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Hard labor opens eyes in Mississippi

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A GROUP of Carmel Presbyterian Church high school students returned from Mississippi last Friday stronger and wiser after a week toiling in the destruction wrought by Hurricane Katrina.

Led by student ministries co-director Erica Murray, 19 students and six adults stayed in a tent city set up by the Presbyterian Church's national organization in Orange Grove, Miss. They worked 13 hours a day, sweating in the fall humidity, occasionally dodging falling debris, tearing down rotting drywall and dragging mud-covered possessions from wrecked homes. But the students were more impressed by the spirit of the survivors than the extent of the devastation.

"Even though they had lost everything, their attitude was such a positive one," said Monterey High senior Lyn Fearnside. "Their faith was so present, and they had more hope than any of us have even when we just do something stupid, like lose our keys."

Analís Downer, a Carmel High junior, said her classmates returned from fall break Monday talking about wild parties, while she and another student who had been on the Mississippi mission were "sitting there in awe that a party or whatever happened last week was our biggest worry."

By comparison, Orange Grove residents are concerned



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Slogging through mud in rubber boots to help clear debris from Hurricane Katrina proved undaunting — an even a blessing — to students and adults from Carmel Presbyterian Church.

not just about putting their homes back together, but about finding a car to get to the store and scraping money together for their children's education.

"We're so lucky here in Carmel," she observed.

Fearnside recalled being exhausted by the work but realizing she would return home in a few days to wash the grime away and sleep in her own bed.

"All these people have to stay here and work every day

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Environmental groups oppose Cal Am takeover

■ New water project a bigger priority

By KELLY NIX

IN A serious blow to proponents of Measure W, two prominent environmental groups have announced their opposition to the ballot measure, which seeks to study the feasibility of taking over California American Water Company's local system.

The Carmel River Watershed Conservancy and the Carmel River Steelhead Association announced they're against Measure W, which would cost ratepayers \$550,000.

"We feel that this is a measure that doesn't help move anything forward," said Clive Sanders, president of the conservancy. "We are more concerned that the watershed is in trouble because of overpumping, and we need to do something and we need to do it now."

Both groups said approval of Measure W would delay plans for a Moss Landing desalination plant — whether built by the Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District or Cal Am. Either proposal would provide a reliable, drought-proof water supply to the Monterey Peninsula and eliminate illegal pumping from the Carmel River.

The steelhead association, which helped bring about the State Water Resources Control Board's Order 95-10 that requires Cal Am to reduce pumping from the river, said Measure W is counterproductive to restoring the Carmel River's endangered population of steelhead trout.

"I see the actual effects of this from the environmental standpoint," said Frank Emerson, vice president of the association. "It's going to simply delay the restoration of flows in the Carmel River."

The group's volunteers spend thousands of hours rescuing steelhead by hand and repairing habitat, work that would be

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WATSONVILLE BURGLARY SUSPECTS IMPLICATED IN CARMEL BREAK-INS

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WATCHING TV paid off for Carmel Police Sgt. John Nyunt, who pointed his colleagues in the direction of two Santa Cruz County burglary suspects after seeing news of their arrest on KSBW last week.

Demetris Little, 32, Jennifer Lynn Moncovich-Diaz, 30, and Shelly Shulte, 43, were picked up at their Watsonville home Oct. 13 following a Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Department investigation. It turned out that among the loot in their house was furniture, electronics and other goods stolen from homes on Guadalupe Street and Forest Road several weeks ago, according to Carmel Detective Jesse Juarez. He said other unsolved burglaries in town may also have been their handiwork.

Police were summoned to the Guadalupe Street home Oct. 4 after a realtor noticed the front door was ajar.

"He thought there was a cleaning crew or maintenance crew inside but discovered several items had been stolen," Sgt. Mel Mukai said. A television set, a fax machine, a rattan table, and a duvet and throw pillows were missing from the residence, which is owned by Sue Freeman and John Hancock.

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Riverbed joyriders' punishment: Undoing the damage done by their 4x4s

By KELLY NIX



PHOTO/COURTESY MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Tire tracks at the edge of the Carmel River show where teenagers ripped up a portion of riverbed with 4X4s, damaging vegetation, an irrigation system and possibly killing several steelhead trout, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District said.

IF CAUGHT by authorities, joyriders in the Carmel Riverbed could end up in a work alternative program repairing the same environment they've damaged, according to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.

There have been several incidents since summer in which thrill seekers have used four-wheel-drive and all-terrain vehicles to drive in the river, tearing up the riverbed, damaging an irrigation system and possibly killing endangered steelhead. A teenage boy was caught after a July 25 incident.

"We believe this work-opportunity program will benefit and deter offenders, particularly young people, by educating them about the Carmel River's valuable resources," said Larry Hampson, water resources engineer for the MPWMD.

Oct. 3, MPWMD staff met with county Sheriff Mike Kanalakis, who endorsed the work alternative idea and assured the agency his officers would continue to monitor the river for unauthorized vehicles.

"If the damage can be fixed, we'll ask the person to help fix it," Hampson said. "If it's not appropriate for fixing, then we would like to have them work with the MPWMD, the Carmel River Steelhead Association or the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy."

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High-tech parking vehicle costs too much, city says

By MARY BROWNFIELD

RIGGING A Carmel Police Department cart with electronic gadgetry to catch cars parked overtime would cost so much it would not generate enough in ticket revenue to pay for itself, according to the Carmel Traffic Safety Commission. Members decided Oct. 5 not to ask the city to buy an AutoFind Mobile License Recording System from AutoVu Technologies at an estimated cost of \$75,000.

Commissioners Carl Roetter and Bob Spencer talked with police in Monterey who use the system, which is also employed by five other California cities and a few juris-

dictions in other states and Canada. Using a video camera, GPS and a computer, AutoFind records and compares license plate numbers as well as the exact location of parked cars by capturing digital images of the plates and the position of the tires. An alarm sounds when a vehicle remains in the same spot for too long, and the officer manually writes the ticket. The system stores plate numbers in a database and can also be programmed to look for stolen vehicles.

Of Monterey's six parking officers, one uses the computerized system each day, while the others chalk tires just as Carmel officers do. "People who didn't see chalk on the tires

couldn't be sure if their license plates had been scanned or not," Roetter said, discouraging them from taking the risk of parking overtime. "That's about the strongest endorsement we got from the Monterey police."

Among its downsides: The system does not recognize loading zones or spaces with shorter time limits on the same block, and writing citations takes a little longer.

"If this brought in enough to cover the cost and then some, that would be one thing, but the guys at Monterey's parking division didn't think it brought in enough to break even," Spencer said.

AutoFind's most positive effect has been on insurance claims. "The system reduces arm and shoulder injuries, which are the No. 1 workman's comp problem for Monterey," Spencer and Roetter reported.

Commissioners had a hard time envisioning its use in their own city.

"It didn't seem to me to belong in Carmel," Spencer concluded. "And the main woman who uses the system said she didn't feel like it gave her any more benefit or made it more efficient to write tickets."

The commission decided Carmel P.D. should stick to the tire-chalking method instead of going high-tech.



PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

One of the City of Monterey's six parking patrol vehicles features a \$75,000 system that records license plate numbers and photographs cars to catch overtime parkers. The high-tech gadgetry is too costly and un-Carmel, a commission decided Oct. 5.

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Neighbors don't want Carmel River State Beach to wash away

■ Feds promise a different strategy to manage the river when winter rains arrive

By CHRIS COUNTS

A MEETING Oct. 18 to rally opposition against a northerly breach of the Carmel River Lagoon sandbar started with a whimper and ended with a bang.

About 100 people filled a renovated old barn at the Mission Ranch to listen to an update by the Carmel Point and Lagoon Preservation Association and a talk by Ed Thornton, a professor of oceanography at the Naval Postgraduate School. What they got was the sneak preview of a joint decision by eight regulatory agencies about how the breaching will be handled this year.

"We have come to a consensus that we won't breach to the north," said Pam Armas, superintendent of the Monterey sector of California State Parks, when pressed by a member of the audience during a question-and-answer-session following the CPLPA presentation. The room erupted in applause in response.

Just two weeks ago, Dick Butler — area office supervisor for the National Marine Fisheries Service — said his agency would not recommend a northerly breach, at least until the bluffs supporting Scenic Road are stabilized. Last winter, NMFS "advised" Monterey County public works to cut a northerly breach in the sandbar in a controversial effort to protect threatened steelhead. Local residents contend the "advice" amounted to the threat of a hefty fine.

Butler's admission was the first hint of the decision reached Oct. 4 at a meeting of the Carmel Lagoon Management Technical Team, an ad-hoc group comprising representatives from California state parks, Monterey County Public Works, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the California Coastal

Commission, the California Department of Fish and Game, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, the Monterey County Water Resources Agency and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service.

While Armas said the public will have to wait until Nov. 1 to learn the details of the technical committee's decision, she believes the group has come up with a good protocol.

"We have all kinds of contingency plans," she said.

Armas' comments came on the heels of a lively debate initiated by Clive Sanders of the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy. Sanders accused the CPLPA of spreading misinformation and questioned the logic of rallying the public against the regulatory agencies before Nov. 1.

"We agreed the agencies should get together with the county and work out a solution," he insisted. "That's what they're doing. Wait and find out what they're going to do before you organize a protest and write letters."

Sanders said the agencies are on schedule to meet the Nov. 1 target date for a decision they set at a June 14 meeting.

Jim Sanders, CPLPA member and former head of the Small Business Administration under President Ronald Reagan, took exception to Clive Sanders' comments.

"Writing letters is very important. It is not foolish and it does no harm. You let people know you care," Sanders said.

He had previously argued for more public participation in the process.

"I used to head up a federal agency," he said. "To get seven, eight or nine agencies to come up with a plan, I don't think that's going to work. We need to put them on notice that the damage [caused by the northerly breach] is real."

'The pelicans had a feast'

Clive Sanders also urged the audience to consider the merits of a northerly breach. In response, CPLPA member Paul John argued last winter's northerly breach was disastrous for the steelhead as well as Carmel River State Beach and Scenic Road.

"For two weeks, the pelicans had an absolute feast," said John, a Carmel Point resident. "We have videotaped evidence and 45 eyewitness accounts."

But Sanders maintained the birds were only washing salt from their wings.

"Pelicans don't feed in fresh water," he insisted.

Scenic Point residents and steelhead advocates have long debated the merits of a northerly breach versus a direct or southerly breach. Each side has offered evidence to support its views of the river's "natural" course to the sea. At the CPLPA meeting, Thornton presented the results of a study he conducted. According to his findings, the river veers to the north 11 percent of time, straight out to sea 56 percent of the time, and to the south 33 percent of the time.

"This should give you some idea of what Mother Nature is doing," Thornton said.

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Bat-catching cat has mercy on prey

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Four juvenile suspects cited for curfew violation at Carmel Beach at 0141 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Juvenile suspect

stopped on northbound Highway 1 for operating a vehicle while carrying alcohol.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unknown suspect(s) threw a concrete paving stone at the rear window of a vehicle parked on Fourth Avenue and shattered the window.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male reported his girlfriend as missing from a Del Mesa residence. He last spoke with the subject at 2100 hours on Oct. 8. Report taken as an outside assist to the Monterey County Sheriff's Office, as the residence is in MCSO jurisdiction.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Carmel Fire Department had an unknown citizen turn in to

them a Wells Fargo Visa debit card that was found in the Crossroads area this date during the late afternoon hours. CFD called the department and forwarded the item to the department. A Wells Fargo customer service representative advised the department to destroy the card. A message was left on the card holder's answering machine regarding the situation. Information only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a report of a medical emergency on Monterey Street. At scene, found a male patient who had fallen in his bedroom with minor injuries. Firefighters assisted medic with the assessment and loading of the patient for transport to CHOMP.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen called indicating that there was possibly a stray cat in a vacant home on Mission Street. A representative of the property owner arrived on scene with a Labrador in order to allow the officers inside. A search was conducted, and no cat was found. A cat trap was placed inside of the home. The animal control officer will conduct followup visits at the site, and she will coordi-

nate with the property representative in the forthcoming days.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Five citations issued for vehicle code violations on Ocean Avenue, Carmel Valley Road, Santa Lucia Avenue, Carpenter Street and San Carlos Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported that two large plants in boxwood planters were taken from the Court of the Fountains sometime between Oct. 7 and Oct. 10. The last time the reporting party saw the plants in their places was on Friday, Oct. 7. He had no idea who might have taken the plants. Additionally, he could not give a cost estimate on the plants. A close patrol was placed in the area of the Court of the Fountains.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported having an accident at the corner of Santa Fe and Second. No injuries reported. Parties

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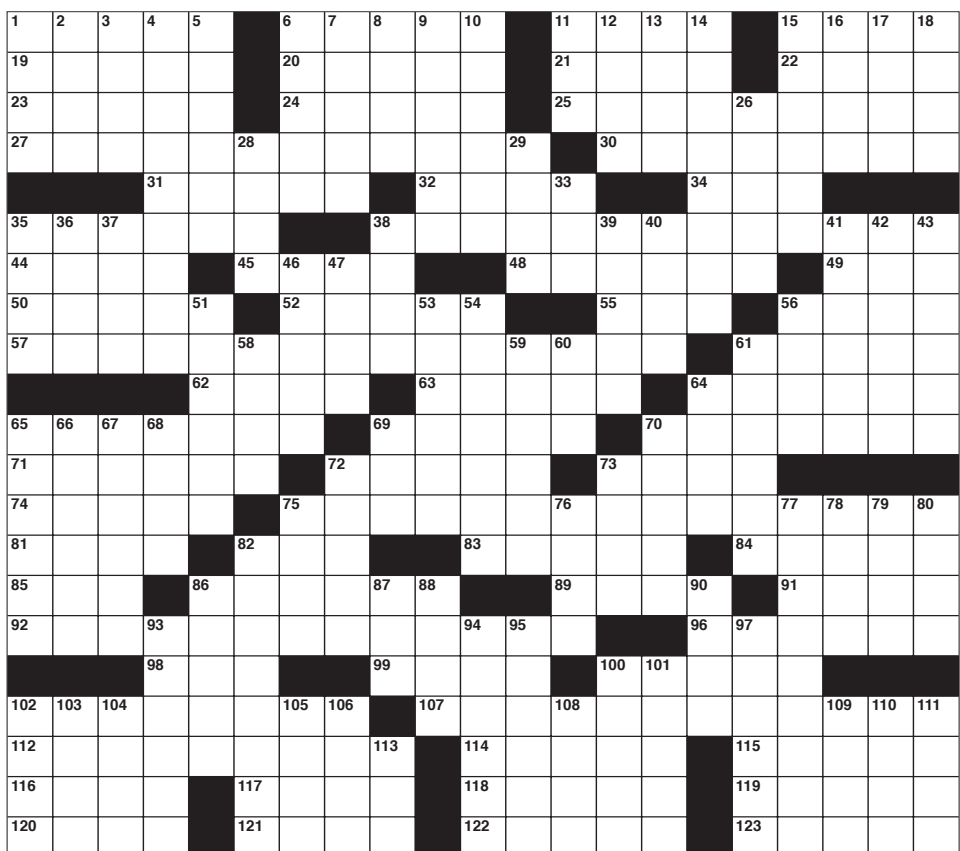
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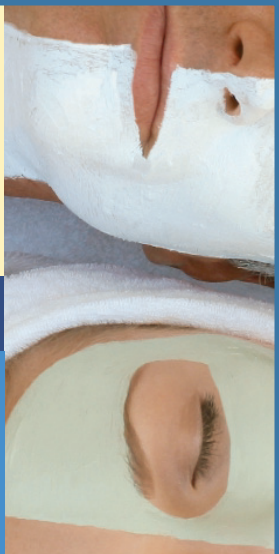
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Valley woman arrested for firing gun claims drug reaction to blame

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE TIERRA Grande resident arrested Sunday night for public intoxication and illegal discharge of a handgun said an allergic reaction to medication caused her to respond to some bad news by locking herself in her bedroom and firing the gun into her backyard.

"It was something I had no control over," the woman, who was taking Prednisone for treatment of poison oak and another rash, told The Pine Cone the day after her Oct. 16 arrest. "When you're allergic to these medications, if you have something stressful happen, it can make you lose it emotionally, and that's what happened."

A gun in the bedroom

Monterey County Sheriff's Sgt. Scott Ragan said a resident reported hearing shots fired in the Tierra Grande neighborhood around 6:45 p.m. Oct. 16. When deputies arrived and located the house, they were told she had argued with her son about the care and safety of his children in Florida.

She said she learned a man who had molested her granddaughter had returned to the area where the family lives.

"She had been drinking and went off into the bedroom and shut the door," Ragan said. "It was just a couple of glasses of wine — nothing I don't normally do," she said. "I wasn't intoxicated. The sheriff might have thought so, because he didn't understand what was going on."

The woman locked herself in and went out onto the back deck, where she reportedly fired the loaded .38 Special she and her husband kept in their bedroom. Her husband broke down the bedroom door, but she told him to get out, according to Ragan, and her son then went in and wrestled the gun away from her.

No one was nearby when she fired the gun into the ground, she said, so she was the only person who could have been injured during the outburst.

Ragan reported the arresting deputy, Joe Palazzolo, confiscated the .38 Smith & Wesson revolver, spent cartridges, live rounds still in the chamber and a 12-gauge Remington shotgun. The woman said the shotgun had been in her family for years, "and the pistol's just something I've had for protection. My husband's had it forever and ever."

She was arrested and booked into Monterey County Jail. "I should have been taken to the hospital instead," she said the following day.

'It was something I had no control over' — but she was arrested anyway

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THE CROSSROADS

Number of historic-designation appeals doubles

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE STEADY stream of historic-designation appeals became a torrent this week as more property owners sought to stop the City of Carmel from adding the label to their homes' deeds, which it will begin doing Oct. 24.

Historic designation, as called for in the city's Local Coastal Program, prevents people from demolishing their old buildings and imposes strict standards for remodels, though it can also provide relief from current building codes and offer tax breaks.

With dozens of appeals filed since the city issued notices to hundreds of Carmel property owners this summer, another 22 landed on city planner Sean Conroy's desk this week. The total number represents more than 20 percent of the properties identified by historical consultants as significant.

Many include no specific reasons for challenging the historic designation, but are simply an effort to halt the process

while the property owners gather information to bolster their cases. Others allege factual inaccuracies in the historical consultants' surveys which outline the reasons for identifying the buildings — homes, mostly, but also some commercial structures.

Too many changes and additions?

Eldana Eggleston said the document on her home cites the wrong parcel number for the Camino Real house and includes a construction date 15 years too early, while Winston Boyer said his home at 13th and Camino Real was not constructed by prolific Carmel builder M.J. Murphy, though historian Kent Seavey said it "may be."

Others indicated their homes have undergone too many changes since their original construction to be considered historic. Eggleston argued that windows, a porch and a door are gone and other openings have been added to the house, which was also expanded. Carl and Jan Cox said their

Casanova Street residence "included a major addition which is not in keeping with the original character of the home." Patrick Paw argued his house at Casanova and 10th was once board and batten but is now mostly stucco and includes a composite shingle roof rather than wood shakes.

Several homeowners complained of the financial hardship historic designation can carry, including the potential devaluation of their property, the difficulty in selling a house identified as historic, and the costly requirement to keep it maintained.

Some homeowners are considering a lawsuit against the city

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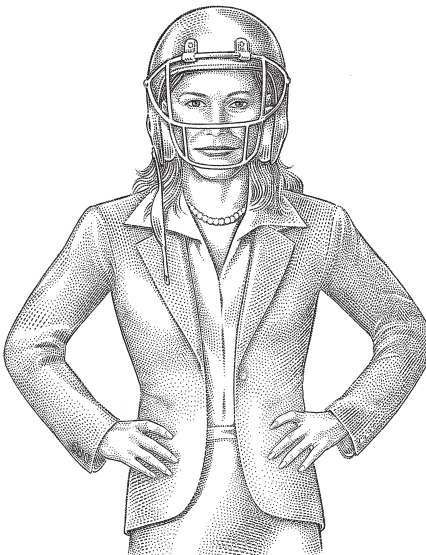
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Firefighters prepare for complicated move (even though it's only five blocks)

By MARY BROWNFIELD

STEPS TO relocate the Carmel Fire Department to Vista Lobos while the old firehouse on Sixth Avenue is seismically retrofitted are already being taken, even though the architect has yet to submit his plans and the city council won't likely vote on contractors' bids before December. The council learned details of the relocation project Oct. 5.

"It's a big undertaking that takes a lot of coordination and communication," building official Tim Meroney said this

week.

Meroney, who will shepherd the plans through the approval process and prepare the bid package he wants local contractors to compete for, had hoped the retrofit would begin in October. It now looks like construction won't start until January. "It's kind of unfortunate, because we're ready to get that place renovated."

Details revealed

City administrator Rich Guillen told the city council Oct. 5 that representatives from many city departments — emergency workers and staff from information services, planning and building, and community services, along with police chief George Rawson — developed a plan to temporarily relocate the station to the city-owned buildings and parking lot at Torres and Third. The move will take eight weeks and cost \$65,046, though that number could climb if the fire department is in its temporary quarters longer than six months, the group said.

Meroney, fire engineer Ian Watts and building maintenance supervisor Bernard Martino will oversee the retrofit and relocation.

At the beginning of the presentation, Guillen advised council members that, if they liked the plan, the current budget would have to be revised to pay for it.

Two 10-foot-by-40-foot, three-room trailers and one 8-foot-by-20-foot, two-room unit will be rented for living quarters and baths, showers and toilets for the emergency crews. The Vista Lobos kitchen will be outfitted with a six-burner professional range donated by Yes for Carmel, as well as an exhaust hood system.

Four temporary garages with doors at both ends will be bought to shield two fire engines, the ladder truck, the ambulance and the rescue vehicle from the elements.

Groups moved out

The community groups that used Vista Lobos for meetings and classes have all moved out to make way for the fire

department, according to community services manager Christie Miller. The Carmel Residents Association met there monthly, and Carmel Unified School District held art classes for adults every day. Good Morning Carmel, the Alcoholics Anonymous group, also met daily, and the Radha Soami church group gathered on Sundays.

"They've all found other locations," Miller reported.

Building maintenance workers will upgrade electrical, water, lighting and sewage systems at Vista Lobos, while information systems/network manager Steve McInchak will oversee installation of the phone, cable TV and computer systems.

A backup generator must be installed, and fire shift commander Bruce Meyer will set up mobile radio and paging systems in the buildings and living quarters.

A moving company will take everything necessary from the old firehouse to Vista Lobos and back again after the retrofit. Estimates range from \$11,803 to \$27,360 and could change if some items don't need to be moved.

After Guillen concluded his report, councilman Erik Bethel said the plan "seems very reasonable."

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Meroney said this week that several of the necessary steps are under way. "We're already making improvements to electrical and plumbing to Vista Lobos to get ready for these guys to occupy it," he said. Even though renovation of the old firehouse probably won't begin until the new year, the department will move in sometime within the next month, Meroney said.

"If we get them moved 30 days before they start work on the fire station, at least they're in there and comfortable."

But before that happens, the fire department will host a meeting to tell residents about the temporary relocation of the station to their neighborhood. The presentation will be made at Vista Lobos Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m.



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With Vista Lobos meeting rooms behind him, city employee Bernard Martino shows where a series of trailers will be parked to temporarily house the Carmel Fire Department.

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Happy 100th birthday, Brownie!

By MARY BROWNFIELD

IT WAS never meant to last a century, according to Carl Iverson, who owns the small wooden house known around town as "Brownie" or "The Shack." But the years he's invested in restoring the home — built for Josephine Foster "as a temporary shack" in 1905 and once occupied by writer Sinclair Lewis — have done more than keep it from falling down.

"If you're a double cancer survivor like I am, you're fortunate if you have a large project that's very important to you," said Iverson, who has spent weekends and vacations for much of the past 20 years working to restore the home. "I have strong goals for this house, and that helped me a lot."

Iverson beat his illnesses. But when he lost his wife, Marian, to that same awful dis-

ease three years ago, it was pounding nails and replacing windows that helped him dig out of depression. Next month, Iverson will celebrate the house's 100th birthday — a much-anticipated milestone.

"We felt it needed a birthday, whether all done or not," he said. "I really wish my wife could have seen it get to this point — we were talking about the 100-year birthday party for years and years."

The Iversons, who had honeymooned in Carmel and returned in 1985 to look at homes, found themselves at an estate sale held by longtime Carmel resident Kay Prine, whose parents, Edward and Antoinette "Tony" Hamm, had purchased the The Shack in 1948. It was love at first sight.

"We had to figure out how to get it," he

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PHOTO/CARL IVERSON

Before a worker putting finishing touches on a newly constructed Monte Verde Street house had a chance to get off the roof and move his ladder, someone snapped a photo of its first occupants posing next to it. Current owner Carl Iverson is planning a party to celebrate its 100th birthday next month.



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After 25 years, groundbreaking Big Sur race gets makeover

By CHRIS COUNTS

A QUARTER century after its inception, the Big Sur River Run's course still meanders past majestic redwoods. Runners

still huff and puff as they jog past supportive spouses, wailing bagpipers and curious chipmunks. But much has changed in the world of running since 1981.

The popular fundraising 10K event —

which celebrates its silver anniversary Saturday, Oct. 22, at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park — was once the only race in town. But now, local runners face a dizzying selection of individual endurance competitions, including Carmel's Rio Resolution Run, the Pacific Grove Triathlon and the world-famous Big Sur International Marathon, which in addition to its 26-mile individual and relay race, features a 21-mile Power Walk, a 10.6-mile walk and a 5K run in April, and a half marathon, 10-mile walk and 5K run in November.

When the Big Sur 10K started, it was a novelty. "We were the first to have music on the course," recalled Bill Burleigh, retired judge and founder of the Big Sur River Run and the Big Sur Marathon. "We had a string quartet in the redwood grove. The conductor told us it was the first time he ever received a running ovation."

The 10K has emerged as a Big Sur institution. Each year, it raises between \$30,000 and \$35,000, which is split between the community's two primary non profit organizations, the Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade and the Big Sur Health Center. Nepenthe restaurant — best known for its Ambrosia Burgers and sweeping South Coast views — contributes \$15,000 annually to the race.

"It has turned into a really nice community event," said Burleigh. "We use a lot of volunteers, so it really brings people together. It has become a wonderful thing."

The organizers of the Big Sur River Run have understandably been hesitant to make changes to their successful event. This year,

though, the 10K is receiving a bit of a cosmetic makeover. Gone is perhaps the event's most recognizable icon, a cartoonish rendering of a wild boar by Shell Fisher that has graced 24 different race T-shirts. In its place is an oil painting of a gloriously golden Big Sur landscape by Big Sur artist Erin Lee Gafill. The switch not only represents a move by the race's organizers to give the event a fresh, look, but marks an attempt to link it to one of Big Sur's greatest treasures — its thriving art community.

All runners will receive a T-shirt silkscreened with the new logo. The top finishers of each gender will receive signed, limited edition prints of the original.

Another one of Big Sur's bustling industries — therapeutic massage — makes its debut at this weekend's race. Massage therapists and students from the Esalen Institute as well as massage therapists from Post Ranch and Ventana inns will offer weary runners complimentary 10-minute massages at the end of the race.

Music will continue to be a big part of the run. Paul Lesniak and friends will play jazz at the start and finish, while five bagpipers, a classical string trio and a mariachi band will entertain runners on the course.

This year's race — which starts at 10 a.m. — is limited to 1,000 runners. Registration is still open, but space is filling quickly. The entry fee is \$35 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. The state park is located 26 miles south of Carmel. For more information, call (831) 624-4112 or visit www.bigsurriver-run.org.

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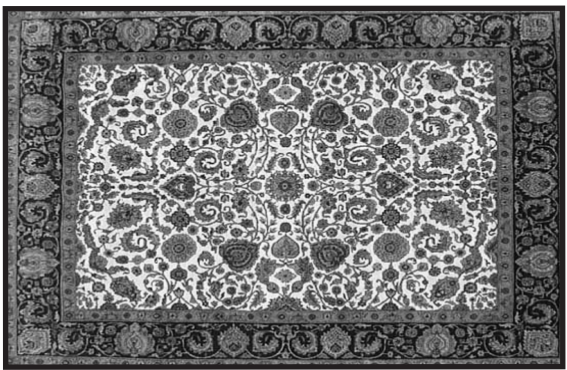
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Carmel Valley

Big Sur Land Trust offers presentation on parkway plan

By CHRIS COUNTS

THE BIG Sur Land Trust will present an update on its ambitious and still-to-be-defined Carmel River Parkway at the Carmel Mission Inn Oct. 21-22.

The project aims to connect Jacks Peak County Park, Carmel River State Beach, Palo Corona Regional Park, Pt. Lobos State Reserve and other parklands. How this would be done is unclear, but the BSLT isn't afraid to think big. It has already floated the possibility of overpasses and underpasses to get pedestrians across Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Road.

If the plan comes to fruition, the mouth of Carmel Valley would serve as a hub for a network of local trails. Other suggestions include creating a visitors center at the mouth of Carmel Valley and an organic farm with an educational component located on the former artichoke fields east of Highway 1 and south of the Carmel River.

To help provide creative inspiration and technical expertise, the BSLT has enlisted the services of three graduate students study-

ing landscape architecture at California State Polytechnic University in Pomona. As part of a school project, the students came up with a "vision plan" after talking with local residents at a series of public meetings April 1-2.

Two of the Cal Poly students, Ty Casey and Sarah Peterson, will present their plan at the Carmel Mission Inn meetings. They'll be joined by BSLT Executive Director Bill Leahy and general manager Cynthia Holmsky.

"We're hoping to get the pulse of the community and see what they're excited about," said Stacy Schmidt, BSLT annual fund coordinator.

For the BSLT, the parkway dialogue is a big shift away from its past focus, which has been acquiring and preserving open space. Since 1978, the conservation group has protected more than 30,000 acres in Monterey County, primarily in Big Sur.

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Project Fact Sheet

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- The project would provide up to 21,000 - 23,000 acre-feet per year of high quality desalinated water that will serve existing water users and customers in Monterey County and adjacent communities, and addressing existing long term ground water overdrafts.
- The desalination plant will service the cities of the Monterey Peninsula, the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey, there areas of the Pajaro-Sunny Mesa unincorporated area of the County of Monterey, the areas of the Pajaro-Sunny Mesa Community District, and areas in the Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency.
- The project would use state-of-the-art reverse osmosis water treatment to desalinate seawater.
- The desalination facility would be located in Moss Landing at the former National Refractories Plant adjacent to the Duke Power Plant.
- The Pajaro-Sunny Mesa District has signed a 99-year lease for a 20 acre site to construct a desalination project at the former National Refractories Plant in Moss Landing.



PROPOSED LOCATION of desalination facility at the former National Refractories site

PROJECT BENEFITS

Seawater desalination is a new water source that provides the following important benefits:

NEW WATER SUPPLY:

The project would provide a new locally owned and controlled water supply – enough water to meet the needs of more than 100,000 people.

IMPROVED WATER QUALITY:

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RELIABILITY:

The desalination project helps meet local and regional water needs and reliability goals by providing an affordable drought proof supply of high quality water.

ENVIRONMENT STEWARDSHIP:

Desalination offers an environmentally responsible alternative to Monterey County's excessive diversions of water from the Carmel River and overdraft of regional groundwater basins.

PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP:

In July 2005, Pajaro-Sunny Mesa Community Services District and Poseidon Resources Corporation entered into an agreement to form a public-private partnership to permit, build and operate a seawater desalination plant that will serve customers in Monterey County and adjacent areas. Under the agreement, Poseidon would assume all risks associated with the financing, development and construction of the plant. The public District will own and manage the plant and all drinking water will be appropriated for public use by the District.

WHY DE-SAL?

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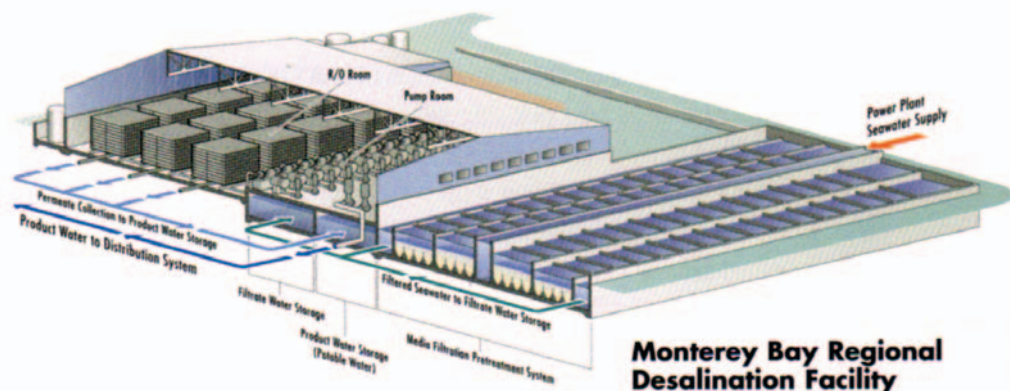
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- The project would be located at the former Nation Refractories site and use an existing seawater intake and outfall and the large seawater holding tanks that already exist on-site.
- The cost of desalinated seawater from the project is comparable to other new supplies available to the region.
- A key component of the partnership agreement is that the price for the water will range from \$1100 - \$1200 per acre-foot (2005 dollars).

Fundraiser offers chance to dine at a famous author's table

By MARY BROWNFIELD

‘IT’S ABOUT the most fun you could have with your clothes on,’ said Lori Silver, a fan of the annual Author’s Table fundraiser slated for Nov. 7. “It’s like an old-fashioned salon where 20 people walk into your home, there’s scintillating conversation that’s just fascinating, it’s a lot of fun, and there are jokes and stories.”

It’s not your everyday dinner party. This year’s fourth edition of “The Author’s Table — A Novel Evening” will raise funds for the National Steinbeck Center and California State University Monterey Bay by charging guests to dine and chat with the featured writer of their choice in one of 14 private homes.

Silver and Syd Shaber will open their Carmel house to Pulitzer-Prize-winning writer Patt Morrison, a Los Angeles Times reporter and columnist who also appears on National Public Radio and wrote “Rio L.A., Tales from the Los Angeles River.”

“It’s a great event for two charities that are involved in literacy and education,” said Silver, who hosted her first Author’s Table dinner two years ago and attended one at another home last year. “These authors are so fascinating — they’re passionate about what they do and can share that passion with other people.”

When Silver hosted mystery writer Jeffery Deaver in 2003, she provided a martini bar and hired professionals to decorate in a ghoulish fashion. This year, she’s got other tricks up her sleeve to make the evening special but revealed she purchased copies of Morrison’s book to be autographed for the guests. Chef Kurt Grasing will cater.

“This is a crowd paying a lot of money to a nonprofit, so you can really go all the way,” she said. “It’s a great cause, and a lot of fun.”

Though they have shared their Carmel Highlands home for other charitable endeavors, Richard and Holly German are opening it for The Author’s Table for the first time. Mystery writer Laurie King, a prolific and award-winning author whose novels are set in a wide range of locations and eras, will

entertain dinner guests at the Germans’. She is particularly well known for her series featuring Sherlock Holmes and his apprentice/wife, Mary Russell.

The Germans learned of The Author’s Table via Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital, the event’s principal sponsor, where Richard German works as a surgeon. SVMH CEO Sam Downing’s wife, Paula, is chair of the event and asked if the Germans would consider hosting.

“This is something very new.” Holly German said, adding that she’s eager to support CSUMB and the National Steinbeck Center.

She wondered if her featured guest’s writings might entice the others to come in costume, perhaps as Sherlock Holmes, and said the creative Michael Jones is excited to do the catering, as he prepared King’s first Author’s Table dinner when the event debuted four years ago.

The lineup

Other featured Author’s Table speakers lined up by event coordinator Tia Gindick are:

■ Longtime San Francisco Chronicle

reporter Carl Nolte, a fourth-generation San Franciscan and author of three books, among them the recently released “San Francisco Century,” who will dine with guests in the Pebble Beach home of Nancy Albertini and Steve Metzger.

■ Charmian Carr, who played Liesl von Trapp in “The Sound of Music” 40 years ago and has written two books chronicling how the role changed her life. She will share stories and might even sing during the evening hosted by Julie Culver, Ed Tovrea and Linda Yellich in two Carmel Cottages — one for cocktails and the other for dinner and a mini-concert.

■ Award-winning writer Anthony Doerr, author of “The Shell Collector,” and “About Grace,” whose suspense-filled writing has been described as “careful and beautiful.” Pebble Beach residents Margaret and Harry Robinson are opening their home near Spanish Bay.

■ Former NFL referee Jim Tunney, local resident, author, columnist, educator and motivational speaker, will hold court in the 10,000-square-foot Monterra mansion of

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PHOTO/COURTESY OF THE AUTHORS

Anthony Doerr, author of “The Shell Collector,” novelist Catherine Coulter (center) and “imaginative and hilarious” Nina Marie Martinez are all featured at this year’s Author’s Table.

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TEACHER — Substitute teacher in the CUSD; religions school teacher, 6th grade, Congregation Beth Israel, Carmel Valley; summer school teacher at Monterey High (2003) and Soledad High (2002).

STUDENT — Have completed 21 units of graduate education at Chapman University’s Monterey campus; bachelor’s degree, history, University of California, Berkeley.

COACH — Volunteer assistant junior varsity baseball coach, Carmel High.

BACKER — Consultant on current CUSD bond campaign; worked on successful efforts to preserve the district’s basic aid finances in 2003.

UMPIRE — Mustang, Bronco and Pony baseball umpire, Carmel and Carmel Valley.

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said. "After many conversations, we finally persuaded Kay to sell it to us. My wife was very persistent. If it weren't for her, it wouldn't have happened."

They also promised not to tear it down — the main issue driving Prine's reluctance to sell.

"I got to know them and they were just wonderful people, and we made the deal," Prine said. "They became more like family, because they were so lovely and adored it so much."

"We've developed a really wonderful relationship because of this old house," Iverson said.

For years, while she worked in the VA hospital and he

taught school, the Iversons would pile their tools and themselves into the car and drive from their Concord home to the Carmel house Friday night to spend the weekend toiling away. His summer breaks afforded longer stays.

The Iversons replaced the wiring and plumbing and added modern amenities, such as alarm and stereo systems. The work includes original and salvaged wood, window glass and other materials where possible.

Making use of every inch

Iverson included built-in shelves in the front bedroom he believes was occupied by novelist, journalist, dramatist and poet Sinclair Lewis, who rented it for \$5 a month in 1909-1910. Upstairs, the bathroom nestles under a peaked roof and features built-in drawers and cupboards, a washer and dryer, and a fold-out ironing board that disappears into a drawer.

"We really wanted the house to show top-quality craftsmanship, but the outside looks very much original," he said. "It has the same 100-year-old fireplace with granite stone that was built by local Indians at that time."

Iverson sold his Concord house and moved into the cottage's unfinished upstairs bedroom in July. He's now engaged to marry Tena Terry, who also loves the house, he said.

"I decided I would focus full-time on this project," he said. "It means a lot to me."

He wants to list the house on Carmel's register of historic buildings and hopes to sign a Mills Act contract with the city that will net him a significant tax break in exchange for his preserving the historic property.

Iverson will show three of its restored rooms during the 100th birthday party Nov. 6. Prine will also take part, sharing her stories of the house and leading partygoers from the Carmel Heritage Society's headquarters at First Murphy House to Iverson's home.

"It's fantastic and it's artistry," she said. "He certainly has done something with it I never thought anybody would do."



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Carl Iverson is "like a son" to Kay Prine, who sold him the 100-year-old house that had belonged to her parents.

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CAA sculptures missing

AN OWL and a polecat disappeared from a downtown Carmel garden last week, but the crow stayed put.

The bronze pieces created by award-winning artist Eleen Auvil had been mounted on wooden poles in the Carmel Art Association's sculpture garden until sometime late Oct. 13 or early Oct. 14, when a thief broke them from their mounts and spirited them away.

The thefts were reported Friday morning by Susan Klusmire, director of the 78-year-old, nonprofit artists' collective, which features the works of 120 Monterey Peninsula

artists elected for membership by their peers.

"One was entitled, 'Polecat,' and was affixed to a wooden post by silicon epoxy, and the second was entitled, 'Owl on Post,' and was attached to a wooden post also, via a bolt," said Carmel Police Sgt. Mel Mukai. "They attempted to take another one, 'Major Crow,' but they were either interrupted or decided to leave the scene."

A professionally trained artist who has received awards for her textiles, Auvil now works predominantly in metals and is also a past president of the CAA. Her stolen bronze sculptures were each about 9 inches tall and weighed 5 pounds, according to Mukai, and carried a price tag of \$1,500 a piece.

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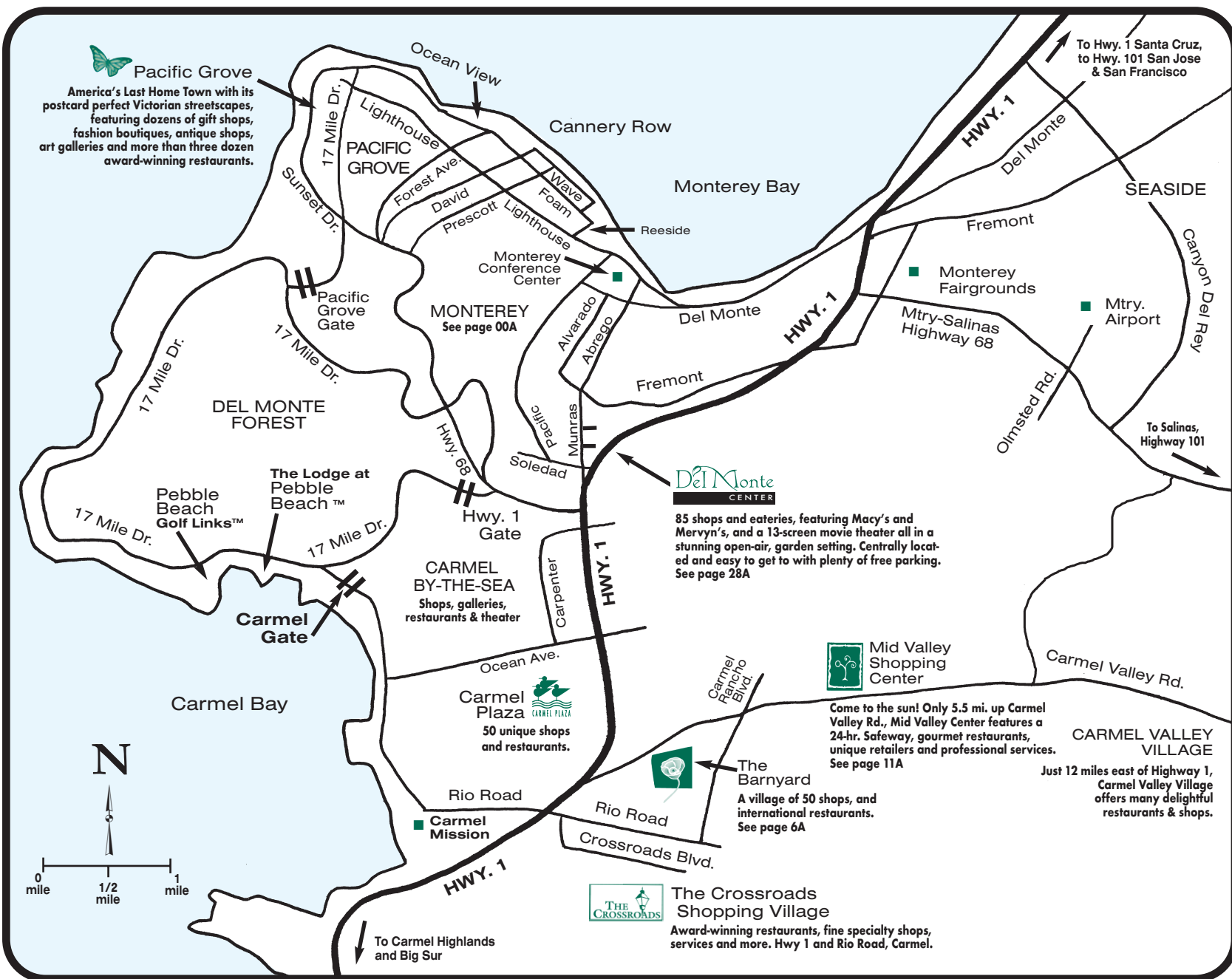
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'Johnny Guitar' brings the Old West back to the 1950s

By CHRIS COUNTS

IF THE world of "Johnny Guitar" seems vaguely familiar, that's because you've probably seen and heard it all before. Just not in one place.

Pacific Repertory Theatre's production of "Johnny Guitar" — a cult film from 1954 starring Hollywood legend Joan Crawford that was adapted for the stage almost 50 years later — takes a classic Old West myth, turns it completely upside down, and shakes things up by tossing in a 1950s jukebox soundtrack. The play opens at the Golden Playhouse Theater Saturday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m.

Johnny Guitar

Produced by PacRep Theatre, directed by Stephen Moorer

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Golden Bough Playhouse

So is it 1884 or 1954? It hardly matters, explained Stephen Moorer, director of PacRep's farcical adaptation of a film that took itself more seriously than anyone else ever did. "Is it a parody?" asked Moorer, PacRep's founder and artistic director. "Absolutely."

A spoof on Hollywood westerns from the '50s, "Johnny Guitar" bends a couple genders along the way.

"The joke is, 'It was a time when the men were men, and so were the women,'" explained Moorer.

In the typical period Hollywood Western, men are macho and trigger-happy, while women generally head for cover when the men start blasting each other to bits. In "Johnny Guitar," the

roles are reversed. Two headstrong women are rivals, and men grovel at their feet. The play's namesake, Johnny Guitar, is a mysterious anti-hero and x-factor, a gunslinger without a past.

Add a soundtrack that seems better suited for "American Graffiti" and you have, well, a whole lotta entertainment goin' on.

"It's wholesome, corny fun," said Moorer. "It's great for the whole family. The music is wonderful, and my 8-year-old laughs like crazy when she watches it."

"Johnny Guitar" was adapted for stage by writer Nicholas van Hoogstraten and composers Martin Silvestri and Joel Higgins. It won a critic's award in 2004 for "Best Off-Broadway Musical."

After PacRep's rousing success with "The Buddy Holly Story," a play about the life and death of the early rock 'n roll icon, a production filled with '50s pop hits was hard for PacRep to pass up. "Buddy Holly opened a lot of doors for us," said Moorer. "It literally changed our direction."

The public's fascination with '50s music and films comes as no surprise to Moorer. "Retro is in," he said. "People always want to return to the good old days, and 'Johnny Guitar' really represents that."

"Johnny Guitar" continues through Nov. 13. For tickets, call (831) 622-0100 or visit www.pacrep.org.

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Sandy Claws

By Margot Petit Nichols

SCARFACE HIRTREITER, 2-and-a-half years old, has actually done time in the holding cell at Carmel-by-the-Sea's police station, though not for any heinous crime Scarface, named long before he was put in the slammer, was thus yclept because he actually had a scar on his little Chihuahua face when Mom Susan first got him.

The reason for his unfortunate incarceration was that he was lost one day, and our kindly local policemen took him in. It seems he dug a hole under his garden fence and followed neighbors to downtown Carmel, where he became hopelessly lost among the unfamiliar sights and smells. Mom, arriving home from a full day of ER nursing at Hazel Hawkins Hospital in

Hollister, was panicked when she couldn't find Scarface. After driving around and around the neighborhood, calling out his name, she telephoned the police. Mom and Scarface were reunited in a trice.

The only other notable trouble Scarface has been in was when Mom smuggled him into a former apartment that prohibited dogs. He chewed up the carpet. But no matter, Mom likes their new residence much better, anyway.

Scarface has a baby sister, Scheherazod, a 1-and-a-half-year-old white toy Chihuahua who more or less rules the roost. Carefree and permissive, Scarface doesn't care. He gets to go to Carmel Beach twice a week where he can cavort, run in circles and kiss little children on the lips, while Shea, as he calls his sis for short, languishes at home on her fluorescent pink, fuzzy mini couch. Miss Priss doesn't care for the beach, except for an occasional sun bath.

Scarface has his own miniature dog couch at home, too. It's a dignified Burberry couch that goes well with his glossy black coat. Both couches are in the living room, which assures Mom a good night's sleep in her own bedroom.



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APPEALS

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"I am low income, and it would cause monetary hardship to have my only asset substantially reduced in value," wrote Renati Mannan, who owns an 84-year-old house on San Carlos Street.

Dorothy Price said the one-car garage on her Lincoln Street lot "does not have a perimeter foundation, has a dirt floor and is in such poor condition due to dry rot that it would be cost prohibitive to repair, preserve or make stable."

Darwin and Geraldine Barrett, owners of a home on Monte Verde Street, took issue with the entire concept. Not only is their

house "nothing more than a box" whose original owner "no longer has anything to say about it," but historic consultants only state opinions, and regardless of a home's historicity, the property owner's rights should not be jeopardized, they argue.

"This is totally unacceptable," they conclude, before warning, "If this appeal is rejected, we will be joining others in enlisting the aid of a local land-use attorney to oppose such attempts to regulate owners' property rights."

Several already have. Perhaps prompted by art gallery owner Bill Karges, who sent a warning letter to most of the affected property owners last month, eight had their appeals filed this week by Miriam Schakat, who works for the law firm of Lombardo & Gilles.

The Carmel Historic Resources Board

must determine whether each of the more than 50 appeals filed so far, as well as any others that follow, have merit. Substantial evidence provided by another historian or the property owner could convince the board to overturn the original designation, and any decision made by the HRB can be appealed to the city council. The board has so far heard two appeals, both of which were delayed while the owners gather more information, and a third was set on its agenda this week but was also delayed.

Music Society's season begins

THE CARMEL Music Society kicks off its concert season Oct. 21 at Sunset Center with a performance by Hungarian piano soloist Andras Schiff.

Schiff received the Kossuth Prize, Hungary's highest official distinction, in 1996. A prolific recording artist, he has won two Grammy awards, one for his rendition of the Bach English Suites, and one for his interpretation of Schubert's *Schwanengesang* with tenor Peter Schreier.

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Angels gather to support cancer survivor

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE CANCER'S gone, but the medical bills aren't. Friends of Monterey model, actress and singer Nedda Joy Lentini will host a dinner and auction at Chianti Ristorante Oct. 26 to help cover the costs of treatment and recovery.

"Nedda has always done the fashion shows and events to help raise funds for her community, so now her community's helping her," said Lee Whitney, who works for Wells Fargo Bank in Carmel.

The lengthy list of appearances at charitable events as a runway model, singer and choreographer is evidence of Lentini's desire to aid others in need, said Whitney, who worked with her at several Meals on Wheels fundraisers.

"Her friends are stepping up to the plate to help her," she said. They've formed the My Angels Benefit Fund "to aid in the financial recovery of a breast cancer survivor," and Domenico and Patrick Vastarella decided to host a fundraising dinner in her honor at their Crossroads Shopping Village restaurant, Chianti.

Whitney and Carmel resident Cyr-An Castle gathered several items to sell in the silent auction at the Oct. 26 dinner.

"She's one of the most incredible people — she's driven and has this sense of compassion. She's full of life and a single parent who has raised a wonderful child," Castle said. "She went through a really tough time, and she's an amazing woman. I really look up to her."

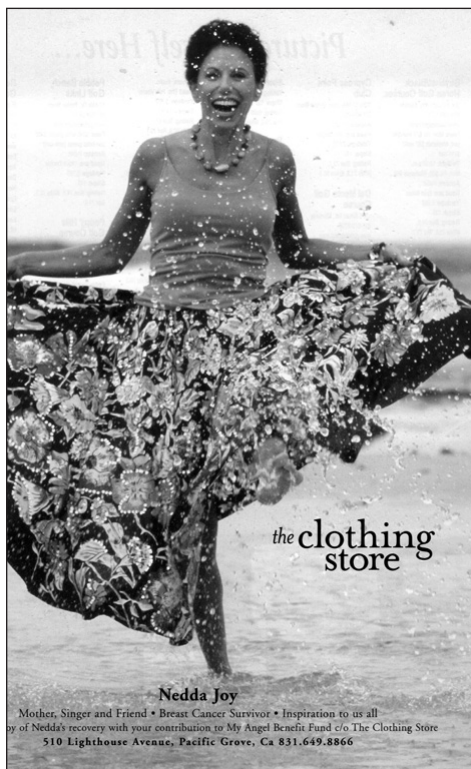
Lentini, whose image has filled magazine pages in print ads, has hit the runway in dozens of events in California, Oregon, Arizona and Colorado. She has appeared in films, videos, television, commercials and stage productions, as well as recorded voice-overs and radio broadcasts.

And she survived breast cancer.

"The reason I decided to help her is

because she's been having to do a lot of this benefit on her own," said Castle, who didn't want to see her friend having to work so hard on her own behalf.

The dinner and auction for the My Angels Benefit Fund will begin at 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at Chianti Ristorante in The Crossroads. Tickets are \$90 per person or \$160 per couple (exclusive of alcoholic beverages). For more information, call (831) 626-9119. Anyone who would like to send a contribution instead should make the check to the My Angels Benefit Fund, c/o The Clothing Store, 510 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950.



Nedda Joy Lentini, modeling skirt and tank from the Clothing Store in Pacific Grove, will enjoy the generosity of angels Oct. 26.

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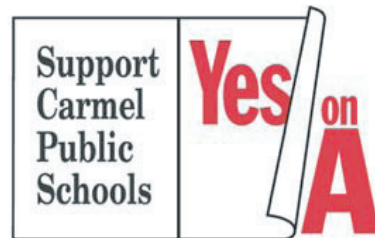
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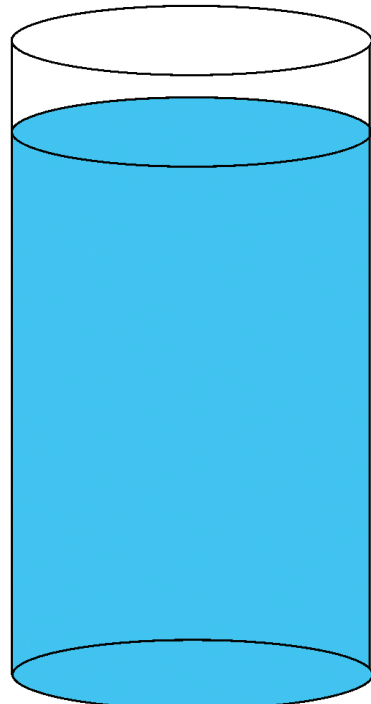
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Planning commission to weigh in on Carmel Valley ridge line project

By CHRIS COUNTS

Is A single-family home proposed by a Carmel Valley couple modest and reasonable, as supporters have described, or is it hulking and obtrusive, as opponents have claimed?

The Monterey County Planning Commission will consider the issue at its Oct. 26 meeting in Salinas.

Mark and Therese Mahady want to build

a one-story, 2,903-square-foot home and a detached, 600-square-foot guest house at 344 El Caminito Road.

The Carmel Valley Land Use Advisory Committee voted 5-1 Sept. 19 to endorse the project. The watchdog group first looked at the project Sept. 6 but, after a contentious debate, voted 3-2 to delay a recommendation until a site visit could be arranged and a 17-foot pole erected to gauge the home's effect on the viewshed of adjacent homeowners.

LUAC chair Janet Brennan described the house as "very modest" and agreed with the Mahadys' assertion that the home is situated in the most appropriate location.

"The nearest neighbor is 800 to 1,000 feet away," she said. "It's not as if these people will be staring right into [the neighbors'] backyards." Even Carmel Valley Association President Glenn Robinson, an outspoken critic of overdevelopment in Carmel Valley, endorsed the plan. But neighbors disagree.

In a letter to the planning commission, neighbor Nancy Mayer complained the

house "would be a huge hulk looming over our yards, dominating the ridge, spoiling a beautiful, serene view and lighting up the skyline like a beacon at night."

Mayer called the ridge-line development "illegal," and said she wants the house relocated to another location on the Mahadys' 18-acre parcel.

The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. in the board of supervisors chambers at 168 W. Alisal St. in Salinas. The Mahady project is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

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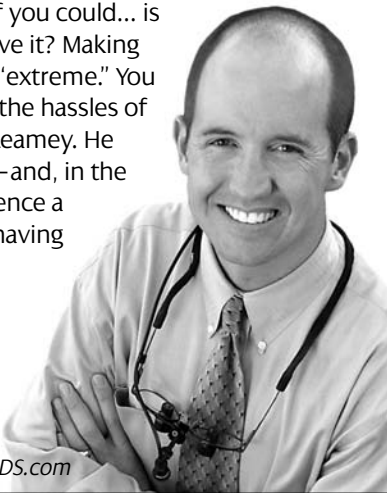
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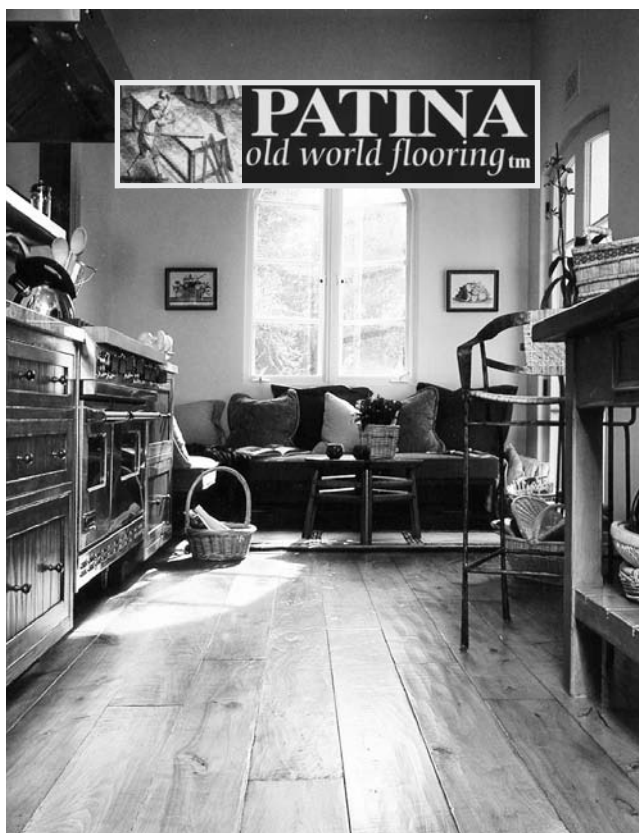
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PROFESSOR EDWARD THORNTON to speak about **Carmel Bay and our beaches** at the Carmel Residents Association meeting, 4:45 p.m., Thursday, October 27, Carpenter Hall, Sunset Center. Prior to the meeting, at 4 p.m., the county election's department will demonstrate new electronic voting machines. The public is invited. Questions call (831) 625-9512.

Meg's Health Notes



Presented by
Meg Parker Conners, R.N.
HOME CARE FOR AIDS PATIENTS

AIDS causes cycles of getting sick and feeling better. This can be trying for the patient and his or her caregivers. Eventually, towards the end of the disease, the patient gets sicker and sicker and doesn't recover. Knowing what to expect and that there are services available to support patients and their loved ones can make the experience less devastating. Upsetting episodes of dementia, for example, may occur in AIDS patients. As the disease progresses, the patient sleeps more and may have trouble seeing and hearing. Incontinence, circulatory problems, loss of appetite, breathing and swallowing difficulties, and restlessness are other symptoms of end-stage AIDS. Home care can provide personal care, respiratory therapy, social work, durable medical equipment, and intravenous therapy.

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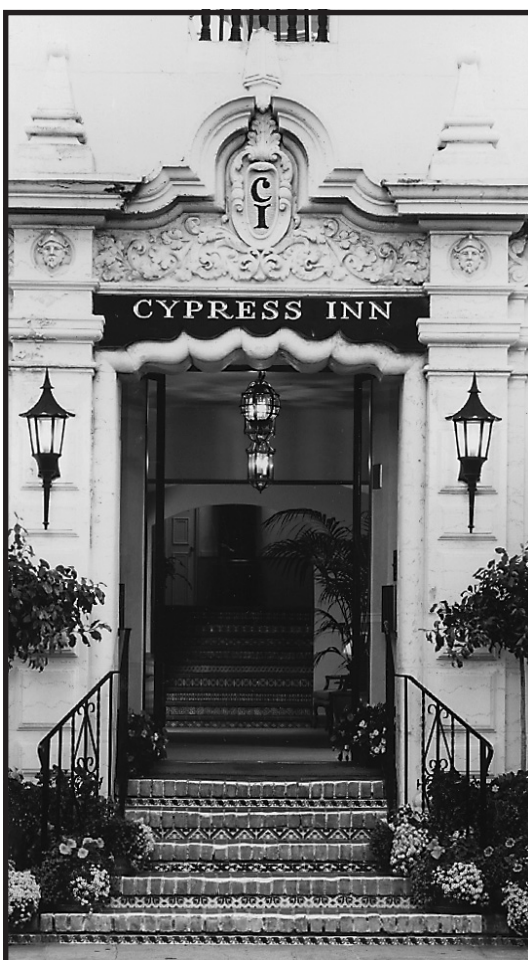
P.S. Respite care is also valuable in that it gives family caregivers of AIDS patients a break.

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DAMAGE

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Depending on their criminal record, offenders might work on riverbank revegetation, steelhead population surveys, steelhead habitat enhancement projects, vegetation management and river monitoring projects, in lieu of fines or criminal charges, Hampson said.

The details of the work alternative program are still being worked out, he said.

It is misdemeanor to drive an unauthorized vehicle in the Carmel River, and violators face a fine of \$500 and a year in jail if convicted.

July 25, several people in four-wheel-drive vehicles trespassed through an open gate to access the Carmel River from Rancho San Carlos Road. The vehicles tore up a drip irrigation system, damaged willows and the riverbed, and several steelhead were found dead in tire tracks, Hampson said.

After the incident, the MPWMD received complaints of motor vehicles illegally traveling in the Carmel River near Rancho Cañada Golf Club, and an anonymous complaint of

BREAK-INS

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"These items were located in Watsonville," Mukai said. The burglars apparently used a key hidden outside the house to get in.

And on Sept. 30, Forest Road resident Douglas Miller reported someone broke in through the bathroom window and stole a music box, a jewelry box, a yellow handbag and a pair of emerald earrings.

Among the unsolved crimes is an incident in which a housekeeper notified police Oct. 2 that an oil painting, three vases, silverware and jewelry valued at \$31,750 had been stolen from William and Jane Sieberts' Santa Fe Street home sometime between Sept. 25 and Oct. 2. A jewelry store and another shop were also burglarized during the same time period.

Captured after a car chase

Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Detective Sgt. Dan Campos said Moncovich-Diaz and Little were arrested after a car chase in July for a burglary and again came to his agency's attention following a spike in break-ins in the south end of the county. A deputy involved in the July case recognized their vehicle and sought a search warrant of their Watsonville home last week. So far, more than 300 stolen items — from antiques to laundry soap — have been recovered, and Campos said jewelry is being held at several pawn shops.

"We think they're good for at least a dozen residential burglaries, and it keeps growing," he said. Authorities from San Benito County and Morgan Hill P.D., in addition to Carmel police, are working with his agency on the investigation.

Little and Moncovich-Diaz remain in jail, while Shulte was released by the court on her own recognizance.

quad runners in the vicinity of Schulte Bridge. Monterey County Sheriff's Office Cmdr. Ed Lorenzana said an eyewitness helped track down one of the drivers.

"We managed to get a description and a license plate number, and we tracked it back to a 16-year-old boy who lives in Carmel Valley," Lorenzana said. "At first we gave the kid a warning. Then we went back and cited him for that violation."

The Marina traffic division is handling the boy's case and his punishment hasn't yet been determined, Lorenzana said.

Another teenage boy was cited for driving in the river, but details about that incident weren't immediately available.

After the damage was done, Hank Smith of the steelhead association sent a letter to the MPWMD urging the agency to catch riverbed violators. Kanalakis also met with MPWMD board members to establish a protocol to deal with Carmel River joyriders, Hampson said.

Lawson Little, who manages the grounds at Quail Lodge, came up with the work alternative idea, Hampson said.

"The point where the vehicles entered the river was an area that had a quite a bit of bank erosion in 1998," Hampson said. "I think we need to draw attention to the fact we have some sensitive species down there and it's a sensitive environment."

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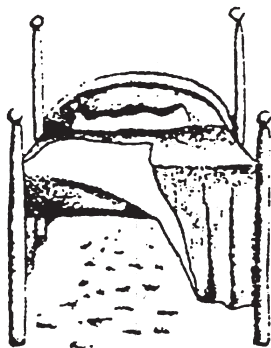
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OPPOSE

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"ruined at the last hour" if Measure W passed, Emerson said.

"It is of historic significance to actually restore a river and still provide high-quality drinking water to the community," he said. "Let's address other questions another time."

Cal Am said it would take advantage of the endorsements in its recently launched advertising campaign against Measure W, said Catherine Bowie, Cal Am's spokeswoman.

"I wouldn't say we were surprised but I would say we are really pleased," said Bowie of the groups' announcements. "It shows the community understands that the purpose of the coastal water project is to improve the Carmel River."

The Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club, however, stands by its support of Measure W, said Gillian Taylor, co-chair of conservation for the organization.

"Cal Am has proven to be a poor steward of our water resources and the Carmel River environment. They have also failed to serve the public adequately," Taylor said in a statement. "Cal-Am has fought against oversight by the Water Management District, they have fought against voters having the right to vote on water projects, and now they are fighting the public even having an impartial study to consider the cost/benefits of a buy-out."

One board member may quit

The Carmel River Watershed Conservancy's opposition to Measure W has not been completely bloodless. It's prompted a long standing, well-known board member to consider quitting.

Patricia Bernardi, the conservancy's treasurer, who is also a signatory of Measure W, disagreed with the board's decision to get involved in regards to Measure W.

"It's an inappropriate measure for our group to get involved with," she said, adding it would be just as inappropriate if the board rallied for the approval of Measure W.

Only two of the conservancy's 10-member board were present at the group's Oct. 12 meeting when they voted to oppose Measure W. Bernardi said the meeting should have been postponed to allow more board members to participate.

Bernardi said she would decide within a month whether to stay with the conservancy or leave, saying, "I'm still weighing that out."

Despite the endorsements, supporters of Measure W seemed confident they'll win the public's support.

Neither Bernardi nor George Riley, treasurer of the pro-Measure W, Citizens for Public Water, believe Cal Am's assertion that Measure W would delay the construction of a desalination plant.

"If Cal Am slows down then it's their dereliction of duty because it's their responsibility" to eliminate illegal pumping, Riley said. "If they slow down then it proves they're incompetent."



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New Segway criticism unfounded, business owner says

By KELLY NIX

THE OWNER of Segway By The Sea — a Cannery Row business that rents electric-powered Segways — said new criticism about their use on the Monterey-Pacific Grove recreational trail are exaggerated and baseless.

Three people addressed Pacific Grove City Council members Wednesday night asking them to ban Segway use on the rec trail because the motorized scooters are a hazard to cyclists and pedestrians.

“The people who rent these things are not experienced,” said Bruce Crist, president of the New Monterey Neighborhood Association. “They are not paying attention.”

Greg Von Lortz, owner of the Segway rental and sales business at 685 Cannery Row, Suite 240, said he’s had more than 700 rentals since June without a single reported injury to riders, pedestrians or cyclists.

“The majority of the people love them,” Von Lortz said.

“As many people who spoke against them at that meeting, there are many, many more who love them.”

Von Lortz said he was somewhat surprised by the criticism of the “human transporters” since he’s recently had nothing but positive response to his business.

The criticism was made during the public comment section of Wednesday’s council meeting and was not on the agenda.

Crist said he’s opposed specifically to the commercial use of Segways, not the private use.

“If someone buys their own, we won’t try to, if you will, go after them,” Crist said.

In 2002, the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District transferred the recreational trail to the cities of Pacific Grove and Monterey.

“There is a grant deed that says basically the cities can’t permit uses that weren’t there when the recreational trail was transferred,” Crist said.

Segways would fall into that category, he said.

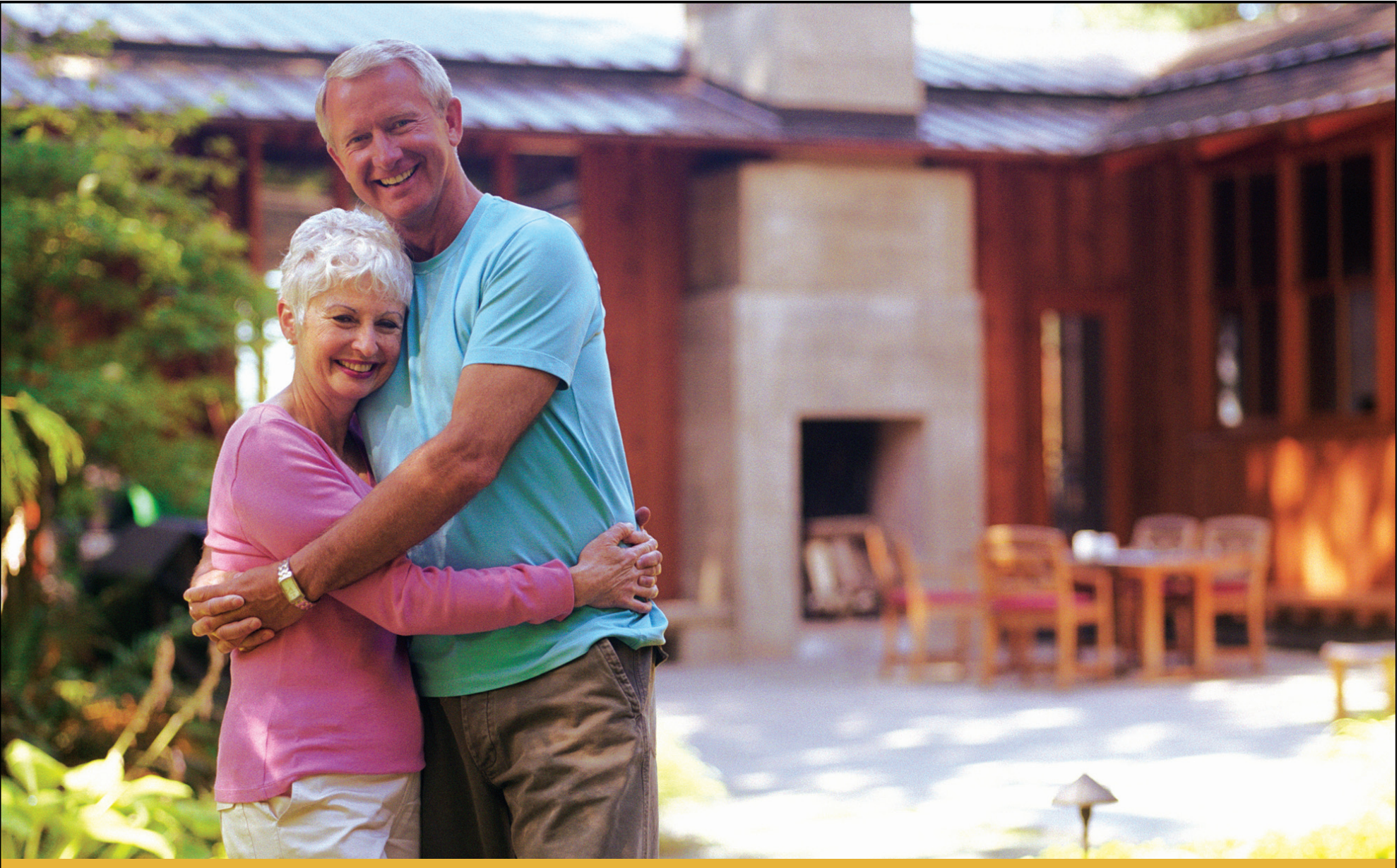
Pacific Grove has the authority to ban the commercial use of Segways, but the city attorney has said it might be difficult to define commercial use.

Segway critic Bob Evans specifically attacked the idea of Segway guided tours, which Von Lortz said he’s planning to offer through Pacific Grove and Monterey. The business advertises Lovers Point on its list of Segway destinations.

“If you think the rec trail is crowded now,” Evans said. “It will be unusable when the guided tours happen,”

But Von Lortz said he has rented Segways to more than 100 Pacific Grove residents alone, all of whom responded positively. Von Lortz provided The Carmel Pine Cone with statistics he compiled from a questionnaire Segway renters fill out. Overwhelmingly, riders felt Segways were safe to operate, the surveys indicate.

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Editorial

Yes on Prop 73

PERHAPS THE most mis-reported issue in the national news media is the issue of abortion. And the misleading coverage that is constantly fed to the public has led to gross misunderstandings about Prop 73 on the Nov. 8 ballot, which would require that a minor's parent or legal guardian be notified before she can get an abortion.

To hear CBS News or the Washington Post tell it, there are only two kinds of politicians in the United States: "pro choice" and "pro life." Similarly, our legal system has an equally stark choice, the news media would have you believe: Either abortion is legal, or it is banned.

But peel away the either/or simple-mindedness and you'll find that abortions are not so simple.

The Holy Grail of the "pro choice" movement, for example, Roe vs. Wade, did not say that a woman's right to privacy entitled her to have an abortion under any circumstances.

What the 1973 Supreme Court decision said was that a decision to terminate a first trimester pregnancy had to be left to the judgment of a woman and her doctor. An abortion between the end of the first trimester and the point of fetal viability could be regulated "in ways that are reasonably necessary to protect the mother's health." And abortions after the fetus was viable could be regulated, or even prohibited, "except where necessary, in appropriate medical judgment, for the preservation of the life or health of the mother."

In keeping with the court's logic, we wish that every politician who is proclaimed "pro life" would be asked by reporters this simple question: Do you really believe it should be against the law for a woman to terminate a pregnancy in the first few weeks, even in cases of rape or incest?

Similarly, we wish every candidate for public office who is called "pro choice" would be asked: Do you honestly think it should be legal for a woman to have an abortion in the ninth month of pregnancy just because she wants to?"

The answers to these questions would be truly revealing. But they are never asked.

Perhaps that's because it's easier for both sides to avoid public discussion of the abortion issues' complexities. Prop. 73 is opposed by "pro choice" advocates, for example, not strictly on its merits. If the parental-notification law is passed, they argue, it will be the first "chipping away" of a woman's "right to choose."

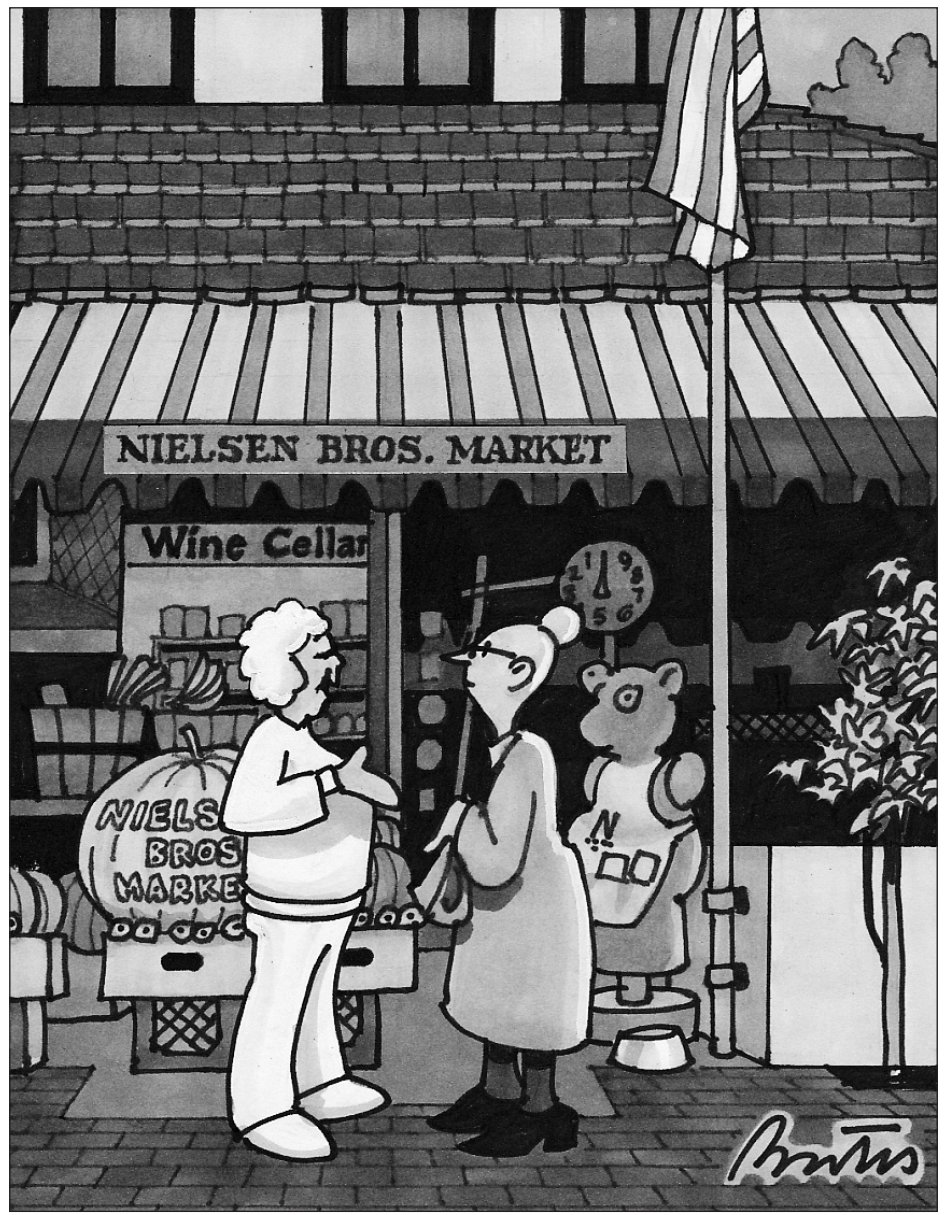
But we think that argument is baloney. The vast majority of Americans do not think first trimester abortions should be banned. Even the most conservative Republican Presidents and Supreme Court justices over the last thirty years haven't lifted a finger to institute such a ban. There is just no danger it will happen.

But there is also a widespread belief in the United States, as in Great Britain, France and practically every other Western nation, that third trimester abortions should be allowed only under the most dire circumstances. The majority of people of this country do not support unlimited abortion rights after a fetus is viable.

They also think that, under most circumstances, a minor should not be able to get an abortion without her parents' knowledge.

Please ignore the doomsday warnings about what will happen to abortion rights if Prop. 73 passes. Vote yes on Prop. 73.

BATES



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Measure W 'straightforward'

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Measure W simply allows us to get the facts on the cost and the process for acquiring the water system and having it run by a public agency. A one-time charge of approximately \$14 per Cal-Am customer is the cost. Is there an easier way to ensure water rates remain affordable for everyone in Monterey County?

Please vote yes on Measure W. Ann Kihara, Monterey

Government can do better

Dear Editor, The Peninsula's water supply and delivery system, i.e. the infrastructure, is sorely in need of repair — many leaky pipes wasting water. One appealing aspect of public water is that the nominal 10 percent profit being sent to Germany can be plowed back into restoration of the water infrastructure. This is an enormous benefit, yet painless to the taxpayers. However, some voters may hesitate to vote yes on Measure W (the Cal Am buy-out feasibility study) because of the mistaken belief that public water will become a bloated bureaucracy with fat an lazy employees. If this were the case, the 10 percent plow back would be an illusion.

Two publicly-run organizations with ster-

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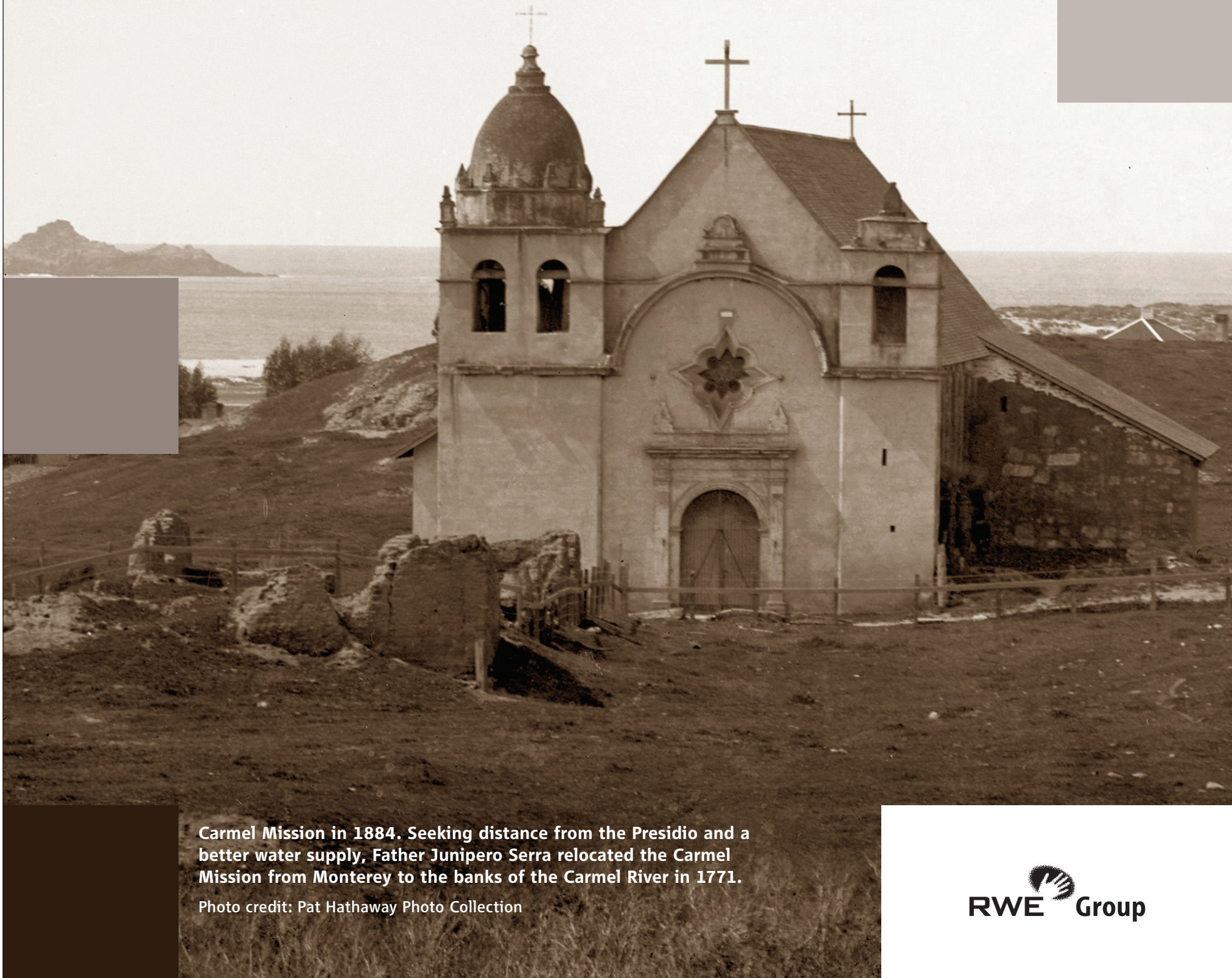
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Real Estate



Inside:

■ Real estate market continues steady climb



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■ This week's cover home, located in Carmel, is presented by Mike Canning & Tomi Williams of Sotheby's International Realty
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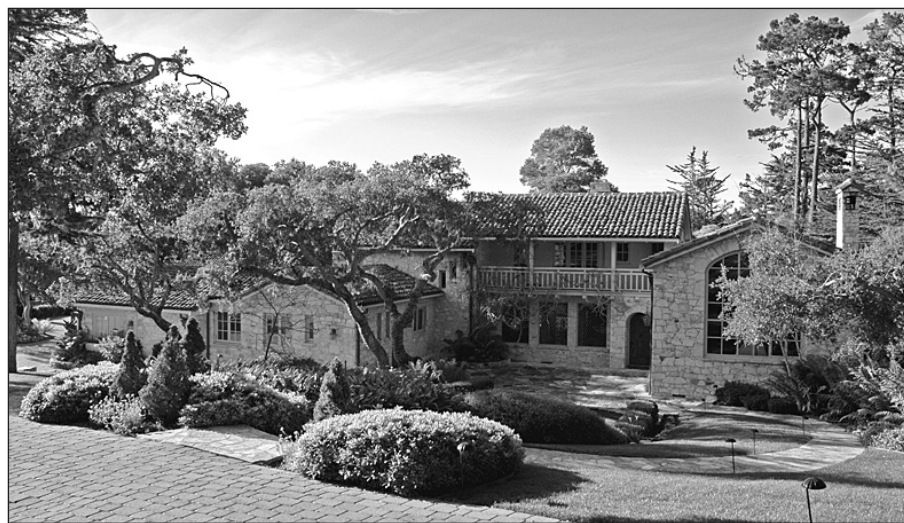
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded

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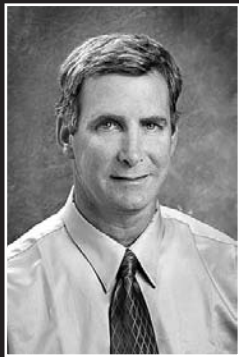
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine, battalion chief and ambulance responded to a reported vehicle fire at San Carlos and Fourth. On scene, found vehicle with light smoke showing from the engine compartment. Investigation of the engine compartment indicated the smoke was from engine

Pebble Beach: A 66-year-old male reported that on Sunday, Oct. 9, at about 0130 hours, unknown subject(s) threw a large pumpkin at the front windshield of his vehicle while it was parked at a Spyglass Woods Drive residence, causing the entire windshield to shatter. Damage estimated at more than \$500.

coolant on the motor, as the owner had just had the vehicle serviced at the dealer which had not replaced the coolant reservoir cap. As the vehicle had not overheated, the owner drove the car home and was to followup with the dealer the next day. Battalion chief canceled.

Carmel Valley: A male Prado del Sol resident, age 53, reported numerous items were missing from inside his house. He believes they were taken by

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readings over 20 percent and weakening numbers for the areas at the bottom of the list.

The 10-year run is not over. How long it can continue is anyone's guess.

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	2004 (Q1)	2004 (Q2)	2004 (Q3)	2004 (Q4)	2005 (Q1)	2005 (Q2)	2005 (Q3)
Carmel	48	99	77	45	64	57	69
Carmel Valley	32	49	33	35	30	45	42
Del Rey Oaks	6	3	5	3	8	6	11
Marina	27	36	45	35	27	38	43
Monterey	26	65	46	53	38	46	39
Pacific Grove	37	48	47	40	29	37	38
Pebble Beach	17	44	20	29	33	27	26
Salinas Hwy	51	67	65	45	40	67	71
Seaside	44	51	58	59	51	63	64
South Coast	7	15	9	8	10	7	6
Totals	295	477	405	352	330	393	409



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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision on Ocean Avenue on private property. Vehicle was drivable. A citation was issued.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Possible violation of a court order on Dolores Street at 1608 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: License plate with false registration tab attached was confiscated from a vehicle on Monte Verde Street at 2325 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance en route to a request for public assistance at a Casanova Street residence. Engine and ambulance on scene. Crews assisted an elderly male back to his bed after he slipped to the floor, uninjured.

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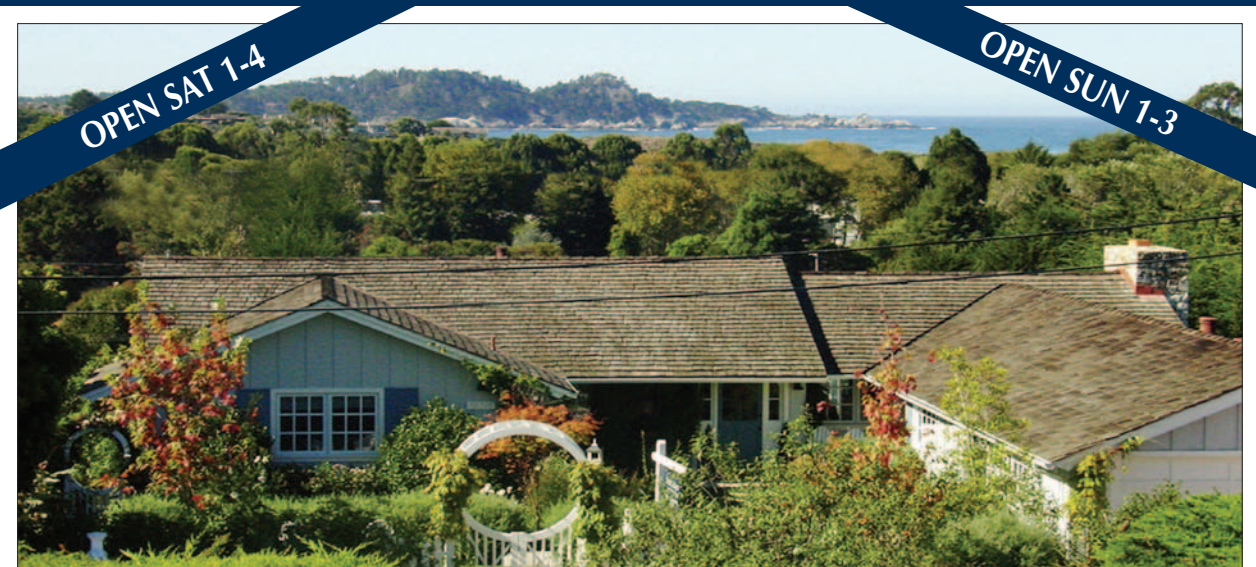
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded from previous incident to a medical emergency on San Carlos. On scene, firefighters per-

formed primary patient assessment and assisted ambulance with vitals, EKG, IV, patient report information and loading for an older female who was dizzy and nauseous. Patient transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

Pebble Beach: A 15-year-old female juvenile reported she and her friend witnessed three men standing around a Volvo with one male in the trunk of the Volvo on 17 Mile Drive near Pescadero Point. Appeared to be suspicious.

Big Sur: During a pedestrian check, a 35-year-old male suspect was contacted on Highway 1 near Ventana at 2210 hours and found to be in possession of marijuana.

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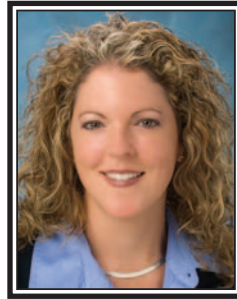
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two citations issued on Ocean Avenue for California Vehicle Code violations.

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David & Dorothy Fuller to Glenn Webb
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394 W Carmel Valley Road — \$930,000
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Frank & Laura Zabrowski
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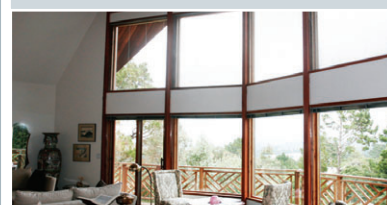
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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a dog bite to a person on Carmel Beach. Victim reported he was bitten on the left hip by a shepherd mix. He said the bite was unprovoked. The dog owner was in the vicinity but did not witness the incident and contacted the victim to render aid. Some redness, but the skin was not broken, and no treatment was required. Case pending possible citation of the dog owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 17-year-old juvenile male attempted to buy alcohol at a San Carlos Street business using a false I.D. at 1512 hours. He was taken to the station and released on a citation.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Units responded to a report of a female suspect, age 27, screaming and disturbing the businesses at Lincoln and Ocean at 1138 hours. Officers arrived and found the subject seated on a park bench, and when contacted, she began yelling loudly at the officers and refused to remain seated. She then began to walk away while officers continued their investigation. The reporting party asked for charges to be filed against her for disturbing the peace. She was booked at the station.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to report of medical emergency at a bakery on Ocean Avenue. At scene, found a male who stated he had lower back

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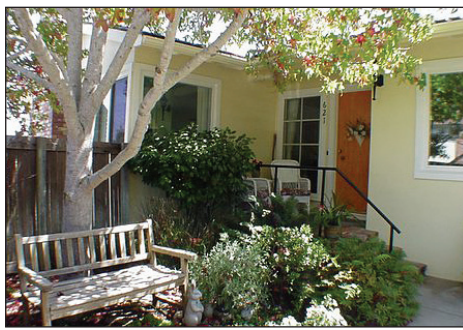
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MONTEREY BAY OUTLOOK A private garden setting leads to this bright & airy, bay and ocean-view home, on a corner lot in New Monterey's sunbelt. Well maintained 3-bedroom, 3-bath home offering new double-pane windows, paint, updated plumbing, kitchen counters, gutters & landscaping. \$1,075,000.

BEACH DWELLER CLASSIC! Hugging the shore of Monterey Bay is a small, sun and sand community, Del Monte Beach. At the top of this enclave sits a remodeled 3-bedroom, 2-bath classic cottage. With hardwood floors, eat-in kitchen, decks & patio. \$930,000.

BAY VIEWS! Stroll to historic Fisherman's Wharf and downtown from this nearly-new

custom contractor's home that has views of the Monterey Bay. Incorporating the highest quality materials, this house sells itself: inspirational, stylish and comfortable! \$999,000.



SUNNY ALTA MESA! This lovingly-maintained home in sunny, beautiful Alta Mesa is on nearly one acre. Four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, recently upgraded kitchen, and private rear patio, and hot tub. The property is landscaped, fully fenced, and gated. \$1,850,000.

ON DEL MONTE GOLF COURSE! View of the 10th fairway and green from this delightful Mediterranean with 4-bedrooms, 4-baths plus guesthouse. On a private setting on 2 lots with spacious grounds, lighted tennis court, brick patio and pizza oven. \$2,995,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

OCEAN VIEW CONDOMINIUM! You'll be amazed at this spacious, light-filled condo on the hill! The unit features 2-bedrooms, 2-baths, an open living room with fireplace, and an adjoining dining area, both with walls of windows. \$665,000.



GRACEFUL LUXURY! A beautiful French Country Manor, on a lovely landscaped one-acre site in the estate area of Pebble Beach, has 4-bedrooms, 5-full and 2-half-baths plus separate guest quarters. Pool, spa, and two-story reception hall with marble floors. \$4,950,000.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY! This 2-bedroom, 2-bedroom ranch-style "fixer" on a beautiful 3/4 acre lot offering privacy, tremendous potential, and possible peaks of the ocean! Located in a quiet estate area on approximately .75 acre. Sold as-is. \$1,290,000.

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SEASIDE

PRIVACY & LUXURY! Bright and beautifully maintained, turn-key property on a cul-de-sac is fully landscaped - tranquil setting with greenbelt to the rear. Featuring a two-story home with 3-bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, tile floors, spacious tiered patio, and 2-car garage. \$769,000.

OCEAN VIEWS! Enjoy ocean views from this 3-bedroom, 2-bath charmer. Conveniently located at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac, in a very desirable neighborhood. New interior and exterior paint, a remodeled master bathroom, updated plumbing, and a large backyard. \$779,000.

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