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## Witnesses: ILONA, MISTRESS ABUSED BY LEIDIG

By MARY BROWNFIELD

AFTER CLOSE to a week of testimony about how Iлона Leidig vandalized her ex-husband's house, frequently threatened him and tried to keep him from getting medical care after shooting him in the chest, defense attorney Richard Rosen began painting a picture Wednesday of a traumatized, battered and deceived woman who was driven by fear to pull the trigger.

*'Ted is a very good liar, and I'm the kind of person who would believe him.'*

— Iлона Leidig

Following the testimony of several witnesses who said they saw signs of abuse they believed were at the hands of her then-husband, Carmel restaurateur Ted Leidig, and repeatedly urged her to call police, Iлона Leidig took the stand Feb. 23. She is set to testify again in Monterey County Superior Court Judge Lydia Villarreal's courtroom Feb. 25.

Apologizing for being "mentally exhausted" during the fifth day of her jury trial, Iлона Wozniski Leidig talked of a brutal childhood in Scranton, Penn., in which her alcoholic father regularly beat her and her mother before leaving the family. Iлона was the oldest of five children. Soon after Stanley Wozniski and Vera Simone divorced, the 11 year old began cleaning houses

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## Hollywood zooms in on a star whose mind is somewhere else

By PAUL MILLER



PHOTO/GETTY IMAGES

Clint and Dina Eastwood attended the Screen Actors Guild awards Feb. 5 to support Morgan Freeman and Hilary Swank, who won for their work in Eastwood's "Million Dollar Baby." Oddsmakers expect the film to clean up at Sunday's Oscars.

SUNDAY NIGHT could be the biggest night of Clint Eastwood's professional life.

His latest movie, "Million Dollar Baby," has been widely acclaimed as the best picture of the year and could pick up seven Academy Awards.

But while most of the other Oscar-nominated actors, producers and directors were getting botox shots and fake tans, Eastwood was at the Marines Memorial in San Francisco Wednesday helping commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the flag raising on Iwo Jima, in preparation for his next project.

"I'll just be hanging out, listening to personal stories, because the more I get to know these World War II guys, the more I understand what they're all about," Eastwood said Wednesday morning.

"Million Dollar Baby," for all its success, was a relatively modest film with a production budget of \$24 million. But Eastwood's next movie will be a colossal undertaking.

"Flags of Our Fathers," due to be released in 2006, will tell the story of history's most famous photograph — the anguish and the heroism that led a group of six ordinary Americans to the summit of Mt. Suribachi on Feb. 23, 1945, and the conflict and tragedy that followed the raising of the Stars and Stripes there.

The script for the film is complete. Paul

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## STEINBECK'S LEGACY LIVES ON IN MONTEREY AND PACIFIC GROVE

By CHRIS COUNTS

THANKS TO talk of shutting the city's entire library system, the whole country has once again been reminded that John Steinbeck hailed from Salinas. What could be more ironic than doing away with public libraries in a city that pro-



The Wing Chong market at 835 Cannery Row 'was a miracle of supply,' according to John Steinbeck, who wrote, 'The one commodity Lee Chong did not keep could be had across the lot at Dora's.'

duced a Nobel Prize-winning novelist?

But even Monterey County residents may not realize that, while Steinbeck's words are consigned to the yellowed pages of old books and the people who inspired his fictional characters have all passed away, many of the places he described in such vivid detail have scarcely changed in the 21st century. And many of them are right here on the Monterey Peninsula.

Steinbeck would have been 103 years old on Feb. 27. He died in 1968, but a handful of Steinbeck enthusiasts on the Peninsula are keeping his memory alive by preserving, restoring or just simply recognizing the places important to Steinbeck and his literary legacy.

Michael Hemp is the co-founder and vice president of the nonprofit Cannery Row Foundation, a group dedicated to preserving the history of the street made famous in Steinbeck's eponymous 1945 novel.

Hemp believes the words of Steinbeck are just as relevant today as they were when he penned them more than half a century ago.

"He was a man of the people," explained Hemp, a Carmel Valley resident, publisher, historian and the author of "Cannery Row, the History of John Steinbeck's Old Ocean View Avenue."

"He never wrote about anybody famous. He wrote about people who were struggling for their part of the American Dream. He wrote about bums and whores and cannery workers. They were his heroes as he portrayed the struggle of simple hardworking people against the system."

In addition to the timeless themes he explored, Steinbeck was an extraordinary writer.



PHOTOS/CHRIS COUNTS

Kalisa's La Ida Cafe at 851 Cannery Row was once simply La Ida Cafe, a brothel run by a woman named Wide Ida, and immortalized by John Steinbeck.

"His words were so graphic and so moving," Hemp said. "He used words that light up visions in your head."

Hemp will be on hand to greet visitors Feb. 27 for guided tours of Ed Ricketts' Pacific Biological Laboratories at 800 Cannery Row in Monterey. Ricketts was Steinbeck's close friend and inspired the character "Doc" in "Cannery Row" and "Sweet Thursday."

The original stucco laboratory burned down in a fire in

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# Peninsulans trek to Thailand's tsunami-stricken islands

By MARY BROWNFIELD

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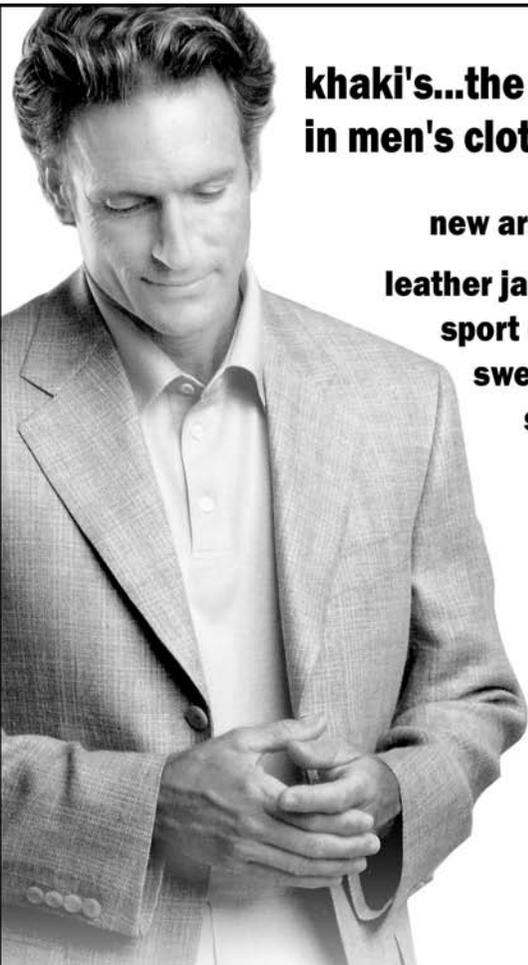
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**PLANTING MANGROVES.** Repairing boats. Hauling a generator to a tent village. Digging a well. Two dozen volunteers, including 18 from the Monterey Peninsula, left Sunday for the tsunami-ravaged islands of Thailand to tackle those jobs and many others.

"I'm nervous about what I'm getting myself into — I'm going in blind," retired California Department of Forestry firefighter Steve Benoit, a Pacific Grove Ocean Rescue volunteer who lives in Del Rey Oaks, said before he and the rest of the group left Feb. 20. "But it sounds like a good project, and there's work needing to be done."

Carmel Valley resident Marilyn Asher, a frequent visitor to Nepal and Thailand, said she hoped a few friends would join her effort to help tsunami victims on the small islands in the Andaman Sea.

"I was hoping to have five people, or six or seven, and it just mushroomed," she said. "Everyone had friends and family who wanted to help."

Asher coordinated with longtime friend and former C.V. resident Bohdi Garrett, whose Golden Buddha Beach Resort on Koh Phra Thong Island was destroyed by the huge waves. Garrett was in Carmel Valley visiting family during the holidays, according to Asher, but he lost many friends and acquaintances and returned after the disaster to begin assessing the damage and the needs of the villagers who had survived.

**Life and livelihood**

Two months later, North Andaman Tsunami Relief, which is overseeing the volunteers' work, is focused not just on emergency relief to keep villagers alive and healthy, but on restoring their livelihoods.

"I just heard they're starting to dig a well and will need help with that," Asher said. "They need help with repairing their boats, because they are a fishing community, and they also make lots of crafts because of the tourists there, so we are picking up special dyes in Bangkok for their weaving."

The volunteers, many of whom met each other for the first time just weeks ago, purchased their own tickets for the Thai Air flight out of Los Angeles to Bangkok Sunday afternoon. They

were set to join up with other workers coming from Kathmandu and elsewhere.

After recovering from jet lag and buying a generator in the city, they would take the 12-hour bus trip to the mainland area of Kura Buri, Asher said before they left.

"We plan on staying in tents on the islands while we work, because all the buildings were lost or are not fit for inhabiting," she said, adding that Garrett has been working nonstop with volunteers, many of whom can only stay for a couple of weeks before returning to their jobs and families. Several in her group will return March 4, while others — including a woman who quit her job in order to help — will stay as long as they can, Asher said.

"We and the volunteers who are already there will be filling in the gaps" left by international aid agencies and governments, she said. For example, they drop off supplies, but the villagers hesitate to leave their makeshift homes to retrieve them.

"They're a little bit afraid of leaving their property, because what they have left, they want to keep," she explained. "A lot of distribution needs to be done."

A few grief counselors in the group will treat the victims, many of them children, while others help with manual labor.

As a former fireman with extensive training in rescue operations, Benoit said he was frustrated he couldn't be there in the immediate aftermath of the tsunami, which killed hundreds of thousands of people in southern Asia and eastern Africa and left many others homeless and destitute.

"It's too late for rescue, but I would like to be there," said Benoit. "The people who live there want help — they need the bodies."

**Shopping locally**

Before leaving, the group raised money and gathered materials to haul with them, but "we will buy a lot of our supplies in the area to boost the economy, because people

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# Carmel High grad won't let his big league dreams die

By CHRIS COUNTS

IN THE 1989 Kevin Costner movie, "Field of Dreams," Archibald "Moonlight" Graham plays in one major league game and gains baseball immortality.



Chris Prieto, who starred as a baseball player at Carmel High School before he graduated in 1990, is still waiting for his chance to play in one major league game.

"I started dreaming about playing in the majors when I was about seven years old," Prieto said last week in Tempe, Arizona. "I love the smell of the grass, the smell of leather and all those small things. Baseball has been a part of my life for so long and I've put so much into it that I can't quit now."

Prieto reported to spring training in Tempe on Feb. 21. He is one of 64 players competing for 25 spots on this year's Los Angeles Angels' roster. "As a 'non-roster' player, Prieto's

chances of making the team are slim. Given the fact that he is 32 years old, which is ancient by the standards of a major-league rookie, his chances are even slimmer.

Possibly the biggest hurdle in front of Prieto, though, is not stiff competition nor his advancing age, but the long memory of major-league players who remember Prieto crossing the picket line during a 1994 strike against team owners.

Over 600 aspiring players crossed that same picket line and while 14 eventually made it to Big Leagues, each experienced varying degrees of hostility and resentment from teammates.

"I took some bad advice," said Prieto, recalling his decision to cross the picket line. "I take responsibility for the decision I made. It was an unfortunate situation. Sometimes you don't get a second chance."

At the end of every season, hundreds of minor league players are released from their professional baseball contracts. Most of them last only a year or two in the minors before those who run the Show decide they are expendable. Yet for the 13th straight year, Prieto finds himself collecting

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# Police & Sheriff's Log

## Brother, can you spare a dime for some Advil?

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department, the Carmel Fire Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week. This week's log was compiled by Mary Brownfield.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A female, age 23, was observed in a

vehicle when she failed to stop at a posted stop sign on Junipero. The vehicle showed registration expired as of 12/04. The driver was found to be intoxicated and provided a breath test.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A vehicle was parked on Junipero Street in the same parking stall for more than two weeks without moving. It was towed.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A driver was stopped on Monte Verde Street for driving on a suspended license. The driver was cited and the vehicle was towed.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female indicated she thought it was odd that her former boyfriend, his sister and friends of the former boyfriend had, by chance, met with her while she was conducting various chores in the city in the past week. There was no overt action on the aforementioned parties' behalf causing a problem, but she thought it was "weird" that she should run into them. She was counseled.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A vehicle parked on Torres Street was known to have several unpaid parking citations on file. The vehicle was towed and stored per the California Vehicle Code.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A couple was involved in an argument over dinner reservations on Mission Street. No problems occurred during the contact.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine 7111 and Ambulance 7166 responded to report of a medical emergency on Mission between Fifth and Sixth on the sidewalk. Units at scene found a 24-year-old female with complaint of having passed out while walking down the street. She was assessed and the suggestion was made that she see an MD in the ER at CHOMP. She refused, was told of the risks, and signed a medical release.

**Big Sur:** A 56-year-old male security officer at El Sur Ranch reported unknown subjects cut a fence and drove on ranch property.

### VALENTINE'S DAY

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Hit-and-run traffic collision on public property on Torres Street. Vehicle was drivable.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a broken glass window at a San Carlos Street store. It appeared to be a vandalism, and no one entered the store.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male Torres Street resident called indicating that he received a condolence card from the wife of a former acquaintance. Apparently, the male's wife passed away one week ago. The male stated that a sergeant had intervened last year and that an informal understanding was developed that there shall be no contact between the two parties. The male asked if the officer would be able to speak with the other party responsible for sending the card. Both parties were counseled.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** San Carlos Street resident reported hearing voices and walking noises upstairs. The house was searched and no problems were found.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Anonymous person advised of possible Carmel Municipal Code violation concerning a San Carlos Street pub having amplified music. Contact was made with the bartender, who advised a permit had been obtained from the city planning commission. They did not have the permit; however,

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# Carmel Valley

## General plan debate heats up as supervisors weigh options

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE DEBATE over Monterey County's General Plan resumed this week with a seven-hour marathon public meeting in Salinas Feb. 23 that gave supervisors an opportunity to hear presentations by two groups with very different views on Monterey County's future.

The Refinement Group wants policies that protect property rights and encourage economic growth, while the Community Plan Coalition usually reflects the views of environmentalists.

Despite the bickering that was evident Wednesday, 5th District Supervisor Dave Potter said the meeting was productive.

"It was worthwhile," he said. "Both groups had an opportunity to highlight what they've accomplished. And if we did-

n't get a presentation from them, we'd be reading their plans without understanding their intentions."

Can supervisors find common ground between the opposing views?

"What common ground there is has already been found," he said. "The groups have fundamentally different views. It's the responsibility of the board to make a decision."

Potter believes the supervisors will ultimately piece together a plan that will take elements from both, and will incorporate different policies for different parts of the county.

"I think what will happen is you will have area plans," said Potter. "Carmel is not like King City, and Salinas has different issues from Monterey. One size doesn't fit all. What works in Big Sur won't work in Parkfield."

Potter said the greatest challenge facing the board of

supervisors is simply taking action. And even when it does, the general plan battle will probably drag on.

"I'm optimistic the board is committed to bring an end to this ancient battle," Potter said. "Will it end up in court? Probably."

John Dalessio, a Carmel Valley resident and member of the Community Plan Coalition, believes a decision by the supervisors on the general plan is imminent.

"It's getting to be an embarrassment," Dalessio said of the five-year, \$5 million effort by Monterey County to develop a new general plan. "Politically, I think the supervisors have to come back to the community with something."

Still, Dalessio isn't optimistic about the general plan.

"I think Carmel Valley is in real trouble," he said. "If a pro-development plan goes through, the only thing that can save Carmel Valley is incorporation."

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there have lost everything," he said.

Benoit had heard stories of well-meaning volunteers arriving, only to end up in the way of relief efforts, but he was confident the same would not be true for Asher's group.

"Apparently there are people who already have work lined up for us," he said.

Nurses, builders and others with useful skills are among the volunteers, according to Asher. "Everyone has their own area of expertise."

According to a Feb. 9 update from organizers at North Andaman Tsunami Relief, the organization has been taking food and water to villages. It has also been finding boats to rebuild, as well as nets and traps the fishermen need to begin

## STEINBECK

From page 1A

1936 and was replaced by Ricketts with the wooden structure that exists today. Steinbeck incorporated the fire into "Cannery Row."

"That fire destroyed the most extensive intertidal marine biological data base in existence at the time," explained Hemp.

Perhaps because Steinbeck's "Doc" was based on Ricketts, the names are now used interchangeably, and there's even a bar in Monterey called "Doc Ricketts' Lab." But that's not true to history, Hemp is quick to point out.

"He was known as Ed Ricketts but never Doc Ricketts," Hemp said. "His friends called him Ed."

The tours will begin at 10 a.m. and the last tour will start at 4 p.m. Admission is \$15.

### Flophouses and well-stocked markets

Across the street from Pacific Biological Laboratories were three buildings that played prominent roles in Steinbeck's writing — La Ida Cafe, the Wing Chong Market and the Lone Star.

La Ida Cafe, which is located at 851 Cannery Row, is now known as Kalisa's Coffeehouse and Ice Cream Parlor. Eddie the Part-Time Bartender from "Cannery Row" worked at La Ida Cafe.

"Eddie would pour all the leftover drinks from the night into one big jug for Mac and the boys at the Palace Flophouse," explained Hemp. "Whenever Eddie worked, a few bottles would disappear."

La Ida Cafe was one of three brothels that operated on Cannery Row during that time. The name derived from the madam, who was known as Wide Ida.

Next door, at 835 Cannery Row is the Wing Chong Market. In "Cannery Row," Steinbeck called the market Lee Chong's Grocery.

"While not a model of neatness, [Lee Chong's] was a miracle of supply," wrote Steinbeck. "The one commodity Lee Chong did not keep could be had across the lot at Dora's."

Dora Flood was the name Steinbeck gave to Flora Woods, who operated the Lone Star brothel on the site

working again.

"Where families cannot return to fishing, or where it will be some time before they are able, we have identified other work/labor plans such as handicrafts and mangrove reforestation to bring villagers income," a colleague of Garrett's wrote. "Within the chaos of needs assessment, we continue to take care not to overlap the programs of other agencies, and listen carefully to ensure our programs will be useful to villagers."

NATR recently made its first payment to villagers who made boats and peeled cashews, and volunteers delivered a water filtration system to the Thung Dap village.

On his resort's website, Garrett announced the Golden Buddha Beach Resort will be rebuilt by the end of the year. In the meantime, Asher said much of the challenge lies in helping traumatized villagers return to the islands they had called home before Dec. 26, 2004.

"Survivors are all in camps on the mainland and are afraid to go back to the islands, because they think there's going to be another wave," she said. "I think it's going to take time."

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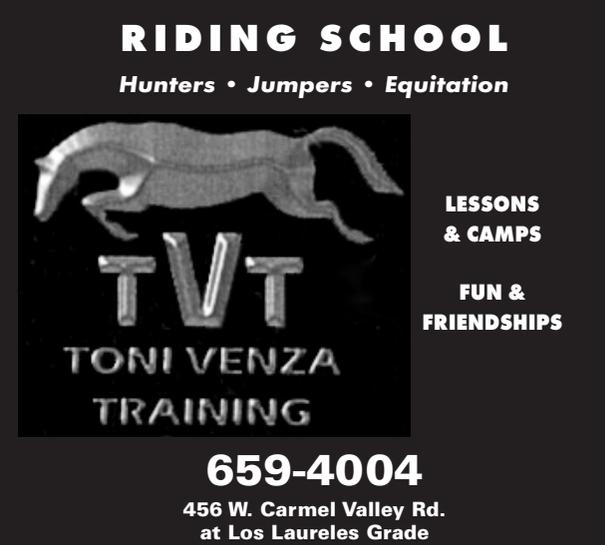


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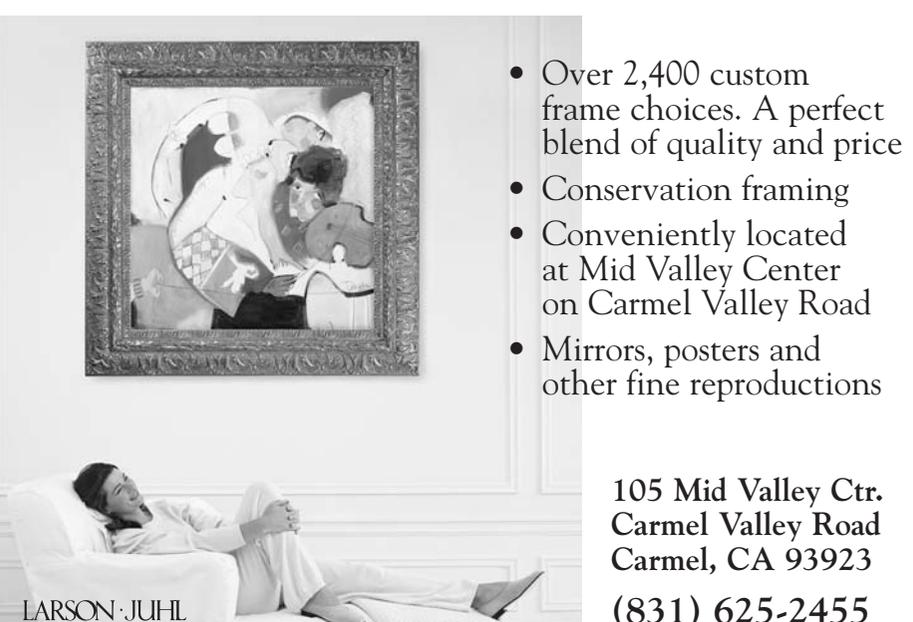


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# BIRTHDAY

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where present-day Mackerel Jack's stands. The original structure that housed the brothel is no more.

The Cannery Row Foundation is seeking to designate La Ida Cafe and the Wing Chong Market as historical buildings.

"The city has determined they are both eligible for the National Register of Historic Places," said Kim Coles, senior planner for the City of Monterey. "We are now in the process of rezoning those buildings as historic."

If so designated, the two buildings would have extra protections against being demolished to make way for new development.

Cannery Row was the setting of three of Steinbeck's best loved books, including "Tortilla Flats," "Cannery Row" and "Sweet Thursday."

For more about Steinbeck's role in the history of Cannery Row, visit [www.canneryrow.org](http://www.canneryrow.org).

## Steinbeck in Pacific Grove

Pacific Grove landmarks such as the Pt. Pinos Lighthouse, the grove at the present-day monarch butterfly sanctuary and Jewell Park also make appearances in Steinbeck novels. The lighthouse is featured in no fewer than three books — "To A God Unknown," "Cannery Row," and "Sweet Thursday," according to Esther Trosow, a 12-year Monterey resident and archivist at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History.

Trosow once co-published (with the City of Pacific Grove) a free self-guided driving tour map and brochure, "John Steinbeck's Pacific Grove."

Perhaps the most interesting Steinbeck site in Trosow's

guide is Holman's Department Store. Steinbeck tells the story of the flagpole skater in "Cannery Row."

"Probably nothing in the way of promotion Holman's Department Store ever did attracted so much favorable comment as the engagement of the flagpole skater," wrote Steinbeck. "Day after day, there he was up on his little round platform skating around and around and at night he could be seen up there too, dark against the sky so that everybody knew he didn't come down."

Steinbeck often incorporated actual events into one of his books. A small platform for the skater was built atop the Holman's flagpole. It was removed several years ago and replaced with a communications antenna.

"The flagpole skater was a real daredevil named The

Mysterious Mr. X, who set out to break his own record by staying aloft 120 feet above the street for more than 50 hours," explained Trosow.

The guide included directions to 19 different Steinbeck-related Pacific Grove sites and can still be viewed online at Trosow's web site, [www.93950.com](http://www.93950.com).

## Today's Real Estate

by MAUREEN MASON  
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Styles and fads come and go. For a time, nearly everyone wanted a home decorated in rich earthtones, then mauves and purples set the style, and on and on it goes, from Scandinavian simplicity to Mediterranean opulence.

A wish that today ranks at or near the top of most buyers' lists and that probably won't soon be replaced by something else is that the commute from a home to a place of work be as short and easy as possible. We are getting progressively fed up with the patience- and health-threatening old stop-and-go for hours on the way to and from work.

And that's not all. Our entire conception of home is undergoing a change. For decades, it's been the mildly luxurious dormitory at the end of the commute from work, the place to eat and sleep, but not necessarily the place to work, play, relax, entertain and find most of our fulfillment in life. Now it is. Some trend students call the change "finding sanctuary."

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# Food & Wine

## Chef Bayless plays on passion for cuisine of Mexico

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

FOR THOSE readers not able to participate in the **Masters of Food & Wine** events last Thursday through Sunday, we're going to tell you of several cooking demonstrations that might induce you to experience one or more at next year's 20th annual MF&W at the Highlands Inn Park Hyatt Hotel, Carmel.

Don't think you'll be closeted in a stuffy room watching a chef you can't see unless you're in a front row.

At the Highlands Inn, the Surf Room is always the site of cooking demos — a large, airy and sunny venue with windows across one entire side looking out on the sparkling Pacific Ocean. And those windows open, in case the cooking gets too intense, and cooling sea breezes can drift in.

The cooking dais raises the chefs to watchable height; they wear lapel microphones and a mirror overhead is tilted so the audience can see what's cooking in the pots and pans on the range.

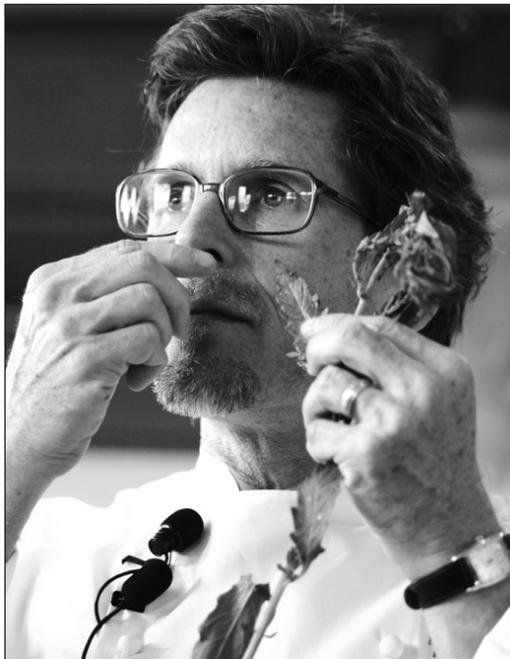
As the chef explains his every move, a moderator — for the past several years local chef **Wendy Brodie** — questions the visiting chef as he prepares the dish-of-demonstration, just to be certain the audience gleanes every bit of information necessary to prepare the recipe at home. Attendees are not burdened with note taking during the fascinating instruction, as a printed recipe is provided.

Last Friday at 10:30 a.m., award-winning chef/restaurant, multiple cookbook author and PBS television personality **Rick Bayless** gave a superb and generously informative cooking demonstration of rack of lamb with dark *pasilla* chile and woodland mushrooms.

Bayless is owner/chef of Chicago's **Topolobampo restaurant**, which opened in 1989 following the great success of his Frontera Grill, which specialized in contemporary regional Mexican cuisine. Chicago, according to Bayless, has a very large Mexican population.

You can watch his "**One Plate at a Time**" cooking show at 9 a.m. every Saturday on KQED. His cookbook, "**Rick Bayless's Mexican Kitchen**," which is a companion to the TV show, was given to all those who attended the Highlands Inn demonstration. It is a 448-page hardcover published by Scribner of New York.

Although his show is taped in Chicago, many sequences are shot in Mexico, which takes Bayless to a variety of indoor



PHOTO/PATRICK TREGANZA

Chef Rick Bayless inhales the pungent fragrance of fresh epazote, used in Mexican cooking as a flavorful herb and, when dried, for its medicinal qualities.

and outdoor markets with their wondrous displays of colorful and exotic produce.

Watching the show is almost like traveling to small towns and large cities of Mexico — a sort of armchair travelogue peppered with valuable culinary information.

At one time, Bayless was working on his Ph.D. in archaeology, but the love of cooking called to him, and he changed course. He traveled with his wife to each of the 32 states in Mexico and in every town and village, he kept a record of all the fruits and vegetables displayed in the markets, noting the season. He dined in mom-and-pop restaurants, learning the cooking secrets of various dishes.

"I studied Mexican cuisine and produce and kept voluminous, exacting notes, just as if I were going for a Ph.D. in Mexican food," he said. He still adds to those notes and refers to them frequently.

The scholar in this dedicated chef interferes in no way with his passion for cooking and the appreciation of its sensual qualities. You have only to watch his TV show to experience his love for Mexico, its cuisine and its people; his almost lyrical descriptions of colors, flavors and fragrances of the marketplace add a dimension to the program that is often lacking in other cooking shows.

On Saturday, as he made the dark *pasilla* chile sauce, he

wore surgical gloves (the kind you see on "CSI") to remove seeds and veins of the opened chiles, warning us not to touch any sensitive part of our body, especially eyes, after handling

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## Amuse bouche

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

**BIG SUR** resident **Joe Schoendorf** arranged a private dinner at the **Big Sur Bakery** prepared by **Chef Philip Wojtowicz** and **Pastry Chef Michelle Rizzolo**, who must be the bravest chefs in the United States. You'll know why when I tell you the guests of honor at the dinner were celebrated

French chefs **Gérard Boyer** and **Philippe Legendre**, both holders of Michelin's coveted Three Stars rating. Boyer retired in June 2003 from his restaurant in Reims which he opened with his father in 1961, but came to the **Highlands Inn's Masters of Food & Wine** last weekend as one of the featured

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Chef Philip Wojtowicz and pastry chef Michelle Rizzolo (standing) prepared dinner for Michelin Three Star Chefs Gérard Boyer and Phillippe Legendre at the Big Sur Bakery this week. From left to right, Joe Golden, host Joe Schoendorf, Boyer, Alex Balkanski, Sybilla Balkanski, Legendre, and Mesdames Boyer and Legendre.

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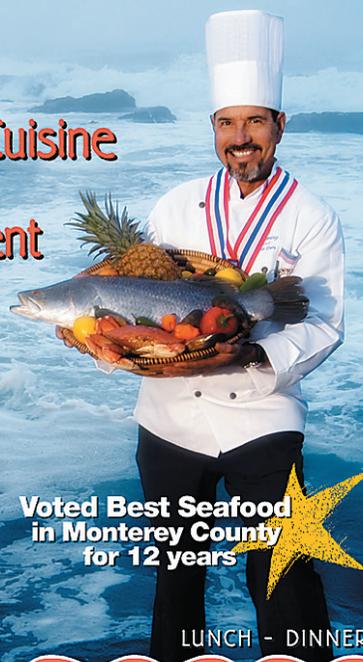
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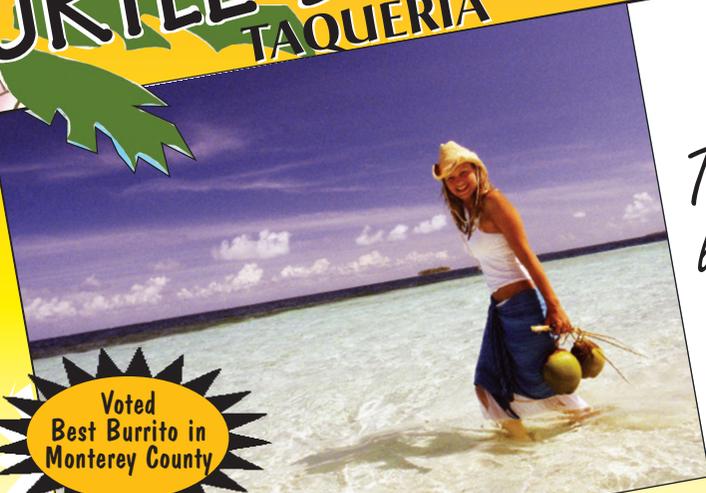
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# Food & Wine

## BAYLESS

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the chiles. He explained how to treat a chile burn on the skin with a burn ointment or mild bleach solution.

The major hot parts of a chile are the veins, which can be pulled out easily.

The dried *pasillas* used as a seasoning paste with the rack of lamb are generally called *chile negro* in California markets. They are the long (about 7 inches), slender black chile peppers that look like a finger from an old pair of leather gloves. Bayless wrote in his cookbook, "It took me years to get comfortable with *pasillas*, but now I understand their swarthisness." The ones he used in his demonstration were so dark brown they appeared black. But the puree is a mahogany brown "with a voluptuous flavor."

### Lard not so bad

All sorts of good cooking hints came forth during the demonstration: Bayless said epazote is used fresh in cooking, but for medicinal use, dried epazote, a carminative, is used for settling stomachs. And that lard, used often in Mexican cooking, has half the cholesterol and fat of butter. But don't use just any lard, he recommended — get some pork fat from the butcher and render it in a 350 degree oven until it browns. It will have a roast pork flavor that will make *tamales*

and *moles* taste delicious.

Although a proponent of reducing intake of saturated fat in the diet, Bayless said, he's glad we've come out of the "low-fat tyranny of the past 20 years." He said we can reduce saturated fat in our meals by "relying less on processed food, eating smaller amounts of meat, feasting only on special occasions and enjoying the roasty flavor of pork lard when traditional wisdom tells us it will enhance the dish."

Obviously Bayless practices what he preaches. Slim of waist and large of biceps, he was seemingly full of energy and good spirits as he busily whisked and stirred the pots on the demo stove while keeping up a steady stream of helpful hints and salient instructions, this despite an eight-hour limo trip from Los Angeles as his flight to the Masters of Food & Wine had been canceled due to the weekend rain storms.

He drove up to Carmel overnight with "Sammy the limo driver and bodyguard" — which was how the driver identified himself on his business card. Appearing fresh as a daisy during the demo, Bayless went on immediately afterward to prepare the main course for 150 at the five-course luncheon in the inn's main salon.

The rack of lamb (two per plate) with dark *pasilla* chile and woodland mushrooms, and an oh-so-flavorful *tamale* (it must have been the roasted pork lard that turned the trick), and a small frisée salad with lime dressing, was well received by the lunch

crowd. Bayless was given enthusiastic applause when he was introduced after the course was cleared away.

### Wines with Mexican fare

During the demo, we asked what beverage should be served with a Mexican meal. He replied that he orders Coke or beer in a diner, but in a finer restaurant will order the occasional tequila (not in a margarita, which he drinks only before dinner or with snacks), and such big wines as Italian Barbera, Australian Syrah, and as for whites, a New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc or an Oregon

Pinot Gris are all excellent.

Lighter wines just won't do with Mexican food, he said because "the food will walk all over them." He prefers reds that can stand up to and complement the depth and complexity of his Mexican cooking, but not Cabernet Sauvignon "because tannins turn smoldering heat into raging fires."

With the luncheon main course, a Jim Barry Wines Shiraz was selected from the Armagh vineyard, Clare Valley, Australia, 2001. It was superb.

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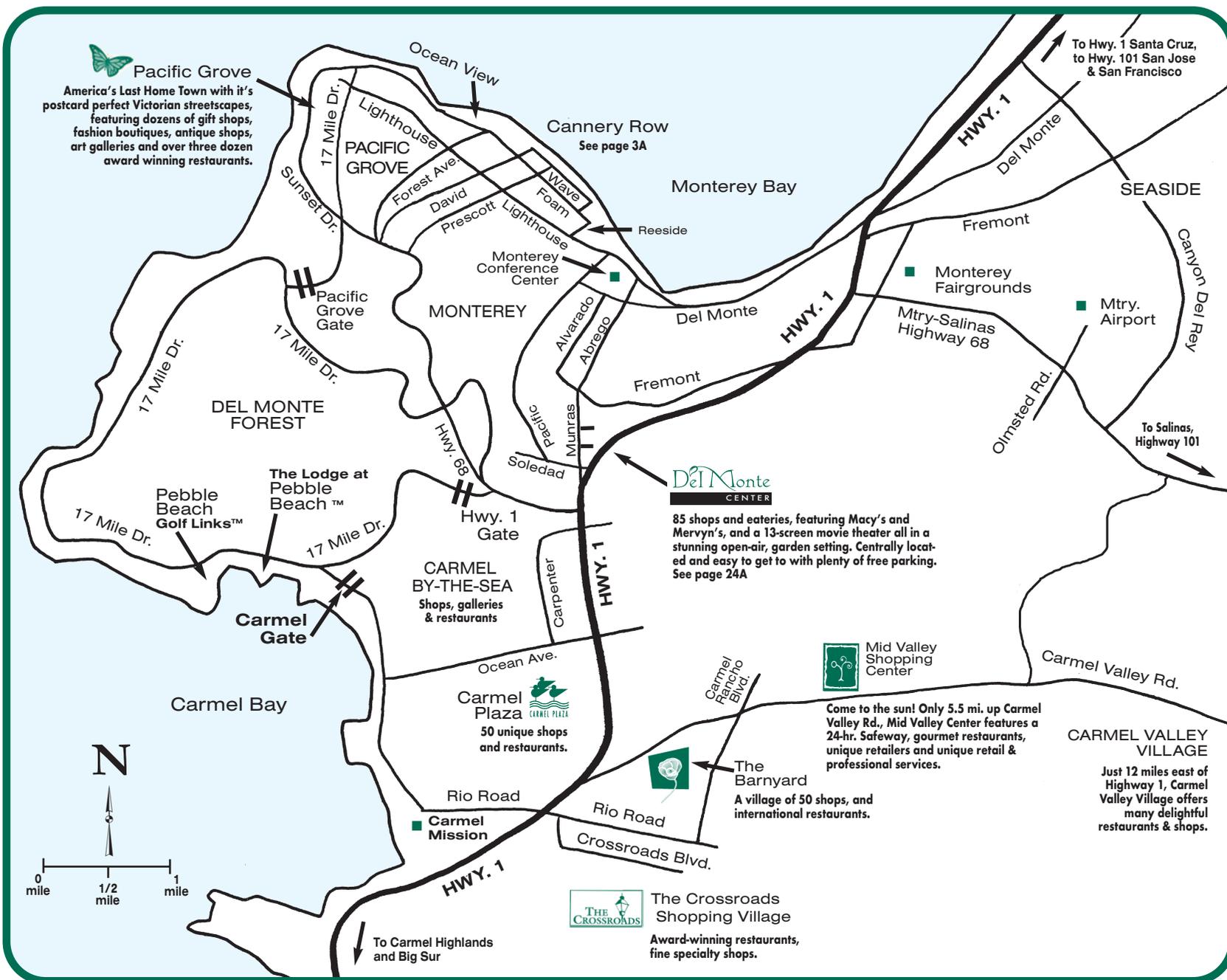
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## POWERHOUSE GUITAR TWINS



**WHAT:** Chamber Music Monterey Bay presents duo guitarists, the Kadota twins. The Hungarian-born brothers, winners of the 1999 Concert Artists Guild Competition, will perform works by J.S. Bach, de Falla, Rodrigo and Piazzolla  
**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 2  
**WHERE:** Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea  
**COST:** \$27 to \$41  
**INFO/RESERVATIONS:** [www.chambermusicmontereybay.org](http://www.chambermusicmontereybay.org) or (831) 625-2212

## Voices of Freedom arise

**WHAT:** Youth Music Monterey presents its annual showcase, featuring Concerto Competition winner Ben Dorsey (right)  
**WHEN:** 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27  
**WHERE:** Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel  
**COST:** \$5 student, \$8 senior, \$10 adult and \$30 dress circle  
**INFO/RESERVATIONS:** (831) 375-1992



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The Joe Gransden Quartet will appear at the next "Black-Hawk Live" concert, an ongoing series presented at the Jazz and Blues Company. For reservations, call (831) 624-6431.  
 The quartet can be heard at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12. The Jazz and Blues Company is headquartered in the Eastwood Building, San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel.



## Los Lobos play acoustic date

**WHAT:** Los Lobos will play new arrangements of their best-loved tunes as well as Latin folkloric music  
**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Thursday, March 3  
**WHERE:** Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel  
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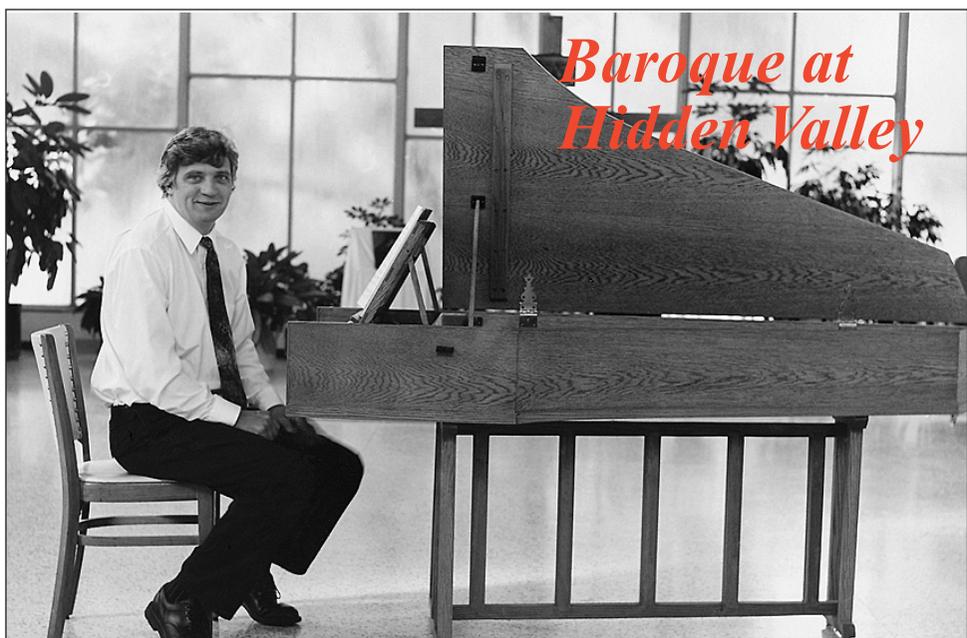
**WHAT:** Conrad Selvig directs the MPC Players staging of Edward Albee's "The Goat or Who is Sylvia?" The cast features, from left, Jeffrey Thompson, Tim Snyder, Michele Savage and Richard Boynton. It contains strong language and adult sexual themes.

**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 5 p.m. Sundays through March 20

**WHERE:** Carl Cherry Center, Fourth and Guadalupe, Carmel-by-the-Sea

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**WHAT:** Trevor Stephenson (above), harpsichordist, along with Stacey Pelinka, baroque flute, and Joanna Blendulf, viola da gamba, comprise the Cordelia Trio. They will play works by Bach and Blavet; discuss their instruments and Stephenson will speak on "From Chant to Bach to Jazz"

**WHEN:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 2

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*The Swingle Singers*  
Presented by Performance Carmel  
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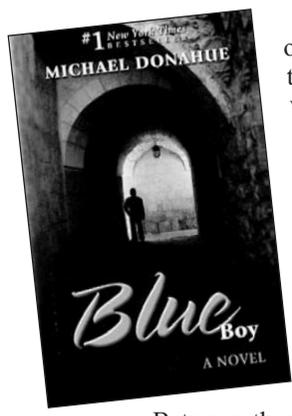
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# Madman's world goes completely blue in new novel

ANOTHER PACIFIC Grove mystery writer has emerged — with two suspense novels set in Monterey County, both with homicide detectives Jim Marks and Justin Nickles, and Jeanette Jamieson, a young psychiatrist, as protagonists.

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Between them, detectives Marks and Nickles and psychiatrist Jamieson work toward a solution until Blue Boy gets his just deserts.

In the second book, “Purple Hayes,” commences with the death of a Monterey narcotics task force member, and once again the trio of “Blue Boy” unite to pursue the killer through the ruthless, vicious world of methamphetamines.

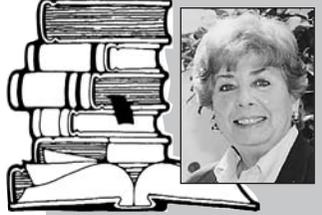
Both books keep the reader in suspense until a satisfying

denouement is arrived at.

Author Donahue was a criminal and personal injury attorney for almost two decades, and over time he became personally acquainted with all phases of the criminal justice system. His books are well plotted, hold the reader's attention, and have a ring of verisimilitude. Ask for them at your nearest booksellers. You can count on some hair-raising evenings that will keep you on the edge of your chair. Both softcover books are about 290 pages and published by Life Publishers, which is sponsored by Health Communications, Inc.

## The Bookshelf

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS



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**THURS - MAR 10**

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**CARMEL WOMAN'S CLUB PRESENTS “ST. PATRICK'S DAY WITH BOBBY.”** Bobby Phillips, musician, pianist, composer and entertainer, will perform at 2 p.m. Monday, March 7, at the Carmel Woman's Club, Ninth and San Carlos, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Join us in this exciting program celebrating the “wearing of the green.” Tea and

sandwiches will be served following the meeting. The public is invited to attend; admission is \$3. Call (831) 622-7412 for additional information.

**KNIGHT FELLOWS TO DISCUSS GLOBALIZATION:** Former Monterey journalist Susan Ferriss joins three other journalists who were Knight Fellows from Stanford at a panel discussion and luncheon of the World Affairs Council Saturday, March 12, at the Elks Lodge in Monterey. The international journalists will discuss globalization and its impact on their countries. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with lunch at 1 p.m. Panels are free; lunch costs \$28 for members and \$30 for nonmembers. Please call (831) 643-1855 to reserve, either for panels or lunch.

**GUITARIST-SINGER-COMPOSER LEO KOTKKE** will perform a solo concert at the Sunset Center in Carmel at 8 on Saturday evening, March 26. This concert, which marks Mr. Kottke's first visit to Carmel in more than a decade, is presented by UpWest Arts. Leo Kottke will perform one show only. Tickets are available from the Sunset Center box office at (831) 620-2048. For more information about Leo Kottke, visit his website at [leokottke.com](http://leokottke.com). For more information about this event, e-mail: [upwest@olympus.net](mailto:upwest@olympus.net).

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# AMUSE BOUCHE

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chefs. Legendre was for 18 years chef at the celebrated Taillevent in Paris, and then moved to Le Cinq restaurant in the Four Seasons Hotel George V, Paris. Other guests of Schoendorf included **Alex and Sybilla Balkanski** of Big Sur, **Joe Golden**, London wine expert, and **Mesdames Boyer and Legendre**.



Chefs Paul Bocuse and Bert Cutino

**L'ABBAYE DE Collonges au Mont d'or**, the restaurant owned by acclaimed French culinary master, **Chef Paul Bocuse**, was the scene of the 2005 "Diner d'Hiver" in Lyon, France. Honored at the event was Monterey's Sardine Factory cofounder, COO **Bert Cutino**, who was awarded the red sash with small copper pot by Les Amis d'Escoffier Society of Chicago. The sash was bestowed by Bocuse. The inductees were honored for their support and achievements accomplished for the profession in promoting the culinary arts and education — as well as for their own artistry in the profession. Chef Cutino is a Certified Executive Chef, Conseiller des Professionnels National of the Chaîne and past chairman of the Academy of Chef's 1995 - 1999. Dinner followed in the Bocuse restaurant.



MORE NEWS from Highlands Inn, Park Hyatt Carmel: **Niel Piferoen** has been named the new pastry chef and will be in charge of the day-to-day pastry operations of the hotel's Pacific's Edge restaurant. Piferoen commenced his new position just before the Masters of Food and Wine event,



PHOTO/PATRICK TREGENZA

Chef Bradley Ogden of the injured, bandaged hand.

a harrowing but exhilarating experience, to be sure. He left Brugge, Belgium, where he graduated from the Baker and Pastry School Ter Groene Poorte, to become the assistant pastry chef at the Nations Bank executive dining room in Washington, D.C., and also in a like capacity at Michel Richard's Citronelle there. Following that, he was with the Ritz-Carlton Reynolds Plantation and Red Sage restaurants, and instructor at the International School of Confectionary Arts in Gaithersburg, Maryland. In 2003 Piferoen returned to his native Belgium to serve as pastry chef of De Karmeliet, a Michelin Three Star restaurant in Brugge. He returned to the states to open as pastry chef for Restaurant Eve in Alexandria, Va., and after that joined Highlands Inn just in time to be sous chef at **Chef Bradley Ogden's** cooking demonstration at the Masters of Food & Wine.



WHICH BRINGS us the unfortunate incident of **Chef Ogden** breaking two bones in his hand the week of the Masters of Food & Wine. He climbed up on the cooking demo dais with his right hand and wrist in a cast. But not to worry, he had his teammates, **Chef Gerald** and **Chef Ryan** with him (they work in two of his eight Lark Creek Restaurant Group establishments). Gerald and Ryan whipped and stirred the ingredients for a trio of Maytag blue cheese soufflés as Ogden took the mystery out of soufflé making, giving us cooking hints: • When making a roux, add *cold* milk to the butter and flour. • No dish should be one dimensional; his "taste template" is — acid, crunch, softness, color and clarity. • When giving a dinner party, he bakes the miniature

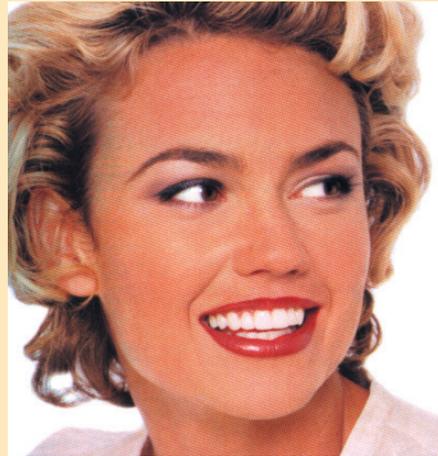
soufflés twice; once the day before, and again just before they are to be served, browning them nicely. • All his restaurant chefs are instructed to *toast* peppercorns before grinding them.

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# LEIDIG

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and doing hair to help support the family; she dropped out of high school her junior year to work full time.

"I lost my whole childhood, actually," she said. At 20, she had a son, Lee, and in 1973, she left his father and moved west with her mother. While working at the Buckeye restaurant in Carmel Valley Village, she met Ted Leidig, then a part owner and bartender. They married in 1974, and lived with Lee in a run-down studio in the village.

In 1976, when their daughter, Dana, was born, Ilona Leidig said she noticed her husband's moods changing. When he was hyper, she described him as the "Energizer Bunny," and when he became depressed, she said, "He wasn't himself; he would get really quiet."

Ted Leidig has been on medication for bipolar disorder since he was diagnosed in 1981. His former wife said he continued to display erratic behavior, mostly in his business dealings, despite the medication. She said he bought items they could not afford and engaged in "one quick-rich scheme after another."

"I never had any say in what Ted could buy or not buy," she said, adding that he wanted her to be a stay-at-home mother for Lee and Dana while he ran the business. He had an inheritance from his family, she said. "It was his money."

Friends noted her husband driving female employees downtown, she said. "Ted had a big reputation as a big flirt."

## Heart attack led to affair

She said health scares also changed him. First, he suffered a heart attack in 1985 — "Ted wouldn't be here if I hadn't taken him to the hospital," she pointed out. He underwent open-heart surgery in 1999 and lost eight units of blood internally due to a bleeding ulcer a few months later.

"There were a lot of changes after that," she said. "He wanted a rebirth. He almost died and wanted another chance."

He wanted to fit all these other things into his life."

He met Laurie Sellars through his work that same year, and a few days before Christmas, an anonymous caller told Ilona Leidig her husband was having an affair, she said. She confronted him and they spent eight hours talking about it, though he denied any romantic involvement.

"I had no idea. I had absolutely no idea he was seeing anybody," she said, struggling with tears and testifying that the news sent her to bed for two months. "My whole world just caved in."

But he promised not to see Sellars anymore, she said. "He made that very clear."

Ilona remained suspicious. "I knew he was still seeing her," she said. "There were signs, but he wouldn't admit it."

Recounting the years, she said "he just acted very sneaky" in 2001. She would accuse him of seeing Sellars, and he would say she had left the area and he didn't know where she was.

"Ted is a very good liar, and I'm the kind of person who would believe him," she said. "I loved him, and he convinced me that what he would tell me was the truth. I was in denial, too. I didn't want my marriage to end."

In 2002, she was preoccupied with the ongoing remodeling at the Village Lane home they had bought in 1999, and Rosen suggested Ted Leidig used that to keep her busy and unaware of his ongoing affair. She also said he began leaving earlier than usual for work; she later learned he was stopping at Sellars' home every morning.

In the first half of 2003, he began drinking heavily, she said. That summer, Ilona found an envelope addressed to her containing Sellars' Community Bank business card.

"As soon as I saw that, I thought, 'Yep, she's always been here and wants me to know she's here,'" Ilona Leidig said. "It was almost not even a shock."

In June 2003, Ted Leidig packed up and told her he needed time away to think about their marriage.

When they met at Monterey airport June 28 to send Dana to Europe for a few weeks, neither parent shared their troubles with her.

"Ted would not tell her anything," Ilona Leidig said. "He's a coward. We met at the airport, pretended everything was fine, and we put her on the plane."

On July 4, he returned to Village Lane. "He said, 'We need to work on some things, but we need to stay together,'" Ilona recounted, citing family and their new home as the reasons. They discussed getting counseling.

But after an unpleasant trip with their grandchildren to visit Dana at Disneyland, he left again.

Her testimony for the day ended at that point more than six months before the Feb. 19 argument and Feb. 20 shooting, which Rosen has characterized as self defense. She is set to take the stand again Friday afternoon.

## Former mistress testifies

The previous day, after prosecutor Angela McNulty finished calling witnesses, Rosen launched into his defense. He called the former Laurie Sellars (who married Ted Leidig last month and has taken his name) and her former on-again-off-again boyfriend, Peter Lopez, as well as Ilona Leidig's friend, Carmen Ajan; her sister, Deborah Maxson; and her mother, Vera Simone.

Laurie Leidig told of her long-term affair with Ted Leidig

that led to her 2003 pregnancy and a marriage proposal from him following his filing for divorce that September. They periodically lived together and took a Caribbean cruise in October 2003, but from mid-January until the Feb. 20 shooting, Ted Leidig had been living with his wife again and attempting to salvage his relationship with their daughter.

Though Rosen suggested otherwise, Laurie Leidig insisted she was never afraid of her lover — even when he was upset by the fact that she had been dating Peter Lopez — and that he never insulted or berated her.

E-mails and calls to Lopez in which she mentioned fear pertained to Ted Leidig's health and happiness or her own lack of security — not fear of the man himself, she testified. Also diagnosed with bipolar disorder, Laurie Leidig said she could not take drugs while pregnant, making her very emotional and depressed at the time.

"I loved Ted, and I wanted him to be with me because it was right and the right time to be with me — not spending the time with me guilt-ridden and punishing himself."

But Lopez testified that his former girlfriend frequently said she feared Ted Leidig and complained of his verbal abuse. Lopez changed the lock on her Carmel Valley Village home at her request in August 2003 during one of her breakups with Ted Leidig, and he said they spent the night together following verbal altercations between her and Ted Leidig.

## Witnesses saw bruises

Other witnesses said they saw bruises on Ilona Leidig in the months before the shooting. John Tomkinson, a handyman for Ted Leidig for the past decade, told the court she had shown him bruises on her wrists and shoulder/collarbone area one day while he was working at their Village Lane home. He advised her to tell her mother or daughter, as well as the police.

After receiving a subpoena to testify for the defense, Tomkinson said Ted Leidig was upset with him for telling what he had seen, though they still work together. He said there was a feeling among others working for Ted Leidig that no one should talk to the defense.

Simone, Ilona Leidig's 77-year-old mother, said she spied bruises on her daughter on four or five occasions.

And while she could not testify about what Ilona Leidig said in their frequent phone conversations, Maxson said, "I told her to call the police. Numerous times, I told her. I could see physical changes in her, through pictures sent to me at home. She was getting thinner. She sounded very depressed."

Carmen Ajan, ex-wife of one of Ted Leidig's restaurant partners, Csaba Ajan, said she has known Ilona Leidig for a quarter century but admitted she has not seen much of her in the last five years. Ajan described her friend as growing more sad, quiet and introverted, and she described Ted as showy with his money and overbearing, insisting on having the last word in any discussion.

"He was not honest with his morals or his business," Ajan said.

Ilona Leidig's testimony is set to resume at 1 p.m. Feb. 25, and Rosen is expected to call a witness who will tell the court about symptoms of battered woman's syndrome but is forbidden from concluding whether Ilona Leidig was suffering symptoms of it at the time of the shooting.



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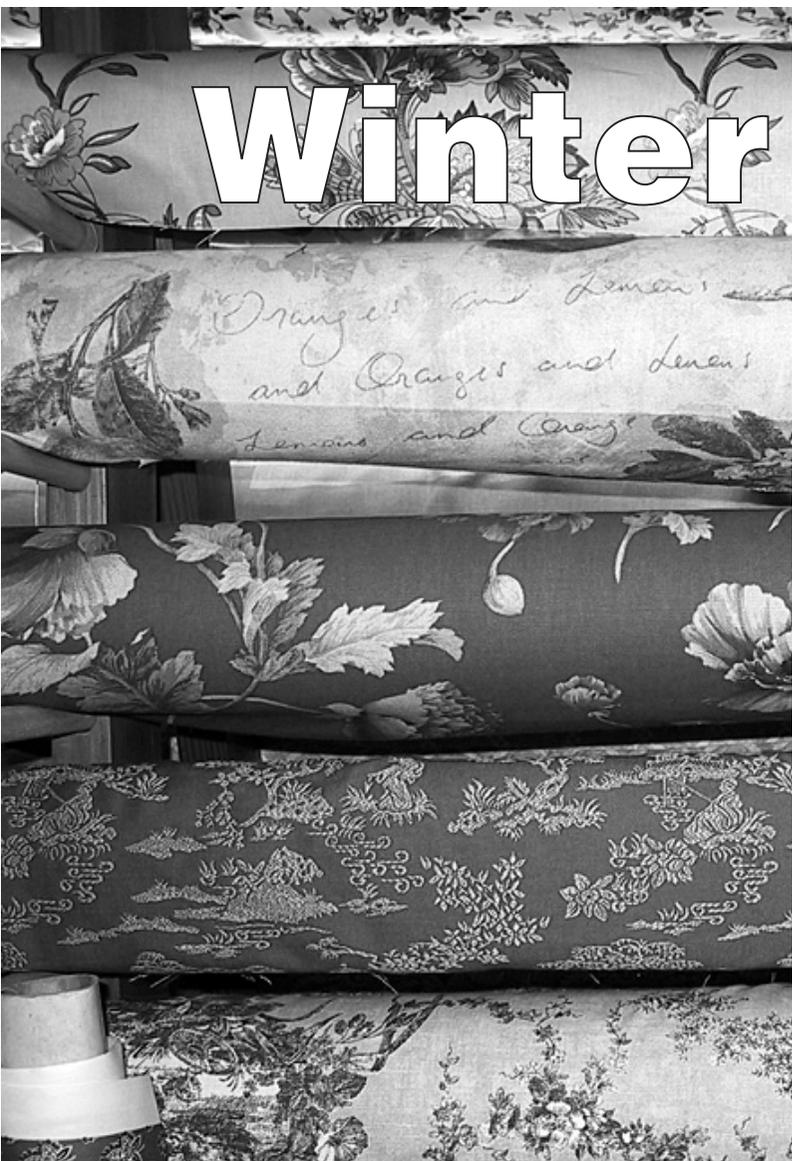
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A "celebration of life" memorial service will take place Saturday, March 5, for **ELIZABETH (BETTY) M. BROWN**, of Carmel, who died Feb. 7. She was 82.



A native of Chicago, she grew up in the small, rural town of Bangor, Mich. She joined the U.S. Navy and moved to Washington, D.C., where she met her future husband, Eugene Roger Steuart, Jr. of Monkton, Md. Married in 1944 in Monkton, the couple went on to raise two daughters, until 1962, when Mr. Steuart was killed in a car accident at the age of 42.

Ten years later, she met and married Thomas E. Brown of Towson, Md. She moved with her new husband to Ocean City, Md., and was employed by the Taustin Corporation, becoming not only an invaluable secretary to Mr. Taustin, but a most trusted friend of the entire Taustin family. Widowed again in 1977, Mrs. Brown returned to Bangor to care for her mother and embark on a 16-year career as the assistant to the superintendent of the Bangor School District.

When she moved to Carmel in 1996 in order to be closer to her California family, she tended her longtime friendships from a distance but also quickly opened her heart to her new community. In the last eight years of her life, she worked in the office of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, served on the vestry and sang in the choir. She volunteered at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and was a member of the Carmel Foundation. She fulfilled a life-long dream when she traveled to the Holy Land in October 2000.

Mrs. Brown is survived by two daughters, Susan C. Tanner of San Francisco and Mary S. Poland of Carmel; a grandson, Austin S. Poland, and great-grandson, Tyler Kelly Poland of Santa Cruz; granddaughter, Ashleigh C. Poland of Carmel; her sister, Barbara Kruger and family in Michigan. The memorial service will begin at 2:30 p.m. March 5 at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Carmel Valley. Memorials in her name may be sent to

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 101, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

**BETH FREIERMUTH WAGNER**, a Watsonville native, died Feb. 9 at her Pebble Beach residence just eight days short of her 94th birthday.



Born to a pioneer Watsonville family, she was descended from P.J. Freiermuth, who migrated from Germany. She was a 1929 graduate of Watsonville High School and earned her bachelor's degree and teacher's credential from San Jose State College. Before her marriage, she was a P.E. teacher at Watsonville High School.

Mrs. Wagner loved the outdoors, camping and hiking with her family, and hunting and fishing with her husband. She was active in all the parishes to which she belonged, including Holy Cross Church in Santa Cruz and St. John's Church in Felton. She taught religion classes, played the organ, sang in the choir and became a member of the Altar Society.

Living in Pebble Beach for the last 18 years, she was a member of St. Angela's Church, Catholic Daughters of America, the Secular Franciscan Order and Holy Cross Fraternity, and she was a Dame of Malta.

Mrs. Wagner is survived by George, her husband of 67 years; her children, Arthur of San Jose, Terese Abbott of Connecticut, Phil of Santa Cruz and Tom of Felton; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Any contributions may be made in the form of spiritual bouquets for Beth.

**HELEN K. CARTER**, nee Watson, a native of Beatrice, Neb., died Feb. 16. She was 97.



Mrs. Carter and her husband, Col. Leonard F. Carter, U.S.A.F. (ret.), spent a number of years in Europe and shared many happy years on the Monterey

Peninsula. They were both active members of the Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

Mrs. Carter is survived by her son, Col. Leonard E., U.S.A. (ret.); three granddaughters and eight great-grandchildren. Her sister, Sibyl Hilliard, and two nephews reside in the Santa Barbara area.

The family requests that any memorials go to the donor's favorite charity.

**JOSEPHINE (JODY) RAN-DLE SHINER**, 85, of Carmel, died Feb. 17.



She was born in Rogersville, Mo., on Nov. 19, 1919.

Mrs. Shiner is survived by her sons, Randy of Carmel and Dan of Yakima, Wash.; and her grandchildren, Terri Brezette, Jennie Smets and Jeff, all of Texas.

**JOHN ALBERT CLANCY**, a Carmel resident for more than 50 years, died Feb. 18 at age 85.

A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, he was a graduate of Wabash College in Indianapolis, Ind., with a B.S. degree, and

was a member of Beta Theta Pi. Mr. Clancy attended graduate school at Stanford University.

He was a member of the Monterey Rotary Club, Monterey Peninsula Country Club and the Beach and Tennis Club in Pebble Beach, and he was past president of the Navy League.

Mr. Clancy was an investment broker for 50 years and retired in 1982 as vice president of Paine-Webber in Monterey.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Jean Johnson, and a grandson, John Wells.

Mr. Clancy is survived by his wife, Joan of Carmel; son John of Colorado; stepsons William Godwin of Sebastapol and Michael of Santa Barbara; daughters Pamela of Carmel and Cathleen Wells of Petaluma; several grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

His **memorial service** will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at All Saints Episcopal Church, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

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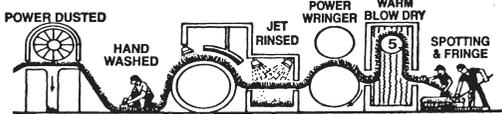
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Tom Williams, 2004 CCC President  
*"What's good for business is good for Carmel"*

### Vote "NO" on TOT measure

On January 27, the Carmel Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors voted unanimously to not support the current measure to raise the TOT in Carmel. We invite you to stand with us to defeat this measure. The following is our official position:

The Carmel Chamber of Commerce, with over 500 member businesses and representing every hotel and inn in Carmel, is opposed to the increase in the Transient Occupancy Tax, the tax on each room stay in any hotel in Carmel. The measure ignores the needs of the hotel and inns industry and is detrimental to their livelihood. As presented, the measure specifies exactly where and how the increased revenue will be spent. As the duly elected officials of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, the city council should be able to make those allocations predicated on its knowledge of the needs of the community at large, not one special interest group. Should the current measure be defeated, the Chamber and its over 500 member businesses, is prepared to work very closely with the city council to determine how best to create new revenue. We are not opposed to an increase in the TOT per se but insist the money raised be managed by the city council.

The Carmel Chamber of Commerce, through its visitor center on San Carlos, serves over 300,000 people per year in person, on the phone, or on the website. During 2005, we are spending \$ 50,000 to create a new, accessible, visitor center on San Carlos. We believe a larger portion of any money raised by an increase in the TOT be used to market and promote Carmel-by-the-Sea. Since the money comes directly from the tourist industry it makes good business sense to direct a larger portion of that money back. In this way the community at large and business will both benefit by increased tourism and more friends to our community. All of which will raise more funds through sales tax and TOT.

Maria Murray  
 Chairperson of the Board, Carmel Chamber of Commerce  
 Tom Williams, Past Chair, Carmel Chamber of Commerce  
 Maria Murray can be reached at (831) 622-9304 or mariamurray1@hotmail.com.  
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## AT&T SHUTTLE SUCCESS

Once again, the Carmel Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Carmel Innkeepers Association ran buses from Carmel to the AT&T tournament Thursday through Sunday of the famous golf week. By all counts it was a great success. Over 900 people were moved on Saturday alone! There were people everywhere; watching golf, shopping, dining and just having a great time. The shuttle service provided to visitors is a great service provided to the business community that takes a lot of time and effort by the inkeepers, chamber staff and an incredible amount of dedicated volunteers. Thanks go out to the chair and co-chair, John Elford of Carmel Mission Inn and Craig Anapol of Alain Pinel Realty, bus sponsors Alain Pinel Realty, Carmel Mission Inn, Keller Williams Realty, and Rio Grill. Other folks that braved the weather and early morning hours were MaryJo Harr, Adobe Inn; Maria Murray, Buon Girono Bakery Café; Ryan Kelly, Carmel Bistro; Cathy Lewis, Carriage House Inn; Patty Brower, Chateau Julien; Holly Stock, Forest Theater Guild; John Havales, Horizon Inn; Lee Murphy, Pink Wasabi; Phil Giammanco, Pure Water; and Bob Harr, Tally Ho. Chamber volunteers included Lisa Budlong, Sam & Sharon Crino, Sona Dennis and civilian Lillian Lampi. Thank you to everyone for making this a successful and fun event for our visitors.

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- Mar 4-26 Pacific Repertory presents M. Butterfly, Golden Bough Theater, Carmel, 831-622-0100
- Mar 9 Carmel Chamber Mixer, 5:00-7:00pm, Southern Latitudes Wines, Lincoln btwn Ocean and 6th, Carmel, 831-624-2522
- Mar 10 Carmel Music Society Presents the Vienna Boys Choir, 8:00 p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel, 831-620-2040
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- Mar 12 Reiki Training, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m., Carmel Valley, 831-251-0045
- Mar 12 Lily Tomlin, 8:00p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel, 831-620-2040
- Mar 14-15 Monterey Symphony Concert V, Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel, 831-624-8511
- Mar 15-16 STOMP at Sunset Cultural Center, 8:00p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel, 831-620-2040
- Mar 16-24 Pacific Repertory presents "Stones in His Pockets", Circle Theatre, Carmel, 831-622-0100
- Mar 18 Mozart Society Presents Anja Strauss, Soprano, 8:00 p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel, 831-625-3637
- Mar 19 Lighting the Way Gala, Chateau Julien, Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, 831-455-6800
- Mar 23 The Swingle Singers, 8:00 p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, Carmel, 831-620-2040
- Mar 26 Breakfast with the Bunny & Eggstravaganza, 8:20 a.m., Devendorf Park, Carmel, 831-624-1255
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# EASTWOOD

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who is a favorite to win an Oscar Sunday night for his brilliant work on "Million Dollar Baby," adapted James Bradley's best-selling book, "Flags of Our Fathers," for Eastwood and his co-producer, Steven Spielberg.

"It's a very good script," Eastwood said. Now, the hard work of recreating one of the most complex battles of World War II begins. "The first thing is, how are we going to do it?"

Next month, Eastwood heads to Japan and Iwo Jima with some of his production staff to figure out how much of "Flags" can be shot on location, what scenes can be done in a sound stage, and what aspects of the complicated story will have to be digitally recreated.

"We'll have a cast of more than 100, but there's no way we'll be able to muster 880 ships, which is what the armada was when the invasion of Iwo Jima began."

While in Japan, he'll also be meeting with the son of Tadamichi Kuribayashi, Commanding General of the Imperial Japanese Army on Iwo Jima, whose orders were to defend the island to the death of every last man.

"They knew they weren't coming home," Eastwood said. "Iwo Jima was the first piece of Japanese real estate invaded by the American Army, and it was a critical stepping stone on the way to Tokyo."

More than 20,000 Japanese soldiers died defending Iwo Jima. American dead numbered 6,800 — in just 25 days.

"A lot of people made the ultimate sacrifice. And the men who made it back home were just told, 'Get over it' — it was a different deal from what we have today," Eastwood observed.

While his attention is on World War II, Hollywood is agog over the picture he released in December. But Eastwood's wife, Dina, said her husband doesn't relish being fawned over.

"He would rather have his fingernails torn off than walk down the red carpet again," she said. "I'm like everybody else — I want to see all the stars, what they're wearing, and say 'Hi' to people. But Clint would just as soon go in the back door."

Dina had her choice of more than 200 Armani gowns to wear to the Oscar awards show. But she chose the first one she put on.

"It's a heavy satin number, with a big rhinestone buckle, and as soon as I tried it on, I said, 'That's it!'"

Her husband will also wear Armani — and there's an important reason for their loyalty. The producer of "Million Dollar Baby," Jim Ruddy, is married to Wanda McDaniel Ruddy, a public relations exec for the famous designer.

Dina, famous around these parts for her down-to-earth demeanor — on the way to the Kennedy Center Awards dinner at the White House in 2000, she forgot her earrings and asked the chauffeur to pull over at the Rite Aid so she could run inside and buy a couple of rhinestone dangles — said her husband refuses to let her gel his hair or otherwise mess with his looks.

"A hair stylist from Warner Bros. will come over to our house right before the awards show, and she'll blow dry Clint's hair in the

right direction," Dina said. "And that's about it."

Eastwood's mother, Ruth Wood, and Dina's mother, Mary Lou Ruiz, will attend the ceremony. Dina said they're sure to have the best seats in the house.

"When we're at home, Clint is just a regular guy, but when we go to one of these events and I look at the seating chart, that's when I'm reminded how revered he is," Dina said.

Eastwood admitted he dreads the red-carpet walk. "The reporters always ask you the same question, 'How are you feeling?'"

Presumably the answer, "Like you're pulling my fingernails out," wouldn't fly at the Oscars.

"'Million Dollar Baby' was released nationwide in mid-January and it still enjoying a very strong box office, Eastwood said — not only because the critics loved it, but because audiences are so moved by it.

"According to some of the people at Warner Bros., it has the highest exit polling of any movie they've ever seen," Dina said.

But she didn't realize how good the movie was when it

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**Editorial**

# Whose water is it, anyway?

IMAGINE YOU own 20,000 acres of land that every year, on average, receive more than 30 inches of rain. That's 50,000 acre-feet of water, which is a tremendous amount — so large, it's more than three times the entire yearly supply allotted to everyone in Carmel Valley, Carmel, Pebble Beach, Big Sur, Pacific Grove, Monterey and Seaside.

Now imagine that you somehow managed to make it through the county's arduous permit process — even the California Environmental Quality Act didn't stop you — and you've got permits to build 350 homes on your land.

Each of those homes will need a water supply, of course. And, since they'll be built for rich people, they'll probably have plenty of bathrooms, and lots of landscaping, and maybe a swimming pool or hot tub. So let's assume that each house will use 2 acre feet of water per year, or 700 AF in all. Even though that's a lot for 350 houses, it's a minuscule amount compared to the water that Mother Nature reliably bestows on your land — just 1.4 percent of the rain that falls.

And that's not the whole story of the eventual water use on your 20,000 acres. Because the homes you're going to build will utilize much of their water on a lawn or a garden, it will return to the same watershed that was the rain's destination.

The bottom line: Hardly any of the water that falls on your land as rain will end up being "wasted" in the homes you build.

It's a different story downhill from your property. Down there, in Carmel Valley, almost 10,000 acre feet are drawn from the river every year for human use. And most of that ends up being transported out of the watershed. So when the pumps switch on along the Carmel River, sending precious H<sub>2</sub>O to Pacific Grove, Monterey or Seaside, the river loses. Big time.

It has suffered so much that one of the Carmel River's natives, the steelhead trout, has become a threatened species, according to federal wildlife officials. They're very concerned about the fish's survival. And the Endangered Species Act requires them to try to save it.

So what do these federal officials do? Do they lower the boom on the 100,000 people whose washing machines, showers and sprinklers have sucked the Carmel River dry? Do they so much as ask them to conserve?

Nope.

This imaginary situation is for real. The property is called Rancho San Carlos and, despite its tiny water use, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service sent a young lawyer to threaten county officials with prosecution for approving the final phase of the ranch's building permits. "Gall" and "arrogance" are not too harsh to describe their attitude. Last week, they again warned the board of supervisors of dire consequences if they let Rancho San Carlos proceed.

Once again, we see how foolish government officials can be, and how policies that are utterly devoid of common sense can be given the full weight and authority of a powerful federal agency.

# BATES



## Letters to the Editor

*'King George would have been proud'*

Dear Editor,

We Americans pride ourselves on being fair and just. We also believe people should pay their fair share. The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea has already found that those people we call "tourists" already pay more than their fair share of their costs to visit our village, amounting to some 65 percent of the revenue for our needs, far above their impact.

Now some citizens want to go further with this "taxation without representation." It may be only a 20-percent increase, but the amount is irrelevant. The principle is wrong and unfair. Our forefathers would be dumping tea at the very thought. Some of our citizens seem to think it's OK to further tax those who cannot speak for themselves. King George III would have been proud of you. Be an American and vote NO on the tax initiative.

Clay Berling, Carmel

*Why shouldn't visitors pay?*

Dear Editor,

Carmel's long tradition of high quality public services, quiet tree-lined streets, beautifully maintained parks and a dramatically gorgeous beach draw residents and businesses to our village. These benefits and the solitude that shape our quality of life also bring huge numbers of visitors. We must not continue to take the minimalist approach to our declining public services and defer the maintenance of our roads and civic buildings. We must not continue to downsize, rightsize or any other size. One size does not fit Carmel!

We must not continue to pay high-priced contractors to provide rubber-stamped, vanilla-coated services that don't take into account the fact that Carmel is not like Anytown, USA. City Hall's decision to outsource jobs and responsibilities may seem cheaper, but in the long run we lose our character, individuality and the very things that drew us and visitors here.

We must turn this village around by bringing back our lost public services and improving the quality of life that made Carmel a special place. Why shouldn't the visitors help pay for improvements so that city hall will stop downsizing and outsourcing our future.

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# LETTERS

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hotel tax from 10 percent to 12 percent.

Roger Fremier, Carmel

## Missing the obvious

Dear Editor,

In her letter to the editor in The Pine Cone, Feb. 18 Karen Brown missed an obvious point with her perplexity over the objection of the Carmel City Council and the Carmel Chamber of Commerce to Measure A's proposed increase of the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT). In the cities mentioned — Healdsburg, Napa, St. Helena, Calistoga and Sausalito — the extra money collected from TOT is earmarked for advertising, destination marketing and the support of their tourism industry. Measure A in Carmel offers the crumb of one-eighth of the 20 percent increase for marketing and tourism. The cities mentioned above invest many hundreds of thousands of dollars a year for destination marketing. Carmel, due in part to the reluctance of a few citizens to understand an investment in destination marketing is also an investment in the village of Carmel, spends less than \$100,000 a year.

The obvious point about the cities mentioned above is their commitment to destination marketing investment and an overwhelming desire to achieve the very best their villages can offer to their tourist friends.

Measure A, as written, has no sunset clause, does not allow the duly-elected city council to use its discretion in spending, and earmarks funds for city albatross properties that the electorate, in the recent election, wanted the council to sell. Join the more than 500 business owners of Carmel and the city council in defeating this flawed measure.

Tom Williams, Carmel

## Missed one!

Dear Editor,

As a proud parent, I have to note that your report on National Merit Finalists (Feb. 18) miscounted. There is at least an eleventh finalist from Monterey County, our son, Tyler Payne. Tyler is a senior at the Monterey Academy of Oceanographic Sciences (MAOS), a 300-student academy within Monterey High School. In addition to excelling in class, he is league champion in his weight class in wrestling and a long-time volunteer student guide at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. Tyler is applying to several eastern universities and University of California campuses for next year.

Bob Payne, Salinas

## Predominantly a Residential Community

Dear Editor,

As a member of Carmel Traffic Safety Commission since its creation two years ago, I have been approached by many of you expressing concerns about safety. The most numerous, by far, have been about speeding in residential areas.

In response, the TSC studied the matter over many months. Recently the TSC voted unanimously to recommend that the city council reduce speed limits in certain residential areas, specifically east of Junipero, both north and south of Ocean, as well as north of 5th Street. Alternatively, the council could expand the affected areas. Arterials, truck routes and divided streets would be excluded.

Carmel is many things — a small shopping village and business community. It is a place of extraordinary natural beauty and a destination for tourists worldwide. But above all, Carmel is a residential community. This deep-rooted commitment to maintaining the residential nature of our community dates back to the city's founders. In fact, directly above the Mayor's chair in Council Chambers is a resolution passed in 1929. It reads, "The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea is hereby determined to be primarily, essentially and predominantly a residential City. [Other uses should be] subordinate

# OSCARS

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was being shot at Warner Bros. in Burbank.

"Not until we were in the editing room at Mission Ranch, and I saw the first rough cut," she said. "There were two men in there and me, and we were all crying."

"It's a love story, and it becomes terribly dynamic," Eastwood said. He scoffed when asked about the mini-controversy over the film's alleged endorsement of euthanasia.

"I guess the people who said those things are entitled to their opinions, but I guess I'm entitled to my opinion that it was stupid," he said.

Eastwood, who will be 75 on May 31, said he's not at all nervous about Sunday night. Dina disagreed, saying she thinks he does feel some of the pressure of being at the center of such a huge event.

"But I am just excited," she said. "I've never been with him when he's won an Oscar, and this time I know he's going to win one. The question is, will he win them all?"

"Million Dollar Baby" has seven Academy Award nominations: Best Picture, Best Director (Eastwood), Best Actor (Eastwood), Best Actress (Hilary Swank), Best Supporting Actor (Morgan Freeman), Best Editing (Joel Cox) and Best Adapted Screenplay (Paul Haggis). The awards ceremony will be broadcast Sunday at 5 p.m. on ABC.

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We have all had to "jump" out of the way of careening autos and pickup trucks driven by people who seem to think Carmel's twisted, narrow, often bumpy residential streets are a fun place to enjoy some high-speed off-roading.

It is time to end this! Without a reduction in the posted speed limit in these areas, the police are powerless to remedy the problem. And now, with this recommendation from the Traffic Safety Commission waiting to be placed on the council's agenda, it is time for every citizen who feels in kind to call or write our elected officials or Public Safety Director George Rawson. Make your feelings known! Do not leave this to someone else! This opportunity may not come again, for a very long time!

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## By Margot Petit Nichols



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Nohea sports a Hawaiian name because Mom Marcia and brothers Rick and Marc were all born and lived in Hawaii for many years. In fact the Cross' four former dogs, all German shepherds, were given Hawaiian names too.

A year-and-a-half-ago, soon-to-be brother Rick saw Nohea's mug shot in an

SPCA newspaper advertisement, so he and Mom Marcia drove down immediately. "We went straight to her cage," Mom Marcia said, "because we wanted her. I fell in love with that face, those eyes that said, 'I'm here, and I'm waiting for you.'"

Nohea's long black fur highlighted with cinnamon, and complementary beige parts, are almost movie-star like. Coupled with her long ears, hazel eyes, and large, endearing paws, Nohea would stand out on any movie set.

Liking to be on the go, whether it's on

an outing to the beach or just going shopping, Nohea loves to ride in the car. When she sees Mom preparing to go out, she virtually jumps for joy, but when she's not permitted to go, she pulls a long face. When Mom returns, Nohea bears no grudge; she greets her with great affection.

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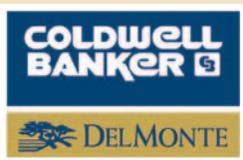


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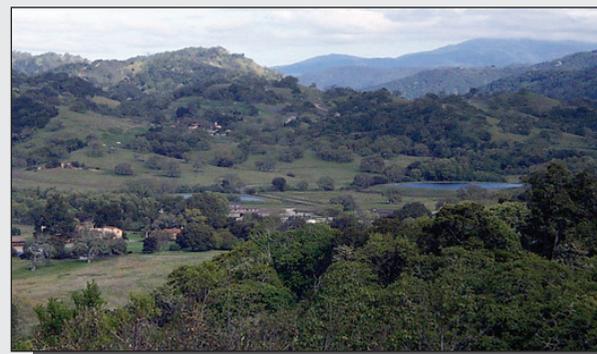
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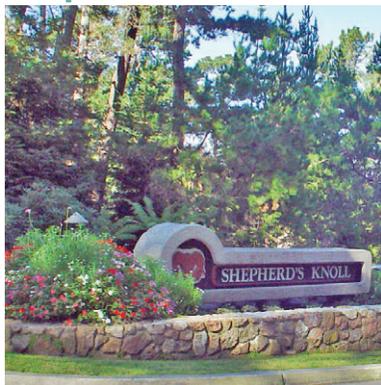
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**Sq. Ft.:** 5,900  
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# 2004 CONDO MARKET SMASHES 2003 RECORD



## House Talk

By Paul & Nellie Brocchini and Mark Ryan

TWO WEEKS ago, our column reported that Monterey Peninsula home sales smashed all records last year, reaching an astounding total sales volume of \$1.6 billion. And condo sales in 2004, it turns out, also set an all-time record of \$150,754,000, obliterating 2003's record-breaking sales volume of \$110,339,000. That was an increase in dollar volume of 36.7 percent in just one year.

### YEAR-END AND FOURTH QUARTER REPORT

#### Condos — Gross Dollar Volume

|                 | 2000       | 2001       | 2002       | 2003        | 2004        |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Carmel          | 4,172,000  | 9,914,000  | 7,446,000  | 15,322,500  | 17,398,000  |
| Carmel Valley   | 21,917,000 | 18,124,000 | 38,804,000 | 35,264,100  | 42,832,000  |
| Del Rey Oaks    | 2,327,000  | 1,896,000  | 4,010,000  | 3,937,500   | 5,554,000   |
| Marina          | 3,640,000  | 4,392,000  | 4,158,000  | 4,010,000   | 11,768,000  |
| Monterey        | 20,557,000 | 12,787,000 | 19,057,000 | 24,180,900  | 26,736,000  |
| Pacific Grove   | 5,891,000  | 8,031,000  | 7,209,000  | 7,628,500   | 15,062,000  |
| Pebble Beach    | 19,438,000 | 6,742,000  | 12,837,000 | 15,649,000  | 22,967,000  |
| Salinas Highway | 4,981,000  | 4,278,000  | 1,868,000  | 1,124,500   | 3,347,000   |
| Seaside         | 1,070,000  | 2,080,000  | 4,346,000  | 3,222,000   | 5,090,000   |
| Totals          | 83,993,000 | 68,244,000 | 99,735,000 | 110,339,000 | 150,754,000 |

#### Condo Sales — 2000 to 2004

|                  | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Carmel           | 10   | 16   | 19   | 26   | 26   |
| Carmel Valley    | 59   | 43   | 91   | 70   | 69   |
| Del Rey Oaks     | 8    | 6    | 13   | 11   | 13   |
| Marina           | 20   | 20   | 18   | 15   | 32   |
| Monterey         | 53   | 39   | 63   | 61   | 54   |
| Pacific Grove    | 14   | 17   | 15   | 16   | 24   |
| Pebble Beach (a) | 8    | 7    | 5    | 8    | 18   |
| Pebble Beach (b) | 6    | 1    | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Salinas Highway  | 15   | 13   | 5    | 3    | 6    |
| Seaside          | 4    | 8    | 14   | 10   | 11   |
| Total            | 197  | 170  | 247  | 224  | 257  |

(a) Sales under \$1 million (b) Sales over \$1 million

In 2003 — the first year in history that condominium sales topped \$100,000,000 — the gain over 2002 was just 10.6 percent.

2004 was something special. The most impressive dollar-volume gain was in Marina, where the one-year increase was 194 percent, going from \$4,010,000 to

an unprecedented \$11,768,000. The second-best gain was Pacific Grove, jumping from \$7,628,500 in 2003 to \$15,062,000 last year.

See *CONDOS* page 11B

#### Condos — Median Sales Price (dollars)

|                  | 2000      | 2001      | 2002      | 2003      | 2004      |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Carmel           | 382,500   | 485,000   | 490,000   | 539,000   | 647,500   |
| Carmel Valley    | 312,450   | 360,000   | 475,000   | 430,000   | 680,000   |
| Del Rey Oaks     | 307,000   | 332,500   | 314,000   | 365,000   | 435,000   |
| Marina           | 184,000   | 225,000   | 247,000   | 259,000   | 375,000   |
| Monterey         | 349,000   | 285,000   | 304,500   | 356,000   | 476,250   |
| Pacific Grove    | 422,500   | 425,000   | 450,000   | 499,500   | 603,500   |
| Pebble Beach (a) | 504,400   | 585,000   | 570,000   | 624,500   | 620,000   |
| Pebble Beach (b) | 2,289,000 | 2,800,000 | 2,225,000 | 2,670,000 | 3,000,000 |
| Salinas Hwy      | 291,000   | 315,000   | 384,000   | 335,000   | 570,000   |
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# Not-so-extreme makeovers can net homeowners top dollar

By RITA LEWIS  
Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty

EVERYWHERE YOU turn these days you can see homeowners renovating their property. Perhaps it's because of the historically low interest rates available right now. Or maybe it's all the home improvement shows on television. Or perhaps it's simply because home values have been soaring and people are investing in their most valuable asset. But whatever the reason, Monterey Peninsula homeowners are spending record amounts to improve their properties through additions and remodeling.

While property values over time are determined by many factors, the care and upkeep of a property is certainly a crucial element toward getting top dollar when it comes time to sell. But what is the right work to do in order to get the best return? Whether you are planning to add more rooms to create extra space, upgrade your kitchen with new appliances, or are just thinking of putting your home on the market, here are some home improvement tips that might increase the value of your home:

**Kitchen makeovers:** Out of all the rooms in the house, the kitchen is the most popular to remodel. According to Remodeling Magazine, money spent to upgrade a kitchen produces the highest return on investment. "Hot" kitchen makeover trends include adding dual sinks, cooking stations, extra-long dishwashers, under-cabinet lighting, warming ovens and wine coolers.

**Bathroom fixer-uppers:** Upgrading a bathroom is also a sound choice and will usually provide a significant return on investment. Large bathrooms are typically on the top of the list of priorities for those seeking to purchase a home. Adding skylights, glass block windows, ceiling fans and sunken whirlpool baths are also attractive selling features. If you don't have the room to expand or to accommodate larger appliances, or you don't think you'll be living in your home long enough to enjoy the changes and/or see a return on this kind of investment, stick with neutral, mid-builder-level updated cabinetry, refreshed flooring and shower/tub, or a new sink and toilet.

**Room to grow:** Adding a room or two, such as a spare bedroom or a study, is a significant home improvement that you will be able to take advantage of every day. In addition to the much-needed extra space, it can also potentially provide you with a good return on your investment when it comes to selling the property.

**Landscaping:** A professionally landscaped yard can certainly increase the "curb appeal" or desirability of a home. In

fact, beautifying your lawn can be one of the most inexpensive home improvements. Simple landscaping projects can also include trimming and edging the grass, manicuring the trees and shrubs to open up the view of the house, removing any dead plants and putting in flowers to brighten up the yard.



Rita Lewis

**Repair Jobs:** Many homeowners want to update and remodel their kitchen, but if the roof needs fixing or the chimney has to be reappointed, they should prioritize these necessary repairs over any cosmetic changes. This applies to both sellers and those who plan to stay in the home for years to come. These essential repairs must be taken care of before they cause the house to lose value. It is vital to look after the minor problems such as a leaky faucet or a loose cabinet to ensure that your house doesn't undergo any long-term damage. As soon as you notice a problem, fixing it will help avoid a larger expense later on.

**Cosmetic touch-ups:** A paint job, new double-paned windows and new carpeting will increase the price of a house virtually dollar-for-dollar. Neutral colored paint and eliminating clutter can make a world of difference. However, don't go overboard with

home improvement projects that will push a house too much above the current average value of homes in your neighborhood. It is important to make sure that your home has standards that are in line with the other houses in the neighborhood. But you do not want to price yourself out of the market.

**Home improvement professionals for hire:** Whether you need an architect, gardener, interior designer or contractor, it is always important to do a background check prior to

hiring a professional. Get references from family or friends and interview them — checking is critical. The most important quality to look for is trust, not initial price. Your local realtor can often provide homeowners referrals to home improvement professionals.

**Funding options:** There are a number of options for property owners looking to upgrade their homes, including a cash-out refinance, a home equity line of credit or a second mortgage. Contact your local bank, mortgage lender or realtor for current interest rates and mortgage prices, repayment options, and professional mortgage advice.

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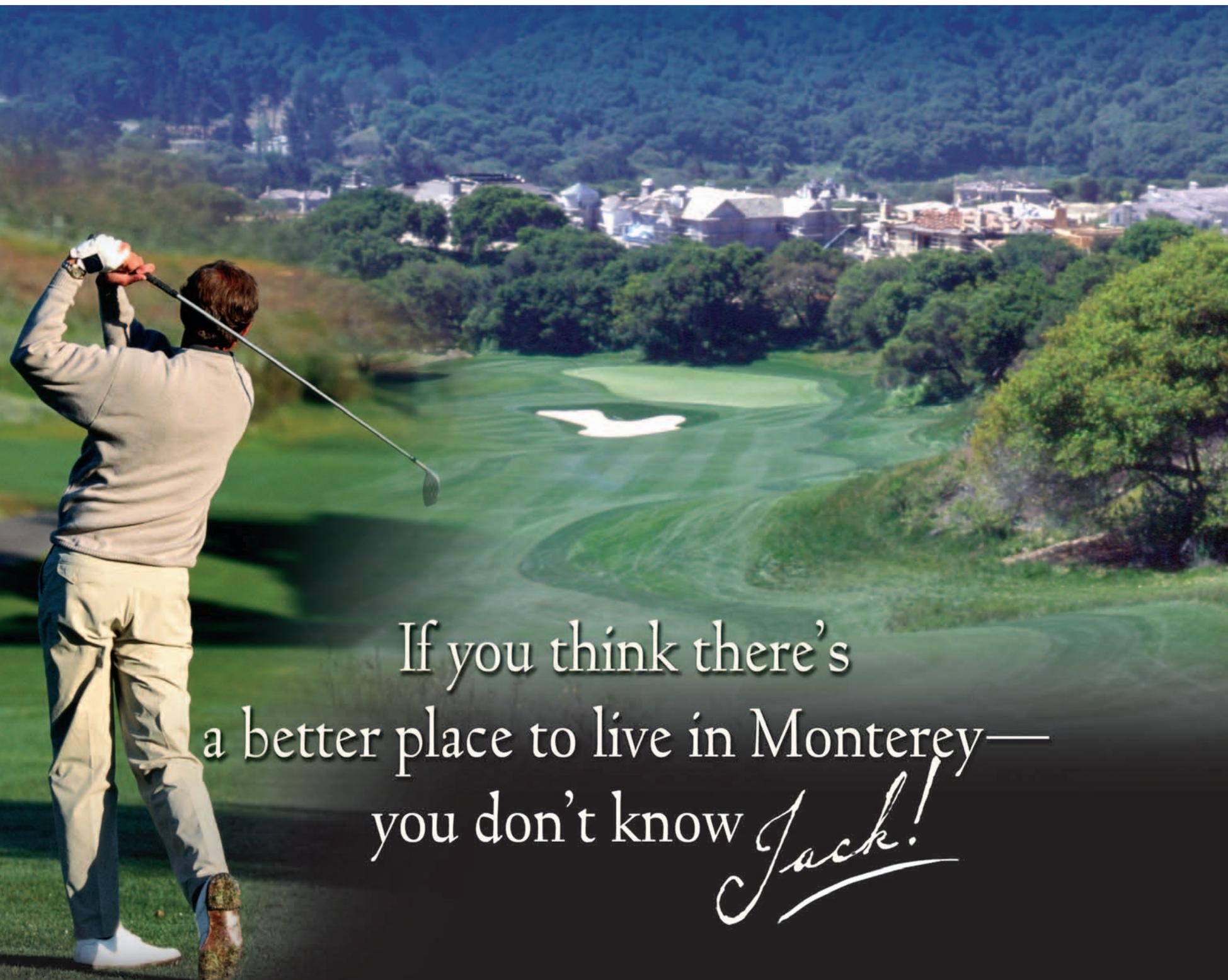
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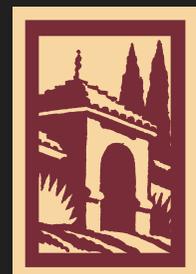


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## PRIETO

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a healthy paycheck — enough to buy a house in Southern California, according to his dad — for playing the game he loves. Certainly he's doing something right. Perhaps a second chance is possible. It's clear somebody out there believes in him.

Prieto's baseball resume reads like a minor league road map. Playing for the Rancho Cucamonga Quakes in the California League in early 1997, he set a team record with eight straight hits. Later the same year, Prieto hit .320 for the Bears of Mobile Bay, Alabama. He was named the team's Most Valuable Player and a Southern League all-star.

After stealing 25 bases for the Albuquerque Dukes in 2000, Prieto joined the Mexico City Red Devils late in the year and hit a sizzling .366. In 2001, he hit a career-high 19 home runs for the Las Vegas 51s and was chosen to play in the AAA all-star game. He was the starting centerfielder for the 2003 Pacific Coast League champion Sacramento River Cats. He led all PCL outfielders in fielding and did not commit an error in 260 chances. Last season, playing for the Memphis Redbirds, Prieto stole 28 bases, the fifth-highest total in AAA, the highest level of minor league baseball.

Prieto admits his game has limitations, but he believes he is good enough to play in the major leagues.

"I do everything well, but I don't do anything great," said Prieto. "You have to watch me for an entire season to see all the things I bring to the table that help my team win."

After playing a staggering total of 1,176 minor-league games, what motivates Prieto

to keep proving himself over and over again?

"It's all the people who told me I couldn't make it," said Prieto, who played Little League baseball in Carmel as a boy. "I've been told that I'm too small or I don't have enough power. It would mean a lot to me to play just one game in the major leagues. It would be a testament to my perseverance. I'd like to spend one day in a big league clubhouse. It would all be worthwhile just to put on a major league uniform."

And what if Prieto's dream of playing in The Show never comes true?

"Baseball is a tough game and you have to roll with the punches," said Prieto, who is married and lives in Fontana, California. "But I'll have no regrets."

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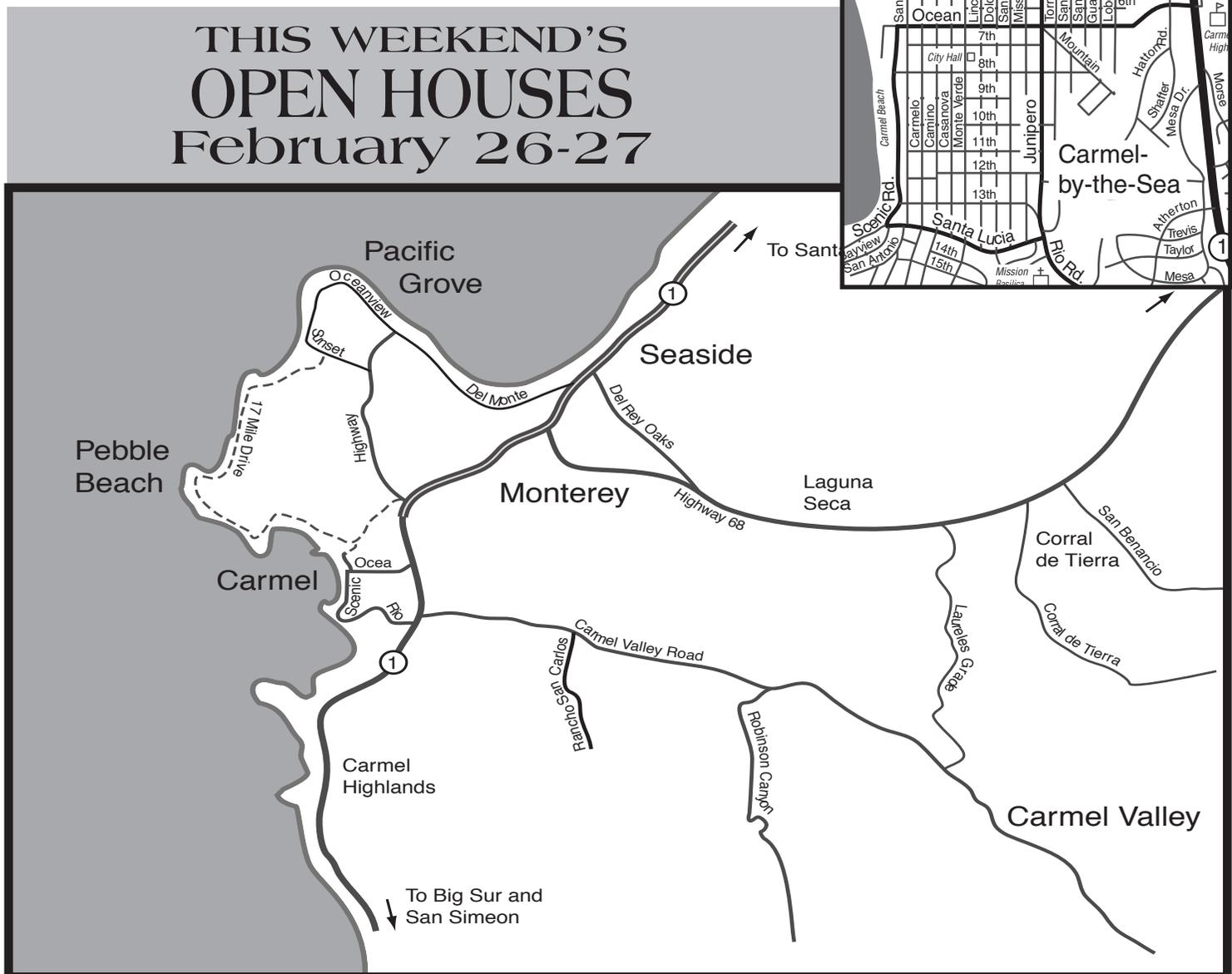
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| <b>\$5,195,000</b> 5bd 5.5ba<br>25434 Hatton Road<br>Alain Pinel Realtors           | <b>Su 1-4</b><br>Carmel<br>622-1040           |
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| <b>\$895,000</b> 4bd 2ba<br>134 Country Club Drive<br>The Mitchell Group             | <b>Sa 2-4 Su 1-3</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>659-2267  |
| <b>\$1,200,000</b> 4bd 3ba<br>9320 Los Prados Grande<br>Coldwell Banker Del Monte    | <b>Su 2-4</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>626-2221         |
| <b>\$1,315,000</b> 2bd 2.5ba<br>13390 Middle Canyon Road<br>The Mitchell Group       | <b>Su 2-4</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>659-2267         |
| <b>\$1,495,000</b> 4bd 3ba<br>7046 Valley Greens Circle<br>Burchell House Properties | <b>Su 1-4</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>624-6461         |
| <b>\$1,550,000</b> 4bd 3ba<br>125 El Caminito Road<br>Coldwell Banker Del Monte      | <b>Su 1-3</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>626-2223         |
| <b>\$1,995,000</b> 3bd 4ba<br>13370 Middle Canyon<br>Alain Pinel Realtors            | <b>Sa 1-4</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>622-1040         |
| <b>\$1,995,000</b> 3bd 2ba<br>7067 Valley Greens Circle<br>Coldwell Banker Del Monte | <b>Sa 11:30-2</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>626-2221     |
| <b>\$3,400,000</b> 4bd 4ba<br>75 E. Carmel Valley Road<br>Alain Pinel Realtors       | <b>Sa 1-3 Su 12-2</b><br>Carmel Valley<br>622-1040 |

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| <b>\$890,000</b> 3bd 2.5ba<br>147 Katerina Lane<br>AG Davi Real Estate | <b>Su 1-3</b><br>Marina<br>402-1932    |
| <b>\$910,000</b> 3bd 2.5ba<br>148 Katerina Lane<br>AG Davi Real Estate | <b>Su 1-3</b><br>Marina<br>402-1932    |

**MONTEREY**

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| <b>\$689,000</b> 2bd 1ba<br>1561 Withers Avenue<br>The Mitchell Group | <b>Su 11:30-1:30 &amp; 2-4</b><br>Monterey<br>646-2120 |
| <b>\$749,000</b> 3bd 1ba<br>263 Mar Vista Drive<br>The Mitchell Group | <b>Sa Su 1:30-4</b><br>Monterey<br>646-2120            |
| <b>\$849,000</b> 3ba 2ba<br>12 Skyline Crest<br>John Saar Properties  | <b>Su 1-3</b><br>Monterey<br>625-0500                  |
| <b>\$885,000</b> 3ba 1.5ba<br>238 Mar Vista<br>John Saar Properties   | <b>Sa Su 1-3</b><br>Monterey<br>625-0500               |
| <b>\$1,385,000</b> 4bd 2.5ba<br>455 Belden<br>Alain Pinel Realtors    | <b>Sa 1-4</b><br>Monterey<br>622-1040                  |
| <b>\$1,395,000</b> 3bd 2ba<br>514 Pine Street<br>The Mitchell Group   | <b>Su 2-4</b><br>Monterey<br>646-2120                  |
| <b>\$2,395,000</b> 4bd 3+ba<br>1099 Alta Mesa<br>The Mitchell Group   | <b>Sa 1-4</b><br>Monterey<br>646-2120                  |

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| <b>\$1,650,000</b> 4bd 3.5ba<br>19815 Spring Ridge Terrace<br>Alain Pinel Realtors     | <b>Sa Su 1-4</b><br>Mtry/Slns Hwy<br>622-1040 |
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| <b>\$1,795,000</b> 3bd 2.5ba<br>224 Madera Court<br>The Mitchell Group                 | <b>Su 2-4</b><br>Mtry/Slns Hwy<br>659-2267    |
| <b>\$2,595,000</b> 5bd 3.5ba<br>25564 Paseo de Cumbre<br>Alain Pinel Realtors          | <b>Sa 1-3:30</b><br>Mtry/Slns Hwy<br>622-1040 |
| <b>\$3,500,000</b> 4bd 5+ba<br>612 Bellavida<br>AG Davi Real Estate                    | <b>Su 2-4</b><br>Mtry/Slns Hwy<br>869-1578    |
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| <b>\$1,075,000</b> 4bd 2ba<br>112 6th Street<br>The Jones Group                | <b>Sa Su 2-4</b><br>Pacific Grove<br>655-5050      |
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| <b>\$2,600,000</b> 4bd 3ba<br>4054 El Bosque<br>Alain Pinel Realtors                       | <b>Sa 2-4</b><br>Pebble Beach<br>622-1040    |
| <b>\$3,495,000</b> 3bd 4.5ba<br>3978 Ronda Road<br>Alain Pinel Realtors                    | <b>Sa Su 1-4</b><br>Pebble Beach<br>622-1040 |
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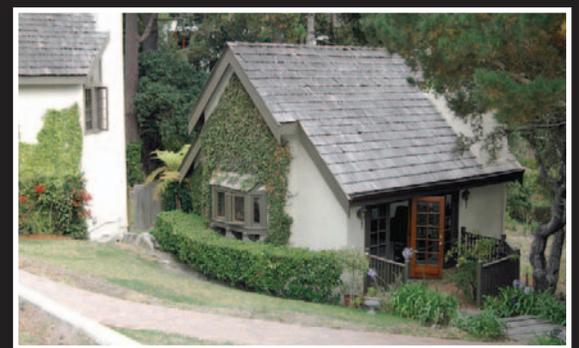
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- 119 "Oh yeah, that'll happen!"
- 120 April 1 baby
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- 2 Polish-born pianist Rubinstein
- 3 Land in ancient Rome
- 4 Passes
- 5 Author Roald
- 6 Supper table scrap
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- 12 Writer James and others
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- 14 Venue for this puzzle's theme
- 15 Jog
- 16 MGM Studios owner
- 18 Occupies
- 20 Livens (up)
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- 23 They're sung in joyful hymns
- 27 More apt to bite
- 29 Visit again
- 32 Andy of old comics
- 34 Light on Broadway
- 36 Louvre locale
- 37 "Funny Girl" composer Jule
- 38 New York's \_\_\_ Island
- 39 Cause a highway holdup?
- 40 Miss Congeniality she's not
- 42 "Look on the bright side ..."
- 43 Seventh heaven
- 45 Park activity
- 47 Cause for an appointment with a cardiologist
- 49 Numerical prefix
- 53 Erstwhile bloc letters
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- 63 PT boat officer: Abbr.
- 65 Stress test measure
- 66 More robust
- 68 1980's attorney general
- 69 Do-nothing
- 70 Combination of 55- and 64-Across
- 72 "Elektra" composer

- 75 End of the first decade in the Christian calendar
- 76 Increases greatly, as prices
- 77 Accordion-playing Zydeco band leader
- 78 Linens for a large bed
- 81 Advance
- 82 Off-the-cuff
- 84 Unloads

- 85 Like most cameos
- 86 Desire
- 89 Like a cat burglar
- 94 Hardens
- 95 One who's loose
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# CONDOS

From page 4B

The largest condo markets on the Peninsula, in terms of the number of units built, are Monterey and Carmel Valley. Monterey enjoyed a 10.5 percent gain in dollar volume, while the number of transactions fell a bit from 61 in 2003 to 54 in 2004. Carmel Valley was more robust with a 21-percent gain in dollar volume while recording one fewer transaction than in 2003.

## Prices continue toward stars

Prices registered strong gains again in 2004. All of the markets were up with the exception of the under-one-million-dollar price range in Pebble Beach that dropped a smidgen. The leaders were Salinas/Monterey Highway, up 70 percent; Carmel Valley, up 58 percent, and Seaside, up 53 percent.

Salinas/Monterey Highway also topped the five-year gain with an increase of 205 percent, followed by Marina, up 165 percent, and Carmel Valley, up 127 percent. Carmel showed the smallest gain, up 72 percent since 1999.

Also the number of days on the market declined in 2004, a reflection of strong

demand. Only Marina had a slight gain from 33 to 35 days. All the rest of the markets for which we have numbers had solid improvements. Carmel and Carmel Valley had huge changes going from 133 days to 77 and 153 to 84, respectively.

## Market Barometer

The Market Barometer measures the percentage of listings in escrow. On January 1 the Barometer measured 44 percent. A spot check on February 8 showed a slight softening to a reading of 39 percent. On that date 22 of the 56 listings were in escrow. However, 12 of the remaining 34 listings still available for buyers were in either Hacienda Carmel or Del Mesa Carmel — complexes that limit purchasers to those who are at least 55 years old. For the younger buyers, there still was not much choice.

It has been a sellers market for condos since mid-2002, and we expect it to continue this year.

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The charts are based in whole or in part on data supplied by the Monterey County

Association of Realtors' Multiple Listing Service (MLS). Neither the Association nor the MLS guarantees or is responsible for their accuracy. Data maintained by the Association or its MLS may not reflect all real estate activity in the market.

## Condo Sales by Quarter — Six Quarter Review

|                         | 3rd qtr. | 4th qtr. 2003 | 1st qtr. 2004 | 2nd qtr. 2004 | 3rd qtr. | 4th qtr. 2004 |
|-------------------------|----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------|---------------|
| <b>Carmel</b>           | 10       | 6             | 1             | 10            | 7        | 8             |
| <b>Carmel Valley</b>    | 22       | 14            | 21            | 25            | 8        | 15            |
| <b>Del Rey Oaks</b>     | 4        | 4             | 3             | 5             | 4        | 1             |
| <b>Marina</b>           | 5        | 2             | 4             | 8             | 14       | 6             |
| <b>Monterey</b>         | 19       | 12            | 12            | 23            | 13       | 6             |
| <b>Pacific Grove</b>    | 4        | 3             | 6             | 8             | 4        | 6             |
| <b>Pebble Beach (a)</b> | 4        | 1             | 3             | 6             | 7        | 2             |
| <b>Pebble Beach (b)</b> | 0        | 1             | 1             | 2             | 1        | 0             |
| <b>Salinas Highway</b>  | 1        | 0             | 1             | 3             | 0        | 2             |
| <b>Seaside</b>          | 5        | 2             | 1             | 2             | 4        | 4             |
| <b>Total</b>            | 74       | 45            | 53            | 92            | 62       | 50            |

(a) Sales under \$1 million (b) Sales over \$1 million

## Monterey Peninsula Condo Sales — Market Barometer

| Date     | escrow/ listings | % in escrow |
|----------|------------------|-------------|
| 1/1/05   | 19/43            | 44.2        |
| 10/1/04  | 28/57            | 49.1        |
| 6/30/04  | 34/63            | 54.0        |
| 4/1/04   | 42/72            | 58.3        |
| 1/1/04   | 26/70            | 37.1        |
| 10/1/03  | 42/97            | 43.3        |
| 7/10/03  | 38/119           | 31.9        |
| 4/1/03   | 32/115           | 27.8        |
| 1/1/03   | 21/87            | 24.1        |
| 10/1/02  | 27/112           | 24.1        |
| 7/1/02   | 34/124           | 27.4        |
| 4/1/02   | 26/109           | 23.9        |
| 1/1/02   | 15/85            | 17.7        |
| 10/1/01  | 21/108           | 19.4        |
| 7/1/01   | 21/110           | 19.1        |
| 4/1/01   | 14/56            | 25.0        |
| 1/1/01   | 31/61            | 51.0        |
| 10/1/00  | 22/55            | 40.0        |
| 7/1/00   | 31/67            | 46.3        |
| 4/1/00   | 30/44            | 68.2        |
| 1/1/00   | 20/31            | 64.5        |
| 10/1/99  | 21/55            | 38.2        |
| 7/1/99   | 26/52            | 50.0        |
| 4/1/99   | 25/54            | 46.3        |
| 1/1/99   | 33/50            | 66.7        |
| 10/13/98 | 39/63            | 61.9        |
| 7/1/98   | 50/98            | 51.0        |
| 4/1/98   | 57/99            | 57.6        |
| 1/1/98   | 30/70            | 42.9        |
| 10/1/97  | 60/141           | 42.6        |
| 7/1/97   | 45/151           | 29.8        |
| 4/2/97   | 26/118           | 22.0        |
| 12/15/96 | 39/155           | 25.2        |

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050154. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MONTEREY PENINSULA PROPERTIES**, 2959 Cormorant Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953. 2939 Cormorant Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93950. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 20, 2005. (s) Carina Dumont, Secretary/Officer. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 20, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC201)

## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M73015  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, REGINA CONSTANCE FAUL-DOYLE, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**A. Present name:** REGINA CONSTANCE FAUL-DOYLE  
**Proposed name:** REGINA CONSTANCE DOYLE

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: March 4, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Agujaito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Robert O'Farrell  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Jan. 24, 2005

Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC202)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050127. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **PORTOSAN**, 14 Spreckles Lane, Salinas, CA 93908. UNITED SITE SERVICES OF CALIFORNIA, 4511 North Rowland Ave., El Monte, CA 91731. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 3, 2004. (s) Ronald Parlangas, Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 18, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC203)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050124. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **RYAN RANCH PHYSICAL THERAPY**, #19 Upper Ragsdale, Monterey, CA 93940. **RYAN RANCH PHYSICAL THERAPY**, #19 Upper Ragsdale, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (s) Lydia Kramer, Office Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 18, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC204)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050120. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **PRO TRADES CONNECTION**, 11 W. Laurel Drive, Suite #123, Salinas, CA 93906. **LABOR CONNECTION, INC.**, 792 Meridian Way, Suite D, San Jose, CA 95125. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 1, 2004. (s) Charles E. Crow, Chief Financial Officer. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 18, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC205)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050142. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: (1) **CYPRESS CREEK**; (2) **CYPRESS CREEK APARTMENTS**, 162 Casentini Street, Salinas, CA 93913. **WOLFF CYPRESS CREEK I, LLC**, a California limited liability company, 8320 E. Hartford Dr., Ste. 101, Scottsdale, AZ 85255; **WOLFF CYPRESS CREEK II, LLC** a California limited liability company, 8320 E. Hartford Dr., Ste. 101, Scottsdale, AZ 85255; **WOLFF CYPRESS CREEK III, LLC** a California limited liability company, 8320 E. Hartford Dr., Ste. 101, Scottsdale, AZ 85255; **WOLFF CYPRESS CREEK IV, LLC** a California limited liability company, 8320 E. Hartford Dr., Ste. 101, Scottsdale, AZ 85255. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 10, 2004. (s) Frank T. Suryan, Jr., authorized agent. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 20, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC206)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050035. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **WEST COAST PHYSICAL THERAPY AND BALANCE CENTER**, 161 18th Street, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. **WEST COAST PHYSICAL THERAPY AND BALANCE CENTER INC.**, 161 18th Street, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 21, 2003. (s) Diedre Streonlia, Sec/President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of

Monterey County on Jan. 6, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC207)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050216. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BIG SUR GALLERY**, 26543 Carmel Rancho Blvd., Carmel, CA 93923. **ALICE MARIE RUSSELL**, 25410 Carmel Rancho Dr., Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 15, 2005. (s) Alice M. Russell. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 26, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC208)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050226. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **METICULOUS PERFECTION**, 16545 Twin Lakes Drive, Royal Oaks, CA 95076. **KRISTI WALTERS**, 16545 Twin Lakes Drive, Royal Oaks, CA 95076. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (s) Kristi Walters. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 27, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC209)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050251. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BAY AREA CHEM TECH-EXODUS T&P, INC.**, 592 El Camino Real, Salinas, CA 93907. **THE TERMINIX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**, 860 Ridge Lake Blvd., Memphis, TN 38120. This business is conducted by a limited partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 1, 2005. (s) Lawrence L. Mariano, III, Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 31, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC210)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050286. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTORS & SERVICES CO.**, 635 Williams Ave., Seaside, CA 93955. **TIMOTHY JOHN KOHLER**, 635 Williams Ave., Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (s) Timothy J. Kohler. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 3, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC211)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050215. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **THE ART OF CRUISING & TOURS**, 1693 Luzern Street, Seaside, CA 93955. **GLORIELA WILLIAMS**, 1693 Luzern Street, Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 20, 2005. (s) Gloriela Williams. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 26, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC212)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050299. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CALIFORNIA COASTLANDS.COM.**, Highway 1 at Big Sur, Big Sur, CA 93920. **NANCY SANDERS**, Highway 1 at Big Sur, Big Sur, CA 93920. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2002. (s) Nancy Sanders. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 18, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC213)

**SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso) M69562 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): FRANCESCA ROBERTS aka FRANCESCA KIM CEFALU aka FRANCESCA COPY ROBERTS aka FRANCESCA R. ROBERTS aka FRANCESCA K. ROBERTS aka FRANCESCA CEFALU aka FRANCESCA C. ROBERTS, FRANCISCA ROBERTS;**

**YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): WORLDWIDE ASSET PURCHASING, LLC**  
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons is served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

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attorney, you may call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesza por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/espanol/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/espanol/)), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas.

Hay otros requisitos legales Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, pueda llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/espanol/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/espanol/)) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es):

Superior Court of the State of California, for the County of Monterey-Monterey, "Limited Civil", 1200 Agujaito Rd., Monterey, CA 93940

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):  
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Law Office of Rory W. Clark, APLC, 5743 Corsa Avenue, Suite 215, Westlake Village, California 91362-6467 Telephone: (818) 707-2733  
Date (Fecha): April 22, 2004  
LISA M. GALDOS, Clerk (Secretario), by DEVDR K. DINEEN, Deputy (Adjunto)  
SEAL  
02/18/2005, 02/25/2005, 03/04/2005, 03/11/2005  
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CARMEL PINE CONE  
Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2005. (PC215)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050523. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **BANCORP ORGANIZATION & ASSOCIATION**, 26570 Rancho San Carlos Rd., Carmel, CA 93923. **GLENN RALPH CALLAHAN**, 26570 Rancho San Carlos Rd., Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an unincorporated association other than a partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 30, 2004. (s) Glenn R. Callahan. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 7, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC217)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050337. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CANNERY ROW DELICATESSEN**, 101 Drake Avenue, Monterey, CA 93940. **GRETCHEN NORENE GARLAND**, 240 Congress Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 7, 2005. (s) Gretchen N. Garland. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 8, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2005. (PC218)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050243. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **D's RELIABLE ROOFING**, 712 Ready Ct., Marina, Ca 93933. **DARREN RAY MACLIN**, 712 Ready Ct., Marina, CA 93933. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 28, 2005. (s) Darren Maclin. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 28, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2005. (PC220)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050186. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **ARTZ INK**, 15 1/2 El Potrero, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. **JOAN ARTZ**, 15 1/2 El Potrero, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 25, 2005. (s) Joan Artz. This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 24, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2005. (PC222)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050276. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CHINESE COMBO KING**, 642 Northridge Mall, Salinas, CA 93906. **J.W.C. EXP. INC.**, 642 Northridge Mall, Salinas, CA 93906. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2005. (s) Amy Chen, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 2, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2005. (PC2\_\_\_)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050391. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **FULL THROTTLE MARKETING**, 16 Ralston Drive, Monterey, CA 93940. **MOLLY CRANNELL**, 16 Ralston drive, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 1, 2005. (s) Molly Crannell. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 15, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2005. (PC223)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050378. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **IRENE'S HOUSE CLEANING SERVICE**, 347 Hillcrest Ave., Marina, CA 93933. **IRENE CARDENAS**, 357 Hillcrest Ave., Marina, CA 93933. **BENJAMIN CARDENAS**, 357 Hillcrest Ave., Marina, CA 93933. This business is conducted by co-partners. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (s) Irene Cardenas. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 14, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC224)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050236. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **OCEANSORG TEXTILES**, 24652 Pescadero Road, Carmel, CA 93923. **NANCY H. TRISSEL**, 24652 Pescadero Road, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 1, 2005. (s) Nancy H. Trissel. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 28, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC225)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050390. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE**, 2100 Garden Road, Suite 10, Building B, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE CORP., 538 Broadhollow Road, Melville, NY 11747. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on has not begun business. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ Alan Horn, Executive Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 02/15/2005. NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 02/25/2005, 03/04/2005, 03/11/2005, 03/18/2005  
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CARMEL PINE CONE  
Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC226)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, March 9, 2005. The public hearings will be opened at 4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Following a staff report on the project, the applicant and all interested members of the public will be allowed to speak or offer written testimony. Decisions to approve or deny the project may be appealed to the City Clerk by filing a written notice of appeal with the office of the City Clerk within ten (10) working days following the date of action by the Planning Commission and paying a \$265.00 appeal fee as established by the City Council. For those projects listed as appealable to the California Coastal Commission, appeals may be filed directly with the Coastal Commission for no fee, by filing a written notice of appeal with the Coastal Commission's Central Coast office in Santa Cruz. Such appeals must be filed within ten working days of the Coastal Commission's receipt of the City's Final Local Action Notice.**

If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you

may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission or the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

1. \*DS 04-182, VA 05-1 Susan Black  
W/s Dolores bet 11th & 12th Block 132, Lot 1 & 3  
Consideration of a Variance and Design Study (Final) application for an eave encroachment into the side yard setback and the substantial alteration of an existing residence.

2. UP 05-1  
Sharper Image  
N/W cor Ocean & San Carlos Block 71, Lot 2  
Consideration of a Conditional Use Permit application for the retail sale of multiple ancillary uses in the Central Commercial (CC) District.

3. DS 05-13, UP 05-2  
John & Marcia Nagel  
E/s Lincoln bet 3rd & 4th Block 33, Lot(s) pt 10 & 12  
Consideration of a Design Study (Concept & Final) application and an amendment to an existing Use Permit for the substantial alteration of an existing residence

\*Project is appealable to the California Coastal Commission

Date of Publication: February 25, 2005

**PLANNING COMMISSION City of Carmel-by-the-Sea (s) Rhonda Ragghianti Administrative Coordinator**  
Publication dates: Feb. 25, 2005. (PC227)

**SUMMONS – FAMILY LAW CASE NUMBER: DR 42852**

**NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: KIMBERLY S. RUELAS You are being sued.**

**PETITIONER'S NAME IS: JORGE RUELAS**

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this *Summons* and *Petition* are served on you to file a *Response* (form FL-120 or FL-123) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter or phone call will not protect you.

If you do not file your *Response* on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form.

If you want legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. You can get information about finding lawyers at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp/)), at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), or by contacting your local county bar association.

**NOTICE:** The restraining orders on page 2 are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgement is entered, or the court makes further orders. These orders are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

The name and address of the court is: **SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY MONTEREY 1200 Agujaito Road Monterey, CA 93940**

The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: **JORGE RUELAS 406 Tyler Place #K Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 444-8734 RONALD D. LANCE 11 W. Laurel Dr., Suite #205 Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 443-6509 Reg: #DA5 County: Monterey**

Notice to the person served: You are served as an individual.

Date: Jan. 14, 2005  
(s) Lisa M. Galdos, Clerk by I. Villanueva, Deputy  
Publication Dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC 228)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050383. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **TREEHOUSE REMODELING INC.**, 4145 Segunda Drive, Carmel, CA 93923. **DEREK LAWRENCE STEERE**, 4145 Segunda Drive, Carmel, CA 93923. **LAUREN DEE COHEN**, 4145 Segunda Drive, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a husband and wife. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2005. (s) Derek Steere. This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 15, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC229)

## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. M69574.  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, CEIRA O. CARDENAS, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: **A. Present name:** ISSAC C. CEJA **Proposed name:** ISSAC C. MEDINA

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: March 11, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Agujaito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Michael S. Fields  
Judge of the Superior Court  
Date filed: Feb. 8, 2005.

Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC230)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050400. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SILVER CLAY MONTEREY**, 734 Lottie Street, Monterey, CA 93940-2023. **NANCY EADIE LARKIN**, 734 Lottie Street, Monterey, CA 93940-2023. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (s) Nancy Eadie Larkin. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 16, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC231)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050443. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **RANCHO GAVILAN**, 7 Via Las Encinas, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. **RANCHO GAVILAN**, 7 Via Las Encinas, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1992. (s) George Kindersen. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 22, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC232)

## LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notification is hereby given that Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, 101 N. Phillips Avenue, Sioux Falls, Minnehaha County, SD 57104 has filed an application with the Comptroller of the Currency on February 25, 2005, as specified in 12 CFR 5 in the Comptroller's Manual for National Banks, for permission to establish (1) domestic branch at: 26611 Carmel Center Place, Carmel, Monterey County, CA 93923. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file comments in writing with the Licensing Manager for Large Bank Licensing, Comptroller of the Currency, 250 E Street SW, Mail Stop 7-13, Washington, DC 20219 within 30 days of the date of this publication. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file with the Deputy Comptroller as part of the public file. This file is available for public inspection during regular business hours. Publication dates: Feb. 25, 2005. (PC233)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050393. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MONTEREY PASTA COMPANY**, 1528 Moffett Street, Salinas, CA 93905. **MONTEREY GOURMET FOODS, INC.**, a Delaware corporation, 1528 Moffett Street, Salinas, CA 93905. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Aug. 11, 2004. (s) Scott Wheeler, CFO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 15, 2005. Publication dates: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2005. (PC234)

**NEW FAX NUMBER  
for Carmel Pine Cone  
LEGALS**

**375-5018**

# POLICE LOG

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they advised it was with the corporate office. There were two acoustic guitars and a microphone for the singers. It appeared to be a birthday celebration. The music ended during contact. Follow-up will be conducted to ensure a permit had been obtained.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance were dispatched to a medical emergency at Lincoln and Fifth. Upon arrival, found an elderly female with a compound fracture of her right ankle due to a fall. Patient in good condition and bleeding controlled. Patient loaded into ambulance and transported to CHOMP.

**Pebble Beach:** Indian Village Road resident turned in various old ammunition he had found after cleaning his garage.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female victim reported that sometime over the past two days, her car cover was vandalized. The Lobos Street resident noticed several tears all around the cover. She said she didn't hear anything out of the ordinary and had no idea who may have done the vandalism.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic collision on Mission Street on public property.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a loose dog limping in the area of Santa Fe Street, possibly hit by a vehicle. Dog located and taken to veterinarian. Owner found. Injuries were from previous medical problems.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and battalion chief responded to report of residential fire alarm activation on Carmel Way. Canceled by an alarm company. Contractor at scene.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to report of wires down at Del Mar at the beach. Secured the area and contacted PG&E to respond.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to request for assistance at Guadalupe and Ocean. Assisted an elderly female from her vehicle to her residence.

**Carmel Valley:** Dispatched by a doctor for the evaluation of a 32-year-old female patient related to threats and suicide. Subject contacted and stated she was suicidal. She was committed to CHOMP for a 72-hour evaluation.

**Carmel area:** The building agent of a Via Nona Marie office complex reported skateboarders in the parking garage. One contacted and warned. The other fled upon contact. Neighboring building agent complained of vandalism and trespass. Juvenile warned.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Overnight, unknown suspect(s) used a large-tipped felt marker and tagged the doors to both stalls of the men's restroom at Devendorf Park. The tags were photographed and then removed by the cleaning staff.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Dolores Street resident reported that someone was just outside of the exterior bathroom window of a hotel unit. This window is located near the east perimeter of the hotel grounds. The person opened the blinds and then heard someone running away. She could not provide any description on the subject, other than stating he possibly had a plaid shirt.

She reported the situation to the manager, who in turn called the department. A close patrol of the premises will commence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject contacted at the Del Mar lot for soliciting money for drugs. He was interviewed, and it was determined there were no wants or holds on the subject. He was admonished and released.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Responded to a report of a tree limb that fell on a parked vehicle on Seventh Avenue. Arrived and found a medium-length Monterey pine limb had fallen and landed on the trunk area of a parked Volvo. The vehicle sustained minor damage.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject reported the theft of his wallet from his unlocked vehicle while it was parked on Scenic Road.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Units responded to Guadalupe Street to a report of subjects soliciting magazine subscriptions. Located two subjects matching the description who were selling magazines for Universal Subscription Agency out of Las Vegas, Nev. The subjects were warned and interviewed in the field. They were advised to notify their boss regarding the CMC for soliciting.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Responded to a report of a barking dog on Palou. Upon arrival, could hear the dog barking and quickly found the location. The owners were not home, so a courtesy notice was left for them to call the department when they returned. The dog in question was a brown male vizsla. The dog barked constantly while the officer was there and was still barking when she left.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found "Kenneth Cole/Reaction" identification case, brown in color, at a San Carlos Street restaurant. Case contained owner's driver license, insurance cards, credit cards, miscellaneous papers and photos.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to reported medical emergency on Carmelo. Assessed and treated an elderly male who had fallen and scraped his arm and leg. Patient was transported to CHOMP.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded auto aid to Cypress Fire for a reported structure fire at a Dolores Street residence. On scene, crew assisted engine from Cypress Fire with ventila-

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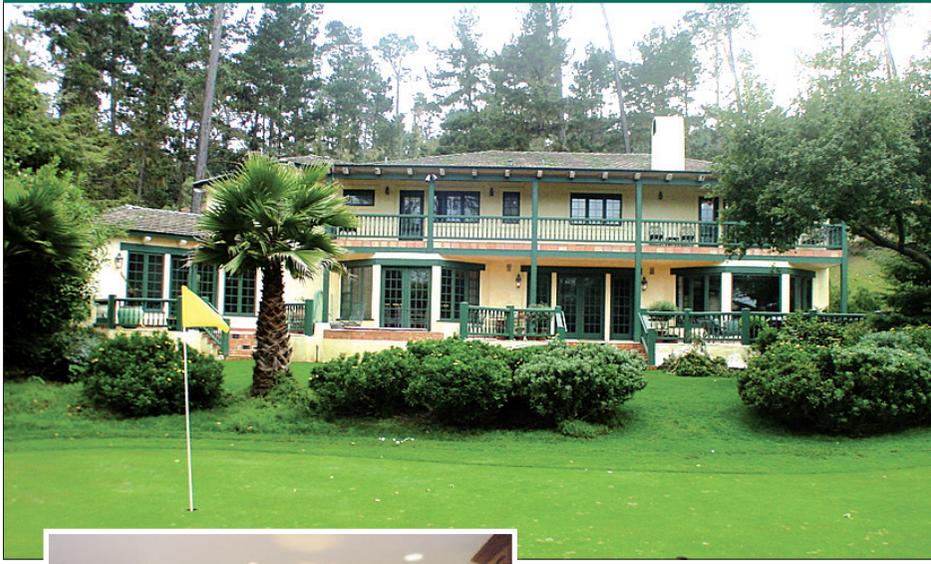


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# POLICE LOG

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tion and debris removal for a chimney fire that was out on arrival.

**Carmel area:** A 52-year-old male reported a custody issue involving his 14-year-old daughter and his ex-wife.

**Carmel Valley:** Female Buena Vista del Rio resident, age 42, reported a past-tense domestic dispute with her 17-year-old son.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At 0901 hours, a subject was contacted at San Carlos and Ocean on an unrelated matter and found to be the owner of a 1972 Ford pickup which had expired registration since May 2003. Vehicle was towed and stored by Carmel Chevron per the California Vehicle Code. The subject, a 24-year-old male, was also found to have an outstanding warrant issued for his arrest. Subject was taken into custody and transported to Monterey County Jail in Salinas, where he is being held in lieu of \$10,000 bail.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** U.S. currency was found on the Dolores Street sidewalk near the post office.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Driver stopped on Carpenter Street and cited for driving without a license. The vehicle was towed and stored.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic collision on public property on Sixth Avenue. Vehicle was towed.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to a report of a vehicle accident at San Carlos and 12th. Engine canceled by Carmel P.D. prior to response out of the station.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** At 2302 hours, engine and ambulance responded to report of medical emergency on Carpenter Street. Crews found a woman requesting assistance with her oxygen tank system. No medical. The training was

completed.

**Carmel area:** A juvenile student at Carmel High School brought a loaded .45-caliber handgun to school.

**Pebble Beach:** Sunset Lane resident, a female aged 59, reported she received a suspicious telephone call telling her she might be eligible for grant money. No further information.

**Carmel area:** A female, age 46, reported getting into a verbal domestic with her 43-year-old husband on Rio Road when she announced she wanted a divorce.

**Carmel Valley:** Several motorists flagged down a deputy for a single-vehicle accident at Carmel Valley Road and Los Laureles Grade. AMR arrived on scene and pronounced the driver deceased. Detective arrived on scene and took over the investigation.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A men's wallet was lost on 14th Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A vehicle was towed from its parking spot on Seventh Avenue for being hazardous. The vehicle was leaking gasoline.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A 9-year-old victim was bitten by a dog while he was playing on Carmel Beach. He sustained minor injuries and the dog was gone prior to officers' arrival.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Lost ladies' wallet on San Antonio Avenue.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Person reported a male subject causing a disturbance inside Carmel Mission. Contacted the subject, who stated he was attempting to contact the father for aid, but there was a misunderstanding between him and the caller. The father provided bus passes to the subject, who was asked to leave and advised that should he need assistance in the future, he needs to be professional and respectful to the other people in the church. He left without incident

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female reported the

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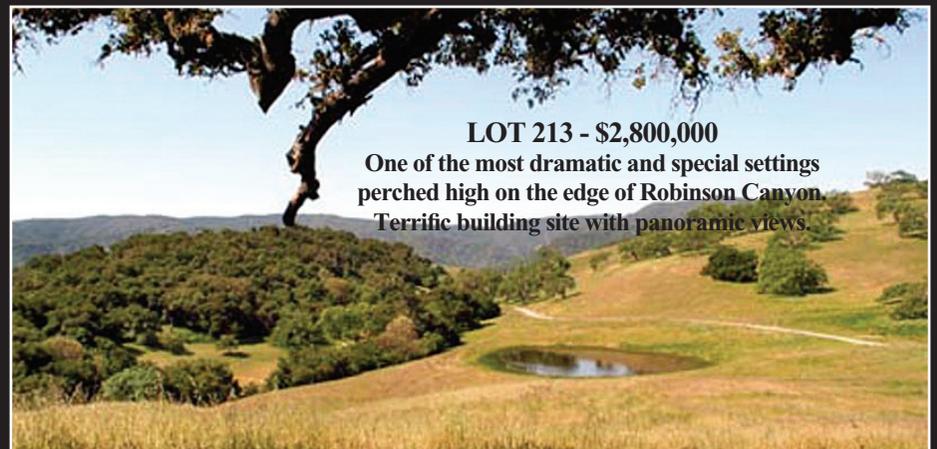
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loss of her purse near the post office.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Resident at Third and Lincoln called to report that someone called her home five times in the past day. Nothing was said, just a beeping noise from what appeared to be a fax machine. She needed the incident documented per SBC Global services.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject reported numerous items taken from his vehicle while it was parked in the area of Sixth and Dolores.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Person reported the loss of a duffle-bag style piece of luggage containing female and children's clothing. The bag may have also contained an unknown brand flip-style cell phone. She believes she may have lost the duffle bag while unloading her vehicle on Sunday 02-13. The bag may have been left unattended in the process of unloading the vehicle and bringing items into the Fifth Avenue residence. She did not notice the bag was missing until today. If located, please notify.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to reported medical emergency on Scenic Road. Both units at scene assessed and treated a female with a laceration on her leg. The patient was loaded into the ambulance for transport to CHOMP.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to a reported liquid fuel spill at Lincoln and Seventh. A vehicle parked at the first parking space at the northwest corner had been leaking fuel at a slow rate for approximately one hour, for a total loss of two to three gallons of gasoline along the curbing on the north side of Seventh Avenue. Public works and fire crews applied five bags of absorbent along the spill area, and Monterey County Health and State Fish and Game were notified. At station, contact with county health advised that due to the fact the fuel did not run through the storm drain system, the absorbent should be cleaned up prior to any further rain. Public works notified for cleanup.

**Pebble Beach:** A male, age 57, reported that on 02-07, unknown suspect(s) opened the hatchback to his car while it was parked at a Crest Road residence and removed a 400-watt power inverter and a jump-start power station, worth a total of \$102. No suspect information.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Unknown subject(s) threw eggs at sev-

eral vehicles while they were parked in a section of the business district on Lincoln Street.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female subject reported being followed by her ex-neighbor in an effort to find the location of her new residence. Female subject and the male neighbor had previous unresolved allegations against each other that caused her to move. CPD units conducted a civil standby while the female subject removed her final furnishings from her old Second Avenue residence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Reporting party was concerned about a subject seen parked and sitting inside his vehicle in the area of San Carlos and Seventh for several hours at a time. Same subject has been seen three days in a row and the caller was concerned the subject may be casing local businesses in the area.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female reported a pine tree was possibly uprooting due to the wet saturated soil. She thought there was a potential of the tree collapsing on an adjacent home on Lincoln Street. The city building official arrived to inspect the base of the tree and could not find any indication of the tree

uprooting. As a precautionary measure, the city forester was also contacted and advised of the situation. The city forester stated he will inspect the tree as soon as possible. The building official spoke to the son of the homeowner, and the son was advised of the situation. At 1550 hours, received a telephone call from the building official who stated the forester had inspected the tree. There was no indication of the tree uprooting.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female subject reported her vehicle was damaged by a fallen branch from a city-owned tree at Lincoln and Fifth.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle on San Carlos Street with gas leak was towed to Carmel Chevron.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and battalion chief responded to reported odor investigation near San Carlos and Fifth. Units at scene found a parked vehicle on the west side near the camera store leaking fuel at a slow rate from its fuel tank. CPD arranged and contacted AAA for tow. Stood by for safety and cleanup.

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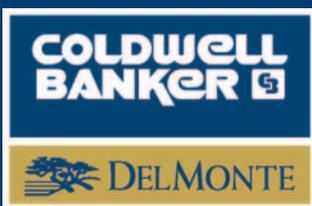


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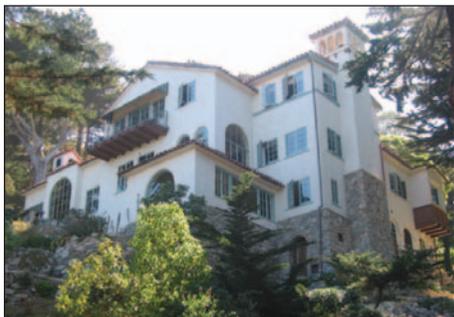
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**HACIENDA CARMEL CONDO!** Quiet end unit in one of the Peninsula's finest adult communities. A lovely 2-bedroom, 2 bath unit with nicely landscaped private patio. Amenities include pool, clubhouse with dining room and library, and walking trails. \$489,000.



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