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## MRS. AFGHANISTAN COMES HOME WITH PRIZE BETTER THAN CROWN

By MARY BROWNFIELD



PHOTO/COURTESY RENE DIAZ

Carmel realtor Masuda Diaz represented her native country in the Mrs. World pageant.

SHE DIDN'T win, but that doesn't matter. The Mrs. World Competition's first ever Mrs. Afghanistan — a.k.a. Carmel realtor Masuda Rahmati Diaz — returned from her February trip to India with a renewed passion for her homeland and the plight of oppressed women.

"Winning the crown was the best thing that didn't happen to me," said Diaz, who traveled to India with her husband, Rene, to compete in the international beauty pageant for married women. Held Feb. 25 in the Amby Valley at Sahara Lake City, the event will air on Pax TV cable channel 16 from 9 to 11 p.m. Monday, March 28.

Although she has lived in the United States since her family escaped from Afghanistan during the Russian invasion in 1979, Diaz was eligible to represent her native country because she was born there — in the city of Kabul in August 1969.

She decided to become the first Mrs. Afghanistan to enter the competition, which "not only serves as a showcase for many of the world's most glamorous, versatile and accomplished women, but also brings together at a critical time in history married women from different backgrounds and cultures who share the mutual hopes and aspirations of all womankind," according to the pageant's website.

The seemingly harmless requirement to wear a bathing suit in public was not

See **AFGHANISTAN** page 10A

## Innovative strategies promise water relief

By PAUL MILLER

JUST TWO years ago, the water management district seemed to be trying as hard as it could to prevent a new water supply from becoming available for the people of the Monterey Peninsula.

But this week's board meeting showed how far the district has come, with various local agencies competing to supply all the water Carmel, Pebble Beach, Carmel Valley and other communities need, and the water board eagerly soaking up every detail of their proposals.

"In eight years on this board, I've never seen so much energy being put into

finding a water solution," said Dave Potter. "I'm glad to see people competing to be the purveyor."

See **DESAL** page 7A

## CHP officer hit by teen driver

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY Patrol Officer Jim Covello came within inches of losing his life early Wednesday morning when he was hit by a passing van while investigating an overturned and abandoned SUV on Highway 1, according to CHP traffic officer Art Carbonel. Suffering head injuries and abrasions from the impact, he was driven by ambulance to Monterey Peninsula Airport and airlifted to Stanford Medical Center.

The collision occurred at 2 a.m. near Granite Creek, south of Carmel Highlands. Covello, a Big Sur resident

See **COVELLO** page 12A

## In P.G., mountain lion prowls the back nine

By CHRIS COUNTS and KIRSTIE WILDE

SANDWICHED BETWEEN residential neighborhoods, the manicured fairways of the Pacific Grove Municipal Golf Links seem a civilized place. But recent sightings

of a mountain lion on the golf course serve as a startling reminder of the proximity in which nature and humans coexist on the Monterey Peninsula, and bring back the jitters among neighbors who last year campaigned to have a resident lion killed.

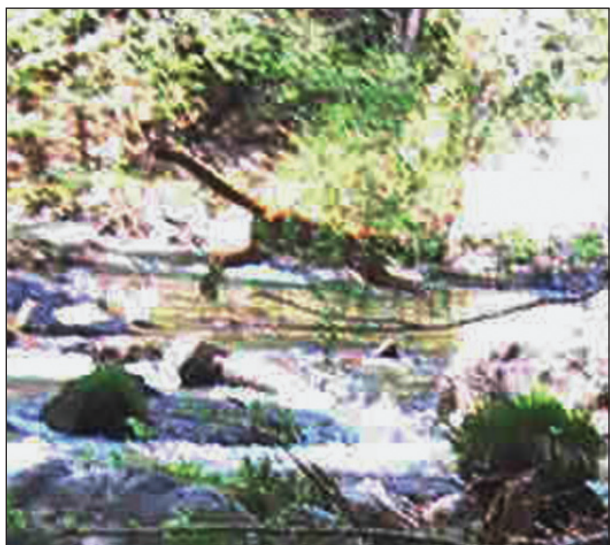
"There have been five sightings in the past week," reported Paul Jeung, who works as a starter for the golf course.

Jeung said the mountain lion was seen on the back nine, which wraps around the lighthouse, and was described as "pretty small, about 100 pounds."

Several of the sightings have been discounted by P.G. police officers. One "lion" turned out to be a large house cat and another, reported on Jewell Avenue near Sunset Drive, was described as "two feet long," too small to be anything but a new cub.

Two reports to the police were credible, according to PGPD Lt. Tom Uretsky, but

See **LION** page 23A



PHOTO/MIKE SPLAIN

Few humans ever spot an elusive mountain lion, let alone photograph one. This cat was captured on film along the Carmel River above the Los Padres Dam.



PHOTO/BOON HUGHEY

John Yeo of Los Osos is one of the volunteers who have hiked long miles and toiled with non-power tools during the past five years to rehabilitate Black Cone Trail in the Ventana Wilderness.

## Volunteers rebuild stairway to heaven in Big Sur

By CHRIS COUNTS

THEIR PERSISTENCE and stamina give new meaning to the words "uphill struggle."

Defying gravity and other whims of nature, volunteers with the Ventana Wilderness Alliance are attempting to rehabilitate a remote, nine-mile stretch of back country trail long abandoned by the U.S. Forest Service.

Unless you enjoy studying the swirling red lines on topographical maps, you've probably never heard of Black Cone. A steep, brushy summit that is the source of the north fork of the Big Sur River, the sun-drenched peak would be a popular destination for hikers and backpackers if it stood just a little taller. At 4,535 feet, it's loftier

than any mountain in 25 states, but it ranks as only the 13th highest place in the Ventana Wilderness.

Despite its remoteness and obscurity, VWA volunteers set their sights on Black Cone shortly after the Kirk Complex Fire burned more than 86,000 acres in 1999. The heavily overgrown trail was suddenly exposed on the charred mountainside.

"The back country was closed after the fire," recalled Boon Hughey, a VWA board member and trail crew coordinator. "We were up on the Coast Ridge and looking east at where the fire had burned when we saw the Black Cone Trail. It was as clear as the nose on your face. We decided if we were going to reclaim it, the time was now."

See **BLACK CONE** page 5 of the Real Estate section

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# CARMEL LIONS RESCUE BUNNY BREAKFAST, EGGLAND SATURDAY

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN THE budget ax fell last summer, Carmel's recreation department gave up hosting a handful of community events, including the Easter weekend Eggstravaganza in Devendorf Park. Held alongside Breakfast with the Bunny (presented by the Carmel Host Lions Club), it transformed the park into a kids' paradise, with face painting, photos with the Easter Bunny, balloons, cookie decorating, musical entertainment and carnival games.

Not wanting to disappoint the tykes and their parents, the Lions are hosting the whole kit and caboodle this year. Breakfast with the Bunny and Eggstravaganza will run 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 26, in the city park at Ocean and Junipero.

Eats will include pancakes prepared by the Little Swiss Café, scrambled eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee. Breakfast with the Bunny will cost \$6 per person, with children 12 and under admitted for half

price.

A \$5-per-person Passport will admit children and adults to Eggland, where the aforementioned festivities will be under way.

"The city gave us all the information we needed — they were very helpful," Lions Club member and Hacienda Carmel resident Francis Pastor said. A service organization with more than 1.4 million members, the Lions Club's mission is "to create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation."

Hosting a pre-Easter celebration in Carmel-by-the-Sea apparently fits that bill, and Pastor expects good attendance this year, especially with fliers and posters being distributed around town and at area schools.

A Lions Club member for 15 years, Pastor said he will be spending Easter in Louisiana and hopes to bring a holiday tradition home with him for next year's Eggland: egg knocking.

Apparently born in France and brought to the American South by its Cajun inhabitants, egg knocking pits contestants against each other to see whose egg is strongest. They smack their egg end to end against their opponents'; the last egg unscathed wins the day.

Even without a round of egg knocking, the Ninth Annual Breakfast with the Bunny and Eggstravaganza should be as popular as ever. Tickets will be available at the event and, should it rain, breakfast and Eggland will be held inside the Carmel Youth Center, just a few blocks from the park at Torres and Fourth, next to the Carmel Police Department.

*Not wanting to disappoint the tykes and their parents, the Lions are hosting the whole kit and caboodle this year.*

## FEELING STUCK?

If you feel stuck or are struggling with change, if your life is not working in some way, if you feel like something different needs to happen in your life, but you don't know what, it could mean you are stuck. It often appears in the guise of anxiety, depression, frustration, anger, irritability, confusion, indecision, discontent, or fear.

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## Learn to take control of your financial life

By LAITH AGHA

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A panel of five local legal and financial professionals will be present to make presentations and to answer any questions regarding estate and financial planning. Topics they are prepared to tackle include trusts, wills, charitable intent, tax planning, family partnerships, retirement planning, asset allocation and investment management.

Panelists include: attorneys Zad Leavy and Robin Jepsen, CPA Bruce Dunlap, financial planner Gifford Lehman, and financial analyst Michael Leavy.

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# City-sponsored home mail delivery clients hold steady

By MARY BROWNFIELD

MORE THAN a hundred elderly subscribers have come and gone since Carmel-by-the-Sea began offering home mail delivery to residents in July 2001, but the number of customers has consistently hovered around 130, according to Peninsula Messenger Service owner Ron Campbell.

"I hate to think how many people have passed away since the very beginning," he said.

The city implemented home mail delivery

## 2004 was banner year for Carmel Rotary largess

THE CARMEL Rotary Club has awarded \$45,827 to local nonprofit agencies, schools and other causes through the Larry Farrell Carmel Rotary Club Fund of the Community Foundation for Monterey County. Among those benefiting in 2004 was the Carmel Fire Department, which purchased its \$10,000 thermal imager with a Rotary Club grant.

Since the Larry Farrell fund was established in 1989, 174 grants totaling \$367,486 have been awarded by the Carmel Rotary.

to settle the debate between those who favor street addresses, mailboxes and traditional mail delivery and others who hold the daily trek to the Carmel Post Office as a sacred tradition.

"Anyone who lives within the city limits, who has a post office box and who would like to have their mail come to their home can request it," city administrative assistant Stephanie Pearce said. To limit the service to disabled or homebound residents would be unlawful.

Most of the residents who have signed up are seniors or disabled, according to Campbell, though some able-bodied citizens take advantage of the convenience, too.

At a cost of \$25 per person per month, the city pays Peninsula Messenger Service to pick up mail at the downtown post office and deliver it six days a week. The \$40,000 budget item falls under the city council's discretionary spending.

"I haven't changed the rates," Campbell said. "The city couldn't afford an increase, although all my expenses have gone up."

Nonetheless, in the lean budget years since mail delivery began, the council has discussed cutting the program.

In 2003, city council members decided to reduce the number of delivery days to three for an estimated savings of \$16,000 a year. Two weeks later, after the decision evoked

protests at city hall that nearly rekindled the contentious mail delivery debate, the council rescinded the cut.

During last year's hearings on the 2004/2005 budget, which ultimately led to the elimination of 24 jobs, resident Larry Rodocker suggested the city could save money by asking police officers to deliver the mail. After barely debating that idea, the council voted to continue the funding. And

now that Carmel's budget is back in the black, home mail delivery is unlikely to be cut in the 2005/2006 budget.

Budget hearings begin Tuesday, with a special council workshop set for 4:30 p.m. in city hall. City administrator Rich Guillen has polled department heads about their anticipated needs, and further public meetings on the topic are set for April and May. Deadline for the new budget is June 30.

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# Busy burglars take off in BMW; pilfer Ventana kitchen

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CRIMINALS SMASHED windows to force their way into a Carmel Highlands vacation home, which they completely ransacked before stealing expensive electronic equipment and driving away in the homeowner's luxury car.

The son of the homeowner, Patrick Parker, arrived from Arizona with his wife to spend the weekend in the secluded home off Highway 1 March 17. When they discovered the break-in, according to Monterey County Sheriff's Sgt. John DiCarlo, Parker contacted the sheriff's office around 2 p.m. to report someone had broken through the windows and a door to burglarize the house.

missing — everything was ransacked through the whole house," DiCarlo said, adding that the owner, Nashville, Tenn., resident Steven Parker, hadn't visited his property since October. A family member was expected to arrive from Tennessee Wednesday to determine what is missing. "They've still got to inventory everything."

According to deputy Kevin Hockenhull's initial report, paintings were ripped from their frames and discarded while the frames were taken. A surround-sound stereo system and speakers, as well as a satellite dish system and television, were also stolen. Storage cabinets in the garage and a wine refrigerator in the laundry room stood empty.

A silver 1995 BMW 740i worth \$30,000 was missing from the garage.

"Some people just keep driving [a stolen car] until they get caught, or they may change things — may paint it a different color," DiCarlo said. "Or they might take it to a chop shop or across the border into Mexico, or drive it for a while and dump it over a cliff."

Car thieves often steal license plates to replace those on a stolen car. The BMW's registered plate number is 5GSM687.

DiCarlo said the burglary occurred sometime between October and March 17, though further investigation and interviews could narrow the timeframe.

"According to the report, the home is secluded from the highway, and only one neighboring house has a direct view of the property," DiCarlo said. "We're still questioning people. There are no suspects at this point."

than \$11,000 worth of equipment disappeared from the kitchen at the Ventana Inn sometime in the wee hours of March 17.

"There was no break-in," DiCarlo said. "They didn't find any evidence of forced entry."

Whoever took off with the \$4,000 POCOJET professional ice-cream maker, two Hobart industrial blenders valued at \$2,500 each, and the \$2,400 mixer of unknown make knew where the items were kept and how to get in and out after the upscale inn's kitchen closed for the night, DiCarlo said.

Ventana Inn food and beverage director Thomas Fichera reported the theft to deputy Kathy Palazzolo just before 1 p.m. March 17. He estimated the crime occurred sometime between 11:45 p.m. March 16 and 7 a.m. the following day.

As with the Carmel Highlands burglary, DiCarlo said the investigation is ongoing and interviews are still being conducted.

*'They may paint [the stolen car] a different color; they might take it to a chop shop or across the border into Mexico, or drive it around for a while and dump it over a cliff.'*

— John DiCarlo

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# Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

## Man fears neighbor's golf swing

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Female reported her neighbor's two dogs were barking loudly for a long time. Upon arrival at the Casanova Street residence, officer witnessed two chihuahuas barking loudly. The owner was not home, so a courtesy notice was left for the owner to con-

tact the station.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Santa Rita Street resident reported that he believed his neighbor was going to take his cat when the neighbor moved. The resident stated the neighbor accused him of abusing and neglecting his cat. The owner felt that he wasn't. The resident also stated that he took his cat to the Crossroads veterinary hospital to be treated for worms and it was being boarded there until it was healthy. The neighbor advised that he only wanted the cat to be healthy and had no intention of taking the cat. The neighbor was advised that if he felt the cat was unhealthy or was being abused, he

needed to call the police and an officer would come out to evaluate the cat. Information only.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Units responded to the area of San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth to a suspicious circumstances call. The subject was involved in a verbal dispute with three men outside his business. The dispute was over a misunderstanding. Two of the subjects thought the man was harassing their friend. Both parties were counseled. No further action was taken.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Person found a purse and a lamp in the area of Torres and Fifth. The owner of the items was contacted and the property was returned to her.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to a fire alarm activation on Fifth between Junipero and Mission. Firefighters discovered no alarm sounding, but the alarm panel showed the system in trouble. However, the alarm company was receiving a pull station activation. The building was secure. This has been an ongoing problem. FireComm showed seven similar activations since December 2004, and appropriate paperwork was filed with prevention personnel for follow-up and possible action.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine, rescue rig and ambulance responded to a request for public service for flooding on Sixth between Dolores

and Lincoln at a restaurant. Firefighters vacuumed and mopped standing water from a broken water filter from the floor and carpet in the kitchen area. The owner of the business was advised to contact a professional carpet cleaner to remove any water that fire department equipment was unable to remove from the carpet.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Camino Real. On scene, firefighters assisted ambulance crew with vitals, EKG, patient report information and loading into the ambulance of an older female suffering from a fainting spell. Patient transported to CHOMP.

**Carmel area:** A 78-year-old female reported unknown person(s) stole approximately \$941 from the cash drawer at her Barnyard business. No suspect information.

**Carmel Valley:** A male Calle de Quien Sabe resident, age 52, reported a civil dispute with his landlord.

**Pebble Beach:** A 46-year-old male wanted to document that the homeowner at an Arrowhead Road residence had accused his employees of vandalizing her vehicle while they were working at the corner of Arrowhead

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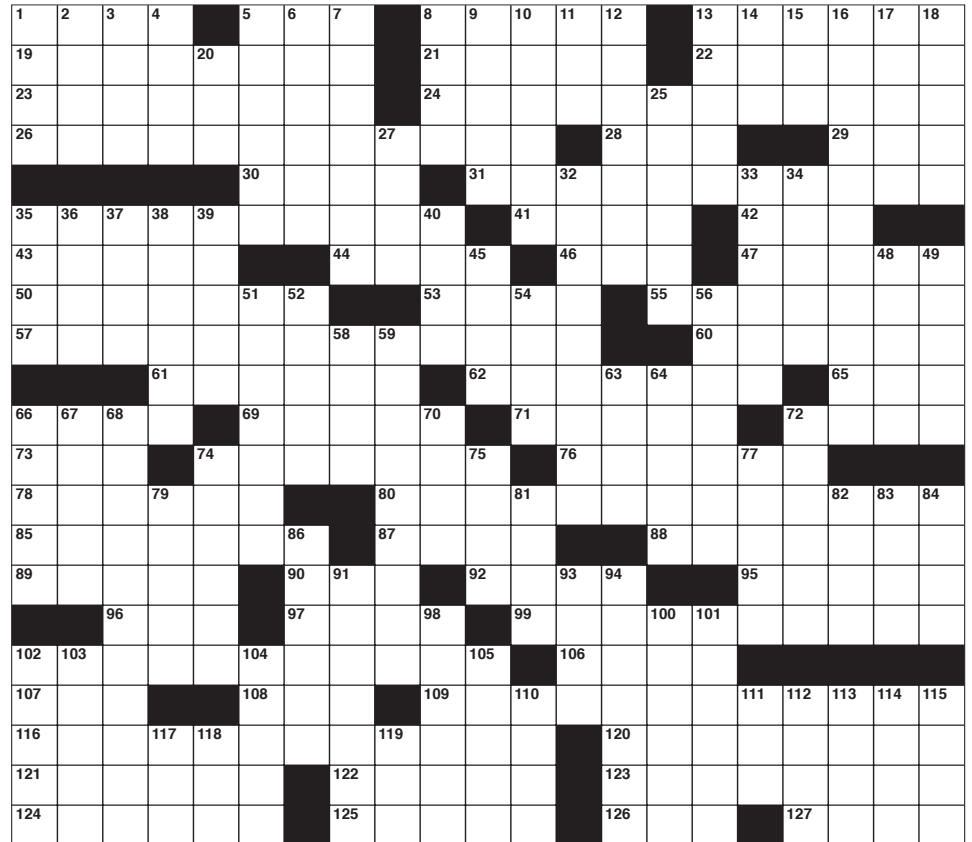
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- 13 Tennyson's "Enoch \_\_\_"
- 14 Blubber
- 15 67-Down offering: Abbr.
- 16 Acceptance sans proof
- 17 "My Wicked, Wicked Ways" author Flynn
- 18 Tyrolean cry
- 20 Certain soldier
- 25 More elegant
- 27 Order to disperse
- 32 Taken
- 33 Beds (down), in Britain
- 34 Hometown ties
- 35 Drones
- 36 Cut, as glass
- 37 "Little Caesar" character
- 38 Game similar to euchre
- 39 Architect Alvar \_\_\_
- 40 Forehead wiper's exclamation
- 45 Grp. that includes Nigeria
- 48 Condition
- 49 Come clean about
- 51 Test subjects
- 52 High-hat type
- 54 Popular brandy flavor
- 56 National anthem adopted in 1980
- 58 Planetarium roof
- 59 It's never left at sea
- 63 Actress Farris of the "Scary Movie" movies
- 64 Skin ailments
- 66 First Labor P.M. to win consecutive terms
- 67 Humana or Cigna competitor



- 68 Novel that begins "Christmas won't be Christmas without any presents"
- 70 Unlikely prom king
- 72 Independent, as young
- 74 Colorado creation
- 75 Journalist Whitelaw \_\_\_
- 77 Tony who led the N.L. in batting eight times
- 79 Wyeth portrait subject
- 81 Over again
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- 83 Suffix with lay
- 84 Gift on "The Bachelor"
- 86 Had lingering effects
- 91 Starts to show interest
- 93 Milkmaid's need
- 94 Vagabonds
- 98 Arranges again, as groceries
- 100 Professor plum?
- 101 Contributes
- 102 Grant access to
- 103 Buddy
- 104 Al \_\_\_
- 105 Makes circuits, possibly
- 110 \_\_\_-majesté
- 111 "Evita" role
- 112 Posterior
- 113 Con
- 114 One on a list
- 115 Intersection
- 117 Seventh letter
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# CARMEL FIRE'S NEWEST ENGINEER WALKS IN FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS, SORT OF

By MARY BROWNFIELD

**FIREFIGHTING IS** in Jon Savage's blood. Carmel Fire Department's most recent hire started work as a full-time engineer at the station Feb. 1, but as the son of 31-year Monterey Fire veteran Ray Savage, he was born into the job.

"When my dad was in the fire department and I was a little kid, it seemed like it was a lot more family oriented," Savage said, recalling time spent at the station growing up with other firefighters' children.

He also remembered coming to Carmel for musters, when firefighters would hold hose fights on Ocean Avenue.

"I was involved a lot more than kids are now," he said.

Living in Pacific Grove and attending Palma High School in Salinas, Savage said he always knew he would be a fire-

fighter. At Monterey Peninsula College, he attended the fire academy and paramedic school.

Now residing in Morgan Hill to be close to his 6-year-old son, Cameron, Savage joined Carmel Fire Department as an on-call firefighter in March 2002 while working full time as an ambulance paramedic for American Medical Response and Carmel Regional Fire Ambulance.

As a full-time fire engineer, the 25 year old now spends most of his days off working part time as a paramedic. He said he uses his minimal free time to be with his son.

Shift commander Bruce Meyer worked on the hiring process used to recruit a new engineer to replace Ian Watts, who was promoted to shift commander.

Job candidates took written tests, an extensive practical exam on the engine, such as laying fire hose and pumping water, and had to safely and efficiently pilot the vehicle through the narrow, twisty, crowded streets of Carmel.

"We set up a test which involved actual driving skills, location and routes of travel," Meyer said.

Finally, oral interviews and background checks were conducted. Two candidates, Savage and Ken Hutchinson, were submitted to police chief George Rawson, who made the final decision to hire Savage.



Jon Savage

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# Carmel Valley

## DESAL

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One of the projects — to treat wastewater to drinking water standards — drew special praise from several directors.

“This is a splendid project,” said Sand City Mayor and water board director David Pendergrass, referring to a proposal from the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency to treat wastewater to drinking water standards. Pendergrass said he had tasted the output of a plant in Orange County that treats sewage with microfiltration, reverse osmosis and ultraviolet radiation. “Their water tastes better than this,” he said, holding up the bottled water from Costco that each director had on the dais.

The recycled water plan was outlined by Keith Israel, general manager of the MRWPCA. He said the Marina sewage plant, which already delivers most of its output to ag users in the lower Salinas Valley, could produce about 4,000 acre-feet of additional treated water a year, at a cost of about \$1,100 per acre-foot. After being purified by a high-tech plant that would be built in Marina, the water would be pumped to percolation basins at Fort Ord, where it would seep into the Seaside aquifer. After nine months, it could be pumped out, treated again, and mingled with the other Cal-Am supplies, according to Israel.

“Public acceptance comes with understanding the need to recycle and the effectiveness of the technology used to treat the water,” said Bill Mills, a consultant on the MRWPCA project.

### Battle of the desals

While several directors seemed impressed with the plan for recycling water from the Marina treatment plant, there was general acknowledgment that a larger project is needed to end illegal pumping from the Carmel River and provide water to Peninsula cities for a limited amount of new development. Cal-Am Water and the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District updated the board on the progress they’ve made on their competing desal proposals, which are designed to fill that need.

Steve Leonard, general manager of Cal-Am, said his company has already invested \$4 million in planning for a desal plant in Moss Landing that would use the intake and outfall pipes for the Duke power plant to lessen impacts of the desal operation on the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. He also revealed Cal-Am is studying the feasibility of drilling horizontal wells under the bay to supply the desal plant with seawater and to discharge its brine, which would be costly but would also virtually eliminate potential damage

to the bay.

“An HDD intake and brine discharge study is part of our environmental review,” Leonard said.

According to Larry Gallery, Cal-Am’s project manager for what the company calls the Coastal Water Project, a pilot desal plant should be operating at Moss Landing by September.

“We will feed data from the pilot plant into our final, operational design,” Gallery said.

Cal-Am’s competitor, Pajaro/Sunny Mesa, was represented by general counsel Marc del Piero, who said his agency has also made progress.

“In December we started working very diligently to get

state grant money that’s available for desal projects,” said del Piero. “We were the only agency that applied from Monterey County.”

Also, P/SM has been getting bids for its pilot plant and EIR, and discussing financing and management possibilities for the plant.

According to Curtis Weeks, head of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, it will take a minimum of five years to get a desal plant operating in Moss Landing.

“How do we finance it? Who builds it? Who operates it? It will take us a while to get through these various issues,” Weeks said. “But the idea of putting a desal plant in Moss Landing makes a great deal of sense.”

## Land trust seeks input on super trail plan

THE CROSSROADS shopping center area has long been known as a place where many roads meet. If a plan to create a Carmel River Parkway ever comes to fruition, it will also be a place where many hiking trails meet.

A plan to connect parklands at the mouth of Carmel Valley will be presented by the Big Sur Land Trust at community forums April 1-2 at the Carmel Mission Inn, and public input is welcomed. The project aims to connect at Jacks Peak County Park to those at Carmel River State Beach, Palo Corona Regional Park, Point Lobos State Reserve and other parklands.

The April 1 forum starts at 10 a.m. April 2 will showcase two forums — at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Call Jo Lynn Rosbach at (831) 625-5523, ext. 100 to make reservations.

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# Rare glimpse offered of Red Cross' long Carmel tale

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE LOCAL chapter of the American Red Cross has played a role in Carmel-by-the-Sea ever since the city was born in 1916. In honor of Red Cross Month — celebrated annually since President Franklin D. Roosevelt first honored the national nonprofit's humanitarian efforts in 1943 — the chapter is sharing some of that history in a special exhibit in First Murphy House at Sixth and Lincoln.

"It's a reminder of the historic impact the Red Cross has

had on the community over the years, and it's a commitment and a legacy that we proudly carry forward," said chapter executive director Donna Duvin. "It rejuvenates us and further connects us to the community we're already committed to serving."

The exhibit will likely strike a particular chord with long-time residents, Duvin added. "A lot of people who go and see it will probably find themselves and their relatives on display," in the collection of historic photographs, newspaper clippings and artifacts.

Carmel Heritage Society member John Hicks and Andrea Thatcher, Red Cross board chair, flip through scrapbooks of clippings gathered during the 1995 floods.



COURTESY/  
DONNA DUVIN

"A lot of the old uniforms were packed in bankers' boxes, and every once in a while we dust them off," Duvin said. "Some date back to the earliest years of the chapter." Others were worn in World War II.

Carmel Cleaners carefully cleaned the aged fabric for free, according to Duvin.

"We wouldn't have hazarded doing it ourselves," she explained.

When the National Red Cross convention takes place in San Francisco in May, Duvin continued, "somebody will be wearing one of those uniforms in the parade for volunteers."

Afterward, she hopes to appoint a chapter historian to help preserve and display the precious items so they might continue to tell the story of the chapter's past and "don't disintegrate over time."

The Red Cross display at First Murphy is open 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday weekly until the end of May. For more information, contact the chapter house at (831) 624-6921.

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# Sandy Claws

By Margot Petit Nichols



OSCAR SMITH, 7, a cairn terrier with a rough brindled coat, dark legs and black, glittering eyes looking out from an equally ebony face, is, to put it mildly, adorable.

Not only is Oscar worthy of adoration, he is sweetness personified and loved by the whole family: Dad Gary, Mom Antonia ("Nini"), brothers Charles, Thomas and Matthew, and feline sister Emmy. Oh, and don't forget Granddad Thomas Turner, whom the family visits in his Carmel home every weekend.

The Smiths live in Berkeley, but Carmel-by-the-Sea is their home-away-from-home, and where Mom Nini grew up.

Although Oscar is almost always affable and laid back, he can show his displeasure with being left alone for an hour or two by distributing the contents of the kitchen trash can artistically around the floor.

Plagued by droves of raccoons and the occasional deer in his Berkeley back garden, Oscar feels it incumbent upon himself to chase them from the premises. Squirrels, on the other hand, are a menace to be reckoned with. Dad Gary witnessed a squirrel's little feet disappearing in Oscar's mouth once, and heard the undeniable crunching of bones. But that was only once and a long time ago. Word must have gotten out among the Berkeley squirrels, as no squirrel has intruded on the Smith family garden since.

Oscar doesn't go in for house toys but loves to fetch tennis balls thrown for him on Carmel Beach, as we witnessed last Friday when he was on an outing with his dad and brother Charlie.

At night he sometimes sleeps in Mom and Dad's room, but prefers to play the whole sleeping thing by ear, choosing different comfy spots about the house as the spirit moves him.



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## AFGHANISTAN

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“I was fearing for my life,” Diaz said. “I was getting death threats.”

Family members tried to persuade her not to go, but Diaz insisted she would risk being killed by extremists for not being completely covered in public if it yielded something positive for oppressed women here and abroad.

“You can still maintain your culture and roots,” she said. “And you can bridge the beautiful opportunity and freedom of the West and incorporate it into the East.”

She recalled the thrill of raising the Afghan flag during the pageant and of being closer to her native country than she had been since she left it more than two decades ago as a frightened 9-year-old girl.

“Had I listened to my family, I would have missed out on the most humbling experience of my life,” she said. “People may want to help you, because they fear for you and want you to be safe, but it’s your decision to stand up for some right and follow

your heart.”

Despite the luxury of her surroundings and the intensity of her schedule in preparing for the competition, Diaz said she made a point of connecting with women who have historically been ignored because of India’s caste system.

“I really tried to touch the people — particularly the employees,” she said. “For example, I made friends with the woman who worked in the bathroom. I wanted to know about the real beauty that gets overlooked because of the system they have.”

She grew to deeply care for her newfound friend during her short time there.

“I could have taken out my heart and given it to her, but it wouldn’t have been enough,” Diaz said.

Seeing India’s poverty also reinforced her awareness of it at home while it conversely

reminded her of the bounty America offers.

“Even in our country, there are so many people in need and who are suffering. You can just give somebody a smile and make somebody feel good,” she said. “I am so humbled today and feel beyond grateful for what we have here — the opportunities we have in America.”

*‘Had I listened to my family, I would have missed out on the most humbling experience of my life.’*

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By Maria Murray, Chairperson of the Board  
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Maria Murray can be reached at (831) 622-9304 or [mariamurray1@hotmail.com](mailto:mariamurray1@hotmail.com). Responses or questions are always encouraged.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 2005

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|-----------|---|--------------|---|
| Apr 1     | Chamber Music Monterey, Guarneri String Quartet, 8:00p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-625-2212          | Apr 20       | Dave Brubeck Quartet, 8:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-620-2040   |
| Apr 1-3   | Changing Seasons, Downtown Carmel, 831-624-9035   | Apr 22       | Mozart Society, Ivan Zenaty, Violinist, 8:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-625-3637                             |
| Apr 2     | Sale of Collectibles and Irreplaceables, 10:00am-2:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-624-8511            | Apr 23       | Carmel-by-the-Sea Garden Club Spring Plant & Presentations, 10:00am-4:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-622-7377 |
| Apr 3     | Intricacies of Taste, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Chateau Julien Wine Estate, 8940 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 831-624-2600                          | Apr 24       | Big Sur International Marathon, Big Sur, 831-625-6226   |
| Apr 7     | Branford Marsalis Quartet, 8:00p.m., Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-620-2040                                | Apr 24       | Chateau Julien Wine & Art Festival, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm, 8940 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 831-624-2600  |
| Apr 7     | Carmel Chamber of Commerce Member Orientation, 8:00 a.m., Carmel Bistro, San Carlos btwn 5th & 6th, Carmel, 831-624-2522                          | Apr 24       | Dia del Nino (Day of the Child) at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, 10:00am-6:00pm, 831-648-4888  |
| Apr 8     | Carmel Music Society, Beaux Arts Trio, 8:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-625-9938                      | Apr 27       | Arlo Guthrie, 8:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-620-2040   |
| Apr 9     | Reiki Training, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m., myomplace, 600 West Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 831-251-0045  | Apr 28-30    | Monterey Wine Festival and Auction, Monterey Conference Center, Alvarado and Del Monte, Monterey, 888-841-9463  |
| Apr 10    | Sweet Honey in the Rock, 8:00pm, Sunset Cultural Center, San Carlos between 8th and 10th, Carmel, 831-620-2040                                    | Apr 29-May 1 | U.S. Sports Car Invitational/Rolex Sports Car Series, Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway, 1021 Monterey-Salinas Highway, Monterey, 800-327-7322                    |
| Apr 14    | Wine Seminar Series - "The Magic of Blends", 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Ventana/Meador Tasting Room, 2999 Monterey-Salinas Highway, Monterey, 831-372-7415 | Apr 30-May 1 | Carmel Orchid Faire, Crossroads Shopping Village, Highway 1 at Rio Rd., Carmel, 831-625-4106  |
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## COVELLO

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officer for more than six years and a 22-year CHP veteran, had been called to the scene of a non-injury accident and was standing by an abandoned, tipped-over Toyota 4-Runner that was blocking the southbound lane.

The 18-year-old driver of a 1997 Dodge van, Redway resident Leif Holtermann failed to see Covello next to the SUV and was apparently confused by the patrol car's lights flashing in the rain, according to Carbonel.

"Your first reaction would be to slow down, but that's something that didn't happen here," he said.

Despite the late hour and rainy weather, Holtermann was reportedly driving between 40 and 45 mph and apparently made no effort to slow or avoid the vehicles.

"That's not a typical way to react when you see a patrol car like that," Carbonel pointed out.

Holtermann's van clipped the rear end of the Toyota, struck Covello and ran into the officer's patrol car.



PHOTO/CHRIS COUNTS

Big Sur CHP officer Jim Covello was hit by a van early Wednesday morning with enough force that his head cracked the windshield, but he was released from the hospital the next morning.

Holtermann and his three passengers were uninjured.

While a CHP officer drove Covello's wife, Lisbeth, to Stanford, his Big Sur CHP partner, Frank Packard, surveyed the accident site around 4 a.m. The cars remained in the roadway.

"I could see where Jim's head hit the windshield," Packard said of the Dodge van.

At the hospital, Covello was initially placed in intensive care, but by Wednesday afternoon he was transferred to a regular room at the medical center, and his wife and teenage children, Sarah and Alex, were with him. He was released Thursday morning, CHP PIO Richard Richards said.

Covello, who was named the Central Coast area CHP's 2004 Officer of the Year, had been training for the Big Sur International Marathon.

"Probably because of his fitness, he's going to come out of this pretty much in one piece, without any prolonged physical impairment," Carbonel said.

Highway patrol officers run the risk of being hit by an errant driver while investigating crashes or helping stranded motorists.

"That's the main reason officers get killed," he said.

The CHP is still investigating the accident and has yet to decide if Holtermann will be cited for hitting Covello. The driver of the overturned 4-Runner may also be held responsible for the collision.

"It was rolled over and abandoned, and the driver went home to call a tow truck," said Carbonel, who did not have the man's name but believes he is a Big Sur resident.

A Monterey County Sheriff's deputy searching for one of the drivers also reported he "found a leather briefcase on the hillside with approximately two pounds of marijuana inside."

The sheriff's office would not speculate whether the presence of the dope was related to the abandoned SUV.

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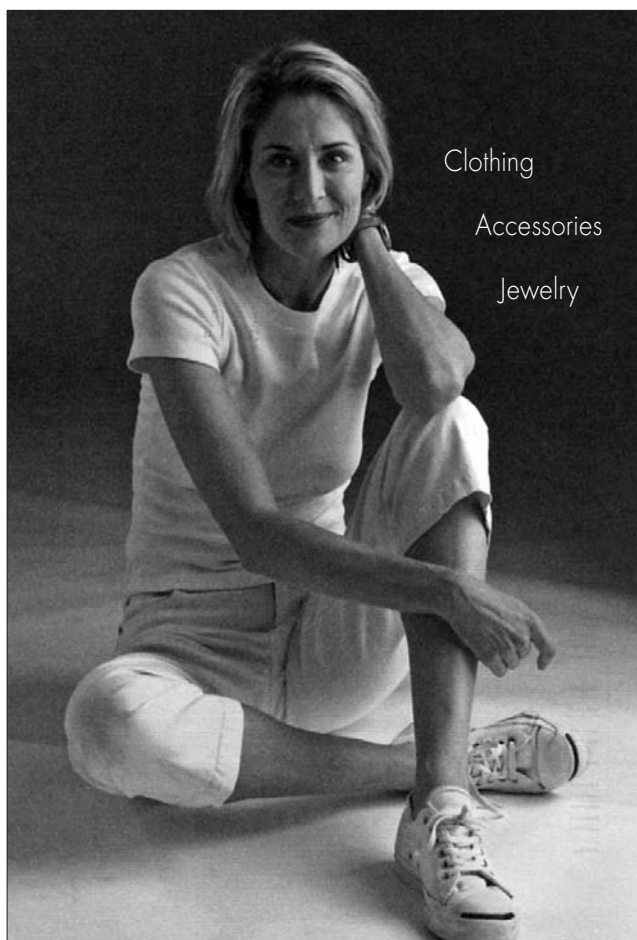
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# BACH FEST TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR 68TH SEASON

By PAUL MILLER

THE MUSIC of Mozart, Beethoven, Handel and Vivaldi joins the works of J.S. Bach on programs for this summer's Carmel Bach Festival. Tickets for the fest, which runs from July 16 to Aug. 6, with concerts at Sunset Center, Carmel Mission Basilica, All Saints Church and other venues, are now on sale, according to ticket manager Karma Simons.

"All of our main concerts this year will be too great to miss," Simons said. "And the recital series is very exciting as well."

New at this year's festival is the Youth Chorus, which will be featured at the Twilight Showcase July 26, and a series of concerts at Monterey Plaza Hotel on Cannery Row performed by the Monterey Bay Symphony. There will also be concerts at Del Monte Center, The Church in the Forest in Pebble Beach, and at San Francisco's Old First Presbyterian Church.

But the main events, as usual, will be at Sunset Center, now in its third season since undergoing a \$21 million renovation, which turned it into the Monterey Peninsula's premier concert venue.

The July 16 opening night concert, which will be repeated July 23 and 30, will include Bach's Cantata No. 27, Cantata No. 41, and Orchestral Suite No. 2 in B Minor, and Beethoven's "Kantate auf den Tod Kaiser Josephs." Bruno Weil will conduct the festival orchestra, chorale, chorus and soloists.

The Sunday concerts (July 16, 24 and 31) will feature the complete Mass in B Minor, with Weil conducting.

Monday nights (July 18 and 25 and Aug. 1) will see performances of Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons," and four Handel Arias. Tuesday concerts will feature Beethoven's "Music for a Knight's Ballet," Mozart's "Prague" Symphony, and Haydn's Symphony No. 103, with Bach's Brandenburg Concertos featured on

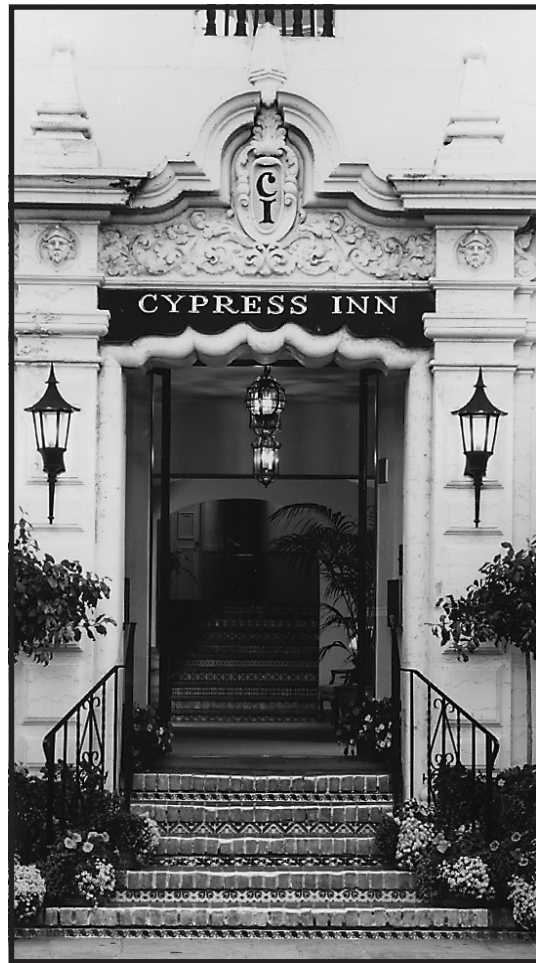
Thursdays.

Friday night offerings (July 22 and 29 and Aug. 5) promise to be very popular: Schonberg's "Peace on Earth" and Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, with Weil conducting at Sunset Center. Wednesday night concerts at the Mission will feature works by Monteverdi, under the direction of William Jon Gray.

The Wednesday evening Mission

Concerts will be preceded by a dinner and lecture by Gray (separate ticket required). There will also be a gala opening night dinner July 16 at the Carmel Woman's Club. And on July 17 there will be a "Meet the Cast" reception at Tehama/Monterra Estates.

A complete list of concerts and events at this summer's Bach Fest is available at [www.bachfestival.org](http://www.bachfestival.org). Tickets are available by calling (831) 624-2046.



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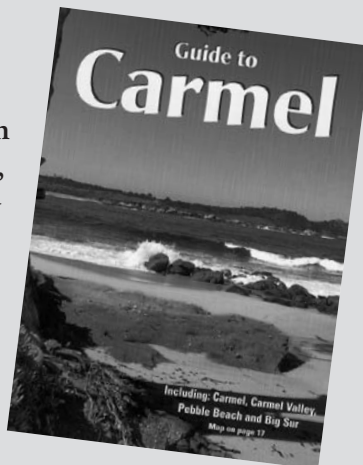
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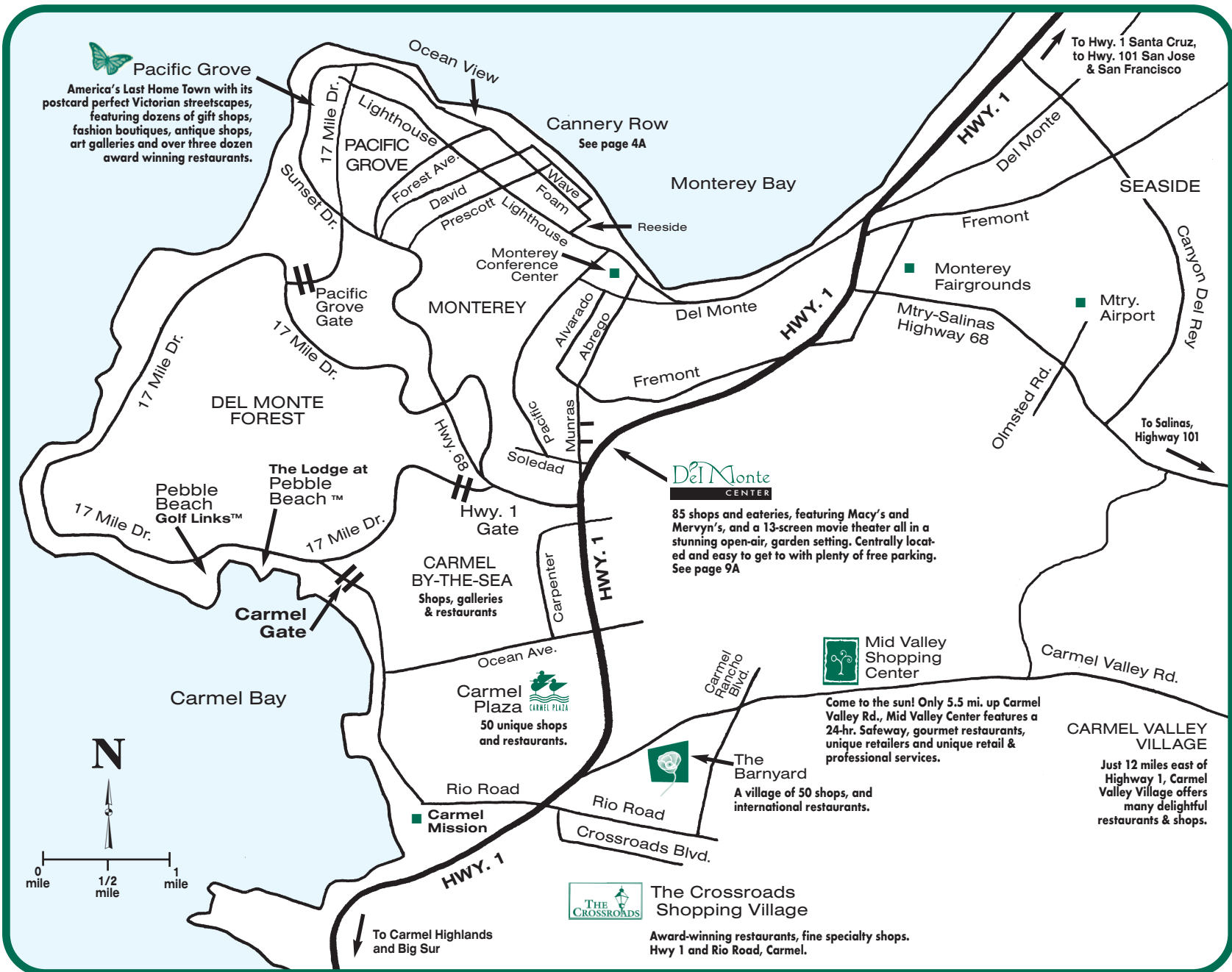
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## Taiko drum troupe joins dance concert

**WHAT:** Monterey Peninsula College presents the Spring Faculty Concert, showcasing a variety of dance styles and the Monterey Taiko Drum Troupe  
**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 25-26  
**WHERE:** Morgan Stock Stage on campus, 980 Fremont St., Monterey  
**COST:** \$8 general; \$6 students and seniors; \$3 children 12 and under  
**INFO/RESERVATIONS:** (831) 646-4220

## Guitar virtuoso Leo Kottke plays Sunset Theater



**WHAT:** Guitarist-singer-composer Leo Kottke pays his first visit to Carmel in more than a decade, performing solo on his six- and 12-string guitars.  
**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Saturday, March 26  
**WHERE:** Sunset Theater, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel-by-the-Sea  
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Two actors tackle multiple characters in "Stones in His Pockets." Here, Charlie Conlon (Justin Gordon, left) celebrates with Jake Quinn (Mike Baker).

# Ingenuity and Irish wit distinguish new PacRep play

By DEBORAH SHARP

“STONES IN His Pockets,” by Marie Jones, currently playing at PacRep’s Circle Theatre, is an engaging, cleverly written play, full of Irish wit and ingenuity. Its 13 roles are played by only two actors, Justin Gordon and Mike Baker. They give us several members of a movie production crew, including the director and the leading lady, and six Irishmen from County Kerry.

The entire color for this play comes from the two actors. The stage consists of only a large rock, a wooden bench and stones drawn on the floor, but the caricatures of the movie crew created by Gordon and Baker provide ample spark. And the two main char-

acters, Charlie Conlon and Jake Quinn, add depth, as their characters unfold in the midst of the filming of an Irish epic, “The Quiet Valley,” full of romance and a flock of dejected farmers, played by a score of extras.

There is a darker side to this situation. The money and food given the extras is the only means of support many of them have, as their former livelihood, cattle farming, is failing them. And the world of movies, which some have looked to as a means of escape from dreary lives, is proving far less glamorous than they had hoped. In fact, it’s downright degrading at times, and the unthinking callousness of the leading lady actually leads to a tragedy. But in an ingenious final twist to the story, and perhaps a

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They're particularly good at the timing and vocalization of the squawky walkie-talkies used by two of the production staff and the assuming of their roles. Baker is good as Aisling, the young woman assistant bent on proving herself, no matter whom she has to trod on. And Gordon gives us the beautiful but shallow leading lady, Caroline Giovanni, in a terrific caricature. The scene in which Jake is summoned to have coffee with Miss Giovanni and walks in on her in

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# Strong voices, just plain fun, mark this 'Mikado'

By K. K. ROBINSON

A PERFECTLY pompous Mikado, performed by Ken Cusson, leads the quartet of seasoned Gilbert and Sullivan performers in the Wharf Theater's production of their most popular musical. And, as in last year's "The Pirates of Penzance," this cast achieves a remarkable level of articulation of Sir William S. Gilbert's notoriously tricky lyrics.

Beginning with his introductory song, "A Wandering Minstrel I," Jeffrey Wahl's Nanki-Poo enralls the audience with his lush baritone and elegant movements. He anchors the love story, giving substance to the character as an actor as well as a singer. The duets with Yum-Yum, played by Nancy Williams, exhibit these two fine voices skilled in the difficulties of Sir Arthur Sullivan's music.

Vocal excellence abounds in this cast, making Yum-Yum's entrance with her sisters ("Three Little Maids") a melody of

equal parts girlish giggling and superb sopranos. The roles of Pitti-Sing and Peep-Bo are double cast and, in the performance reviewed, Dona Stroshine and Rebel Harrell add their lovely, clear voices to that of Williams. The female chorus is strong vocally throughout the show, bringing high choral standards to the large production numbers.

And the comic roles are just as well performed. As Ko-Ko, The Lord High Executioner, Troy Brunke uses every part of his face and body to express the myriad of emotions of his wily character. In addition to his acting ability, his strong voice and musical knowledge show a deep understanding of the genre. He gets solid backing from Richard B. Bragdon as Pooh-Bah (The Lord High Everything Else) and Michael Maisonneuve as Pish-Tush. Their trio is a marvel of articulation and, when the audience called for an encore, they delighted us by complying.

As the fantastical plot wends its way through Act 1, all

seems to be going well in the town of Titipu until the arrival of Katisha, played by Gina Welch-Hagen. She brings the conflict to a boil with her "tiny bit of bloodthirstiness," and everyone must scamper about to meet her demands as the royal "daughter-in-law elect."

## theater review

### Famously funny

Two famously funny songs enhance Act 2: Cusson's rendition of the Mikado's credo, "Let the Punishment Fit the Crime," and the duet between Ko-Ko and Katisha in which she affirmatively answers his question, "Do you think you are sufficiently decayed?" As one would expect from a G&S musical, all of the issues are resolved in the end with two weddings and no funerals.

Desma Johnson works her wonders once again with her superb musical direction of the actors and musicians alike, along with supportive pianism.

The bright red, blue and purple set works well as a backdrop for all of the activity on stage. Two complaints: The women are gorgeously costumed while, with the exception of

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three leads, the men seem to have gotten short shrift. And the prim, Victorian attitude with which this play ought to be performed has been replaced with a broad, almost slapstick approach. Comedy and satire always work better when played "straight."

That being said, it's a memorable and musical evening's entertainment.

"Mikado" leads at the Wharf Theater are, clockwise from right, Troy Brunke as Ko-Ko, The Lord High Executioner; Michael Masionneuve as Pish-Tush; Nancy Williams as Yum-Yum and Ken Cussons in the title role.



# Artists sought for Old Monterey Festival

THE OLD Monterey Plein Air Art Festival and promenade is calling on Monterey County artists to participate in this year's event, planned for April 16-17.


Contestants will spend the first day of the event, Saturday, painting what will be their entry for Sunday's contest. They will paint on site at any of historic Old Monterey's 26 blocks. The public is encouraged to watch the artists as they work.

On Sunday, artists will display their paintings on Alvarado Street for judging and sale to the public.

Some \$1,500 in cash prizes will be distributed to winners of such categories as Best in Show, Best Historical Garden and Best Historical Building. Contestants will be judged in adult and youth divisions.

The \$40 entry fee allows up to three submissions per contestant. The deadline for registration is April 8. Artists must be at least 16 years old.

To apply for entry or to inquire about the event, visit the Old Monterey Business Association's website at [www.oldmonterey.org](http://www.oldmonterey.org), e-mail [omba@oldmonterey.org](mailto:omba@oldmonterey.org) or call (831) 655-8070.




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# Food & Fine

## TOMATOFEST RIPENS TO INCLUDE GOLF, RECIPE CONTEST

By LAITH AGHA

**TOMATO LOVERS**, lick your lips. Gary Ibsen's Carmel TomatoFest is coming back for a 14th year. While still at Quail Lodge Resort in Carmel Valley, the event will be held at a specially designated location.

Ibsen, the event's founder and director, said "it's technically the largest tomato festival in the world," but this is not a major point of emphasis for him. And though it has the capability of growing even larger, Ibsen is satisfied with its current size. "We prefer to keep the atmosphere comfortable for those who attend, so we cap the number of people allowed in." The festival has sold out every year.

The main event, which is set for Sunday, Sept. 11, will offer much the same as it has in the past. More than 350 varieties of tomatoes from around the world will be available for tasting, along with a selection of about 60 tomato entrées to be prepared by chefs from across the United States.

The festival is also bringing back wine tasting with more than 100 California wines, a showcase of 90 tomato salsas and an international olive oil tasting with oils from eight countries.

This year's TomatoFest, however, has added some new

features to the mix. An international recipe contest open to amateur and professional chefs will be held at the Monterey Culinary Center on July 24. The amateur winner will attend the event while the professional winner will be awarded \$5,000. The recipes of both winners will be published in the TomatoFest souvenir program.

Also new this year will be the Celebrity Chef Golf Classic to be played Sept. 9 at Quail Lodge. Chefs and other golfers will play 18 holes and then compete in a hole-in-one contest. Mercedes-Benz of Monterey will give a \$60,000 Mercedes to anyone who scores an ace.

New to the main event will be a hosted entrance VIP tent sponsored by Quail Lodge.

Sept. 10 will see the return of Hot Tomato Night at Carmel Valley Ranch Resort. Cal Stamenov of Bernardus Lodge will join the resort's chef, William Bennett, in preparing a five-course meal. Each course, including dessert, will



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Some 350 varieties of tomatoes will be available for tasting at TomatoFest. Gary Ibsen, the event's founder and director, grows more than 500 varieties.

feature tomatoes.

Reservations are required. For tickets, visit the website at [www.tomatofest.com](http://www.tomatofest.com) or call (800) 965-4827. Net proceeds are donated to local youth charities.

## Montrio celebrates decade with a dinner

By LAITH AGHA

**MONTRIO BISTRO** in Monterey is celebrating its 10-year anniversary Friday, March 25, with a six-course meal prepared by a cast of past and present chefs of the restaurant.

Lead by Montrio's opening chef, Brian Whitmer, guest chefs include Neil Dunn from the Highlands Inn, Todd Fisher of Hullabaloo, Boris Ilabaca from the Old Bath House, the Pebble Beach Company's Jeff Jake and Gene Moana of Lucca in Sacramento. Each chef is responsible for a course,

with Whitmer preparing the main entree.

"It's a special treat to be able to get these six chefs together to prepare one incredible meal," said executive chef Tony Baker. "It speaks highly of each of them and of the place that Montrio holds in their history."

The evening begins at 6:30 with a champagne reception.

The event costs \$95 per person. Reservations are required due to limited seating. To make reservations or to inquire about the event, call (831) 648-8880 or e-mail Kathy Solley at [kathy@montrio.com](mailto:kathy@montrio.com).

## Easter bunny plans to visit Bernardus brunch

**THIS SUNDAY** you will be able to hunt your egg and eat it, too. Wickets Bistro is offering an Easter Sunday brunch at Bernardus Lodge with special guest The Easter Bunny to conduct an Easter egg hunt for children dining at Wickets or who are guests of the lodge.

Mr. Bunny will arrive at 11 a.m.

The buffet brunch runs 10:30 a.m. through 3 p.m. Among the menu's featured items are Pacific wild salmon, asparagus bisque, country style polenta and sautéed diver scallops. A made-to-order omelet station and a dessert buffet will also be available.

Brunch costs \$52 per person, \$22 for children ages 6 to 12. Children 5 and under eat free.

Reservations are required. Call (831) 658-3550.

## Easter Brunch offered by Quail Lodge

**QUAIL LODGE** is offering an Easter Sunday brunch in the Peninsula Ballroom at the Clubhouse.

In addition to buffet staples such as fresh pastries, eggs benedict, made-to-order omelets and hickory smoked bacon, the brunch will offer a selection of shellfish, assorted sushi, grilled spring chicken, seared salmon, roasted leg of lamb and smoked ham. Several salad options will be available, along with a dessert buffet.

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**THE SANTA BARBARA CHILDREN'S CHORUS** will present a free concert at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, at Junipero Street and Ocean Avenue, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Director is Rebecca Leftwich Hodson, professor of music at Westmont College and Santa Barbara public schools. The chorus has 40 members chosen from Santa Barbara County Schools, grades five through 12. Their "American Music" program includes works of Ives, Berlin, Gershwin, patriotic and folk music. They are the resident children's chorus for the Santa Barbara Opera and other public events. Other community youth choruses of Central California in Monterey, San Francisco, Contra Costa County and Berkeley will also host them on this tour.

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## Good Old Days will bring back good old times

By LAITH AGHA

IF YOU'VE been itching to enter your infant in a race, your chance is coming fast. The First Diaper Derby is the latest attraction added to Pacific Grove's annual Good Old Days.

The two-day event returns April 9-10 for its 48th year, beginning Saturday with the traditional parade at 10 a.m. This year, the parade will include more than 120 entries, including marching bands, horse-drawn wagons, classic cars and the ever-popular bucket brigade.

Baby racing is just one of more than 30 events that will be happening during the largest arts and crafts fair on the Peninsula. The California Motorcycle Police Drill Team Competition is back, as are the Fireman's Muster, the old-time fashion show, carnival rides, the Boy Scouts' miniature golf course, and the Media Challenge Basketball Competition in which different Monterey County media outlets leave their radio booths, TV studios and newsrooms to duke it out on the court.



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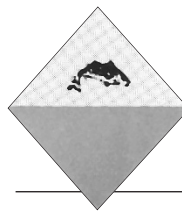
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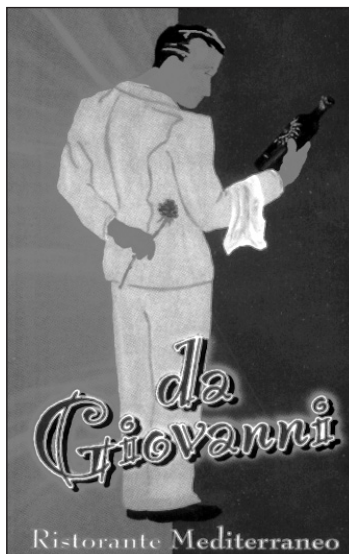
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## LION

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even they did not constitute a public safety threat.

“On March 15, we had a report at 10:50 p.m. from the 200 block of Asilomar of a woman screaming and sounds of a struggle. Responding officers heard animal noises that they couldn’t identify, but we’ve heard that mountain lions can make a noise that sounds like screaming,” Uretsky said.

Three days later, a golfer who had experience with mountain lions in Montana called police at 10:30 a.m. with what Uretsky felt was a credible lion sighting on the golf course, although the man obviously wasn’t frightened because he continued golfing for an hour before making the call.

Still, police were concerned enough to activate their Teleminder system, which phoned every resident in the Beach Tract area of P.G. March 18 with a warning about the lion sighting, according to Uretsky.

Terry Palmisano, a senior wildlife biologist for the California Department of Fish and Game, said there’s nothing unusual about the sightings.

“Wherever you have trees and deer, you’re going to have mountain lions,” she said.

The Pacific Grove mountain lion was

reportedly chasing deer when it was sighted by golfers.

“That’s what mountains lions do,” Palmisano said. “They chase deer.”

Palmisano said there are an estimated 5,000 to 6,000 mountain lions in California. Typically, individual mountain lions have a wide territory and don’t welcome fellow lions.

“The only time you see more than one at a time is when you see a mother with her cubs,” Palmisano said. “When they reach about 18 months, the mother kicks the ‘teenagers’ out of the house and they need to find someplace new to live.”

That might explain their encroachment into residential neighborhoods, which Palmisano described as “easy pickings” for food sources. In addition to deer, chickens, goats and house cats are popular prey for mountain lions.

And when a mountain lion is sighted near a suburban neighborhood, the concern of residents often leads to a flurry of sightings — some of which are false.

“We get a lot of false reports,” Palmisano said. “Before calling in a sighting, people

need to stop and make sure it really is what they think it is.” And reporting it to someone besides the police department doesn’t help, according to Uretsky.

“We need to document sightings in a populated area; that’s very important,” he said. The number to call in P.G. is (831) 648-5700.

At nearby Asilomar State Beach and Conference Center, numerous signs warn visitors of the presence of mountain lions. Last year, there were seven confirmed lion kills on deer very near populated areas, according to Uretsky, which prompted the P.G. City Council to demand that fish and game officials get rid of the lion. A trap was set near a deer carcass last October, but the lion wasn’t captured. Then the sightings died down until early this year.

According to state parks spokesperson Dave Schaechtele, there are several precautions people can take.

“Avoid hiking alone, especially between dusk and dawn,” he explained. “Make noise

to avoid surprising a mountain lion. Also, keep children in sight and within arm’s reach.”

And don’t approach mountain lions. “They generally avoid encounters, so give them a chance to escape,” he said. “But don’t run away. Also, avoid crouching or bending. If a lion approaches, make lots of noise.”

And while the danger from lions increases as they move into populated areas, the Mountain Lion Foundation ([www.mountainlion.org](http://www.mountainlion.org)), reported there have been just 14 fatal mountain lion attacks in North America during the past 100 years. Yosemite National Park, where mountain lions coexist with an estimated 3 million visitors a year, has never reported an attack. And according to Uretsky, “there has never been a case of a lion attacking a human in an urban area” in California.

Still, police are ready to respond to any real threat from a lion, Uretsky said.

“If the lion is treed or trapped in such a way where we can contain it, we will call fish and game and leave up to them the decision about whether to tranquilize it or kill it,” he said. “But if there is an imminent threat to a citizen, visitor or officer, police will not hesitate to shoot the lion.”

*‘We need to document [lion] sightings in a populated area; that’s very important.’ The number to call in P.G. is 648-5700.*

— Lt. Tom Uretsky

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pared by the city attorney. Content for the impartial analysis was taken directly from the initial document submitted by the proponents for inclusion on the ballot.

The impartial analysis statement prepared by the city attorney is not an "argument." It makes no judgment about the ballot initiative; nor does it affirm or deny statements made in the proposed initiative.

I hope this letter is helpful in clarifying this matter.

**Donald G. Freeman**, city attorney,  
Carmel-by-the-Sea

*'They like us so much!'*

Dear Editor,

Having heard and read the many sides to the TOT question, I think it boils down to the honest conclusion that we can happily use more tourists and hope they leave more money behind when they go home. Without getting into Golden Goose and all that, how about the old Flies with Honey routine?

First of all, let's call and treat them like welcome "guests" instead of plain, old "tourists." The minute they get off the bus or out of their car, let them know we are very happy to see them. You may have noticed a bit of an "attitude" lately by some of the locals, and even, Serra forbid, by a few shop staffs and innkeepers!

These guests are not hard to spot, and

please forgive them if they consider Carmel-by-the-Sea a sort of theme park. They often stand on street corners, studying maps — couples pointing in different directions, and then step off the curb without looking. But haven't we all done the same thing as tourists ourselves?

We could each act as happy hosts, maybe wear a special hat or badge, pointing out with pleasure the Hog's Breath, Sunset, the beach, the fire station and how to find an art gallery. "Yes, of course we see Clint now and then, and Doris Day, too! Haven't seen Kim Novak lately, but you never know. Hillary Swank, Morgan Freeman? Maybe!"

Let them know we love their business, but most of all, we are happy to see them. Visit Victoria, B.C., sometime and see how they welcome guests. They accept the fact, among other things, that they are a hospital-ity center and proud of it.

And who knows? Maybe our guests will feel so welcome, getting a real bang for their buck — "only a 10 percent TOT!" — they will be happy, well fed, and have credit cards with enough left for next time. "Stella, let's stay another day, and come back again real soon!"

"Charlie, for sure! Especially since I hear they like us so much they decided not to stick it to us with another 2 percent."

**Phil Bowhay**,  
Carmel

Unfortunately, personal gain and ego always emerged as a motivating force behind these initiatives. Unnecessary bureaucracies became inevitable, as newly elected officials found full-time jobs spending tax money. As usual, the public interest was often set to rest in the graveyard.

But this is the way the system is supposed to work. Unless we have a communist state, self-interest will always be the guiding light. It was so with Washington, Jefferson, Adams, Franklin and all of our Founding Fathers; and they all left us something to be thankful for.

**Harry Rocky**,  
Hacienda Carmel

*'You won't crash at home'*

Dear Editor,

There is an old saying: "There are only two types of cyclists, those who have crashed and those who haven't."

In response to your article, "Attorney files lawsuit against town that doesn't exist" (March 18), I find it incredible that one self-ish rider should pursue damages because of something he is 100 percent responsible for.

Riding a bicycle is a dangerous activity. The responsibility for negotiating the public roads is solely the responsibility of the rider. It is a voluntary activity and if the rider is unable to negotiate the road conditions, the rider must slow down or, in extreme conditions, dismount and walk.

It seems on this occasion 599 riders were able to use their discretion and safely negotiate the road. ONE rider was unable to. That fact alone must be an indication of where the real blame must be attached.

It is high time that individuals take responsibility for their actions as organizations, individuals and event organizers are being crushed (under the weight of legal expenses) to fight cases with little or no merit or credence.

My advice to anyone thinking of riding a bicycle is, "If you are looking to others to blame in the event of a crash, stay at home. You will not crash there, or one should hope not!"

To Bill West, my suggestion for the lack of volunteers to help run his event is, "Pay organizations, such as a local cycling club, to help." This might reduce the income to the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy, etc. But at least there would be willing volunteers to help marshal the event.

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### Personal gain and ego


Dear Editor,

The controversy over city status for Carmel Valley strikes me as a waste of words. Of course, self-governance would be desirable. Its success would depend on who is elected city council and mayor, and their performance in office.

As to cost, if the council and mayor were to serve free of charge, and meet in a member's residence, the cost would be minimal. Arguments about the size of such a city being an impediment are groundless, since the tasks to be performed would be the same, whether city or county.

The fact is, city status surfaced as a widely desired option throughout the United States some 40 years ago. Prior to then, residents of communities who sought to organize found it difficult to do so. State and county power brokers were content with the status quo. New cities rarely appeared on the map. But state legislatures finally broke the ice, and new cities formed or towns sprang up all over the country.

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# Editorial

## How not to manage the lagoon

WITH THE Camel River nipping at its heels last week, Scenic Road's sandy foundation was very nearly swept out to sea. A beloved cypress at the road's edge and, indeed, the road itself could easily have collapsed into the Pacific Ocean. While county public works officials pondered what to do, and worried neighbors looked on from the hillside above the river, federal wildlife officials in Santa Rosa could almost be heard chuckling with satisfaction. You get the feeling they wanted the road to disappear, and that if a home or two also fell into the sea, so much the better.

This is not just a sarcastic conclusion. On several occasions, they've shown a foolish proclivity to play brinkmanship with the Carmel River. And they've put the public in danger in the process.

One year, they blithely informed county officials they could no longer breach the sandbar holding back the lagoon — something the county had done year after year for decades. The young steelhead trout in the lagoon might be prematurely swept out to sea, the feds warned. And since the young fish are protected by the Endangered Species Act (along with many other "Evolutionarily Significant Units" of the species in rivers from Canada to Mexico), harming them could be a crime. So county officials did exactly what they were told. Several homes in a low-lying neighborhood along the lagoon flooded as a result, creating a loud public outcry that forced the federal officials to reconsider their position. The county could resume breaching the sandbar whenever public health and safety required it, they said.

But that's when they started telling county officials *how* they could breach the lagoon. Instead of a straight cut along the shortest route from the lagoon to the sea — one that pretty much guarantees the lagoon will empty — they asked for an angled ditch which would drain it more slowly, presumably protecting the young trout.

The strategy was tried at the end of last year, and it worked too well. The angled cut drained the lagoon so slowly, it couldn't outpace the water entering from the storm-driven river, very nearly flooding the neighborhood again. A second channel had to be cut — in the traditional location — before the water finally receded. When the lagoon began to drain, county officials probably thought they were in the clear. But the angled cut was only beginning its mischief. Later, it was this very same cut that, combined with another downpour, a high tide and huge waves, that nearly destroyed a vital section of one of California's most scenic roads.

The lesson in all this is: Leave a margin for error. And don't try to fine-tune a raging river, a rising lagoon and a stormy sea.

## Totally misguided

TWO WEEKS ago, we wrote about the widespread public misapprehension about inclusionary housing — why it does not and, indeed, cannot relieve the local affordable housing shortage. Zoning that would allow denser housing in urbanized areas is the only way for truly affordable housing to be built that will benefit the public and the people who live in the affordable units.

Last week, on a local public access channel, we heard LandWatch executive director Gary Patton offer his own recipe for making sure everyone could afford a place to live in Pacific Grove or Pebble Beach: "There should be a national program of income redistribution," he opined to an audience of Green Party supporters.

Unfortunately for Gary, history has proved over and over again that this type of Utopian daydreaming does not work in the real world. If nobody is allowed to be rich, then everybody ends up poor. Even the hippies figured that out.

## BATES



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### 'Just the facts'

Dear Editor,

Contrary to Dick Ely's assertions in his letter of March 18, the eight bullet points he cited are factually correct, although not all can be attributed to council:

1. True. Measure A increases the hotel tax by 20 percent. See editor's note of March 18.
2. True. The city would only be able to spend the TOT increase per the initiative's formula.
3. True. Visitors fund 65 percent of the city's budget
4. True. Other cities earmark TOT for tourist promotion

5. True. Carmel's TOT is down. See Olof Dahlstrand's March 18 letter.

6. True. According to innkeepers' records, when TOT increases, occupancy falls. New York City found out the hard way — it lost market share to New Jersey and had to roll back its increased TOT

7. True. The increase can only be rolled back by a vote of the people

8. True. Over the last seven years, occupancy has fallen more than 15 percent and the percentage of change is down more than 20 percent.

Further Ely errata: The \$2 fee on tickets sold to visitors and residents alike for Sunset Theater performances is in use at many performing arts centers. No parking has been eliminated for shoppers; a test was briefly run on a few blocks to see whether it might increase parking availability. That test is over and the signs are down.

Dick, you voted for the city budgets in 2000, 2001 and 2002; you were absent in 2003. You were vice mayor in 2002-2003 and therefore set the council agendas with the city clerk, city administrator and mayor. In 2003 you touted bottled water as a new revenue source and prepared a brief outline, but no proposal was ever forthcoming as you had offered.

As your campaign literature and ballot statement said in 2004: You are for "open, inclusive and respectful government" and

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# LETTERS

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"now more than ever we need to work together." I agree, let's be open, respectful and work together.

**Sue McCloud, Mayor, Carmel-by-the-Sea**

## So what if tourists pay?

Dear Editor,

I worked in the children's library as a volunteer for 12 years. It broke my heart as I watched the city lay off and move employees, cut services and reduce hours that the library is open. They even closed the bathroom because they couldn't afford to clean it! Why didn't they realize a year ago that they needed some new revenue and take action to get it? Why won't they support the proposed hotel tax increase, which could help restore critical services in Carmel? They are trying to scare us with misinformation. So what if tourists have to spend an additional dollar or two to spend the night here? Carmel is worth it. I'm going to vote for the hotel tax on April 5 and I hope you will to. Thank you for your support.

**Katherine Little,  
Carmel**

## 'Talk about your misleading statements!'

Dear Editor,

I want to thank Richard Ely for stating the correct facts regarding Measure A.

- Measure A will increase the hotel tax by 20 percent.
- The city's hands will be tied on how this money is spent.
- Visitors fund 65 percent of the city's services.
- Other cities earmark their TOT for tourist advertising.
- TOT as a percentage of our revenue is down.
- When TOT increases, hotel occupancy declines.
- Once approved, the city council can't undo the TOT.
- Occupancy rates are down by 20 percent over last seven years.

However, he erroneously concluded these facts were false. Not only are the facts accurate, but they can be substantiated, unlike his mere assertion that they are false. Maybe that is why the astute voters of Carmel didn't elect him to lead their fine city.

**John Wilson, general manager, The Pine Inn**

## Eastwood's invitation

Dear Editor,

As a world traveler and businesswoman, I never choose my destination based on the amount of tax. However, I have always tipped in hotels, restaurants and taxis to show my appreciation for services rendered. Why not require the same from visitors to Carmel to assure that we can continue to maintain and protect the village character that has attracted visitors for more than a hundred years?

By voting Yes on Measure A, you are asking the city for a nominal increase in the TOT. Consider it as a tip for our dedicated Carmel Police Department, the fire department, street sweeper, forester and others who provide excellent services for the visitor.

Instead of concern that an increase in hotel tax would discourage visitors, please be assured that as long as Clint Eastwood, an Oscar-winning actor and astute businessman, continues to invest in local tourism and has invited the world in his recent acceptance speech to visit the Monterey Peninsula, the innkeepers and merchants should support the TOT to get our city back in shape and prepare to accommodate.

Please vote Yes on Measure A on Tuesday, April 5, and show you care.

**Sue Roberts, Carmel**

## Attorney's explanation

Dear Editor,

This letter is to address a misstatement made in the March 11 letters to the editor and hopefully will clarify similar misconceptions as voters consider the TOT ballot measure on April 5.

The letter stated that, "according to the ballot argument prepared by our city attorney, the TOT increase will provide \$700,000 in additional revenue and free up funds to use for long needed and long deferred projects, such as roads and sewers."

It appears the writer is confusing information in a ballot's "impartial analysis statement" with other statements known as "arguments."

The impartial analysis is legally required to appear on a ballot describing what a voter is being asked to consider. In

the case of the TOT initiative, the impartial analysis was pre-

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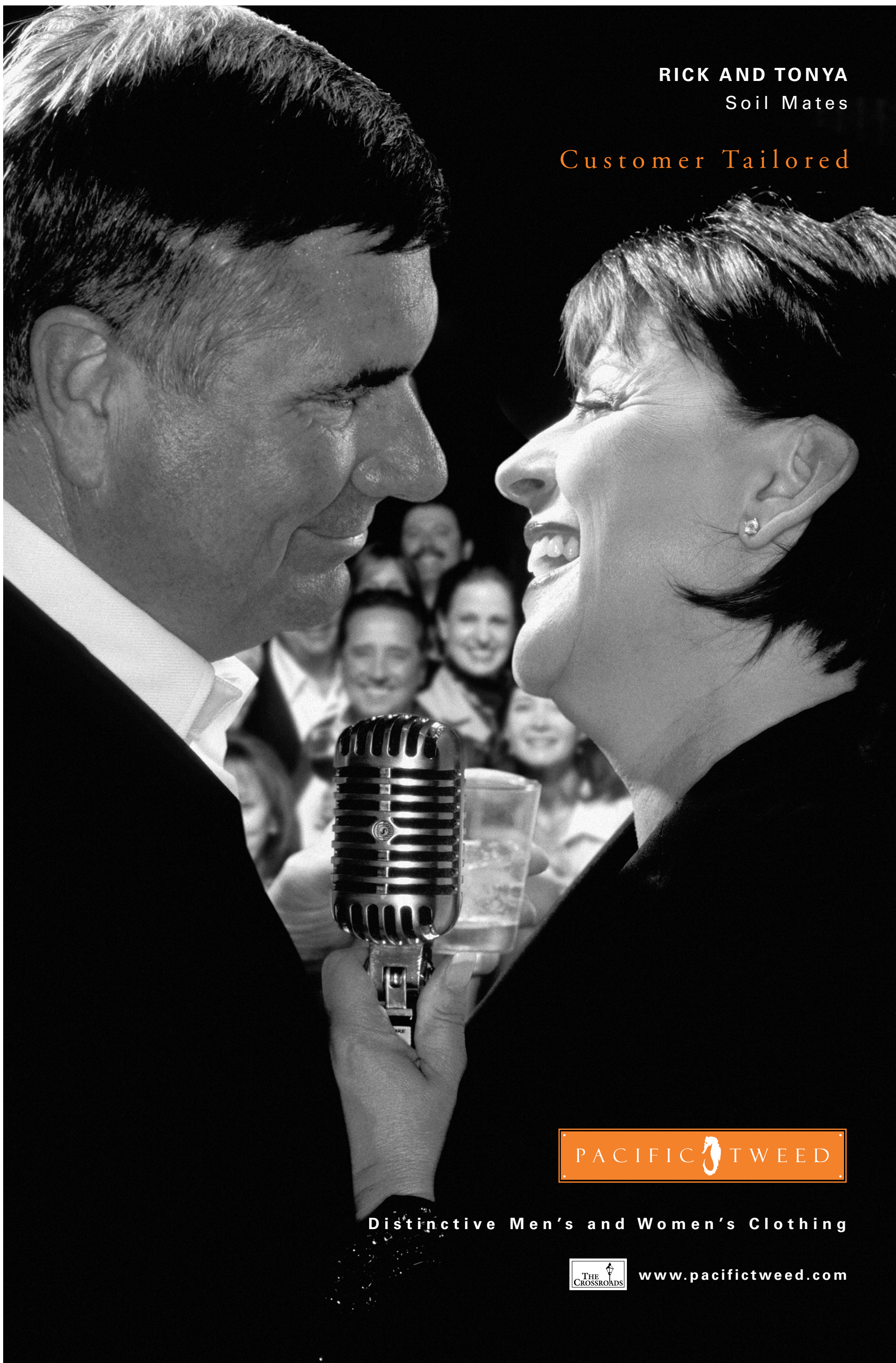
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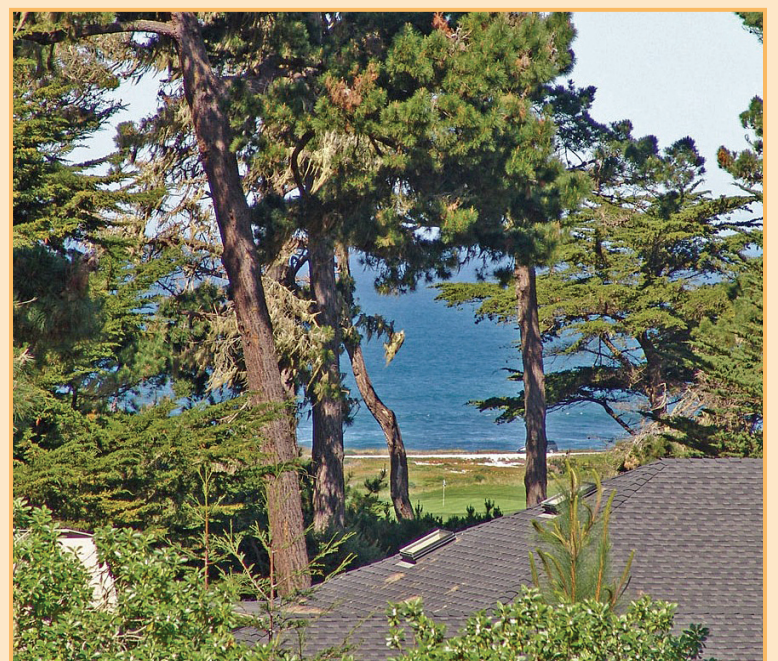
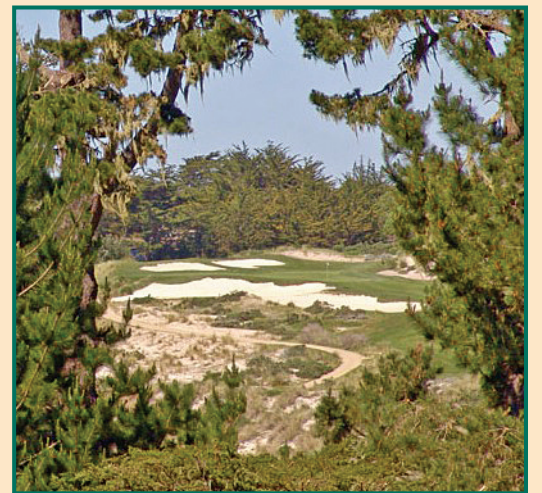
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Should investment property  
be in your portfolio?



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■ This week's cover home, located in Pebble Beach, is presented by Peter D. Butler II of The Mitchell Group (see page 2B)

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**CASANOVA & 9TH 1SW: \$1,372,000**

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**Bedrooms:** 2  
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## CARMEL VALLEY

**Bedrooms:** 6  
**Baths:** 4  
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**Bedrooms:** 2  
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**Sq. Ft.:** 3,200  
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**Bedrooms:** 3  
**Baths:** 2  
**Sq. Ft.:** 2,439  
**Price:**  
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Articulated angles and creative craftsmanship accentuate this home beside the 7th green at Quail Lodge. Open and flowing with style and function, highlights include cathedral-style raised pane glass ceiling, sunroom, stone fireplace, offered ceiling, oak and tile flooring, recessed lighting and crown molding.

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## CARMEL VALLEY



## APTOS

**Bedrooms:** 4  
**Baths:** 3.5  
**Sq. Ft.:** 3,000  
**Price:** \$1,799,000

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## MONTEREY

**Bedrooms:** 4  
**Baths:** 3 full, 2 half  
**Sq. Ft.:** 3,733  
**Price:** \$2,395,000

Great neighborhood outlook and peeks of the bay enhance the flowing floor plan of this home which features a remodeled kitchen with all granite countertops plus a bonus sunroom. Located on .62 of an acre with plenty of space to play and BBQ. Quiet distinguished area, close to the ocean and local services and shopping.

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Cypress  
Dunes



## PEBBLE BEACH

**Bedrooms:** 5  
**Baths:** 6 full, 2 half  
**Sq. Ft.:** 6,948  
**Price:**  
\$5,450,000

This Pebble Beach estate is located on the 4th fairway of the Cypress Point Club with views of fairways, greens and white water of the Pacific. An expansive tile patio with a built-in hot tub overlooks a private putting green in the back yard. The gourmet kitchen was featured in *Sunset Magazine*.

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**Bedrooms:** 3  
**Baths:** 2.5  
**Sq. Ft.:** 1,612  
**Price:** \$1,645,000

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**Bedrooms:** 3  
**Baths:** 3  
**Sq. Ft.:** 2,717  
**Price:** \$1,349,000

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# San Carlos Street to close April 11 for costly month-long repave

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A YEAR late but \$12,120 cheaper, the repaving of one San Carlos Street block is slated to begin April 11. The busy street between Ocean and Sixth avenues will be closed to all traffic for a month, according to city building official Tim Meroney.

Pavex Construction Division of the Graniterock Company entered the bid of \$79,640 — more than \$12,000 lower than the \$91,760 the city council authorized when it approved the project in December 2003. At that time, then-public works director Jim Cullem estimated the work would be finished by the following spring.

The money to pay for the new concrete street will come from state taxpayers through a grant and a pot of cash for regional transportation projects, not from the city's general fund.

"The street is buckling," Meroney said of the old roadway, one of the few remaining concrete streets in the city.

Without repair, the street could develop a sink hole, and offsets in the concrete already pose tripping hazards to pedestrians.

"Patching is not going to get it done," Meroney said.

Pavex workers will remove the existing concrete, and a dying tree on the east side of the street will be cut down.

A new tree will be planted in its place, Meroney said, and the new concrete will remain off limits for a couple of weeks.

"The concrete has to cure, so it doesn't start cracking under heavy traffic," he said. San Carlos Street is a major artery for buses,

delivery trucks and fire engines driving through town.

"Monterey-Salinas Transit will be notified and will come up with an alternate route," Meroney said. "And signs will be posted."

### Mission, then Scenic

Mission Street is also slated for temporary closure while new asphalt is laid between Fourth and Sixth avenues, and between Ocean and Eighth avenues.

Meroney could not estimate the cost and said the proposal will go out to bid shortly.

He's hoping for city council approval in May and a signed contract soon after, which would permit work to start mid-month.

"That project should go much more quickly, because it's asphalt and not necessarily rebuilding the entire street, as it is on San Carlos," he said. Workers will grind down and remove the old

asphalt, replace it with a few inches of new material and smooth it out, after which city workers will re-stripe it and mark the parking stalls.

Finally, the task of replacing the Scenic Road walkway between Eighth Avenue and Martin Way will go out to bid within the next couple of months, though Meroney said work would not begin until after Labor Day.

"The path is full of ruts — it's worn out," Meroney said. The old material will be dug up and replaced with new, but the path will not be wider or change in any other way. "It's 20 years old, and it's time to do the right thing so we can get another 25 years out of it."

*'The street is buckling.'*

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## REAL ESTATE

# Investment property — an expert's how-to guide

By RITA LEWIS  
Managing Broker  
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ANDREW CARNEGIE once said more money has been made in real estate than in all industrial investments combined. Driven by record-low interest rates, the stock market's disappointing performance and consistent appreciation in real estate, a growing number of people are looking to follow Carnegie's advice and buy property for investment purposes.

Increasingly, investment property is being viewed as a fourth asset class in a portfolio, along with stocks, bonds and cash. Real estate investments are taking a variety of shapes, from vacation homes, to houses or condominiums to rent out to tenants, and even apartment buildings.

Investors realize real estate has numerous advantages, including some of the best tax benefits available in the United States and consistent increases in value over time.

But it is important for prospective investors to understand that real estate is a long-term investment and you shouldn't expect quick financial returns. However, over the long run, it can be a sound investment vehicle provided investors do their homework and develop a strategy that fits their own needs, financial position and objectives.

Newcomers to investment property should start by asking themselves a series of important questions:

## 1. How much real estate experience do I have?

Real estate requires more time and attention than other types of investments — everything from handling general maintenance and paying property taxes, to creating lease agreements and negotiating the many tasks associated with finding and keeping good tenants. First-time buyers may feel overwhelmed taking on a property that requires more work than they can comfortably handle. As a result, it may be wise to start small. You can learn the ropes while the stakes are low.

## 2. How much money do I have to use toward a down payment and monthly payments?

In today's market, mortgage companies will lend money on homes and condominiums with as little as 10 percent down (even less in some cases). For multiple unit properties, lenders require a higher down payment, often 20 percent or more. The amount of money you can use toward a down payment will influence the size and the type of property you can

purchase. And when figuring monthly costs, don't forget to factor in taxes, insurance, homeowner's dues and general maintenance along with the mortgage.

## 3. What is my risk profile?

Some investment properties are located in good "appreciation" markets where the monthly cash flow may not immediately cover all the expenses, but the value of the property increases significantly over time. Other properties are located in "cash flow" markets where the income covers or even exceeds the monthly expenses, but the property value tends to remain the same over time. Younger investors tend to like to invest in areas with high appreciation, helping them to build a significant nest egg for the future. Investors nearing retirement, on the other hand, may want a more predictable cash flow they can use to supplement their retirement income.

## 4. How handy am I at maintaining a property?

Some people are born do-it-yourselfers, while others aren't. If you can do some general maintenance yourself, you can save money. If not, you should factor in slightly higher projected costs to hire professionals to do any needed repair work. You may also want to target newer properties, which generally require less maintenance. Similarly, busy professionals may not have extra time to manage properties themselves. As a result, you may need to hire a professional property management company or, alternatively, to buy a property with fewer units in a more upscale area where the properties are likely to have lower turnover and, as a result, demand less of your time.

## 5. How well do I know the market in which I am considering investing?

It has been said that investors make their money when they buy. The more you know about the market you are targeting, the better decisions you will make. Start by researching a large number of properties to determine what sale prices and property features are in demand, and what type of price appreciation you can anticipate. If you are considering renting your properties to tenants, look closely at the rental

market demand to get a sense of the rents that could be charged. The value of real estate is driven by supply and demand, so also look at an area's overall employment and housing growth trends.

## 6. Should I buy a vacation rental or a traditional rental?

The biggest positive aspect of purchasing a vacation rental property is being able to use it as a vacation home, possibly renting it out when you aren't using it. The downside is figuring out how to handle the tasks of renting, managing and maintaining the property if you don't live nearby. You can hire a property management company to assist, but that can be expensive. Even when using a management company, it is important you remain active in the process of overseeing your investment. When buying any property in a market you are not intimately familiar with, undertake a more rigorous due diligence process to make sure you are getting a good value.

## 7. What else should I consider in a rental property?

When researching rental properties, pay close attention to the level and the nature of the rental market in general, and the property's rental history in particular. Rents that can be charged for properties in vacation areas tend to fluctuate more with the economy, since fewer people choose to go on vacation when their economic outlook is not optimistic. Similarly, property values in vacation areas also can fluctuate more than elsewhere. And beware of buying a property simply because it has a low purchase price. Almost without exception, in areas where the purchase price of properties is low, the corresponding rents that can be charged will also be low.

## 8. What are some of the tax implications of investment property?

Unlike your personal residence, mortgage interest payments and property taxes are not tax deductible in property held for investment purposes. However, expenses and depreciation can be deducted from any rents received and may even be deductible against earned income in some cases. Upon the sale of an investment property and the purchase of another property, you can avoid (or defer) the payment of capital gains taxes through the use of a 1031 exchange. To execute a 1031 exchange, the replacement property must be identified within 45 days and be acquired within 180 days of the sale of the old property. Taxes can be complicated, so it's best to talk with your tax advisor before making any decision about investment property.

Investment properties can provide a good source of income, long-term asset growth and a sound diversification for your portfolio. But it's important to do your homework before venturing into the market. Investing some time up front can result in great returns down the road.

■ Rita Lewis, vice president and managing broker of Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty on the Monterey Peninsula, provides the above tips. A 24-year real estate veteran, Rita oversees offices in Carmel, Pacific Grove and Pebble Beach. She can be reached at (831) 626.2202 or by e-mail at rlewis@cbnocal.com.



Rita Lewis

## BLACK CONE

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Old maps indicated the Black Cone Trail existed as far back as 1940. It was reportedly in good shape until 1977, when the Marble Cone fire burned the area and more than 177,000 acres.

"After that fire, there was an incredible growth of brush," explained Hughey, who lives in Atascadero. "The forest service no longer had a budget for trail maintenance. By 1983, the trail was overgrown with chaparral and was impassable."

Five years ago, the VWA began the Black Cone Trail rehabilitation project, which also sought to reestablish the nearly forgotten Mosquito Springs Camp.

"There had been a couple of aborted attempts in the early '90s, including a Sierra Club effort," Hughey said. "They realized what a big challenge they were facing."

Primarily using three popular trail tools — the mattock, the Pulaski (a combination mattock and ax) and McLeod (a combination hoe and rake) — volunteers began the arduous task of hacking away new growth from the exposed trail. The forest service forbids volunteers from using power tools on Ventana Wilderness lands because they can be a fire hazard, so all work had to be done by hand.

Since April 2000, at least 30 volunteers have worked on the trail.

"We have about 15 regulars," Hughey said. "We've had as many as 12 volunteers on a trip, but usually it's six or eight. We carry in everything ourselves. Two years ago, we raised \$8,000 (including a \$3,000 grant from Power Bar) and hired a forest service crew. They required more amenities than the volunteers, so they used mules to pack in ice chests full of chicken and steaks."

As time passed, Hughey developed a great admiration for the trail's architect, whose name has been lost to history.

"Whoever built this trail really did a great job," Hughey said. "It follows the ridge most of the way. The contour of the trail matches the mountain. It doesn't dive and climb like a lot of trails. It's as if someone laid it out with a transit."

After each day of sweat in the sunshine, volunteers sleep under the stars at Mosquito Camp, located at 4,500 feet of elevation.

"It's a great place to camp," Hughey said. "Dawn breaks; the sun starts shining immediately and it stays with you all day."

### You can help by hiking

After five years of backbreaking effort, the nine-mile trail is passable, but still needs work.

"The upper three miles and the lower four miles are in good shape," Hughey said. "The other two miles are not in bad shape. But we're not done by any means. We need to keep working on it for two or three more years. It's going to require regular tune-ups. Also, the more people who use the trail, the better it will be."

The rehabilitated trail will provide hikers, backpackers, horseback riders and hunters with a scenic route from the the Pine Ridge Trail to Strawberry Valley.

"It's really a beautiful trail," said Jon Libby, VWA president and trail volunteer. "It is like a spoke down into the hub of a wheel. It allows people to do more loops and opens up a whole new set of possibilities."

Mild weather, soft dirt and spectacular wildflower displays make spring a great time for trail work. On March 11, seven volunteers left for a five-day trip. If the weather is nice, another group of volunteers will return to work on the trail this weekend.

Founded in 1998, the VWA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting the wildlands of California's northern Santa Lucia mountain range. For more information about the group, visit [www.ventanawild.org](http://www.ventanawild.org).

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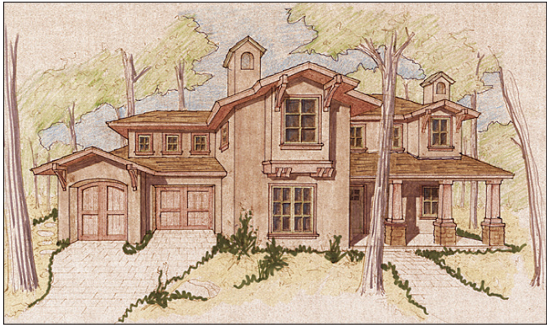
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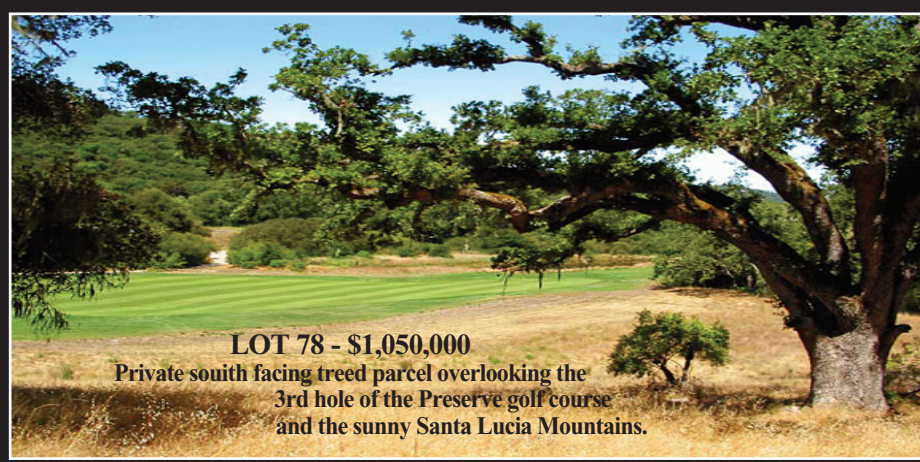


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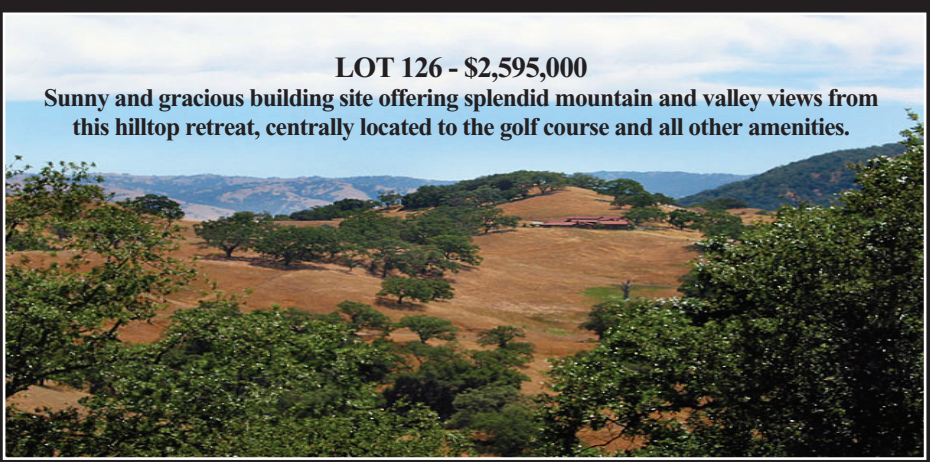
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# POLICE LOG

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Road and Chaparral Road.

**Carmel Valley:** A 60-year-old male reported his cell phone was stolen from his room on 03-07 while he was staying at the Carmel Valley Ranch.

**Big Sur:** A female, age 60, reported being bitten in the leg by a dog while on Highway 1 near Otter Cove.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 10

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A female, age 32, was stopped for driving around a "road closed" and a detour sign at Carpenter and Fourth. The driver was found to be unlicensed and was released on a citation. Her vehicle was towed and stored by Carmel Chevron. She was also issued proof of service for a restraining order.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic collision on private property on Scenic. Vehicle was drivable.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Observed a vehicle driving unsafely on Rio Road and Ladera. Turned around and followed the vehicle until it was safe to stop it at San Carlos and 13th. While following the vehicle, it continuously crossed the double yellow lines into oncoming traffic. Upon contacting the driver, he stated that he had "no knees" and was disabled, which may have caused any unsafe driving. However, he could not recall where or how he had been driving. He was issued a priority reexamination

form, which gives him only five days to contact the DMV and be retested.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Eighth Avenue for blocking a private driveway.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to a reported fire alarm activation at the Pan American Building, Junipero and Fifth. On scene, investigation showed that the activation was due to the same old malfunction this system has been having a problem with for quite some time: Fire alarm, zone 5 pull station. The alarm was silenced and reset.

**Carmel area:** A 59-year-old female reported having contact with an elderly female who requested a ride to her home. The address she gave did not exist.

**Carmel Valley:** Female Rio Vista Drive resident, age 70, reported seeing a man with a flashlight walk on her neighbor's property the previous evening. She thought he was suspicious.

**Carmel Valley:** A 43-year-old female reported being discriminated against when trying to purchase goods at a church thrift shop on Village Drive.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 11

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Scenic Road for registration expired as of 01/2002.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Lasuen resident reported that during the night, unknown subjects ransacked her unlocked vehicle while it was parked in her driveway. She stated nothing appeared to have been stolen, but the vehicle was completely rummaged through. She

advised she would call back if anything was found to have been stolen. Information only at this time.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Officers assisted a female who locked herself out of her Santa Fe Street house with her two small children still inside. The children, ages 1-and-a-half and 2, were unable to manipulate the lock from the inside. An officer was able to gain access by a back door that he pried open. Both children were watching television and in full view during this time and were unaware of the situation.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Officers were dispatched to a 911 hang-up call from a Santa Rita Street residence. There was static on the line,

and it was busy on call back. Officers made contact with the residents, who said the phone line was in an unoccupied unit below the main house. The phone was left activated by the homeowner who occasionally used the apartment while in town. The residents requested this incident be documented so they wouldn't be contacted anymore. Their phone number was confirmed as different than the 911 hang-up line.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Officers responded to two peace disturbance calls just doors down from each other on Mission. Upon arrival, offi-

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# POLICE LOG

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cers heard loud music with heavy bass from one residence, and a party was going on at the other. Both responsables were contacted and agreed to keep the noise level down.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to a reported residential fire alarm activation on Carmelo Street. On scene, the cause was found to be steam from the shower activating a nearby smoke detector. The bedroom was cleared of steam and the alarm was reset.

**Big Sur:** Female reported her live-in boyfriend as missing. The 62-year-old male was found sleeping in his van on Nacimiento-Fergusson Road.

**Carmel area:** A female reported finding a black book holder belonging to a male subject at Cuesta Way and Pradera Road.

**Carmel area:** Anonymous person reported a 47-year-old male drunken person was passed out near the benches between Safeway and the sheriff's department Crossroads Substation at 1549 hours.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a report of a possibly suicidal subject. A 21-year-old male on San Juan Road threatened to cut his wrists with a knife. He was detained and transported to Natividad Medical Center for a 72-hour evaluation.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 12

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** MST bus company reported a package left on a bus bench in the business district at Mission and Sixth.

Macy's plastic bag contained miscellaneous used makeup, ladies' toiletries and a gardening box. No identification. Placed into found property for safekeeping until possible owner contact.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Between 03-06 and 03-12, an unknown suspect stole bedding and wine from a Santa Fe Street residence.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Units responded to an after-hours beach fire at Scenic and 13th. Upon arrival, noted two highly intoxicated male subjects. One was in the ocean, was vomiting and had trouble standing on his own. The other subject had trouble standing by himself. Both admitted to having too much alcoholic beverage to drink. CFD and CRFA were dispatched to the scene. One of the subjects was treated and released to sober friends, and the other was taken to CHOMP for treatment and evaluation.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to a house full of smoke at Mission and 13th. At scene, the owners had a fire in the fireplace and the flue damper was closed, so the house was full of smoke. Ventilated the house with the fan.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Scenic Road. At scene, found the police department with two males who had been drinking alcohol and swimming in the ocean. One patient signed a medical release form and the other was transported to CHOMP.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 13

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject reported losing a Samsung cell phone flip camera in the business area on 03-12 at about

1200 hours.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fire and police personnel responded to the area of Lincoln Street in response to a sewage overflow. The sewage line was unclogged and a wash-down of the area was completed. No further action warranted.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male reported losing his men's bifold wallet in the business district while dining at a restaurant at Ocean and Lincoln.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Vehicle towed from Camino Real for showing registration expired as of 11/2003.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Units responded with Carmel Fire Department to a reported stove fire on Junipero. Arrived on scene and found one burner had an unknown material completely on fire. A helpful neighbor advised using baking soda to extinguish the flames. Officer used a box of baking soda found in the kitchen and successfully extinguished the small fire. CFD confirmed the fire was out and removed the minimal smoke from the residence. Damage was contained to one burner.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Two engines, battalion chief and ambulance responded to a reported structure fire on Junipero south of Eighth. At scene, found a past-tense small fire, contained to the stove top. Learned that CPD officer had extinguished a small fire on the stove with baking soda. All remaining responding units were canceled. Cause of fire was determined to be a small plastic item (unknown type due to melting and burning)

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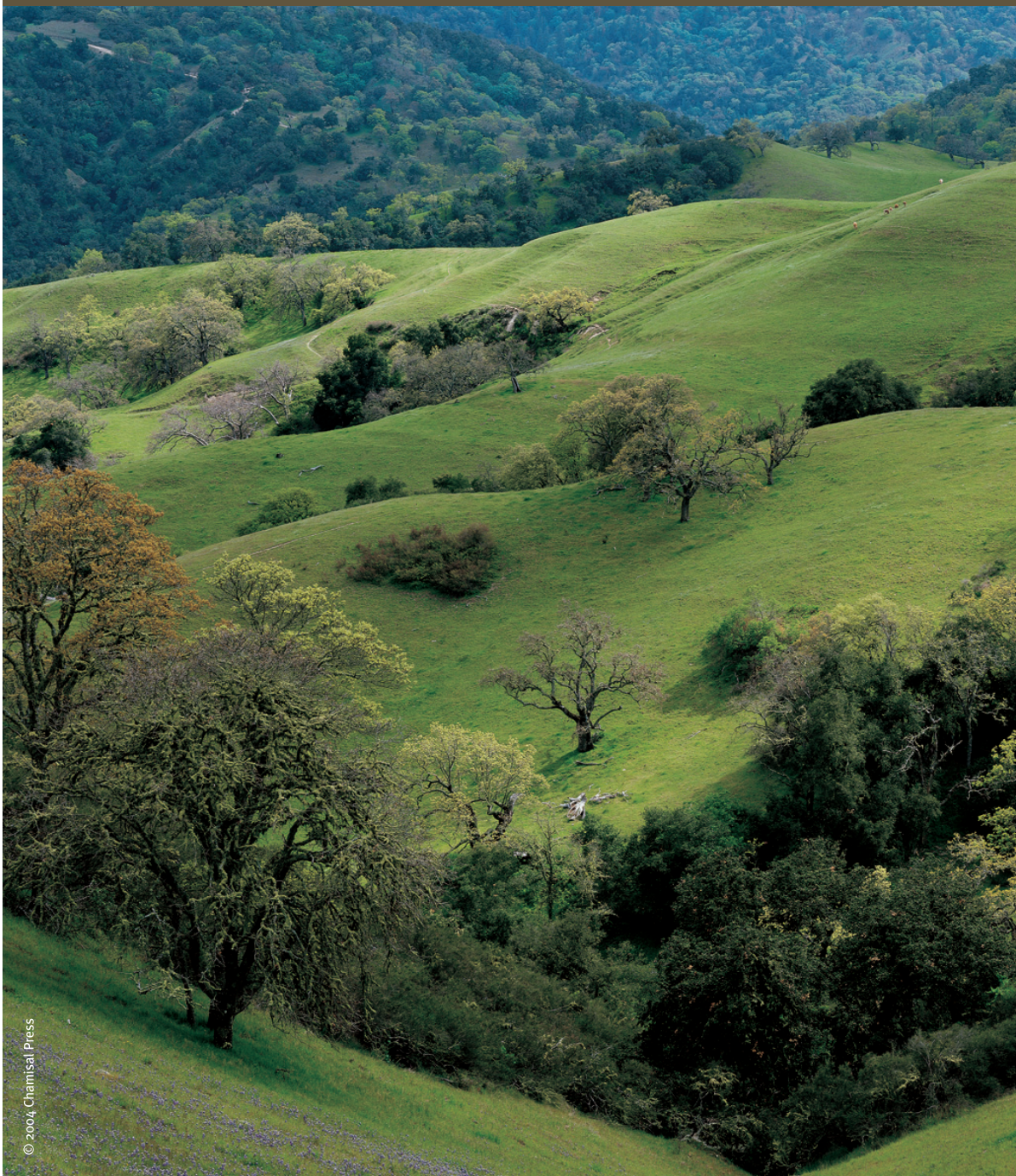
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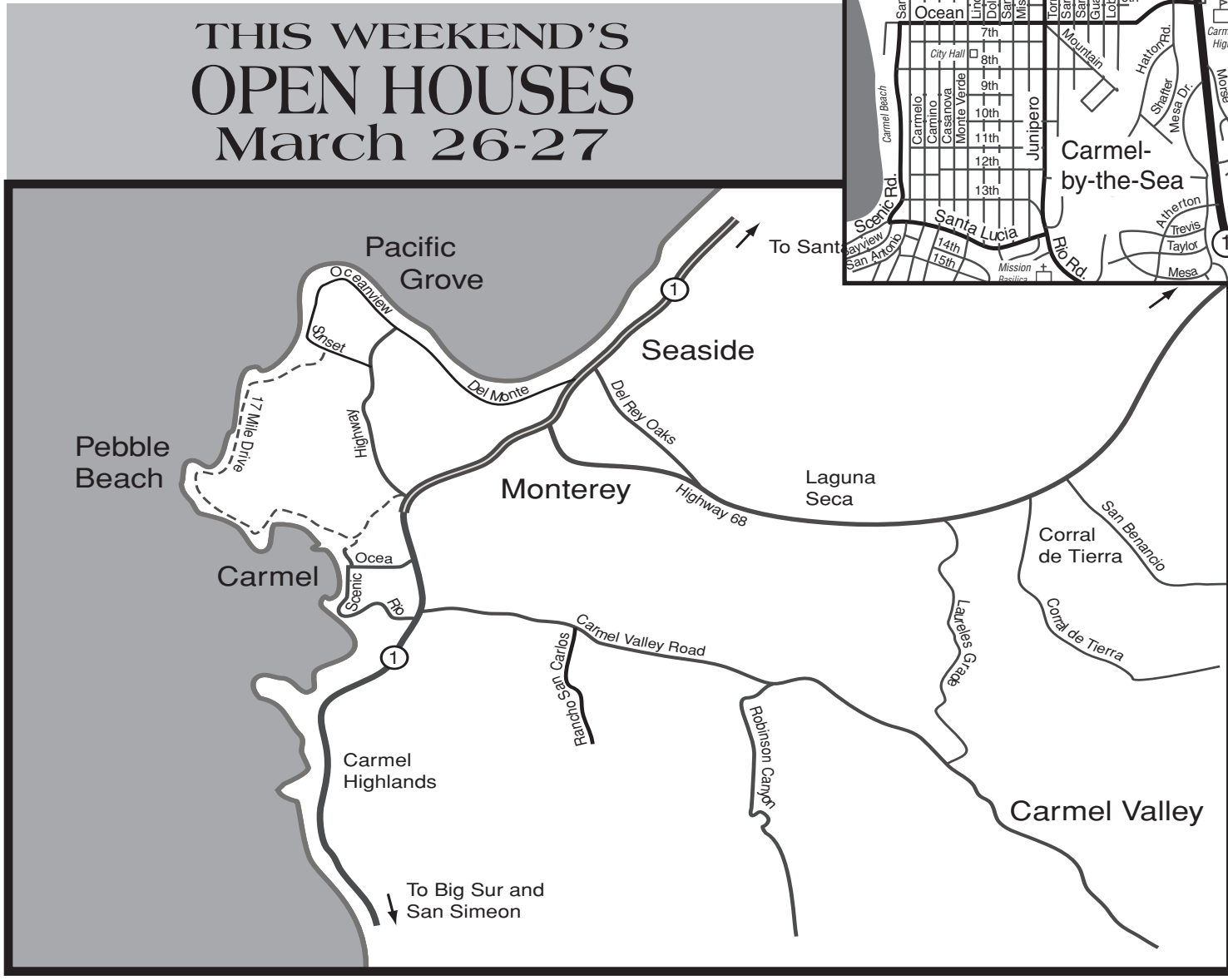
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been inadvertently placed on the stove burner by the homeowner. The item soon melted and ignited. Damage estimated to be the cost to replace a single burner or the whole stove top. Owner was advised to contact an appliance repair company to determine the extent of the repair. Loss estimate would range from \$60-\$400.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male came into the station to report he fell on private property on Mission Street. He wanted the incident documented. He had an injury to his right knee, but declined medical attention.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050423. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 1. PURDY 2. BESTT LIEBEO 3. DUPLI-COLOR PRODUCTS, 1121 Military Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955. THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY, Ohio, 101 Prospect Avenue, NW Cleveland, OH 44115. 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) Louis E. Stellato, Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 18, 2005. Publication dates: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC301)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050403. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 1. BAY BIKES 2. BAY BIKES II 3. WHEEL FUN RENTALS AT BAY BIKES, 585 Cannery Row #101, Monterey, CA 93940. BAY BIKES OF MONTEREY, INC., CA, 585 Cannery Row #101, 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 Feb. 1, 2005. (s) Devin Michael Meheen, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 16, 2005. Publication dates: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC302)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. M73221. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, ROSA M. QUINTERO and ARTURO QUINTERO, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A.Present name: JUAN ANDRES ACEVEDO CASTRO Proposed name: ANDREW NEHEMI-AH QUINTERO CASTRO. 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: April 15, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Agujajito 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: Feb. 23, 2005.

Publication dates: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC303)

SUMMONS CASE NUMBER: M 72261 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: FRANK STARK, and DOES 1 through 10, Inclusive YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:

BARBARA C. DOANE You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are 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), 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.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an 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), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association.

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación 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 respuesta 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/esp/anol/), 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 dé de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas.

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The name and address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA MONTEREY BRANCH 1200 AGUAJITO ROAD MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA 93940 The name, address and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: A DAVID PARNIE LAW OFFICE OF A. DAVID PARNIE 2100 GARDEN ROAD, STE I MONTEREY, CA 93940 (831) 649-4802 Date: Nov. 9, 2004 (s) Lisa M Galdos, Clerk by C. Williams, Deputy Publication Dates: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC 305)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050399. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: THE DEZIGN FACTORY, 505 Lighthouse Ave. #202, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. CHERIE J. HEPBURN, 492 1/2 Larkin St., Monterey, CA 93940. CARMELLA ANDERSON, 492 1/2 Larkin St., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 15, 2004. (s) Cherie J. Hepburn. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 16, 2005. Publication dates: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC307)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE of JOE A. VECCHIO Case Number MP 17532

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JOE A. VECCHIO.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ROBERT S. CUVA in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ROBERT S. CUVA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 1, 2005 at 10:30 a.m., Dept.: 17, in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Agujajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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SUMMONS - FAMILY LAW CASE NUMBER: DR 40654 NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: JULIA L. COBOS You are being sued.

PETITIONER'S NAME IS: JAVIER P. ARREY You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) 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. NOTICE: The restraining orders on the back are effective against both husband and wife 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 OF MONTEREY 1200 Agujajito Road Monterey, CA 93940 The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or Petitioner without an attorney, is: JAVIER P. ARREY 780 saratoga Drive Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 443-5930 RONALD D. LANCE 11 W. Laurel Dr., Suite #219 Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 443-6509 Reg: LDAS County: Monterey Notice to the person served: You are served as an individual. Date: July 24, 2003 (s) Sherri L. Pedersen, Clerk by Janice N. Sheldon, Deputy Publication Dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC308)

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. M72498.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A.Present name: ONINTZA RÉGIL WREN Proposed name: ONINTZA RÉGIL

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: April 8, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Agujajito 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: March 3, 2005.

Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC309)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20040725. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:

1. FIXED RATE REALTY 2. \$4995 REALTY 3. 2.95% REALTY 1006 Iverson St., Salinas, CA 93901. Full name of Registrant: THEODORE J. BINDEL, 1006 Iverson St., Salinas, CA 93901. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: April 1, 2005. (s) Theodore Bindel. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 25, 2005. Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC 310)

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20041719. The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name PACIFIC LUXURY GOODS, 7th & San Carlos St., Carmel, CA 93921. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on July 16, 2004. GREENWICH TIME, INC., 7th & San Carlos Sts., Carmel, CA 93921. This business was conducted by James R. Genone, Jr. C.E.O. (s) James R. Genone. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 23, 2005. Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC311).

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. M73383.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, Randy Greene, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A.Present name: RANDY GREENE Proposed name: RANDI GREENE 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: April 8, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Agujajito 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: March 3, 2005.

Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC312)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LINDA J. MILLER aka LINDA JOAN MILLER Case No. MP17531 To all heirs, beneficiaries, credi-

tors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LINDA J. MILLER aka LINDA JOAN MILLER.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Michael Miller in the Superior Court of California, County of MONTEREY.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Michael Miller be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

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SUMMONS - FAMILY LAW CASE NUMBER: DR 42144 NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: ROSA S. TORRES You are being sued.

PETITIONER'S NAME IS: LEOPOLDO GOMEZ You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) 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. 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 OF MONTEREY 1200 Agujajito Road Monterey, CA 93940 The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: LEOPOLDO GOMEZ 13 N. Hebron Ave. #A Salinas, CA 93905 RONALD D. LANCE 11 W. Laurel Dr., Suite #219 Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 443-6509 Reg: LDAS County: Monterey Notice to the person served: You are served as an individual. Date: July 21, 2004 (s) Lisa M. Galdos, Clerk by Janice N. Sheldon, Deputy Publication Dates: March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 2005. (PC 318)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050463. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: PACIFIC LUXURY GOODS, 496 Agujajito Road, Carmel, Ca 93921. JOHN CHARLES DEKKER, 496 Agujajito Road, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 1, 2005. (s) John Dekker. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 23, 2005. Publication dates: March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 2005. (PC319)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. M73390.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner, Marj Ingram Viales, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A.Present name: JENNA MICHELLE BEATTY Proposed name: JENNA MICHELLE INGRAM 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: April 22, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Agujajito 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: Monterey County Post. (s) Michael S. Fields Judge of the Superior Court Date filed: March 8, 2005.

Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, 2005. (PC313)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050560. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: JBM ENTERPRISES, 2221 N. Fremont St., Monterey, CA 93940. BARBARA ANNE HARPER, 2221 N. Fremont St., Monterey, CA 93940. JOHN ROBERT HARPER, 2221 N. Fremont St., Monterey, CA 93940. MATTHEW JUSTIN COLEMAN, 2221 N. Fremont St., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. (s) Matthew J. Coleman. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 4, 2005. Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC314)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050536. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: SPRAY GREEN, 8320 Via Madalena, Carmel, CA 93923. MEN IN GREEN, LLC, 8320 Via Madalena, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 1, 2005. (s) David Bifano, Manager. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 3, 2005. Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC315)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050587. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: BAY ENTERPRISES, 798 Lighthouse Ave, #302, Monterey, CA 93940. INGE ESPENHAIN, CALIFORNIA, 543 Pine Street, 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 March 15, 2005. (s) Inge Espenhain. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 8, 2005. Publication dates: March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2005. (PC316)

SUMMONS - FAMILY LAW CASE NUMBER: DR 42144 NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: ROSA S. TORRES You are being sued.

PETITIONER'S NAME IS: LEOPOLDO GOMEZ You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter or

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The name and address of the court is: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF MONTEREY 1200 Agujajito Road Monterey, CA 93940 The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: LEOPOLDO GOMEZ 13 N. Hebron Ave. #A Salinas, CA 93905 RONALD D. LANCE 11 W. Laurel Dr., Suite #219 Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 443-6509 Reg: LDAS County: Monterey Notice to the person served: You are served as an individual. Date: July 21, 2004 (s) Lisa M. Galdos, Clerk by Janice N. Sheldon, Deputy Publication Dates: March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 2005. (PC 318)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050648. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: BIG SUR PROPERTY SERVICE, P.O. Box 67, 46402 Pear Valley Rd., Big Sur, CA 93920. MONIQUE J BOURIN, 46402 Pear Valley Rd., 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 March 15, 2005. (s) Monique S. Bourin. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 14, 2005. Publication dates: March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 2005. (PC323)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050525. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 1.CASA DOLORES GALLERY 2. ROBERTS & CO., 760 Redwood Ave., Sand City, CA 93955. PCHS-CORP, California, 25420 Tierra Grande Dr., Carmel, CA 93923. 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) Ryan Meyer, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 2, 2005. Publication dates: March 18, 25, April 1, 8, 2005. (PC324)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050641. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: THE VILLAGE HANDYMAN, 64 C Southbank Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. KURT KEVIN KELLAR, 64 C Southbank Road, 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 March 1, 2005. (s) Kurt Kellar. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 14, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC325)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050667. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: GHOST WALK OF OLD MONTEREY, 527 Hartnell St., Monterey, CA 93940. GARY MUNSINGER, 4066 El Bosque Rd., Pebble Beach, CA 93953. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 2005. (s) Gary Munsinger. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 16, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC326)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050578. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: CARMEL COFFEE & COCOA BAR, Space 220, Carmel Plaza, Ocean & Casanova, Carmel, CA 93922. CARMEL ROASTERS, LLC., 319 Mid Valley Center, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March ??, 2005. (s) Dean McAthie, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 8, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC327)

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons bearing any interest in the matter, that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, will conduct a Public Hearing. SUBJECT: Consideration of Ordinance No. 2005-03 adding Chapter 5.36 to Carmel-By-The-Sea Municipal Code Title 5 - Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations, Section 5.36 - for the purpose of establishing regulations for walking tours. PURPOSE: To establish regulations for walking tours. ZONING DISTRICT: Central Commercial (CC), Service Commercial (SC), Residential Commercial (RC), Multi-family Residential (R-4) and Improved Parklands (P-2) COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA: Exempt DAY: Tuesday DATE: April 5, 2005 TIME: 4:30 P.M. or shortly thereafter. PLACE: The City Council Meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. Any court action made pursuant to decisions made by the City on this proposed action may be limited to issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above. BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA. (s) Karen Crouch, City Clerk DATED: March 17, 2005 The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. The City Hall is an accessible facility. The City of C a r m e l - b y - t h e - S e a Telecommunications De-vice for the Deaf/Speech Impaired (TDD) number 1-800-735-2929. Publication dates: March 25, 2005. (PC328)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050487. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: ALEX'S COMPUTER CONSULTING, 3850 RIO ROAD #12, CARMEL, CA 93923. Alexander Barth, 3850 RIO ROAD #12, 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 Feb. 25, 2005. (s) Alexander P. Barth. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 25, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC329)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20050530. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: 1. COFFEE TEE 2. ON THE DOT SHOPS 318 Mid Valley Center, Carmel, CA 93923. CARMEL ROASTERS LLC, 319 Mid Valley Center, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 2, 2005. (s) Deen McAthie, Manging Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 2, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC330)

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# POLICE LOG

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Firefighters assisted ambulance with loading the patient, an elderly female with lightheadedness, into the ambulance for assessment. Patient was transported to CHOMP.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine responded to report of water leaking into the street, possible sewage, at Lincoln and Ocean. Found a Carmel trap, sewer clean out, leaking into the roadway traveling south on Seventh toward the gutter. Coned off the area to stop access to the public. Battalion chief at scene and drove to see if the sewage had gone into the storm drain. He confirmed it had and contacted county health through FireComm. Public health determined the spill could be mitigated with bleach and flushing with water from the engine. Emptied 500 gallons onto the leak after a Roto Rooter technician cleared the drain.

**Carmel area:** Male subject, age 46, reported losing property in the Barnyard.

**Pebble Beach:** A 35-year-old male Spruance Road resident reported receiving suspicious money from a customer.

**Carmel Valley:** After conducting a vehicle check at Carmel Valley Road and Via Mallorca at 0011 hours, the deputy found the sole occupant, a 59-year-old male, to be unable to care for his safety, because he was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage.

**Carmel area:** Female Santa Rita Street resident, age 64, reported unknown suspects entered her residence and stole her Bose \$500 countertop stereo. Case continues.

**Carmel Valley:** El Potrero Road resident reported that a neighbor had screamed and cursed at her, because she had removed some vines that were growing over the fence and onto her property.

## MONDAY, MARCH 14

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report of a male Lincoln Street resident who had attempted suicide by taking numerous pills. He was contacted and transported to CHOMP. He committed himself for a 72-hour period.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Officer was called to the Carmel Youth Center in reference to a past-tense physical disturbance. Contacted a subject who said he got into a fight with another subject over a container of lip balm. He had lost the lip balm in

the couch next to the television and the other subject found it and asked who owned it. He said it was his but the other subject didn't believe him. He grabbed the subject near his throat and demanded the container. After getting the container, the subject went to the youth center coordinator and told her what happened. Officer counseled him on his actions and advised him he could land in Juvenile Hall if this behavior continued. He then apologized to the other male. The youth center wanted this report in case this happens again.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Two swimmers were tired and had difficulty coming ashore. Two other members in their party assisted with bringing them ashore. Each of the two swimmers were examined by fire and ambulance staff. They were released.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Ocean Avenue. Firefighters assisted ambulance personnel with patient assessment, oxygen administration, monitor hookup, I.V. setup, diagnostics, gathering information and packaging of an elderly female experiencing chest pain. Patient transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Lincoln Street after the scene was secured by police officers. Firefighters assisted ambulance personnel with gathering information and packaging of a middle-aged male who claimed to have ingested about 20 sleeping pills.

Patient transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to an unconfirmed coastal incident at Scenic and Ocean (reported medical emergency on a boat) at 1415 hours. Incident was upgraded to a confirmed coastal. Engineer secured the ATV located at Del Mar, and the engine and ambulance then responded to the staging area at Scenic. Engineer reported the victim was out of the water and was experiencing a possible asthma attack. Balance of the coastal response was canceled. Engineer and ambulance crew tended to the patients. It was determined there was another patient with a possible leg injury, but that this person was stable. Both patients were brought to the staging area. Patient #1 was a male who was on an oxygen nebulizer applied by emergency personnel. He was also hypothermic from being in the ocean at the time of his asthma attack. He was loaded into the heated ambulance by firefighters and treated by crew. Patient #2 was a teenage female who was experiencing a possible muscle strain in her right calf. She was also placed into the ambulance for examination but refused any treatment. After warming up, patient #1 also refused further treatment.

**Pebble Beach:** Female Lisbon Lane resident, age 65, reported she thought it was suspicious that her sliding glass door was off its track.

See **POLICE LOG** page 15B

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050664. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **MKENTERPRISES**, 3126 Bayer St., Marina, CA 93933. **KRISTEN NELSON**, 3126 Bayer St., 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 NOT IN USE. (s) Kristen Nelson. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 16, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC332)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 20050678. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **RENOVATIONS**, 9698 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA 93923. **WARREN A. KAUFMAN**, 68 Panetta Road, 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 1977. (s) Warren A. Kaufman. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 17, 2005. Publication dates: March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 2005. (PC333)

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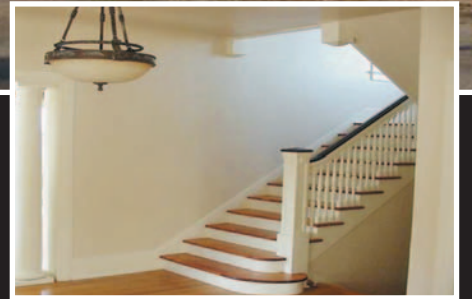
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**Pebble Beach:** Unknown suspects acquired the personal data of a 54-year-old male Arroyo Road resident, which allowed them to order credit cards and have them sent to him. Approximately \$5,000 in charges have already been accomplished by suspects in the Beverly Hills area.

**Carmel Valley:** A 64-year-old female reported her friend at a Via Mallorca residence took a variety of pills in order to commit suicide.

**Big Sur:** A male, age 55, reported an unknown male, about 20 years old and 5-foot-8-inches tall, with a thin build and brown, curly, collar-length hair, caused a peace disturbance at the Coast Gallery in Big Sur.

**Carmel Valley:** After conducting a traffic stop on a 36-year-old male at Esquiline Road and Los Positos Road for speeding, the deputy found the driver was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Found dog was returned to its owner, an Eighth Avenue resident, and the kennel fees were paid.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Male indicated he was involved in a verbal dispute with another subject. The argument on Junipero Street was centered around who was next in line to be served at the deli counter. The person indicated the other subject became verbally abusive. Both parties were counseled.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic collision on Eighth Avenue on private property. Vehicle was drivable.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** A citizen reported two horses defecating on Carmel Beach and the owners neglecting to clean up after them, a violation of the municipal code regarding public nuisance. The owners of the horses were contacted in the Del Mar area, informed of the code violation and warned.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** When the driver of a vehicle shifted the gear into reverse, the vehicle began to roll forward and hit the vehicle

parked directly in front of it on Junipero Street. The parked vehicle sustained very minor damage. There was no damage to the other vehicle. Pending contact with the owner of the parked vehicle.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine crew treated a walk-in patient at the station for a cut to his right hand. Treated the wound and suggested he go to evaluate the need for stitching.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine, ambulance and battalion chief responded to report of a person in the water, possibly in trouble, at the

beach at Del Mar. Arranged to have the paramedic taken to the shoreline on the ATV. Soon after the swimmer walked up to the firefighters and ambulance crew to report he was OK, and that this was a false alarm.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Engine and ambulance responded to report of medical emergency on Dolores Street. Units at scene found an older female who had fallen in the driveway and injured herself. Treated the patient for neck and hand injuries. She was transported to CHOMP.



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**DOUBLE LOT BUNGALOW!** Charming as they come, a tasteful, 2-bedroom, 2-bath, remodel in keeping with the cottage style. Carmel stone fireplace, hardwood floors, and fantastic era kitchen. Separate studio, stone patio and tree-hugging deck. Opportunity for future expansion. \$1,395,000.

**CREME CARMEL!** Exceptional single-level, 3-bedroom, 2-bath cottage, tastefully updated and in a walk-to-town location. With hand-some hardwood floors, Carmel stone fireplaces, top-of-the-line kitchen appliances, and designer windows & skylights. Furnishings available. \$1,945,000.



**PICTURE PERFECT IN CARMEL WOODS!** This charming, pristine, 2-bedroom, 1-bath home is located on a large sunny landscaped corner lot. The beautiful rear garden and expansive brick patio are perfect for outdoor entertaining. One-car garage. \$1,095,000.

**PREMIER LOCATION!** Old World warmth and craftsmanship with New World amenities and materials near the beach and shops. On over two lots, with 3 bedrooms, office, formal dining, gourmet kitchen, vaulted ceilings, antique French doors, 3-1/2 baths, and two-car garage. \$3,195,000.



**LOOKING FOR VIEWS & PRIVACY?** This 2-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath ranch-style home has great views of the ocean and Pt. Lobos from your private deck. With plenty of room on this .75 acre with a long driveway. Your personal retreat is waiting for you! \$2,195,000.

**MAGNIFIQUE!** This 3700 sq. ft. home and 400 sq. ft. studio is a blend of quality materials, warmth of design and superb functionality. The bedroom suite has its own enchanted garden, upstairs master suite features ocean vistas. Three-car garage. \$4,100,000.

## CARMEL HIGHLANDS



**BIG SUR FEELING!** Ocean views, privacy and handsome craftsman-style construction are the hallmarks of this enchanted retreat. On 1.5 acres, the 3-bedroom, 3-1/2 bath home offers high, open-beamed ceilings,

*Carmel...*

*white sandy beaches, ocean views and a picture perfect setting.*



## Point of View

This fabulous, like-new, ocean view, dream home overlooks Point Lobos and Carmel Bay! On an oversized, sun-blessed south-facing lot this 2900 sq. ft. dream home has 5 bedrooms, 4 baths, including an ocean-view master suite plus 3 more bedroom suites. Other included features are an ocean view deck, state-of-the-art kitchen with granite counters, numerous French doors, and rare two-car garage. \$3,395,000.

wood floors, and updated kitchen. Three+ car garage has workshop. \$2,195,000.

## MONTEREY

**TREE TOP HIDEAWAY!** Darling one-bedroom, one-bath home with ocean and forested views in a sought-after location. Your own private hideaway, yet close to shopping, restaurants and nature. Fireplace, views, private patio, plus swimming pool at complex. \$395,000.

**OLD TOWN VALUE!** Sited on a sunny, corner lot near historic downtown Monterey and Fisherman's Wharf, is a generously proportioned Craftsman 3-bedrooms, 2-1/2-bath home. The versatile floor plan offers Monterey Bay views from the dining room and living room. \$935,000.

## OFF HIGHWAY 68

**LAS PALMAS RANCH!** Spectacular panoramic vistas from this large, elegant five-year-old home on a quiet cul-de-sac. It features a great room living area with extra-high ceilings, crown moulding, wood floors, granite counters, 4 bedrooms & 4 baths. \$1,325,000



**SUNBELT BEAUTY!** Enjoy ocean views and gorgeous sunsets from nearby mountains and deck of this Bay Ridge-area home on two acres. Well designed and constructed, with 4400 sq. ft., 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, a large office, and guest quarters on the lower level. Three-car garage. \$1,250,000.

## PACIFIC GROVE

**BUSINESS OR PLEASURE?** In the heart of town, a former 9-bedroom home-care facility. Now a 1900 sq. ft. main house with 650 sq. ft. detached unit for offices, apartments or personal residence. Architecturally pleasing 9-bedroom, 3-full and 2-half bath property, plus more water credits. \$1,395,000.

## CARMEL VALLEY



**NEW ON MARKET!** Enjoy the sought-after sunny Carmel Valley lifestyle; only three miles east of Highway 1. This beautifully remodeled California ranch-style home is on a level acre with multiple fruit trees and a horse pasture. Three bedrooms, 2 baths. \$1,250,000.



**VALLEY ENCHANTMENT!** Views are endless here with gently rolling hills from this perfectly situated 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home in an extraordinary 2.5 acre private setting and separate, self-contained 1-bedroom guesthouse. Fabulous in-ground swimming pool & spa. \$1,875,000.

## PEBBLE BEACH



**FAIRWAY FRONTAGE!** Vacation living is yours all year long in this 4,000 sq. ft. Spanish Bay residence. This wonderfully livable 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath end-unit features ocean views and overlooks the 12th hole. \$2,795,000.

**ELEGANT ESTATE RESIDENCE!** Just minutes from The Lodge sits this beautifully designed single-level home in a 1.46 acre setting. Offering a spacious 4350 sq. ft with 3 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths and details that include marble floors and gated entry. \$3,495,000.



**COVETED LOCATION!** This elegant, private 2-acre estate is located near The Lodge. The open and spacious floor plan includes 2 master suites, family room, den, and formal living and dining rooms. Separate guest and caretaker's quarters. \$4,600,000.

**PEBBLE BEACH GET-A-WAY!** Beautiful ocean and Golf Links views are the highlights of this cozy retreat located just across the 15th tee. This 3-bedroom, 3-bath golfer's retreat is nestled in the oaks. \$4,500,000.



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