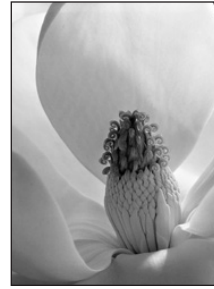




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Police: After ride from Santa Monica, drunk woman stiffed cabbie out of \$1,000 fare

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN A taxi driver called Carmel police last Monday evening from the Shell station at San Carlos and Fifth to report his passenger refused to pay her fare, officers weren't expecting the cabbie to be from Santa Monica.

But Ridha Chebbi's call for help came after a 350-mile, seven-plus-hour ride from Southern California with a drunk passenger who couldn't pay the \$1,046 fare, according to the Carmel Police Department.

Police arrested the 41-year-old female suspect and hauled her to jail. Dorathea Shackleton of Monterey was so drunk she couldn't take care of herself, according to the report.

"In Santa Monica, she hailed a cab and asked to be driven to Carmel. Apparently she said her husband would pay for the cab when they got here," detective Jesse Juarez said this week. "He picked her up at 11 a.m., and when he picked her up, she was already intoxicated. He was reluctant to provide her with the ride, but she talked him into it."

She also requested he take the scenic coastal route up Highway 1, police said, and when they arrived in town almost eight hours later, Shackleton did not have an address to give the driver from Metro M Cab Company. "After driving around a while, the cabbie called us," Juarez said. "He didn't know whether she had been drinking on the way up, but one would be able to surmise that she must have been. He thought she was sleeping."

Police arrested Shackleton on charges of defrauding an innkeeper — the California Penal Code section which covers stealing a taxi ride, according to Juarez — and being drunk in public. She was lodged at Monterey County Jail.



Dorathea Shackleton

Renegade fishermen cut illegal channel in Carmel River sandbar

By CHRIS COUNTS

WITHOUT THE use of anything but sticks and their own hands, a group of fishermen cut an illegal channel in the Carmel River Lagoon sandbar this week.

The group failed in its first attempt to breach the sandbar Tuesday afternoon, fleeing the scene just before the arrival of two state park rangers at about 3:30 p.m. According to Pam Armas, Monterey sector superintendent for California State Parks, they apparently returned later to complete the work. Armas said their actions violated the federal Endangered Species Act, because they could harm threatened steelhead trout.

A neighbor, longtime Carmel resident Annette Thorn, witnessed the group's first try to connect the lagoon with the sea after a spate of dry weather caused the opening, created by county bulldozers Dec. 27, to close.

Thorn, who has played a key role in talks between local residents and government officials over the breaching of the sandbar, informed the men that what they were doing was illegal and could jeopardize the survival of young steelhead.

"I tried to explain the situation, but they weren't having any of it," said Thorn.

She said the suspects identified themselves as fishermen.

"They said they felt the way the lagoon has been managed has hurt the fish," Thorn said. "They said there were no signs saying they couldn't do it."

Actually, there is a sign prohibiting the breaching of the sandbar — it's posted on a bulletin board adjacent to the parking lot at Carmel River State

Beach.

And even if they didn't see the sign, according to Armas, ignorance of the law is no excuse.

"People are responsible for knowing the park rules," said Armas. "If we posted signs for every park regulation, all we would have is signs. People will be cited if they are caught [breaching the sandbar]."

The unauthorized breach came less than a month after Monterey County Public Works bulldozers cut a southerly channel in the sandbar to drain the lagoon after heavy rains. Since then, Armas said the regulatory agencies have taken a

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PHOTO/CHRIS COUNTS

A fisherman takes advantage Wednesday of the previous day's illegal breaching of the Carmel River Lagoon sandbar — a violation of the Endangered Species Act, according to an official with the state department of parks and recreation.

FOUNDATION BOOTS JUDGE OFF FLANDERS CASE

By MARY BROWNFIELD

MONTEREY COUNTY Superior Court Judge Michael Fields "is prejudiced against Flanders Foundation," according to attorney Susan Brandt-Hawley, who used her sole "preemptory disqualification" to stop him from hearing the nonprofit's case against the City of Carmel. The foundation sued the city last November, alleging the council violated the California Environmental Quality Act when it voted to sell the historic Flanders Mansion, and on Jan. 20, Fields was set to consider a motion by the city that would have the case dismissed on a technicality.

But the foundation "believes it cannot have a fair and impartial trial or hearing before Judge Fields," according to the document Brandt-Hawley submitted to the court last week.

"Any party may disqualify one judge from any case; the foundation made a determination to disqualify Judge Fields," she told The Pine Cone Monday. "It is not an unusual thing to do and not something we would discuss with the press."

In any legal case, each side's attorney "has one bullet," explained Bill Connors, who is representing the city in the Flanders fight. He does not plan to use his preemptory challenge in the case, but Connors said such dismissals are not unusual.

"I've disqualified judges in the past because I felt there was a trend," in their rulings, he said. "There is one particular judge right now I wouldn't allow to hear one particular kind of case, because I don't think he understands the law."

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Lostrom resigns school board seat to make way for 'chemistry change'

By MARY BROWNFIELD

'NEW ENERGY is needed in to encourage progressive growth as well as to keep government from getting stale,' Carmel Unified School District board member Ernie LOSTROM told his fellow trustees Jan. 23, when he announced he would resign after seven years on the board. Members are set to interview and select his replacement Feb. 7.

"During the last election, I became pretty vocal trying to support the new candidates, because I really am a firm believer in term limitations," LOSTROM told The Pine Cone this week. "New ideas and new energy are a really good thing for government."

After voters selected incumbents Dan Hightower and

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It slices and dices . . .



PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

Carmel firefighter Gene Kofman tests battery-powered Jaws of Life by cutting through the door of a donated Volvo. CFD is shopping for a new tool to help them free victims from wrecked car. See the story, page 5A.

Sandpaper, paint and sweat work wonders at youth center

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE DINGY weight room at the Carmel Youth Center transformed into a bright, well-lit workout space and potential teen hangout this month at the hands of Eagle Scout candidate Patrick Minerva, 16, and a crew of friends and family. But it wasn't just the 3,050-square-foot room that changed — the work opened a few eyes as well.

"I don't have a Scouting background and don't know much about it, but if this group is an example, it's a great pro-

gram," said former Carmel Fire Chief Bill Hill, who helped the teenager and his crew repaint the weight room. "I'm still just in awe. They were pretty amazing."

Reaching the rank of Eagle — Scouting's highest honor — requires boys to acquire a numerous badges of achieve-

ment and propose, plan, raise funds for and undertake a service project.

Ruth Minerva, Patrick's mother, said the Carmel High School junior approached youth center management for ideas of jobs that needed doing because he has spent a lot of time there and worked on service projects at the center. They suggested repainting the weight room, which she said they hope will also become a more attractive hangout for teenagers.

"It was in a terrible state. It has many surfaces — rough wood, concrete, cinder block — every texture and every tone of white and gray," she said. "And on one of the walls, a kid had been doing a Halloween production and dripped black and gray paint, so it looked like some horrible leak from the roof."

Experience pays off

Patrick began forming the plan in August, and Hill joined the effort after he happened to be standing in the room when the Scout came in to discuss his proposal with youth center staff.

"I told them I had some experience with painting," said Hill, who can often be found working on the family property at the corner of San Carlos and Eighth. "I was impressed. He seemed like a very organized, serious young man."

They developed the specific plan of attack that Patrick successfully proposed to Scouting officials.

"Pat raised the money through very generous donations, purchased all the necessary supplies and tools, and organized about 40 people, including friends, family, fellow Scouts and Scout masters, to work," his mother reported.

The extensive cleaning, priming, taping, painting and cleanup required hours of work, which Patrick and his helpers, including Hill, put in Jan. 7, 8 and 14.

Hill admitted to "a little trepidation" at the prospect of tackling such a laborious task with a work force primarily made up of teenage boys.

"But within an hour, I

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PHOTO/COURTESY RUTH MINERVA

A flock of teenage boys, parents, Boy Scout leaders and others converged on the Carmel Youth Center weight room to give it a makeover under the command of Eagle Scout candidate Patrick Minerva, a 16-year-old Carmel High School junior.

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Cell phones restricted on military bases

By KELLY NIX

YOU MIGHT want to think twice before whipping out the old cell phone while driving through the Presidio of Monterey, the Naval Postgraduate School or Fort Hunter Liggett.

That's because a new military rule prohibits using a handheld cell phone while operating a motor vehicle on any U.S. military base.

Last April, the Pentagon decided to join Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and the District of Columbia in banning cell phone use while driving unless a hands-free device is used. In civilian California, cell phone use while driving is still legal. But not on the state's dozens of military bases.

New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, D.C. and all the nation's military bases

"Once the restrictions are published and sufficient notice posted, violators will be cited for the infraction and given the option of paying the fine or appearing in federal magistrate court to contest the citation," said Jim Laughlin, chief of police and director of emergency services for the Presidio, home of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center.

The Presidio announced the rule in December 2004 — before the Department of Defense announced it nationwide — but it hasn't been strictly enforced.

Although the feds announced the rule in April, many bases are still in the process of implementing the law.

"Our intent is to increase attention to the importance of safe driving and to see a change in driving behavior, both on military installations and off," said John Seibert, assistant for safety, health and fire protection for the Department of

Defense.

Military police will eventually start issuing tickets for the offense. But for now, drivers will get a break.

"The civilian police and guard forces have begun enforcing the directive on both the Presidio of Monterey and Ord military communities, issuing verbal warnings to violators," Laughlin said.

Although Laughlin didn't indicate when police might begin handing out tickets for the offense, he said various methods would be used to make drivers aware of the rule.

"Notification will be in the form of signs posted at the boundaries of the installation, as well as publication through existing media channels," he said.

A major cause of accidents?

The Defense Language Institute has about 3,500 students from the military's four branches. There are about 1,100 civilian language teachers, 400 civilian and 350 military personnel who work at the Presidio and the Ord military communities.

Although Seibert said local commanders have the authority to put stricter rules in place, Laughlin said the law at the Presidio is no more restrictive than the DoD's.

The San Diego-based military command that Naval Postgraduate School falls under is reviewing the policy to determine how and when NPS will enforce the rule, a spokesman there said.

The military based its regulation on information from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which studied driving distractions as a cause of motor vehicle accidents.

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Police, Fire & Sheriff's Log

Ripoff renter's stuff headed for the dump

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.

year-old male suspect called to report him DUI. Vehicle located and made an unsafe lane change, almost striking the patrol vehicle, on Highway 1 at 0112 hours. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was subsequently arrested for DUI. He provided a breath test with results of .08 percent and .08 percent and was lodged at Monterey P.D. jail until sober. His vehicle was towed to Carmel Chevron.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision, hit-and-run, on public property on Casanova Street. Vehicle was drivable.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A male suspect, age 32, was stopped while northbound on San Carlos Street and cited for reckless driving.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to a fire alarm activation at Trevett Court, Dolores and Fourth. Fire engine on scene. The fire alarm was sounding with no signs of fire. Investigation showed that burned bacon in Unit No. 2 set off the smoke detector in that apartment. Crew aired out the apartment and silenced the alarm.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and a Westmed medic responded to a medical emergency at the gas station at Junipero and Fourth. On scene, a male subject had a small laceration on the right side of his head, and was pale and felt weak. Crew took vital signs and assisted Westmed with patient assessment and care. Patient refused transport and signed a release.

Carmel area: A female Highway 1 resident

reported she found her daughter had died during the night.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to a report of a structure fire at Monte Verde and Fourth. On scene, there were no smoke or flames showing. Crew investigated and discovered that a neighbor saw flames through a living-room window that were actually in the fireplace. Crew confirmed that it was just a fireplace and contacted the reporting party and explained the situation. Additional responding units canceled.

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Research project: Firefighters cut two Volvos to pieces

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A DOZEN firefighters descended upon two hapless Swedish sedans and cut them to shreds last Thursday night.

With \$12,000 in tax dollars to spend on new equipment for freeing trapped car-crash victims, the crews tested two new types of extrication equipment.

"The ones we have predate me here, and I've been here 18 years," CFD engineer Bill Scott said.

The department's old hydraulic spreaders, made by Hurst, weigh 72 pounds and can be unwieldy, not to mention exhausting to use.

"They're very large and very heavy," Scott said. "There are some places on a vehicle where you would like to be able to use them that you just can't, because they're so big."

The existing tool, commonly called "the jaws of life," is kept on the fire department's special rescue vehicle. But the new, more

compact version will ride on the fire engine that responds first to every call.

"If we're the first unit on scene for any type of traffic accident that requires extrication, we'll be able to use it right away," Scott said. But CFD will keep the old equipment, since its 32-inch blades will still be useful in emergency situations where a tool with a shorter reach might not work as well.

Demolition derby

A dozen firefighters gathered in the parking lot at the temporary Vista Lobos firehouse the night of Jan. 19 to try out the candidates: a battery-powered tool called the Power Hawk that had several different attachments and a smaller version of the Hurst hydraulic jaws.

Shift commanders, engineers and part-time firefighters took turns cutting through the roofs, supports, hinges and other vital parts of two old Volvos donated by Carmel Chevron owner Andy Hill.

They said they liked the Power Hawk's quiet and compactness, but its blades opened and closed too slowly.

"Compared to the other unit, it took two to three times longer to complete an operation, such as removing a door," Scott said, and time is critical when freeing a badly injured victim from a mangled wreck.

The compact Hurst, however, received

better reviews.

"It was also lightweight, and the power plant is much smaller and quieter than the one we have," Scott said. "It's got greater reach, operates faster and is a more powerful tool."

The fire department plans to test a few

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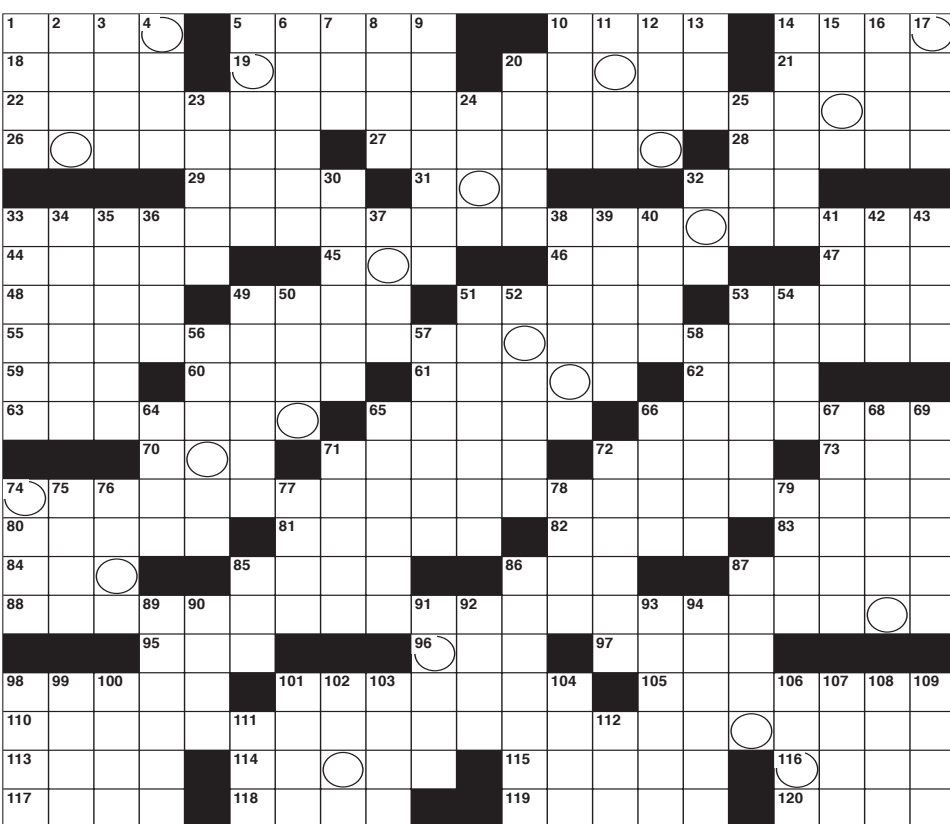
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When this puzzle is completed, the circled letters, read in order from left to right (column by column), will reveal the name of a Mystery Person.

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Oliver Twist, e.g.</p> <p>5 Little fight</p> <p>10 Squawker</p> <p>14 Advanced</p> <p>18 Some chorus voices</p> <p>19 Run ___ of</p> <p>20 Father-and-son name in football coaching</p> <p>21 Modeler's need</p> <p>22 As a toddler visiting a farm, Mystery Person heard a pig squeal and ...</p> <p>26 Dorothy's transport to Oz</p> <p>27 Aardwolf features</p> <p>28 Puncture</p> <p>29 "Comin' ___ the Rye"</p> <p>31 Blunderbuss</p> <p>32 Francis, e.g.</p> <p>33 After a single hearing of a sacred piece in the Sistine Chapel, Mystery Person ...</p> <p>44 Continental money</p> <p>45 One of Alcott's "Little Men"</p> <p>46 Privy to</p> <p>47 Concept embodying yin and yang</p> <p>48 Founded: Abbr.</p> | <p>49 Jawbreaker?</p> <p>51 Less loco</p> <p>53 Mythical creature</p> <p>55 Mystery Person once composed a piano piece that, to be performed correctly, required the ...</p> <p>59 One pole: Abbr.</p> <p>60 Hematite component</p> <p>61 Song from on high?</p> <p>62 Med. specialty</p> <p>63 Use for support</p> <p>65 Massenet opera</p> <p>66 Jewish sect</p> <p>70 Back</p> <p>71 Trowel wielder</p> <p>72 Uncommon</p> <p>73 Singer with a palindromic name</p> <p>74 Mystery Person would sometimes compose symphonies ...</p> <p>80 Assailed</p> <p>81 Revere</p> <p>82 Well</p> <p>83 Cars once advertised as "The Gold Standard of Value"</p> <p>84 Loosen up, maybe</p> <p>85 Org. with an acad. near Colo. Spr.</p> <p>86 ___-mo</p> <p>87 Country north of Tonga</p> <p>88 Scholars believe that "A Musical Joke" by Mystery Person was ...</p> | <p>95 Tribe with a state named after it</p> <p>96 Part of l'année</p> <p>97 Carrier whose name means "skyward"</p> <p>98 G-rated</p> <p>101 Whine-making?</p> <p>105 Throw</p> <p>110 Mystery Person once wrote a waltz in which the choice of measures played was determined ...</p> <p>113 Suffix with switch</p> <p>114 12 on a cube</p> <p>115 "Whole ___ Love" (1969 hit)</p> <p>116 Gusto</p> <p>117 Buzzed</p> <p>118 Gregor Mendel research subject</p> <p>119 Northernmost county of Massachusetts</p> <p>120 Cuts off</p> |
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Carmel Red Cross chapter short on cash

By MARY BROWNFIELD

MONTEREY PENINSULA residents and businesses poured more than half a million dollars into hurricane relief efforts in the South, but Donna Duvin, executive director of the Carmel chapter of the American Red Cross, announced last week the nonprofit is badly in need of funds to use at home.

"We are more than 50 percent down in contributions for the local chapter," she said. Compared with this time last year, donations lag by almost \$100,000 — leaving \$250,000 to raise before the fiscal year ends June 30.

The chapter's \$370,000 annual budget covers operating expenses, local disaster response, health and safety training, blood drives, and community and international services.

"Of course, we have no place to turn but back to the resi-

dents in the area we serve, because we don't receive outside funding from our national organization, nor are we receiving any government funding," Duvin said.

The chapter kicked off its "We're Here Because of You" campaign this month, aiming to raise \$25,000 by the end of January, and will undertake other fundraising efforts during the spring and summer months, including the Heroes Breakfast at the end March.

The cash will be directed toward local emergencies — such as providing the essentials for a family whose home has burned or facilitating urgently needed communications between Armed Services members and their families.

The generosity of locals

Last year, the Carmel chapter trained 900 people in first aid and CPR, and 1,000 in water safety/lifesaving, while also offering courses in emergency planning, family caregiving, baby-sitting and pet first aid. Partnering with Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, it hosted 13 blood drives to collect more than 360 pints of blood.

Duvin praised the generosity of local residents, schools and businesses who donated \$564,000 efforts in the southern states ravaged by hurricanes, and she is proud of the 86 volunteers who went to work there as well as the 400 who took disaster relief training in Carmel. In addition, Duvin recalled people's charity following the Dec. 26, 2004, Indian Ocean tsunami.

But she hopes they will break out their checkbooks and dig deep in their pockets to help the chapter meet its budget.

"And if we don't do that, it means we dip into our precious reserves," she said. "The last time we had to do that was after 9/11 — that was the other time donations [for local programs] took a serious dip."

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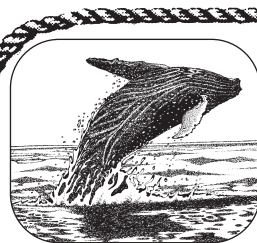
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CHS, Tularcitos kids adopt schools in Katrina-torn South

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL SCHOOL children responded to the wrath of last summer's Hurricane Katrina by reaching out to kids in the devastated southern United States. Months after the images of destruction have faded from their television screens, those connections remain, and some aim to keep them alive for years to come.

300 pairs of socks

When Carmel High School parent Linda Olivier and her 16-year-old daughter, Anyssa, heard from a friend in Louisiana that 300 storm-displaced kids were attending classes in a former middle school that had been slated for demolition, they wanted to help. Kept open to accommodate students in kindergarten through eighth grade whose families had fled to Baton Rouge, La., Scotlandville Middle School deserved some holiday cheer, they decided.

"She and I came up with the idea that night, and from there, it definitely spun off," Linda Olivier said. It was early December, so the kids had just a couple of weeks to raise money, get the gifts, pack them into bags and ship them to Baton Rouge.

Teacher Therese Strutner and the Red Cross group on campus stepped in to help. Olivier said the efforts seemed a bit frenetic, but Strutner reassured her, "You just have to let these kids run with it. If you try to stifle it, you're going to lose them." So I just stepped back. She was right, and seeing their enthusiasm was great."

The students raised \$900 and gathered some donated goods. Olivier did the shopping and admitted she spent considerably more on the socks, gloves, toiletries and other items, but she wanted to make sure the children received gifts that were useful as

well as fun.

"The kids lost absolutely everything — they were at the Salvation Army being doled out underwear — so we're talking about everything," Olivier said. "We didn't want to send back useless trinkets, because a lot of them were still living in hotel rooms."

And during one lunch hour, 40 or 50 high school students formed a chaotic assembly line to fill the gift bags and pack them into 18 shipping boxes.

"It was great to see all these kids who are usually in their own cliquey groups come together," Olivier said. "And some of the kids who were the most generous — you know they have the least."

She hunted around for the cheapest shipping rates and hoped ground delivery would get the cargo to Scotlandville before the school closed for Christmas. It did, and the Padre Parents Club picked up the \$240 shipping tab.

Olivier reported hearing from the Louisiana school. "They said it was fabulous, and the kids were really excited."

The entire effort came together in a quick nine days, and Olivier expects an even greater future outpouring for the school they've adopted for the next three to five years.

"Next year, we'll start early," she said, "when we have time to be on top of it."

Students and their parents strive to remember what the nation begins to forget

Tularcitos touches Madisonville

Also responding to the devastation, students at Tularcitos Elementary School decided to help kids in Louisiana.

The student council at the Carmel Valley campus voted to adopt Madisonville Elementary, according to principal Kim Williams.

"Just after the disaster, just about every student sent a letter to one of their students, some of our teachers have corresponded with teachers there, and I have sent notes off and on to the principal, Lauren Spencer," Williams said.

Then a school mom, Leslie Trapin, organized a rummage sale in December, and the kids raised \$1,164.25.

Student council president J.D. Russo

wrote a letter to send with the check to Madisonville.

"The idea that these kids worked so hard to help total strangers is awesome. I hope that we teach our children at MES to be so kind when others are in need," Spencer wrote in an e-mail to Williams this week.

"Kim, I really can't thank you enough for the kindness that you and your teachers have shown. There truly are no words that are adequate enough. I knew that there would be a silver lining behind this terrible tragedy — we have learned how unselfish our world can be. You and your children have taught us so much. I only hope that if you are ever in need, you will call on us. I promise, now and forever, we will be there for you. Thank you for genuinely caring about us."

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Big crowd expected at P.G. hearing on fees for special events

By KELLY NIX

PACIFIC GROVE'S city manager has received more than a dozen letters from residents concerned the city will begin charging nonprofit events for police, fire and public works services.

Next week, city council members will discuss whether to make events such as Good Old Days and the Feast of Lanterns pay for city services, which are currently provided at no cost.

"We are getting a lot of letters," said city manager Jim Colangelo. "I think this issue is getting blown way out of proportion."

Sue Renz, past president of the Feast of Lanterns, said the 100-year-old event would be in jeopardy of being canceled if the city made it pay. Steve Gorman, chairman for the Good Old Days parade, sponsored by the city's Rotary Club, said that event would also likely be killed if organizers had to fork over money for services.

Although Colangelo said he's glad for the public input, he

said some of the letters seem to indicate the city is considering getting rid of some special events, which it is not.

"I don't think the council ever talked about canceling these events," he said. "It's not a decision whether these events should not occur, it's a discussion of how much should the city pay for these events."

It costs Pacific Grove about \$66,000 a year to host the city's 10 traditional events. The Feast of Lanterns costs taxpayers \$20,000, and Good Old Days costs nearly \$17,000.

Pacific Grove is in poor financial shape, and charging for its services would help bring revenue to the city.

Renz said the Feast of Lanterns puts the roughly \$10,000 it makes from the event into a scholarship fund to benefit students who reside in Pacific Grove. If event organizers had to pay the city, the event would be in the red, she said.

If the city council decides to charge for some events, Colangelo recommends staggering the fees over several years.

"It seems to be that the argument is this all or nothing thing," he said. "I don't think anybody wants to charge these events to the point they can't be run anymore."

The city should look hard at how much money each event brings to the city and whether it's reasonable to subsidize those events, Colangelo said.

The Feb. 1 city council meeting, at city hall on Forest Avenue, is expected to draw a large group of supporters and organizers of the city's special events. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

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Carmel Valley

Group seeks pesticide buffer zone to protect red legged frogs

By CHRIS COUNTS

IN A move that could lead to the banning of some pesticides in Carmel Valley, an environmental group filed a motion Jan. 23 asking a U.S. District Court judge to protect the threatened California red-legged frog from 66 different chemicals widely used to control pests.

The Center for Biological Diversity petitioned the court to create pesticide-free buffer zones of 280 feet around streams and ponds inhabited, or potentially inhabited, by frogs. The motion also asks that retailers be required to post consumer hazard warnings about the dangers of the pesticides.

"There's a very strong case for banning some of these pesticides nationwide," said Jeff Miller, Bay Area wildlands coordinator for the CBD. "They could turn out to be as bad as DDT is for wildlife."

Miller singled out atrazine as an example. "It's one of the most widely-used pesticides nationwide," explained Miller. "At extremely low levels it causes deformities and interferes with reproduction. It's been linked to prostate and breast cancer. It's a nasty pesticide."

A 2003 California Department of Pesticide Regulation report lists the five most popular pesticides used for agricultural production in Monterey County. Three of the five — chloropicrin, metam-sodium and 1,3-dichloropropene — are identified by the CBD as hazardous to frogs. The latter is commonly used on grapes, a popular crop in Carmel Valley.

The active ingredients in many household and garden products also include pesticides targeted by the CBD. For instance, Ortho Snail, Slug and Insect Killer contains cabaryl, while Raid Fumigator contains permethrin.

In response to a lawsuit filed by CBD against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in April 2002, a U.S. District Court judge decided in September the EPA violated the Endangered Species Act by approving pesticides without considering their impact on frogs.

"Federal agencies aren't supposed to contribute to the extinction of a species," Miller said.

In the motion filed last week, the CBD is asking that the EPA be required to complete a formal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the impact each pesticide will have on frogs.

Carmel Valley has been identified by the USFWS as one of the frog's most critical habitats, most of which are located in the Central Valley, the San Francisco Bay Area and on the Central Coast.

"Monterey and Santa Cruz counties are perhaps the areas where the frogs are most common," explained Stephen Ruth, a Monterey Peninsula College instructor and biological consultant specializing in amphibians and reptiles.

Ruth confirmed the frog's vulnerability to pesticides. "They're in real trouble," he said. "They have very thin skin. They are kind of like canaries in coal mines."

According to Ruth, the perils frogs encounter are not restricted to wetlands. A common hazard for local frogs is

simply crossing Carmel Valley Road.

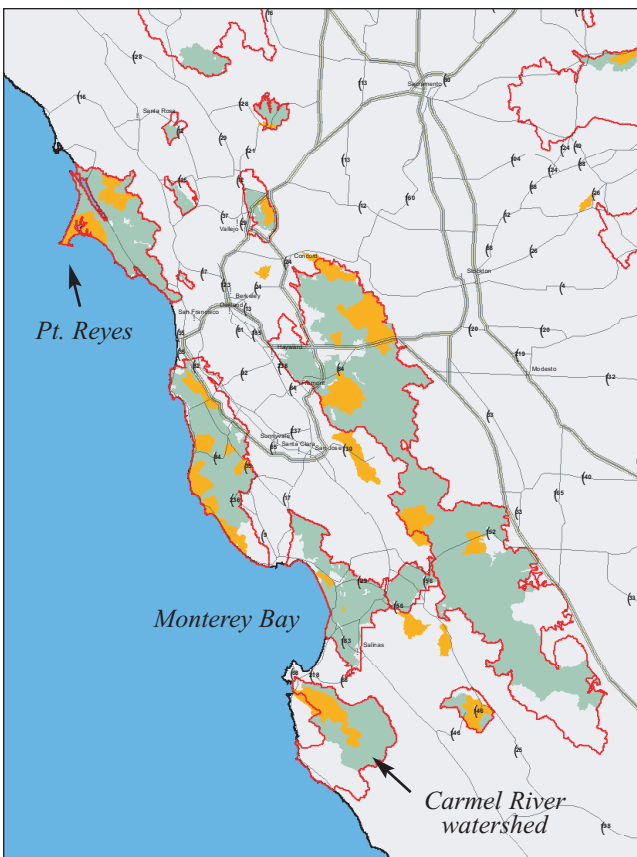
"People treat that road like a race track," Ruth bemoaned.

A host of other factors contribute to the mortality of frogs, including mosquito abatement programs and seemingly insatiable appetites of invasive bullfrogs.

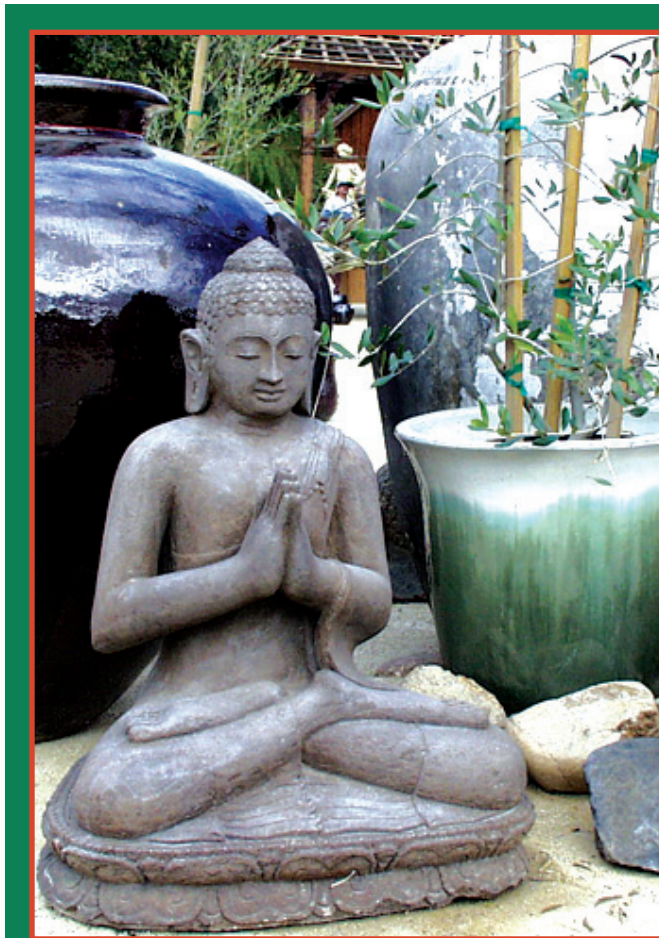
Once abundant throughout California, red-legged frog populations have declined by over 90 percent and have disappeared from 70 percent of their former range, according to the CBD. The frog has been protected as a threatened species by the Endangered Species Act since June 1996.

Miller said he anticipates receiving a decision on the motion "in the next few months."

'Federal agencies aren't supposed to contribute to the extinction of a species'



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New coastal commission requirement questioned by hopeful desal operators

By KELLY NIX

CALIFORNIA AMERICAN Water Co. is questioning a broad new requirement by the coastal commission staff which threatens to delay approval of a Southern California desal plant and could affect plans for desal facilities statewide that would share intakes and outfalls with power plants.

In a Dec. 21 letter to Carlsbad city officials, the coastal commission's point man on desal proposals, Tom Luster, demanded that an EIR for a desal plant proposed for the Encina Power Station perform a hypothetical study to evaluate the plant's effects on the environment as if the power station weren't there.

"It's speculative, and the California Environmental Quality Act doesn't require it," said Larry Gallery, senior vice president with RBF Consulting, who is working for Cal Am on its proposed desal facility in Moss Landing.

While the coastal commission says the analysis is required for environmental reasons, Cal Am and Carlsbad contend it is not necessary to weigh the desal plant's effects on marine life as if the power plant didn't exist.

Cal Am's proposed \$190 million desal plant, dubbed the Coastal Water Project, would use Duke Energy's existing intake and outfall system.

Carlsbad faced the coastal commission's stumbling block in late December after an

environmental impact report was submitted to the state agency for the project proposed by the Connecticut-based Poseidon Resources.

The coastal commission said the hypothetical study is necessary because, "If the power plant stops operating, the discharge would be almost entirely brine from the desal facility," Luster said.

Currently, there are about a dozen applications for desal projects that seek to co-locate with electricity generating stations in the state. Each applicant must include the "what-if-the-power-plant-disappeared?" analysis in its EIR, Luster said.

Far-fetched?

The coastal commission began requiring the expanded study after the state's Water Desalination Task Force recommended it a couple of years ago, according to Luster, and the commission notified Cal Am of the requirement in several letters, he said.

But CEQA does not require analysis of far-fetched environmental impacts, experts said.

Nevertheless, if an applicant for a desal plant neglects to include the study in the EIR, it can mean lengthy delays, and the coastal commission could refuse to approve it.

"I was somewhat mystified as to why they would be looking for an analysis that would

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I frequently think the Carmel Chamber is one of the best kept secrets in Carmel. The Chamber is involved in virtually every issue that impacts Carmel in a real and tangible way. Every year the Board meets to create its Plan of Work for the coming year with one overriding thought: “What’s good for Carmel Business is good for Carmel”.

When Don and I moved to the Monterey Peninsula three years ago from Boston we came here, as most people do, for a variety of reasons. One was work related; I was offered a career opportunity here. Another, and one I commonly hear, is that we wanted to live in Paradise! We had vacationed here happily for years and it was always our dream to move here. Just goes to show that dreams do come true! The third was family, our son Frank and his wife Nyla were living here. We had high hopes that there would be Grandchildren in our California future and those hopes came true last year when Madeline Mai Gallagher joined the family.

Upon moving here and settling into my new office one of the first things I did was explore the opportunity for Chamber membership and involvement. Having been very active in other Chambers, I knew the most immediate benefit to me personally was that I would meet wonderful people. The business benefit was obvious; I would expose our business to other business owners and create business opportunities. The personal benefit was also obvious to me, as a newcomer to the area it was one of the fastest and easiest ways I could think of to learn about the community and get networked.

I knew that Chamber membership would have many benefits but even so I am amazed at the number of people I have met, opportunities that have arisen and friends I have made. The Carmel Chamber is one of the friendliest organizations I have ever been a member of. Go to any Chamber meeting or mixer and I guarantee you’ll leave with something you didn’t have when you walked in the door...a new friend!

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- Feb 11 **CenterArts presents John Cleese**, 8:00 PM, Sunset Cultural Center, 620-2048
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- Feb 18 **Performance Carmel Presents - Forbidden Broadway**, 8:00 p.m., Sunset Center, 620-2048
- Feb 19-20 **Monterey Symphony - Concert IV** at Sunset Center, Max Bragado-Darman, conductor, Sunset Cultural Center, 624-8511
- Feb 22 **Ailey**, 7:00 PM, Sunset Cultural Center, 620-2048,
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Incorporation leader offers locals advice after election defeat

By CHRIS COUNTS

AFTER A unanimous decision by the Local Agency Formation Commission of Monterey County not to require a costly environmental impact report before voters weigh in on the issue, proponents of Carmel Valley's incorporation are understandably upbeat about their chances for success.

But Norman Rowett — one of the key proponents of an unsuccessful drive to incorporate the Sierra Foothills community of El Dorado Hills last fall — has a few words of caution for residents hoping to turn Carmel Valley into a town.

"You need to hire a professional firm to run your 'Yes' campaign," urged Rowett, vice chairman of the El Dorado Hills Incorporation Committee.

Fifty-seven percent of voters turned down a ballot initiative Nov. 8 that would have turned El Dorado Hills into a city. The margin of defeat shocked proponents, who months earlier were confident of a victory.

"We thought getting on the ballot was the same as incorporation," recalled Rowett. "We had numbers as late as May showing that more than 60 percent of the voters favored incorporation."

So what went wrong? He said the answer was really quite simple.

"Our opponents knew how to run a campaign and we didn't," he explained. "Overnight, things went downhill."

Rowett cautioned Carmel Valley incorporation proponents against being overconfident.

"To be successful, you have to believe you're going to have a strong opponent," he warned. "You never know who your opponent is until election day. Even if you don't think you have opposition, you have opposition."

No money left for the campaign

Rowett's group spent more \$500,000 on the preliminary stages of the drive to incorporate El Dorado Hills which began in 1996. Unfortunately, after suing El Dorado County LAFCO and paying for an expensive EIR, its resources were depleted. The committee only spent \$20,000 on the campaign leading up to the vote.

"Our opponents spent well over \$300,000," Rowett said. "They outspent us 15-to-1."

In hindsight, Rowett wishes proponents had hired a professional firm to help with the campaign.

"It would have been expensive, but it would have been money well spent," he insisted.

Opponents, who Rowett said were funded by local developers, waged a high-profile campaign, mailing out lots of brochures, conducting "push polls" designed to influence voters and even buying television spots — broadcast throughout the Sacramento area — during NBA basketball games. He accused opponents of spreading misinformation about incorporation, which proponents failed to counter, because "we overestimated our electorate's ability to decide who was putting this information out."

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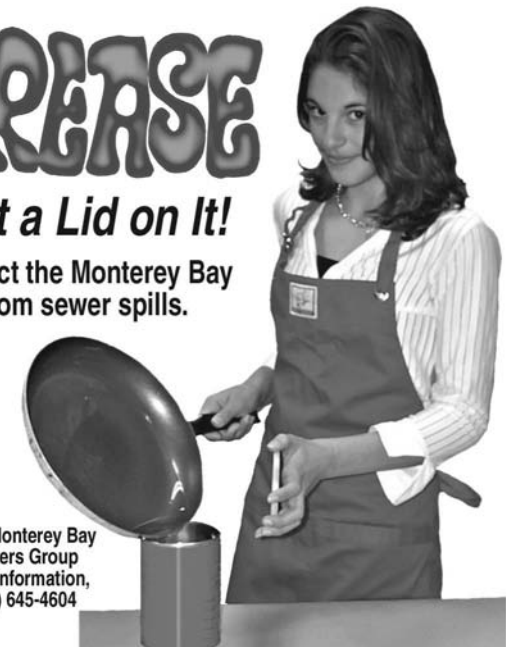
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Board takes not-quite-so-old buildings off city's historic list

By MARY BROWNFIELD

ALMOST FOUR dozen properties built after 1940 were removed from Carmel's list of historic properties this week because the city's criteria for the list don't cover buildings that young, the historic resources board decided.

State guidelines for historic buildings include anything more than 50 years old, but Carmel's policies, found in a document called the "historic context statement," don't go that far.

"How should the city treat properties older than 50 years but younger than 1940, when the historic context statement ceases to provide guidance?" principal planner Brian Roseth asked board members Monday afternoon.

The issue arose when 300 property owners received notice last summer their buildings would be officially identified as historic — with the designation attached to their deeds. While the status affords some benefits, it also prevents substantial alterations and demolitions. Ninety-two homeowners filed appeals, and the HRB began considering them.

Until the city's historic context statement is updated to specifically evaluate the significance of properties built after 1940, Roseth recommended the board remove the 45 post-1940 buildings from the inventory and then make historic resource determinations on a case-by-case basis as their owners submit applications for projects.

But some homeowners objected to being put in limbo and said their arguments against historic designation should be heard anyway.

And realtor Carla Ramsey wondered how she would represent such properties to buyers. "I think some certainty is mandatory," she said.

But Chair Julie Wendt warned them that almost every appeal would have to be denied under the state's low threshold for determining historical significance.

"Wouldn't we have to err on the side of caution?" she asked Roseth.

He said the board would.

Wendt also asked how long it would take to get the statement updated, but Roseth did not want to estimate. The board asked the city council to allocate money for it during the upcoming budget year.

Appeals denied

With its action to remove post-1940 properties from the inventory, 18 historic designation appeals were automatically made moot, including two set for consideration Jan. 23.

The board ruled on three others.

Preservation activist Enid Sales appealed the city's "preliminary determination of ineligibility" of a house on Lincoln Street owned by Belza Janusz and Joan Margaret. Based on consultant Kent Seavey's review of the 83-year-old home, the city found it is not historic because it has been extensively altered.

But in her appeal, Sales said Door House builder John Columbus Stevenson constructed the home in 1907 and that it is "one of the last examples of Carmel housing of the late Victorian period." She also said it has "maintained its integrity to a remarkable degree."

The inventory contains similar structures that are better examples than the residence, according to planner Sean Conroy, and the lack of original plans on file makes the actual construction date a mystery.

Should the owner of a home built in the 1950s be forbidden to demolish it?

"While the major additions and alterations to the property occurred over 50 years ago, they have detracted from the original design and character of the structure," he wrote in his report.

The board agreed, voting 4-1, with Paul Coss dissenting, to deny Sales' appeal.

Attorney Tony Lombardo hoped the board would uphold the appeal of his client, the Doris M. Rayne Trust, which

owns an Ocean Avenue commercial building that landed on the historic list.

Although the exact construction date is unknown, Conroy said the two-story, Victorian storefront appears to have been built before 1910. While its ground level has been altered over the years, its second story retains its original appear-

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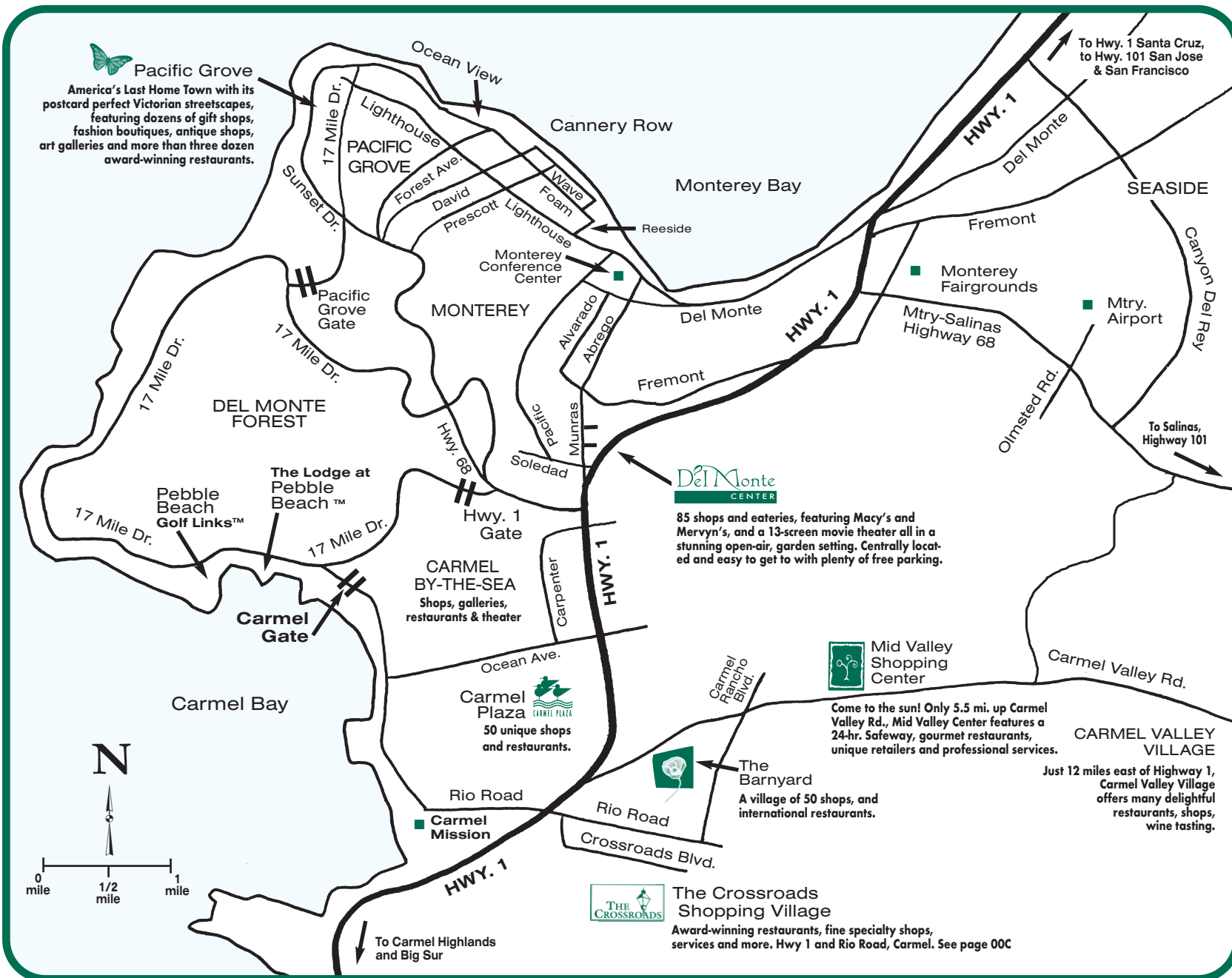
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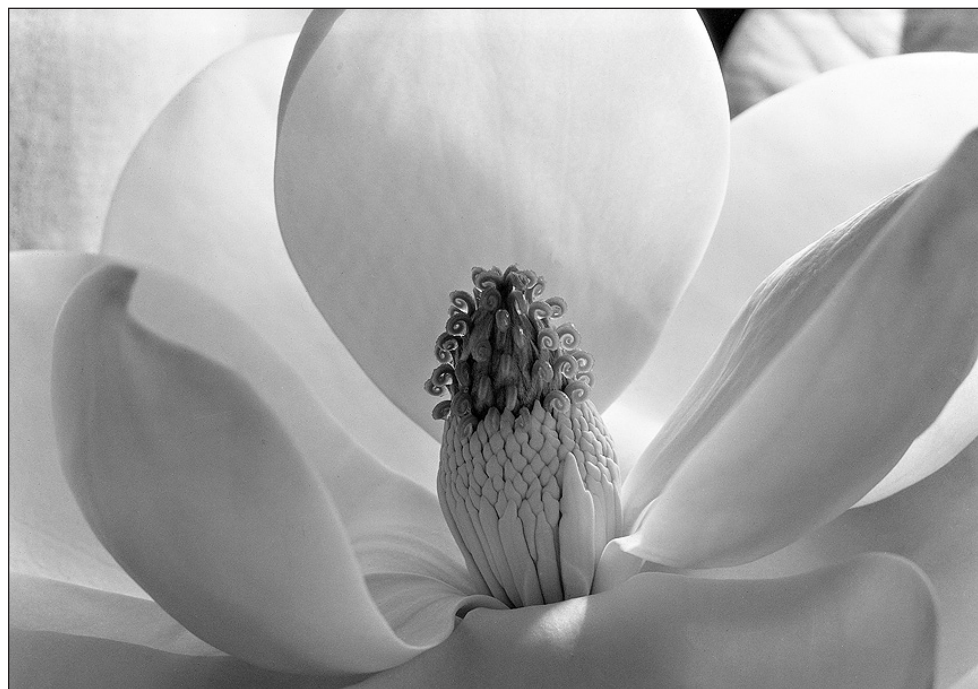
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A STUNNING teenage soprano from Carmel, an 11-year-old German accordion player and a handful of other talented young classical musicians will perform live at Sunset Center at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, for the taping of "From the Top," a nationally broadcast radio show hosted by Christopher O'Riley. "From the Top" airs on 250 stations, including Pacific Grove's KAZU 90.3 FM on Sundays at 1 p.m., and reaches 650,000 people across the nation. In addition to live classical performances, "From the Top" features interviews, skits, games and other entertaining means of introducing the young performers to radio listeners and live audiences. Tickets are \$32 for general seating, or \$105 for a special fundraiser that includes a catered dinner and opportunities to meet the show's host and guests. For information or tickets, call (831) 620-2048 or visit www.sunsetcenter.org.

Western Stage announces 2006 sked

THE WESTERN Stage at Hartnell Community College will celebrate its 30th year by offering seven plays in 2006. The new season will begin with performances of "The Time Of Your Life," William Saroyan's Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy about Nick's waterfront saloon in San Francisco, from June 9 through July 2. The theater company will host a stage version of the classic MGM musical, "Meet Me In St. Louis," from July 15 to Aug. 5. Other plays presented this year include "Shakespeare in Hollywood," from Aug. 4-27; "The Real Thing," from Sept. 15 through Oct. 8; "Big River: The Adventures Of Huckleberry Finn," Oct. 7-28; "Inherit The Wind," Oct. 27 through Nov. 9; and "Oliver," Dec. 1-17. The Western Stage is located at 156 Homestead Ave. in Salinas. For more information, call (831) 755-6816.

Monterey art museum hosts renowned photo collection



THE MONTEREY Museum of Art will be the sole West Coast venue for an important Hawaiian collection of photography. "In Celebration of Light: Photographs from the Collection of Cheryle R. and James F. Pierce" features works by world-renowned artists such as Ansel Adams, Edward Weston, Henri Cartier-Bresson, Brassai and Edward Steichen as well as contemporary pieces by James Pitts and Franco Salmoiraghi. The collection will remain on display at the Monterey Museum of Art, 559 Pacific St., from Jan. 28 until May 7. For more information, visit www.montereyart.org.



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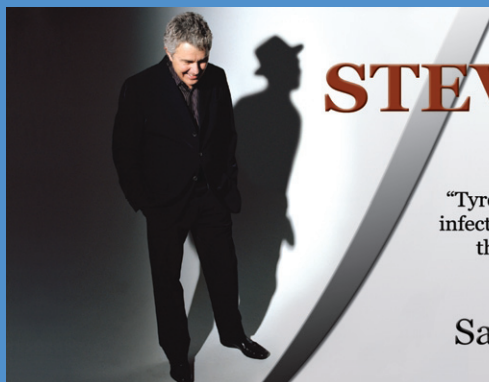


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The Cultural Heart of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Monterey Live fundraiser for man with brain cancer

By MARY BROWNFIELD

FRIENDS AND family of Carmel resident David Spilfogel, diagnosed last year with inoperable brain cancer, will host a fundraiser for him at Monterey Live on Alvarado Street Jan. 29. Admission is free, but a silent auction will help Spilfogel fly to Chicago for specialized treatment.

"He is doing his chemotherapy and all of that, but unfortunately some of the medications and things he wants to take are not covered by his insurance," said friend and Mission Fields neighbor Kay Villalobos, herself the benefactor of fundraising efforts after a car accident left her paralyzed

from the neck down nine years ago. "He found a doctor in Chicago who does a lot of holistic type of therapy with cancer patients, so he's trying to get the funds to fly to Chicago. His parents are local school teachers, and everything's just very expensive."

Spilfogel, in his mid-20s, was healthy a year ago — surfing, living in Los Angeles with his brother and doing website design, according to Villalobos.

"He went on holiday with his family, and he started getting headaches and feeling a little weird," she said. The affliction manifested quickly, sending him into a coma.

Spilfogel regained consciousness and undergoes chemotherapy at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula each week in a battle to beat the cancer in his brain. But he's hoping a holistic approach — which includes a regime not just of medication, but of diet and lifestyle — will help him in the fight. He found a doctor in Chicago who can provide the specialized treatment he wants, and Villalobos estimated Spilfogel's financial needs are "in the thousands."

"It's devastating," she said of the illness and its far-reaching effects. "It's not just the person who's got cancer, but the whole family that ends up getting it one way or another."

Spilfogel's fundraiser will run 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, at Monterey Live (formerly Viva's) on Alvarado Street in downtown Monterey. "Anyone can come," Villalobos said. "David's such a sweet, wonderful young man, and we're just trying to help him in any way we can."

For more information, call (831) 625-5505 or e-mail dspilfogel@hotmail.com. Anyone who would like to help but cannot attend Sunday's fundraiser may send a check to the David Spilfogel Foundation, 3233 Sycamore Place, Carmel, CA 93923.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, February 8, 2006. The public hearings will be opened at 4:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Following a staff report on the project, the applicant and all interested members of the public will be allowed to speak or offer written testimony. Decisions to approve or deny the project may be appealed to the City Council by filing a written notice of appeal with the office of the City Clerk within ten (10) working days following the date of action by the Planning Commission and paying a \$260.00 appeal fee as established by the City Council. For those projects listed as appealable to the California Coastal Commission, appeals may be filed directly with the Coastal Commission for no fee, by filing a written notice of appeal with the Coastal Commission's Central Coast office in Santa Cruz. Such appeals must be filed within ten working days of the Coastal Commission's receipt of the City's Final Local Action Notice.

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

1. ZC 05-1
Jill Schieffeld
Carmel Foundation
E/s Dolores bet 4th & 5th
Block 51, Lot(s) 10 & 12
Consideration of a Preliminary Concept for the creation of a Specific Plan allowing new affordable senior housing in the Residential and Limited Commercial (RC) District.

2. DS 06-6
Lee Cox
E/s Ridgewood bet Rio Road & Junipero
Block 3W, Lot 9
Consideration of a Design Study (Concept), Demolition, and Coastal Development Permit application for the demolition of an existing residence and the construction of a new residence located in the Single Family Residential (R-1) and Park Overlay (PO) Districts.

3. UP 06-1
Alexander F. Victor Foundation
C/O Geraldine L. McFall
S/s Ocean bet Lincoln & Monte Verde
Block 74, Lot(s) Part 5, 6 & 7

Consideration of a Commercial Use Permit application for a new specialty restaurant in the Central Commercial (CC) District.

*Project is appealable to the California Coastal Commission. (All projects within City limits are located in the Coastal Zone).

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Highway patrol's new public info man undaunted by long days

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A FORMER U.S. Coast Guardsman who helped rescue Haitian and Cuban refugees at sea and served in the Honor Guard at ceremonies in Washington, D.C., is the California Highway Patrol's newest public information officer. Larry Starkey took over the job for the Monterey region after Richard Richards retired late last year.

"Richard made it look so easy — he tricked me," Starkey



PHOTO/MARY BROWNFIELD

One of the many great things about Larry Starkey's new job as local public information officer for the CHP is that he can keep riding his motorcycle.

Homescapes named Furniture Store of the Year

A CARMEL store picked up the prestigious distinction of being named the 2006 Furniture Store of the Year, Western United States region, at the 17th annual ARTS Awards in Dallas, Texas, Jan. 21. The annual awards, presented during the Dallas International Gift and Home Accessories Market by the Accessories Resource Team, is highly regarded in the decorative accessories industry. Peers nominate candidates, and finalists submit a detailed portfolio of company history, philosophy, product development, marketing, merchandising and customer relations. A panel of judges reviews the submissions, and a designated accounting firm tabulates the sealed ballots. Homescapes, Carmel co-owner Thompson Lange accepted the award on behalf of the six-year-old home furnishings store.

said last week, following a 15-hour day that had him meeting with health and law enforcement officials to build "a coalition of law enforcement and public safety entities that will work together to better serve the county," briefing Senator Abel Maldonado's office on the upcoming Tour de California bicycle race, preparing for a meeting of CHP brass, following up on incidents for media, and teaching teens and their parents how to be better drivers.

Starkey, who has been patrolling the coastal highways and county roads on a motorcycle the last few years, said he loved that post but is thrilled with his new assignment — which still allows him to ride his CHP bike on occasion.

"It's a great position — hopefully you have your finger on the pulse and know what's going on — and there's so much information coming from every direction," he said. "I feel confident that I'm going to be able to handle it, but I'm hitting the learning curve."

Hailing from Turlock, Starkey was in high school when he first thought about becoming a CHP officer, but he was too young to sign up when he graduated and entered the U.S. Coast Guard instead in 1992.

His four-and-a-half years included stints in Washington,

D.C., where he handled ceremonial duties for the administrations of U.S. Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton, and on a high-endurance cutter that took him to nine countries. For four months during the Haitian uprising, for example, his crew rescued refugees from the sea.

He left the Coast Guard in 1996 and enrolled at California State University, Stanislaus, to study political science. Serving as student body president and interning for a state senator had him considering government work after he finished school in 2000, but a friend's graduation from the CHP academy re-ignited his interest in law enforcement.

"I decided this is what I wanted to do. It was another opportunity to serve the public, and to help people," he said. "I love what I do. I love the opportunities the CHP has given me — and to be able to have this great job and perform these duties in the most beautiful spot in the world."

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Food & Wine

Masters of Food & Wine celebrates its 20th Anniversary at the Highlands Inn

By CHARYN PFEUFFER

HAILED BY many as the finest forum of haute cuisine and wine pairings in the world, the Masters of Food & Wine,

an annual gathering of chefs and winemakers at the Highlands Inn, is pulling out all the stops for gastronomic pleasure for its 20th anniversary. Since 1986, the breathtaking backdrop of the Monterey County coastline has set the stage for enthusiastic chefs, winemakers, and food and wine aficionados. This year's schedule of events promises to please food and wine neophytes as well as know-it-alls.

On the wine side, more than 60 of the world's most famous producers will be serving rare and highly coveted wines from the most prestigious estates in Europe and California, including tastings of Gaja's best vintages of the '90s, nine vintages of Sassacaia (1994-2002), a tasting of all 10 vintages of Cabernet cult favorite, Screaming Eagle, a dozen vintages of Chateau Pichon-Baron Longueville, 10 vintages of Louis Latour Corton-Charlemagne, and a tasting of 10 vintages of Beaulieu Vineyards Georges de Latour Cabernet Sauvignon, (from 1969 to 2002).

Heitz Cellars, Robert Talbott Vineyards, Pride Mountain, Pisoni Vineyards & Winery, Castello Banfi, House of Bollinger, JJ Prum, Kistler, Ambullneo Vineyards, Au Bon Climat, Bond, Champagne Pommery, Churchill Port, Cold

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Everything – from table settings and floral arrangements, to the ways food is plated and wines are presented – sets the Masters of Food & Wine apart from culinary events all over the world. For its 20th anniversary, the Feb. 16-19 celebration at the Highlands Inn promises not just gustatory bliss, but a memorable experience that will please all the senses.

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February 8 (Wednesday)

Weight Loss & Weight Management

6:30–8:30 pm \$5 Beatrice Levinson, Naturopath
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February 9 (Thursday)

Decadent Desserts

6:30–8:30 pm \$35 Kristina Westphal
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(\$225)

10:30 a.m.-noon — Beaulieu Vineyards/Georges de Latour wine tasting (\$150)

Noon-2:30 p.m. — White, Hefter, Cora, Kinch, Joho & Yard lunch (\$175)

3-4:30 p.m. — Charlie Trotter cooking demonstration (\$75)

3-4:30 p.m. — Gaja wine tasting (\$250)

6:30 p.m. — David Samuelsson, Joho, Müller, Ayers, Trotter and Luchetti dinner (\$300)

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SATURDAY, FEB. 18

10:30 a.m.-noon — Roy Yamaguchi cooking demonstration (\$225)

10:30 a.m.-noon — Louis Latour wine tasting (\$150)

Noon-2:30 p.m. — Ginor, Kiss, Yamaguchi, Humm, Samuelsson and Piferoen lunch (\$175)

3-4:30 p.m. — Daniel Boulud cooking demonstration (\$75)

3-4:30 p.m. — Screaming Eagle wine tasting (\$1000)

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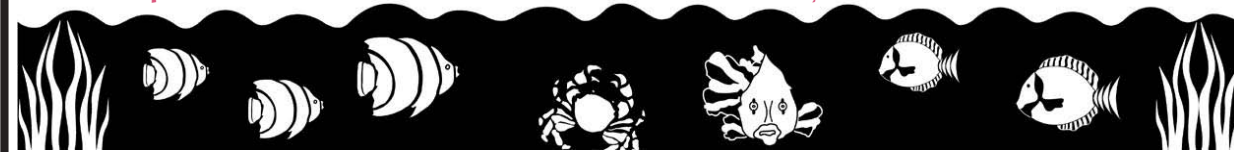
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was very impressed," he said. "There were no hassles, no horseplay, and yet they had a good time and got a lot more done than I thought they would the first day."

The second and third progressed just as smoothly, and the work was menial but evoked no complaints, according to Hill. Nobody left the center that final day until the room was cleaned. "It was a very gratifying experience for me, and something I never really would have thought of getting involved in," he said.

"It's always good to hear about the good things that teenagers do," Ruth Minerva commented.

JAWS

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others — provided the crew can get some more cars to destroy — before choosing which to carry on the engine.

Shift commander Bruce Meyer thanked Hill for saving the fire department money.

"Most often, we've had to purchase the cars and pay for them to be brought in and hauled away," Meyer said. "It used to be \$100 per car, but now it's more than double that."

One of this week's test vehicles had been abandoned in Big Sur and the other came from Pacific Grove. When the fire department was through, Hill hauled them away.

DESAL

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involve so much conjecture," said Cal Am spokeswoman Catherine Bowie.

But Bowie said the required study would probably not pose a problem for Cal Am.

"If for some reason Duke pulled out of Moss Landing or switched to a cooling system that didn't involve drawing water from the ocean, then we would apply for a national pollutant discharge elimination system permit from the Environmental Protection Agency," she said.

And Gallery said Cal Am would dilute the brine before it's dumped back into the ocean, in the event Duke ceased to operate.

The coastal commission also wants applicants to explore alternative methods of intake and outfall systems since small fish and other organisms are killed when they get trapped in intake screens where water is drawn from the ocean into the power plant.

A system of beach wells — a more expensive method which uses sand to filter larger organisms — should be explored as a water source for desal plants, Luster said.

HISTORIC

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ance, including two bay windows.

"There are [only] three commercial buildings on the inventory constructed prior to 1910," Conroy wrote in his staff report.

Lombardo countered that, while the second-story windows remain unchanged, the lower level has been altered and the space enlarged 300 percent.

"What he have is a building that maintains two bay windows from the turn of the century, with everything else changed," he said.

Board member Erling Lagerholm commented the expansion is not visible from the street, and member Erik Dyar said the building would be easily recognized by people who saw it almost a century ago.

The board unanimously voted to deny the appeal.

The decision was less definitive in the case of Norman and Eleanor Moscow's 81-year-old Camino Real home, which was altered in 1945 and 1999. While some of the changes are not visible from the street and appear consistent with federal standards for historic properties, Conroy said the added bedroom (1945) as well as the new roof pitch and rebuilt garage (1999), affected its appearance from the street.

"There is no elevation that is completely intact," he said.

Dyar disagreed, saying none of the alterations threatened the historic integrity of the house.

"This is one of the more difficult ones," Wendt said.

Ultimately, the board voted 3-2 to go against Conroy's recommendation and deny the appeal.

Keeping score

Of the 92 appeals originally filed, the historic resources board has upheld four — removing those properties from the inventory — and denied four.

Another 18 appeals were rendered moot by the board's decision to de-list post-1940 properties until the historic context statement is updated.

Acting administratively, city staff removed one property from the inventory, and three more appeals were withdrawn by the property owners, according to Conroy. The other 62 are still to be heard by the historic resources board.

LAGOON

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hands-off approach, content to let nature take its course.

"We're trying to maintain a natural process under unnatural circumstances," said Armas.

More harm than good

While the fishermen who opened the channel may have had the best of intentions, their actions could end up causing considerable harm. Instead of angling the direction of the channel to slow its current, they cut the breach directly out to sea, creating a swift flow of water that could sweep young steelhead into the ocean.

"Most of these fish aren't able to live in the ocean water yet," explained John McKeon, who works for the National Marine Fisheries Service as a natural resource management specialist.

According to McKeon, studies conducted by NMFS just six weeks ago — which analyzed gill tissue samples — determined only about 30 percent of the young steelhead in the lagoon could actually survive in the sea at this point in their development.

Unauthorized breaching could also drop the lagoon to a dangerously low water level, causing further peril to steelhead.

"If the fish don't manage to escape to the south end of the lagoon, they are susceptible to predation and their opportunities for growth are limited," said McKeon who, like Armas, enjoys fishing.

McKeon said the actions of a few individuals do not represent the fishing community as a whole.

"You can't paint all fishermen with one brush," he said. "Most of the fishermen I know are very conservation-minded. But as with any group, there are some people who are unaware or just don't care."

Frank Emerson, who coordinates fish rescues for the Carmel River Steelhead Association, defended the role of the fishing community in the rehabilitation of the local steelhead

population.

"If it weren't for the efforts of anglers, steelhead probably would have disappeared from the Carmel River," he said.

Fishermen trying to catch steelhead are subject to stringent regulations. Fishing is only allowed from Dec. 1 to March 7 on Wednesdays and weekends. Barbed hooks and bait are not permitted, and all fish caught must be immediately released.

"They try to make it as challenging as possible," said Emerson, also a fisherman.

Like McKeon, Emerson said it is essential steelhead are not swept out to sea before they are ready to go. In the brackish lagoon, the young fish thrive on a steady diet of high-calorie creatures such as briny shrimp, arthropods and worms, he said.

"It's a very critical phase of their life," Emerson explained. "We need to get the word out that [unauthorized breaching] is not permitted."

ADVICE

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Other factors contributed to the defeat of the proposed incorporation, including voter fears of losing police protection, educational funding and opportunities for affordable housing. Also, Rowett and incorporation chairman John Hidahl decided to run for city council, a move he believes distracted the two candidates from the campaign for incorporation. While Rowett narrowly missed getting elected, Hidahl received more votes than any of the 19 candidates for five council seats. But with incorporation failing, there is no city council to sit on.

Rowett still thinks incorporation is a viable option for El Dorado Hills, but someone else will have to lead the next drive. "I'm not sure I want to go through it again. Ten years is enough," he said.

The proposed incorporation of Carmel Valley could be decided by voters as early as this fall.



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SCHOOLS

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Howard Given over challengers Lewis Leader and Richard Kreitman last November, Lostrom decided he would make way for someone new.

"Staying on a board a long time, in any government position, doesn't help the common goal," he said. "It becomes more an ego-driven political office rather than doing something for the kids."

And with his son and daughter in college, Lostrom no longer has children enrolled in Carmel public schools.

"When your kids are involved day to day, you're closer to it and it's vibrant — there's great energy," he said. "And when your kids aren't there, you're a little step removed, and I think it's not a good thing."

Finally, he said division among board members "on a lot of pretty simple issues" also motivated his decision to resign. "I think a little chemistry change would be good to move the board forward," he said.

Leader declines, Kreitman applies

CUSD began accepting applications for the position this week. To qualify, a candidate must be a registered voter living in the district and not otherwise disqualified from holding civil office. The appointee selected by the school board Feb. 7 will serve out the remainder of Lostrom's term, which ends with the general election in November 2007.

Leader said he would not put himself in the running, but as an active substitute teacher and assistant JV baseball coach, he remains involved with the school district.



Ernie Lostrom

FLANDERS

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Disqualifying a judge does not typically delay a hearing, as the court simply reassigns the case, but Conners said two judges were on vacation Friday, so no one was available to hear arguments on the "motion to quash" he filed in December.

But in Conners, Flanders Foundation President Melanie Billig improperly served the complaint on the city by delivering it to city hall herself. According to law, anyone who is a party to a suit cannot serve it. If the court agrees, the suit could be dismissed, as CEQA suits must be served within 10 days of being filed.

But in the response Brandt-Hawley submitted to the court, she argued Billig is not a party to the suit, because the foundation is a nonprofit corporation, which is treated as a "person" under California law. Even if the service was improper, she argued, the city was not harmed as a result, and the case should be decided on its merits.

The hearing on the motion to quash is now set for Feb. 3, likely before Judge Robert O'Farrell, according to Conners.

EIR to begin for Sand City resort

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

SAND CITY council members gave the go-ahead last week to an environmental impact report for a proposed 23-acre beachfront resort off Highway 1.

John E. King of San Luis Obispo-based King Ventures wants to build a 216-room, 227,000-square-foot development to be named The Collection at Monterey Bay/Playa Avenue Resort Hotel.

"The consultants performing the EIR will generate a series of traffic and biology studies, and they will analyze them and make recommendations to the city," said Dave Watson, the project's development director.

After the EIR is finished, which could take up to a year, public hearings on the project will follow. The resort faces challenging environmental hurdles from the California Coastal Commission. The land where the hotel is to be located was zoned for "visitor serving uses" in the Sand City Local Coastal Program, certified by the coastal commission.

While the EIR is being drafted, Sand City officials will analyze the project more closely, looking at view protection policies, and coastal plan and habitat issues, said Steve Matarazzo, Sand City's community development director.

The resort, which would bring in an estimated \$1.5 million to Sand City annually and employ as many as 200 workers, would lie parallel to Highway 1 at Tioga Avenue and extend north of Playa Avenue.

King Ventures will pay most of the estimated \$250,000 cost of the EIR.

"I've given it a lot of thought and decided not to," he said. While raising issues during his campaign, Leader said he "stepped on some toes," which could divide board members in deciding whether to appoint him.

"I would rather the board find someone they could perhaps reach unanimity on," he said.

Kreitman picked up his paperwork from the district office Wednesday and said he hopes the board will choose him.

"I want to support academic improvement without losing all the wonderful enrichment and arts and all that we have," said Kreitman, who is a member of the fundraising Friends of Carmel Unified Schools. "We could be the best school district in California — that's not just a pipe dream."

Lostrom said he is certain many qualified and interested people — perhaps parents as fervent as he was when he had

first elected seven years ago — will apply.

"Part of me will really miss being there, because I had a really strong passion for everything we did," he told The Pine Cone Tuesday. "I like to think I made a difference, and it was a wonderful experience."

Anyone interested in serving on the school board may request an application by contacting the CUSD Superintendent's Office, P.O. Box 222700, Carmel, CA 93922 or by calling (831) 624-1546, ext. 30. The district office is located at Carmel Middle School on Carmel Valley Road, and applications are due by 5 p.m. Feb. 3. Members of the public can provide comments in writing or in person at the public meeting set for Tuesday, Feb. 7, when candidates will be interviewed and a final appointment made. The new board member will be sworn in Feb. 13.

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Editorial

What the non-election means

FOR THE last three elections, the competition was fierce to be Mayor of Carmel-by-the-Sea, with Sue McCloud ousting four-term mayor Ken White in 2000 and then fighting off challenges from Barbara Livingston and Dick Ely in 2002 and 2004.

Likewise, council races in all of those years were hotly competitive, with issues such as Sunset Center, taxes, the Hatton Canyon freeway, tourism, job cuts and downtown parking being endlessly debated.

But this year, the election (April 11) is turning out to be a big nothing, with McCloud and her council allies who are up for reelection, Paula Hazdovac and Gerard Rose, drawing only token — some would say nonexistent — opposition.

What accounts for this seeming outbreak of political unanimity? Have the citizens of Carmel suddenly decided they agree about everything? Are there no more controversies to make the blood boil at council meetings? Is there nobody out there who thinks he would make a better mayor than McCloud and who has the gumption to try to defeat her?

The answer is that this council may not have done a perfect job, but it has done a good one. Mayor McCloud's style of leadership may rub some people the wrong way, but the accomplishments of her administration are undeniable: The Local Coastal Program is finished. Sunset Center has become the Peninsula's foremost performing arts facility and is being professionally managed with a reduced subsidy from the town's taxpayers. Even the beleaguered owners of 300 homes recently declared "historic" have to realize they are better off with the current leadership at city hall than they would have been with the last one.

Still, it is no secret McCloud has plenty of political opponents. Their silence in this election year is a bit of a mystery.

But there is one message in the dearth of challengers to McCloud, Hazdovac and Rose that is inescapable: The majority of the people in this town support the council's decision to sell Flanders Mansion.

We pointed out last week that the lawsuit seeking to halt the sale of the old place is only pretending to be in the "public interest," and that it is actually backed by just a small group of people who claim to foresee Flanders being turned into a useful public building.

But if the Flanders Foundation truly had substantial public backing, the group's obvious first course of action would be to offer candidates who would promise to halt the sale of the mansion as soon as they were elected. But when the filing period for candidates closed two weeks ago, the silence from the Flanders Foundation was deafening.

Instead, the group hopes to convince a judge that the will of the people of Carmel-by-the-Sea — who have plainly decided they would rather use the \$4 million or so the city has invested in Flanders Mansion for some other, more worthy civic purpose — must give way to a supposedly overriding state law.

But the question of whether to sell Flanders Mansion is a purely local issue which should be decided through the democratic process at Carmel City Hall. Which it already has been. The upcoming, noncontested election just puts the exclamation point on it.

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"He'll do anything to get a Carmel Resident Parking Sticker."

Letters to the Editor

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The Pine Cone is no longer able to accept letters to the editor by fax. Please submit your letters by U.S. mail, e-mail, or in person (addresses are provided below).

'Paternalistic and haughty'

Dear Editor,

I attended the debate on the general plan initiative at Marina Town Hall. I was shocked by the paternalistic and haughty attitude displayed by Chris Fitz, executive director of Landwatch. The Community General Plan Initiative was composed by 18 very narrow special interest groups including Landwatch. Chris Fitz' response to questions and criticisms was that a few people should decide the property rights and needs

of everyone in the county. This is called socialist theocracy.

Tom Carvey, the executive director of Common Ground (which represents 90% of the groups that employ or provide us services in this county) admitted that democracy is a messy process. The ongoing five-year process to develop a general plan by our elected representatives has been difficult and expensive. But that is the price that we choose to pay to live in a country where our individual rights are protected by the Constitution.

The Community General Plan Initiative is deeply flawed. Their advertising is misleading. This initiative will remove individuals' property rights, will be detrimental to the agricultural industry and will ghetto-ize newcomers (who make less than \$150,000 a year) to five rural areas.

Christine Monteith
Pacific Grove

Can't believe he's gone

Dear Editor,

I still can't believe our beloved friend Eldon Dedini is gone and, as someone said, "I don't have to believe it if I don't want to."

When I was introduced to him in 1953 I sensed I was meeting someone of heartening substance. The following five decades of

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neighborly activities more than proved that sensing.

Calling Eldon a cartoonist is merely the tip of an impressive iceberg. Beneath the surface glowed a superb painter, a remarkably inventive illustrator, philosopher, humorist, a keen observer revealing life's little truths with his unerring brush. His chief reward was the viewer's invariable burst of laughter.

He was a walking repository of eclectic knowledge. Politics, art history, jazz, wine — you name it. I gave up using an encyclopedia on a subject search. It was faster to pick up the phone and call Eldon

Too many of today's comics, stand-up and sit-down, are motivated by anger. Anger is not funny. Eldon was motivated by love. Love of the visual arts, music, theater, literature, nature. Those of us lucky enough to receive his personally designed birthday cards, year after year, note they were always signed, "Con amore."

He was a man as giving of his time and talent aiding friends and organizations in need as he was to his craft. He graced every social gathering with his delightful, informative sought-after company.

Among his peers he was hailed as "King," not because he hailed from King City but for his unique, multitalented per-

sona and courtly demeanor.

Famed names of the Salinas Valley and Monterey Peninsula should in future well read, "Steinbeck, Ricketts, Jeffers, Dedini"

Gus Arriola
Carmel

Cats on leashes?

Dear Editor,

I was intrigued by an incident in the police log from Jan. 13, describing a modern-day version of the age-old conflict between dogs and cats.

In this case, three dogs and their owner, while on a stroll, came upon a gang of cats and their owner. The dogs were unleashed (as were the cats) and one apparently startled the elderly cats when the dog trotted into the cat's garage.

The police were summoned. They reprimanded the dog owner and admonished him to place his charges on leash.

I'm reminded of a Bud Light commercial: "Why is that?" Why do dogs have to wear a leash while cats are allowed to roam? What if one of the cats had scratched out the dog's eye(s)? In our entrenched system of civil litigation, the dog would then have been entitled to sue the cat. Imagine — loss of sight, loss of wages, loss of consortium.

You might laugh, but that's how our system works. No one could make up a scam this preposterous.

As I see it, the dog's the victim here. That dangerous (albeit Medicare eligible) cat was the perpetrator in this altercation. Where's Mark Geragos when you need him?

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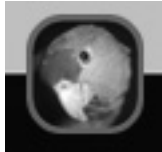


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Sandy Claws

By Margot Petit Nichols

BEAU O'NEILL, 4-and-a-half, is a Yorkiepoo with real charisma.

When we met him on the Scenic Road walking path above Carmel Beach Wednesday, his ears were pricked up and the winter sun glinted off his silky, champagne-colored hair.

Beau hadn't been down to water's edge that day – too many big dogs running around down there, Dad Bob thought. Beau only goes down when the coast is clear, having been nipped at a few times by large dogs.

Yorkiepoos are known for their intelligence. His Dad said he has a large vocabu-

lary: When Mom Lynn calls out, "Bedtime," Beau toddles off to the kitchen, straight into his sleeping crate. They spell words when they don't want Beau to know what they're talking about, but sometimes he understands the spelling, too.

Beau's favorite toy is a fish with the face of a cat – a catfish – and although he plays with it more than all his other toys, it still has its ears and fins after two solid years of tossing and cuddling.

Sometimes, Beau retires to a closet and refuses to come out. At such times, Mom and Dad ring the doorbell so Beau will dash to the front door to see who's visiting. But he soon caught on to this trick and ignored the doorbell. Mom and Dad then hit on the idea of ringing the doorbell and feigning greetings to nonexistent visitors in order to flush him out. He still falls for that one.

Beau has neighborhood pals: Happy, who is three times his size, and Lily, who lives up the street. He's crazy about children, especially girls, and has a built-in admiration society with his six grown brothers and sisters, and 13 nieces and nephews.



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Friends of Sunset announces new members, program

THREE NEW members have been elected to serve on the board of trustees of the Friends of Sunset Foundation, which provides services and fundraising support for cultural activities and facilities owned and operated by the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Newly named are Diane Flanders, Alice Lamb and Karen Nelson. In a new initiative,

Ken White, president of the organization, announced that a portion of the proceeds from these programs will be used to subsidize tickets to events at Sunset for low-income seniors and for high school and middle school students involved in the cultural arts. For more information, call (831) 624-4538.

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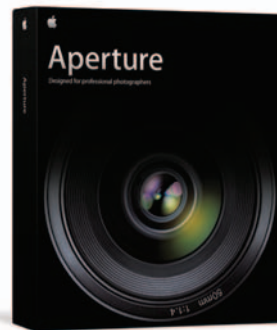
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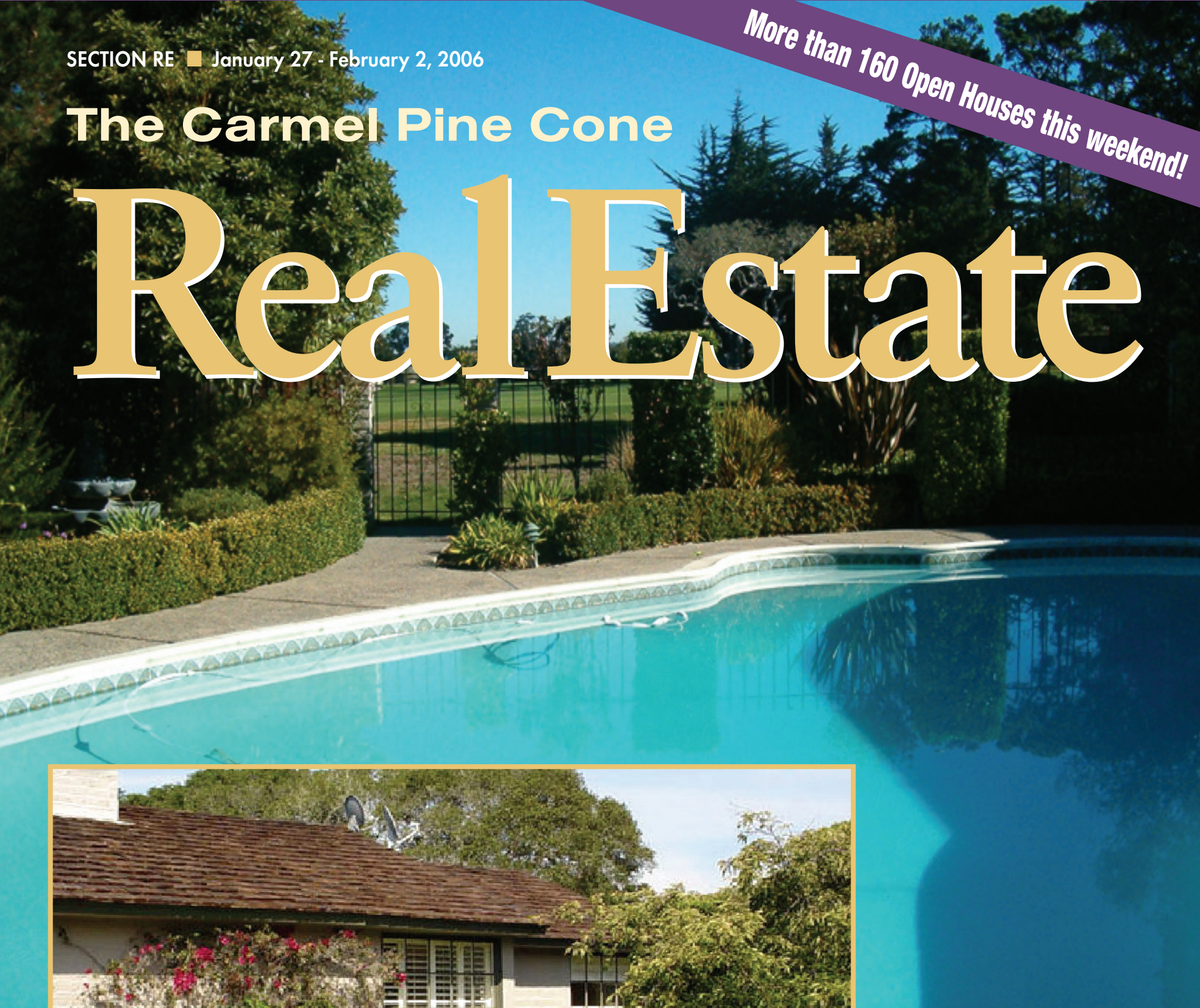
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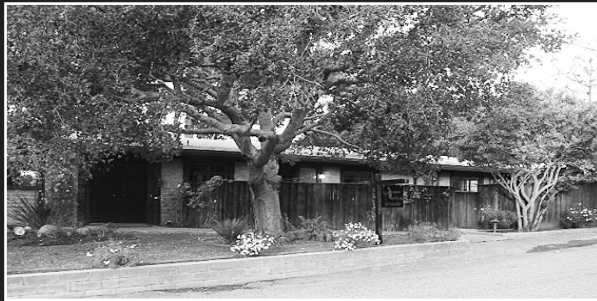


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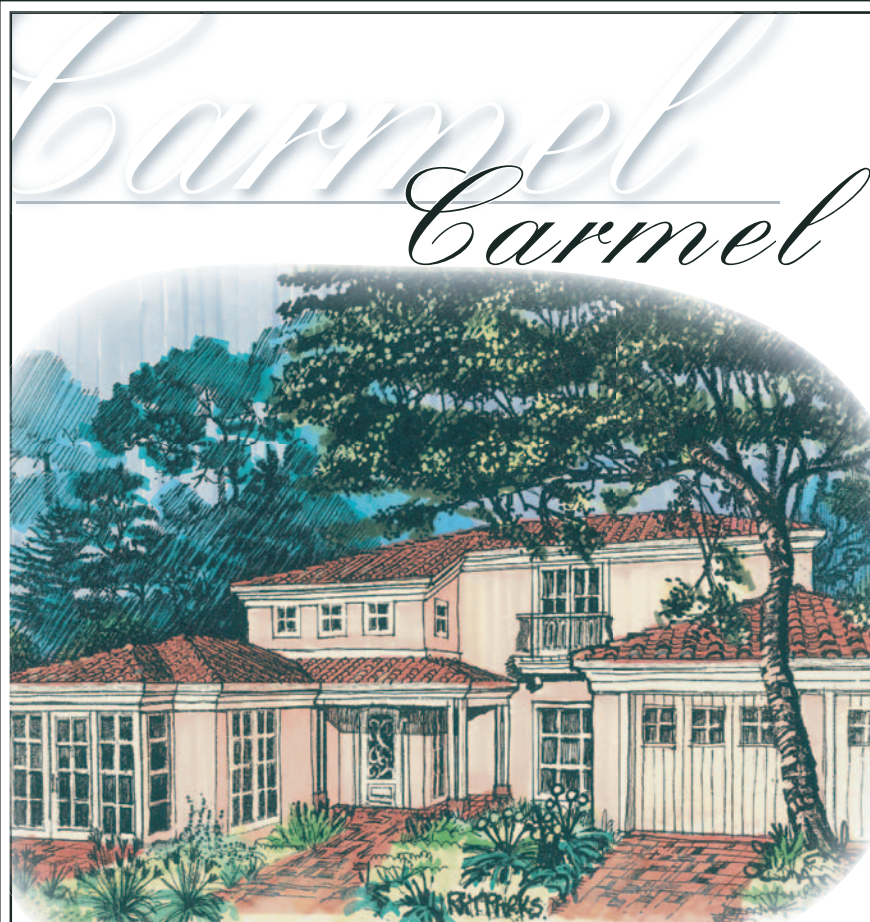


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218 Locust Street — \$770,000

Suzanne Monroe Trust to Randolph & Beverly Saar
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California-Nevada Methodist Homes to P.G.H.C.C. Inc.
APN: 006-226-001

Salinas

1107 South Main Street — \$465,000

ConocoPhillips Co., a Delaware company, to Suncor Holdings - COP II LLC, a Delaware company
APN: 002-661-048

16 Gabilan Street — \$1,400,000

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APN: 002-185-023



200 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove — \$2,400,000

808 N. Main — \$4,460,000

Naran Family Trust to Central Coast Development LLC
APN: 003-223-006

Seaside

1185 San Pablo Court — \$160,000

Redevelopment Agency of the City of Seaside to Guadalupe Hernandez-Palma
APN: 012-051-034

1610 Soto Street — \$620,000

Willie & Gwendolyn Laster to Marcos Hernandez
APN: 012-654-042

Compiled from official county records.

POLICE LOG

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Carmel Valley: Deputies were dispatched concerning a possible subject for hold under section 5150 of the Welfare & Institutions Code. After a welfare check of the 79-year-old female at her East Carmel Valley Road residence, it was determined she did not meet the criteria. Case closed.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A juvenile suspect, age 17, was contacted at 0001 hours walking on Mission Street at Fifth Avenue with a beer. Juvenile cited for being a minor in possession and was released to his father.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reporting party called stating that her estranged boyfriend was causing a disturbance at her place of employment. Both parties were counseled. The children left with the RP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to an assistance request from Carmel P.D. for a welfare check at San Carlos and Vista. Engine canceled prior to arrival by Carmel P.D.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to a medical emergency on Ocean Avenue. At scene, found an elderly female who was complaining of chest pains. Firefighters assisted Westmed ambulance crew with preparing the patient for transport to CHOMP.

Carmel area: A 54-year-old female reported that two female adults and one male adult stole several items from the Albertson's store in Carmel Rancho Center.

Carmel area: A male subject, age 55, requested a civil standby at a Sycamore Place residence so he could check on the welfare of his 7-year-old daughter in the care of his ex-wife.

Pebble Beach: A male suspect and two juvenile friends were cited for possession of marijuana.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Juvenile, age 16, cited for possession of marijuana at Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Juvenile suspect, age 17, cited for marijuana, curfew and tobacco.

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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Complaint of a loud party on Guadalupe Street. Arrived and saw several subjects talking loudly in the front yard. Advised the subjects of the complaint, and they agreed to keep the noise down. There were no other problems noted and the reporting party declined contact.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: On Sunday, Jan. 15, made contact with the owner of a dog in reference to a complaint of no shelter at a Santa Rita Street residence. The dog has been kept tied up or in a pen while the owner is away from the house. Discussed appropriate confinement for the dog. A warning was given for no shelter, and a followup contact will be made.

Carmel area: A male subject, age 44, reported that a subject rented the "granny unit" at his Carpenter Street residence. The subject hasn't paid any rent, so the reporting party wanted to know if he could throw away the subject's stuff.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A female suspect, age 41, was contacted for failing to pay a taxi fare in the amount of \$1,046. The fare was from Santa Monica to Carmel. She had no means to pay the taxi driver. Additionally, she was intoxicated to the point where she was unable to care for herself and/or others. She was arrested for defrauding and public intoxication.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Seven citations issued to drivers for violating the California Vehicle Code on Carpenter Street, Second Avenue, Del Mar Avenue and Sixth Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A subject was stopped because there was a juvenile seated in the lap of a female in the front passenger seat of a vehicle on Guadalupe Street. The driver was cited for the seat belt violation as well as driving on a suspended license.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reporting party called about the loss of a package that was sent to a patron in New York. A courtesy report was taken.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A citizen found a camera on the beach area. Apparently, the reporting party/finder was calling from Menlo Park, but she had disconnected. Followup is pending with regards to the matter.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle towed from Mission Street for expired registration.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a direct report of a vehicle leaking a small amount of fuel at Scenic between 12th and 13th. Engine and ambulance on scene. A small amount of fuel was leaking from the filler cap area due to an overflow and expansion/angle parking. Crews placed

absorbent on the small spill and the vehicle was removed by the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a reported structure fire at a hotel on San Carlos Street. Light smoke showing from lower level off driveway. Crews deployed a 200-foot, 1-3/4 inch preconnect line to the laundry room and extinguished a small fire along the interior north wall cabinetry utilizing 75 to 100 gallons of water, obtaining knockdown in five to 10 minutes. Ram fan deployed for positive pressure ventilation, and along with personnel from Cypress Fire Engine 7212, performed minimal overhaul and checked for extension. Fire declared contained at 1608 hours. Inspection performed, and as it appeared to be faulty wiring, an inspector was summoned to attempt to determine cause. Estimated loss was \$10,000 to structure and \$15,000 to contents.

Carmel area: A Mal Paso Road resident reported a male subject, age 26, was missing.

Carmel area: A 45-year-old male reported a suspicious person returning items at Longs Drugs in the Crossroads.

Carmel Valley: A female resident called County Communications and advised she attempted to overdose on medication. She was transported to CHOMP, then to Natividad Medical Center, on a 72-hour hold under 5150 W&I.

Pebble Beach: During a vehicle check at 2206 hours in the parking lot at Stevenson and Portola, a 37-year-old male suspect tried to back into the deputy's car. As he was trying to leave, he tried to run over the deputy two more times with the front of his


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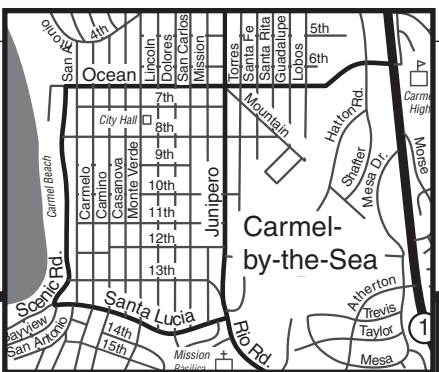
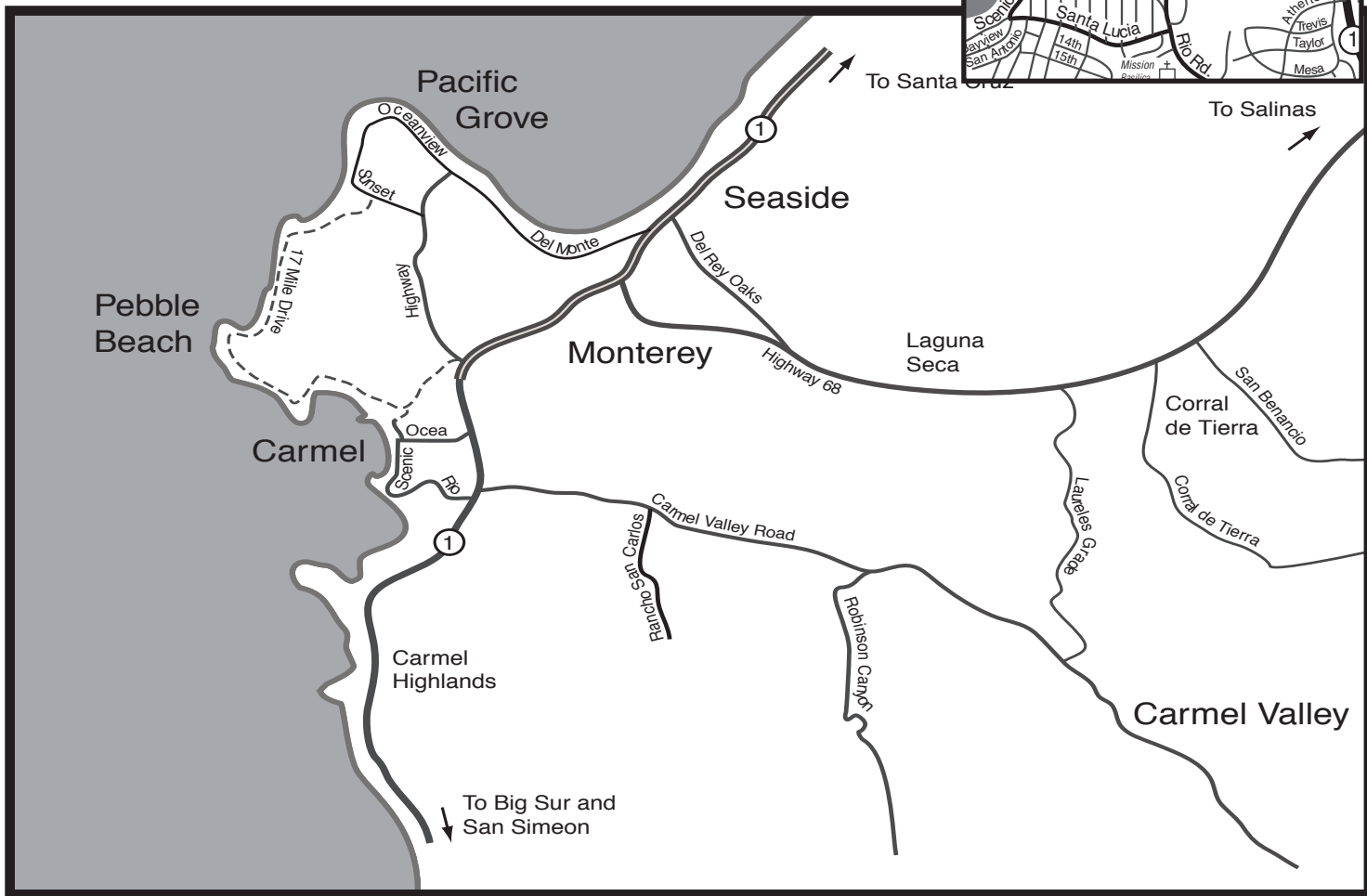


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\$995,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 2-4
934 Fountain Pacific Grove 917-8290 The Jones Group		
\$1,050,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 12-2
505 Monterey Avenue Pacific Grove 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$1,295,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2:30-4:30
515 Cypress Avenue Pacific Grove 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$1,295,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
515 Cypress Avenue Pacific Grove 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$1,395,000	3bd 2ba	SaSu 1-4
405 Monterey Avenue Pacific Grove 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$1,475,000	2bd 3ba+den	Sa 12-1:30
138 18th Street Pacific Grove 626-2226 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$1,495,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
627 Spazier Avenue (R/C) Pacific Grove 626-2226 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
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1123 Balboa Pacific Grove 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$1,595,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 2-4
1123 Balboa x Companion Way Pacific Grove 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
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494 Grove Acre Avenue (R/C) Pacific Grove 626-2226 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$2,499,000	4bd 2ba	Su 2-4
877 Balboa Pacific Grove 236-7780 The Jones Group		
\$2,499,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
877 Balboa Pacific Grove 917-4534 The Jones Group		

PEBBLE BEACH

\$1,375,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 12-5 Su 12-4
4086 Pine Meadows Way Pebble Beach 625-0500 John Saar Properties		
\$1,425,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
1211 Lake Court Pebble Beach 626-2221 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$1,650,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
2958 Club Road Pebble Beach 624-6482 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$1,770,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
4147 Sunset Lane Pebble Beach 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$1,770,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
4147 Sunset Lane Pebble Beach 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
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3041 Strawberry Hill Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
\$1,975,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-3
4034 Mora In Pebble Beach 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,100,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 2-4
3025 Birdrock Road Pebble Beach 626-2223 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$2,250,000	2bd 3ba	Su 2-4
1043 Sombrero Road Pebble Beach 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$2,275,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-5 Su 1-4
1085 Herders Rd Pebble Beach 624-0136 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,350,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-4
3881 Ronda Road Pebble Beach 626-2221 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$2,483,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
3138 Hermitage Pebble Beach 624-0136 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,483,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
3138 Hermitage Pebble Beach 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,495,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
3079 Sloat Pebble Beach 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,547,000	2bd 2ba	Su 12-3
987 Coral Drive Pebble Beach 646-2120 Sotheby's Int'l RE		
\$2,795,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-4
3088 Valdez Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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1041 San Carlos Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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2873 Sloat Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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1548 Viscaino Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
\$5,495,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 1-4
1267 Padre Lane Pebble Beach 626-2221 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
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1267 Padre Lane Pebble Beach 626-2221 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
\$5,495,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4 Su 2-4
1688 Crespi Lane Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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1207 Benbow Pebble Beach 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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\$624,000	2bd 1ba	Su 1:30-3:30
1816 Mendocino Seaside 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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1145 Ricardo Court Seaside 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		
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1782 Juarez Seaside 622-1040 Alain Pinel Realtors		
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1844 Nadina Street Seaside 626-2222 Coldwell Banker Del Monte		

SOUTH COAST

\$4,000,000	5bd 4.5ba	Su 1-4
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vehicle. He left the scene and was stopped after a short pursuit.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident on Ocean Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citations issued to two drivers for violations of the California Vehicle Code on Carpenter Street and Junipero Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reporting party found a jewelry article in the roadway of Mountain View. It was forwarded to the department for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 49-year-old male was arrested for driving under the influence on Ocean Avenue in an assist for the California Highway Patrol.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report from Monterey County Animal Services of a dog bite vs. a person on Lincoln Street.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision on public property on San Antonio Avenue. Subject contacted at the Carmel gate and questioned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of loud music. Party was contacted and quieted down.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to a person down at the post office at Dolores and Fifth. The person had left upon firefight-

ers' arrival, so there was no patient contact.

Carmel Valley: A female reported that she was sexually assaulted on Jan. 14 at a location in Carmel Valley.

Carmel area: A male Corona Road resident, age 21, reported receiving three calls from an unknown caller.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A vehicle was parked on Fifth Avenue in excess of 72 hours without moving. It was towed per authority of the California Vehicle Code.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Non-injury accident at Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reporting party called to report her cellphone missing. RP said she placed the cellphone down in the lady's restroom while visiting Carmel Plaza. RP said she accidentally left the phone in the restroom, and when she returned to retrieve the phone, it was missing. RP did not see anyone around when she left the restroom or when she returned. RP wanted to document the incident in the event the phone is turned in.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to an auto-aid request from California Department of Forestry for a structure fire on Ward Place at 0023 hours. Engine crew helped Cypress Fire Engine crew with blower ventilation and reloading their attack lines. Engine returned at 0145 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine responded to an auto-aid request by CDF for a possible

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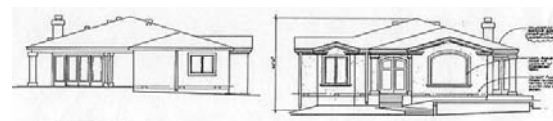
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structure fire at the holistic animal hospital on Carmel Rancho Boulevard. Engine canceled en route.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Dolores Street. Firefighters assisted ambulance crew with vitals, C-spine, patient report information and loading for a juvenile female who had fallen down a stairway in a courtyard. Patient transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a reported hazardous condition for a possible fuel spill on Santa Rita at First. On arrival, met with the reporting party who stated there was an oily sheen in the water runoff at the edge of the street. The light residue was traced to a vehicle parked on the east side of the street. The owner of the vehicle was contacted and stated a bottle containing approximately 3 ounces of two-stroke oil had spilled in the back of his truck and leaked on the

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ground. He stated he was unaware the oil had been carried away in the water runoff down the street. Crews applied absorbent material to catch the oil in the runoff, and public works was notified to have the absorbent material removed the following day.

Pebble Beach: A female Viscaio Road resident, age 59, reported unknown suspects removed a gate remote control from the mailbox of the her residence, sometime over the last week

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine, ambulance, battalion chief and rescue responded to a reported chimney fire at the restaurant at Mission and Fifth. Crews investigated the lower dining room fireplace, which had an active fire burning two-thirds up the interior of the chimney. The firewood was removed from the fireplace and two chimfex were deployed, extinguishing the fire. The restaurant's roof was laddered and inspected to ensure there was no extension. Manager advised to have the chimney inspected/cleaned and to prohibit staff from the building of such large fires (seven large pieces of firewood).

Pebble Beach: A 76-year-old male Cormorant Road resident reported a complete set of golf clubs was taken from his open garage on Jan. 8 at approximately 1445 hours. No suspect information.

Carmel Valley: A male subject, age 52, reported that at Cachagua Community Park on Nason Road, he was yelled at by two local individuals upon his arrival at the park and told to leave. Some words were exchanged, and he left. He thought the subjects might be selling drugs.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision reported on public property on Mission Street. Property damage only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman reported her neighbor's dog on Carpenter Street continuously barking. The dispatcher was also able to hear the dog over the phone. Heard the dog upon arrival. Able to contact the owner, who told the officer the dog was in heat and has been very vocal. The dog quit barking upon the owner's arrival. License and rabies tags were current. Owner was left with a written warning.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A 1-year-old brown Lab mix was found running loose in the area of Second Avenue. Dog is chipped with chip number identified. Dog had no collar at the time it was picked up.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a fire alarm activation at the Pan American Building, Fifth and Junipero. The building was clear, and the alarm panel indicated a system trouble in zone one. Alarm company contacted by FireComm and indicated they showed the system in fire alarm. Arrangements made through FireComm to have alarm system serviced, and alarm left in system trouble.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Junipero. Firefighters assisted ambulance crew with patient care, oxygen administration and loading of an infant female having difficulty breathing. The patient, accompanied by her mother, was transported by ambulance to



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Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a reported hazardous condition at the inn at Mission and Third. Crews investigated light smoke coming from the elevator control room. As a key to the room could not be found in the Knox Box, the door to the control room was forced. The elevator's hydraulic pump system was found to be running and overheated, so the electrical panel was located and the breakers shut off. No responsible party could be located so the elevator's service company was contacted by the fire department and notified as to the problem and need of repairs.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance en route to a request for assistance at Dolores and Fifth. Crews assisted an elderly female back into her chair, after she had slipped and fallen in the closet while attempting to remove an item from the shelf. The patient was assessed, refused further medical care and signed a medical release.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to a report of construction before hours at 0745. Contacted a subcontractor employee at the Mission Street site who said that he didn't know about the ordinance and was told to report at the job site first thing in the morning. He was advised and given a warning.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported her vehicle was damaged sometime today while it was parked on Junipero Street. However, the last time she saw the damaged part of her vehicle was on Sunday, Jan. 15. There are no suspects and no witnesses.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reporting party received a notice from a credit card company that she might be the victim of an account

takeover.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported her neighbor's dog on Carpenter Street was barking nonstop. Officer took the call and could hear the dog barking loudly on the phone. Since the owner was not home, a courtesy notice was left. It should be noted that the officer responded to this same location yesterday for the same problem. Contact was made with the owner at that time.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Units picked up two found dogs in the area of Casanova and Ninth. The dogs were reunited with the owner at the police department.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two citations issued to drivers on Rio Road and Serra Avenue for vehicle code violations.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency at Mission and First. Firefighters helped the ambulance crew with an elderly male who was having difficulty breathing. Engine had to go to CHOMP to pick up the engineer.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to reported wires down at Lincoln and Second. Crews secured a downed TV cable line with flagging to the side of the roadway. FireComm advised to contact Comcast cable for repairs.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Fire engine and ambulance responded to a medical emergency on Ocean. Crew assisted ambulance with vitals, splinting, bleeding control, full c-spine, patient report information and loading for a male who had fallen 6 feet from a ladder while attempting to trim tree limbs. Patient transported to CHOMP by ambulance.

Carmel Valley: A 24-year-old female reported being bat-

tered by her ex-roommate.

Pebble Beach: After a traffic stop, a 43-year-old male driver was stopped on 17 Mile Drive by the China Rock lookout and found to be under the influence of an alcoholic beverage.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Reporting party found a wallet on Junipero Street. Owner was contacted and wallet was returned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Grand theft from a victim at Dolores and Ocean. A 20-inch-by-20-inch painting with a gilded frame, valued at \$2,500, and a wood statue of St. Mark with a lion's head, valued at \$3,000, were taken from the business.



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CARMEL SCENIC DRIVE! One of the last remaining vacant home sites on Scenic Drive awaits a visionary buyer. Fabulous with views of crashing surf from Pt. Lobos to Pescadero Point. On a street-to-street double lot, with a 3-bedroom, 2-bath charming cottage on Ocean View Avenue. \$6,700,000.

CASA NUEVA! Another beautiful Frank Bruno team renovation is underway on this prime Golden Rectangle location. The delightful plan calls for 3-bedrooms, 2-baths, vaulted ceilings and includes a secluded entry patio, and two sets of French doors. \$2,895,000.

THE DOLPHIN! High off the street, a charming, older 3-bedroom, 2-bath home is looking for your rejuvenating expertise. With hardwood floors throughout, a bay-window eating area in the kitchen, and a beautiful rear yard with patio and oaks. \$1,085,000.



MEDITERRANEAN INSPIRED HOME! Enjoy views of Carmel Mission and Pt. Lobos at this 3-bedroom, 3-bath, plus-office residence. Adjacent to Mission Trails Park and an easy stroll to Carmel Beach. On .5+ acre with mature oaks, patios, and professional landscaping. \$3,195,000.

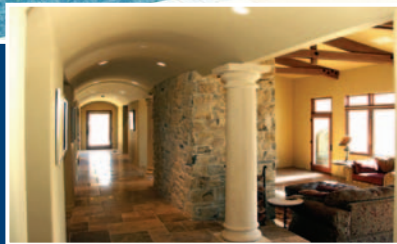
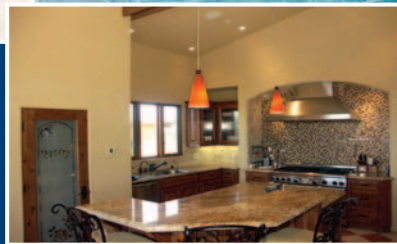
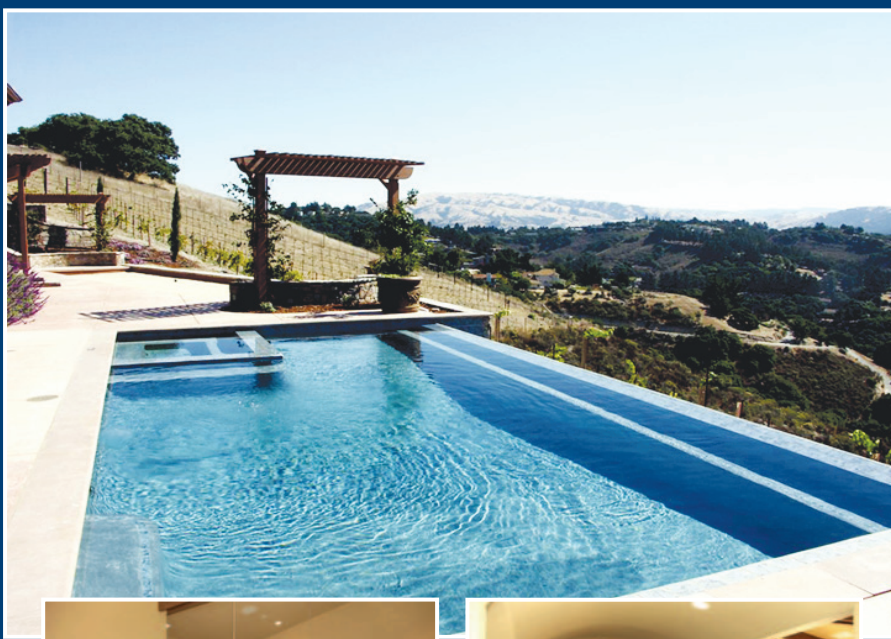
EASY GETAWAY! This ideal 2-bedroom, 2-bath "getaway" nest has a with a versatile great room, Carmel stone fireplace, and a view of the ocean out the front window, hardwood floors throughout and a double-car garage. Stroll to the beach and Pebble Beach. \$1,199,000.

BIRDIE'S HOUSE This 2-bedroom, 1-bath hand-crafted Carmel cottage is nestled among oaks and camellias, and in a walk-to-everything location. Offering preserved vintage touches throughout, Carmel stone patios, and a sweetly landscaped garden. \$1,125,000.



CLASSIC CARMEL PLUS LAVISH LUXURY Enjoy this completely remodeled cottage offering 2-bedrooms, 1-bath, and boasts the top-of-the-line in every aspect. Including quality materials, granite countertops, oak flooring, and more. Walk-to-town location & easy access to Hwy. 1. \$1,349,000.

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wander along peaceful valley acres
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Vineyard Estate Home

This sparkling new Mediterranean estate villa on five acres with ocean and Valley views amid its own Chardonnay and Pinot Noir vineyard will be a home you'll never want to leave! Entertain around a fabulous infinity pool, bocce ball court, outdoor terrace with outdoor kitchen, fireplace and newly landscaped gardens full of stone walls and terraces. The full-sized guest house has a kitchen, 1-1/2 baths, living room and attached garage. Also a 670 sq.ft. wine production facility! Eat, drink and be merry! \$4,895,000.

CARMEL VALLEY



CROWN JEWEL OF SLEEPY HOLLOW! Gorgeous French country estate home of over 8,000 sq. ft. sited on 5.9 acres in a sunny, gated community. It offers 7-bedrooms and 6-1/2 baths, pool, pool house & guest quarters. The estate was completely updated and rebuilt less than three years ago. \$6,300,000.

MID VALLEY MASTERPIECE! Spectacular, gorgeous, and dramatic describe this brand new 4,700 sq. ft., 4-bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, Tierra Grande masterpiece with extraordinary valley and mountain views. Thoughtful attention to detail. On 1.2 acres just minutes from Carmel. \$2,998,000.

MONTEREY

CHARMING HOME! Charming 2-bedroom home on a sunny corner lot with private and peaceful garden patios in front and back yards. Inspiring artist's studio will only enhance your creativity with its many possibilities. Priced to sell in "as is" condition. \$659,000.



INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY! This well maintained two-building complex sits on two parcels in a great walk-to-beach location! Features include 10 units: six large 1-bedroom units, and the other four units have 2 bedrooms and 2 baths which include a 1900 sq. ft. owner's unit. Off-street parking and new exterior paint. \$2,425,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

NEAR THE LODGE! This Mediterranean masterpiece is an unspoiled treasure with outdoor breezeways and private garden courtyard. Offering spectacular views, this home is sited on 1.25 acres and boasts 5 bedrooms, 5-1/2 baths and a 1-bedroom guesthouse with full kitchen. \$7,850,000.

NO PLACE LIKE HOME! This residence offers an unparalleled combination of design, detail and views. Featuring 3-bedrooms, 3-baths and an endless view across the Dunes Course at MPCC. From the fabulous hand-painted tile kitchen to the elegant living room. Office exclusive. \$3,295,000.



FOREST RETREAT! Enjoy tranquility at this 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home of 2,400 sq. ft. on a large lot in a park-like setting. The sunken living room has a marble fireplace & vaulted ceilings. Multiple decks and two-car attached garage. \$2,995,000.

OCEAN VIEW SPLENDOR! Stunning front-line golf course and ocean-view townhouse with all of the amenities of resort living next to The Inn at Spanish Bay. Approximately 4,200 sq. ft. of elegance with private courtyard entry, 3-bedrooms, and 3-1/2 baths. \$3,700,000.



ON THE GOLF COURSE! Located on the newly-designed MPCC Shore Course 2nd hole, this spacious residence has 3600 sq. ft., 3-bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths, and ocean-views. Features include a two-story foyer, large family room, and country kitchen opening out to a wrap-around deck. \$2,395,000.

PLACE IN PARADISE! You can build your dream home on this sunny 1.5+acre ocean-view parcel, or spruce up this 2,200 sq. ft., fifty-year old home. You'll be just a five minute walk to The Lodge and in the middle of the estate area. Residence includes 3 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths. \$3,595,000.

CORRAL DE TIERRA



COUNTRY AIRS... park-like grounds offering 3-bedrooms, 2-bath home on level one-half acre site. Charming, livable, abundant French doors, garden room, 3-car garage, boathouse, babbling... Brook... Fun! Near Corral de Tierra Country Club. \$1,375,000.

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