea cruises to Alaska this summer, departing Victoria, British Columbia, July 13 for 12 nights and Vancouver Aug. 16 for seven nights.

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Carmel Valley

Incorporation opponent calls opt-out offer 'a joke'

By KIMBERLY WHITE

A COMMENTARY in Sunday's Monterey County Herald, in which a longtime advocate of creating a Town of Carmel Valley said two mouth-of-the-valley neighborhoods should be allowed to opt out of the incorporation plan if they want to, was derided by the president of one homeowners association as a political maneuver by someone who wants to be "king of the valley."

"Allowing Carmel Knolls and Carmel Views to opt out now from the proposed new city is easily done and proper, assuming the statements of their homeowner associations' presidents accurately reflect property owner sentiment in those two neighborhoods," the commentary said. It was written by Carmel Valley Forum cofounder Glenn Robinson.

"We all thought it was a joke," Carmel Views Homeowners Association President Robert Sinotte said of the essay. Robinson's surprising proposal, which stood in sharp contrast to earlier claims from forum members that residents of the mouth of the valley weren't opposed to incorporation, was met with disapproval largely because Robinson proposed that only a very small area be excluded from the proposed city's boundaries.

"None of us wish to opt out of the incorporation process right now," Sinotte said. "We're going to request that the boundary exclude the entire mouth of the valley."

But whatever the borders of the proposed city, Sinotte and other opponents of the plan do not want a see a Town of Carmel Valley come into existence at all. They said proponents want them to opt out so that fewer votes will be needed to make the city a reality.

Too many questions

Hacienda Carmel Homeowners Association President Dave Harris, whose community Robinson did not say should be allowed out of the new town, characterized Sunday's commentary as a very one-sided article that mistakenly indicated widespread support for the new city.

In fact, he said, very few people in his neighborhood, which is about one-and-a-half miles inland from Highway 1, favor the idea of incorporating Carmel Valley because the

costs of running the new city have not been determined and because incorporation would only add another layer of bureaucracy and taxation.

"But we want to be kept abreast of everything that goes on over there," he added.

Thursday, Sinotte mailed a letter to the governmental body responsible for approving new cities, the Local Agency Formation Commission, requesting that everything west of Quail Lodge be excluded from consideration. It was signed by representatives of 10 commercial properties, including the Crossroads Shopping Village, The Barnyard and the Carmel Rancho Shopping Center.

"I'm perfectly happy with county services and I'm concerned about the tax ramifications for my tenants due to this incorporation," said Katherine Bucquet, trustee and property manager of the Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, who signed the letter. "I think we're being well represented as it is, and I don't feel the need to add another layer of government."

"The village has a right to determine its own destiny, and the handful of activists who live there would make a great city council and mayor," Sinotte said. "But we don't want their little town to extend into our area."

Kristina Berry, LAFCO's acting executive director, said the agency is now trying to determine what might happen if areas such as Carmel Views, Carmel Knolls and Hacienda Carmel are not included in the proposed city, which will also include an upscale community, Sleepy Hollow, east of Carmel Valley Village.

Sleepy Hollow, which originally was not going to be included, is now being considered after enough residents expressed interest in the results of the comprehensive fiscal analysis, said Milt Kegley, a Del Mesa Carmel resident and president of the 26-member C.V. Forum.

He likes the idea of incorporation since "the closer to home you are to your government, the better government you have and the more control you have over how your tax dollars are spent."

Scott MacClelland, C.V. Forum's public information officer and a Rancho Rio Vista resident, said all moves to be included and excluded are still "academic," since the matter hasn't even been presented to voters and won't be for quite a

while.

"I think presidents [of the Carmel Knolls and Carmel Views homeowners' associations] want to preclude the possibility that their homeowners should even have the opportunity to vote on incorporation," he added.

Gathering facts about incorporation

The Carmel Valley Forum was founded as a neutral organization in 2001 with the goal of gathering and disseminating facts about the practicality of incorporation. LAFCO began looking into the issue after it received a petition that showed more than 25 percent of registered voters wanted to find out more about it.

The agency is now conducting a financial feasibility study to determine whether a Town of Carmel Valley could stand on its own. At a meeting last month, the presidents of the Carmel Views, Carmel Knolls and Hacienda Carmel homeowners associations expressed their opposition to the proposed town.

"The best-case scenario would be a successful incorporation further up into the valley — for people who want it," Carmel Knolls resident Melvin Steckler said.

Carmel Views resident George Ferguson said the incorporation drive is mostly about land-use issues. Proponents' whole objective is to limit growth, he said, which they'll be able to do if they have their own city.

"I'd like for them to leave us alone," he added. "If they want to incorporate the little village then let them do it, but leave us out of it. We're happy the way we are."

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Del Monte Center has new (fuzzy) product on display

By KIMBERLY WHITE

ANYONE WHOSE heart cracks at the sight of an animal shelter may have an easier time visiting homeless pets at the SPCA's new digs at Del Monte Center.

On March 4, the SPCA of Monterey County moved into its second home at the shopping center, where it will stay free of charge through September. Each day, a group of adoptable dogs and cats will travel from the shelter on Highway 68 near Laguna Seca to a 2,000-square-foot store across from Big 5 Sporting Goods.

"The animals that are brought to Del Monte Center are

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Christina Thompson, Del Monte Center's marketing director, said the shopping center and SPCA have collaborated on various projects over the last 10 years.

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The collaboration is a win-win situation, she added, because it attracts more traffic to the center, and the animals are on display in a more public area, which will lead to more adoptions.

"It's nice to have the SPCA bring the dogs to the people rather than the other way around," she said. "We're such a public arena, we attract people from all over, and it's a great venue for them."

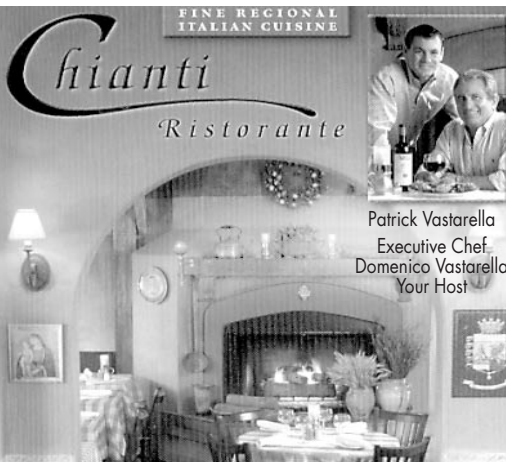
Lisa Hoefler, SPCA's director of operations, said that six dogs and three cats have so far been adopted out of the Del Monte Center location. Four of those dogs, she added, would be considered by some as "senior" at the ripe old age of 6.

During its stay, the nonprofit will also provide vaccinations and microchip implants and offer dog-training classes.

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Sandy Claws



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POLLY HEFLER GRAHAM and **Cosmo Foder**, both 6, are best buds and neighbors in Beverly Hills, frequently having sleepovers at one another's house, and vacation together here in Carmel-by-the-Sea as often as possible.

Polly (left) is a cockapoo with a little terrier mix, and has the best of all possible worlds: She has two dads, Dad David and Dad Ron. When just a pup, she was found in L.A. by the roadside with a broken jaw and broken pelvis and was nursed back to health with her jaw wired shut for many weeks. She could only have liquids, which were somehow administered through the wires laced through her teeth. Now hale and hearty, Polly never seems to get enough to eat — no doubt from her puppyhood trauma. Generally well-mannered and affable, Polly understandably can get a little snappish at dinnertime, fearing she won't get to eat every last crumb of her dinner herself.

Cosmo, named by Mom Holly after Topper's dog, started out to be a chocolate colored miniature poodle, but changed his mind and decided to morph into a fluffy taupe: a smooth move on his part, as the taupe is a perfect foil for his green eyes and sets off his green rhinestone-studded collar to best advantage. After all, he does live in a fashionable community.

Polly's main duty is protecting her house from German shepherds, to which she has an unfathomable loathing. Her favorite dinner is chicken and grated Gruyère or Asiago cheese. Cosmo, on the other hand, busies himself with property management, likes his steak rare and dotes on Canadian bacon and pork.

Although they can't drive a stick-shift, they both have miniature driving licenses attached to their collars, showing mug shots and vital statistics. They expire in 2005.

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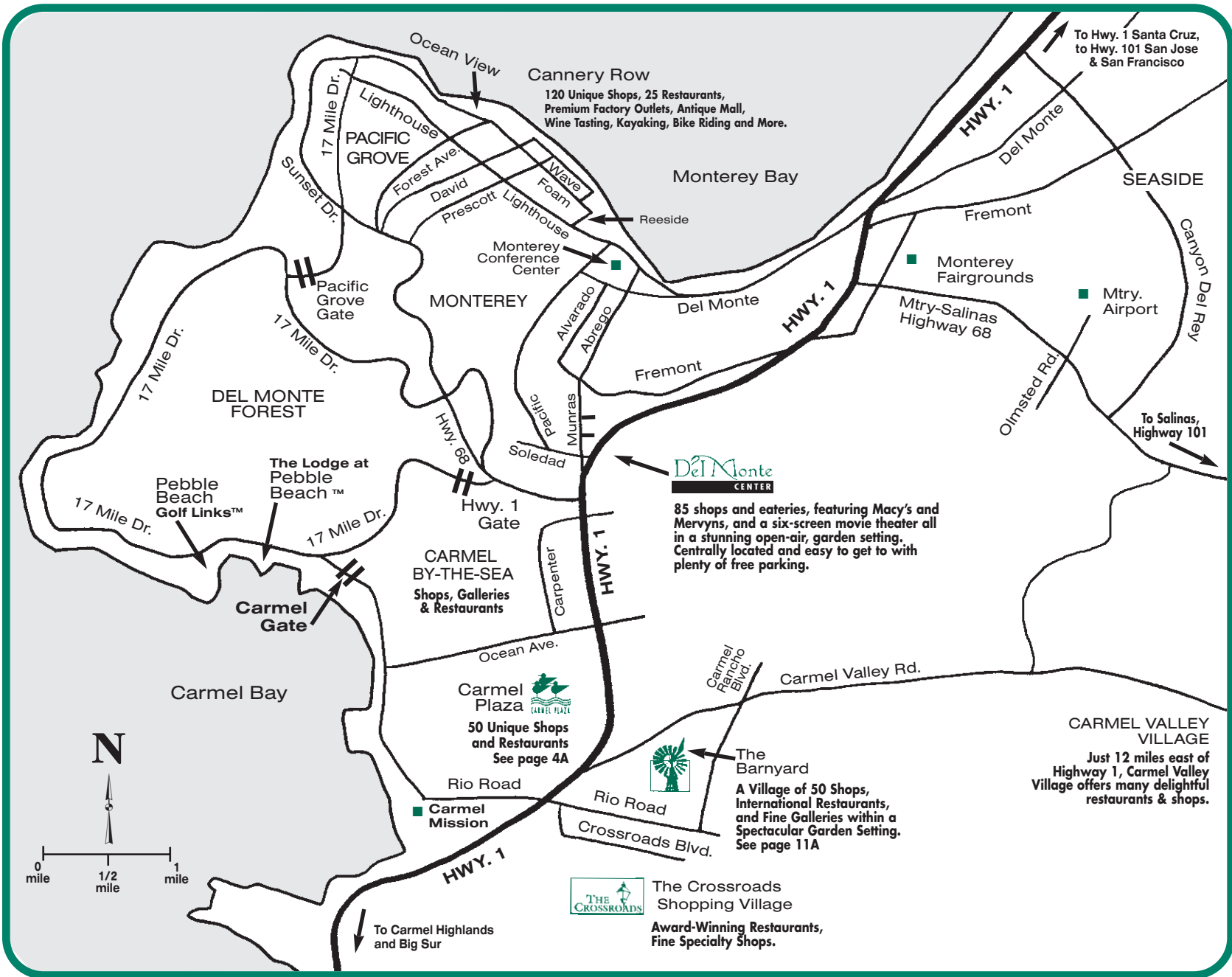
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WHAT: Monterey Jazz Festival "Jazz at Sunset" concert series presents jazz violinist Regina Carter, who will perform with her ensemble (Chris Lightcap, bass; Mayra Casales, percussion; Alvester Garnett/drums). Carter is the Monterey Jazz Festival's first ever year-round artist-in-residence.

WHEN: 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 31

WHERE: Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea

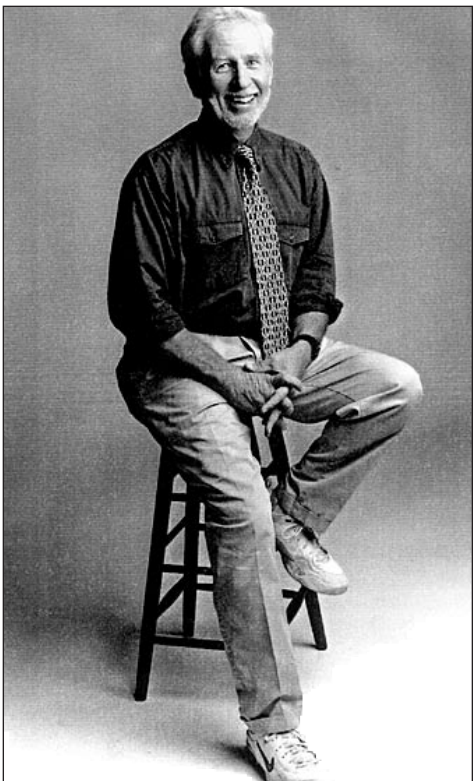
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By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

UNTOLD STORIES of Junipero Serra and the evolution of Carmel's unique culture



Sandy Lydon

will be revealed by Sandy Lydon, historian emeritus, Cabrillo College, Aptos, Monday, March 29 at a lecture at Harrison Memorial Library's Park Branch. The lecture will be given twice, at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Cross-cultural marriages, guest workers and the damming of Carmel River were all innovations introduced to the area by Father Serra.

When he arrived in Monterey in June of 1770, the 56-year old professor of theology knew little of the local Indians and even less of the landscape and climate. In order to colonize what was then a remote frontier of the Spanish empire, Father Serra crafted a revolutionary culture. The lecture will provide an in-depth view of the earliest years of Carmel history.

Lydon, who has been studying, teaching and writing about California history for more than 40 years and has been a consultant for the Smithsonian Institution, has written a forthcoming book, co-authored with Kurt Loesch, on the history of Point Lobos. Lydon is well known for his book, "Chinese Gold: The Chinese in the Monterey Bay Region."

Park Branch Library is located at Mission and Sixth Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea. No reservations will be taken, but an early arrival is suggested. For information, call Local History Room librarian, Denise Sallee at 624-1615.

REGINA CARTER PLAYS AT SUNSET



MOUSE CHARMS FROM HIS ENCHANTED WORLD

ARTIST LEONARD Filgate and author Susan Yost-Filgate, Carmelites, have created a series of very endearing children's books featuring Rip Squeak, a mouse of considerable charm. The Filgates will appear at a story reading at noon and a book signing from 1 to 4 p.m. at **Rip Squeak & Friends Gallery (formerly Phillips Gallery)**, Ocean between San Carlos and Dolores, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

The illustrations in the book are some of the most enchanting we have ever seen, with a cat, mice and a frog all cuddled up in bed together — the best of friends.

Leonard Filgate is self-taught as an artist, which



proves that we are born with exceptional gifts, and Susan Yost-Filgate, while holding an art education degree from Penn State, worked as a graphic designer and paralegal before taking up her pen to write the stories her husband has illustrated.

"Rip Squeak and His Friends," is the first book the couple has produced, and "Rip Squeak and His Friends Discover The Treasure," is the second. It was a 2003 Independent Publishers Award Finalist.

Pirates figure into this second book, and will be the theme at the book signing:

kids in pirate costume will have a chance to win Rip Squeak prizes, and pirate-costumed adults have a chance to win a giclée print to be donated in the winner's name to the children's wing of the San Jose Good Samaritan Hospital. Refreshments served until 5 p.m.

The books retail for \$16.95 at the gallery.

POETS IN SEARCH OF A HOME: The City of Pacific Grove is offering a unique opportunity to poets by renting a three-bedroom, one bath historic cottage to a qualified poet for a year at a reduced rate

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AN ANNUAL poetry reading celebrating the Carmel River and all earth's rivers will be presented from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 4 at the Thunderbird Bookshop Community Room (across from the From Scratch restaurant). This "Palabras del Rio" program is sponsored by the Rising-Leaf Watershed Arts. The River of Words poetry will be by Carmel Middle School students, and River poetry will be read by poets **Laura Bayless, John Dotson, Bob Neilson, Dennis Wagner, Illia Thompson, Angel Look, Mary Ann Anderson and Peter Moras.** Live music by **Kimberlee Uwate** will be presented. The event is free.

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THE EASTER BUNNY will visit outside Lewis & More, "The Best British Store," from 10 to 11 a.m. and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 3-4. Free candy for children. Don't forget your camera to take pictures with the Easter Bunny. Lewis & More is located at 251 Alvarado Mall, Monterey, near the DoubleTree and Fisherman's Wharf. Info: 372-3158.

THE CHURCH OF THE WAYFARER presents Dr. Norm Mowery's "second decade" sermon, "Don't Pave Main Street," which will touch on the history of the church, the City of Carmel and events in the world from 1914 to 1924. The sermon is part of the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, March 28. The Palm Sunday service will feature music by soloist Myles Williams, and Maundy Thursday service begins 5:30 p.m. with 30 minutes of meditation and music. The church is on Lincoln and Seventh, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY DISCOVERY SHOP is again planning for "Jewelry, Accessories and All That Jazz," to be held 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 30 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 1. Donations of costume and fine jewelry as well as shoes, purses, belts, scarves, men's ties and "all that jazz" (new, used and collectible)

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The American Culinary Federation, Monterey Chapter, honored the 2003 chef of the year: Certified Executive Chef **Don Serrano** of Embassy Suites, Seaside. Mayor Jerry Smith beamed his pleasure.

Other mayors in attendance were Dan Albert of Monterey and Pacific Grove's Morrie Fisher.

Leon Panetta, former White House Chief of Staff and co-founder of the Panetta Institute of Public Policy, was in attendance and public relations executive David Armanasco was master of ceremonies.

Bert Cutino — C.E.C. and honorary life member of the American Culinary Federation — introduced guests in the audience and presented the awards, along with last year's Chef of the Year, C.E.C. Gregg Denter.

Imagine the nerve-wracking responsibility of the Marriott chefs cooking dinner for 120 of their peers. Here's the menu they prepared: grilled shrimp and lobster medallions with wasabi cream sauce, surprisingly paired with Ventana 2001 Due Amici — a blend of San Givovese and Cabernet Sauvignon — followed by a salad wrap of heart of Romaine, with Ventana's 2002 Sauvignon Blanc. An imaginative intermezzo followed: a margarita with honeydew sorbet with Reserva de la Familia Gold Tequila served in a stemmed martini glass with salted rim. An attractive presentation.

Entrée of the evening was an ultra tender pan-seared prime filet mignon in a Pinot Noir reduction, roasted shallots, potato pancake, and slow roasted baby zucchini and yellow pattypan squash. Wines were Ventana 2001 Meador Estate Chardonnay Block 9, and Ventana 2000 Meador Estate Maverick Syrah.

Caramelized mango *gelate* with coconut ice cream was the scrumptious dessert paired with Ventana 2001 Pinot Noir.

Following awards to food purveyors, Giacomo Stoltz, CEC and chairman of the ACF Monterey Bay Chapter was surprised into almost speechlessness with a large oil portrait of himself gifted by artist **Dan Koffman** for the contribution of time and energy he devotes to community involvement with the ACF. Modest Giacomo said he loves giving back to the community. His very beautiful, statuesque wife Annie gave Giacomo a kiss in front of the assemblage.

Another surprised chef of the evening was **Jeffrey Jake**, executive chef at the Lodge at Pebble Beach; He was honored with the President's Award.

LuAnn and Doug Meador were thanked for providing the generous amount of Ventana Vineyards wine donated to accompany the dinner.

Marriott chefs responsible for the elaborate repast were **Joan Bautista**, executive chef; **Peter Liyanage**, executive sous chef; and **Juan Romero**, banquet chef. Huzzahs all the way around.



OUR WINES are going on tour. The Monterey County Vintners and Growers Association will be on the road in May, stopping first in Boston at the Legal Sea Foods Restaurant in the Exchange Conference Center; Second stop is The Sea Grill at Rockefeller Center, New York City, as well as the garden court; and last stop will be the home of the L.A. Philharmonic, The Music Center in Los Angeles.

There will be press luncheons and trade tastings at each location and two wineries will be represented at each luncheon table. **Rhonda Motil**, executive director of the MCVGA, will provide an overview of Monterey wine country and screen a video of the region. Monterey County vintners who have confirmed their participation to date are: **Arroyo Seco Vineyards**, **Bernardus Winery**, **Blackstone Vineyards**, **Burnstein-Remark Winery**, **Chateau Julien**, **Estancia**, **Hames Valley Vineyards**, **J. Lohr**, **Jekel**, **Lockwood**, **Monterra**, **Paraiso Vineyard**, **Pessagno**, **Tudor**, **Ventana Vineyards** and **Wente Vineyards**.



Carmel's PATISSERIE BOISSIERE is closed for renovation and upgrades. Don't despair, however, as the changes will focus primarily on new carpeting, fresh paint and new floor tiling in the entryway. The menu will not change, although some new specials will be added to the dinner menu. **Magdy Ibrahim**, proprietor of the restaurant since 1989, assures patrons the old-world charm in their decor will be retained. Reopening date is set for Monday, April 12.



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This proud gathering of winners at the 30th annual Chef of the Year 2003 award dinner of the American Culinary Federation, Monterey Bay Chapter are, left to right, Giacomo Stoltz, CEC and chairman of the ACFMB, who received the Toque of the Town award for his community works in relation to ACFMB; Gregg Denter, CEC, ACFMB president and 2002 Chef of the Year; Leon Panetta, former White House chief of staff, and Sylvia Panetta, co-founder of the Panetta Institute of Public Policy; Donald Serrano, Chef of the Year 2003 and Certified Executive Chef of Embassy Suites, Seaside; and Bert Cutino, CEC, AAC, co-owner The Sardine Factory, Monterey, and past national chair of the 800-member AAC honor society of the ACF and recipient of the Chef of the Year award locally in 1983 and nationally in 1988.

Marketplace (known to most as the Farmers' Market), Alvarado Street, Monterey. The public is invited to drop by for a free glass of the locally produced root beer. Knox Brewing Company, makers of the delicious old fashioned soft drink, is owned by **Kevin and Carol Knox**. For a listing of where to buy the root beer at local shops, log onto www.sparkysrootbeer.com or e-mail knoxbrew@aol.com.



THROUGH MARCH 31, proprietor **Noe Cano** of **The Pasta Palate** — fresh pasta and ravioli factory — Seventh and San Carlos, Carmel-by-the-Sea, is offering a free package of ravioli when you buy a package of ravioli, or one pound of fresh pasta free with one package of pasta you buy. However, you must take the coupon found in The Pine Cone. The Pasta Palate, located behind La Dolce Vita Restaurant, is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday noon to 4 p.m.



LET US be the first to tell you the 13th annual **TomatoFest** is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 12 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Quail Lodge. **Gary Ibsen**, founder and director of the tomato do, says that Sunset Magazine and Whole Foods will continue as sponsors. General admission until May 20 is \$75, after that date, \$85. For reservations, call (888) 989-8171.



THE AASGAARDEN LODGE of **The Sons of Norway**, is hosting a **free educational wine tasting and lecture** on wines of **Ventana Vineyards**. **Barb Eglund** will present the talk, and will pair wines to cheeses. The Bay Park Hotel — Soledad and Munras in Monterey — is the site of the tasting at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 17. Please RSVP to 626-0350 or 753-2071. Leave your name and how many will be attending.



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Andrew Davidson, general manager of the Park Hyatt Carmel Highlands Inn, smiles with photographer Bob Kolbrener before his large wall photo, "Rock covers paper #9" which is available for viewing in the lobby. Three other Kolbrener photos taken during the lightning storm of September 1999 will complete the permanent display in the magnificent double-fireplace lounge. The Highlands also has rotating photography shows.

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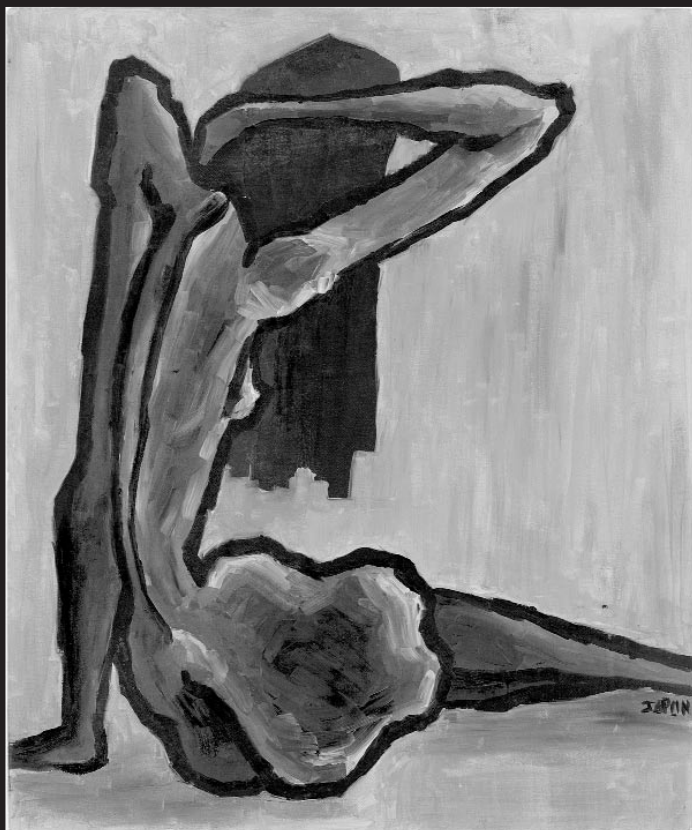
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ELECTION

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making bodies and giving them more power.

This week, he told KSBW reporter Anne McGrath he plans to scuttle the pending agreement with a nonprofit to run Sunset Center, reopening that issue in a series of public meetings to decide how the performing arts venue should be run. In his campaign he has also said he will restore the morale of city employees, place a new revenue source on the November ballot, reconvene the 2016 Committee to begin planning for the city's "real centennial," reestablish the Unsung Heroes award, complete the LCP and "restore a strong and viable economic climate for downtown businesses."

"He reflects more of the values that I feel are more important for Carmel," said voter Linda Smith.

But Ely's comments don't sit well with former Livingston supporter Raymond Davi, who now believes McCloud should serve another term.

"Dick Ely has completely changed the dynamic of the community in making statements pitting people against each other," he said, adding that divisiveness has no place in a town Davi moved to 17 years ago for its camaraderie and friendliness.

Last week's poll of McCloud supporters showed that, of 61 who responded, 89 percent said they would vote for her again. Eleven percent declined to state or said they were undecided. Only 2 percent planned to switch to Ely.

Ballot tally

With all of the absentee and sample ballots mailed out by the elections department early this week, the majority of registered voters in Carmel should receive theirs shortly, according to the Monterey County Elections Department.

Of the city's roughly 3,000 voters, a third are permanent absentee voters, and registrar of voters Tony Anchundo has said he expects half of the people who cast ballots in this election to do so by mail. So far, seven absentee ballots have been submitted to the

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Editorial

Not everything old is historic

SOMEWHERE ON Long Island, an original Levitt house with its metal cabinets, electric heat, Formica countertops and asbestos siding stands as a monument to an energetic era of American history, when millions migrated to a new place called "the suburbs," where country comforts met urban conveniences and the automobile reigned supreme.

Among the tens of thousands of homes built by Levitt from 1947 to 1970, no more than a few hundred remain as they were, neither expanded nor updated. Those original examples of tidy, efficient, middle-class, mass-produced dwellings — they sold for less than \$10,000 and had mortgage payments of just \$50 a month — are fascinating relics of an innocent age and a few of them surely deserve to be preserved as historic buildings. We hope local governments in the areas where Levitt and Sons first broke ground are buying up some of the original houses, or giving their owners hefty inducements to keep them just the way they are.

But while the first examples of suburban cookie-cutter homes deserve to be preserved, and even some 1950s-era motels, fast food joints and roller rinks should be kept intact for their curiosity value, this certainly does not mean that every suburban-style tract house still in its original condition is now an historic resource.

However, that's exactly what one local historic consultant concluded about a 64-year-old home on Lobos Street near First Avenue. The one-story house, with a very simple, L-shaped floor plan and a modest exterior, qualifies as an historic resource, Leslie Dill decided, simply because it is "an excellent example of mid-20th century housing development" and retains its "original materials, features, character, scale and massing."

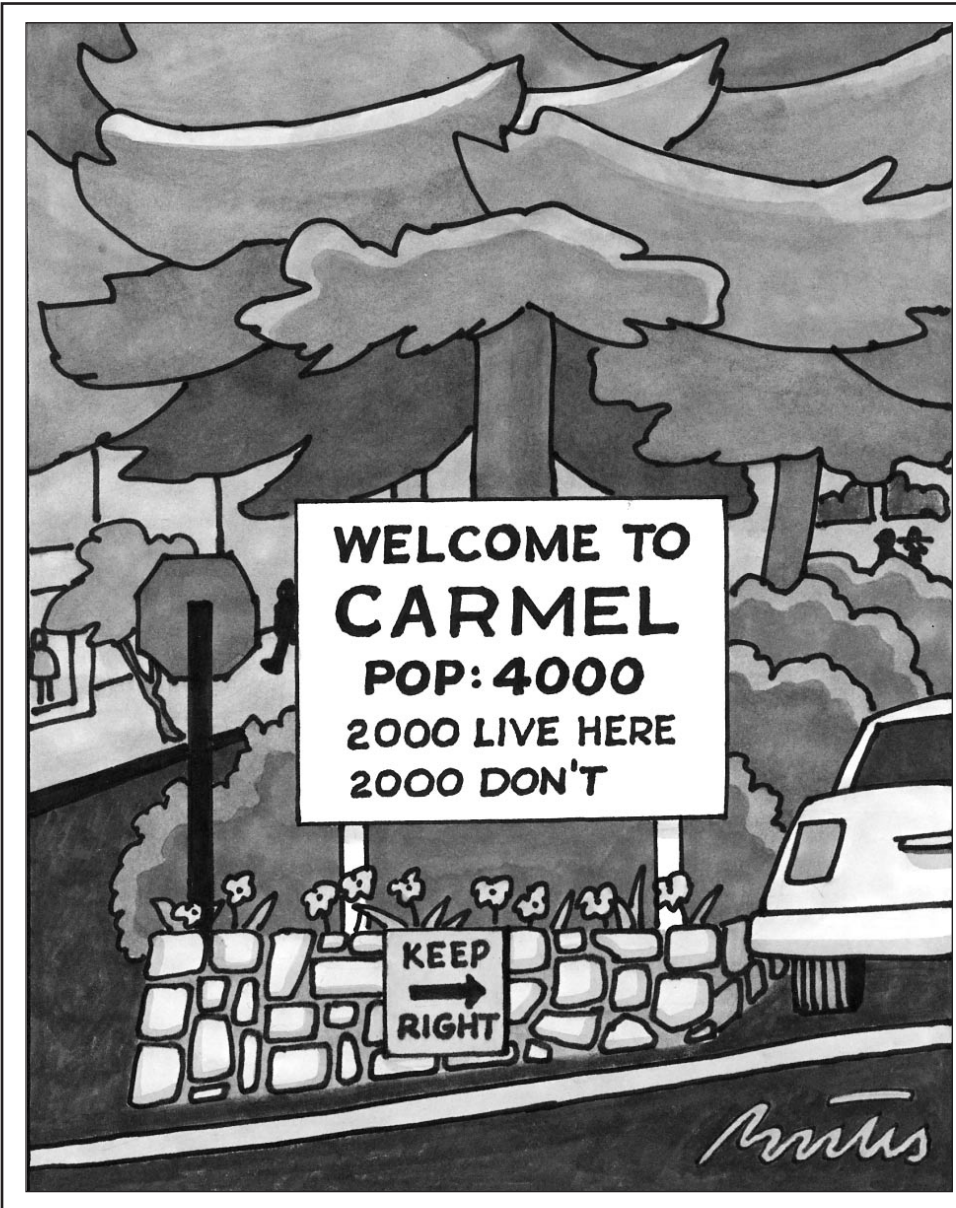
Thus, according to the historian, nearly every California tract house more than 40 years old or so and still in its original condition should be protected by the government from its owner's possible wish to substantially remodel it or tear it down.

To say this is ridiculous is a serious understatement. Not only would the state end up being completely full of "historic" buildings, the ambitions of millions of families to expand or modernize their modest homes would be thwarted. Fortunately for the owner of the house on Lobos near First, two other historians disagreed and so did the city's Historic Preservation Committee. Unless the city council overrules the decision, the house can be remodeled without the California Environmental Quality Act (which, for some unknown reason, protects historic buildings) getting in the way.

But the near-miss this house experienced provides an opportunity to restate one of the basic principles of historic preservation: Only a few outstanding examples of recent building trends need be preserved for future generations. Only a *very* few are of statewide concern.

We're not talking about the Carmel Mission Basilica or Colton Hall. A tract house is just a tract house. There is no reason to worry if all but one or two in the whole state are turned into modern, custom homes.

BATES



Letters to the Editor

The Pine Cone encourages submission of letters which address issues of public importance. The Pine Cone reserves the right to determine which letters are suitable for publication. Letters should not exceed 350 words, and must include the author's name, telephone number and street address. Please do not send us letters which have been submitted to other newspapers.

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City has open government

Dear Editor,

As the city council and mayoral election begins to heat up, some are throwing out the idea that there is no "open government" in Carmel-by-the-Sea, that ideas are squelched, or that people don't have the time or the opportunity to question their local government.

If anyone has sat through the city council sessions or watched them on television (how open can you get?), they would know that every meeting has an appearance section for any citizen, whether local or not, to have three minutes of uninterrupted time to say

anything they want or ask any question on any subject not on the agenda. In addition, on specific agenda items, anyone can have an additional three minutes when the agenda item is presented, requesting information or making comments on the subject.

Of course, it is obvious that some will never be satisfied until they control the city council. The answer to that is to run for office or work to elect those you think will provide what you want. That's what I'm doing, and that's why I'm voting for Sue McCloud for mayor.

Bill Campbell, Carmel

'Promises made, promises broken'

Dear Editor,

There must be a good reason why three former mayors independently decided to support Dick Ely for mayor of Carmel. Mayors must run for re-election on their record of leadership and accomplishments. Let's take a look at our present mayor's four-year record and promises broken:

- No seismic retrofit to our Fire Department Facility. Our personnel and equipment are at daily risk.
- No renovation to our Scout House. It is closed to the public, with loss of revenue.
- No full-time fire chief and assistant fire chief.

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 - No parking plan for our business district.
 - No management plan for the Sunset Center and in public disarray.
 - No new revenue sources to enhance our city budget.
- Despite repeated warnings.
- Failed Business Improvement District Master Plan.
 - Failed storm water drain utility for ballot measure.
 - Funding for street and building maintenance cut from next two years budgets.

Perhaps those few of us who have been former mayors recognize the lack of open leadership, which is dividing our city. This is slowing progress in solving important issues.

Ken White, Former Mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Editor's note: After four terms in office, White was defeated for mayor by Sue McCloud in 2000. Two years ago, he unsuccessfully ran for city council on a slate with mayoral candidate Barbara Livingston and former councilman Jim Wright.

Bethel 'just what Carmel needs'

Dear Editor,

After watching the two candidate forums and reading about the candidates in both local papers, I would like to say that Erik Bethel is a true breath of fresh air and should prove to be just what Carmel needs for the new council.

He is young and energetic and has clearly studied the issues that face the city. He is straightforward and tells us all just where he stands on each issue. There was no ducking the questions and nothing negative.

We could do very well by bringing this new fresh face into city government; he has my vote.

Bart Bartron, Carmel

McCloud's 'effective energy'

Dear Editor,

My husband and I wish to be counted among past supporters who enthusiastically call for Mayor Sue McCloud's reelection!

It is obvious to anyone who has followed city business that Sue has led with intelligence and dedication. She has put her effective energy into servicing Carmel (the city she grew up in and loves) in local, county and state matters. The tiresome personal attacks on Sue appear to be coming not just from her opponent in the mayoral election, but from a negative element in our population that seems to sit waiting for any issue of disagreement so they can blow it into a monumental "cause."

We were particularly disappointed to note in your March 19 article that Dick Ely has brought comments from the current chairman of project St. Bernard into the fray. As an

active member of that organization, I would like to state that Project St. Bernard is a non-political community service institution of neighbors helping neighbors. An opinion

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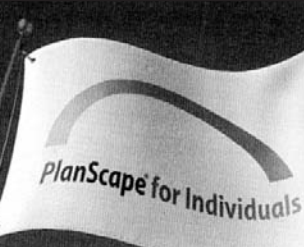
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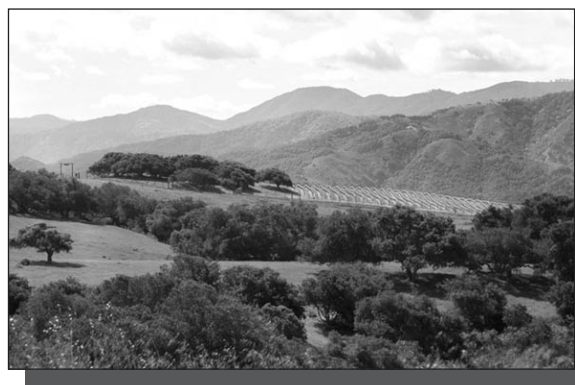
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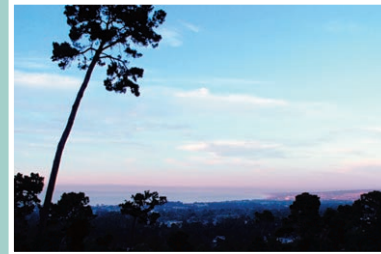


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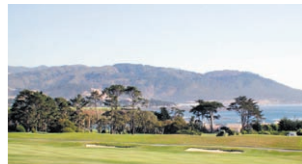


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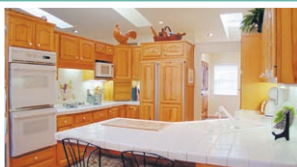


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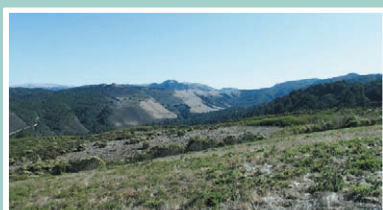
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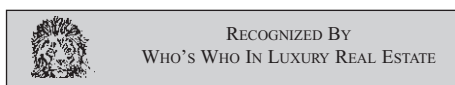
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Commission sends coastal plan to city council with its blessings

By MARY BROWNFIELD

TWO MEMBERS of the public sought changes to the Coastal Implementation Plan Wednesday, but the planning commission balked at taking any action that would require more hearings before the California Coastal Commission.

The document is already more than two decades overdue. "If there are clerical errors or issues of clarity, we can make those changes and recommend its adoption to the city council," principal planner Brian Roseth told members of the planning commission and design review board March 24. "That's not likely to trigger the need for a new hearing at the coastal commission."

But anything more substantial — such as Scenic Road resident Jim Gunn's request that Carmel lift its ban on short-term rentals — would require more coastal commission review, reopen other issues in the weighty document and delay its adoption.

"Unless there's something the commission feels very strongly about, I would recommend you hold any substantive issues aside," Roseth said. Those types of changes could be discussed later and processed as amendments to the Local Coastal Program, which includes the already certified Land Use Plan and the implementation plan — the laws to back up the LUP.

Approved by the coastal commission in February, the CIP is making its rounds in city hall and has already been

reviewed by the historic preservation committee and the forest and beach commission. It must receive final approval from the city council before the coastal commission certifies it. When that is done, Carmel's LCP will be complete and the city will regain control over its destiny from the state, which has second-guessed Carmel's development decisions for more than 20 years while it lacked an LCP.

Gunn and Carmel Residents Association member Monte Miller were the only members of the public to comment Wednesday.

Gunn warned that the city's ban on rentals shorter than 30 days violates state law because it limits public access to the beach.

"The Coastal Act expressly requires that public access to the shoreline of California be maximized and that public opportunities for coastal recreation have priority over private residential uses," he said.

Roseth responded that the one-square-mile city of 4,081 residents includes 950 hotel rooms, all within walking distance of the beach.

"In recognition of this, the coastal commission approved the city's Land Use Plan policies, which allowed for these restrictions on transient rentals," he advised the commission. "It would be staff's recommendation that you not disturb that set of policies and regulations."

Ban smoking, mailboxes?

Miller asked the city to ban smoking on Carmel Beach, impose a deadline on completion of construction projects, prohibit mailboxes and street numbers in the public right of way (to prevent the postal service from implementing home mail delivery), and increase enforcement of landscaping requirements.

Roseth suggested Miller's concerns could be addressed after the LCP is certified.

Without much discussion and with affirmation from Roseth that all proposed changes involve only fixing typos and improving clarity, the planning commission unanimously voted to recommend the city council adopt the CIP. Design review board members commented briefly but did not vote on the resolution. The council is set to consider the document April 6.

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and find new performers for the 2004/2005 season.

"We're pursuing a whole lot of potential new users and new uses, and I think Carmel will be very pleasantly surprised," SCC Chairman Jim Price said, adding that many board members are reaching out to various groups.

Meeting every two weeks, the board is discussing not only policies that might be included in its contract, but marketing the center, building a website and increasing revenues in order to decrease the city's subsidy.

"I wouldn't say we're operating as if we're in business, but we are doing the best we can," he said.

Guillen estimated next season's bookings would exceed this year's, and Bacchetti, who traveled to New York in January to scout talent for the Performance Carmel series, said the number of performance dates might be close to SCC's goal of 110 to 120, as compared to 86 this year. (If it gets the management job, SCC plans — within five to seven years — to increase that number to between 160 and 180 performances.)

Guillen said contract negotiations with the Carmel Bach Festival are nearing completion, and Bacchetti said the other "usual suspects" are booking for next year, such as the Carmel Music Society, Chamber Music Monterey Bay and the Monterey Symphony. The Monterey Jazz Festival is also on board, and Monterey Blues Festival organizers recently expressed interest in using the theater. New entertainment is in the works.

Final details on contract, building

Meanwhile, Guillen said lawyers for the city and SCC are working on a contract,

which might come before the city council for discussion in the coming month.

"It's an important agreement, and we want to make sure everyone feels comfortable with what we bring to the council," Guillen said. "And then the council and the public still need to have their dialogue on that whole issue."

Price said the contract should in its near-final form before it's made public.

"We don't want to confuse the issue with early drafts," he said. "Of course there will always be critics, but I think most people will be satisfied. There are protections for the community, including performance criteria and goals."

With city staff working in the center daily and performances ongoing, some bugs in the building have been discovered but have yet to be worked out, according to project manager Bill Camille.

While the contractor's fix-it list is smaller than it was in January, the roof continues to leak and a large pane of glass in the arch must be replaced because it arrived from Germany with a noticeable scratch, he said.

Until the remaining problems — as well as any others discovered before the general contractor's one-year warranty on the project expires July 8 — are fixed, the city is holding about \$75,000 of the contractor's pay.

"Not that we think there will be a problem," Camille said, adding that it's routine practice to retain a portion of final payment on large construction jobs until any glitches are resolved.

He expects the final walk-through to come off without highlighting too many troubles, especially compared to the several days it took to examine the renovated building when it was first handed back to the city.

"It gets easier as time goes on," he said.

'Of course, there will always be critics, but I think most people will be satisfied (with the Sunset Center management contract). There are protections for the community.'

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FINNEGAN

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History after spending 24 years as its assistant curator. One of the facility's three staff positions was recently lost due to budget cuts, so he and education assistant Ron Kettlewell have their hands full running a two-man show in a museum that brings in 60,000 visitors per year.

Founded in 1882, the museum houses permanent exhibits on California birds, mammals, reptiles, insects, mollusks, dunes, fossils, minerals and geology.

But the museum also houses traveling exhibits such as the upcoming "Bears! Icons of the Wild," slated for April 3 through July 18. Visitors will learn about the biology, ecology, behavior and conservation of the eight different species of bears and view the work of nature photographer Jenny E. Ross. Ross will attend the exhibit's opening reception April 3 at 7 p.m.

An exhibit April 16-18 will feature nearly 700 varieties of central California wildflowers during the museum's 43rd Annual Wildflower Show. Except for two Smithsonian exhibits slated for future years, and a big celebration planned for the end of 2004 to mark the sesquicentennial of the Pacific Grove Lighthouse, the rest of the special events schedule is open.

But, thanks to contributions from private citizens and various associations and arts organizations, the museum will keep up its rich schedule of exhibits, Finnegan promised. None of the \$250,000 annual budget from city coffers pays for exhibits, publicity or advertising.

"All of the departments within the city have to look at being really frugal in regards to what they can do over the next year, and we are really the smallest department," he

added.

Corporations also sponsor exhibits, which cost from \$1,500 to \$4,000. For an upcoming feature on gorillas, Finnegan plans to approach an Oregon company called Gorilla Glue. In exchange for a \$2,000 donation, he will offer to place its corporate logo prominently throughout the museum and maybe even sell some Gorilla Glue in the gift shop.

This juggling act may seem a headache, but it appears to be exactly what Finnegan had in mind when he left his job in the division of mammals at the Smithsonian Institution in 1976. Because of its sheer size — he worked with 500 others — people tended to become pigeon holed in one particular area for their whole careers.

"I was interested in all aspects of museums — education, exhibits, conservation of the permanent collections," he recalled. "So what I realized was that I could stay there and maybe move around in the different departments, or leave and get more educated, and then find a museum like this, which is just about the right size, in a community where you can really make a difference."

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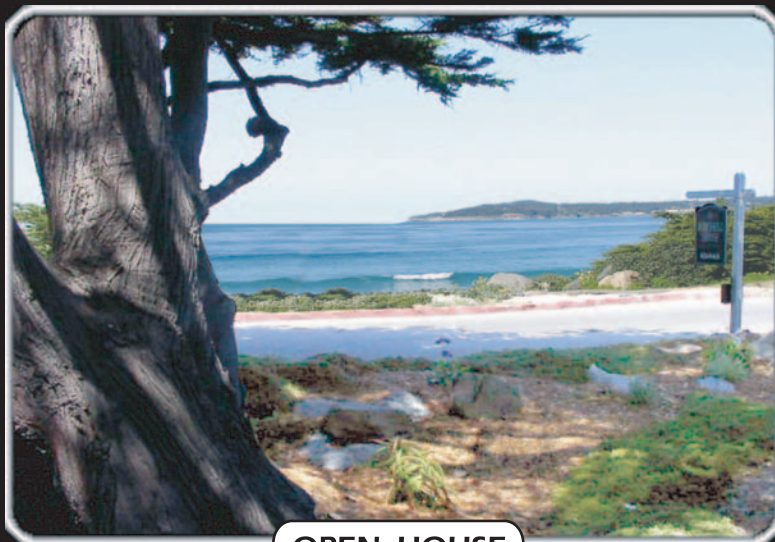
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Two long-standing members of the Carmel business scene — hoteliers Gary Luce (left) and Larry Hoover — plan on visiting town often after they move away to run their own B&B. A farewell party for them is set for April 7.

INNS

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departure will surely be felt by Carmel's business community, according to Monta Potter, executive director of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce.

"I think it's going to take 10 people to replace them on all the committees and boards they serve," she said, adding that the chamber will host a farewell party in their honor at La Playa Hotel April 7.

Luce and Hoover have both served as president of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce and were involved in Leadership Monterey Peninsula. Hoover was president of the Carmel Innkeepers Association, and Luce is a past president of the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Carmel-by-the-Sea. The two were named Innkeepers of the Year by the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce in 1999.

"They are great role models for business people who get involved in the community," she said. During his two-term presidency, Hoover's personality and leadership helped attract more people to the Carmel chamber.

One board on which Luce served — the nonprofit Sunset Cultural Center, Inc., which hopes to manage the city's theater — has yet to figure out how to replace him.

"We will establish some policies on how

to recruit new members," chairman Jim Price said. "We just never thought we would have to deal with this so soon."

Luce said the possibility of finding the perfect B&B on the Peninsula remains, but the uncertainty drove their decision to resign their posts.

"Certainly, if there was a property here, we could stay and none of that stuff would change," Luce said. "But we figured it would be better if we acted, since we would probably be outside the area."

No matter how far away they end up, and even during their upcoming two-week trip to Tuscany in May, Hoover and Luce said they will always feel an attachment to Carmel.

"After 17-and-a-half years, we obviously have a lot of very, very good friends and acquaintances that we'll miss," Luce said. "And we will certainly come back and visit."

Anyone eager to bid farewell to the two hoteliers is invited to attend the Carmel Chamber of Commerce's farewell party at La Playa on April 7 from 5 to 7 p.m.

'It's going to take 10 people to replace them on all the committees and boards they serve.'

— Monta Potter



CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA Nominees for Public Office AS THEY WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT APRIL 13, 2004

Notice is hereby given that the following persons have been nominated for the offices mentioned below to be filled at the general municipal election to be held on April 13, 2004.

CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA, MAYOR (One seat)

Candidate:	Address:	Phone:
Richard Ely	P. O. Box 4314 Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921	(831) 622-0243
Sue McCloud	P. O. Box M-1 Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921	(831) 624-7310

CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA, CITY COUNCIL (Two seats)

Candidate:	Address:	Phone:
Michael Cunningham	2900 Franciscan Way Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93923	(831) 626-8845
Erik Bethel	P. O. Box 1197 Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921	(831) 622-0324
David Maradei	25960 Junipero St. Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93923	(831) 626-8773
Jack Gorry	P. O. Box 5032 Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA 93921	(831) 625-9030

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City Hall is located on the east side of Monte Verde between Ocean and 7th. The doors will open at 7:30 p.m. Please feel free to join us in this important village event.

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Karen Crouch, Elections Official

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ENDORSE

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who best understands what is good for Carmel."

Townsend said the city's fiscal crisis and the exodus of top staff members were symptoms of mismanagement at city hall. And she called for a one-on-one debate between Ely and the mayor, "where facts can be presented and discussed openly."

The woman who succeeded Eastwood in the mayor's chair in 1988, Jean Grace, is chair of Ely's campaign and said it's time for a "refreshing change at city hall."

Without directly criticizing McCloud, Grace said good government requires that there be "many varied venues and times for public participation," that the city council should "consult with its commissions and committees and seriously weigh their advice," and that "people in city government shouldn't wear sunscreen against sunshine laws" — all principles Ely respects, according to Grace.

And Ken White, whose four terms as mayor came to an end when McCloud defeated him 2000, in an endorsement letter for Ely cited what he called McCloud's "broken promises."

Pointing out that the fire station hasn't been renovated, the Scout House is closed because of ADA access requirements, Sunset Center management remains unsettled, and the Business Improvement District and Storm Water Utility Tax ballot measure both failed, White said a lack of "open leadership" was dividing the city and "slowing progress solving important issues." He also decried the lack of a decision, while McCloud has been mayor, about the future of Flanders Mansion.

Eastwood said the mansion has been an "albatross around the city's neck" since before he was mayor, and that over the decades a lot of "crazy ideas" have been raised about how to use it for the public's benefit.

"They talked about a cooking school, a youth hostel and a residence for visiting artists, and none of it ever made any sense to me," Eastwood said. "Flanders Mansion should be a single-family home because it's in a residential neighborhood. The city has a lot of surplus property on the books, and it's bleeding the city dry."

Eastwood also expressed doubts that council candidate Dave Maradei is as mellow as he has seemed during this year's campaign.

"He was on the council when I ran for mayor, and when he was in office, all he did was go around and be punitive to everybody," Eastwood said. "While I have great respect for his interest in preventing child abuse, in those days Maradei was very anti-business and he would bring up all sorts of ideas that would hurt businesses, like closing the gate from Pebble Beach. I really doubt that he's changed, unless he got hit on the head or something."

Eastwood also noted that when Maradei ran for reelection in 1986 after a term on the city council, he was soundly repudiated by the electorate.

"Maradei only got 635 votes, while Bob Fischer and Elinor Laiolo got more than 1,800 each," Eastwood said.

In a written statement, Maradei, who is the Director of the Monterey County Child Abuse Prevention Council, responded to Eastwood by citing his remarks at the Carmel Chamber of Commerce candidates' forum.

"I believe I was the only candidate who made the commitment and the promise to continue the \$100,000 marketing grant to the chamber of commerce. It would cripple the chamber to lose the support it has counted on for the past 20 years," Maradei wrote. He also said he has been the lone candidate to suggest a marketing program — based on the city's status as one of the finest arts communities in the nation — that would "mutually benefit residents, business owners and business property owners."

And he said a portion of any increase in the hostelry tax — if it is enacted by the voters — should be returned to the hotel industry.

"When we seek solutions to community problems, I believe that my experience will make a difference," Maradei concluded.

CORRECTION

CARMEL MAYOR Sue McCloud, currently serving her second term, defeated incumbent Mayor Ken White by 36 votes in 2000 and fended off challenger Barbara Livingston by 373 votes in 2002, not 2000, as was reported last week.

LETTERS

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expressed by any member of our organization is strictly personal and should not be attached to the group.

Joyce K. Frasca
Carmel

'Value the mayor'

Dear Editor,

We value the ease with which we have been able to contact our mayor, Sue McCloud, about any subject, for her very effective work and for her openness and caring.

We appreciate having the opportunity to watch the council meetings on television the following Sundays. Having lived in Carmel many years, we can say that we are not aware of any of the governments being secret, but this current one is certainly the most open.

Howard and Dorothy Herning,
Carmel

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LETTERS

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Considering the candidates

Dear Editor,

OK, who to vote for city council? I'll use the process of elimination.

There's that young fellow, Erik Bethel. Has lived here for two years. Oops! Not around long enough to understand the complexities of this village. OK, I'll give him another chance. During a debate he read his thoughts about some issues from prepared notes. Oops! Couldn't he remember what his position was supposed to be? No experience with issues. He did think we have beautiful weather here and that Flanders was a nice house. But, he thought Flanders should be sold.

Moving right along. That gray-haired, bearded man David Maradei has tons of experience, which tends to mellow the soul. Came across as the wise, elder statesman. Said experience matters. Yes, yes it does! Wants to include all citizens and build consensus. Wow, that's desperately needed. OK, check box here.

Let's see, where to place my second vote: Jack Gorry or Mike Cunningham? Jack's got great career experience and what you see is what you get. He'd tackle the budget issue like a bear, crucial this year when we will be almost \$2 million in the hole.

Mike wants to connect with interest groups. (But, hey, what about connecting with me, the voter?) A corporate kind of guy, but cordial. Only here four years. Darn! Again, too little experience. Could he be his own man on the council? Guess that depends

on who is elected mayor.

Before completing my absentee ballot, I think I'll mull this one over another cup of coffee.

Carolyn Hardy
Carmel

Cunningham's 'skills and dedication'

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to encourage the voters of Carmel to cast their ballots on April 13 for Mike Cunningham for city council.

It has been a pleasure to work with Mike on the Carmel Planning Commission. His ability to delve into all aspects of a problem and come up with reasonable solutions is impressive. Mike shows great respect for the community and all individuals and citizens appearing in front of the commission.

Mike's skills and dedication will be a great asset to our city council and of long-term benefit to Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Julie R. Culver
Carmel

Storms kill more

Dear Editor,

In response to Gudrun Beck's letter of March 19, I would like to say that I do believe the statement from Stephen Staub, head of the statewide pitch canker task force, that "the mortality from storms is higher than anything related to pitch canker." In one half-block area we have lost six mature Monterey pines to storms and none to pitch canker.

Anne Sosna
Carmel

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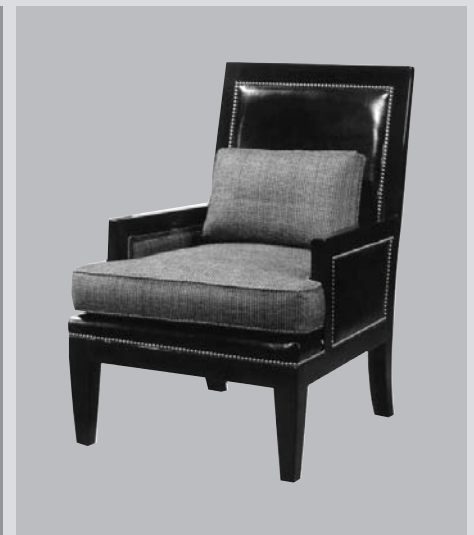
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Contacted the subject, and he did have the funds to pay for the gum along with an order of deli food items which he was waiting for. He paid for all items that he had procured. No further action.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Santa Fe resident called, indicating a male was yelling at her. Upon arrival, he stated he wished to retrieve a baseball for his younger brother which she had kept sometime yesterday. She kept the baseball since the younger brother was playing recklessly by throwing the baseball against a vehicle. Both parties were counseled.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Acacia Street resident found the receiver to the phone in her bedroom unplugged and thought an unknown subject had done it. The cord was plugged in and it was found the phone was not working. It was missing the required batteries. The phone was replaced with a spare the resident had. The house was checked per her request and nothing unusual was found.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported seeing driveway lights and then an inside light come on in a Casanova Street residence. The house was checked and the interior appeared secure. There was no answer at the door and the house appeared unoccupied.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male was reportedly yelling and waving his arms as he sat on a bus bench at Rio Road and Lasuen. Upon arrival, noticed he was speaking to a TV remote control. He was told he wouldn't get any reception and to put it down. He said he was waving his arms at the bus in order to let the driver know he didn't want to get on. He was advised to control his actions so others wouldn't be concerned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted with traffic control on a bicycle-vs.-ground collision on 17 Mile Drive inside the Carmel Gate.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male Carmel resident, age 48, stopped and arrested at Second and Monte Verde for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, resisting a peace officer and blood alcohol content greater than .08 percent.

Carmel area: Malicious mischief involving a rock at Carmel Valley Road and Highway 1.

Carmel area: Lost/found/missing person at Highway 1 and Ocean Avenue.

Carmel Valley: Assisted the fire depart-

ment at a Brookdale Drive residence.

Carmel Valley: Information taken at a Carmel Valley Road address.

MONDAY, MARCH 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported losing her cell phone, white and gray in color, at Ocean and Casanova.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident at Ocean and San Carlos. Parties had already exchanged information. No counter report.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject discovered some vandalism to the outfield fence at Larson Field. Additionally, an advertising sign was damaged. No permanent damage, as the fence was in the process of being repainted.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a male in a red pickup at the rear parking lot of Carmel High School. The vehicle and subject were gone on arrival.

Carmel Valley: Verbal dispute between neighbors on Schulte Road.

Carmel Valley: Grand theft from a Del Mesa Carmel residence.

Big Sur: Death report taken on Highway 1 46.4 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County line.

Carmel Valley: Subject lost a purse at a Carmel Valley Road location.

Carmel Valley: Domestic dispute at Del Mesa Carmel.

Carmel Valley: Past-tense battery at Carmel Valley Road and Robinson Canyon Road.

Big Sur: Report of a 15-year-old juvenile runaway from a Garrapatos Road residence.

Carmel Valley: Suspicious person at Mid Valley Center.

Big Sur: Monterey County Sheriff's Search and Rescue, state park rangers, Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade Cliff Rescue and AMR paramedics were paged out for a cliff rescue of an injured hiker who fell into a canyon off the Pine Ridge Trail. Three inexperienced hikers from Encino had tried to walk down a steep ravine into the Big Sur River, and he fell some 50 feet down a waterfall ledge during the attempt. A fellow hiker shimmied down the side slopes of the almost vertical cliff face to reach the victim, who was unconscious but breathing. The other climbed back up to the trail and used his cell phone to summon help. By the time rescuers reached the two hikers in the ravine, the victim had already died from his injuries. The two other hikers were escorted

out, and the victim's body recovered by CHP helicopter two days later, due to logistical difficulties.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Rio Road resident reported his black husky wandered away from home. The dog was last seen about 6 a.m. Owner stated his dog is an older dog and is hard of hearing.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A motorist reported a suspicious male was in the roadway at Torres and 11th in a challenging stance when she tried to drive past in her vehicle. He was last seen

walking toward Mission Trail Park. Area checked; unable to locate.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A passerby noticed the door to a business at Dolores and Sixth was open with no one around. The business was checked and appeared fine. It appeared to be an oversight. Contact made with the responsible, and he was advised of the situation. The business was secured per his request.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unknown suspects vandalized a residence at Camino del Monte and Junipero, causing more than \$400 in damage.

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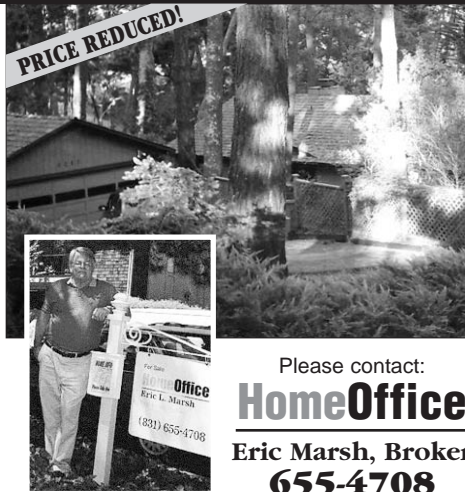
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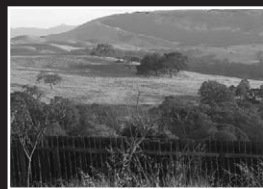
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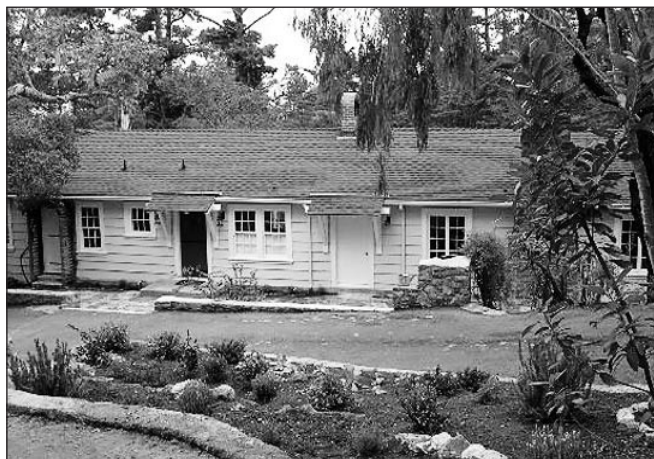
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Carmel Valley: Peace disturbance at a Del Mesa Carmel residence.
Carmel Valley: Burglary of a Tolando Trail residence.
Carmel Valley: Information taken at a Berwick Drive residence.
Carmel area: Check/credit card fraud at a Viejo Road residence.
Carmel Valley: Suspicious circumstances at Esquiline Road and Calle de los Helechos.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject called the station to report his dog missing. He went to a Dolores Street pub and tied his dog to a tree out front. When he came out, he noticed his dog was gone. He spoke to a subject who saw another person by his dog. It was not clear if that person took the dog. Unable to get a hold of the person, but a message was left on his machine. Went to the pub to contact the subject, but he was gone for the night. Animal report completed by dispatch.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 1978 Toyota was

found parked at Guadalupe and First with registration expired since 11/2002. The vehicle was towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.
Carmel Valley: Female was driving east-bound on Carmel Valley Road at Phelps Way at 1639 hours when she began swerving, perhaps due to a medical condition, and hit an old oak tree on the south side of the roadway. Five fire and rescue units carrying 12 personnel responded to the scene and extricated the female from the vehicle. She was transported to CHOMP. The roadway was closed in both directions for about an hour.
Carmel Valley: Theft from an East Carmel Valley Road residence.
Carmel Valley: Lost/found/missing property from a Center Street residence.
Carmel Valley: Past-tense theft of mail from a West Carmel Valley Road residence.
Carmel area: Suspicious circumstances, possible fraud at Carmel Rancho Boulevard and Carmel Rancho Lane.
Carmel Valley: Counterfeiting at a Carmel Valley Road address.
Pebble Beach: Lost/found/missing property at a Costado Road residence.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

Carmel area: Information taken at a Rio Road residence.
Carmel Valley: Domestic dispute heard on Ford Road.
Carmel area: Subject stopped at Morse Drive and Flanders Place.
Carmel Valley: Welfare check conducted at a Tierra Grande Drive residence.
Carmel area: Theft at a Dolores Street residence.
Big Sur: Past-tense burglary on Highway 1 47 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County line.
Big Sur: Property found on Highway 1 49 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County line.
Carmel area: Physical domestic dispute on Carmel Rancho Boulevard.
Carmel Valley: Information taken at a Chaparral Road residence.
Big Sur: Information taken on Highway 1 in the area of Gorda.
Carmel area: Lost/found/missing property at Highway 1 and Ocean Avenue.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: While on patrol at Lincoln and Fifth, a vehicle was observed parking across the street after it had backed into another vehicle, causing minor damage to the driver's side rear door. He stated he was parked across the street in a marked stall and began to back out. Another vehicle drove by, causing him not to pay attention, and he backed right into the other vehicle. Attempts to locate the other vehicle's owner met with negative results. A note was left and photos of the damage were taken. The first vehicle sustained no damage.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male, 21, suspected of violation of probation at Alta and Mission. Offense was drug/alcohol related.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject returned to his

room at an inn on Lincoln and could not find his leather jacket. He reported it missing to the front desk and said he would file a police report when he returned from dinner. When the officer arrived to take information from the hotel personnel who were going off shift, one of them noticed a leather jacket lying on a stool near the pay phone. He then remembered seeing the subject using the phone earlier. Jacket held for the guest until he returned from dinner.
Big Sur: Information taken in the area of Highway 1 43 miles north of the San Luis Obispo County Line.
Carmel area: Vehicle checked at Hatton Road and Ocean Avenue.
Carmel Valley: Credit card fraud at an East Carmel Valley Road residence.
Carmel Valley: Missing person from a Los Arboles Drive residence.
Pebble Beach: Citizen contacted at a trappers trail residence.
Carmel area: Traffic stop conducted at Highway 1 and Rio Road.
Carmel Valley: Female Carmel resident, 48, was driving her 1985 Ford Ranger east-bound on Carmel Valley Road west of Cañada Drive at an unknown speed when she apparently had a seizure and blacked out, crossing into the westbound lane and striking a 2003 Lexus driven by a 58-year-old Austin, Texas, resident. head-on. Driver of the second vehicle was airlifted to San Jose Medical Center, while the driver of the first vehicle and the passenger in the second vehicle were taken to CHOMP.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female driving a 1995 GMC Sonoma backed into a male driving his 2004 Jaguar S-Type northbound on Lincoln Street.
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male, 56, driving a red 1997 Ford F-150 stopped at Mission and

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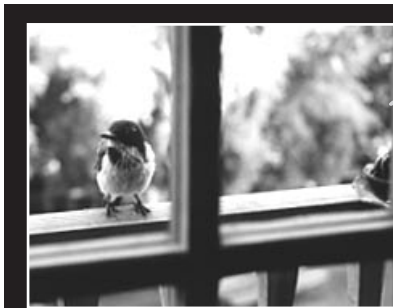
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Sixth and cited for driving on a suspended or revoked driver license.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported finding a black vinyl camera bag sitting on a rock wall beside the walking trail along Scenic Road. The camera bag was empty and contained no identifying information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female turned in a Sony digital camera found on the ground of the parking lot at Del Mar. Based on the description of a couple with a black Lab, searched for and located a subject on the beach near Eighth Avenue. The camera and associated vacation photos were returned to her.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male Los Angeles resident, 33, stopped at Rio Road and Lasuen for driving his 1996 Toyota Carolla while under the influence with a blood alcohol content greater than .08 percent. Subject was arrested and his vehicle was parked in the lot at Carmel Mission.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female called CPD to report a 3-year-old child might have been left behind by a wedding party that just left the church at Lincoln and Seventh located next door to her restaurant. The juvenile was contacted in front of the restau-

rant, where he was being held and cared for by concerned citizens. When asked his name, he responded, "Shark!" Further investigation showed the child's father was the groom in the wedding party, which had moved to Mission Ranch for a reception. The boy was transported to Mission Ranch, where he was reunited with his surprised father who had placed responsibility of his other family members at the wedding.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Dispatch received a 911 hang-up call and upon callback received an answering machine at the Carmelo Street residence. Contacted a female who was visiting with friends at the residence. She said she was unaware of anyone calling 911 but that there were six children in the house. Upon questioning, the daughter admitted she had dialed 911 and then hung up when the dispatcher answered. Explained to her and the other children how 911 worked. They promised to never dial it unless there was an emergency.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Anonymous subject telephoned the police to complain about a dog tied to a parking sign in front of an Ocean Avenue art gallery. Contacted the dog's owner. The dog was not bothering anyone and was not blocking the sidewalk

area. The owner was working inside the gallery within close proximity of her dog. No violations found. Complaint unfounded.

Carmel Valley: Past-tense burglary of a vehicle parked at a Lupin Lane residence.

Carmel area: Past-tense burglary of a Portola Road residence.

Carmel area: Past-tense burglary of a vehicle parked at an Alta Avenue residence.

Carmel Valley: Past-tense battery at Tassajara Road and East Carmel Valley Road.

Carmel Valley: Assisted fire department with an illegal burn at Robinson Canyon Road and San Clemente.

Carmel Valley: Domestic dispute at a residence.

Carmel Valley: Driver stopped at a West Carmel Valley Road residence for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Carmel area: Suspicious circumstances at a Carmel Knolls Drive residence.

Carmel area: Past-tense loitering at a San Luis Avenue residence.

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CARMEL

"HYDEAWAY!" Wow redo retains the quirkiness & charm of scale of a classic Carmel cottage. Over-the-top finish choices include antique or new vintage-style fixtures, tiles, hewn pecan floors, custom cabinetry. Walk-to-coffee, beach location. Oversize parcel. Two bedrooms, 2-baths. \$1,090,000.



ROMANTIC COTTAGE! An adorable and bright 3-bedroom, 2-bath cottage within a short stroll to town. New furnace, Bosch dishwasher, hot water heater, cobblestone driveway, French drains, drip system and professionally landscaped grounds. \$1,049,000.

DESIGNER PERFECTION! Quality in every detail of this newly renovated 2700 sq. ft. home with 4 bedrooms and 3 baths. Featuring slate-paved balconies, new hand-made doors, Italian marble counters, and top-of-the-line appliances. Near Carmel schools and shopping. \$1,249,000.

SPECIAL LOCATION! This sophisticated, unique and beautifully landscaped 1-bedroom, 2-bath plus-den home with a separate guest quarters has been recently renovated. Perfect for weekender or retirement home. On a quiet cul-de-sac near River Beach. \$1,395,000.



"OAK TWIG" A fabulous hideaway in the best of locations. It is a 3-bedroom, 2-bath single-level home with easy access for all. Interior deck, front patio and bright skylit living room area. Plus two wonderful stone fireplaces and hardwood floors. \$1,900,000.

NEW CARMEL CLASSIC! This fabulous 2900 sq. ft. Mediterranean villa-style bungalow near the beach & village has been reborn. On a double corner lot this 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home features a formal dining room, large office, family room, and "cost-no-object" finishes. \$3,495,000.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS



CAPE COD ON YANKEE POINT! This striking new frontline 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home is just yards from the sea with fabulous ocean and Yankee Point views. Boasting sunny south-facing decks, the finest gourmet

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wander along peaceful meandering lanes
under a canopy of pines.*



Estates-by-the-Sea

A coveted treasure breathtaking to behold... magnificent estate in the heart of town... embraced by exquisitely private enchanted gardens... perfectly situated just a few steps to the beach... now renewed in the tradition and quality of another era. Classic, gracious, offering two magical suites, charmed gathering areas... all offering peeks of the sea. One-quarter acre, pool, spa. \$6,800,000.

kitchen, and a fabulous ocean-view master bedroom. \$6,250,000.

MAL PASO CANYON VIEWS! This gorgeous and secluded 2.5 acre parcel has fantastic ocean and white-water views! Sited on a private park-like setting with gardens and native landscaping. Includes a two-bedroom, two-and-one-half-bath older home and separate guest studio. \$1,995,000.

CARMEL VALLEY



ASTOUNDING VIEWS! Very private dramatically remodeled 3600 sq. ft. hilltop home behind security gate. Luxurious master suite, 2 guest bedrooms, and baths, gourmet kitchen/great room, formal living/dining room, delightful garden, and huge sunny deck. \$2,195,000.

VILLAGE GREEN! Enjoy a carefree lifestyle at this newly remodeled, 2-bedroom, 2-new bath townhome in Carmel Valley Village! Featuring a new kitchen with granite countertops, new wood floors in the liv-



ing and dining rooms, loft office, and two-car garage. \$749,000.

COUNTRY COMFORT! Enjoy walls of glass over looking lovely valley and mountain views. This 4-bedroom, 3-bath contemporary home on 1.25 acres has a living room, family room with open-beam ceilings, and two master suites, one with separate entrance. \$1,090,000.

OFF HIGHWAY 68

GOLF COURSE VILLA! Fabulous brand-new 5300 sq. ft. Mediterranean villa on the 11th fairway of the Pasadera Country Club Golf Course! Four bedrooms, 4-1/2 baths, library, huge family room, incredible kitchen, grand entry and much, much more. \$3,295,000.



"ABOVE IT ALL!" There is an air of elegance in this 3-bedroom, 3-bath Mediterranean residence and guest house overlooking mesmerizing ocean views. Featuring soaring ceilings, tile floors, graceful windows and superb use of granite and stone. \$2,495,000.

PACIFIC GROVE



"BUTTERFLY TOWN" INCOME PROPERTY! In a great in-town location this older triplex, built in 1888, sits on a sunny corner lot. With a 3-bedroom, 2-bedroom and 1-bedroom unit. To be sold "as is", this is a wonderful opportunity! \$750,000.

CRYSTAL WINDOW COTTAGE! Charming historic cottage lovingly remodeled. Aptly named for beautiful diamond-cut designs atop of the windows. On a corner, level oversized lot, it offers 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, den, a loft, wraparound deck and peek of the sea. \$779,000.

PEBBLE BEACH



FRENCH COUNTRY! Capturing ocean views and located near the shore and MPCC fairways is this stunning 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home. Includes a gracious living room that opens to a garden solarium, and a beautiful new kitchen with a bay-window breakfast area. \$2,950,000.

SUNSHINE IN PEBBLE BEACH! Elegant 3000 sq. ft. 4-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath two-story sunbelt home with distant views of Pt. Lobos. Remodeled kitchen and hardwood floors. Flowing floor plan, balconies, decks, and manicured fenced backyard make entertaining a pleasure. \$1,450,000.



MPCC DUNES COURSE! A private courtyard entry leads to a frontline Spanish-style treasure with gorgeous fairway & oceanfront views. On the 16th tee of MPCC's Dunes Course, the character of the 2-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath plus den home has been expanded for optimum views. \$3,750,000.

"CASA LADERA!" Located on 4.5 acres above the Pebble Beach Golf Links with sweeping ocean and golf link views is this magnificent villa of approximately 7500 sq. ft. Stunningly remodeled with 4 bedrooms, 5+ baths plus a spacious 2-bedroom guesthouse. \$15,900,000.



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